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ab237968

Anti-CD68 antibody [FA-11] - BSA and Azide free

Recombinant

Key facts

Isotype	IgG2a
Host species	Rat
Storage buffer	pH: 7.2 - 7.4 Constituents: PBS
Form	Liquid
Clonality	Monoclonal
Immunogen	The exact immunogen used to generate this antibody is proprietary information.
Carrier free	Yes
Clone number	FA-11
Purification technique	Affinity purification Protein A
Concentration	1.03 mg/mL The concentration of this product may be batch-dependent Batch concentration finder →
Purification notes	Purified IgG prepared by affinity chromatography on Protein G from tissue culture supernatant.

Reactivity data

Flow Cyt (Intra)

Tested

Species	Mouse

Dilution info	1/100
Notes	Membrane permeabilisation is required for this application. ab18450 - Rat monoclonal IgG2a, is suitable for use as an isotype control with this antibody.

ICC/IF

Tested

Species	Mouse
Dilution info	1/50
Notes	-

IHC-Fr

Not recommended

Species	Mouse
Dilution info	-
Notes	-

Target data

See full target information Cd68

Function	Could play a role in phagocytic activities of tissue macrophages, both in intracellular lysosomal metabolism and extracellular cell-cell and cell-pathogen interactions. Binds to tissue- and organ-specific lectins or selectins, allowing homing of macrophage subsets to particular sites. Rapid recirculation of CD68 from endosomes and lysosomes to the plasma membrane may allow macrophages to crawl over selectin-bearing substrates or other cells.

Storage

Shipped at conditions	Blue Ice
Appropriate short-term storage conditions	+4°C
Appropriate long-term storage conditions	+4°C

Storage information	Do Not Freeze

Notes

ab23796 is the carrier-free version of ab53444.

Want a custom formulation?

This antibody clone is manufactured by Abcam. If you require a custom buffer formulation or conjugation for your experiments, please contact orders@abcam.com

Conjugation ready

Our carrier-free antibodies are typically supplied in a PBS-only formulation, purified and free of BSA, sodium azide and glycerol. This conjugation-ready format is designed for use with fluorochromes, metal isotopes, oligonucleotides, and enzymes, which makes them ideal for antibody labelling, functional and cell-based assays, flow-based assays (e.g. mass cytometry) and Multiplex Imaging applications.

Use our conjugation kits for antibody conjugates that are ready-to-use in as little as 20 minutes with 1 minute hands-on-time and 100% antibody recovery: available for fluorescent dyes, HRP, biotin and gold.

Compatibility

This product is compatible with the Maxpar® Antibody Labeling Kit from Fluidigm, without the need for antibody preparation. Maxpar® is a trademark of Fluidigm Canada Inc.

What are the advantages of a recombinant monoclonal antibody?

This product is a recombinant monoclonal antibody, which offers several advantages including:

- High batch-to-batch consistency and reproducibility
- Improved sensitivity and specificity
- Long-term security of supply
- Animal-free batch production

For more information, read more on recombinant antibodies.

Supplementary info

This supplementary information is collated from multiple sources and compiled automatically.

Activity summary	CD68 is a glycoprotein that functions as a scavenger receptor. It plays an important role in the regulation of cellular debris and apoptotic cell clearance. Researchers often refer to it as KP1 or macrosialin in the literature. CD68 with a molecular weight of approximately 110 kDa is highly expressed in macrophages and monocytes. The mucin-like structure of CD68 allows it to be heavily glycosylated which aids in its function. Researchers detect CD68 in tissues through methods like immunohistochemistry (IHC) immunofluorescence and CD68 staining and it is widely used as a macrophage marker in research.
Biological function summary	CD68 facilitates functions associated with the innate immune response. It serves as an important part of macrophages which contribute to immune surveillance and tissue homeostasis. Though it primarily operates on its own in some contexts CD68 might assist in forming complexes with other receptors to modulate phagocytic activity. This target is significant in atherosclerotic plaque stability as macrophages engulf lipids and cell debris through processes facilitated by CD68.

Pathways	CD68 is involved in pathways connected to inflammation and phagocytosis. The CD68 protein works closely with other scavenger receptors like CD36 to mediate uptake of oxidized low-density lipoproteins (oxLDL) in the lipid metabolism pathway. Additionally CD68 engagement can influence the toll-like receptor (TLR) signaling pathways thereby linking innate immunity and inflammatory responses critical for host defense and disease progression.
Associated diseases and disorders	CD68 is associated with atherosclerosis and multiple sclerosis. In atherosclerosis its role becomes evident as it accumulates in macrophages within the plaques making it a marker of disease severity. In multiple sclerosis CD68 expression in macrophages and microglia indicates active demyelination and inflammation. It also relates to proteins such as CD36 in atherosclerosis where both mediate the uptake of modified LDL contributing to foam cell formation in plaques.

Product promise

Tested

We have tested this species and application combination and it works. It is covered by our product promise.

Expected

We have not tested this specific species and application combination in-house, but expect it will work. It is covered by our product promise.

Predicted

This species and application combination has not been tested, but we predict it will work based on strong homology. However, this combination is not covered by our product promise.

Not recommended

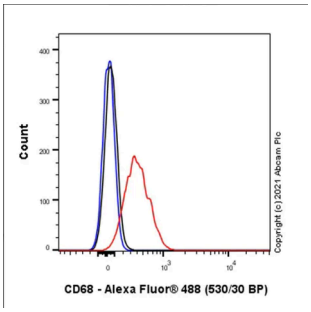
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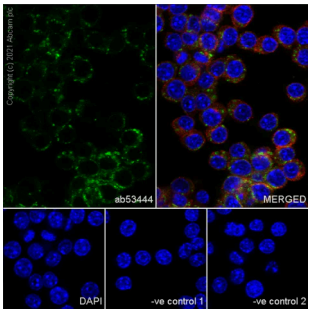
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Flow Cytometry (Intracellular) - Anti-CD68 antibody [FA-11] - BSA and Azide free (ab237968)

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS and sodium azide (ab53444). Flow Cytometry analysis of 4% paraformaldehyde-fixed RAW 264.7 (Mouse Abelson murine leukemia virus-induced tumor macrophage) cells labelling CD68 with ab53444 at a 1/100 dilution (1 µg) (Red) compared to Rat monoclonal IgG - Isotype Control (Black) and cells without incubation with primary antibody and secondary antibody (Blue). Goat F(ab)2 Anti-Rat IgG Fc (Alexa Fluor® 488, ab150161) at 1/2000 dilution was used as the secondary antibody.



Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-CD68 antibody [FA-11] - BSA and Azide free (ab237968)

CD68 Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence staining using rat Anti-CD68 antibody

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS and sodium azide (ab53444). RAW 264.7 cells were fixed in 4% PFA and permeabilized with 0.1% Triton X-100. Primary antibody, ab53444 at 1:50 was incubated overnight at 4° C, followed by AlexaFluor® 488-conjugated Goat anti-Rat secondary antibody (ab150157) at 1/1000 dilution at RT for 45 min. ab179513 Anti-beta Tubulin, used as a counterstain at 1/200 dilution, was co-incubated with ab53444 overnight at 4° C, followed by Alexa Fluor® 594 Goat Anti-Rabbit secondary (ab150080) at 1/1000 dilution at RT for 45 min. Nucleus were visualized using DAPI. Confocal image showing cytoplasmic staining in RAW 264.7 cell line.

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