

**FosB (5G4) Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate)**

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Applications:	Reactivity:	Sensitivity:	Source/Isotype:	UniProt ID:	Entrez-Gene Id:
FC-FP	H M R	Endogenous	Rabbit IgG	#P53539	2354

**Product Usage Information****Application**

Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

**Dilution**

1:50

**Storage**

Supplied in PBS (pH 7.2), less than 0.1% sodium azide and 2 mg/ml BSA. Store at 4°C. Do not aliquot the antibody. Protect from light. Do not freeze.

**Specificity/Sensitivity**

FosB (5G4) Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate) detects endogenous levels of total FosB protein (both FosB and FosB2 isoforms). The antibody does not cross-react with other Fos proteins, including c-fos, FRA1 and FRA2.

**Source / Purification**

Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to the sequence of human FosB. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimal conditions with an F/P ratio of 2-6.

**Description**

This Cell Signaling Technology antibody is conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorescent dye and tested in-house for direct flow cytometric analysis of human cells. The unconjugated antibody FosB (5G4) Rabbit mAb #2251 reacts with human, mouse and rat FosB protein. CST expects that FosB (5G4) Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate) will also recognize FosB in these species.

**Background**

The Fos family of nuclear oncogenes includes c-Fos, FosB, Fos-related antigen 1 (FRA1), and Fos-related antigen 2 (FRA2) (1). While most Fos proteins exist as a single isoform, the FosB protein exists as two isoforms: full-length FosB and a shorter form, FosB2 (Delta FosB), which lacks the carboxy-terminal 101 amino acids (1-3). The expression of Fos proteins is rapidly and transiently induced by a variety of extracellular stimuli, including growth factors, cytokines, neurotransmitters, polypeptide hormones, and stress. Fos proteins dimerize with Jun proteins (c-Jun, JunB, and JunD) to form Activator Protein-1 (AP-1), a transcription factor that binds to TRE/AP-1 elements and activates transcription. Fos and Jun proteins contain the leucine-zipper motif that mediates dimerization and an adjacent basic domain that binds to DNA. The various Fos/Jun heterodimers differ in their ability to transactivate AP-1 dependent genes. In addition to increased expression, phosphorylation of Fos proteins by Erk kinases in response to extracellular stimuli may further increase transcriptional activity (4-6). Phosphorylation of c-Fos at Ser32 and Thr232 by Erk5 increases protein stability and nuclear localization (5). Phosphorylation of FRA1 at Ser252 and Ser265 by Erk1/2 increases protein stability and leads to overexpression of FRA1 in cancer cells (6). Following growth factor stimulation, expression of FosB and c-Fos in quiescent fibroblasts is immediate, but very short-lived, with protein levels dissipating after several hours (7). FRA1 and FRA2 expression persists longer, and appreciable levels can be detected in asynchronously growing cells (8). Deregulated expression of c-Fos, FosB, or FRA2 can result in neoplastic cellular transformation; however, Delta FosB lacks the ability to transform cells (2,3).

**Background References**

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**Species Reactivity**

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

**Applications Key**

**FC-FP:** Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

**Cross-Reactivity Key**

**H:** Human **M:** Mouse **R:** Rat

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