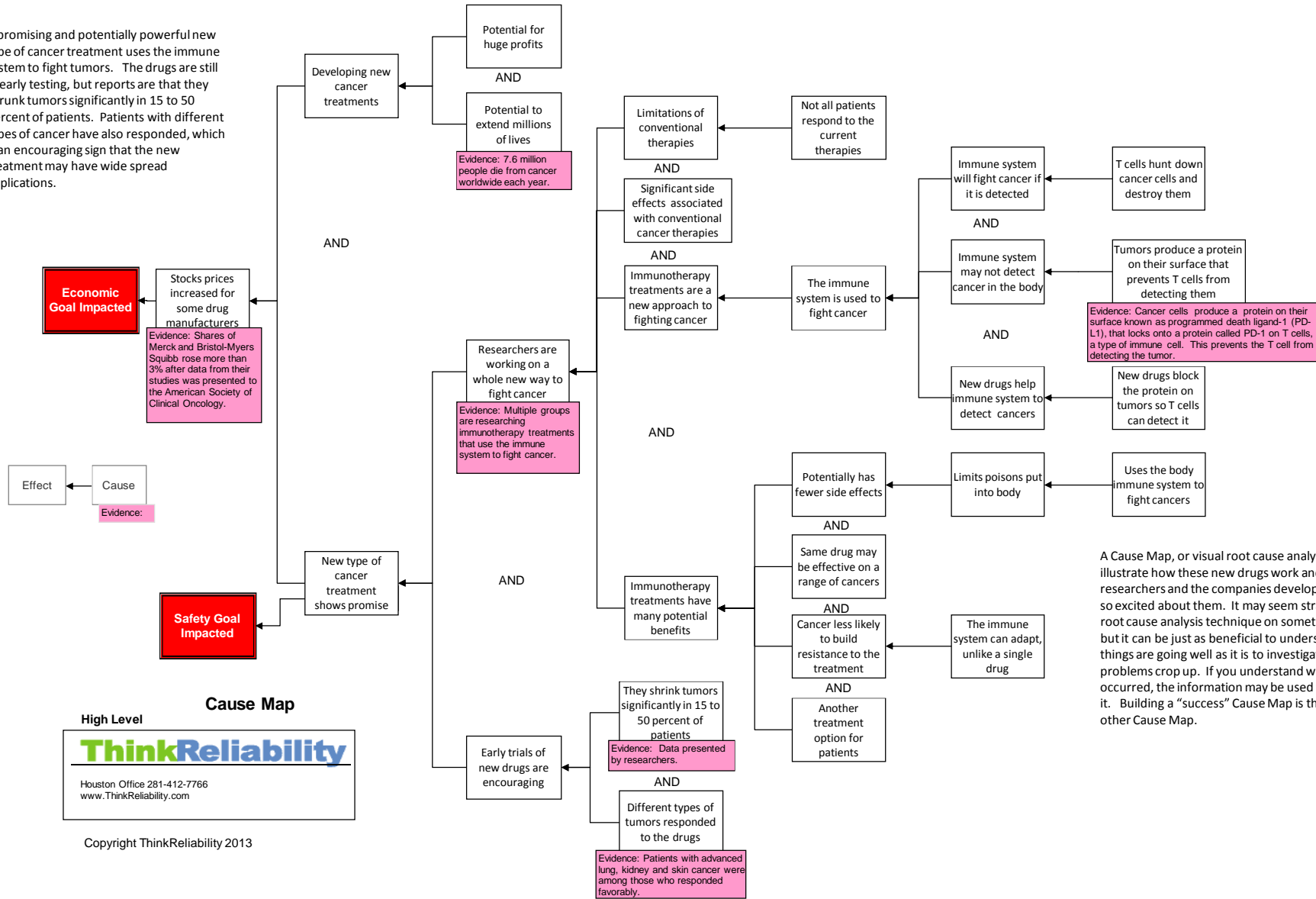


# Promising New Cancer Drugs Use the Immune System

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A promising and potentially powerful new type of cancer treatment uses the immune system to fight tumors. The drugs are still in early testing, but reports are that they shrunk tumors significantly in 15 to 50 percent of patients. Patients with different types of cancer have also responded, which is an encouraging sign that the new treatment may have wide spread applications.



A Cause Map, or visual root cause analysis, can help illustrate how these new drugs work and explain why researchers and the companies developing them are so excited about them. It may seem strange to use a root cause analysis technique on something positive, but it can be just as beneficial to understand why things are going well as it is to investigate when problems crop up. If you understand why a success occurred, the information may be used to reproduce it. Building a "success" Cause Map is the same as any other Cause Map.

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