





This antibody was developed and validated by the Medical Research Council Protein Phosphorylation and **Ubiquitylation Unit (University of** Dundee, Dundee, UK).

## **Background**

Protein ubiquitylation and protein phosphorylation are the two major mechanisms that regulate the functions of proteins in eukaryotic cells. However, these different posttranslational modifications do not operate independently of one another, but are frequently interlinked to enable biological processes to be controlled in a more complex and sophisticated manner. Studying how protein phosphorylation events control the ubiquitin system and how ubiquitylation regulates protein phosphorylation has become a focal point of the study of cell regulation and human disease. Inhibitor of IkB kinases (IKKs) are key regulators of NF-kB signalling. Three IKK isoforms,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\epsilon$ -have been linked to oncogenesis (Hsu et al., 2012). IKK epsilon (IKKε) is a key regulator of innate immunity and a breast cancer oncogene, amplified in ~30% of breast cancers, that promotes malignant transformation through NF-κB activation (Zhou et al., 2013). Cloning of the IKK epsilon gene was first described by Shimada et al. (1999). IKK epsilon can be modified and regulated by K63-linked polyubiquitylation at lysine 30 and lysine 401. Tumour necrosis factor alpha (TNFα) and interleukin-1β (IL-1β) stimulation can induce IKK epsilon K63-linked polyubiquitylation, and this modification is essential for IKK epsilon kinase activity, IKK epsilon-

## IKK epsilon pSer172 (human; residues 168–177), pAb

Alternate Names: Inhibitor of nuclear factor kappa-B kinase subunit epsilon, I-kappa-B kinase epsilon, IKK-E, Inducible I kappa-B kinase, IKBKE, IKKI, KIAA0151

100 µg Cat. No. 68-0052-100 Quantity: Lot. No. 30292 Storage: -20°C

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## **Physical Characteristics**

Quantity: 100 µg

Concentration: to be provided on

shipping

Source: sheep polyclonal antibody

Immunogen: human IKK epsilon (residues 168 – 177) [CEKFV(pS)VYGTE]

Purification: affinity-purified using im-

mobilized immunogen

Formulation: phosphate-buffered

Specificity: detects IKK epsilon at ~81

kDa

Reactivity: human

Species cross reactivity: mouse

Stability/Storage: 12 months at -20°C; aliquot as required

## **Research Applications and Quality Assurance**

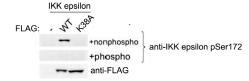
Western Immunoblotting:

use 1 µg/ml

Immunoprecipitation:

use 10 µg/mg

Add 10 µg of the non-phosphorylated form of the peptide immunogen (Cat# 68-1008-001 provided) to your immunoblotting or immunoprecipitation incubation per 1 µg of polyclonal antibody in order to deplete any non-phospho specific polyclonal antibodies present.



#### Western Blotting Analysis:

HEK293 cells were transfected with constructs for FLAG-tagged wildtype (WT) and kinase dead (K38A) IKK epsilon. The transfected IKK epsilon was immunoprecipitated from cell extracts using commercially available anti-FLAG M2 agarose and immunoblotted with anti-FLAG and anti-IKK epsilon pSer172 antibodies (Cat# 68-0052-100) in the presence of either non-phosphorylated or phosphorylated peptide.

# LPS TBK1 pSer172→ IKK epsilon pSer172→ TBK1 pSer172 **IKK** epsilon pSer172 TBK1 IKK epsilon

#### Immunoprecipitation Assay:

RAW264.7 cells were unstimulated (-) or stimulated (+) with 100 ng/ml LPS for 30 mins. 1 mg of cellular extract was subjected to immunoprecipitation using 10 µg anti-IKK epsilon pSer172 (Cat# 68-0052-100) in the presence of 100 µg of non-phosphorylated peptide. IKK epsilon - and TBK1 - were subsequently detected by Western Blot using anti-TBK1 pSer172 (Panel A; Cat# 68-0054-100), anti-IKK pSer172 (Panel B; Cat# 68-0052-100), and commercially available anti-TBK1 (Panel C) and anti-IKK epsilon (Panel D) antibodies.

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mediated NF-kB activation, and IKK epsilon-induced malignant transformation. Disruption of K63-linked ubiquitylation of IKK epsilon does not affect its overall structure but impairs the recruitment of canonical NF-kB proteins. The ubiquitin E3 ligase complex involved in binding to and ubiquitylating IKK epsilon is cIAP1/ cIAP2/TRAF2 (Zhou et al., 2013).

### **Antibody Production:**

Anti-IKK epsilon pSer172 (human) polyclonal antibody was raised in sheep against IKK epsilon pSer172 (residues 168-177 of human IKK epsilon; Ser172 phosphorylated). The antibodies were purified by the Medical Research Council Protein Phosphorylation and Ubiquitylation Unit (MRC-PPU, University of Dundee, Dundee, U.K.) by affinity purification of the anti-IKK epsilon pSer172 pAbs from the sheep serum using a GST-tagged antigen-agarose column. Anti-IKK epsilon pSer172 (human) pAb was sourced by Ubiquigent directly from the MRC-PPU.

#### General References:

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#### **Application Reference:**

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