Horses, Zebras, and Unicorns: The Paradox of Healthcare Innovation

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Idea Summary:

The speed of innovation in medical technology over the last 50 years has produced extraordinary breakthroughs but has also created unintended consequences. We are reaching a point where the existence of millions of revolutionary technological solutions is in itself becoming a problem.

As a Biomedical Informaticist and Healthcare Futurist, it's time to rethink our infatuation towards chasing the 'unicorn.' New and supportive healthcare solutions require an environment in which the technological innovation can be successfully adopted. As innovation increases exponentially, it needs a different set of evolving relationships, partnerships, and communication between stakeholders in the healthcare ecosystem, thus enter the 'zebra.'

Speaking Engagements:

- TEDx Speaker: "The future of healthcare (is not about the 1000-crore ideas)" TEDx Ellisbridge 2019, Ahmedabad, India.
- Plenary Speaker: "The future of healthcare: It's NOT about the Technology" HITCON 2020, Ahmedabad, India.
- Keynote: "The Future of MEDTECH," AZ Tech Council's MedTech Conference 2018, sponsored by Banner| Aetna, Scottsdale, USA.
- Keynote: "The Digitization of Big Data," CyberMed Summit 2018, Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, USA.
- "HealthCare Sector Innovation," Opening Speaker & Session Moderator, CES 2018, Las Vegas, USA.



Biography:

Neel Mehta leads the technology platform deployments and stealth futuristic projects across Adani group, the second largest conglomerate in India. He is an award-winning Healthcare Futurist, co-chair of the MedTech Committee at the AZ Tech Council, and Business Mentor with the Entrepreneurship cell at NIT Trichy. He received his M.S. in

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