

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Triple functional domain (PTPRF interacting) (TRIO; TGAT)	A peptide aptamer screen identified a peptide inhibitor of oncogenic TGAT activity that could be useful for treating cancer. In nude mice, subcutaneous injection of cells expressing Tgat and the TGAT inhibitor TRIP ^{E32G} lowered the formation of Tgat-induced tumors compared with that seen in mice injected only with cells expressing Tgat. Next steps include optimizing the structure of the TRIP ^{E32G} peptide. <i>SciBX</i> 2(17); doi:10.1038/scibx.2009.697 Published online April 30, 2009	Patent application filed; unlicensed	Bouquier, N. <i>et al. Chem. Biol.</i> ; published online April 23, 2009; doi:10.1016/j.chembiol.2009.02.006 Contact: Susanne Schmidt, University Montpellier, Montpellier, France e-mail: susanne.schmidt@crbm.cnrs.fr Contact: Anne Debant, same affiliation as above e-mail: anne.debant@crbm.cnrs.fr