

# CD8- $\beta$ (53-5.8): sc-18915

## BACKGROUND

The T cell receptor (TCR) is a heterodimer composed of either  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  or  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  chains. CD3 chains and the CD4 or CD8 co-receptors are also required for efficient signal transduction through the TCR. The TCR is expressed on T helper and T cytotoxic cells that can be distinguished by their expression of CD4 and CD8. T helper cells express CD4 proteins and T cytotoxic cells display CD8. CD8, also designated Leu 2 or T8, is a 32 kDa cell surface glycoprotein. It is a two chain complex ( $\alpha\alpha$  or  $\alpha\beta$ ) receptor that binds class I MHC molecules presented by the antigen-presenting cell (APC). A primary function of CD8 is to facilitate antigen recognition by the TCR and to strengthen the avidity of the TCR-antigen interactions. An additional role for CD8-expressing T cells may be to maintain low levels of HIV expression.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Cd8b1 (mouse) mapping to 6 C1.

## SOURCE

CD8- $\beta$  (53-5.8) is a rat monoclonal antibody immunized with antigen from mouse thymus or spleen.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu$ g IgG<sub>1</sub> in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

CD8- $\beta$  (53-5.8) is available conjugated to either phycoerythrin (sc-18915 PE) or fluorescein (sc-18915 FITC), 200  $\mu$ g/ml, for IF, IHC(P) and FCM.

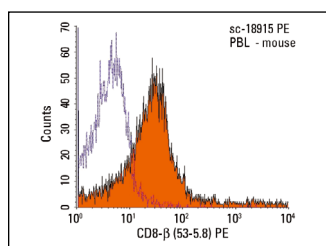
## APPLICATIONS

CD8- $\beta$  (53-5.8) is recommended for detection of CD8- $\beta$  chain of mouse origin by immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1  $\mu$ g per  $1 \times 10^6$  cells).

Suitable for use as control antibody for CD8- $\beta$  siRNA (m): sc-42757, CD8- $\beta$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42757-SH and CD8- $\beta$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42757-V.

Molecular Weight of CD8- $\beta$ : 32 kDa.

## DATA



CD8- $\beta$  (53-5.8) PE: sc-18915 PE. FCM analysis of mouse peripheral blood leukocytes. Black line histogram represents the isotype control, normal rat IgG<sub>2a</sub>-PE: sc-2872.

## STORAGE

Store at 4° C, **\*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\***. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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