

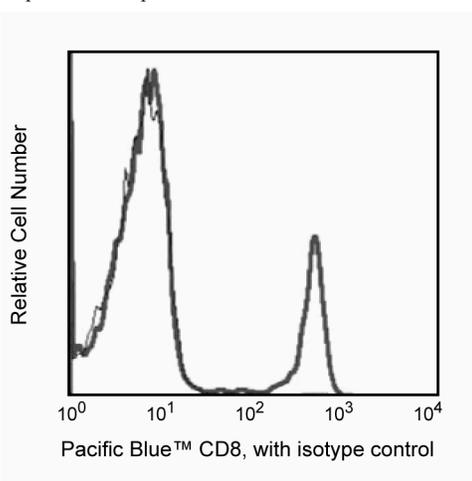
## Technical Data Sheet

**Pacific Blue™ Mouse Anti-Human CD8****Product Information**

<b>Material Number:</b>	558207
<b>Size:</b>	0.1 mg
<b>Concentration:</b>	0.2 mg/ml
<b>Clone:</b>	RPA-T8
<b>Isotype:</b>	Mouse IgG1, $\kappa$
<b>Reactivity:</b>	QC Testing: Human Tested in Development: Rhesus, Cynomolgus, Baboon
<b>Workshop:</b>	IV T171; V T-CD08.03; VI 6T-CD8.1, 6T-081
<b>Storage Buffer:</b>	Aqueous buffered solution containing protein stabilizer and $\leq 0.09\%$ sodium azide.

**Description**

The RPA-T8 monoclonal antibody specifically binds to CD8 alpha (CD8 $\alpha$ ). CD8 $\alpha$  is a type I transmembrane glycoprotein and a member of the immunoglobulin superfamily. CD8 $\alpha$  is expressed by the majority of thymocytes, by subpopulations of  $\alpha\beta$  T cells and  $\gamma\delta$  T cells and by some NK cells. Cell surface CD8 $\alpha$  is expressed either as a disulfide-linked homodimer (CD8 $\alpha\alpha$ ) or as a heterodimer (CD8 $\alpha\beta$ ) when disulfide-bonded to a CD8 beta chain (CD8 $\beta$ ). CD8-positive  $\alpha\beta$  T cells coexpress both CD8 $\alpha\alpha$  homodimers and CD8 $\alpha\beta$  heterodimers whereas some  $\gamma\delta$  T cells and NK cells express CD8 $\alpha\alpha$  homodimers. CD8 plays important roles in T cell activation and selection. The extracellular IgSF domain of CD8 $\alpha$  binds to a non-polymorphic determinant on HLA class I molecules ( $\alpha 3$  domain) and enables CD8 to function as a co-receptor with MHC class I-restricted TCR during T cell recognition of antigen. The cytoplasmic domain of CD8 $\alpha$  associates with Lck, a Src family protein tyrosine kinase that is involved in intracellular signaling. The RPA-T8 and HIT8a monoclonal antibodies are not cross-blocking. This clone has been reported to react with a subset of peripheral blood lymphocytes, but not monocytes nor granulocytes, of baboon and both rhesus and cynomolgus macaque monkey. In general, a higher frequency of CD8+ and CD4+CD8+ lymphocytes are observed in non-human primates compared to normal human donors.



*Profile of CD8 (RPA-8) reactivity on peripheral blood lymphocytes analyzed by flow cytometry.*

**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 is conjugated to Pacific Blue™ under optimum conditions, and unreacted Pacific Blue™ was removed.

**Application Notes****Application**

Flow cytometry	Routinely Tested
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**Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
558120	Pacific Blue™ Mouse IgG1, $\kappa$ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	MOPC-21

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## Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.
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.
4. Pacific Blue™ has a maximum absorption of 416 nm and maximum emission of 451 nm. Before staining with this reagent, please confirm that your flow cytometer is capable of exciting the fluorochrome and discriminating the resulting fluorescence.
5. Species testing during development may have been performed with a different format of the same clone. Selected applications have been tested for cross-reactivity.
6. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue™, and Cascade Blue® dye antibody conjugates in this product are sold under license from Molecular Probes, Inc. for research use only, excluding use in combination with microarrays, or as analyte specific reagents. The Alexa Fluor® dyes (except for Alexa Fluor® 430), Pacific Blue™ dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
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