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# Galectin-9 (D9R4A) XP<sup>®</sup> Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor<sup>®</sup> 488 Conjugate)



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Source/Isotype: Entrez-Gene Id: Applications: Reactivity: Sensitivity: **UniProt ID:** FC-FP Н Endogenous Rabbit IgG #O00182 3965

**Product Usage** Application Dilution Information Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized) 1:50

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 **Storage** 

antibody. Protect from light. Do not freeze. Galectin-9 (D9R4A) XP® Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate) recognizes endogenous levels of total

Specificity / Sensitivity galectin-9 protein.

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

This Cell Signaling Technology antibody is conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorescent dye and tested in-**Product Description** house 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 β-galactose binding proteins that are characterized by an affinity for poly-Nacetyllactosamine-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-y, 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-y-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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