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## **Product Information**

Contents: Affinity Purified anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific

marker, blocking / neutralizing)
Catalog Number: 14-5871
Sizes: 50 ug, 100 ug, 500 ug

Formulation: Phosphate buffer pH 7.2,

150 mM NaCl, 0.09% NaN<sub>3</sub>

Storage Conditions: Store at 4°C. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

Clone: 8B.2C12 Isotype: Rat IgG1, κ



Staining of non-transfected (left) and mouse Tim-3 transfected (right) CHO cells with 0.125 µg of Purified Rat IgG1 Iso Cntrl (cat. 14-4301) (open histogram) or 0.125 µg of Purified 8B.2C12 (colored histogram) followed by FITC Anti-Rat IgG (cat. 11-4811).

Total cells were used for analysis.

Cat. No.	Format	Excite (nm)		Reported Applications
12-5871	PE anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing)	488	575	FC
13-5871	Biotin anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing)	N/A	N/A	FC
14-5871	Affinity Purified anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing)	N/A	N/A	FA FC IP
16-5871	Functional Grade* Purified anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing)	N/A	N/A	FC

## Description

The 8B.2C12 monoclonal antibody reacts with mouse Tim-3, a Th1-specific cell surface protein. The 8B.2C12 antibody binds to the Tim-3 BALB/c allele. Tim-3, a type I transmembrane protein, contains an immunoglobulin and a mucin-like domain in its extracellular portion and a tyrosine phosphorylation motif in its cytoplasmic portion. Tim-3 is expressed selectively by differentiated CD4<sup>+</sup>Th1 and CD8<sup>+</sup>Tc1 cells, but is absent on CD4<sup>+</sup>Th2 and CD8<sup>+</sup>Tc2 cells. Other hematopoietic cell types, including naïve T cells, B cells, macrophages and dendritic cells, do not express Tim-3, at least at the protein level. Tim-3 expression is upregulated at a late stage of T cell differentiation on Th1 cells after 3 rounds of *in vitro* polarization suggesting a role for this molecule in the transport or effector function of Th1 cells rather than a contribution to T cell differentiation. In an experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE) model, Tim-3 was shown to be expressed on most CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells in the central nervous system at the onset of clinical signs of disease, while less than 2% of CD4<sup>+</sup> cells in the periphery expressed Tim-3 after immunization. In this model, *in vivo* administration of 8B.2C12 resulted in a hyperacute and atypical disease phenotype. It is postulated that the engagement of Tim-3 during T cell activation results in the expansion and activation of macrophages and increased severity of an autoimmune disease. The Tim gene family may have an important role in the regulation of autoimmunity and allergies.

# Usage

For research use only, not for diagnostic or therapeutic use. The 8B.2C12 antibody has been reported for use in flow cytometric analysis, and immunoprecipitation. It has also been reported for use in functional assays. (Please use Functional Grade purified 8B.2C12, cat. 16-5871, in functional assays.)

# **Applications Tested**

The 8B.2C12 antibody has been tested by flow cytometric analysis of mouse splenocytes and mouse Tim-3 transfected cells. This can be used at less than or equal to  $0.25 \mu g$  per million cells. It is recommended that the antibody be carefully titrated for optimal performance in the assay of interest.

#### **Related Products**

Cat. 14-4301	Affinity Purified Rat IgG1 Isotype Control
Cat. 11-4311	NEW CATALOG#, SEE 11-4317, Streptavidin Fluorescein (SA-FITC)
Cat. 12-4312	NEW CATALOG#, SEE 12-4317, Streptavidin Phycoerythrin (SA-PE)
Cat. 17-4317	Streptavidin Allophycocyanin (SA-APC)
Cat. 11-4811	FITC Anti-Rat IgG
Cat. 13-4813	Biotin Anti-Rat IgG (clone Polyclonal)
Cat. 12-5871	PE anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing) (clone 8B.2C12)
Cat. 13-5871	Biotin anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing) (clone 8B.2C12)
Cat. 16-5871	Functional Grade Purified anti-mouse TIM-3 (TIM3, Th1 specific marker, blocking / neutralizing) (clone 8B.2C12)

## References

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