

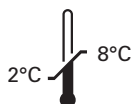
# Kreatech™ FISH probes

## Product Information Sheet

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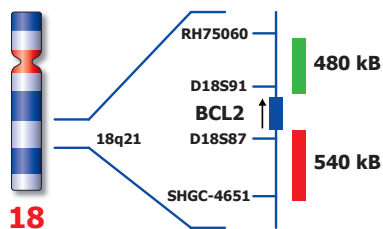
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## Kreatech™ BCL2 (18q21) Break FISH probe

**Introduction:** Follicular lymphoma is a mature B-cell lymphoma characterized by the presence of the t(14;18) translocation that juxtaposes the BCL2 locus on chromosome 18q21 to the immunoglobulin H (IGH) locus on chromosome 14q32, resulting in the overexpression of the anti-apoptotic protein BCL2. Next to IGH, other translocation partners to BCL2 are also known (e.g. IGH at 2p11.2 and IGL at 22q11). A break or split assay is therefore best suited to detect rearrangements of the BCL2 gene region at 18q21.

**Intended use:** The **BCL2 (18q21) Break** FISH probe is optimized to detect translocations involving the BCL2 gene region at 18q21 in a dual-color, split assay on metaphase/interphase spreads, blood smears and bone marrow cells.

The probe is recommended to be used in combination with one of the Kreatech Pretreatment kits providing necessary reagents to perform FISH on various sample types for optimal results. (see also [www.LeicaBiosystems.com](http://www.LeicaBiosystems.com) and look for Kits & reagents)

**Critical region 1 (red):** The **distal BCL2** gene region probe is direct-labeled with PlatinumBright™550.  
**Critical region 2 (green):** The **proximal BCL2** gene region probe is direct-labeled with PlatinumBright™495.

**Reagent:** Kreatech probes are direct-labeled DNA probes provided in a ready-to-use format. Apply 10 µl of probe to a sample area of approximately 22 x 22 mm.

**Please refer to the instructions for use for the entire Kreatech FISH protocol.**

**Kreatech FISH probes are REPEAT-FREE™ and therefore do not contain Cot-1 DNA. Hybridization efficiency is increased and background, due to unspecific binding, is highly reduced.**

**Interpretation:** The **BCL2 Break (18q21)** FISH probe is designed as a dual-color break probe to detect translocations at 18q21. A break is defined when a red/green or yellow fusion signals (F) splits into separate red and green signals. Only red and green signals which are more than one signal diameter apart from each other are counted as a break. Co-localized red/green or yellow signals identify the normal chromosome(s) 18.

Signal patterns other than those described above may indicate variant translocations or other complex rearrangements. Investigators are advised to analyze metaphase cells for the interpretation of atypical signal patterns.

	Normal Signal Pattern	18q21 Break
Expected Signals	2F	1F1R1G

**References:** Taniwaki M et al, 1995, Blood, 86; 1481-1486  
 Poetsch M et al, 1996, J Clin Oncol, 14; 963- 969  
 Einerson R et al, 2005, Am J Clin Pathol, 124; 421-429

**Warning and precautions:** In case of emergencies check SDS sheets for medical advice. SDS sheets may be obtained by either contacting Leica Technical Support or visiting [www.LeicaBiosystems.com](http://www.LeicaBiosystems.com). DNA probes contain formaldehyde which is a teratogen; do not inhale or allow skin contact. Wear gloves and a lab coat when handling DNA probes. All materials should be disposed of according to your institution's guidelines for hospital waste disposal.

**Reagent Storage and Handling:** Store at 2-8 °C. Reagents should not be used after the expiration date on the vial label.

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