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## Cardiovascular Disease Research

Cardiovascular disease (CVD), which includes diseases of the heart and blood vessels, is the leading cause of death worldwide and occurs in many forms, from congenital heart disease (CHD) in newborns to coronary artery disease (CAD), myocardial infarction (MI), heart failure and hypertension in adults. Treatment of these diseases remains a challenge. The cardiovascular system is a highly complex and well-organized system in which signal transduction plays an important physiological and pathological role. Over the past two decades, researchers have dramatically improved their understanding of signaling pathways in the cardiovascular system. The identification of protein kinases and phosphatases as key elements in these pathways makes them potential molecular targets for future drug development. The signaling pathways involved include: P3K–Akt/protein kinase B, Notch, MDM2/p53, mTOR, MAPK, Hippo and others. In particular, the intimate involvement of the MAPK family of enzymes (and their associated phosphatases) in physiological and pathological cardiovascular processes suggests that they may provide therapeutic targets for preventing or reversing aberrant cell growth in the failing heart.

Mammalian MAPKs are classified into at least five families: ERK1/2 (extracellularly regulated kinases), p38mapks, c-junN-terminal kinases (JNKs), ERK3/4, and ERK5. The most extensively studied MAPK in recent years has been ERK1/2, which is a component of the classical MAPK cascade. These enzymes were the first of the mammalian cell MAPKs to be identified as serine/threonine kinases, and a key function of ERK1/2 is to control cell proliferation and differentiation and survival through the activation of transcription factors, but these MAPKs have also been implicated in a number of acute events in cardiovascular cells, including the release of vasoactive molecules from endothelial cells and the contraction of vascular smooth muscle cells in resistance vessels. For example, in endothelial cells, ERK1/2 acidifies an isoform of the effector molecule PLA2, which releases arachidonic acid from membrane phospholipids. Cyclooxygenase then converts arachidonic acid to prostaglandin H2, which is a substrate for several synthetic enzymes, and these synthetic acids produce a variety of other prostaglandins, including prostacyclin (PGI2).

Because PGI2 is a vasodilator that suppresses platelet reactivity and inhibits vascular smooth muscle cell proliferation, activation of endothelial ERK1/2 directly contributes to limiting the degree of vascular smooth muscle contraction, thrombosis, and smooth muscle cell growth. All of these may be exaggerated in many cardiovascular diseases, including hypertension and atherosclerosis. In vascular smooth muscle, ERK1/2 phosphorylate caldesmon, a high-fraction type of contraction-regulating protein, suggesting that these kinases are also directly involved in regulating normal contraction of the vascular wall. ERK1/2 and JNK activities are also increased in the vasculature of hypertensive animals, suggesting that aberrant expression and activation of these MAPKs may also be involved in vascular pathology.

### • Hot-selling antibodies recommended:

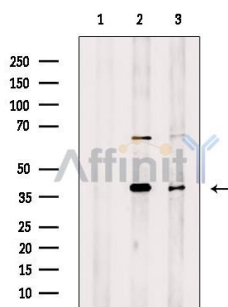
#### p38 MAPK Antibody ( PubMed 108)

Catalog: AF6456

Application: WB IHC IF/ICC

Reactivity: Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig

Prediction: Pig, Bovine, Horse, Sheep, Rabbit, Dog



Western blot analysis of extracts from various samples, using p38 MAPK Antibody. Lane 1: MDA–MB–231 cells, blocked with antigen–specific peptides, Lane 2: MDA–MB–231 cells, Lane 3: Rat lung.



AF6456 at 1/100 staining Human brain tissue sections by IHC–P. The tissue was formaldehyde fixed and a heat mediated antigen retrieval step in citrate buffer was performed. The tissue was then blocked and incubated with the antibody for 1.5 hours at 22° C. An HRP conjugated goat anti-rabbit antibody was used as the secondary antibody.

## • Related antibodies recommended

| Cat#   | Des#                                      | Reactivity  | Application                  | Cited |
|--------|---|---|------------------------------|-------|
| AF6423 | AMPK alpha Ab                             | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6266 | beta Catenin Ab                           | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6493 | CaMKII alpha/delta Ab                     | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF6311 | Caspase 3 Ab                              | Human, Mouse, Rat, Bovine   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF5126 | CD8 Antibody                              | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,ELISA(peptide)        | ◆◆    |
| AF6090 | c-Jun Ab                                  | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆    |
| AF7022 | Cleaved-Caspase 3 (Asp175),p17 Ab         | Human, Mouse, Rat, Bovine   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆◆ |
| AF0358 | c-Myc Ab                                  | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF0931 | Cyclin D1 Ab                              | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| DF6386 | Cyclin D1 Ab                              | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF0131 | E-cadherin Ab                             | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF0155 | ERK1/2 Ab                                 | Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig Zebrafish, Bovine, Horse, Sheep, Dog, Monkey, Fish | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF5016 | GSK3 beta Ab                              | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6009 | IKK-beta Ab                               | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF5103 | IL1 beta Ab                               | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| DF6895 | IRF3 Antibody                             | Human,Mouse,Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,ELISA(peptide) | ◆◆    |
| AF6318 | JNK1/2/3 Ab                               | Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig  | WB,IF/ICC                    | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6385 | MEK1/2 Ab                                 | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF0218 | MMP7 Ab                                   | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF6308 | mTOR Ab                                   | Human, Mouse, Rat, Fish   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| DF6446 | NFAT2 Ab                                  | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC                       | ◆◆    |
| AF5006 | NF-kB p65 Ab                              | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆◆ |
| AF6456 | p38 MAPK Ab                               | Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig  | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF0879 | p53 Ab                                    | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6226 | p70 S6 Kinase Ab                          | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF3423 | P-AMPK alpha (Thr172) Ab                  | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF6261 | pan-AKT1/2/3 Ab                           | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆◆  |
| DF2989 | P-beta Catenin (Ser33/Ser37/Thr41) Ab     | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IF/ICC                    | ◆◆    |
| AF3493 | P-CaMKII alpha/delta (Thr286) Ab          | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF3095 | P-c-Jun (Ser73) Ab                        | Human, Mouse, Rat, Zebrafish  | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF1015 | P-ERK1/2 (Thr202/Tyr204) Ab               | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆◆ |
| AF2016 | P-GSK3 beta (Ser9) Ab                     | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆   |
| AF6241 | PI3K p85 alpha Ab                         | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF3272 | P-IRS1 (Ser307) Ab                        | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF3318 | P-JNK1/2/3(Thr183+Tyr185)Ab               | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF7746 | PKA alpha/beta/gamma CAT Ab               | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC                       | ◆◆    |
| AF6197 | PKC-pan Ab                                | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆    |
| AF8035 | P-MEK1/2 (Ser218+Ser222/Ser222+Ser226) Ab | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF3308 | P-mTOR (Ser2448) Ab                       | Human, Mouse, Rat, Fish   | WB,IHC                       | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF2006 | P-NF-kB p65 (Ser536) Ab                   | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆◆◆ |
| AF4001 | P-p38 MAPK(Thr180/Tyr182) Ab              | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆◆◆  |
| AF3075 | P-p53 (Ser15) Ab                          | Human, Mouse, Rat   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC,IP             | ◆◆    |
| AF3228 | P-p70 S6 Kinase (Thr389/Thr412) Ab        | Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig  | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆   |
| AF0016 | P-pan-AKT1/2/3 (Ser473) Ab                | Human, Mouse, Rat, Monkey   | WB,IHC,IF/ICC                | ◆◆◆◆◆ |



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