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# Galectin-9 (D9R4A) XP<sup>®</sup> Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor<sup>®</sup> 647 Conjugate)



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Applications:Reactivity:Sensitivity:Source/Isotype:UniProt ID:Entrez-Gene Id:FC-FPHEndogenousRabbit IgG#0001823965

 Product Usage Information
 Application
 Dilution

 Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)
 1:50

**Storage** Supplied in PBS (pH 7.2), less than 0.1% sodium azide and 2 mg/ml BSA. Store at 4°C. Do not aliquot the antibody. Protect from light. Do not freeze.

**Specificity / Sensitivity**Galectin-9 (D9R4A) XP® Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 647 Conjugate) recognizes endogenous levels of total galectin-9 protein.

**Source / Purification** Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with recombinant human galectin-9 protein.

Product Description

This Cell Signaling Technology antibody is conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 647 fluorescent dye and tested inhouse for direct flow cytometric analysis in human cells. This antibody is expected to exhibit the same

species cross-reactivity as the unconjugated Galectin-9 (D9R4A) XP® Rabbit mAb #54330.

#### **Background**

Galectins are a family of  $\beta$ -galactose binding proteins that are characterized by an affinity for poly-N-acetyllactosamine-enriched glycoconjugates and a carbohydrate-binding site (1,2). Members of the galectin family have been implicated in a variety of biological functions, including cell adhesion (3), growth regulation (4), cytokine production (5), T-cell apoptosis (6), and immune responses (7).

Galectin-9 is induced by proinflammatory stimuli, including IFN- $\gamma$ , TNF- $\alpha$ , and TLR ligands, and regulates various immune responses through interaction with its ligand TIM-3 (8, 9). Binding of galectin-9 to TIM-3 expressed by Th1 CD4 T cells resulted in T cell death (9). On the other hand, galectin-9 treatment of tumor-bearing mice increased the number of IFN- $\gamma$ -producing TIM-3+ CD8 T cells and TIM-3+ dendritic cells (10). Transgenic overexpression of either TIM-3 or galectin-9 in mice led to an increase in cells with a myeloid-derived suppressor cell phenotype and inhibition of immune responses (11). CD44 is also proposed to be a receptor for galectin-9, and interaction of galectin-9 with CD44 expressed by induced regulatory T (iTreg) cells enhanced the stability of function of iTreg cells. In addition, galectin-9 was recently demonstrated to bind Dectin-1 expressed by pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma-infiltrating macrophages, resulting in tolerogenic macrophage reprogramming and suppression of anti-tumor immunity. Increased galectin-9 expression has been observed in several cancer types, including lung, liver, breast, and kidney (12). Alternative splicing of the galectin-9 transcript leads to several isoforms (13).

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#### **Species Reactivity**

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

#### **Applications Key**

FC-FP: Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

## **Cross-Reactivity Key**

H: human M: mouse R: rat Hm: hamster Mk: monkey Vir: virus 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 GP: Guinea Pig Rab: rabbit All: all species expected

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