

Ask A Genius 4 - The Future

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What will happen in the next 20-25 years?

One thing is the US will keep getting increasingly terrible for most of the 21st century. I think it'll get better. In that, we're talking in mid-August right now in 2016. The odds of Trump getting elected are low, like 1 in 8. If Hillary gets elected, and if she elects some Liberal Supreme Court Justices, then the government starts getting cleaned up.

That means polarization starts being reduced, slowly, and, maybe, the government starts functioning better, which makes it easier for the US to continue to be a place where tech flourishes. Government won't save us, but government might eff things up.

Among the things under tech that start unfolding, or unfolding faster, are things like medicine. A lot of highly targeted therapies for cancer roll out. Overall, it'll become less taboo to talk about anti-aging therapies in general. Medicine will become a lot more effective. Mortality will drop.

Food science may make it so that people can eat food that's delicious, but isn't as terrible for us. In developed countries, we might be able to see life expectancy continue to move up as obesity doesn't drop that much. So, the developed nations will be over 90 for men and women.

A couple decades after that. It will be 100. For people that are conscientious, and have the resources to do so, it could go much, much higher into the middle of the 20th century. Other

stuff, entertainment and information will be more directly piped into ourselves and out of ourselves.

Some wearables, Google Glass didn't work because it creeped people out. We will come up with wearable computers. People will be even more connected to social networks than they are now, in more and more intimate ways.