

Anti-Phospho-Thr³⁸⁶ MEK 1 Antibody



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Host	Applications	Species Tested	Species Reactivity*	Molecular Weight
Rabbit	WB 1:1000	H, R	B, C, Ch, M, NHP, X	~45 kDa

Product Description: Affinity purified rabbit polyclonal antibody.

Biological Significance: MEK 1 (MAP Kinase Kinase, also known as MKK) is an integral component of the MAP kinase cascade that regulates cell growth and differentiation (Ahn, 1993; Chong et al., 2003). This pathway also plays a key role in synaptic plasticity in the brain (Adams and Sweatt, 2002). Activated MEK 1 acts as a dual specificity kinase phosphorylating both a threonine and a tyrosine residue on MAP kinase (Kyriakis et al., 1991; Seger et al., 1991; Crews et al., 1992). Conversely, there also appears to be a feedback phosphorylation of MEK 1 by MAP kinase. The sites on MEK 1 that are phosphorylated by MAP kinase are Thr²⁹² and Thr³⁸⁶ (Mansour et al., 1994).

Antigen: Phosphopeptide corresponding to amino acid residues surrounding the phospho-Thr³⁸⁶ of human MEK 1.

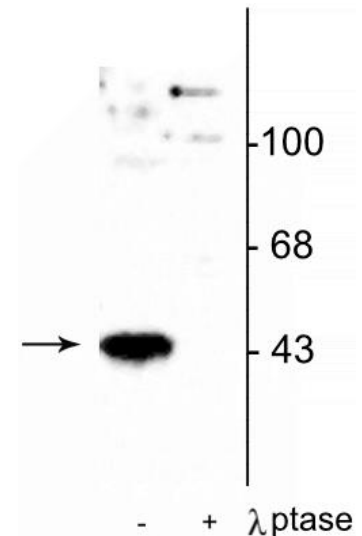
Antibody Specificity: Specific for endogenous levels of the ~45 kDa MEK 1 protein phosphorylated at Thr³⁸⁶. The immunolabeling is completely eliminated by treatment with λ-phosphatase.

Purification Method: Prepared from pooled rabbit serum by affinity purification via sequential chromatography on phospho and non-phosphopeptide affinity columns.

Quality Control Tests: Western blots performed on each lot.

Packaging: 100 µl in 10 mM HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg BSA per ml and 50% glycerol.

Storage and Stability: Shipped on blue ice. Storage at -20°C is recommended, as aliquots may be taken without freeze/thawing due to presence of 50% glycerol. Stable for at least 1 year at -20°C.



Western blot of human T47D cells showing specific immunolabeling of the ~45 kDa MEK 1 protein phosphorylated at Thr³⁸⁶ in the first lane (-). Phosphospecificity is shown in the second lane (+) where immunolabeling is completely eliminated by blot treatment with *lambda* phosphatase (λ -Ptase, 1200 units for 30 min).

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