This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	SKI-like oncogene (SKIL; SnoN)	<p>Studies in mice and in cell culture suggest that increasing SnoN expression could help treat cancer. In mice expressing mutant SnoN, carcinogen-induced papillomas occurred with lower frequency and number than those in mice expressing wild-type SnoN. In mouse embryonic fibroblasts, higher SnoN expression reduced the potential for oncogenic transformation and induced premature cell death. Next steps include identifying downstream components in the SnoN senescence pathway.</p> <p>SciBX 2(36); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.1376 Published online Sept. 17, 2009</p>	Patent and licensing status unavailable	<p>Pan, D. <i>et al. EMBO J.</i>; published online Sept. 10, 2009; doi:10.1038/EMBOJ.2009.250</p> <p>Contact: Kunxin Luo, University of California, Berkeley, Calif. e-mail: kluo@berkeley.edu</p>