



# Health data and prevention

*by improving **data quality, relevance and accessibility**  
well-being and prevention of disease could be improved*

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## What affects early death?



Life style and Life  
Conditions  
40%



Family history and  
genetics  
30%

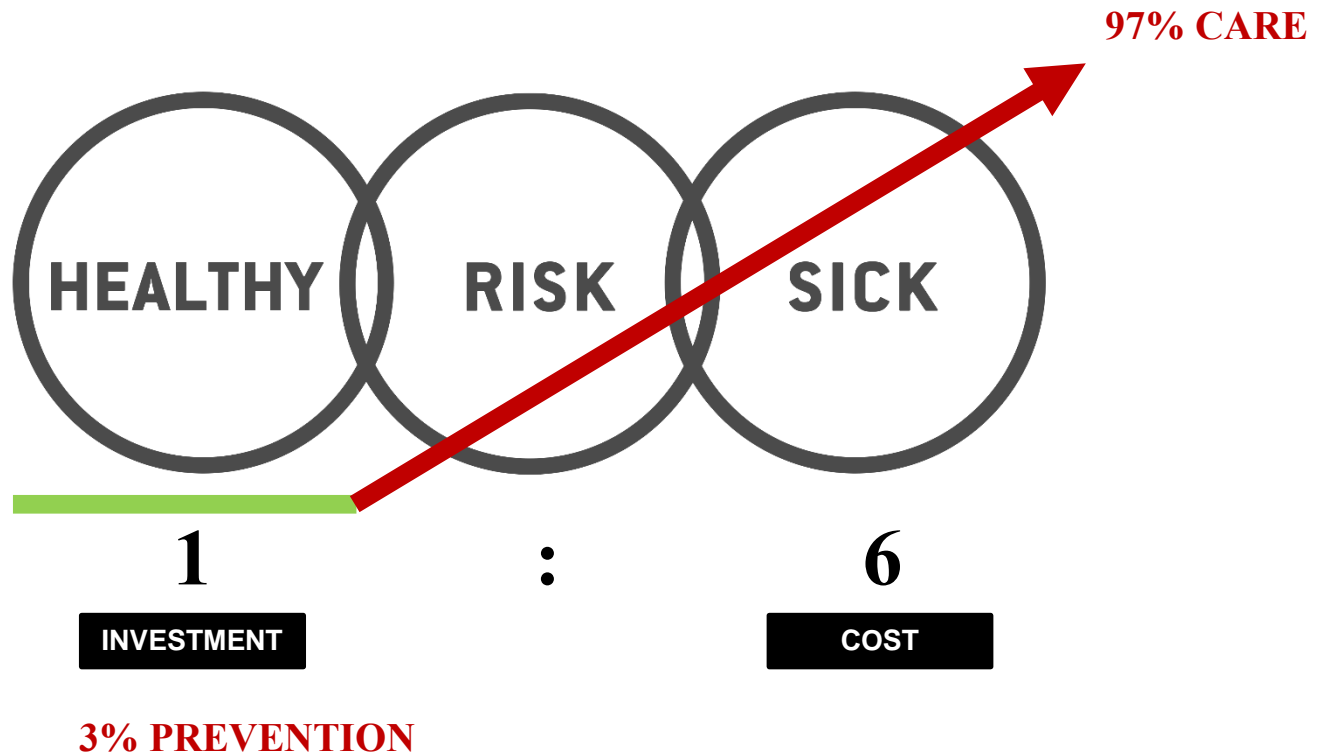


Environmental and  
social factors  
20%



Healthcare  
10%

## SIMPLE ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS



\*WHO Europe  
...estimates  
indicate that at  
least 80% of all  
heart disease,  
stroke  
type 2 diabetes  
and  
at least one third  
of cancer cases  
are avoidable"

[https://www.euro.who.int/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0004/235975/Prevention-and-control-of-noncommunicable-diseases-in-the-European-Region-A-progress-report-Eng.pdf](https://www.euro.who.int/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/235975/Prevention-and-control-of-noncommunicable-diseases-in-the-European-Region-A-progress-report-Eng.pdf)

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*From Ebba Carbonnier*

# Primary Prevention – nudging healthy behaviours



## Can we beat the 'Prevention Paradox'?

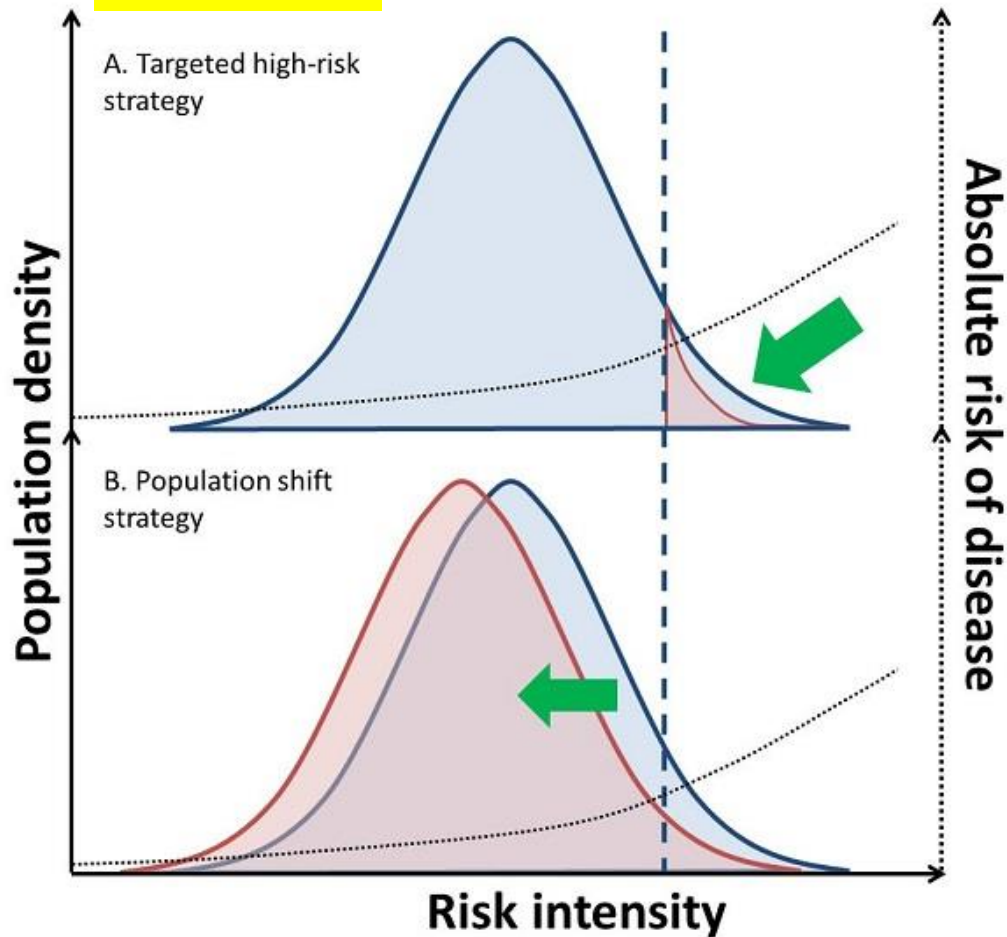
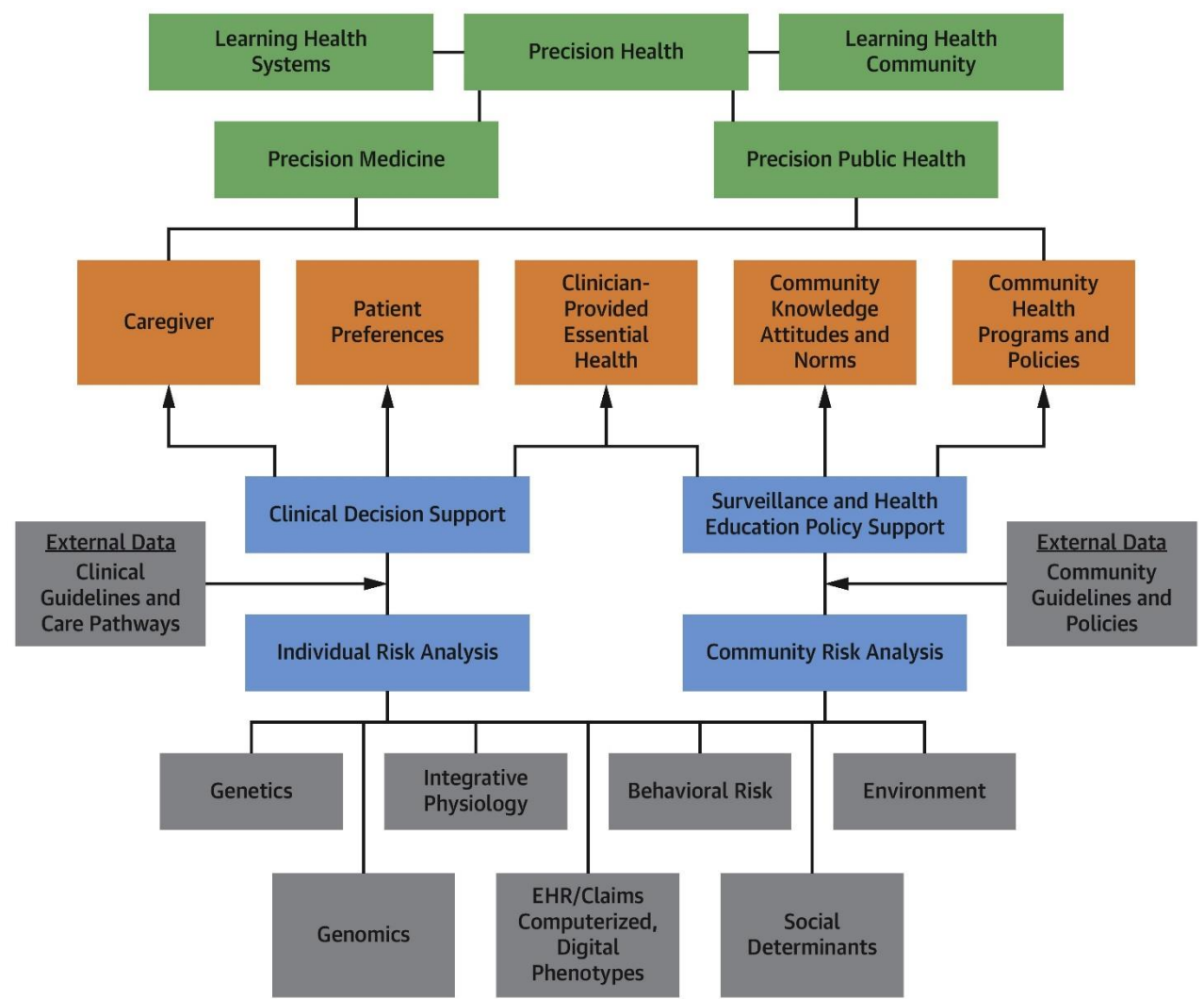


Figure 1. Illustration of disease prevention strategies. Inspired by Rose 1985 *IJE*.

Interventions addressing a large number of people who are at a small risk may be more effective in reducing injury and illness than interventions addressing small numbers at high risk.



# CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: The Integration of Multidimensional Data, Precision Analytics, and Implementation Research Into Precision Health



Pearson, T.A. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2020;76(3):306-20.

Convergence  
in the  
making?

Precision  
Medicine  
+  
Precision Public  
Health  
=  
Precision Health?

# Towards "Precision Prevention"...

*" Precision health aims to improved and more equitable health by using data on individuals' biology, lifestyle and context to prevent, diagnose and treat with precision"*

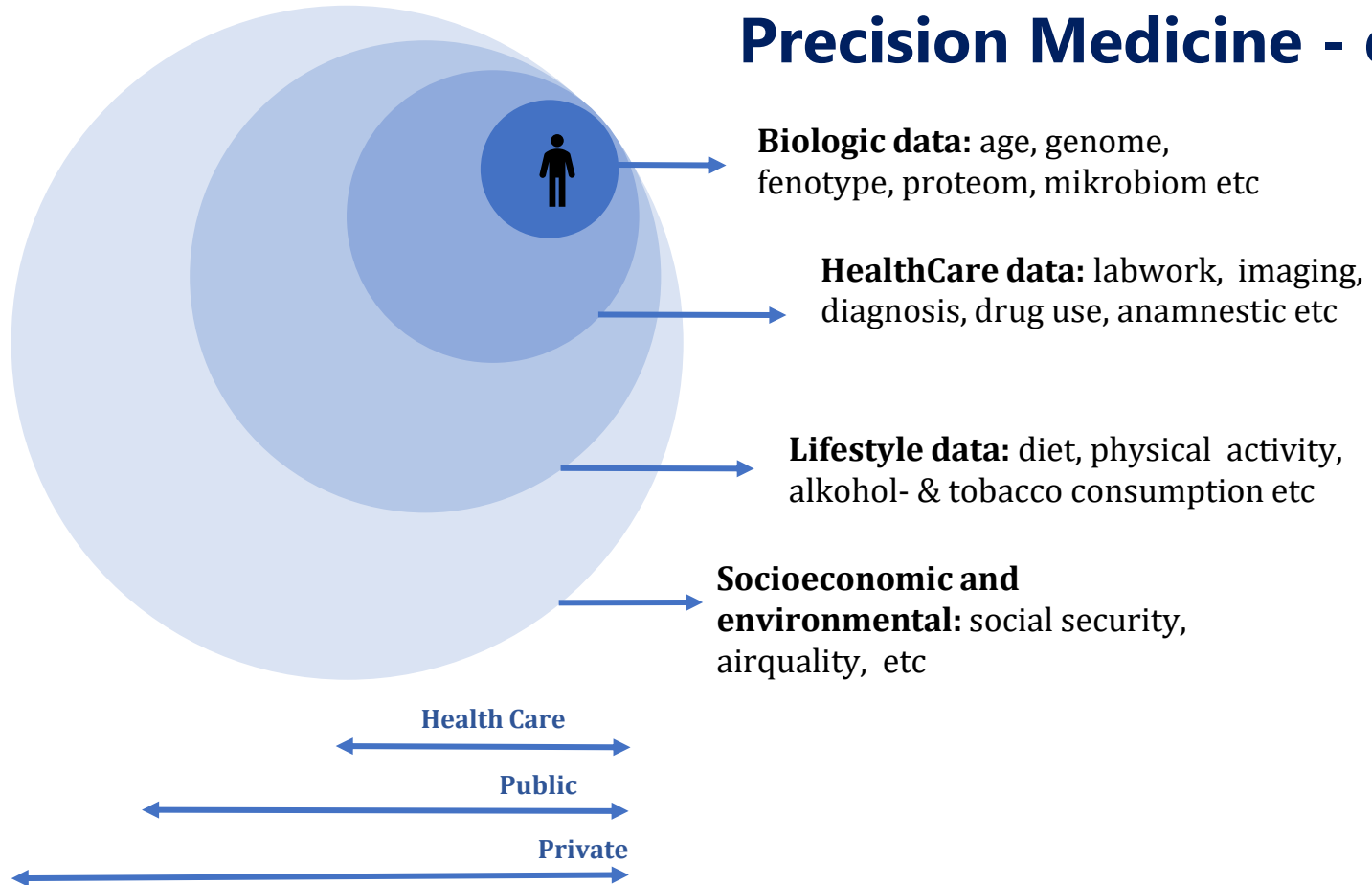
Precisionshälsa syftar till ökad och mer jämlik hälsa genom att använda data om individens biologi, livsstil och miljö för att förebygga, diagnostisera och behandla med precision.

**Definition av precisionshälsa**

Följ vårt arbete på [www.forskasverige.se](http://www.forskasverige.se)



## Precision Medicine - data



# Precision Health

Environment

**Socio-economic, cultural and environmental data:** social security, healthcare system, air quality, etc

Individual

**Lifestyle data:** diet, physical activity, alcohol and tobacco consumption, etc

Biomarker

**Biological data:** age, genome, phenotype, proteome, microbiome, etc



**Healthcare data:** lab results including image analysis, diagnosis, medication use, survey responses, etc.

**HEALTHY**

Promotion    Prevention

**RISK**

Early detection

**SICK**

Diagnostics    Treatment

# WHY HEALTHCARE DATA IS DIFFICULT



# Data sources for decision making and medical research

## ■ Sources

- EHRs
- Lab, imaging, electrophysiology
- Registries
- Wearables/home monitoring
- PROMs

## ■ Issues

- Legal
  - GDPR etc
- Interoperability
- Standardization
  - Technical
  - Semantic
- Transferability/availability

# The many vital V's of Healthcare Big Data Analytics

- **Volume** – how much data is there?
- **Velocity** – how quickly is the data being created, moved, or accessed?
- **Variety** – how many different types of sources are there?
- **Veracity** – can we trust the data?
- **Validity** – is the data accurate and correct?
- **Viability** – is the data relevant to the use case at hand?
- **Volatility** – how often does the data change?
- **Vulnerability** – can we keep the data secure?
- **Visualization** – how can the data be presented to the user?
- **Value** – can the data produce a meaningful return on investment