## **Technical Data Sheet**

# Biotin Rat Anti-Mouse Vα 8.3 T-Cell Receptor

#### **Product Information**

 Material Number:
 557096

 Size:
 0.25 mg

 Concentration:
 0.5 mg/ml

 Clone:
 KT50

 Immunogen:
 Mouse T-cell clone C6

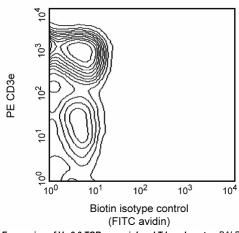
 Isotype:
 Rat (SD) IgG2a,  $\kappa$  

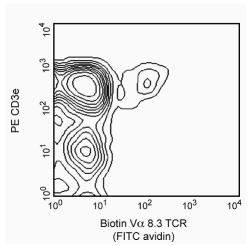
 Reactivity:
 QC Testing: Mouse

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

#### Description

The KT50 antibody reacts with some members of the  $V\alpha$  8 T-cell Receptor (TCR) subfamily of mice having the a, b, c, and d haplotypes of the Tcra gene complex (e.g., all strains tested). It recognizes an epitope in the CDR1 of  $V\alpha$  8.3, but not  $V\alpha$  8.2, TCR subfamily member, as does the B21.14 mAb (Cat. no. 553374). Site-directed mutagenesis has identified three amino acids which are necessary for antibody reactivity and which are unique to  $V\alpha$  8.3 among the five functional  $V\alpha$  8 TCR subfamily members. On a common H-2[k] background, the frequency of  $V\alpha$  8.3 TCR-bearing T lymphocytes is higher in Tcra[a/a] mice than in Tcra[a/b] mice. Furthermore, studies of congenic strains suggest that CD8+  $V\alpha$  8.3 TCR-bearing T lymphocytes undergo negative selection in mice expressing MHC class I antigens of the H-2[d] haplotype.





Expression of Va 8.3 TCR on peripheral T lymphocytes. BALB/c lymph node leukocytes were stained with PE-conjugated anti-mouse CD3e mAb 145-2C11 (Cat. no. 553063/553064) and either biotinylated rat IgG2a, k isotype control mAb R35-95 (Cat. no. 553928, Panel A) or biotinylated mAb KT50 (Panel B), followed by Avidin-FITC (Cat. no. 554060). Viable lymphocytes were selected by exclusion of 7-AAD (BD Via-Probe™, Cat. no. 555815/555816) and scatter profile. Flow cytometry was performed on a BD FACScan™ System (BD Biosciences, San Jose, CA).

### **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:**

For flow cytometry of cell suspensions from peripheral lymphoid tissues, it is recommended that multicolor staining be performed to distinguish T lymphocytes from non-T cells.

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#### **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone	
553063	PE Hamster Anti-Mouse CD3e	0.1 mg	145-2C11	
553928	Biotin Rat IgG2a κ Isotype Control	0.25 mg	R35-95	
554060	FITC Streptavidin	0.5 mg	(none)	

#### **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.
- 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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