## **Technical Data Sheet**

# PE Mouse Anti-Human CD8

#### **Product Information**

Material Number: 561949

Alternate Name: CD8α; CD8A; CD8 alpha; Leu2; MAL; T8; p32

 Size:
 25 Tests

 Vol. per Test:
 20 μl

 Clone:
 RPA-T8

 Isotype:
 Mouse IgG1, κ

 Reactivity:
 QC Testing: Human

Tested in Development: Rhesus, Cynomolgus, Baboon

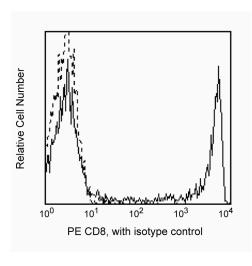
Workshop: IV T171; V T-CD08.03; VI 6T-CD8.1, 6T-081

Storage Buffer: Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA, protein stabilizer, and ≤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 $\alpha$ ) or as a heterodimer (CD8 $\alpha$ ) when disulfide-bonded to a CD8 beta chain (CD8 $\beta$ ). CD8-positive  $\alpha\beta$  T cells coexpress both CD8 $\alpha$  homodimers and CD8 $\alpha$  heterodimers whereas some  $\gamma\delta$  T cells and NK cells express CD8 $\alpha$  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 granuloyctes, 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 peripheral blood lymphocytes analyzed on a BDFACScan™ (BDIS, San Jose, CA)

### **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 R-PE under optimum conditions, and unconjugated antibody and free PE were removed.

## **Application Notes**

Application

Flow cytometry Routinely Tested

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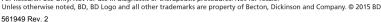
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### **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
555749	PE Mouse IgG1, κ Isotype Control	100 Tests	MOPC-21
554656	Stain Buffer (FBS)	500 mL	(none)

### **Product Notices**

- 1. This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use  $1 \times 10^6$  cells in a 100- $\mu$ l experimental sample (a test).
- 2. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.
- 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. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
- 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. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
- 7. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.

#### References

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