

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Autoimmune disease				
Rheumatoid arthritis (RA)	Glycoprotein VI platelet (GP6; GPVI)	<i>In vitro</i> and mouse studies suggest that antagonizing the GPVI receptor could help treat RA. In mice, genetic knockout of the collagen receptor GPVI reduced arthritis scores compared with those for wild-type controls. Next steps could include developing a GPVI antagonist for use in preclinical testing. SciBX 3(8); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.238 Published online Feb. 25, 2010	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Boilard, E. <i>et al. Science</i> ; published online Jan. 28, 2010; doi:10.1126/science.1181928 Contact: David M. Lee, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Mass. e-mail: dlee@rics.bwh.harvard.edu Contact: Eric Boilard, same affiliation as above e-mail: eboilard@rics.bwh.harvard.edu