This week in techniques

Approach	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Disease models			
Mouse model of corticosterone-induced post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)	<p>A mouse model of corticosterone-induced PTSD could guide the development of new therapies for the disorder. In mice undergoing fear conditioning, infusions of the stress hormone corticosterone into the hippocampus induced PTSD-like memory impairments compared with infusion of artificial cerebrospinal fluid. Next steps could include using the model to test therapeutic candidates for PTSD.</p> <p>SciBX 5(11); doi:10.1038/scibx.2012.294 Published online March 15, 2012</p>	Patent and licensing status unavailable	<p>Kaouane, N. <i>et al. Science</i>; published online Feb. 23, 2012; doi:10.1126/science.1207615 Contact: Aline Desmedt, Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale (INSERM), Bordeaux, France e-mail: aline.desmedt@inserm.fr</p>