

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Infectious disease				
HIV/AIDS	V-ets erythroblastosis virus E26 oncogene homolog 1 (avian) (ETS1)	<i>In vitro</i> studies suggest that a splice variant of ETS1 could help reactivate latent HIV-1 and make the virus easier to treat. In an expression cloning screen, Δ VII-Ets-1, an alternatively spliced form of ETS1, activated HIV-1 transcription independently of NF- κ B, a key T cell regulator. Next steps could include testing this therapeutic strategy in animal models. SciBX 2(13); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.538 Published online April 2, 2009	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Yang, H. <i>et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA</i> ; published online March 16, 2009; doi:10.1073/pnas.0809536106 Contact: Joel L. Pomerantz, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Md. e-mail: joel.pomerantz@jhmi.edu