

**DESCRIPTION**

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| <b>Species Reactivity</b> | Human                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Specificity</b>        | Detects human HGF R/c-MET.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Source</b>             | Monoclonal Mouse IgG <sub>1</sub> Clone # 95106                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Purification</b>       | Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Immunogen</b>          | Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human HGF R/c-MET<br>Glu25-Thr932<br>Accession # P08581                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Conjugate</b>          | Alexa Fluor 750<br>Excitation Wavelength: 749 nm<br>Emission Wavelength: 775 nm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Formulation</b>        | Supplied 0.2 mg/mL in a saline solution containing BSA and Sodium Azide. See Certificate of Analysis for details.<br><br>*Contains <0.1% Sodium Azide, which is not hazardous at this concentration according to GHS classifications. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for additional information and handling instructions. |

**APPLICATIONS**

*Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.*

|                       | <b>Recommended Concentration</b> | <b>Sample</b>                            |
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| <b>Flow Cytometry</b> | 0.25-1 µg/10 <sup>6</sup> cells  | MDA-MB-231 human breast cancer cell line |

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

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| <b>Shipping</b>                | The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.                                  |
| <b>Stability &amp; Storage</b> | <b>Protect from light. Do not freeze.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 months from date of receipt, 2 to 8 °C as supplied.</li> </ul> |

## BACKGROUND

HGF R, also known as Met (from *N*-methyl-*N*-nitro-*N*-nitrosoguanidine induced), is a glycosylated receptor tyrosine kinase that plays a central role in epithelial morphogenesis and cancer development. HGF R is synthesized as a single chain precursor which undergoes cotranslational proteolytic cleavage. This generates a mature HGF R that is a disulfide-linked dimer composed of a 50 kDa extracellular  $\alpha$  chain and a 145 kDa transmembrane  $\beta$  chain (1, 2). The extracellular domain (ECD) contains a seven bladed  $\beta$ -propeller sema domain, a cysteine-rich PSI/MRS, and four Ig-like E-set domains, while the cytoplasmic region includes the tyrosine kinase domain (3, 4). Proteolysis and alternate splicing generate additional forms of human HGF R which either lack of the kinase domain, consist of secreted extracellular domains, or are deficient in proteolytic separation of the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  chains (5-7). The sema domain, which is formed by both the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  chains of HGF R, mediates both ligand binding and receptor dimerization (3, 8). Ligand-induced tyrosine phosphorylation in the cytoplasmic region activates the kinase domain and provides docking sites for multiple SH2-containing molecules (9, 10). HGF stimulation induces HGF R downregulation *via* internalization and proteasome-dependent degradation (11). In the absence of ligand, HGF R forms non-covalent complexes with a variety of membrane proteins including CD44v6, CD151, EGF R, Fas, Integrin  $\alpha 6/\beta 4$ , Plexins B1, 2, 3, and MSP R/Ron (12-19). Ligation of one complex component triggers activation of the other, followed by cooperative signaling effects (12-19). Formation of some of these heteromeric complexes is a requirement for epithelial cell morphogenesis and tumor cell invasion (12, 16, 17). Paracrine induction of epithelial cell scattering and branching tubulogenesis results from the stimulation of HGF R on undifferentiated epithelium by HGF released from neighboring mesenchymal cells (20). Genetic polymorphisms, chromosomal translocation, over-expression, and additional splicing and proteolytic cleavage of HGF R have been described in a wide range of cancers (1). Within the ECD, human HGF R shares 86-88% amino acid sequence identity with canine, mouse, and rat HGF R.

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