# **Technical Data Sheet**

# Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse Anti-p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182)

#### **Product Information**

Material Number: 612594

Alternate Name: MK14, 11, 12, 13; CSBP1; SAPK2, 2A, 3, 4; MX12, ERK-6, ERK5

 Size:
 50 tes

 Vol. per Test:
 20 μl

Clone: 36/p38 (pT180/pY182)

Immunogen: Phosphorylated Human p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182) Peptide

 Isotype:
 Mouse IgG1,  $\kappa$  

 Reactivity:
 QC Testing: Human

Tested in Development by western blotting using the purified antibody: Mouse,

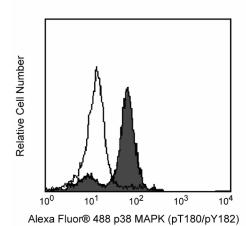
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Storage Buffer: Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

## Description

Activation of the immune and inflammatory responses often involves the recognition of bacterial endotoxin (lipopolysaccharide or LPS). Binding of LPS by monocytes results in the production and release of proinflammatory cytokines, such as IL-1 and TNF. LPS-induced signaling cascades involve members of the Ser/Thr protein kinase family known as the Mitogen Activated Protein Kinases (MAPKs). MAPK signal transduction pathways mediate the effects of various extracellular stimuli on biological processes such as proliferation, differentiation, and death. The p38 MAPKs include p38 $\alpha$  (MAPK14),  $\beta$  (MAPK11),  $\gamma$  (MAPK12), and  $\delta$  (MAPK13). These Ser/Thr kinases are activated by dual phosphorylation on threonine (T) and tyrosine (Y) within the motif Thr-Gly-Tyr located in kinase subdomain VIII. Activation of p38 MAPK is mediated specifically by the MAP Kinase Kinases, MKK3, MKK4, and MKK6. This leads to the activation of multiple transcription factors (NF- $\kappa$ B, ATF-2, Elk-1, and CHOP) that induce expression of many different genes, including proinflammatory cytokine genes. Thus, p38 MAPKs are central kinases in multiple signal transduction pathways.

The 36/p38 (pT180/pY182) monoclonal antibody recognizes the conserved dual phosphorylated site pT180/pY182 of p38 $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , and  $\delta$ .



Flow cytometric analysis of p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182). Human peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) were either left unstimulated (unshaded) or stimulated (shaded) with 40 nM PMA for 10 minutes at 37°C. Cells were fixed with BD Cytofix™ buffer (Cat. No. 554655) for 10 minutes at 37°C and then permeablized with BD Phosflow™ Perm Buffer III (Cat. No. 558050) for 30 minutes on ice. Cells were then washed twice in BD Pharmingen™ Stain Buffer and then stained with the Alexa Fluor® 488 mouse anti-p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182) antibody. The cells were analyzed on a BD FACSCalibur™ flow cytometer. For intracellular staining of human whole blood, BD Phosflow™ Lyse/Fix buffer (Cat. No. 558049) may be used for fixation.

# **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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The purified or conjugated mAb was characterized by flow cytometry (Flow) and western blot (WB) using these model systems:

Method	Species	Cells	Treatment	Fixation	Perm buffer	Result	
Flow	Human	PBMC	PMA	Cytofix	Perm I, II, or III	Weak induction observed	
	Human	Whole Blood	PMA	Lyse/Fix	Perm III	Weak induction observed	
	Human	РВМС	LPS or Anisomycin	Cytofix	IPerm I II or III	Greater induction on monocytes than lymphocytes	
WB	Human	HeLa	Anisomycin			38-42-kDa band induced	
	Human	PBMC	Anisomycin			38-42-kDa band induced	

# **Application Notes**

## Application

Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested	
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#### **Recommended Assay Procedure:**

For more information about Phosflow: Please refer to http://www.bdbiosciences.com/documents/phosflow technology product list.pdf

Investigators may also find the following protocols to be helpful:

Phosflow protocol for human PBMC: Please refer to http://www.bdbiosciences.com/documents/Phosflow\_Protocol\_for\_Human\_PBMCs.pdf Phosflow protocol for human whole blood: Please refer to

http://www.bdbiosciences.com/documents/Phosflow Protocol for Human Whole Blood Samples.pdf

Phosflow protocol for adherent cells: Please refer to http://www.bdbiosciences.com/support/resources/protocols/protocol adherent.jsp

#### **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
554656	Stain Buffer (FBS)	500 ml	(none)
554655	Fixation Buffer	100 ml	(none)
558049	Lyse/Fix Buffer 5X	250 ml	(none)
612288	Purified Mouse Anti-p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182)	50 μg	36/p38
			(pT180/pY182)
612289	Purified Mouse Anti-p38 MAPK (pT180/pY182)	150 μg	36/p38
			(pT180/pY182)
557885	Perm/Wash Buffer I	125 ml	(none)
558052	Perm Buffer II	125 ml	(none)
558050	Perm Buffer III	125 ml	(none)

## **Product Notices**

- 1. This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use  $1 \times 10^6$  cells in a 100- $\mu$ l experimental sample (a test).
- The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue™, 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.
- 3. Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC).
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- 5. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
- 6. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 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.
- 8. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.

#### References

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