# **Technical Data Sheet**

# **Biotin Rat Anti-Mouse CD123**

#### **Product Information**

Material Number: 555070

Alternate Name: IL-3 Receptor α chain

 Size:
 0.5 mg

 Concentration:
 0.5 mg/ml

 Clone:
 5B11

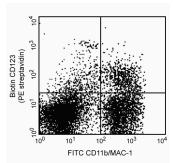
Immunogen: Mouse IL-3R transfected CTLL cells

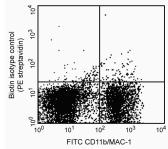
Isotype:Rat IgG2a,  $\kappa$ Reactivity:QC Testing: Mouse

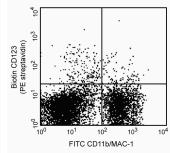
Storage Buffer: Aqueous buffered solution containing ≤0.09% sodium azide.

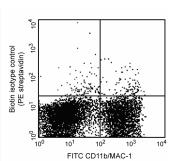
## Description

The 5B11 antibody reacts with mouse CD123, the  $\alpha$  chain subunit (IL-3R $\alpha$ ) of the mouse IL-3 receptor. The IL-3R $\alpha$  chain is a 60-70 kD transmembrane glycoprotein that binds IL-3 with low affinity but cannot transduce signals by itself. The mouse IL-3R $\alpha$  chain can complex with either of two homologous  $\beta$  chain subunits ( $\beta$ c and  $\beta$ IL-3) to form high-affinity heterodimeric IL-3 receptors. The  $\beta$ c chain is the common  $\beta$  chain subunit that can complex with the  $\alpha$  subunits of the mouse IL-3R, IL-5R and GM-CSFR to form high-affinity receptors. The  $\beta$ IL-3 subunit can form high affinity IL-3 receptor complexes with only the IL-3R $\alpha$  subunit. The  $\beta$ IL-3 subunit clone is specific for mouse IL-3 and binds with low affinity. The immunogen used to generate the 5B11 hybridoma was CTLL cells transfected with the mouse IL-3R alpha chain. The 5B11 antibody does not block the binding of IL-3 protein to the high affinity IL-3 receptor heterodimer.









### **Preparation and Storage**

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated with biotin under optimum conditions, and unreacted biotin was removed. Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

## **Application Notes**

Application

Flow cytometry Routinely Tested

#### **Recommended Assay Procedure:**

The biotinylated 5B11 antibody (Cat. No. 555070) can be used for the immunofluorescent staining and flow cytometric analyses of mouse leukocytes and cell lines that express IL-3 receptor  $\alpha$  chains (see Figure). Using an indirect immunofluorescent staining technique (see below) the 5B11 antibody (0.25 µg/test) was found to positively stain a significantly higher proportion of bone marrow cells from C57B6 mice (First panel ) as compared with cells from A/J mice (Third panel) as previously reported. The level of nonspecific staining was assessed using the biotin rat IgG2a isotype control (Cat. No. 553928; Second and final panel). Moreover, positive staining was also observed on the mouse IL-3-dependent cell lines, MC-9 and D36 (Data not shown).

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A multistep step staining procedure is recommended to amplify immunofluorescent signals for the flow cytometric analysis of mouse IL- $3R\alpha$  chain expression:

Step 1: Incubate the cells with 0.25 - 4  $\mu g$  of biotinylated 5B11 antibody at 4°C for 15 - 20 minutes. Wash cells two times with staining medium containing sodium azide (e.g., Dulbecco's PBS or tissue culture medium [without phenol red and biotin] with 0.09% sodium azide and 2% heat-inactivated FCS or 0.2% BSA).

Step 2: Incubate the cells with . 0.5 μg of streptavidin-phycoerythrin (Cat. No. 554061) at 4°C for 20 minutes. Wash two times. Resuspend cells instaining medium and analyze stained cells with a FACScan. Flow Cytometer (Becton Dickenson, San Jose, CA) using appropriate specifity and compensation and compensation controls.

## **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
553928	Biotin Rat IgG2a κ Isotype Control	0.25 mg	R35-95
554061	PE Streptavidin	0.5 mg	(none)

#### **Product Notices**

- 1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
- Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 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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