

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEET

Monoclonal antibodies detecting human antigens

# **CD44**

PURE	RUO	REF	IQP-118P	₹	100 tests
FITC	RUO	REF	IQP-118F	₹ E	100 tests
R-PE	RUO	REF	IQP-118R	₹ E	100 tests

RUO For Research Use Only

**Description** 

Clone MEM-85

**Isotype** Murine IgG2b

**Specificity** Clone MEM-85 produces mouse IgG2b immunoglobulins directed against the human 85 kD

human adhesion receptor.

#### **Antigen distribution**

CD44, otherwise known as the lymphocyte homing receptor, is widely expressed on hematopoietic and non-hematopoietic cells. It is found especially on epithelial, endothelial, mesothelial and mesenchymal cells as well as in the nervous system. The major isoform is CD44H which is expressed on lymphoid, myeloid and erythroid cells. Expression is increased on activated and memory/effector T cells. Soluble forms of CD44 can be detected in body fluids [1,2].

#### **Summary**

CD44 antigen contributes to the adhesion of leucocytes to endothelial cells, stromal cells and extracellular matrix (ECM). The membrane-distal link module of CD44 binds the ECM GAG hyaluronan (HA). The ability to bind HA is highly regulated in that leucocytes expressing CD44 bind HA only following activation. CD44 appears to be involved in lymphocyte homing to high endothelial venules (HEV) and regulation of LFA-3 adhesion. CD44 is a receptor for the chemotactic cytokine osteopontin.

## **Applications**

Monoclonal antibody CD44, clone MEM-85 can be applied in flow cytometry for analysis of blood and bone marrow samples or in immunohistochemistry using cytospots or frozen tissue sections.

# Usage

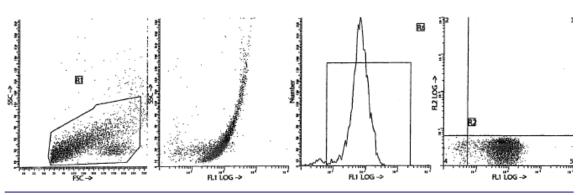
All these reagents are effectively formulated for direct immunofluorescent staining of human tissue for flow cytometric analysis using  $10~\mu l/10^6$  leukocytes for singles and  $20~\mu l/10^6$  leukocytes in case of dual and triple combinations. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.

## **HLDA Workshop**

Clone MEM-85 was clustered at the Leukocyte Typing Workshop IV [3,4].

### **Representative Data**

Clone MEM-85 (CD44) was analyzed by flow cytometry using a blood sample from a healthy donor. The cytogram shows direct staining with 10  $\mu$ l of CD44 FITC and 100  $\mu$ l of whole blood.



#### Limitations

- 1. Conjugates with brighter fluorochromes, like PE and APC, will have a greater separation than those with dyes like FITC and CyQ. When populations overlap, the percentage of positive cells using a selected marker can be affected by the choice of fluorescent label.
- 2. Use of monoclonal antibodies in patient treatment can interfere with antigen target recognition by this reagent. This should be taken into account when samples are analyzed from patients treated in this fashion. IQ Products has not characterized the effect of the presence of therapeutic antibodies on the performance of this reagent.
- 3. Reagents can be used in different combinations, therefore laboratories need to become familiar performance characteristics of each antibody in relation with the combined markers in normal and abnormal samples.
- 4. Reagent data performance is based on EDTA-treated blood. Reagent performance can be affected by the use of other anticoagulants.

## Reagents and materials required but not supplied

- 1. Flow cytometer
- 2. Flow cytometry disposable 12 x 75-mm capped polystyrene test tubes
- 3. Micropipette with disposable tips
- 4. Vortex mixer
- 5. Centrifuge
- 6. IQ Lyse erythrocyte lysing solution (IQP-199)
- 7. IQ Starfigs fixation and permeabilization solution (IQP-200)
- 8. PBS (phosphate-buffered saline)
- 9. 1% paraformaldehyde solution in PBS (store at 2-8 °C in amber glass for up to 1 week)

## Immunofluorescence staining and lysing protocol

#### Flow cytometry method for use with purified monoclonal antibodies

- Add 100 µl of EDTA-treated blood (i.e. approx. 106 leukocytes) to a 5 ml reagent tube. The content of one tube is sufficient to perform one test.
- 2. Add to each tube 10 µl of purified monoclonal antibody\*. Vortex the tube to ensure thorough mixing of antibody and cells.
- 3. Incubate the tube for 15 minutes at room temperature in the dark.
- Wash the labeled cells by adding 2 ml of PBS containing 0.001% ( $^{V}$ ), Heparin, vortexing and centrifuging (2 min 1000 x g.) and discard the supernatant.
- Add 50 µl of 1:10 dilution of IQ Products F(ab)<sub>2</sub> Rabbit Anti Mouse IgG fluorescent conjugate, [FITC (IQP-190F); R-PE (IOP-190R)] in PBS containing 0.001% ( $^{\vee}$ /<sub> $\nu$ </sub>) Heparin to the tube. It is recommended that the tube is protected from light.
- Mix by vortexing and incubate for 15 minutes at room temperature in the dark. 6.
- Add 100 µl of IQ Lyse (IQP-199 ready-to-use) and mix immediately.
- Incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature in the dark. 8.
- Add 2 ml of demineralized water and incubate for 10 minutes in the dark. Tescence 9
- 10. Centrifuge the labeled cell suspension for 2 minutes at 1000 x g.
- Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cells in 200 µl of PBS\*\*. 11.
- Analyze by flow cytometry within four hours (alternatively, the cells may be fixed by 0.05% of formaline in buffered saline for analysis the next day. Some antigens are readily destroyed upon fixation and this should be taken into account when using this alternative).

## - B - Flow cytometry method for use with labeled (FITC, R-PE, Cy-Q or APC) monoclonal antibodies

- Add  $100 \mu$ l of EDTA-treated blood (i.e. approx.  $10^6$  leukocytes) to a 5 ml reagent tube. The content of one tube is sufficient to perform one test.
- 2. Add to each tube 10 µl of labeled monoclonal antibody\*. Vortex the tube to ensure thorough mixing of antibody and cells.
- 3. Incubate the tube for 15 minutes at room temperature in the dark.
- Add 100 µl of IQ Lyse (IQP-199 ready-to-use) and mix immediately.
- 5. Incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature in the dark.
- Add 2 ml of demineralized water and incubate for 10 minutes in the dark. 6.
- Centrifuge the labeled cell suspension for 2 minutes at 1000 x g.
- Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cells in 200 µl of PBS\*\*. 8.
- Analyze by flow cytometry within four hours (alternatively, the cells may be fixed by 0.05% of formaline in buffered saline for analysis the next day. Some antigens are readily destroyed upon fixation and this should be taken into account when using this alternative).

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- For combinations with anti-kappa and/or anti-lambda Ig see application note below.
- 2. Add to each tube 20  $\mu$ l of labeled monoclonal antibody combination\*.
- 3. Vortex the tube to ensure thorough mixing of antibody and cells.
- 4. Incubate the tube for 15 minutes at room temperature in the dark.
- 5. Add 100 µl of IQ Lyse (IQP-199 ready-to-use) and mix immediately.
- 6. Incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature in the dark.
- 7. Add 2 ml of demineralized water and incubate for 10 minutes in the dark.
- 8. Centrifuge the labeled cell suspension for 2 minutes at 1000 x g.
- 9. Remove the supernatant and resuspend the cells in 200 μl of PBS\*\*.
- 10. Analyze by flow cytometry within four hours (alternatively, the cells may be fixed by 0.05% of formaline in buffered saline for analysis the next day. Some antigens are readily destroyed upon fixation and this should be taken into account when using this alternative).
  - \* Appropriate mouse Ig isotype control samples should always be included in any labeling study \*\* PBS: Phosphate Buffered Saline, pH 7.2

#### Application note for anti-kappa and/or anti-lambda Ig combinations

Add 2 ml of PBS containing 0.001% (v/v) Heparin (**prewarmed to 37 °C**) to the cell suspension Vortex, centrifuge (2 min at 300x g) and discard the supernatant Repeat this step twice

Resuspend the pelleted blood cells in 100 µl PBS containing 0.001% (v/v) Heparin

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## Handling and Storage

Antibodies are supplied either as 100 tests per vial (1 ml) for singles or 50 tests per vial (1 ml) for dual and triple combinations. They are supplied in 0.01 M sodium phosphate, 0.15 M NaCl; pH 7.3, 0.2% BSA, 0.09% sodiumazide (NaN $_3$ ). Store the vials at 2-8 °C. Monoclonal antibodies should be protected from prolonged exposure to light. Reagents are stable for the period shown on the vial label when stored properly.

# Warranty

Products sold hereunder are warranted only to conform to the quantity and contents stated on the label at the time of delivery to the customer. There are no warranties, expressed or implied, which extend beyond the description on the label of the product. IQ Products is not liable for property damage, personal injury, or economic loss caused by the product.

## Characterization

To ensure consistently high-quality reagents, each batch of monoclonal antibody is tested for conformance with characteristics of a standard reagent. Representative flow cytometric data is included in this data sheet.

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# Warning

All products contain sodiumazide. This chemical is poisonous and hazardous. Handling should be done by trained staff only.

#### References

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## **Explanation of used symbols**

(Ii Consult instructions for use REF Catalogue number

Sufficient for

IVD In Vitro Diagnostic medical device  $\triangle$ Caution, consult accompanying document

\* Keep away from (sun)light

8 Biological risks

Temperature limitation (°C) For Research Use Only

LOT Batch code

Use by yyyy-mm-dd Manufacturer

EC REP Authorized Representative in the European Community

Conformité Européenne (European Conformity)

		Label - tandem	Ex -max (nm)	Em -max (nm)
P	PURE	purified material	-	-
F	FITC	FITC	488	519
R	R-PE	PE	488, 532	578
С	CyQ	PE-Cy5.18	488, 532	667
Α	APC		595, 633, 635, 647	660
PC	PerCP		488, 532	678
PCC	PerCP-Cy5.5		488, 532	695

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