

Technical Data Sheet

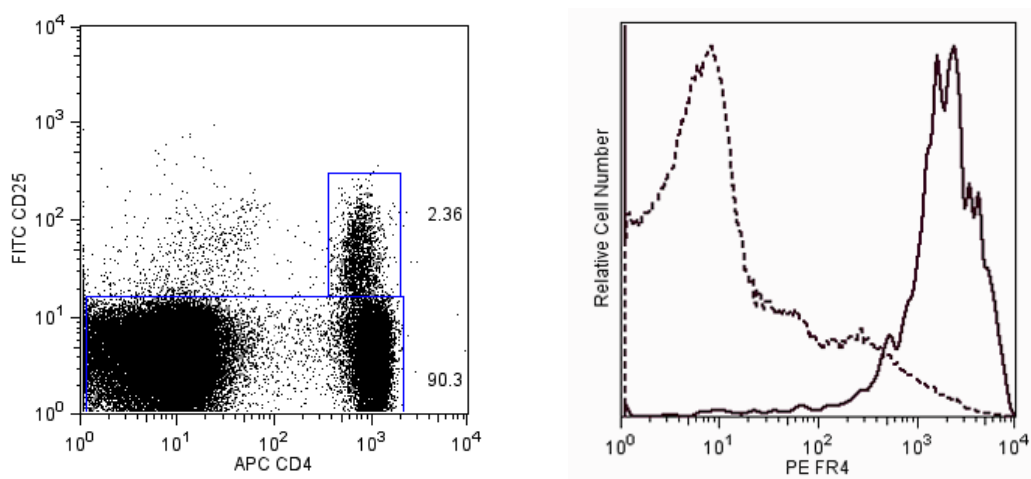
PE Rat anti-Mouse FR4 (Folate receptor 4)

Product Information

Material Number:	560320
Alternate Name:	Folate receptor 4, FBP, FBP3, FRdelta, FRd
Size:	0.1 mg
Concentration:	0.2 mg/ml
Clone:	12A5
Immunogen:	Mouse CD4+ CD25+ T cells
Isotype:	Rat IgG1
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Mouse
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

The monoclonal antibodies TH6 and 12A5 recognize **Folate Receptor 4 (FR4)**, also known as the membrane **folate-binding protein 3 (FBP3)**. FR4 is a heavily glycosylated 35 kD receptor expressed exclusively in lymphoid tissue and an isoform of the family of receptors that recognize the essential nutrient folic acid. Natural T regulatory cells constitutively express high levels of FR4. Differential expression of FR4 in combination with CD25 can distinguish four functionally distinct CD4+ T cell subpopulations; Natural Tregs, effector T cells, memory-like T cells and Naïve T cells. FR4hi CD25+ expressing CD4+ T cells also express high amounts of Foxp3, GITR and CTLA-4. Monoclonal antibody TH6 and 12A5 stained CD25+CD4+ T cells at a higher level than other CD4+ or CD8+ T cells. In addition, in vivo injection of TH6 monoclonal antibody reduced the number of CD25+CD4+ T cells and CD25-CD4+ T cells in peripheral blood. Clone 12A5 has been demonstrated to work in western blot. Clones TH6 and 12A5 do not block one another in a flow cytometric assay.



Flow cytometric analysis of PE anti-mouse FR4 on mouse splenocytes.
Splenocytes from BALB/c mice were stained simultaneously with FITC Rat Anti-Mouse CD25 (clone 7D4, Cat. No. 553072), APC Rat Anti-Mouse CD4 (clone RM4-5, Cat. No. 553051) and PE Rat anti-Mouse FR4. The left panel shows the gated lymphocyte populations used to generate the histograms in the right panel. The histogram shows expression of FR4 as CD4+CD25+ gated lymphocytes (solid line) and CD25- gated lymphocytes (dashed line). Flow cytometry was performed on a BD FACSCalibur™ System

Preparation and Storage

Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography.

The antibody was conjugated with R-PE under optimum conditions, and unconjugated antibody and free PE were removed.

Application Notes

Application

Flow cytometry	Routinely Tested
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Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
553925	PE Rat IgG1, κ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	R3-34
553072	FITC Rat Anti-Mouse CD25	0.5 mg	7D4
553051	APC Rat Anti-Mouse CD4	0.1 mg	RM4-5

Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. 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.
3. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
4. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/protocols for technical protocols.

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