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Indication	Target/marker/ pathway	Summary	Licensing status	Publication and contact information
Cancer				
Breast cancer	Lysine-specific demethylase 2B (KDM2B; JHDM1B)	In vitro and mouse studies suggest inhibiting KDM2B could help treat breast cancer. In multiple breast cancer cell lines, shRNA against <i>KDM2B</i> decreased proliferation compared with control shRNA. In a mouse model of breast cancer, shRNA against <i>KDM2B</i> delayed tumor growth and decreased expression of stem cell markers. Next steps could include developing a KDM2B inhibitor.	Unpatented; licensing status not applicable	Kottakis, F. <i>et al. Cancer Res.</i> ; published online May 22, 2014; doi:10.1158/0008-5472.CAN-13-2733 Contact: Philip N. Tsichlis, Tufts Medical Center, Boston, Mass. e-mail: ptsichlis@tuftsmedicalcenter.org

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