

## Technical Data Sheet

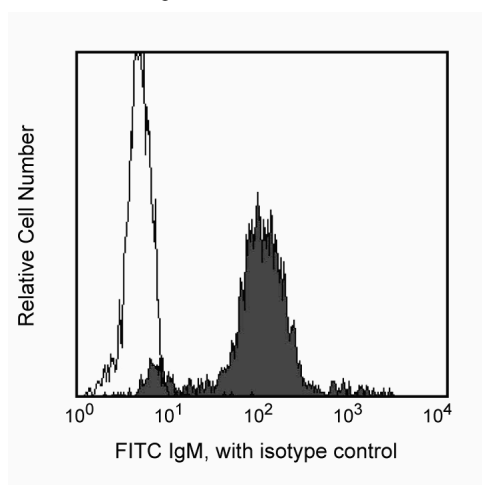
## FITC Mouse Anti-Rat IgM

## Product Information

Material Number:	553887
Size:	0.5 mg
Concentration:	0.5 mg/ml
Clone:	G53-238
Immunogen:	Pooled Rat Ig
Isotype:	Mouse IgG1, $\kappa$
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Rat
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing $\leq 0.09\%$ sodium azide.

## Description

The G53-238 antibody reacts specifically with rat IgM monomers and pentamers. It does not react with other Ig isotypes. G53-238 antibody has not been shown to stimulate B-cell proliferation.



**Detection of intracellular rat IgM in an antibody-secreting hybridoma cell line.** Cells were fixed, permeabilized, and stained according to the method described below using FITC-conjugated G53-238 mAb (filled histogram) or the matched isotype control, FITC-conjugated MOPC-21 mAb (open histogram, Cat. No. 554679). Flow cytometry was performed on a BD FACSCalibur™ flow cytometry system.

## Preparation and Storage

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography.

The antibody was conjugated with FITC under optimum conditions, and unreacted FITC was removed.

Store undiluted at 4° C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

## Application Notes

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Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested
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## Recommended Assay Procedure:

FITC-conjugated G53-238 mAb may be used as a primary or secondary reagent in immunofluorescent staining. For flow cytometric detection of intracytoplasmic IgM, please refer to the following protocol.

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## IMMUNOFLUORESCENT STAINING OF INTRACELLULAR IMMUNOGLOBULIN (Ig) PROTOCOL

1. Prepare a single-cell suspension and determine cell number.
2. Suspend cells in staining buffer (PBS + 2% FBS + 0.1% Sodium Azide) at  $2 \times 10^7$  cells/ml and transfer to U-bottom microwell plates in 50  $\mu$ l/well for immunofluorescent staining.

**Note:** The BD Pharmingen. Stain Buffer with FBS (Cat. No. 554656) is effective for use as a staining buffer in this protocol.

3. Block Fc $\gamma$  receptors by adding Rat BD Fc Block., purified anti-rat CD32 mAb D35-485 (Cat. No. 550270/550271) in 50  $\mu$ l of staining buffer to each well.
4. Incubate 5 minutes on ice.
5. Add 200  $\mu$ l of staining buffer/well and resuspend cells. Centrifuge at 250 x g for 5 minutes and aspirate supernatant.
6. Block surface Ig with purified G53-238 mAb (Cat. No. 553885) by adding 1.0  $\mu$ g per sample in 50  $\mu$ l of staining buffer/well.

**Note:** Surface markers may be stained during this step as described in the "Immunofluorescent Staining of Mouse and Rat Leukocytes for Flow Cytometry" in the Technical Protocols section of our website at [http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols/Mouse\\_and\\_Rat\\_Leukocytes.shtml](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols/Mouse_and_Rat_Leukocytes.shtml)

7. Incubate 15 minutes on ice.
8. Wash 2x as described in Step 5.
9. Resuspend cells in 100  $\mu$ l of BD Cytofix/Cytoperm. intracellular staining buffer (BD Cytofix/Cytoperm. Kit, Cat. No. 554714) per well.
10. Incubate 30 minutes at room temperature.
11. Wash 2x with 200  $\mu$ l of 1 x Perm/Wash buffer (provided in the BD Cytofix/Cytoperm Kit) per well. Centrifuge at 250 x g for 5 minutes and aspirate supernatant between washes.
12. Stain intracellular Ig by adding  $\leq 1$   $\mu$ g of FITC-conjugated G53-238 mAb in 50  $\mu$ l of 1 x Perm/Wash buffer/well.

**Note:** Other antibodies recommended for staining of intracellular markers may be added during this step as described in Step 12.

13. Incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.
14. Wash 2x as described in Step 11.
15. Resuspend and transfer samples in 100  $\mu$ l of staining buffer to tubes appropriate for analysis with a flow cytometer. Bring volume in each tube to 400  $\mu$ l with staining buffer.
16. Analyze samples on a flow cytometer.

### Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
554679	FITC Mouse IgG1, $\kappa$ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	MOPC-21

### Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. Please refer to [www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols) for technical protocols.
3. Caution: Sodium azide yields highly toxic hydrazoic acid under acidic conditions. Dilute azide compounds in running water before discarding to avoid accumulation of potentially explosive deposits in plumbing.