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ABOUT THE COVER

Human glioma tumor initiating cells are targets for telomerase inhibition. Immunofluorescence studies show that glioma tumor-initiating cells express high levels of nestin (neuronal precursor cells marker, shown in green). These cells have substantially higher telomerase activity than normal tissue stem cells and can therefore be specifically and safely targeted for telomerase inhibition. For further details, please see Castelo-Branco and coworkers on page 111 in this issue.