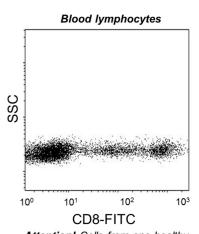
anti-human CD8 FITC-conjugated

FITC - conjugated monoclonal antibody HIT8a to human CD8

Cat-No: **21810083** 500 µl

Clone: HIT8a

Specificity: The CD8 (HIT8a) antibody recognizes a 68-kDa type-I transmembrane glycoprotein that consists of two disulfide-linked chains that form either as alpha/alpha homodimers or alpha/beta heterodimers. The most frequent CD8 antigen is CD8 alpha/beta heterodimer, which is expressed on 13-48 % (about one-third of periphal T cells) peripheral blood lymphocytes-suppressor / cytotoxic T lymphocytes (Ts/Tc) and 70-80% of thymocytes. In addition, a proportion of $\gamma \delta T$ cells and NK cells express CD8α homodimers. CD8α can form homodimeers, CD8β cannot. CD8β requires the presence of CD8α to be expressed on the cell surface. CD8 antigen is co-receptor for HLA class-I molecules.



Attention! Cells from one healthy individual are shown. Cell Populations and staining intensity may vary interindividually.

Isotype subclass: Mouse IgG1, k

Form: The purified antibody is conjugated with Fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC) under optimum conditions. The reagent is adjusted for direct use. No reconstitution is necessary.

Physical state: Liquid

Buffer/Additives/Preservative: PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.09% sodium azide (pH 7.2)

Expiration date: The reagent is stable until the expiry date stated on the vial label

Storage conditions: Store at 4 °C. Avoid prolonged exposure to light.

Application: Flow Cytometry

Background: The CD8 T cell coreceptor (monomer approx. 32-34 kDa) is expressed as ab heterodimer on majority of MHC I-restricted conventional T cells and thymocytes and as an homodimer on subsets of memory T cells, intraepithelial lymphocytes, NK cells and dendritic cells. Regulation of CD8b level on T cell surface seems to be an important mechanism to control their effector function. Assembly of CD8 a-b but not a-a dimers is connected with formation or localization to the lipid rafts. Recruiting triggered TCR complexes to these membrane microdomains as well as affinity of TCR to MHC I is modulated by CD8, thereby affecting the functional diversity of the TCR signaling.

References:

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