

p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) Antibody



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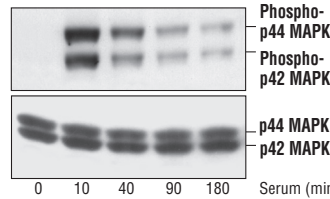
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Applications	Species Cross-Reactivity*	Molecular Wt.	Source
W, IP, IHC-P Endogenous	H, M, R, Mk, Mi, Pg, Sc, Hm, B, Z	42, 44 kDa	Rabbit**

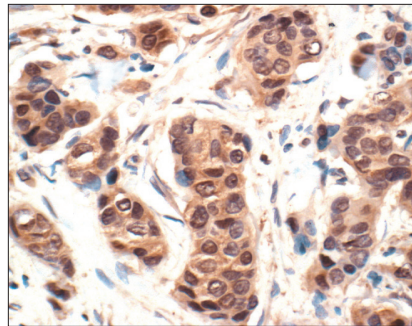
Background: Mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPKs) are a widely conserved family of serine/threonine protein kinases involved in many cellular programs such as cell proliferation, differentiation, motility, and death. The p44/42 MAPK (ERK1/2) signaling pathway can be activated in response to a diverse range of extracellular stimuli including mitogens, growth factors, and cytokines (1-3) and is 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 (MAPKKK 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.

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 (KLH-coupled) derived from a sequence in the C-terminus of rat p44 MAP Kinase. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.



Western blot analysis of extracts from serum-induced PC12 cells, using Phospho-p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) (Thr202/Tyr204) Antibody #9101 (upper) or control p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) Antibody (lower).



Immunohistochemical analysis of paraffin-embedded human breast carcinoma, showing nuclear and cytoplasmic localization, using p44/42 MAPK (Erk1/2) Antibody.

Entrez-Gene ID # 5594, 5595
UniProt ID # P27361, P28482

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.

*Species cross-reactivity is determined by western blot.

**Anti-rabbit secondary antibodies must be used to detect this antibody.

Recommended Antibody Dilutions:

Western blotting	1:1000
Immunoprecipitation	1:50
Immunohistochemistry (Paraffin)	1:100†
Unmasking buffer:	Citrate
Antibody diluent:	SignalStain® Antibody Diluent #8112

Detection reagent: SignalStain® Boost (HRP, Rabbit) #8114

†Optimal IHC dilutions determined using SignalStain® Boost IHC Detection Reagent.

For product specific protocols and a complete listing of recommended companion products please see the product web page at www.cellsignal.com

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IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted antibody in 5% w/v BSA, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween®-20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key: W—Western IP—Immunoprecipitation IHC—Immunohistochemistry ChIP—Chromatin Immunoprecipitation IF—Immunofluorescence F—Flow cytometry E-P—ELISA-Peptide
Species Cross-Reactivity Key: H—human M—mouse R—rat Hm—hamster Mk—monkey Mi—mink C—chicken Dm—D. melanogaster X—Xenopus Z—zebrafish B—bovine
Dg—dog Pg—pig Sc—S. cerevisiae Ce—C. elegans Hr—Horse All—all species expected Species enclosed in parentheses are predicted to react based on 100% homology.