

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Unknown	Studies in cell culture identified a [3]ferrocenophane polyphenol that could be useful for treating cancer. In human breast cancer and prostate cancer cells, the compound inhibited proliferation with IC ₅₀ values of 90 and 94 nM, respectively. Ongoing studies are evaluating the efficacy and toxicity of the compounds in animal models. SciBX 2(25); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.1002 Published online June 25, 2009	Patent application filed for use in cancer; available for licensing from the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)	Plazuk, D. <i>et al. J. Med. Chem.</i> ; published online June 15, 2009; doi:10.1021/jm900297x Contact: Gérard Jaouen, National Chemical Engineering Institute in Paris, UMR Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique 7223, Paris, France e-mail: gerard-jaouen@enscp.fr