

Technical Data Sheet

Alexa Fluor® 488 Rat Anti-Mouse TNF

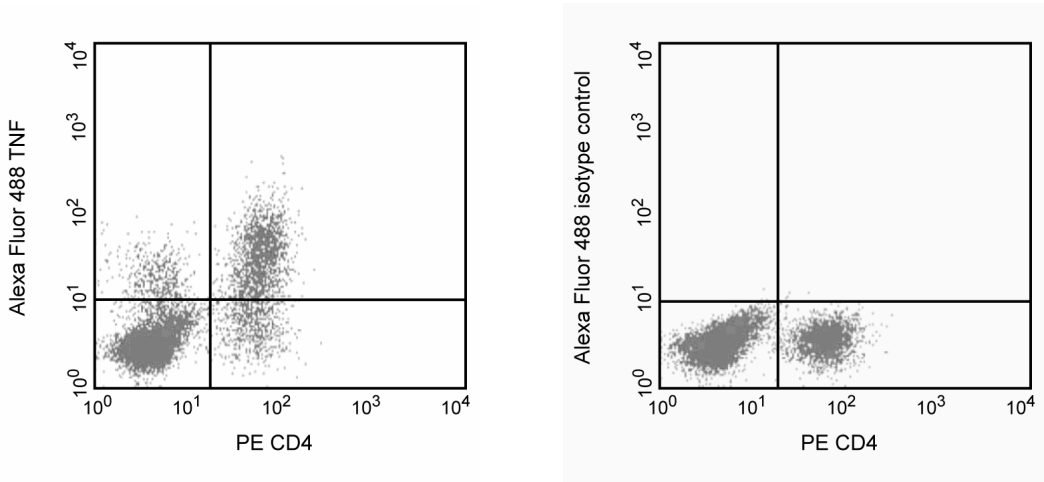
Product Information

Material Number:	557719
Size:	0.1 mg
Concentration:	0.2 mg/ml
Clone:	MP6-XT22
Immunogen:	Recombinant mouse TNF
Isotype:	Rat IgG1
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Mouse
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

The MP6-XT22 antibody reacts with mouse tumor necrosis factor (TNF, also known as TNF-α). The immunogen used to generate this hybridoma was recombinant mouse TNF.

This antibody is routinely tested by flow cytometric analysis. Other applications were tested at BD Biosciences Pharmingen during antibody development only or reported in the literature.



**Expression of TNF by stimulated CD4+ and CD4- BALB/c spleen cells.** Splenocytes from BALB/C mice were stimulated for 4 hrs with PMA (5 ng/ml, Sigma, P-8139) and Ionomycin (500 ng, Sigma I-0634) in the presence of Brefeldin A (GolgiPlug, Cat. No. 555029). Cells were harvested, fixed, permeabilized and stained with PE-conjugated rat anti-mouse CD4 (PE-CD4, Cat. No. 553048) and either rat anti-mouse TNF antibody (Alexa Fluor® 488-MP6-XT22, Cat. No. 557719), (left panel) or immunoglobulin isotype control (Alexa 488-R3-34, Cat. No. 557720), (right panel) by using Pharmingen's staining protocol. To demonstrate specificity of staining the binding of Alexa Fluor® 488-MP6-XT22 was blocked by the preincubation of the conjugated antibody with molar excess of recombinant mouse TNF (0.25 µg, Cat. No. 554589, data not shown) and by preincubation of the fixed/permeabilized cells with an excess of unlabelled MP6XT22 antibody (5 µg, Cat. No. 554416, data not shown) prior to staining. Dot plots were derived from gated events with the forward and side light scatter characteristics of lymphocytes. The quadrant markers for the bivariate dot plots were set based on the autofluorescence and isotype controls.

Preparation and Storage

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 488 was removed. Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

Application Notes

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Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested
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Recommended Assay Procedure:

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The Alexa Fluor® 488-conjugated MP6-XT22 antibody (Cat No. 557719) is available for multicolor immunofluorescent staining and flow

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cytometric analysis to identify and enumerate TNF-producing cells within mixed cell populations (see figure). For optimal immunofluorescent staining with flow cytometric analysis, this anti-cytokine antibody should be titrated ( $\leq 0.5 \mu\text{g mAb/million cells}$ ). For specific methodology, please visit the protocols section or the chapter on intracellular staining for flow cytometric analysis in the Immune Function Handbook, both of which are posted on our web site, [www.bdbiosciences.com](http://www.bdbiosciences.com).

A useful control for demonstrating specificity of staining is either of the following: 1) pre-block the conjugated MP6-XT22 antibody with a molar excess of ligand (e.g., recombinant mouse TNF; Cat No. 554589) prior to staining, or 2) pre-block the fixed/permeabilized cells with unlabelled MP6-XT22 antibody (Cat. No. 554417) prior to staining. The staining technique and blocking controls are described in detail by C. Prussin and D. Metcalfe. A suitable rat IgG1 isotype control for assessing the level of background staining on paraformaldehyde-fixed/saponin-permeabilized mouse and human cells is Alexa Fluor® 488 conjugated R3-34 (Cat. No. 557720); use at comparable concentrations to antibody of interest (e.g.,  $\leq 0.5 \mu\text{g mAb/ 1 million cells}$ ).

### Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
555029	Protein Transport Inhibitor (Containing Brefeldin A)	1.0 ml	(none)
553048	PE Rat Anti-Mouse CD4	0.1 mg	RM4-5
557720	Alexa Fluor® 488 Rat IgG1 $\kappa$ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	R3-34
554589	Recombinant Mouse TNF	10 $\mu\text{g}$	(none)
554652	MiCK-1 Mouse Cytokine Positive Control Cells	1.0 ml	(none)
555028	BD Cytotfix/Cytoperm Plus Kit (with BD GolgiPlug)	250 tests	(none)

### Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. Please refer to [www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/protocols](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/protocols) for technical protocols.
3. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Fluorochrome Web Page at [www.bdbiosciences.com/colors](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/colors).
4. 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.
5. Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC).
6. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue™, and Cascade Blue® dye antibody conjugates in this product are sold under license from Molecular Probes, Inc. for research use only, excluding use in combination with microarrays, or as analyte specific reagents. The Alexa Fluor® dyes (except for Alexa Fluor® 430), Pacific Blue™ dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
7. Alexa Fluor is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.

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