

# CD154 (mBA-149): sc-4842

## BACKGROUND

Resting B cells can be activated and clonally expanded into antibody-producing cells in response to a combination of cell contact and soluble signals provided by primed helper T (Th) cells. While cytokines IL-4 and IL-13 alone are inadequate for B cell activation, contact with Th cells seems to be sufficient for delivery of proliferative signals. CD40 and CD154 (also designated CD40L) comprise a receptor ligand pair central to the transmission of this signal. CD40 is expressed on the surface of B cells and CD154 is expressed on activated T cells. In the presence of such stimulus, IL-4 and IL-13 are capable of triggering immunoglobulin class switching and secretion of IgE. CD154 is a 261 amino acid protein that is expressed as a soluble cytokine as well as a homotrimeric type II transmembrane protein. Expression of CD154 is tightly regulated, and abnormal levels of CD154 are associated with the pathogenesis of atherosclerotic plaque destabilization and thrombotic events. Mutations in the gene encoding for CD154 are implicated in hyper-IgM immunodeficiency syndrome type 1.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CD40LG (human) mapping to Xq26; Cd40lg (mouse) mapping to X A5.

## SOURCE

CD154 (mBA-149) is produced in *E. coli* as 44 kDa biologically active, tagged fusion protein corresponding to 149 amino acids of CD154 of mouse origin.

## PRODUCT

CD154 (mBA-149) is purified from bacterial lysates (>98%); supplied as 50  $\mu$ g purified protein.

## RECONSTITUTION

In order to avoid freeze/thaw damaging of the active protein, dilute protein when first used to desired working concentration. Either a sterile filtered standard buffer (such as 50mM TRIS or 1X PBS) or water can be used for the dilution. Store any thawed aliquot in refrigeration at 2° C to 8° C for up to four weeks, and any frozen aliquot at -20° C to -80° C for up to one year. It is recommended that frozen aliquots be given an amount of standard cryopreservative (such as Ethylene Glycol or Glycerol 5-20% v/v), and refrigerated samples be given an amount of carrier protein (such as heat inactivated FBS or BSA to 0.1% v/v) or non-ionic detergent (such as Triton X-100 or Tween 20 to 0.005% v/v), to aid stability during storage.

## STORAGE

Store desiccated at -20° C; stable for one year from the date of shipment.

## RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

## PROTOCOLS

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