

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Breast cancer	Ladybird homeobox 1 (LBX1)	<p>Studies in cell culture suggest that inhibiting LBX1 could be useful for preventing invasive breast cancer and metastasis. In a human breast cancer cell line, small hairpin RNA-mediated knockdown of LBX1 significantly reduced cell migration compared with that using control shRNA ($p < 0.05$). Next steps could include determining the effects of LBX1 expression in other solid cancers.</p> <p>SciBX 2(32); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.1236 Published online Aug. 20, 2009</p>	Patent and licensing status undisclosed	<p>Yu, M. <i>et al. Genes Dev.</i>; published online Aug. 1, 2009; doi:10.1101/gad.1809309 Contact: Daniel A. Haber, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Mass. e-mail: haber@helix.mgh.harvard.edu</p>