



This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Cyclin dependent kinase (CDK)	Studies in mice identified a pyrazoloquinazoline-based CDK inhibitor that could help treat cancer. In a mouse model of human ovarian cancer, the inhibitor reduced tumor growth by up to 75% compared with vehicle control (<i>p</i> <0.0001). Next steps could include characterizing the pharmacological profile of the pyrazoloquinazoline-based multi-CDK inhibitor. At least 10 companies have CDK inhibitors in Phase II or earlier to treat various cancers. SciBX 3(9); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.272 Published online March 4, 2010	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Traquandi, G. et al. J. Med. Chem.; published online Feb. 8, 2010; doi:10.1021/jm901710h Contact: Gabriella Traquandi, Nerviano Medical Sciences S.r.l., Nerviano, Italy e-mail: gabriella.traquandi@nervianoms.com