# Technical Data Sheet

# Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-T-bet

#### **Product Information**

Material Number:
Alternate Name:
Size:
Vol. per Test:
Clone:
Immunogen:
Isotype:
Reactivity:

561266
T-box expressed in T cells; TBX21; T-box 21; TBLYM
50 tests
5 μl
O4-46
Human T-bet Peptide
Mouse IgG1, κ
QC Testing: Human
Confirmed by Western blot using purified antibody (Cat. No. 561263): Mouse
Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

# Storage Buffer:

#### Description

The O4-46 monoclonal antibody specifically binds to human and mouse T-bet. T-bet (T-box gene expressed in T cells) is a master regulatory transcription factor that is also known as TBX21 (T-box21) and TBLYM (T-box transcription factor, expressed in lymphocytes). Human (535 amino acids; 58.3 kDa predicted molecular mass) and mouse (530 amino acids; 57.7 kDa) T-bet proteins are encoded by the human *TBX21* (chromosome 17) and mouse *Tbx21* (chromosome 11) genes. The human and mouse T-bet protein amino acid sequences are 88% homologous. Human and mouse T-bet protein share a highly conserved (98% homologous amino acid sequences) T-box protein domain that is centrally located and mediates binding to DNA. T-bet is expressed by and activates transcriptional activities within hemotopoietic cells including stem cells, NK and NKT cells and subsets of thymocytes, primed/activated CD4+ T cells, CD8+ T cells and  $\gamma\delta$  T cells, B cells, and dendritic cells. Interferon-gamma (IFN- $\gamma$ ), interleukin-27 (IL-27), and IL-12 act on peripheral antigen-triggered (TCR-signaling) T cells to increase T-bet expression. With respect to T helper lymphocytes, T-bet directs the differentiation of naïve CD4+ precursor T cells to become Th1-like effector and memory cells. T-bet accomplishes this by activating Th1 genetic programs (including epigenetic modifications) while repressing opposing T helper subset programs. T-bet controls the upregulated expression of the Th1 signature cytokine, IFN- $\gamma$ , the IL-12R $\beta$ 2 subunit and the Runx3 transcription factor and can repress the function of other transcriptional regulators, such as GATA-3 (master regulator of Th2 development) and the expression of other cytokines including IL-2, IL-4 and IL-5.



Flow cytometric analysis of T-bet expression in human peripheral blood lymphocytes. Whole blood was treated with BD<sup>™</sup> Phosflow Lyse/Fix Buffer (Cat. No. 558049) to lyse erythrocytes and fix leukocytes. The cells were then permeabilized by treatment with BD<sup>™</sup> Phosflow Perm/Wash Buffer I (Cat. No. 557885; Donor 1; Left Panel) or BD<sup>™</sup> Phosflow Perm Buffer III (Cat. No. 558050; Donor 2; Right Panel). The cells were stained with Alexa Fluor® 647 Mouse Anti-Human CD3 (Cat. No. 557706) and Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-T-bet (Cat. No. 561266) antibodies. Two-color flow cytometric dot plots showing the correlated expression patterns of CD3 and T-bet were derived from gated events with the forward and side light-scatter characteristics of viable lymphocytes. Flow cytometry was performed using a BD FACSCalibur™ Cytometer System.

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# **Preparation and Storage**

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 488 was removed. Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

# **Application Notes**

#### Application

Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested

**Recommended Assay Procedure:** 

Immunofluorescent staining with the O4-46 Mouse Anti-T-bet monoclonal antibody is compatible with BD<sup>™</sup> Phosflow Lyse/Fix Buffer (Cat. No. 558049) and the BD<sup>™</sup> Phosflow Permeabilization Buffers: Perm/Wash Buffer I (Cat. No. 557885); Perm Buffer II (Cat. No. 558052); Perm Buffer III (Cat. No. 558050); and Perm Buffer IV (Cat. No. 560746).

# Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	<u>Clone</u>
557706	Alexa Fluor®647 Mouse Anti-Human CD3	100 tests	UCHT1
558049	Lyse/Fix Buffer 5X	250 ml	(none)
557885	Perm/Wash Buffer I	125 ml	(none)
558052	Perm Buffer II	125 ml	(none)
558050	Perm Buffer III	125 ml	(none)
560746	Perm Buffer IV 10×	50 ml	(none)

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- 3. Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC).
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- 8. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
- 9. This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use 1 × 10<sup>6</sup> cells in a 100-μl experimental sample (a test).
- 10. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.
- 11. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.

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