

# CD4 (OX68): sc-53042

## 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. CD4 is also expressed on cortical cells, mature medullary thymocytes, microglial cells and dendritic cells. CD4 (also designated T4 and Leu 3), is a membrane glycoprotein that contains four extracellular immunoglobulin-like domains. The TCR in association with CD4 can bind class II MHC molecules presented by the antigen-presenting cells. The CD4 protein functions by increasing the avidity of the interaction between the TCR and an antigen-class II MHC complex. An additional role of CD4 is to function as a receptor for HIV.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CD4 (human) mapping to 12p13.31; Cd4 (mouse) mapping to 6 F2.

## SOURCE

CD4 (OX68) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against purified CD4 of rat origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu$ g IgG<sub>2a</sub> kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

CD4 (OX68) is available conjugated to either phycoerythrin (sc-53042 PE) or fluorescein (sc-53042 FITC), 200  $\mu$ g/ml, for WB (RGB), IF, IHC(P) and FCM.

## APPLICATIONS

CD4 (OX68) is recommended for detection of CD4 domains 3 and 4 of mouse, rat and human origin by immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1  $\mu$ g per 1 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells).

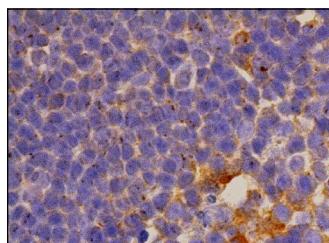
Suitable for use as control antibody for CD4 siRNA (h): sc-29246, CD4 siRNA (m): sc-29997, CD4 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29246-SH, CD4 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-29997-SH, CD4 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29246-V and CD4 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29997-V.

Molecular Weight of CD4: 54 kDa.

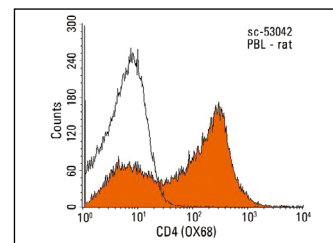
## RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850. 2) Immunohistochemistry: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 with DAB, 50X: sc-24982 and Immunohistomount: sc-45086, or Organo/Limonene Mount: sc-45087.

## DATA



CD4 (OX68): sc-53042. Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human lymph node tissue showing membrane and cytoplasmic staining of cells in germinal center.



CD4 (OX68): sc-53042. Indirect FCM analysis of rat peripheral blood leukocytes stained with CD4 (OX68), followed by PE-conjugated goat anti-mouse IgG: sc-3738. Black line histogram represents the isotype control, normal mouse IgG<sub>2a</sub>: sc-3878.

## 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

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.



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