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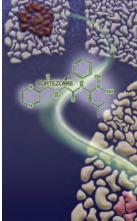
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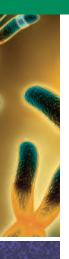
Précis: Genetic and functional studies demonstrate that loss of chromosome 14q is a critical event in the etiology of clear cell renal carcinoma and identify $HIF1\alpha$ as a tumor suppressor gene in this disease.











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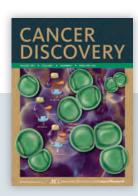
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Précis: Functional RNAi screen exploiting synthetic lethality identifies genes critical for growth and survival of breast cancer cells as well as potential therapeutic targets.



Rodrik-Outmezguine and colleagues identify an adaptive mechanism in the AKT signaling pathway. AKT signaling becomes reactivated through feedback-induced phosphorylation of AKT on T308 but not on S473. The addition of RTK inhibitors prevented reactivation, causing cell death and tumor regression *in vivo*, highlighting the possible need for combinatorial approaches to block feedback-regulated pathways. For details, please see the article by Rodrik-Outmezguine and colleagues on page 248.





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