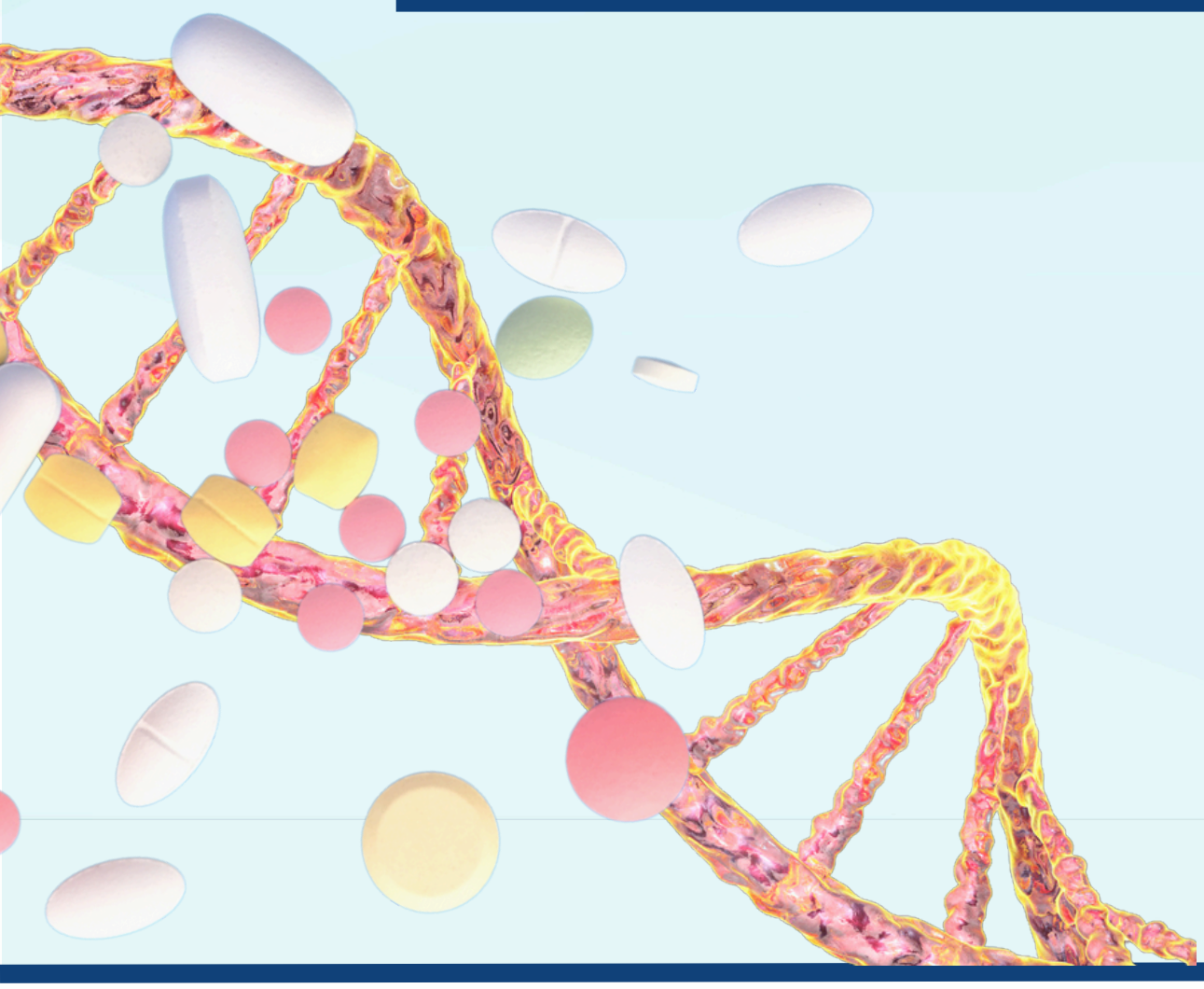
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Did you know that your genes can affect how well your medication works?



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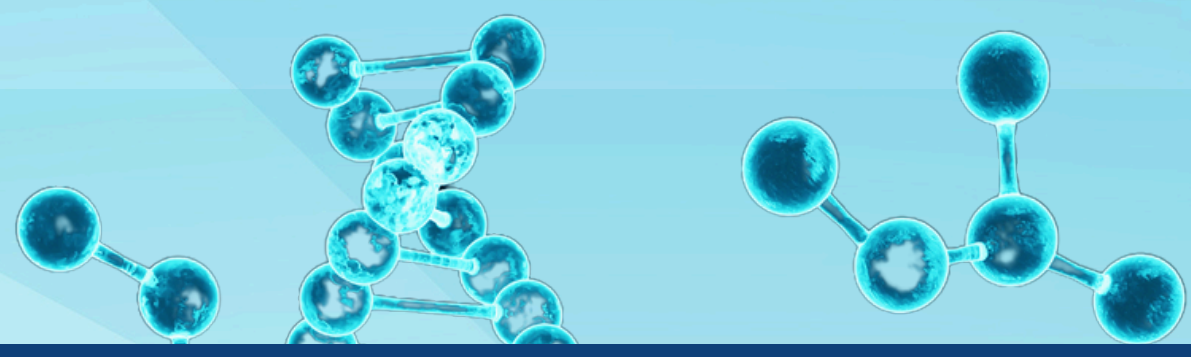
Enzymes like **CYP2D6** play a key role in breaking down many medications, including **antidepressants** and **painkillers** such as codeine.

Variations in the CYP2D6 gene can make some people break down these drugs too quickly or too slowly, **affecting effectiveness or causing side effects**.



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Certain genetic variations can mean **higher or lower medication doses** are needed.

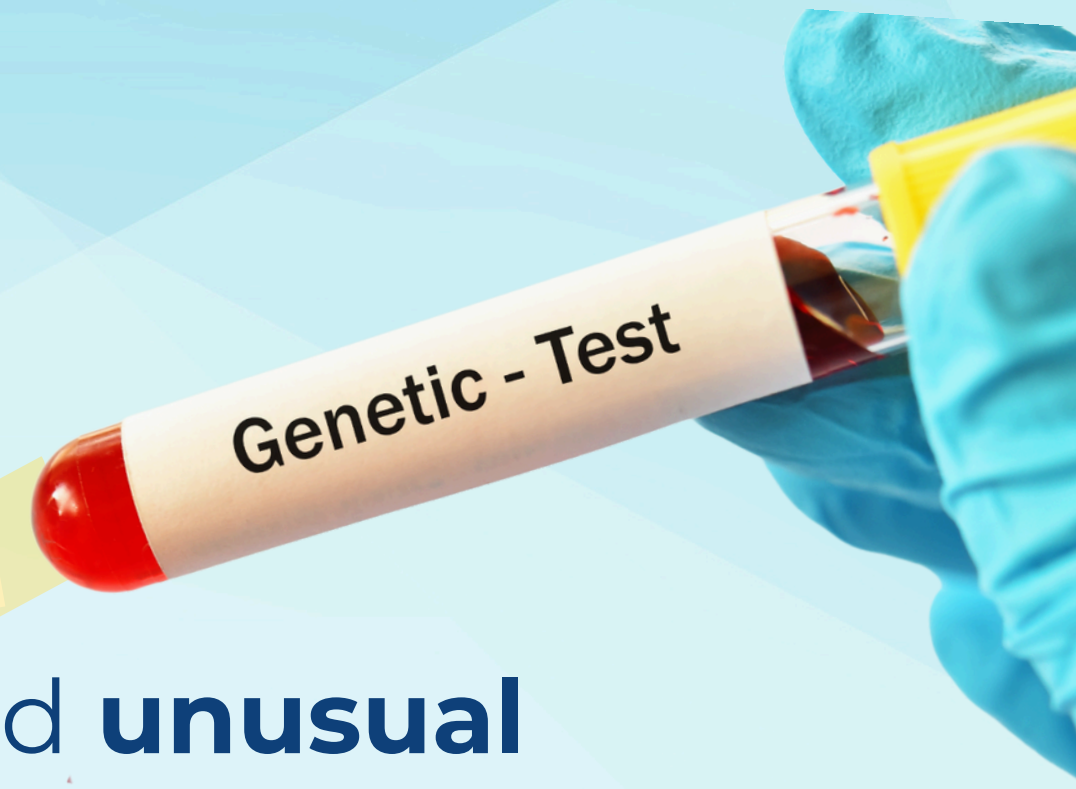


For instance, some individuals may **not get pain relief** from codeine due to ineffective conversion to morphine, while others may experience **toxicity** from an exaggerated response.

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TIP



If you've experienced **unusual side effects** or **poor responses to medications**, it might be worth discussing **genetic testing** with your healthcare provider.

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