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**Thierry Coulhon\*** ([thierry.coulhon@recherche.gouv.fr](mailto:thierry.coulhon@recherche.gouv.fr)). *Riesz meets Sobolev.*

We show that the  $L^p$  boundedness,  $p > 2$ , of the Riesz transform on a complete non-compact Riemannian manifold with upper and lower Gaussian heat kernel estimates is equivalent to a certain form of Sobolev inequality. We also characterize in such terms the heat kernel gradient upper estimate on manifolds with polynomial growth. This is a joint work with Adam Sikora. (Received September 07, 2009)