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p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) Antibody



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Applications: W, IP	Reactivity: H M R Hm Mk Mi Z B Pg Sc	Sensitivity: Endogenous	MW (kDa): 42, 44	Source/Isotype: Rabbit	UniProt ID: #P27361, #P28482	Entrez-Gene Id: 5595, 5594
Product Usage Information		ApplicationDilutionWestern Blotting1:1000Immunoprecipitation1:50				
Storage		Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 μg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol. Store at – 20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.				
Specificity/Sensitivity		p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) Antibody detects endogenous levels of total p44/42 MAP kinase (Erk1/Erk2) protein. In some cell types, this antibody recognizes p44 MAPK more readily than p42 MAPK. The antibody does not recognize either JNK/SAPK or p38 MAP kinase.				
Source / Purification		Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to a sequence in the C-terminus of rat p44 MAP Kinase. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.				
Background		Mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPKs) are a widely conserved family of serine/threonine protein kinases involved in many cellular programs, such as cell proliferation, differentiation, motility, and death. The p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) signaling pathway can be activated in response to a diverse range of extracellular stimuli, including mitogens, growth factors, and cytokines (1-3), and research investigators consider it an important target in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer (4). Upon stimulation, a sequential three-part protein kinase cascade is initiated, consisting of a MAP kinase kinase kinase (MAPKK or MAP3K), a MAP kinase kinase (MAPKK or MAP2K), and a MAP kinase (MAPK). Multiple p44/42 MAP3Ks have been identified, including members of the Raf family, as well as Mos and Tpl2/COT. MEK1 and MEK2 are the primary MAPKKs in this pathway (5,6). MEK1 and MEK2 activate p44 and p42 through phosphorylation of activation loop residues Thr202/Tyr204 and Thr185/Tyr187, respectively. Several downstream targets of p44/42 have been identified, including p90RSK (7) and the transcription factor Elk-1 (8,9). p44/42 are negatively regulated by a family of dual-specificity (Thr/Tyr) MAPK phosphatases, known as DUSPs or MKPs (10), along with MEK inhibitors, such as U0126 and PD98059.				
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Species Reactivity		Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).				
Western Blot Buffer		IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v BSA, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.				
Applications Key		W: Western Blotting IP: Immunoprecipitation				
Cross-Reactivity Key		H: Human M: Mouse R: Rat Hm: Hamster Mk: Monkey Mi: Mink Z: Zebrafish B: Bovine Pg: Pig Sc: S. cerevisiae				

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