This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Melanoma	MicroRNA-211 (miR-211)	<p><i>In vitro</i> studies suggest that miR-211 or its mimics could help treat melanoma. In cultured primary human melanoma cells, lower levels of miR-211 were associated with greater invasiveness. Also in cell culture, forced expression of miR-211 decreased invasiveness and cell motility compared with those in controls. Ongoing work includes studying the role of miR-211 on tumor invasiveness and metastasis in xenograft mouse models of melanoma.</p> <p>SciBX 4(2); doi:10.1038/scibx.2011.41 Published online Jan. 13, 2011</p>	Unpatented; available for partnering	<p>Levy, C. <i>et al. Mol. Cell</i>; published online Dec. 10, 2010; doi:10.1016/j.molcel.2010.11.020 Contact: Carl D. Novina, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Mass. e-mail: carl_novina@dfci.harvard.edu Contact: David E. Fisher, same affiliation as above e-mail: dfisher3@partners.org</p>