This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Infectious disease				
Infectious	Cytokine inducible SH2-containing protein (CISH)	Genetic association studies identified five SNPs in the <i>CISH</i> gene that could help predict increased susceptibility to infectious disease. CISH suppresses signaling by IL-2 and other cytokines to help control the immune response during infection. Genotyping of blood samples from patients with bacteremia, tuberculosis or severe malaria and from healthy controls identified five <i>CISH</i> SNPs associated with greater susceptibility to the diseases. Next steps include confirming the findings in additional populations. SciBX 3(23); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.704 Published online June 10, 2010	Unpatented; licensing status not applicable	Kohr, C.C. <i>et al. N. Engl. J. Med.</i> ; published online May 19, 2010; doi:10.1056/NEJMoa0905606 Contact: Adrian V.S. Hill, University of Oxford, Oxford, U.K. e-mail: adrian.hill@well.ox.ac.uk Contact: Chiea C. Khor, Genome Institute of Singapore, Singapore e-mail: khorrcc@gis.a-star.edu.sg