

### This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
<b>Neurology</b>				
Stroke	IL-10	<p>Studies in mice suggest that T<sub>regs</sub> protect against postinfarction inflammation to improve outcome following stroke. In a mouse model of stroke, antibody depletion of immunomodulator T<sub>regs</sub> caused higher levels of cytokines and infarct size and worse functional outcome than that seen in control mice undergoing a stroke. In T<sub>reg</sub>-depleted mice, intracerebroventricular IL-10 or transfer of wild-type T<sub>regs</sub> lowered levels of proinflammatory cytokines and prevented secondary infarct growth compared with the effects of transferring IL-10-deficient T<sub>regs</sub>. Next steps could include studying various T<sub>reg</sub> cell mediators, other than IL-10, to determine their contribution to T<sub>reg</sub> protection. <i>SciBX</i> 2(5); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.203 Published online Feb. 5, 2009</p>	Patent and licensing status unavailable	<p>Liesz, A. <i>et al. Nat. Med.</i>; published online Jan. 25, 2009; doi:10.1038/nm.1927 <b>Contact:</b> Roland Veltkamp, University Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany e-mail: <a href="mailto:Roland.Veltkamp@med.uni-heidelberg.de">Roland.Veltkamp@med.uni-heidelberg.de</a></p>