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**Alexa488-labeled Antibody to Mac-1 (CD11b)**  
RAT MONOCLONAL (IgG<sub>2b</sub>)

**Catalog Number:** FL-N05  
**Quantity:** 100 micrograms  
**Format:** 50% PBS (0.14 M Sodium Chloride; 0.003 M Potassium Chloride; 0.002 M Potassium Phosphate; 0.01 M Sodium Phosphate; pH 7.4), 50% glycerol; no preservative.  
**Host:** Rat  
**Isotype:** IgG<sub>2b</sub>  
**Clone:** CD11b  
**Immunogen:** B10 mouse spleen cells enriched for T-lymphocytes

**Background:**

CD11b is an alpha subunit of Mac-1, also known as CR3. CD11b is the receptor for the C3bi fragment of complement. This receptor is involved in bacterial phagocytosis. A reduction in neutrophil CD11b expression after severe traumatic injury correlates with increased septic complications. CD11b is a component of integrins, important for adhesion of neutrophils to surfaces. Mac-1 exists as a chemoattractant activation-dependent molecule that undergoes a conformational change upon stimulation. Expression of new epitopes on Mac-1 can be detected after activation by specific reporter monoclonal antibodies. Until stimulation occurs, Mac-1 remains in a resting, non-adhesive state. Activation of Mac-1 may play a role during neutrophil recruitment to the inflamed site.

**Specificity and Preparation:**

This antibody recognizes human and mouse Mac-1 (CD11b). The hybridoma was formed by the fusion of mouse myeloma NS1 cells with spleen cells from rats immunized with B10 mouse spleen cells enriched for T-lymphocytes. It has been conjugated to the fluorescent dye Alexa488. The antibody is routinely tested by flow cytometry.

**Usage and Storage:**

Applications include immunoprecipitation,<sup>1</sup> flow cytometry (50  $\mu$ l),<sup>2</sup> cytotoxicity assay (EC<sub>50</sub>=16 pM),<sup>3</sup> and binding assay (5 and 50  $\mu$ l of culture supernatant).<sup>3</sup>  
Gently spin down material before use; 5-10 seconds in a microfuge should be adequate. The material can be handled safely using normal laboratory precautions. See Lot Number for lot-specific storage instructions.

**References:**

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