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This week in therapeutics

Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Cancer	Sirtuin 6 (SIRT6)	Patient tissue and mouse studies suggest activating SIRT6 could help modulate tumor metabolism to treat cancer. In cancer patient data from The Cancer Genome Atlas, <i>SIRT6</i> was deleted in 20% of all cancers. In a genetic mouse model of colorectal adenomatosis, <i>Sirt6</i> deletion in the intestines increased the frequency, size and invasiveness of adenomas compared with no deletion. In that model, the <i>Sirt6</i> deletion also increased glucose uptake and glycolytic gene expression in tumors. Next steps include screening studies to identify molecules that activate SIRT6. <i>SciBX</i> 6(1); doi:10.1038/scibx.2013.5 Published online Jan. 10, 2013	Unpatented; licensing status not applicable	Sebastián, C. <i>et al. Cell</i> ; published online Dec. 7, 2012; doi:10.1016/j.cell.2012.10.047 Contact: Raul Mostoslavsky, Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School, Boston, Mass. e-mail: rmostoslavsky@mgh.harvard.edu Contact: David B. Lombard, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich. e-mail: davidlom@umich.edu