This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Infectious disease				
Bacterial infection	Not applicable	<i>In vitro</i> studies identified silver(III) nanoparticles that could be used as antibacterial agents. <i>In vitro</i> , the nanoparticles showed activity against four Gram-positive bacteria, four Gram-negative bacteria and methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA). Next steps include using the compounds to treat bacterial infections in animals. SciBX 2(44); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.1633 Published online Nov. 12, 2009	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Pal, S. <i>et al.</i> <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> ; published online Oct. 21, 2009; doi:10.1021/ja9051125 Contact: Joon Myong Song, Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea e-mail: jmsong@snu.ac.kr