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Brk is over expressed in many types of cancers. Over-expression of Brk activates crucial signaling pathways MAPK, AKT and FAK, and promotes proliferation, invasion and metastasis. Correspondingly, inhibition of Brk tyrosine kinase activity or knock down Brk expression diminished proliferation and tumor growth. Moreover, Brk integrates with other key pathways, such as EGFR, HER2 and IGFR, which might contribute to the therapeutic resistance of current target drugs. It is clearly that Brk is a key gene driving breast tumor development. Therefore, Brk can be explored as a therapeutic target. The manuscript comprehensively summarized the biological function of Brk, specially focusing on how to develop novel therapy based on biochemical properties and biological functions. Several suggestions for publication: The review should focus on most recent research progress of Brk, description of current tyrosine kinase inhibitors can be more simplified ; the abstract and introduction overlaps too much, some sentences need modified; the manuscript could be reduced 25% and reference could be limited to less than 80.