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SPECIFICITY

T lymphocytes constitute the majority of human peripheral blood lymphocytes (PBL) (1). T lymphocytes are characterized by the expression of the CD3 antigen (1, 2). The CD3 antigen is a complex of 5 polypeptide chains: γ , δ , ϵ , ζ and η associated with the T cell receptor (TCR) complex (3). The CD3 chains are clustered in a group of two invariant dimers, γ/ϵ and δ/ϵ associated with a variable dimer which consists of ζ homodimers, or ζ/η , or ζ/γ FcR heterodimers (γ FcR being the γ chain of the Fc receptors), or γ FcR homodimers (3-5). The CD3 complex associated with the TCR is involved in the recognition of peptides bound to the major histocompatibility complex class I and II during the immune response (6). The CD3 antigen is expressed by mature T lymphocytes and by a subset of thymocytes (7). The UCHT1 monoclonal antibody reacts with the ϵ chain of the CD3 complex (8). It has been assigned to the CD3 cluster of differentiation at the 1st International Workshop on Human Leucocyte Differentiation Antigens in Paris, France, in 1982 (9).

REAGENT

IOTest CD3-APC-Alexa Fluor 700
Conjugated antibody
PN B10823 - 0.5 mL - Liquid - 10 µL/test

Clone	UCHT1
Isotype	IgG1, Mouse
Immunogen	T cell line + IL2
Hybridoma	NS1 x balb/c
Source	Ascites fluid or supernatant of in vitro cultured hybridoma cells.
Purification	Affinity chromatography
Conjugation	Allophycocyanin-Alexa Fluor 700 (APC-Alexa Fluor 700)
Molar Ratio	APC-Alexa Fluor 700 / Ig : 0.5 - 1.5
Fluorescence	Excites at 633/638 nm Emits at 720 nm

REAGENT CONTENTS

This antibody is provided in phosphate-buffered saline, containing 0.1% sodium azide and 2 mg/mL bovine serum albumin.

STATEMENTS OF WARNING

1. This reagent contains 0.1% sodium azide. Sodium azide under acid conditions yields hydrazoic acid, an extremely toxic compound. Azide compounds should be flushed with running water while being discarded. These precautions are recommended to avoid deposits in metal piping in which explosive conditions can develop. If skin or eye contact occurs, wash excessively with water.

2. Specimens, samples and all material coming in contact with them should be considered potentially infectious and disposed of with proper precautions.
3. Never pipet by mouth and avoid contact of samples with skin and mucous membranes.
4. Do not use antibody beyond the expiration date on the label.
5. Do not expose reagents to strong light during storage or incubation.
6. Avoid microbial contamination of reagents or incorrect results might occur.
7. Use good laboratory practices when handling this reagent.

STORAGE AND HANDLING CONDITIONS AND STABILITY

This reagent is stable up to the expiration date when stored at 2 – 8°C. Do not freeze. No reconstitution is necessary. This monoclonal antibody may be used directly from the vial. Bring reagent to 18 – 25°C prior to use.

PRECAUTIONS

Due to the tandem structure of the fluorochrome, APC-Alexa Fluor 700 also emits light at 660 nm. This secondary emission peak varies from lot-to-lot of APC-Alexa Fluor 700. Therefore, for multi-color analysis, the compensation matrix should be carefully checked when changing the lot of a APC-Alexa Fluor 700-conjugate.

Weak non-specific binding on a lymphocyte subpopulation may occur on some donors with APC-Alexa Fluor 700 conjugates.

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