

## Product datasheet

# Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free ab230156

Recombinant RabMAb

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### Overview

<b>Product name</b>	Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free
<b>Description</b>	Rabbit monoclonal [EPR21769] to CD8 alpha - BSA and Azide free
<b>Host species</b>	Rabbit
<b>Tested applications</b>	<b>Suitable for:</b> IHC-P, WB, IHC-Fr, Flow Cyt, IP
<b>Species reactivity</b>	<b>Reacts with:</b> Mouse
<b>Immunogen</b>	Recombinant fragment. This information is proprietary to Abcam and/or its suppliers.
<b>Positive control</b>	IHC-P: Mouse spleen tissue.
<b>General notes</b>	<p>ab230156 is the carrier-free version of <a href="#">ab217344</a>.</p> <p>Our <b>carrier-free</b> antibodies are typically supplied in a PBS-only formulation, purified and free of BSA, sodium azide and glycerol. The carrier-free buffer and high concentration allow for increased conjugation efficiency.</p> <p>This conjugation-ready format is designed for use with fluorochromes, metal isotopes, oligonucleotides, and enzymes, which makes them ideal for antibody labelling, functional and cell-based assays, flow-based assays (e.g. mass cytometry) and Multiplex Imaging applications.</p> <p>Use our <b>conjugation kits</b> for antibody conjugates that are ready-to-use in as little as 20 minutes with &lt;1 minute hands-on-time and 100% antibody recovery: available for fluorescent dyes, HRP, biotin and gold.</p> <p>This product is compatible with the Maxpar<sup>®</sup> Antibody Labeling Kit from Fluidigm, without the need for antibody preparation. Maxpar<sup>®</sup> is a trademark of Fluidigm Canada Inc.</p> <p>This product is a recombinant monoclonal antibody, which offers several advantages including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- High batch-to-batch consistency and reproducibility</li><li>- Improved sensitivity and specificity</li><li>- Long-term security of supply</li><li>- Animal-free production</li></ul> <p>For more information <a href="#">see here</a>.</p> <p>Our RabMAb<sup>®</sup> technology is a patented hybridoma-based technology for making rabbit monoclonal antibodies. For details on our patents, please refer to <a href="#">RabMAb<sup>®</sup> patents</a>.</p>

## Properties

<b>Form</b>	Liquid
<b>Storage instructions</b>	Shipped at 4°C. Store at +4°C. Do Not Freeze.
<b>Storage buffer</b>	pH: 7.2 Constituent: PBS
<b>Carrier free</b>	Yes
<b>Purity</b>	Protein A purified
<b>Clonality</b>	Monoclonal
<b>Clone number</b>	EPR21769
<b>Isotype</b>	IgG

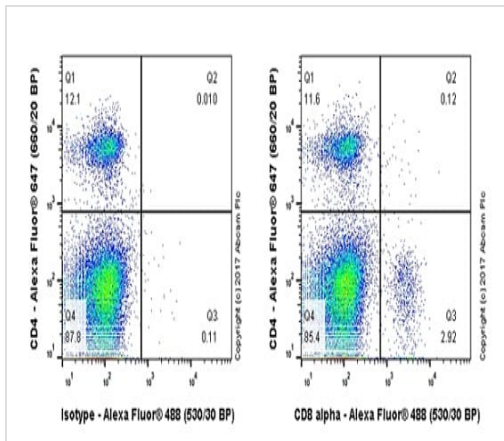
## Applications

**The Abpromise guarantee** Our **Abpromise guarantee** covers the use of ab230156 in the following tested applications. The application notes include recommended starting dilutions; optimal dilutions/concentrations should be determined by the end user.

Application	Abreviews	Notes
IHC-P		Use at an assay dependent concentration. Perform heat mediated antigen retrieval with Tris/EDTA buffer pH 9.0 before commencing with IHC staining protocol. Background staining was observed in mouse testis samples.
WB		Use at an assay dependent concentration. Detects a band of approximately 34-38 kDa (predicted molecular weight: 27 kDa).
IHC-Fr		Use at an assay dependent concentration.
Flow Cyt		Use at an assay dependent concentration.
IP		Use at an assay dependent concentration.

## Target

<b>Function</b>	Identifies cytotoxic/suppressor T-cells that interact with MHC class I bearing targets. CD8 is thought to play a role in the process of T-cell mediated killing. CD8 alpha chains binds to class I MHC molecules alpha-3 domains.
<b>Involvement in disease</b>	Defects in CD8A are a cause of familial CD8 deficiency (CD8 deficiency) [MIM:608957]. Familial CD8 deficiency is a novel autosomal recessive immunologic defect characterized by absence of CD8+ cells, leading to recurrent bacterial infections.
<b>Sequence similarities</b>	Contains 1 Ig-like V-type (immunoglobulin-like) domain.
<b>Post-translational modifications</b>	All of the five most carboxyl-terminal cysteines form inter-chain disulfide bonds in dimers and higher multimers, while the four N-terminal cysteines do not.
<b>Cellular localization</b>	Secreted and Cell membrane.

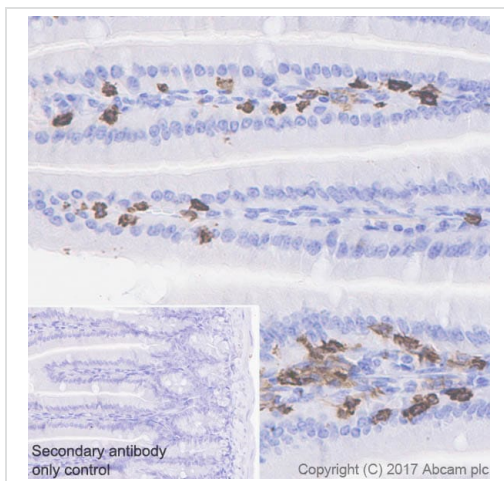


Flow Cytometry - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

Flow cytometric analysis of mouse primary splenocytes labeling CD8 alpha with **ab217344** at 1/500 dilution (right panel) compared with a Rabbit IgG, monoclonal [EPR25A] - Isotype Control (**ab172730**) (left panel). Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) (**ab150077**) at 1/2000 dilution was used as the secondary antibody.

Cells were surface stained with CD4-Alexa Fluor® 647, then stained with rabbit IgG (Left) / **ab217344** (Right) separately. CD4 and CD8 alpha are mutually exclusive expressed in mouse spleen. Gated on total viable cells.

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS, BSA, glycerol, and sodium azide (**ab217344**).



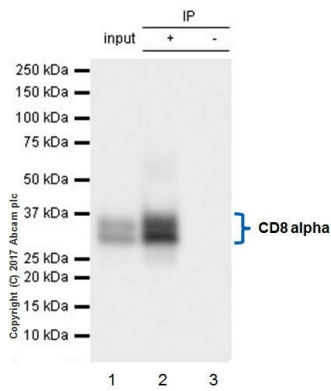
Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

Immunohistochemical analysis of paraffin-embedded mouse colon tissue labeling CD8 alpha with **ab217344** at 1/2000 dilution, followed by Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) Ready to use. Positive staining on stromal cells of mouse colon. Counter stained with Hematoxylin.

Secondary antibody only control: Used PBS instead of primary antibody, secondary antibody is Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) Ready to use.

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS, BSA, glycerol, and sodium azide (**ab217344**).

Heat mediated antigen retrieval was performed with Tris/EDTA buffer pH 9.0 before commencing with IHC staining protocol.



Immunoprecipitation - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

CD8 alpha was immunoprecipitated from 0.35 mg of mouse thymus lysate with **ab217344** at 1/30 dilution. Western blot was performed from the immunoprecipitate using **ab217344** at 1/2000 dilution. VeriBlot for IP Detection Reagent (HRP) (**ab131366**), was used for detection at 1/10000 dilution.

Lane 1: Mouse thymus lysate 10 µg (Input).

Lane 2: **ab217344** IP in mouse thymus lysate.

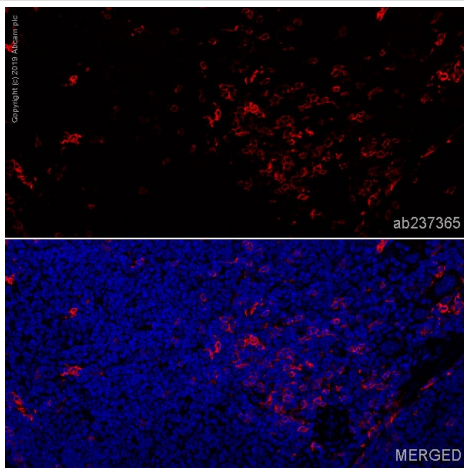
Lane 3: Rabbit monoclonal IgG (**ab172730**) instead of **ab214344** in mouse thymus lysate.

Exposure time: 5 seconds.

Blocking and dilution buffer and concentration: 5% NFDm/TBST.

The two bands are different isoforms that are consistent with the literature (PMID 3085089).

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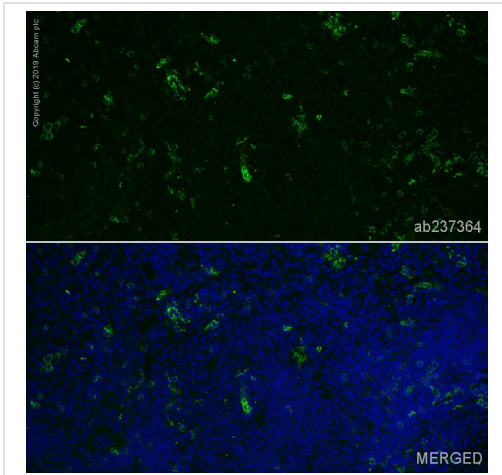
Clone EPR21769 (ab230156) has been successfully conjugated by Abcam. This image was generated using Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] (Alexa Fluor® 647). Please refer to **ab237365** for protocol details.

IHC image of CD8 alpha staining in a section of formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded normal mouse spleen.

The section was pre-treated using heat mediated antigen retrieval with Tris/EDTA buffer (pH9, epitope retrieval solution 2) for 20mins, performed on a Leica BOND™. Non-specific protein-protein interactions were then blocked in TBS containing 0.025% (v/v) Triton X-100, 0.3M (w/v) glycine and 1% (w/v) BSA for 1h at room temperature. The section was then incubated overnight at +4°C in TBS containing 0.025% (v/v) Triton X-100 and 1% (w/v) BSA with **ab237365** at 1/100 dilution (shown in red). Nuclear DNA was labeled with DAPI (shown in blue). The section was then mounted using Fluoromount®.

Image was taken with a confocal microscope (Leica-Microsystems, TCS SP8).

For other IHC staining systems (automated and non-automated), customers should optimize variable parameters such as antigen retrieval conditions, antibody concentrations and incubation times.



Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

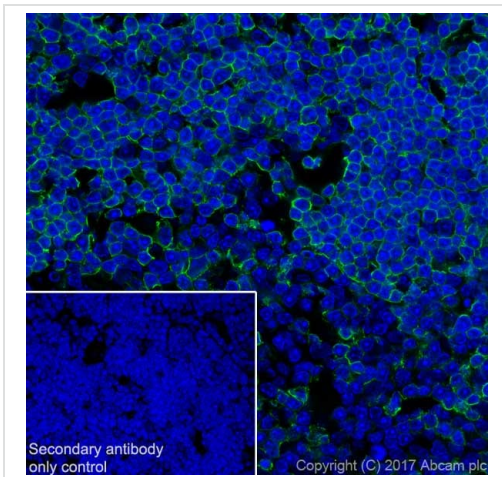
Clone EPR21769 (ab230156) has been successfully conjugated by Abcam. This image was generated using Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] (Alexa Fluor® 488). Please refer to [ab237364](#) for protocol details.

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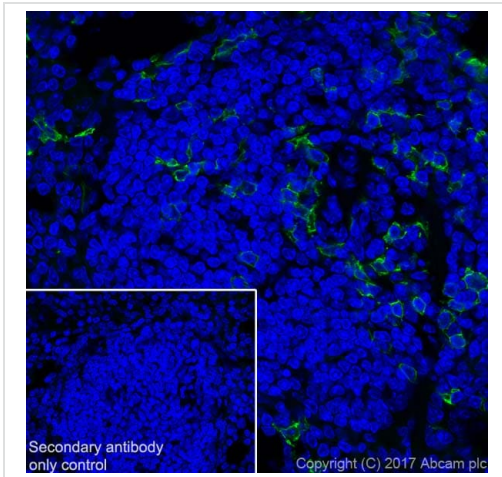
Immunohistochemistry (Frozen sections) - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

Immunohistochemical analysis of 4% paraformaldehyde-fixed, 0.2% Triton X-100 permeabilized frozen mouse thymus tissue labeling CD8 alpha with [ab217344](#) at 1/500 dilution, followed by Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) ([ab150077](#)) secondary antibody at 1/1000 dilution (green). Positive membrane staining on mouse thymus tissue section (PMID: 25616911).

The nuclear counter stain is DAPI (blue).

Secondary antibody only control: Used PBS instead of primary antibody, secondary antibody is Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) ([ab150077](#)) at 1/1000 dilution.

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS, BSA, glycerol, and sodium azide ([ab217344](#)).



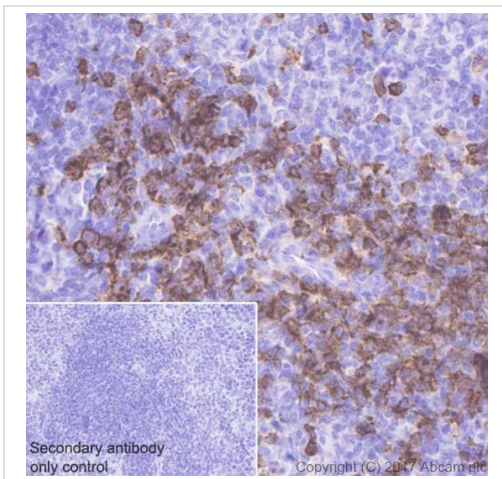
Immunohistochemistry (Frozen sections) - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

Immunohistochemical analysis of 4% paraformaldehyde-fixed, 0.2% Triton X-100 permeabilized frozen mouse spleen tissue labeling CD8 alpha with [ab217344](#) at 1/500 dilution, followed by Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) ([ab150077](#)) secondary antibody at 1/1000 dilution (green). Positive membrane staining on mouse spleen (PMID: 25616911).

The nuclear counter stain is DAPI (blue).

Secondary antibody only control: Used PBS instead of primary antibody, secondary antibody is Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) ([ab150077](#)) at 1/1000 dilution.

This data was developed using the same antibody clone in a different buffer formulation containing PBS, BSA, glycerol, and sodium azide ([ab217344](#)).



Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769] - BSA and Azide free (ab230156)

Immunohistochemical analysis of paraffin-embedded mouse spleen tissue labeling CD8 alpha with [ab217344](#) at 1/2000 dilution, followed by Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) Ready to use. Positive staining on the white pulp of mouse spleen (PMID: 23482450; PMID: 25826597). Counter stained with Hematoxylin.

Secondary antibody only control: Used PBS instead of primary antibody, secondary antibody is Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) Ready to use.

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**Tissue Microarray (TMA) data for ab217344**

**Mouse normal tissue samples**

Mouse cardiac muscle	x	Mouse pancreas	x
Mouse cerebrum	x	Mouse skeletal muscle	x
Mouse colon	x (immune cells ✓)	Mouse skin	x
Mouse kidney	x	Mouse spleen	✓
Mouse liver	x	Mouse stomach	x
Mouse lung	x	Mouse testis	x

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Tissue Microarrays stained for " Anti-CD8 alpha antibody [EPR21769]" using " **ab217344**" in immunohistochemical analysis. This table provides a detailed overview of positive (tick mark) and negative (cross mark) staining per sample type tested. The sections were pre-treated using Heat mediated antigen retrieval using **ab93684** (Tris/EDTA buffer, pH 9.0). The sections were incubated with **ab217344** at +4°C overnight followed by a ready to use Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP polymer).

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