## This week in therapeutics

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| **Dermatology** | | | | |
| Wounds | IL-17A | Mouse studies suggest IL-17A could help treat dermal wounds and that wound healing in patients receiving IL-17 inhibitors should be monitored. In wounded mice, *Il-17a* knockout or treatment with anti-Il-17a antibodies decreased wound healing compared with no knockout or treatment with an IgG control. In wounded mice, addition of dendritic epidermal T cells that express Il-17a to the wound bed increased healing compared with addition of Il-17a knockout cells. Next steps include testing whether IL-17A is involved in the human wound-healing response. | Patent and licensing status undisclosed | Macleod, A.S. *et al. J. Clin. Invest.*; published online Sept. 24, 2013; doi:10.1172/JCI70064<br>**Contact:** Wendy L. Havran, The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, Calif.<br>e-mail: havran@scripps.edu |

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