

# Monoclonal Antibodies Against Murine Cd28 Antigen

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## Technology description

Hybridoma cell line 37.51.1 was generated from CHO cells immunized with mouse lymphoma line expressing murine CD28.

On human T cells, it has been shown that antibodies to the antigen CD28 can provide a potent amplification signal for cytokine production and proliferation. Anti-murine CD28 synergizes with TCR-mediated signals to greatly enhance lymphokine production and proliferation of T cells, and the CD28 signal is not blocked by cyclosporine A. In the peripheral lymphoid organs and in the blood of the mouse, all CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells express CD28. In the thymus, CD28 expression is highest in immature CD3<sup>-</sup>, CD8<sup>+</sup> and CD4<sup>+</sup>8<sup>+</sup> cells, and on CD4<sup>-</sup>8<sup>-</sup> cells which express and TCR. The level of CD28 on mature CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> TCR<sup>+</sup> thymocytes is 2-4 fold lower than on the immature cells. The potent costimulatory function of CD28 on mature T cells, together with the high level of expression on CD4<sup>+</sup>8<sup>+</sup> thymocytes suggest that this costimulatory receptor might play an important role in T cell development and activation.

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