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## Phospho-MEK1/2 (Ser217/221) (41G9) Rabbit mAb

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<b>Applications:</b> W, W-S, IP	<b>Reactivity:</b> H M R Mk	<b>Sensitivity:</b> Endogenous	<b>MW (kDa):</b> 45	<b>Source/Isotype:</b> Rabbit IgG	<b>UniProt ID:</b> #P36507, #Q02750	<b>Entrez-Gene Id:</b> 5605, 5604
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### Product Usage Information

#### Application

Western Blotting  
Simple Western™  
Immunoprecipitation

#### Dilution

1:1000  
1:10 - 1:50  
1:50

### Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol and less than 0.02% sodium azide. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

### Specificity/Sensitivity

Phospho-MEK1/2 (Ser217/221) (41G9) Rabbit mAb detects endogenous levels of MEK1/2 only when activated by phosphorylation at Ser217/221.

### Species predicted to react based on 100% sequence homology

Chicken

### Source / Purification

Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic phosphopeptide corresponding to residues around Ser217/221 of human MEK1/2.

### Background

MEK1 and MEK2, also called MAPK or Erk kinases, are dual-specificity protein kinases that function in a mitogen activated protein kinase cascade controlling cell growth and differentiation (1-3). Activation of MEK1 and MEK2 occurs through phosphorylation of two serine residues at positions 217 and 221, located in the activation loop of subdomain VIII, by Raf-like molecules. MEK1/2 is activated by a wide variety of growth factors and cytokines and also by membrane depolarization and calcium influx (1-4). Constitutively active forms of MEK1/2 are sufficient for the transformation of NIH/3T3 cells or the differentiation of PC-12 cells (4). MEK activates p44 and p42 MAP kinase by phosphorylating both threonine and tyrosine residues at sites located within the activation loop of kinase subdomain VIII.

### Background References

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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 **W-S:** Simple Western™ **IP:** Immunoprecipitation

### Cross-Reactivity Key

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

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