# Mo-CD8/CD38 2 Color FCM Reagent: *sc-3983*



### **BACKGROUND**

Mouse CD8/CD38: sc-3983 is a direct immunofluorescence reagent formatted to identify and determine the percentage of activated suppressor/cytotoxic T lymphocytes in erythrocyte-lysed whole blood, based on cell-surface antigen expression. CD8 identifies suppressor/cytotoxic T lymphocytes (1,2) and binds class I MHC molecules, resulting in enhanced activation of resting T lymphocytes (3). CD38 is expressed during the early and final stages of T and B cell differentiation, but not during the intermediate stage (4). CD38 is also expressed on activated T and NK lymphocytes (5). CD8+CD38+ T lymphocytes exhibit decreased activity of CD73, which is a maturation marker for T and B lymphocytes, suggesting that these cells are activated and/or immature suppressor/cytotoxic T lymphocytes (6). In HIV infection, the coexpression of CD8 and CD38, with a concomitant low percentage of CD4+ lymphocytes, is closely associated with disease progression (7). Selective elevation of HLA-DR+ CD38-CD8+ cells may be a marker of stable HIV disease (8,9).

Antigen Expression	Cell Type Identified	
CD38+	Activated T Lymphocytes	
CD8+	Suppressor/Cytotoxic T Cells	
CD8+ CD38+	Activated Suppressor/Cytotoxic T Cells	

## STORAGE

Store at 4° C. Do not freeze. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Protect reagents from prolonged exposure to light.

## PRODUCT

Supplied in 1.0 ml of PBS containing 0.1% azide and 0.1% gelatin. Sufficient for 50 tests. This product has been titrated for optimal performance. Recommended use is 20 uL per test (1x106 cells). For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

#### **INSTRUMENT**

Mouse CD8/CD38: sc-3983 is recommended for use with either a single or dual laser Flow Cytometer fitted with appropriate acquisition and analysis software, such as the FACSCalibur™ Flow Cytometer fitted with CellQuest™ Software by Becton Dickinson.

The flow cytometer must be equipped with a 488 nm laser and must be capable of detecting light scatter (forward and side) and two-color fluorescence with emission detectable in two ranges: 515-545 nm, 562-607 nm.

## ISOTYPE CONTROL

sc-3983 CON (rat IgG<sub>2a</sub> FITC/rat IgG<sub>2a</sub> PE) is the isotype matched negative control for this system and is suitable for 50 tests.

Antigen	Clone	Isotype	Label*	Detection Range (nm)
CD8	53-6.7	rat IgG <sub>2a</sub>	FITC	515-545
CD38	90	rat IgG <sub>2a</sub>	PE	562-607

<sup>\*</sup>Fluorescent labels include FITC: Fluorescein isothiocyanate; PE: phycoerythrin

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