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(57) **Abstract:** This disclosure identifies p21-regulated proteins that may be used to induce anti- apoptotic and/or mitogenic cellular effects, both paracrine and within the p21-expressing cell itself. Three proteins released from HT- 1080 human fibrosarcoma cells displaying inducible p21 expression were identified; β -2-microglobulin, cystatin C, and pro-platelet basic protein. The disclosure also provides therapeutic compositions, methods for using, and methods for identifying p21-regulated proteins.

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