# **Technical Data Sheet**

# Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-Rb (pS780)

#### **Product Information**

 Material Number:
 558554

 Size:
 50 tests

 Vol. per Test:
 20 μl

 Clone:
 J146-35

 Immunogen:
 Phosphorylated Human Rb

 Isotype:
 Mouse (BALB/c) IgG1,  $\kappa$  

 Reactivity:
 QC Tested: Human

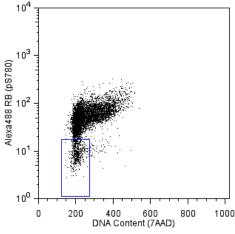
 Predicted: Mouse, Rat

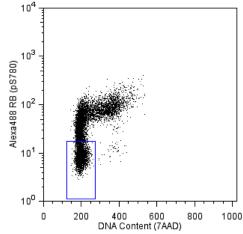
**Storage Buffer:** Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

#### Description

The retinoblastoma gene product (Rb) is well known as a tumor suppressor and is either absent or mutated in many human tumors. Retrovirus-mediated gene transfer of the wild-type Rb gene into several Rb mutant neoplastic cell lines suppresses their tumorgenicity. Rb is a 110-kDa nuclear phosphoprotein that undergoes differential phosphorylation during the cell cycle. During G1 phase, Rb is predominantly in a hypophosphorylated state. It becomes increasingly phosphorylated throughout the cell cycle until late mitosis, when substantial dephosphorylation occurs. Hypophosphorylated Rb interacts with a number of cellular proteins including the E2F transcription factor, several cyclins, RBP-1, RBP-2, c-Abl, c-myc, N-myc, and p46. Phosphorylation of Rb at various sites, by Cyclin-dependent protein kinases, inhibits the binding of Rb to these proteins. Rb is thought to mediate its effects, in part, via the repression of genes required for proliferation. For example, Rb is specifically recruited to promoters containing E2F sites and actively represses E2F mediated transcription. Rb also stimulates the activity of other transcription factors, although the mechanisms are less clearly defined. Thus, Rb appears to regulate transcription in its aim to control cell growth.

The J146-35 monoclonal antibody recognizes Rb phosphorylated at serine 780 (pS780), which affects Rb binding to E2F. The orthologous phosphorylation sites in mouse and rat Rb are serines 773 and 751, respectively.





Analysis of Rb (pS780) in activated human acute lymphoblastic leukemia. MOLT-4 cells (without serum starvation) were either stimulated with 200 ng/ml PMA (Sigma, Cat. No. P8139) for 24 hours (right panel) or unstimulated (left panel). The cells were fixed (BD Phosflow™ Fix Buffer I, Cat. No. 557870) for 10 minutes at 37 °C, then permeabilized (BD Phosflow™ Perm Buffer III, Cat. No. 558050) on ice for at least 30 minutes, and then stained with Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-Rb (pS780). 7AAD staining solution (Cat. No. 559925) was used to monitor the cell cycle of the stimulated and unstimulated cells. Flow cytometry was performed on a BD FACSCalibur™ flow cytometry system. The boxed region in the data demonstrates that PMA treatment causes cell cycle arrest at the G1 phase, which is associated with dephosphorylation of Rb.

# **Preparation and Storage**

Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography.

The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 488 was removed.

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#### **Application Notes**

# Application

Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested	

# **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone	
558050	Perm Buffer III	125 ml	(none)	
557870	Fix Buffer I	250 ml	(none)	
559925	7-AAD	2.0 ml	(none)	

#### **Product Notices**

- This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use 1 × 10<sup>6</sup> cells in a 100-μl experimental sample (a test).
- 2. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 3. Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC).
- 4. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
- 5. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue<sup>TM</sup>, and Cascade Blue® dye antibody conjugates in this product are sold under license from Molecular Probes, Inc. for research use only, excluding use in combination with microarrays, or as analyte specific reagents. The Alexa Fluor® dyes (except for Alexa Fluor® 430), Pacific Blue<sup>TM</sup> dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
- Caution: Sodium azide yields highly toxic hydrazoic acid under acidic conditions. Dilute azide compounds in running water before discarding to avoid accumulation of potentially explosive deposits in plumbing.
- 7. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
- 8. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.

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