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# Alexa Fluor® 488 Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769]

Recombinant | RabMAb

## Key facts

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| **Isotype** | IgG |
| **Host species** | Rabbit |
| **Conjugation** | Alexa Fluor® 488 |
| **Excitation/Emission** | Ex: 495nm, Em: 519nm |
| **Storage buffer** | pH: 7.4 Preservative: 0.02% Sodium azide Constituents: PBS, 30% Glycerol (glycerin, glycerine), 1% BSA |
| **Form** | Liquid |
| **Clonality** | Monoclonal |
| **Immunogen** | The exact immunogen used to generate this antibody is proprietary information. |
| **Clone number** | EPR21769 |
| **Purification technique** | Affinity purification Protein A |
| **Concentration** | 0.5 mg/mL The concentration of this product may be batch-dependent<br>Batch concentration finder → |

## Reactivity data

### IHC-P

**Tested**

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| **Species** | Mouse |
| **Dilution info** | - |
| **Notes** | - |

## Flow Cyt

**Tested**

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| **Species** | Mouse |
| **Dilution info** | 1/500 |
| **Notes** | - |

## Target data

See full target information CD8A

**Function**

Integral membrane glycoprotein that plays an essential role in the immune response and serves multiple functions in responses against both external and internal offenses. In T-cells, functions primarily as a coreceptor for MHC class I molecule:peptide complex. The antigens presented by class I peptides are derived from cytosolic proteins while class II derived from extracellular proteins. Interacts simultaneously with the T-cell receptor (TCR) and the MHC class I proteins presented by antigen presenting cells (APCs). In turn, recruits the Src kinase LCK to the vicinity of the TCR-CD3 complex. LCK then initiates different intracellular signaling pathways by phosphorylating various substrates ultimately leading to lymphokine production, motility, adhesion and activation of cytotoxic T-lymphocytes (CTLs). This mechanism enables CTLs to recognize and eliminate infected cells and tumor cells. In NK-cells, the presence of CD8A homodimers at the cell surface provides a survival mechanism allowing conjugation and lysis of multiple target cells. CD8A homodimer molecules also promote the survival and differentiation of activated lymphocytes into memory CD8 T-cells.

## Storage

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| **Shipped at conditions** | Blue Ice |
| **Appropriate short-term storage duration** | 1-2 weeks |
| **Appropriate short-term storage conditions** | +4°C |
| **Appropriate long-term storage conditions** | -20°C |

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| **Aliquoting information** | Upon delivery aliquot |
| **Storage information** | Avoid freeze / thaw cycle, Stable for 12 months at -20°C, Store in the dark |

## Notes

**Patented technology**
Our RabMAb® technology is a patented hybridoma-based technology for making rabbit monoclonal antibodies. For details on our patents, please refer to RabMAb® patents.

**What are the advantages of a recombinant monoclonal antibody?**
This product is a recombinant monoclonal antibody, which offers several advantages including:

- High batch-to-batch consistency and reproducibility
- Improved sensitivity and specificity
- Long-term security of supply
- Animal-free batch production

For more information, read more on recombinant antibodies.

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## Supplementary info

This supplementary information is collated from multiple sources and compiled automatically.

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| **Activity summary** | CD8 alpha also known as CD8A or CD8 protein is a glycoprotein subunit expressed on the surface of cytotoxic T lymphocytes. It has a mass of approximately 32 kDa. Found on the surface cell membrane CD8 alpha functions primarily in the immune response specifically in the recognition of antigens bound to major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class I molecules. Often scientists use CD8 antibodies for detection and CD8 IHC or immunohistochemistry for localization studies. |
| **Biological function summary** | The CD8 alpha protein plays a critical role in T-cell mediated immune responses. It forms a heterodimer with the CD8 beta chain creating the CD8 alpha-beta complex that strengthens T-cell interaction with antigen-presenting cells. CD8 alpha also helps in signaling processes that activate T cells equipping them to destroy |

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| | infected or malignant cells. Researchers often study CD8 alpha peptides to understand its interactions better. |
| **Pathways** | CD8 alpha is integral to the T-cell receptor signaling pathway and the cytotoxic T lymphocyte (CTL) pathway. The T-cell receptor complex which includes the CD8 molecule transmits signals that are important for T-cell activation and function. CD8 interacts with key proteins such as the T-cell receptor (TCR) and MHC class I molecules facilitating targeted responses against pathogens. These pathways highlight CD8 alpha's role in adaptive immunity. |
| **Associated diseases and disorders** | CD8 alpha is most prominently associated with viral infections and cancer. Conditions like HIV and some forms of leukemia show altered CD8 function highlighting the protein's role in immune surveillance. In HIV infection for instance CD8 T cells reduce in number impairing the immune response. CD8 alpha's connection to the immune system places it alongside other immune proteins such as CD4 and MHC molecules in the context of immune dysfunction. |

## Product promise

**Tested**

We have tested this species and application combination and it works. It is covered by our product promise.

**Expected**

We have not tested this specific species and application combination in-house, but expect it will work. It is covered by our product promise.

**Predicted**

This species and application combination has not been tested, but we predict it will work based on strong homology. However, this combination is not covered by our product promise.

**Not recommended**

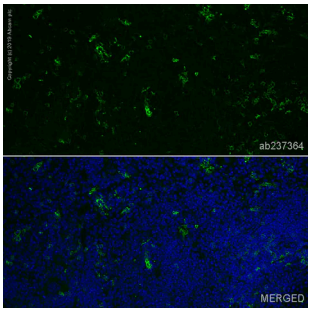
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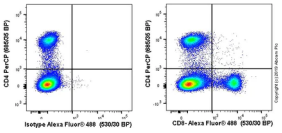

## Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Alexa Fluor® 488 Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] (ab237364)

CD8 alpha Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) staining using rabbit Anti-CD8 alpha antibody

IHC image of CD8 alpha staining in a section of formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded normal mouse spleen.
The section was pre-treated using heat mediated antigen retrieval with Tris/EDTA buffer (pH9, epitope retrieval solution 2) for 20mins, performed on a Leica BOND™. Non-specific protein-protein interactions were then blocked in TBS containing 0.025% (v/v) Triton X-100, 0.3M (w/v) glycine and 1% (w/v) BSA for 1h at room temperature. The section was then incubated overnight at +4°C in TBS containing 0.025% (v/v) Triton X-100 and 1% (w/v) BSA with ab237364 at 1/100 dilution (shown in green). Nuclear DNA was labeled with DAPI (shown in blue). The section was then mounted using Fluoromount®.

Image was taken with a confocal microscope (Leica-Microsystems, TCS SP8).

For other IHC staining systems (automated and non-automated), customers should optimize variable parameters such as antigen retrieval conditions, antibody concentrations and incubation times.



## Flow Cytometry - Alexa Fluor® 488 Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] (ab237364)

CD8 alpha Flow Cytometry staining using rabbit Anti-CD8 alpha antibody

C57BL/6 mouse splenocytes stained with ab237364 (right) or Rabbit IgG Alexa Fluor 488® (monoclonal) (left). C57BL/6 Mouse splenocytes were incubated for 30 mins on ice in 1x PBS containing 10 µg/ml anti CD16/32 antibody and 10% normal goat serum to block FC receptors and non-specific protein-protein interactions followed by the antibody (ab237364) or Rabbit IgG 488 Isotype ($1x10^6$ in 100 µl at 1:500 (1 µg/ml)) for 30 mins on ice. The cells were simultaneously stained with CD4 PerCP conjugated antibody.
Acquisition of >50,000 events were collected using a 50 mW Blue laser (488nm) and 530/30 bandpass filter. Events were gated on viable lymphocytes.

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