

## Technical Data Sheet

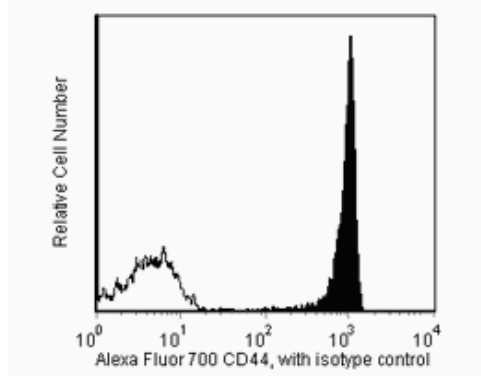
## Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat Anti-Mouse CD44

## Product Information

<b>Material Number:</b>	560567
<b>Alternate Name:</b>	Pgp-1, H-CAM, Ly-24
<b>Size:</b>	50 µg
<b>Concentration:</b>	0.2 mg/ml
<b>Clone:</b>	IM7
<b>Immunogen:</b>	Dexamethasone-induced cells of the SJL mouse spontaneous myeloid leukemia M1
<b>Isotype:</b>	Rat IgG2b, κ
<b>Reactivity:</b>	QC Testing: Mouse
<b>Storage Buffer:</b>	Aqueous buffered solution containing protein stabilizer and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

## Description

The IM7 antibody reacts with an epitope on both alloantigens and all isoforms of the CD44 glycoprotein (Pgp-1, Ly-24). The standard form of CD44, lacking variable exons and referred to as CD44H or CD44s, is widely expressed on hematopoietic and non-hematopoietic cells. CD44 isoforms encoded by variable exons are expressed on epithelial cells, but only at low levels on most leukocytes. Mice with the Ly-24.1 alloantigen (e.g., BALB/c, CBA/J, DBA/1, DBA/2) have relatively large subsets of CD44H+ T lymphocytes, while Ly-24.2 strains (e.g., A, AKR, CBA/N, C3H/He, C57BL, C57BR, C57L, C58, NZB, SJL, SWR, 129) have few CD44H+ T cells. CD44 is a cell adhesion receptor, and its principal ligand, hyaluronate, is a common component of extracellular matrices. Differential glycosylation of CD44 influences its binding to hyaluronate. Additional ligands include the cell-surface form of CD74 and the cytokine osteopontin (Eta-1). Bone marrow- and thymus-derived progenitor cells capable of repopulating the thymus express CD44. In the periphery, the level of CD44 expression increases upon activation of B lymphocytes, CD4+ T cells, and CD8+ T cells; memory cells can be recognized by their CD44[hi] phenotype. The IM7 mAb inhibits established collagen-induced arthritis in DBA/1 mice. Moreover, it prevents CNS inflammation and clinical symptoms of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis. In contrast, the same antibody exacerbates experimental autoimmune thyroiditis in CBA/J mice. The IM7 mAb recognizes a different epitope from that recognized by mAb KM114 (Cat. No. 558739), and the antibody pair can be used in ELISA to detect soluble CD44. It has been observed that IM7 antibody cross-reacts with human, dog, cat, horse, cow, and pig leukocytes. Anti-human CD44, clone G44-26 (Cat. No. 555476), and IM7 antibody compete for binding to human peripheral blood lymphocytes.



**Analysis of CD44 on mouse bone marrow.** Bone marrow cells from BALB/c mice were stained either with a Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat IgG2b, κ isotype control (unshaded) or with the Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat Anti-Mouse CD44 antibody (shaded). Histograms were derived from gated events based on light scattering characteristics for bone marrow cells. Flow cytometry was performed on 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® 700 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 700 was removed.

## Application Notes

## Application

Flow cytometry	Routinely Tested
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## Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
557964	Alexa Fluor® 700 Rat IgG2b, κ Isotype Control	0.1 mg	A95-1

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## Product Notices

1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
2. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.
3. Alexa Fluor® 700 has an adsorption maximum of ~700nm and a peak fluorescence emission of ~720nm. Before staining cells with this reagent, please confirm that your flow cytometer is capable of exciting the fluorochrome and discriminating the resulting fluorescence.
4. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.
5. 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.
6. Caution: Sodium azide yields highly toxic hydrazoic acid under acidic conditions. Dilute azide compounds in running water before discarding to avoid accumulation of potentially explosive deposits in plumbing.
7. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Multicolor Flow Cytometry web page at [www.bdbiosciences.com/colors](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/colors).
8. Please refer to [www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/protocols](http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/protocols) for technical protocols.

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