

Technical Data Sheet

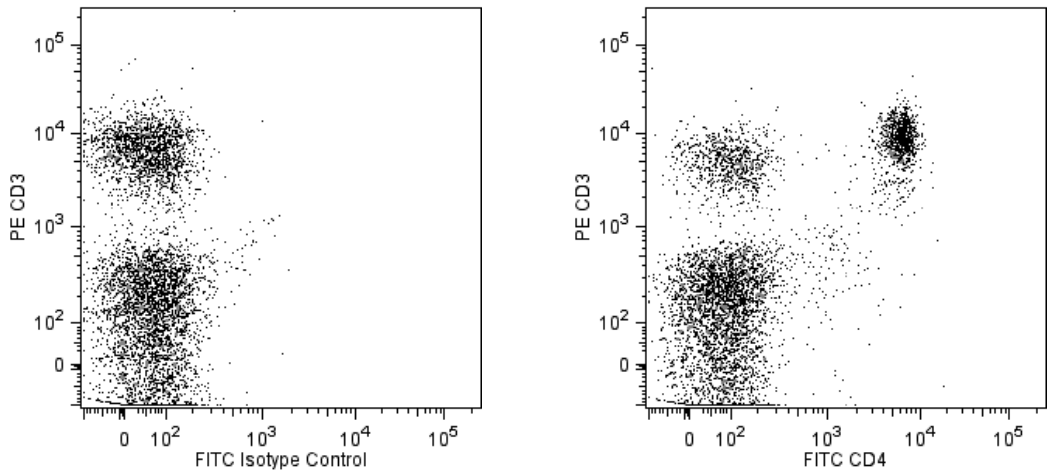
FITC Rat Anti-Mouse CD4

Product Information

Material Number:	557307
Alternate Name:	Cd4; CD4 antigen; L3T4; Ly-4; T-cell surface antigen T4/Leu-3
Size:	0.1 mg
Concentration:	0.5 mg/ml
Clone:	GK1.5
Immunogen:	Mouse CTL clone V4
Isotype:	Rat (LEW) IgG2b, κ
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Mouse
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing protein stabilizer and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

The GK1.5 monoclonal antibody specifically binds to the mouse CD4 (L3T4) differentiation antigen. CD4 is expressed on most thymocytes, a subpopulation of mature T lymphocytes (i.e., MHC class II-restricted T cells, including most T helper cells), and a subset of NK-T cells. In addition, CD4 has also been reported to be detectable on pluripotent hematopoietic stem cells, bone marrow myeloid and B-lymphocyte precursors, intrathymic lymphoid precursors, and a subset of splenic dendritic cells. CD4 has also been reported to be expressed on the plasma membrane of mouse egg cells and is involved in adhesion of the egg to MHC class II-bearing sperm. CD4 is an antigen coreceptor on the T-cell surface which interacts with MHC class II molecules on antigen-presenting cells. It participates in T-cell activation through its association with the T-cell receptor complex and protein tyrosine kinase lck. GK1.5 mAb reportedly blocks binding of the RM4-5 (Cat. No. 553046/553047) and H129.19 (Cat. No. 553650/553651), but not RM4-4 (Cat. No. 553055) antibodies.



Multicolor flow cytometric analysis of CD4 expression on mouse splenocytes. Splenic leukocytes were stained simultaneously with PE Hamster Anti-Mouse CD3e antibody (Cat. No. 561824/553063/553064) and with either BD Pharmingen™ FITC Rat IgG2a, κ Isotype Control (Cat. No. 553988; Left Panel) or BD Pharmingen™ FITC Rat Anti-Mouse CD4 antibody (Cat. No. 557307; Right Panel). Two-color flow cytometric dot plots show the correlated expression patterns of CD4 (or Ig Isotype control staining) versus CD3 for gated events with the forward and side light-scatter characteristics of viable splenic leukocytes. Flow cytometry was performed using a BD™ LSR II Flow Cytometer System.

Preparation and Storage

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

Application Notes

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Flow cytometry	Routinely Tested
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Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
553988	FITC Rat IgG2b, κ Isotype Control	0.25 mg	A95-1
553063	PE Hamster Anti-Mouse CD3e	0.1 mg	145-2C11
554656	Stain Buffer (FBS)	500 ml	(none)

Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. 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.
3. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
4. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmlingen/protocols for technical protocols.
5. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.

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