



Patrick Soon-Shiong, MD, doctor and entrepreneur, has been hard at work building his NantWorks health empire. The company aims to connect all of a patient's health data and leverage it with genetic information to revolutionize the health care experience. Investors have been drawn to the gambit: In July 2015 healthcare software firm Allscripts Healthcare Solutions invested \$200 million into NantHealth, one of ten Nant subsidiaries, valuing it at \$2 billion. Soon-Shiong took NantKwest, a cancer drug maker, public in July, raising \$200 million; he owns more than 50% of the company.

The son of Chinese immigrants to South Africa, Soon-Shiong graduated from high school at age 16 and became a doctor at 23. After making a name for himself as a surgeon, he founded two drug companies in the U.S., Abraxis and American Pharmaceutical Partners, which he sold for a combined \$9.1 billion between 2008 and 2010. He invented a cancer drug, Abraxane, which after years of slow sales, is now a blockbuster thanks to its efficacy against pancreatic cancer.

A member of the Buffett-Gates Giving Pledge, Soon-Shiong plans to give away at least half his fortune. He has donated \$136 million to St. John's Health Center in Santa Monica, California. He owns a 4% stake in the Los Angeles Lakers basketball team.