# **Technical Data Sheet**

# Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat Anti-Mouse Vα2 TCR

# **Product Information**

Material Number:	561239		
Size:	50 µg		
Concentration:	0.2 mg/ml		
Clone:	B20.1		
Immunogen:	Soluble a BTCR from mouse cytotoxic T-cell clone KB5-C20		
Isotype:	Rat (LOU) IgG2a, $\lambda$		
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Mouse		
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing protein stabilizer and ≤0.09% sodium		
-	azide.		

# Description

The B20.1 monoclonal antibody specifically binds to most members of the V $\alpha$ 2 T-cell Receptor (TCR) subfamily in mice having the *a*, *b*, and *c* haplotypes of the *Tcrb* gene complex. B20.1 antibody may crossreact with V $\delta$ 8 TCR, which shares >90% sequence homology with V $\alpha$ 2 TCR. Levels of B20.1+ T cells appear to be influenced by V $\alpha$  haplotypes. Moreover, the frequencies of V $\alpha$ 2+ CD8+ and CD4+ T cells are influenced by H-2 haplotypes.



Flow cytometric analysis of Va2 TcR expression on mouse lymph node cells. Lymph node cells from BALB/c mice were stained with APC-Cy<sup>™</sup>7 Ret anti-Mouse CD4 (Cat. No. 552051) and APC-Cy<sup>™</sup>7 Ret anti-Mouse CD8a (Cat. No. 557654) in addition to either an Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat IgG2a,  $\lambda$  isotype control (Cat. No. 557963, Left Panel) or with the Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat anti-Mouse Va2 TCR antibody (Cat. No. 561239, Right Panel). Two-color flow cytometric dot plots showing the correlated expression of Va2 TCR versus CD4 and CD8a were derived from gated events with the forward and side light-scattering characteristics of viable lymph node cells. Flow cytometry was performed on a BD<sup>™</sup> LSR II Flow Cytometry System.

#### **Preparation and Storage**

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 700 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 700 was removed. Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

## **Application Notes**

Application			
Flow cytometry	Routinely 7	Tested	
Suggested Comp	anion Products		
Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
557963	Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat IgG2a, κ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	R35-95
554656	Stain Buffer (FBS)	500 ml	(none)
552051	APC-Cy <sup>™</sup> 7 Rat Anti-Mouse CD4	0.1 mg	GK1.5
557654	APC-Cy <sup>™7</sup> Rat Anti-Mouse CD8a	0.1 mg	53-6.7
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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. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 4. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue<sup>™</sup>, 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<sup>™</sup> dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
- 5. Alexa Fluor® 700 has an adsorption maximum of ~700nm and a peak fluorescence emission of ~720nm. Before staining cells with this reagent, please confirm that your flow cytometer is capable of exciting the fluorochrome and discriminating the resulting fluorescence.
- 6. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.
- 7. 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.
- 8. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Fluorochrome Web Page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.

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