This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Infectious disease				
Sepsis	IL-33 (NF-HEV)	<p>A study in mice suggests that agonizing IL-33 could be useful for treating sepsis. In a mouse model of sepsis, IL-33 increased neutrophil migration to injury sites, reduced inflammatory cytokine levels and increased survival compared with mock treatment. Next steps include clinical testing of IL-33 in sepsis.</p> <p>SciBX 3(21); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.652 Published online May 27, 2010</p>	Unpatented; licensing status not applicable	<p>Alves-Filho, J.C. <i>et al. Nat. Med.</i>; published online May 16, 2010; doi:10.1038/nm.2156</p> <p>Contact: Foo Y. Liew, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, U.K. e-mail: f.y.liew@clinmed.gla.ac.uk</p> <p>Contact: Fernando Q. Cunha, University of São Paulo, Ribeirão Preto, Brazil e-mail: fdqcunha@fmrp.usp.br</p>