

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Neurology				
Alzheimer's disease (AD); neurology	Insulin-like growth factor-2 (IGF-2)	A study in rats suggests that administering IGF-2 could help improve memory in AD and age-related dementia. In rats, delivery of IGF-2 to the hippocampus increased memory compared with delivery of a vehicle control. Next steps include determining whether systemic or intranasal administration of IGF-2 improves memory.	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Chen, D.Y. <i>et al. Nature</i> ; published online Jan. 27, 2011; doi:10.1038/nature09667 Contact: Cristina M. Alberini, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, N.Y. e-mail: Cristina.Alberini@mssm.edu
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