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Detecting  
Human  
Antigens



# BD Multitest™

## CD45RA/CD62L/CD3/CD8

Catalog No. 340978

50 Tests

20 µL/test

### RESEARCH APPLICATIONS

Research applications include:

- Enumeration of suppressor/cytotoxic naive ( $CD3^+CD8^+CD45RA^+CD62L^+$ ) and suppressor/cytotoxic memory ( $CD3^+CD8^+CD45RA^-CD62L^-$ ,  $CD3^+CD8^+CD45RA^-CD62L^+$ , or  $CD3^+CD8^+CD45RA^+CD62L^-$ ) T-lymphocyte subsets<sup>1-4</sup>
- Studies of naive/memory T-cell subsets in Hodgkin's disease<sup>2</sup>
- Studies of naive/memory T-cell subsets in HIV/AIDS<sup>3,4</sup>

### DESCRIPTION

#### Specificity

The CD45RA antibody recognizes a 220-kilodalton (kDa) isoform of the leucocyte common antigen (LCA).<sup>5</sup> The CD45RA antigen is a member of the CD45 antigen family that also includes the CD45, CD45RB, and CD45RO antigens.<sup>5</sup>

The CD62L antibody recognizes the leucocyte endothelial cellular adhesion molecule (LECAM) with a molecular weight of 80 kDa.<sup>6</sup> The CD62L antigen belongs to the selectin family of cell adhesion molecules.<sup>7</sup> The CD62L molecule is the human homologue of the murine lymph node homing receptor, MEL 14.<sup>8</sup>

The CD3 antibody recognizes the epsilon chain of the CD3 antigen/T-cell antigen receptor (TCR) complex.<sup>9</sup> This complex is composed of at least six proteins that range in molecular weight from 20–30 kDa.<sup>10</sup> The antigen recognized by the CD3 antibody is noncovalently associated with either  $\alpha/\beta$  or  $\gamma/\delta$  TCR (70–90 kDa).<sup>11</sup>

The CD8 antibody recognizes an antigen expressed on the 32 kDa  $\alpha$  subunit of a disulfide-linked bimolecular complex.<sup>12</sup> The cytoplasmic domain of the  $\alpha$  subunit of the CD8 antigen is associated with the protein tyrosine kinase p56<sup>lck</sup>.<sup>13</sup> The CD8 molecule interacts with class I major histocompatibility complex (MHC) molecules resulting in increased adhesion between the  $CD8^+$  T lymphocytes and the target cells.<sup>14-16</sup> Binding of the CD8 molecule to class I MHC molecules enhances the activation of resting T lymphocytes.<sup>14-16</sup>

#### Antigen distribution

The CD45RA antigen is present on approximately 50% of  $CD4^+$  T lymphocytes, approximately 75% of  $CD8^+$  T lymphocytes, and on essentially all B lymphocytes and natural killer (NK) lymphocytes.<sup>17</sup> The suppressor/inducer T-lymphocyte subset expresses the phenotype  $CD4^+CD45RA^+$ .<sup>17</sup> The CD45RA antigen is expressed on naive T lymphocytes; antigen density decreases upon in vitro activation.<sup>18</sup> A selective loss of the  $CD4^+CD45RA^+$  subset during active multiple sclerosis has been demonstrated.<sup>19,20</sup>

The antigen recognized by CD62L is present on 61–75% of normal human peripheral blood lymphocytes, 70–80% of E-rosetting cells, 10% of thymocytes, and most

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B lymphocytes.<sup>21-24</sup> The CD62L antibody also recognizes monocytes, granulocytes, and a subset of NK lymphocytes.<sup>21,25</sup> The CD62L antigen is present on the peripheral blood T-lymphocyte subset that homes to lymph nodes.<sup>8</sup> CD62L identifies regulatory subpopulations of T lymphocytes in both the CD8<sup>+</sup> and CD4<sup>+</sup> subsets.<sup>21,22,26,27</sup> Approximately 75% of CD4<sup>+</sup> T lymphocytes also bear the CD62L antigen.<sup>26</sup> Approximately 60% of CD8<sup>+</sup> T lymphocytes are recognized by CD62L.<sup>26</sup>

The CD3 antigen is expressed on 61–85% of normal peripheral blood lymphocytes,<sup>28</sup> 65–85% of thymocytes,<sup>29</sup> and on Purkinje cells in the cerebellum.<sup>30</sup>

The CD8 antigen is expressed on the human suppressor/cytotoxic T-lymphocyte subset (CD3<sup>+</sup>CD8<sup>+</sup>),<sup>31-35</sup> as well as on a subset of NK lymphocytes.<sup>36</sup> The CD8 antigen is expressed on 19–48% of normal peripheral blood lymphocytes<sup>28</sup> and the majority of normal thymocytes.<sup>37</sup>

#### Clones

The CD45RA antibody, clone L48, is derived from hybridization of Sp2/0 mouse myeloma cells with spleen cells from BALB/c mice immunized with low-buoyant-density human lymphocytes.

The CD62L antibody, clone SK11,<sup>38</sup> is derived from hybridization of NS-1 mouse myeloma cells with spleen cells from BALB/c mice immunized with peripheral blood T lymphocytes.

The CD3 antibody, clone SK7,<sup>39-41</sup> is derived from hybridization of NS-1 mouse myeloma cells with spleen cells from BALB/c mice immunized with human thymocytes.

The CD8 antibody, clone SK1, is derived from hybridization of NS-1 mouse myeloma cells with spleen cells from BALB/c mice immunized with human peripheral blood T lymphocytes.

#### Composition

The CD45RA CD3, and CD8 antibodies are each composed of mouse IgG<sub>1</sub> heavy chains and kappa light chains.

The CD62L antibody is composed of mouse IgG<sub>2a</sub> heavy chains and kappa light chains.

The BD Multitest reagent is supplied as a combination of CD45RA FITC, CD62L PE, CD3 PerCP, and CD8 APC in 1.0 mL of phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) containing bovine serum albumin and 0.1% sodium azide.

#### PROCEDURE

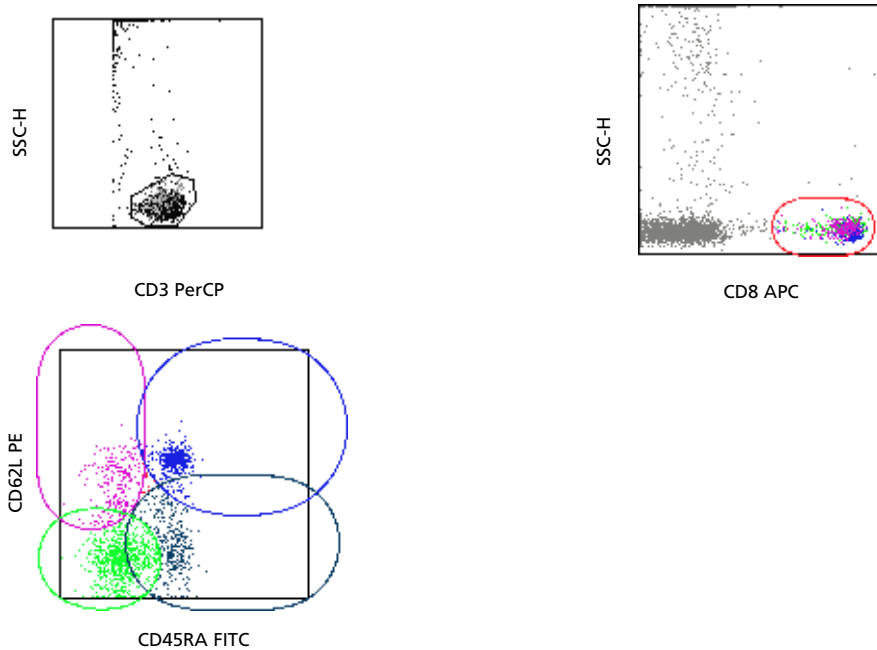
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#### Lyse/No-Wash method for direct immunofluorescence

1. Pipet 20 µL of monoclonal antibody into a labeled tube.  
For absolute counts, use BD Trucount Tubes. Refer to the *BD Trucount Tubes* package insert for more detailed information.
2. Add 50 µL of whole blood.
3. Vortex gently to mix and incubate for 15 minutes in the dark at room temperature (20°C–25°C).
4. Add 1 mL of 1X BD FACS™ lysing solution (Cat. No. 349202) to the tube.  
The volume of BD FACS lysing solution recommended has been optimized for use with this reagent.
5. Vortex gently and incubate for 15–30 minutes in the dark at room temperature.  
If samples are not analyzed immediately, mix thoroughly before analysis.

#### REPRESENTATIVE DATA

Flow cytometric analysis was performed on peripheral blood leucocytes using a BD FACSCalibur™ flow cytometer with a gate set on the CD3<sup>+</sup> lymphocyte fraction. Laser excitation was at 488 nm and 635 nm.



**HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Store vials at 2°C–8°C. Conjugated forms should not be frozen. Protect from exposure to light. Each reagent is stable until the expiration date shown on the bottle label when stored as directed.

**WARNING**

All biological specimens and materials coming in contact with them are considered biohazards. Handle as if capable of transmitting infection<sup>42,43</sup> and dispose of with proper precautions in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations. Never pipette by mouth. Wear suitable protective clothing, eyewear, and gloves.

**CHARACTERIZATION**

To ensure consistently high-quality reagents, each lot of 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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