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### Warnings

Reagents contain sodium azide. Under acidic conditions sodium azide yields hydrazoic acid, which is extremely toxic. Azide compounds should be diluted with running water before discarding. These precautions are recommended to avoid deposits in plumbing where explosive conditions may develop.

### 1. Description

This product is for research use only.

**Components** Monoclonal CD38 antibodies, human conjugated to:

| Conjugate  | Order no.<br>1 mL<br>(100 tests) | Order no.<br>300 µL<br>(30 tests) |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| FITC       | 130-092-259                      | 130-098-909                       |
| PE         | 130-092-260                      | 130-098-907                       |
| APC        | 130-092-261                      | 130-099-217                       |
| PE-Vio770™ | 130-099-151                      | 130-099-158                       |
| Biotin     | 130-092-288                      | 130-099-702                       |

**Clone** IB6 (isotype: mouse IgG2a).

**Capacity** 1 mL: 100 tests or up to 10<sup>9</sup> total cells  
300 µL: 30 tests or up to 3×10<sup>8</sup> total cells.

**Product format** Antibodies are supplied in buffer containing stabilizer and 0.05% sodium azide.

**Storage** Store protected from light at 2–8 °C. Do not freeze. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label.

#### 1.1 Background information

- Antigen: CD38
- Synonym: ADP-ribosyl cyclase; T10
- Expression patterns: Clone IB6 recognizes the human CD38 antigen, a single-chain type II transmembrane glycoprotein with enzymatic activity. It is present on the majority of

hematopoietic cells, prevalent during early differentiation and activation processes. Terminally differentiated B cells (plasma cells) express CD38 brightly. Furthermore, CD38 is constitutively expressed in several tissues, for example brain, muscle, and kidney.

#### 1.2 Applications

- Identification and enumeration of CD38<sup>+</sup> cells by flow cytometry.

#### 1.3 Recommended antibody dilution

The recommended antibody dilution for all CD38 conjugates is **1:11 for up to 10<sup>7</sup> cells/100 µL** of buffer for labeling of cells and subsequent analysis by flow cytometry.

Cells should be stained prior to fixation, if formaldehyde is used as a fixative.

#### 1.4 Reagent requirements

- Buffer: Prepare a solution containing phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), pH 7.2, 0.5% bovine serum albumin (BSA), and 2 mM EDTA by diluting MACS<sup>®</sup> BSA Stock Solution (# 130-091-376) 1:20 with autoMACS<sup>®</sup> Rinsing Solution (# 130-091-222). Keep buffer cold (2–8 °C).

▲ **Note:** EDTA can be replaced by other supplements such as anticoagulant citrate dextrose formula-A (ACD-A) or citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD). Buffers or media containing Ca<sup>2+</sup> or Mg<sup>2+</sup> are not recommended for use.

- (Optional) FcR Blocking Reagent, human (# 130-059-901) to avoid Fc receptor-mediated antibody labeling.
- (Optional) Tandem Signal Enhancer, human (# 130-099-888) to reduce non-specific binding of tandem dye-conjugated antibodies to human cells, especially to monocytes.
- (Optional) Conjugated anti-biotin antibodies, e.g., Anti-Biotin-PE (# 130-090-756) as secondary antibody reagent in combination with CD38-Biotin.
- (Optional) For antibodies for additional staining or for isotype control, refer to [www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies](http://www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies).
- (Optional) Propidium Iodide Solution (# 130-093-233) for flow cytometric exclusion of dead cells without fixation.
- (Optional) Fixation and Dead Cell Discrimination Kit (# 130-091-163) for cell fixation and flow cytometric exclusion of dead cells.

### 2. General protocol for immunofluorescent staining

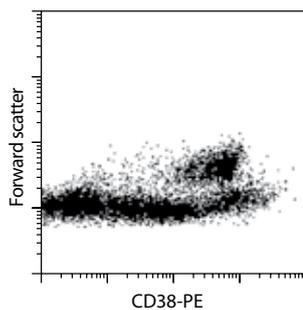
Volumes given below are for **up to 10<sup>7</sup>** nucleated cells. When working with fewer than 10<sup>7</sup> cells, use the same volumes as indicated. When working with higher cell numbers, scale up all reagent volumes and total volumes accordingly (e.g. for 2×10<sup>7</sup> nucleated cells, use twice the volume of all indicated reagent volumes and total volumes).

1. Determine cell number.

2. Centrifuge cell suspension at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
3. Resuspend up to 10<sup>7</sup> nucleated cells per 100 μL of buffer.
4. Add 10 μL of the CD38 antibody.
5. Mix well and incubate for 10 minutes in the dark in the refrigerator (2–8 °C).  
**▲ Note:** Higher temperatures and/or longer incubation times may lead to non-specific cell labeling. Working on ice requires increased incubation times.
6. Wash cells by adding 1–2 mL of buffer and centrifuge at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
7. (Optional) If CD38-Biotin was used, resuspend the cell pellet in 100 μL of buffer, add 10 μL of anti-biotin antibody, and continue as described in steps 5 and 6.
8. Resuspend cell pellet in a suitable amount of buffer for analysis by flow cytometry or fluorescence microscopy.

### 3. Example of immunofluorescent staining with CD38 antibodies

Human peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) were stained with CD38 antibodies conjugated to PE and analyzed by flow cytometry using the MACSQuant® Analyzer. Cell debris and dead cells were excluded from the analysis based on scatter signals and propidium iodide fluorescence.



For more examples please refer to the respective product page at [www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies](http://www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies).

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