# HLA-DP/DR/DQ (BL-IA/6): sc-59239



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### **BACKGROUND**

Major histocompatibility complex (MHC) molecules, which include human leukocyte antigens (HLAs), form an integral part of the immune response system. They are cell-surface receptors that bind foreign peptides and present them to cytotoxic T lymphocytes (CTLs). MHC class I molecules consist of two polypeptide chains, an a or heavy chain and a non-covalently associated protein,  $\beta 2$ -microglobulin. MHC class II molecules consist of a non-covalent complex of an a and b chain. The differential structural properties of MHC class I and class II molecules account for their respective roles in activating different populations of T lymphocytes. HLAs are polymorphic proteins that are involved in the presentation of antigens: to the T-cell receptor. There are two classes of HLA antigens, class I (HLA-A, HLA-B and HLA-C) and class II (HLA-DP, -DR and -DQ).

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## **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: HLA-DQA1 (human) mapping to 6p21.32.

#### **SOURCE**

HLA-DP/DR/DQ (BL-IA/6) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against of HLA-DP/DR/DQ human origin.

### **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains  $\lg G_1$  in 500  $\mu l$  of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

### **APPLICATIONS**

HLA-DP/DR/DQ (BL-IA/6) is recommended for detection of HLA-DR, HLA-DP and HLA-DQ of human origin by immunofluorescence (starting dilution to be determined by researcher, dilution range 1:10-1:200), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution to be determined by researcher, dilution range 1:10-1:200) and flow cytometry (10-20  $\mu$ l per 1 x 10^6 cells); Precipitates both the 32-34 kD and 27 kD glycoproteins specific for the MHC class II. It recognizes a non-polymorphic determinant on the beta-chain (27 kD) of the HLA-D-gene products. The antibody stains the majority of mature peripheral B-lymphocytes and activated T-lymphocytes.

## **STORAGE**

For immediate and continuous use, store at 4° C for up to one month. For sporadic use, freeze in working aliquots in order to avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles. If turbidity is evident upon prolonged storage, clarify solution by centrifugation.

## **RESEARCH USE**

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

### **PROTOCOLS**

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