Novel Therapeutic Target for Pulmonary Fibrosis/Scleroderma

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Description:

- Fibrotic lung diseases represents a major unmet medical need, as effective treatment options are currently not available.
- Mice that overexpress TGF-? have identified several novel targets (including ?1 integrin) for therapeutic interventions in fibrotic lung diseases.
- The blockade of ?1 integrin significantly inhibits fibrosis (collagen formation).
- Semaphorin 7A inhibition (Figure B) is also effective as a therapeutic treatment for fibrotic disease.

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