## **Technical Data Sheet**

# **BV421 Rat Anti-SSEA-3**

#### **Product Information**

 Material Number:
 562706

 Size:
 50 tests

 Vol. per Test:
 5 μl

Clone: MC-631 (also known as MC631)

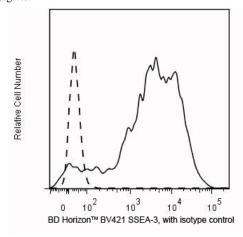
Immunogen:Mouse EmbryosIsotype:Rat (F344) IgMReactivity:QC Testing: HumanReported: Mouse

**Storage Buffer:** Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

#### Description

The MC-631 monoclonal antibody reacts with Stage-Specific Embryonic Antigen-3 (SSEA-3), a carbohydrate epitope on the major ganglioside, but not the neutral glycolipid, of mouse embryos and human teratocarcinoma cells. As its name implies, the expression of SSEA-3 is stage-specific and can be used to characterize embryonic cells and monitor their differentiation. However, its expression pattern differs in the human and mouse. In the human, SSEA-3 is found on teratocarcinoma (embryonal carcinoma or EC), embryonic inner cell mass (ICM), and embryonic stem (ES) cells, and erythrocytes. As human stem cells undergo differentiation, SSEA-3 expression diminishes. In the mouse, SSEA-3 is found on oocytes, ova, zygotes, early cleavage-stage embryos, early blastocysts, ICM, primitive endoderm, and adult kidney, but not on EC or ES cells.

The antibody was conjugated to BD Horizon™ BV421 which is part of the BD Horizon™ Brilliant Violet™ family of dyes. With an Ex Max of 407-nm and Em Max at 421-nm, BD Horizon™ BV421 can be excited by the violet laser and detected in the standard Pacific Blue™ filter set (eg, 450/50-nm filter). BD Horizon™ BV421 conjugates are very bright, often exhibiting a 10 fold improvement in brightness compared to Pacific Blue™ conjugates.



Flow cytometric analysis of SSEA-3 expression of human embryonic stem (ES) cells. H9 human ES cells (WiCell, Madison, WI) passage 41 grown in mTESR™1 media (StemCell Technologies) were harvested with Accutase™ (Cat. No. 561527) and stained with BD Horizon™ BV421 Rat Anti-SSEA-3 (solid line) or a BD Horizon™ BV421 rat IgM, κ isotype control (Clone R4-22, Cat. No.562708, dashed line). Flow cytometry was performed on a BD™ LSRII flow cytometry 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 BD Horizon™ BV421 under optimum conditions, and unconjugated antibody and free BD Horizon™ BV421 were removed.

### **Application Notes**

## Application

Flow cytometry Routinely Tested

## **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone	
561527	Accutase™ Cell Detachment Solution	100 ml	(none)	
562708	BV421 Rat IgM, κ Isotype Control	50 ug	R4-22	

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#### **Product Notices**

- This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use  $1 \times 10^{\circ}6$  cells in a 100- $\mu$ l experimental sample (a test).
- An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest. 2
- Brilliant Violet<sup>TM</sup> 421 is a trademark of Sirigen. 3.
- 4. Accutase is a registered trademark of Innovative Cell Technologies, Inc.
- 5. Pacific Blue™ is a trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.
- 6. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
- 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.
- For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
- Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.

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