

This week in therapeutics

| Indication | Target/marker/pathway | Summary | Licensing status | Publication and contact information |
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| Cancer | | | | |
| Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL) | Pim-2 (PIM2); eukaryotic translation initiation factor 4A1 (EIF4A1) | Patient tissue and mouse studies suggest protein translation inhibitors could help treat chemoresistant PIM2-expressing lymphomas. In a mouse model of PIM2-expressing NHL, rapamycin plus an inhibitor of EIF4A1, which blocks protein translation, increased disease-free survival compared with rapamycin alone. Next steps include developing better inhibitors of cap-dependent translation. | Patent application filed; available for licensing | Schatz, J.H. <i>et al. J. Exp. Med.</i> ; published online Aug. 22, 2011; doi:10.1084/jem.20110846 Contact: Hans-Guido Wendel, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, N.Y. e-mail: wendelh@mskcc.org |
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