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This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Neurology				
Spinal cord injury (SCI)	Not applicable	Studies in mice suggest that reducing B cell accumulation and B cell antibody production following SCI could help promote recovery. In a mouse model of SCI, deficient levels of B cells led to lower lesion pathology and better locomotor recovery than normal levels of B cells. Next steps include developing techniques to modulate post-SCI immune responses.	Findings unpatented; unavailable for licensing	Ankeny, D. et al. J. Clin. Invest.; published online Sept. 21, 2009; doi:10.1172/JCI39780 Contact: Phillip G. Popovich, The Ohio State University College of Medicine, Columbus, Ohio e-mail: phillip.popovich@osumc.edu

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