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Trends in diagnostic biochip development

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T echnological advancements in biochips for diagnosis and prevention lead to improved healthcare cost containment with a decreasing birth rate and an aging population. Biochips have been attracting attention as a tool for improving healthcare costs. There are technological, standardization-related, ethical and societal problems in biochip development. For biochip market expansion, in addition to technological problems, it is necessary to overcome social, institutional, marketing and economic problems all together. It is expected that the application of biochip technologies will facilitate not only 'super' early diagnosis of diseases and disease prevention based on the diagnosis, but also early treatment.

Biography

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