



This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Not applicable	A genomic study of human tumor samples identified multiple new potential targets for cancer therapy. In tissues from 441 primary human breast, lung, ovarian and prostate tumors, sequencing of 1,506 cancer-associated or druggable genes identified 2,576 somatic mutations, 95% of which had not been previously reported. An integrated analysis of genes with frequent protein-altering somatic mutations or significant copy number alterations identified 112 putative oncogenes or tumor suppressors. Next steps include functionally validating candidate drug targets.	Patent and licensing status undisclosed	Kan, Z. et al. Nature; published online July 28, 2010; doi:10.1038/nature09208 Contact: Somasekar Seshagiri, Genentech Inc., South San Francisco, Calif. e-mail: seshagiri.somasekar@gene.com
		SciBX 3(30); doi:10.1038/scibx.2010.917 Published online Aug. 5, 2010		