

Technical Data Sheet

FITC Mouse Anti-Rat CD8a

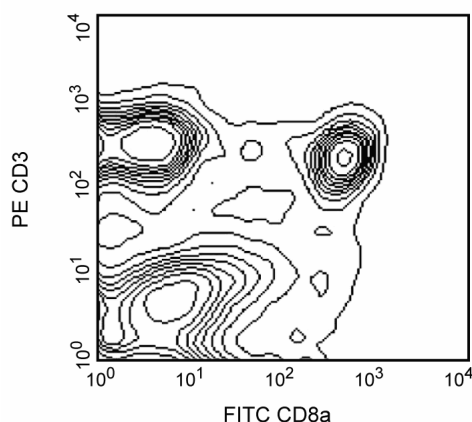
Product Information

Material Number:	554856
Size:	0.5 mg
Concentration:	0.5 mg/ml
Clone:	OX-8
Immunogen:	High-molecular-weight rat thymocyte glycoproteins
Isotype:	Mouse (BALB/c) IgG1, κ
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Rat
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing $\leq 0.09\%$ sodium azide.

Description

The OX-8 antibody reacts with the hinge-like membrane-proximal domain of the 32 kDa α chain of the CD8 differentiation antigen. A truncated CD8 α' isoform has not been detected in the rat. The CD8 α and β chains (CD8a and CD8b, respectively) form a heterodimer on the surface of most thymocytes and a subpopulation of mature T lymphocytes (i.e., MHC class I-restricted T cells, including most T suppressor/cytotoxic cells). Intestinal intraepithelial lymphocytes, many CD8+ T cells of athymic rats, many activated CD4+ T cells, and most NK cells express CD8a without CD8b. It has been suggested that the expression of the CD8a/CD8b heterodimer is restricted to thymus-derived T lymphocytes. OX-8 antibody does not react with resting CD4+ T helper cells. CD8 is an antigen coreceptor on the T-cell surface which interacts with MHC class I molecules on antigen-presenting cells. It participates in T-cell activation through its association with the T-cell receptor complex and protein tyrosine kinase Ick. Macrophages have also been reported to express CD8 α and β chains, which are involved in signal transduction. Soluble OX-8 mAb partially blocks in vitro MLR and CTL activity.

This antibody is routinely tested by flow cytometric analysis. Other applications were tested at BD Biosciences Pharmingen during antibody development only or reported in the literature.



The expression of CD8a on rat splenocytes. Single-cell suspensions of Lewis splenocytes were stained with FITC-conjugated mAb OX-8 and PE-conjugated anti-rat CD3 mAb G4.18 (Cat. No. 554833). Note that the CD8a+CD3- population represents NK cells. Flow cytometry was performed on a BD FACScan™ 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

Application

Flow cytometry	Routinely Tested
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Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
554833	PE Mouse Anti-Rat CD3	0.2 mg	G4.18
550616	FITC Mouse IgG1, κ Isotype Control	0.25 mg	MOPC-31C

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 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.

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