Technical Data Sheet

Alexa Fluor® 488 Hamster Anti-Mouse KLRG1

Product Information

Material Number: 561619
Alternate Name: Klr1; Killer cell lectin-like receptor subfamily G member 1; MAFA
Size: 50 µg
Concentration: 0.2 mg/ml
Clone: 2F1
Immunogen: A-LAK from C57BL/6 mice
Isotype: Syrian Hamster IgG2, κ
Reactivity: QC Testing: Mouse
Storage Buffer: Aqueous buffered solution containing ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

The 2F1 monoclonal antibody specifically binds to KLRG1 (Killer cell Lectin-like Receptor G1), which is the mouse homologue of the rat mast cell function-associated antigen (MAFA), on all mouse strains tested (eg, AKR/J, BALB/c, C3H/HeN, C3H.SW, C57BL/6, DBA/1, SJL, 129/J). Unlike rat MAFA, which is expressed on mast cells, mouse KLRG1 is expressed on a large subset of NK cells, lymphokine-activated killer (LAK) cells, adherent LAK (A-LAK) cells, subsets of activated CD8+ T lymphocytes, and small fractions of CD4+ and CD8+ T cells, but not mast cells. The expression of KLRG1 is correlated with reduced proliferative capacity of activated T lymphocytes or reduced effector functions of activated NK cells. This molecule is believed to play a common role in the regulation of leukocytes of both the innate and adaptive immune system. It has been observed that the 2F1 mAb stains the rat basophilic leukemia cell line, RBL-2H3, which is known to express MAFA. The KLRG1 protein is an inhibitory lectin-like type I transmembrane receptor containing a cytoplasmic motif similar to ITIM (Immunoreceptor Tyrosine-based Inhibitory Motif); its ligand has not been identified. KLRG1 is expressed mainly as a homodimeric molecule consisting of two N-glycosylated subunits of approximately 30-38 kDa. The level of KLRG1 expression is reduced in MHC class I-deficient mice, although direct binding of KLRG1 to MHC class I antigens could not be detected. Cross-linking of KLRG1 by 2F1 mAb reduces TCR-mediated Ca++ mobilization and cytotoxic responses (but not IFN-γ production) by CD8+ T cells and inhibits IFN-γ and TNF-α production and redirected lysis by NK cells.

Flow cytometric analysis of KLRG1 expression on mouse splenocytes. C57BL/6 splenocytes were preincubated with Mouse BD Fc Block™ purified anti-mouse CD16/CD32 mAb 2.4G2 (Cat. no. 553141/553142), then stained with either Alexa Fluor® 488 Hamster IgG2, κ isotype control (Cat. No. 562168, left panel) or an Alexa Fluor® 488 Hamster Anti-Mouse KLRG1 antibody (Cat.No. 561619, right panel) in conjunction with an APC mouse Anti-mouse NK-1.1 antibody (Cat.No. 556267/561117). Dot plots were derived from gated events based on forward and side light-scatter characteristics of viable splenocytes. Flow cytometry was performed using a BD™ LSR II flow cytometry system.

Preparation and Storage

Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze. The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimum conditions, and untreated Alexa Fluor® 488 was removed.

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3. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue™, and Cascade Blue® dye antibody conjugates in this product are sold under license from Molecular Probes, Inc. for research use only, excluding use in combination with microarrays, or as analyte specific reagents. The Alexa Fluor® dyes (except for Alexa Fluor® 430), Pacific Blue™ dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
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8. Although hamster immunoglobulin isotypes have not been well defined, BD Biosciences Pharmingen has grouped Armenian and Syrian hamster IgG monoclonal antibodies according to their reactivity with a panel of mouse anti-hamster IgG mAbs. A table of the hamster IgG groups, Reactivity of Mouse Anti-Hamster Ig mAbs, may be viewed at http://www.bdbiosciences.com/documents/hamster_chart_11x17.pdf.
9. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.

References

Hanke T, Corral L, Vance RE, Raulet DH. 2F1 antigen, the mouse homolog of the rat "mast cell function-associated antigen", is a lectin-like type II transmembrane receptor expressed by natural killer cells. *Eur J Immunol.* 1998; 28(12):4409-4417. (Biology)