This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Glioma-associated oncogene homolog 1 zinc finger protein (GLI1)	<i>In vitro</i> and mouse studies suggest that inhibiting GLI1 could help treat malignant rhabdoid tumors (MRTs). In MRT cells, a small molecule inhibitor of GLI1 prevented cell proliferation compared with vehicle control. In mice with xenografts, depletion of GLI1 inhibited tumor growth compared with vehicle control. Next steps could include testing GLI1 inhibitors in <i>in vivo</i> MRT models. SciBX 3(46); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.1378 Published online Dec. 2, 2010	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Jagani, Z. <i>et al. Nat. Med.</i> ; published online Nov. 14, 2010; doi:10.1038/nm.2251 Contact: Marion Dorsch, sanofi- aventis Group, Cambridge, Mass. e-mail: marion.dorsch@sanofi-aventis.com Contact: Charles W.M. Roberts, Dana- Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, Mass. e-mail: charles_roberts@dfci.harvard.edu