MHC Dextramer®

Highly sensitive monitoring of antigen-specific T cells by flow cytometry

Identify Low-Affinity CD8⁺ T Cells that Other Technologies Miss



MHC class I multimer Adapted from Dolton *et al.,* Clin Exp Immunol. 2014.

Reasons why you should work with MHC Dextramer[®]

- High order multimers with exceptional avidity enabling sensitive detection and isolation of antigen-specific T cell populations with a broad range of TCR affinities.
- Ability to investigate the importance of MHC variability in disease with access to a growing and extensive list of over 90 MHC alleles and thousands of off-the-shelf epitopes.
- Rigorous quality control ensuring reliable and reproducible results.



Applications of MHC Dextramer®

- Detection, isolation and enumeration of antigen-specific CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells by flow cytometry
- Epitope discovery
- Characterization of vaccine responses
- Longitudinal studies of immunity



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Reliable detection of rare antigen-specific CD4⁺ T cells

CD4⁺ T helper cells are crucial for the immune response of many diseases, given their role in recruiting and coordinating other immune cells.

However, antigen specific CD4⁺ T cells are notoriously difficult to detect in blood, in part because they are very limited in numbers and in part due to the low affinity interactions between the T cell receptors and MHC class II complexes.

MHC II Dextramer® reagents are designed for immune monitoring of antigen specific CD4⁺ T cells with superior sensitivity enabling detection of these rare cells in PBMC samples.

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Detect CD4⁺ T Cells that Other Technologies Miss

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MHC Dextramer[®] Negative Controls

Background staining can be allele-specific and donor-dependent.

We recommend using of allele-matched antigen presenting MHC Dextramer® and negative control Dextramer®. We also recommend evaluating the background in every donor.

We have developed a new class of negative control reagents based on a novel innovative design. We use peptide pools of enormous diversity to create MHC Dextramer® that differ fundamentally from our normal reagents.



Instead of presenting a single pMHC monomer, MHC Dextramer® Peptide Pool Negative Controls are decorated with MHC monomers that all present different peptides. In addition, no two MHC Dextramer® Peptide Pool Negative Control molecules are likely to be composed of the same combination of pMHCs.

As a result, MHC Dextramer® Peptide Pool Negative Controls are unable to bind to T cells by antigen-specific TCR engagement. Thus, they are the perfect control for the delineation of background-stained cell populations.

We also offer MHC I Dextramer® Negative Controls with empirically derived peptide sequences that have been found to give very low levels of background staining.

For MHC II we use Class II-associated invariant chain peptide (CLIP) as a negative control.

MHC Dextramer[®] Positive Controls

Depending on the experimental setup, the ideal positive control is:

- An MHC Dextramer[®] with an epitope derived from a widespread human virus (CMV, EBV or Flu)
- A pool of three Dextramer® with viral epitopes from CMV, EBV and Flu



Explore Non-conventional T cells with Dextramer® reagents

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HLA-A*0203

HLA-A*0205 HLA-A*0206 HLA-A*0207

HLA-A*2301

HLA-A*2407 HLA-A*2501 HLA-A*2602

HLA-A*3001 HLA-A*3002 HLA-A*3101 HLA-A*3201

HLA-A*3601 HLA-A*6601

HLA-A*6802

HLA-A*6901

HLA-B*1301 HLA-B*1401

HLA-B*1402

HLA-B*1501

HLA-B*1502 HLA-B*1503

HLA-B*1509

HLA-B*1517 HLA-B*1542

HLA-B*1801

HLA-B*2702

HLA-B*2705

HLA-B*3503 HLA-B*3508 HLA-B*3701 HLA-B*3801

HLA-B*3901 HLA-B*3906

HLA-B*3910

MHC alleles available as Dextramer® Reagents or ready-to-use MHC

Monomérs via Custom **Solutions and Services**

HLA-B*4001

HLA-B*4002 HLA-B*4101

HLA-B*4201

HLA-B*4202

HLA-B*4402 HLA-B*4501 HLA-B*4601 HLA-B*4701 HLA-B*4801 HLA-B*4901

HLA-B*5001

HLA-B*5301 HLA-B*5501

HLA-B*5601

HLA-B*5701

HLA-B*5702 HLA-B*5703

HLA-B*5801

HLA-C*0202

HLA-C*0303 HLA-C*0401

HLA-C*0501

HLA-C*0602 HLA-C*0701

HLA-C*0802

HLA-C*1203

HLA-C*1601 HLA-E 1001 HLA-E*0103 HLA-DRB1*1301 HLA-DRB1*1501

HLA-DQ2.5 Mamu-A*04

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MHC Alleles List

Available as Dextramer® Reagents and Ready-to-use MHC Monomers

MHC I	MHC II
HLA-A*0101	HLA-DRB1*0101
HLA-A*0201	HLA-DRB1*0301
HLA-A*0211	HLA-DRB1*0401
HLA-A*0301	HLA-DRB1*0701
HLA-A*0302	HLA-DRB1*1101
HLA-A*1101	HLA-DRB1*1501
HLA-A*2301	HLA-DPB1*0401
HLA-A*2402	
HLA-A*2902	
HLA-A*3303	
HLA-A*6801	
HLA-B*0702	
HLA-B*0801	
HLA-B*1302	
HLA-B*2705	
HLA-B*3501	
HLA-B*3902	
HLA-B*4201	
HLA-B*4403	
HLA-B*5101	
HLA-B*5701	
HLA-B*5703	
HLA-B*8101	
HLA-C*0304	
HLA-C*0602	
HLA-C*0702	
HLA-C*1502	
HLA-G*0101 H-2 Dd	
H-2 Dd H-2 Dk	
H-2 UK	
H-2 Kd	
H-2 Ku	
H-2 Ld	
H-2 Db	
Mamu-A*01	
Mamu-A*08	
Mamu-B*17	
Qa-1b	

Alleles available as Loadable MHC Monomers	
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H-2 Kb H-2 Dd H-2 Ld	



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