



This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Renal cell carcinoma (RCC)	Sialidase 3 (NEU3; SIAL3)	Studies in cell culture suggest antagonizing NEU3 could help treat RCC. In cultured RCC cells, small hairpin RNA knockdown of NEU3 decreased signaling through oncogenic pathways, expression of tumor-associated markers and tumor invasiveness compared with no knockdown. Next steps could include identifying NEU3 inhibitors and testing them in cultured RCC cells.	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Tringali, C. et al. J. Biol. Chem.; published online Nov. 8, 2012; doi:10.1074/jbc.M112.407718 Contact: Bruno Venerando, University of Milan, Milan, Italy e-mail: bruno.venerando@unimi.it
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