This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Endocrine/metabolic disease				
Diabetes	Galectin-12 (LGALS12; GAL12)	<p>Mouse studies suggest antagonizing LGALS12 could help treat type 2 diabetes. In overweight mice, Lgals12 deficiency increased insulin sensitivity and glucose tolerance compared with those in wild-type controls. Next steps include developing inhibitors of LGALS12.</p> <p>SciBX 4(41); doi:10.1038/scibx.2011.1144 Published online Oct. 20, 2011</p>	Patent application filed; available for licensing	<p>Yang, R.-Y. <i>et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA</i>; published online Oct. 3, 2011; doi:10.1073/pnas.1109065108</p> <p>Contact: Fu-Tong Liu, University of California, Davis, Calif. e-mail: fliu@ucdavis.edu</p>