

MEM-31

Clone:

PO-207-T100

Monoclonal Antibody to CD8 Pacific Orange™ conjugated (100 tests)

Isotype: Mouse IqG2a **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 **Regulatory Status:** RUO Crude thymus membrane fraction. Immunogen: **Species Reactivity:** Human The purified antibody is conjugated with Pacific Orange™ under optimum **Preparation:** 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. The reagent is designed for Flow Cytometry analysis of human blood cells using 4 Usage: μ l reagent / 100 μ l of whole blood or 10⁶ cells in a suspension. The content of a vial (0.4 ml) is sufficient for 100 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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