

A form of small pox virus shows potential for treating triple-negative breast cancer

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Researchers from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC) in New York City have shown that a new vaccinia virus, acting as both an oncolytic and anti-angiogenic agent, can enter and kill triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) cells. Study findings presented today at the 2012 Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons could lead to a more targeted therapy against this deadly form of breast cancer.

According to the medical literature, TNBC is a form of [breast cancer](#) that is responsible for 10 to 20 percent of all breast cancer cases.* TNBC is most likely to occur in younger women (

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