

This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Autoimmune disease				
Autoimmune disease	Indoleamine 2, 3-dioxygenase (INDO; IDO)	<p>Mouse studies suggest IDO could help treat and prevent autoimmune diseases. In lupus-prone mice, an IDO inhibitor increased autoantibody levels and resulted in more severe disease compared with vehicle. Next steps include determining the cell types and components of IDO biology involved in an autoimmune response.</p> <p>SciBX 5(10); doi:10.1038/scibx.2012.247 Published online March 8, 2012</p>	Patent pending for undisclosed indications; licensing status undisclosed	<p>Ravishankar, B. <i>et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA</i>; published online Feb. 21, 2012; doi:10.1073/pnas.1117736109</p> <p>Contact: Tracy L. McGaha, Georgia Health Sciences University, Augusta, Ga. e-mail: tmcgaha@georgiahealth.edu</p>