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Indication	Target/marker/pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Neurology				
Pain	Transient receptor potential cation channel subfamily M member 2 (TRPM2)	Studies in mice suggest inhibiting TRPM2 could help treat inflammatory and neuropathic pain. In mouse models of mechanical, thermal and neuropathic pain, *Trpm2* knockout decreased inflammation and sensitivity to pain compared with wild-type *Trpm2* expression. Next steps could include studying whether TRPM2 inhibition increases susceptibility to infection. *SciBX* 5(12); doi:10.1038/scibx.2012.315 Published online March 22, 2012	Patent and licensing status unavailable	Haraguchi, K. *et al. J. Neurosci.*; published online March 14, 2012; doi:10.1523/JNEUROSCI.4703-11.2012 **Contact:** Takayuki Nakagawa, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan e-mail: tnakaga@pharm.kyoto-u.ac.jp