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# AM31862FC-N Monoclonal Antibody to T Cell Receptor (TCR) V alpha-2 - FITC

Quantity: 0.1 mg
Concentration: 0.1 mg/ml

Background: The TCR alpha chain complexes with the TCR beta chain to form the T cell receptor in

95% of T cells, whereas the remaining 5% of T cells express gamma and delta chains  $(\gamma/\delta)$ . TCR V $\alpha$ 2 is a distinct TCR subfamily found in mice having the a, b, and c

haplotypes.

Host / Isotype: Rat / IgG2a

Clone: B20.1

Immunogen: Purified soluble  $\alpha/\beta$  T cell receptor from the cytotoxic T cell clone, KB5-C20. (1)

Format: State: Liquid purified IgG fraction.

**Buffer System:** PBS containing 0.09% Sodium Azide as preservative and EIA grade BSA as a stabilizing protein to bring total protein concentration to 4-5 mg/ml.

Label: FITC

**Applications:** Flow Cytometry (See Protocols).

This clone has also been reported to work in **Immunoprecipitation.** (1,2)

Other applications not tested. Optimal dilutions are dependent on conditions and

should be determined by the user.

Specificity: This antibody reacts with Mouse T-Cell Receptor (TCR) Va2 chains (1), and recognizes

the majority of the TCR V $\alpha$ 2 subfamily in mice carrying the a, b and c haplotypes 1,2. It also reacts with the products of T Cell Receptor, V $\delta$ 8 due to the high degree of

homology (1). **Species:** Mouse.

Other species not tested.

Storage: Store the antibody undiluted at 2-8°C for one month or (in aliquots) at -20°C for

longer.

Avoid repeated freezing and thawing. Shelf life: one year from despatch.

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Protocols: Flow Cytometry Analysis:

### Method

1. Prepare cell suspension in Media A. For cell reparations, deplete the red blood cell population with Lympholyte®-M cell separation medium.

2. Wash 2 times.

3. Resuspend the cells to a concentration 2x10e7 cells/ml in media A. Add 50  $\mu$ l of this suspension to each tube (each tube will then contain 1x10e6 cells, representing



one test).

- 4. To each tube add ~1.0 μg of this antibody AM31862FC-N per 1x10e6 cells.
- 5. Vortex the tubes to ensure thorough mixing of antibody and cells.
- 6. Incubate tubes at 4°C for 30-60 minutes. (It is recommended that the tubes are protected from light since most fluorochromes are light sensitive).
- 7. Wash 2 times at 4°C.
- 8. Resuspend the cell pellet in 50 µl ice cold Media B.
- 9. Transfer to suitable tubes for flow cytometric analysis containing 15  $\mu$ l of propidium iodide at 0.5 mg/ml in phosphate buffered saline. This stains dead cells by intercalating DNA.

### Media:

A. Phosphate buffered saline (pH 7.2) + 5% normal serum of host species + sodium azide (100  $\mu$ l of 2 M sodium azide in 100 mls).

B. Phosphate buffered saline (pH 7.2) + 0.5% bovine serum albumin + sodium azide (100  $\mu$ l of 2 M sodium azide in 100 mls).

### Results:

Tissue Distribution by Flow Cytometry Analysis:

(Representative Histogram in Figure.1)

Mouse Strain: C57BL/6

Cell Concentration: 1x10e6 cells per test

Antibody Concentration Used: 0.12 µg/10e6 cells

Isotypic Control: FITC Rat IgG2

**Pictures:** 

**Figure 1.** Cell Source: Mouse Lymph Node. Percentage of cells stained above

control: 7.9 %

