

# anti-human CD81

## Monoclonal Antibody M38 to CD81 (Human)

Cat-No: **21270811**

100 µg in 100 µl

**Clone:** M38

**Specificity:** The antibody M38 reacts with CD81, a 25 kDa member of the tetraspanin family, expressed on majority of cells.

**Isotype subclass:** Mouse IgG1

**Form:** Purified from cell culture supernatant by protein-A affinity chromatography.

**Purity:** > 95% (by SDS-PAGE)

**Physical state:** Liquid

**Buffer/Additives/Preservative:** PBS containing 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. For long-term storage aliquot and store at -20°C. Avoid freeze/thaw cycles.

**Application:** Flow Cytometry, Immunoprecipitation, Western Blotting, Immunohistochemistry (paraffin sections)  
Functional Application: In human MOLT-4 T-cell line the antibody M38 inhibits syncytium formation induced by coculture with human T-cell leukemia virus type 1 (HTLV-1)-positive human T-cell lines.

**Background:** **CD81** (TAPA-1), a member of the tetraspanin family, is expressed on virtually all nucleated cells, but above all on germinal center B cells. CD81 forms complexes with other tetraspanin proteins, integrins, coreceptors, MHC class I and II molecules, and influences adhesion, morphology, activation, proliferation and differentiation of B, T and other cells – e.g. in muscles CD81 promotes cell fusion and myotube maintenance. CD81 has been also identified as a receptor for the hepatitis C virus.

### References:

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**Warning:** Sodium azide is harmful if swallowed (R22). Keep out of reach of children (S2). Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuff (S13). Wear suitable protective clothing (S36). If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label (S46). Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas (R32). Azide compounds should be flushed with large volumes of water during disposal to avoid deposits in lead or copper plumbing where explosive conditions can develop.

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