

PB-207-T025

## Monoclonal Antibody to CD8 Pacific Blue™ conjugated (25 tests)

Clone:	MEM-31
lsotype:	Mouse IgG2a
Specificity:	The antibody MEM-31 recognizes a conformationally-dependent epitope of CD8, a cell surface glycoprotein found on most cytotoxic T lymphocytes that mediates efficient cell-cell interactions within the immune system. CD8 is a disulfide-linked dimer and exists as a CD8 alpha/alpha homodimer or CD8 alpha/beta heterodimer (each monomer approx. 32-34 kDa). The antibody does not react with formaldehyde-fixed cells; negative in Western Blotting application. HLDA III; WS Code T 575
<b>Regulatory Status:</b>	RUO
Immunogen:	Crude thymus membrane fraction.
Species Reactivity:	Human
Preparation:	The purified antibody is conjugated with Pacific Blue™ under optimum conditions. The conjugate is purified by size-exclusion chromatography and adjusted for direct use. No reconstitution is necessary.
Storage Buffer:	The reagent is provided in stabilizing phosphate buffered saline (PBS) solution containing 15mM sodium azide.
Storage / Stability:	Store in the dark at 2-8°C. Do not freeze. Avoid prolonged exposure to light. Do not use after expiration date stamped on vial label.
Usage:	The reagent is designed for Flow Cytometry analysis of human blood cells using 4 $\mu$ l reagent / 100 $\mu$ l of whole blood or 10 <sup>6</sup> cells in a suspension. The content of a vial (0.1 ml) is sufficient for 25 tests.
Expiration:	See vial label
Lot Number:	See vial label
Background:	The CD8 T cell coreceptor (monomer approx. 32-34 kDa) is expressed as alpha/beta heterodimer on majority of MHC I-restricted conventional T cells and thymocytes and as alpha/alpha homodimer on subsets of memory T cells, intraepithelial lymphocytes, NK cells and dendritic cells. Regulation of CD8 beta level on T cell surface seems to be an important mechanism to control their effector function. Assembly of CD8 alpha-beta but not alpha-alpha 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.

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Antibodies

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