# Technical Data Sheet

# Alexa Fluor® 647 Mouse anti-lκBα

#### **Product Information**

**Material Number:** 560817

Alternate Name: MAD-3; I-kappa-B-alpha; IkB-alpha; NFKBIA; NF-kappa-B inhibitor alpha

50 Tests  $5 \mu l$ Vol. per Test:

25/IkBa/MAD-3 Clone:

Human IκBα aa. 145-302 Recombinant Protein Immunogen:

Isotype: Mouse IgG1 Reactivity: QC Testing: Human

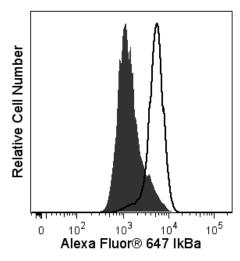
Storage Buffer: Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

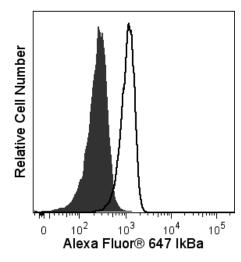
# Description

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NF-κB is a transcription factor that is a member of the mammalian NF-κB/Rel family of proteins. Members of this family are involved in the regulation of cell proliferation, immune function, as well as development. In resting cells, IκBα binds to and maintains NF-κB in the cytoplasm by blocking the nuclear localization sequences of NF- $\kappa$ B. In the cellular response to an extracellular signal,  $I\kappa$ B $\alpha$  is phosphorylated and subsequently degraded via the ubiquination-proteasome pathway, allowing NF-κB to translocate to the nucleus. Once in the nucleus, NF-κB can induce the transcription of IκB $\alpha$  thereby renewing the cycle so that IκB $\alpha$  can form a complex with NF-κB and maintain it in its cytoplasmic location. IkB $\alpha$  -/- mice show an increased level of NF-kB activity and have been shown to die soon after birth.

The 25/IkBa/MAD-3 monoclonal antibody recognizes human IκBα regardless of phosphorylation status and does not cross-react with mouse ΙκΒα.





### Flow cytometric analysis of IκBα expression.

LEFT: IkBa expression in HeLa cells. HeLa cells (ATCC CCL-2) were either treated (shaded histogram) with 20 ng/mL recombinant human TNF (Cat. No. 554618) for 10 min at 37°C or untreated (open histogram). The cells were fixed (BD Cytofix™ Fixation Buffer, Cat. No. 554655) for 10 minutes at 37°C, then permeabilized (BD Phosflow™ Perm Buffer II, Cat. No. 558052) on ice for at least 30 minutes, and then stained with Alexa Fluor® 647 Mouse anti-lkBa antibody. The fluorescence histograms were derived from gated events with the forward and side light-scatter characteristics of intact cells. RIGHT: IkBa expression in human peripheral blood T cells. Human whole blood (collected with heparin) was either unstimulated (open histogram) or stimulated (shaded histogram) with 400 nM PMA plus 250 ng/mL ionomycin (Sigma, Cat. No. I-0634) for 15 min at 37°C. The erythrocytes were lysed and the leukocytes were fixed with BD Phosflow™ Lyse/Fix Buffer (Cat. No. 558049). The leukocytes were permeabilized with BD Phosflow™ Perm Buffer II (558052) on ice for at least 30 minutes, and then stained with Alexa Fluor® 647 Mouse anti-IkBa and BD Horizon™ V450 Mouse Anti-Human CD3 (Cat. No. 560365) antibodies. The fluorescence histograms were derived from human CD3-positive T cell-gated events with the forward and side light-scatter characteristics of intact lymphocytes. Flow cytometry was performed using a BD FACSCanto™ II flow cytometry system.

### **Preparation and Storage**

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 647 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 647 was removed. Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

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### **Application Notes**

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Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested

#### **Recommended Assay Procedure:**

This Alexa Fluor® 647-conjugated antibody is suitable for intracellular staining of cell lines and primary cells using BD Cytofix™ Fixation Buffer or BD Phosflow<sup>TM</sup> Lyse/Fix Buffer. Although this antibody can be used with BD Phosflow<sup>TM</sup> Perm/Wash Buffer I or BD Phosflow<sup>TM</sup> Perm Buffers II, III or IV, it performs optimally when used with BD Phosflow™ Perm Buffer II.

### **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
610691	Purified Mouse Anti-Human IκBα	150 μg	25/IkBa/MAD-3
610690	Purified Mouse Anti-Human IκBα	50 μg	25/IkBa/MAD-3
554655	Fixation Buffer	100 mL	(none)
558052	Perm Buffer II	125 mL	(none)
558049	Lyse/Fix Buffer 5X	250 mL	(none)
560365	V450 Mouse Anti-Human CD3	120 Tests	UCHT1
557783	Alexa Fluor® 647 Mouse IgG1 κ Isotype control	50 Tests	MOPC-21
554618	Recombinant Human TNF	10 μg	(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).
- Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 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™ dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
- 4. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.
- Alexa Fluor® 647 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for allophycocyanin (APC).
- For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
- 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.
- Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
- 9. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.

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