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# Stability indicating RP- HPLC method for simultaneous estimation of albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromohexine in bulk and combined dosage form

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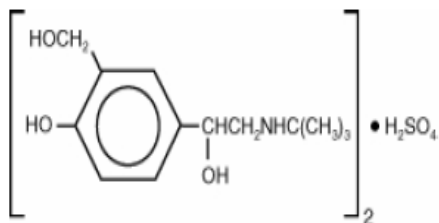
### ABSTRACT

A new simple, precise, accurate and selective RP-HPLC method has been developed and validated for stability indicating RP-HPLC method for simultaneous estimation of Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl in tablet dosage form. The method was carried out on a Agilent C18, 250mm x 4.6mm, 5 $\mu$ m. column with a mobile phase consisting of Buffer and Acetonitrile and Buffer in the ratio of (55 :45v/v/v) and flow rate of 1.0 ml/ min. The detection was carried out at 260nm. The retention time for Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl were found to be 5.8, 2.3 and 9.7min respectively. The method was validated according to the ICH guidelines for specificity, LOD, LOQ, precision, accuracy, linearity and robustness. The method showed good reproducibility and recovery with %RSD less than 2. So the proposed method was found to be simple, specific, precise, accurate and linear. Hence it can be applied for routine analysis of Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl in bulk drug and pharmaceutical preparations.

**Key words:** RP-HPLC; Albuterol sulphate; Theophylline; Bromohexine ; ICH guidelines

### INTRODUCTION

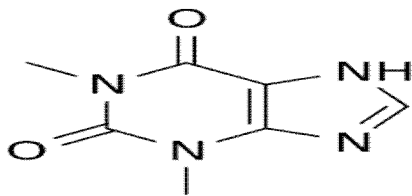
Albuterol is a  $\beta_2$ -adrenergic agonist. It stimulates  $\beta_2$ -adrenergic receptors. Binding of albuterol to  $\beta_2$  receptors in the lungs results in relaxation of bronchial smooth muscles (bronchodilation). Albuterol increases cAMP production by activating adenylate cyclase, and the actions are mediated by cAMP.



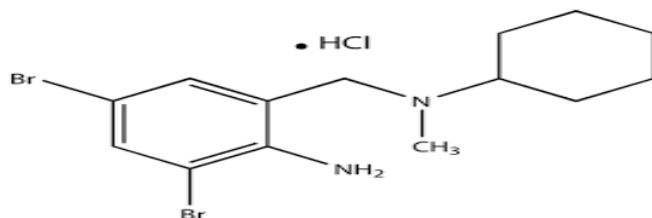
Increased intracellular cyclic AMP increases the activity of cAMP-dependent protein kinase A, which inhibits the phosphorylation of myosin and lowers intracellular calcium concentrations.

A lowered intracellular calcium concentrations leads to a smooth muscle relaxation. Increased intracellular cyclic AMP concentrations also cause an inhibition of the release of mediators from mast cells in the airways.

Theophylline, also known as 1,3-dimethylxanthine, is a methylxanthine drug used in therapy for respiratory diseases such as chronic obstructive pulmonary family, it bears structural and pharmacological similarity to theobromine and caffeine. These used in (COPD) and asthma under a variety of brand names. These are a member of the xanthine.



Bromhexine is an oral mucolytic agent with a low level of associated toxicity. Bromhexine acts on the mucus at the formative stages in the glands, within the mucus-secreting cells. Bromhexine disrupts the structure of acid mucopolysaccharide fibres in mucoid sputum and produces a less viscous mucus, which is easier to expectorate.



A simple, accurate and precise RP-HPLC method for simultaneous determination of levosalbutamol sulfate and theophylline has been developed and validated<sup>1,2</sup>

A reverse phase high performance liquid chromatographic method was developed for the estimation of paracetamol, guaiphenesin, phenylephrine HCl, chlorpheniramine maleate and bromhexine HCL in single tablet dosage form<sup>3</sup>.

A simple, precise and accurate reverse phase high performance liquid chromatographic method has been developed for simultaneous estimation of guaiphenesin, dextromethorphan hydrobromide and bromhexine hydrochloride in their soft gel formulations<sup>4</sup>. Simple accurate, precise, reliable and economical spectrophotometric methods have been proposed for simultaneous determination of salbutamol sulphate (SS), bromhexine hydrochloride (BH) and etofylline (ET) in pure and commercial formulations without any prior separation or purification<sup>5</sup>.

A simple reverse phase liquid chromatographic method has been developed and subsequently validated for simultaneous determination of salbutamol sulphate and bromhexine hydrochloride<sup>6</sup>.

A simple accurate and precise reversed phase HPLC method for rapid and simultaneous quantification of terbutaline sulphate, bromhexine HCl and guaifenesin in a cough syrup formulation<sup>7</sup>. A simple, sensitive and specific RP-HPLC method was developed for the quantification of related impurities of albuterol sulfate (AS) and ipratropium bromide (IB) in liquid pharmaceutical dosage form<sup>8</sup>. A simple, rapid reverse

phase high-performance liquid chromatographic method was developed and validated for the simultaneous estimation of terbutaline and bromhexine hydro chloride in bulk and pharmaceutical dosage forms<sup>9-14</sup>.

## METHODOLOGY

### Selection of wave length (For Detection)

In setting up the conditions for development of assay method, the choice of detection wavelength was based on the scanned absorption spectrum for Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl. The UV-Spectrum of Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl was obtained separately by scanning the sample over the wave length range 200-400nm against blank as methanol. After thorough examination of the spectra, the wave length 260nm was selected for further analysis. The Overlay spectrum for Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl was shown in figure 1.

### Optimized Method

**Preparation of Buffer :** Taken 1ml of Tri ethyl amine in 1lt water to this adjust pH-2.5 with OPA. Filter through 0.45µ membrane filter.

### Mobile Phase

A mixture of buffer and Acetonitrile in the ratio of 45:55% v/v/v was sonicated to degas and filtered through 0.45µm nylon membrane filter.

### Preparation of Diluent

Acetonitrile: Buffer (55:45v/v)

### Chromatographic conditions

Column	Agilent C18, 250mm x 4.6mm, 5µm.
Mobile phase	Acetonitrile : Buffer (55:45% v/v)
Flow rate	1.0ml/min
Detection wavelength	260nm
Injection volume	5µl
Temperature	Ambient
Run time	10min

Retention time of Albuterol Sulphate is about 5.8 min.

Retention time of Theophylline is about 2.3 min.

Retention time of Bromhexine HCl is about 9.7 min

**Preparation of standard stock solution:****Solution A:****Albuterol Sulphate:**

Weighed accurately about 4mg Albuterol Sulphate working standard into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Added 70 mL of diluent, sonicated to dissolve and diluted to volume with diluents.

**Solution B:****Theophylline:**

Weighed accurately about 200mg of Theophylline working standard into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Added 70 ml of diluent, sonicated to dissolved and diluted to volume with diluent.

**Solution C :****Bromhexine HCl:**

Weighed accurately about 8 mg Bromhexine HCl working standard into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Added 70 ml of diluent, sonicated to dissolve and diluted to volume with diluent. Further diluted each 5ml of Solution-A, B and C to 50 ml with the diluent.

**Preparation of Sample solution:**

Weighed accurately 10 tablets and powdered then taken 5 tablets equivalent of sample into a 250 ml volumetric flask. Added 200 ml of diluent, sonicated to dissolve and diluted to volume diluent. Further diluted 5 ml to 100 ml with the diluent. Filtered through 0.45µ Nylon syringe filter.

**Procedure:**

Injected 5µL of Standard preparation five times and Sample preparation in the Chromatograph. Recorded the chromatograms and measured the peak responses for Albuterol Sulphate, Theophylline, Bromhexine HCl. The System suitability parameters should be met. From the peak responses, calculated the content of Albuterol Sulphate, Theophylline, Bromhexine HCl in the sample. The assay calculations were shown in table 1. And the figures are shown in 2, 3 and 4.

**METHOD VALIDATION****1. SYSTEM SUITABILITY:**

The HPLC system was stabilized for thirty min. by following the chromatographic conditions to get a stable base line. One blank followed by six replicates of a standard solution was injected to check the system suitability. The system suitability parameters were evaluated from standard Chromatograms obtained, by calculating the retention times, tailing factor, theoretical plates and %RSD peak areas from

six replicate injections. The results are shown in the below tables 2, 3 and 4.

**2. LINEARITY:**

A Series of solutions were prepared using Albuterol sulphate, Theophylline and Bromhexine HCl working standard at concentration levels from 0-5µg/mL, 32-272µg/mL and 1-11µg/mL respectively, the solutions were injected into the system as per test procedure. Measure the peak area response of the solution. The calibration graph was plotted with peak area in the Y axis and concentration of standard solutions in the X axis. The data is given in below table 5, 6, and 7 and the calibration curve is shown in the below Figures.

**3. ACCURACY:**

The accuracy of the developed method was determined by assay and recovery studies. Recovery studies were carried out at three different levels. The pre-analysed samples were spiked with 50%, 100%, and 150% of mixed standard solution. The mixtures were analysed by the proposed method. The study was carried out in triplicate.

The obtained recovery results are given in Table 8, 9 and 10 and chromatogram results are shown in Figures 6, 7 and 8.

**4.PRECISION:**

- System precision (Repeatability)
- Method precision (Reproducibility)
- Intermediate precision

**System precision (Repeatability):** System precision was carried out using six replicates of the same standard concentration. The chromatograms were recorded and mean, standard deviation and %RSD was calculated. The data of the system precision is given in below tables 11, 12 and 13 and the chromatograms are shown in figures 9, 10 and 11.

**Method precision ( intra day ):**

Method precision was carried out using six different sample of albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromhexine HCl drug substance were prepared with a target concentration of about Albuterol sulphate 4.5ppm, theophylline 200.2 ppm and bromhexine HCl 8.3 ppm. Preparations from same homogenous blend of marketed sample. The data of the method precision is given in below tables 14, 15 and 16 and the chromatograms are shown in figures 12, 13 and 14.

**Intermediate precision (inter day):**

Six sample solutions are prepared and injected on the next day into the HPLC system as per test procedure. The observations of Intermediate precision were given in below tables 17, 18, and 19 and the chromatograms are shown in figures 15, 16 and 17.

**ROBUSTNESS:**

It is the capacity of the method to remain the unaffected by small deliberate variations in the method parameters. In the case of liquid chromatography examples of typical variations are : influence of variations in wave length detectors (+/-5nm), influence of variations in column temperature (+/-5nm), influence of variations in mobile phase compositions (+/-5%), influence of variations in flow rate (+/0.2%), influence of variations of p in mobile phase (+/- 5%), all observed values are summarised in table 20.

**The limit of Detection (LOD) and limit of Quantification (LOQ):**

LOD and LOQ of the developed methods were determined by injecting progressively low concentrations of standard solutions using the developed RP-HPLC method. The LOD is the smallest concentration of the analyte that gives a measurable response (signal to noise ratio of 3). The LOD for albuterol sulphate was found to be 0.133mg/ml , for theophylline 0.336mg/ml and for bromohexine 0.18mg/ml. The LOQ is the smallest concentration of the analyte, which gives response that can be accurately quantified (signal to noise ratio of 10). The LOQ of albuterol sulphate 0.40mg/ml, 19.20 mg/ml for theophylline and 0.57mg/ml of bromohexine HCl . It was concluded that the developed method is sensitive and the results are shown in table 21.

**SOLUTION STABILITY:**

The solution stability of albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromohexine HCl in diluents were determined by storing sample solution in a tightly capped volumetric flask at room temperature for 24 hr. The amount of albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromohexine HCl were measured at different time

intervals like 12 and 24 hrs and results obtained were compared with albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromohexine HCl freshly prepared solution. The results are shown in below Tables 22, 23 and 24.

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

HPLC method with isocratic elution was developed for the RP- HPLC method for albuterol sulphate, theophylline and bromohexine hydrochloride.

Linearity of the method was confirmed by preparing standard curves of albuterol sulphate, bromohexine hydrochloride and theophylline in the range of 0-5µg/ml, 32-272µg/ml and 1-11µg/ml respectively. The Correlation Coefficient value  $r^2 = 0.99913, 0.99917, 0.99919$ ; it showed a good correlation between analyte peak area.

The precision of the assay was determined by analysing the drug formulation by replicate injections and precision of the system was determined by mixed standard solutions. Percentage of RSD of the analyte was found to be within the limit of 2%, thus the developed method was found to be provide high degree of precision and reproducibility.

The accuracy of the method was determined by adding known amount of three drugs individual standard solutions. The recovery of drugs was well within the acceptance limit (98%-102%).

Percentage of RSD of the analyte was found to be within the limit of 2%, thus the developed method was found to be provide high degree of precision and reproducibility. Robustness was determined by carrying out the assay during the change in mobile phase ratio , wave length, column temp, flow rate and %RSD was found to be within the limits.

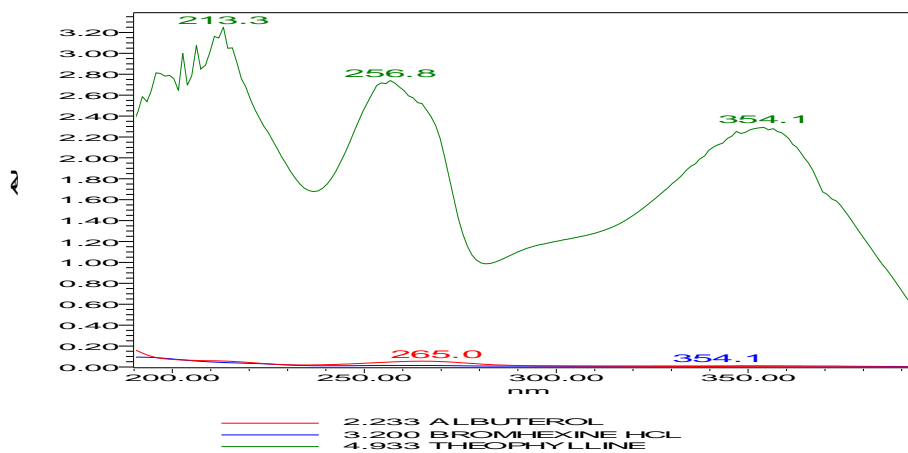
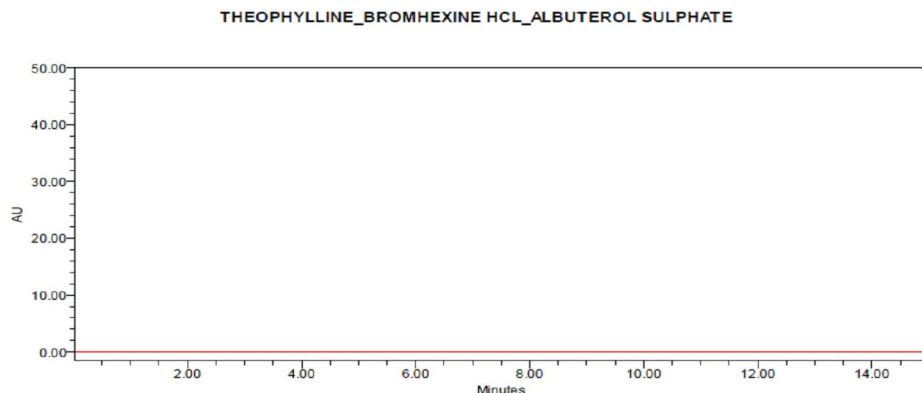


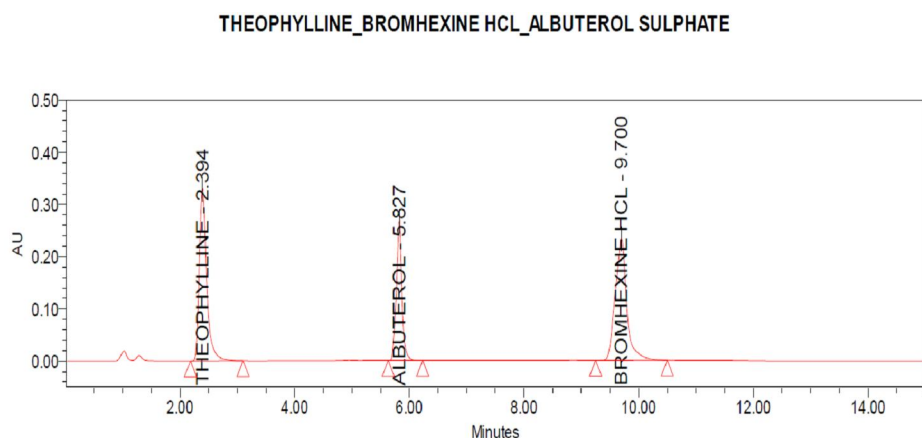
Figure 1: Selection of wave length

**Table 1: Assay Calculations**

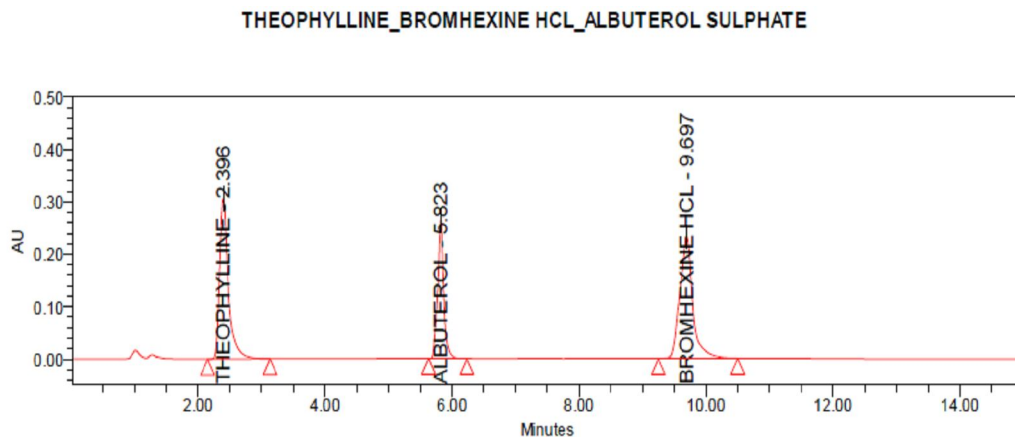
Drug	Area	Labeled Amount (mg)	Amount Present (mg)	Assay (%)
Albuterol sulphate	1805390	4	4.00	100.9
Theophylline	3243736	200	200.00	100.5
Bromhexine HCl	2986151	8	8.00	100.7



**Figure 2 : A Representative chromatogram of Blank**



**Figure 3 : A Representative chromatogram of standard**



**Figure 4 : A Representative chromatogram of sample**

**Table 2: System Suitability for Albuterol sulphate**

S.No	Sample Name	Name	Injection	Rt	Area	Usp Plate Count	Usp Tailing
1	Std	Albuterol sulphate	1	5.845	1879279	20688	1.09
2	Std	Albuterol sulphate	2	5.840	1844526	21221	1.14
3	Std	Albuterol sulphate	3	5.845	1857798	20185	1.13
4	Std	Albuterol sulphate	4	5.846	1890599	19921	1.13
5	Std	Albuterol sulphate	5	5.838	1880684	20384	1.15
6	Std	Albuterol sulphate	6	5.838	1865163	20295	1.15
<b>Mean</b>					<b>1869675</b>		
<b>%RSD</b>					0.909		

**Table 3 : System Suitability for Theophylline**

S.No	Sample name	Name	Injection	Rt	Area	Usp Tailing	Usp Plate Count
1	Std	Theophylline	1	2.404	3029729	2464	1.55
2	Std	Theophylline	2	2.404	2979135	2433	1.60
3	Std	Theophylline	3	2.404	3001398	2455	1.62
4	Std	Theophylline	4	2.402	3054458	2463	1.63
5	Std	Theophylline	5	2.403	3040229	2471	1.64
6	Std	Theophylline	6	2.403	3013715	2470	1.65
<b>Mean</b>					<b>3019777</b>		
<b>%RSD</b>					<b>0.906</b>		

**Table 4 : System Suitability for Bromhexine HCl**

S.No	Sample Name	Name	Injection	Rt	Area	Usp Tailing	Usp Plate Count
1	Std	Bromhexine HCl	1	9.675	3297365	10942	1.13
2	Std	Bromhexine HCl	2	9.676	3266964	11772	1.17
3	Std	Bromhexine HCl	3	9.684	3284638	11524	1.17
4	Std	Bromhexine HCl	4	9.684	3327458	11600	1.18
5	Std	Bromhexine HCl	5	9.680	3314381	11702	1.18
6	Std	Bromhexine HCl	6	9.676	3282334	11623	1.19
<b>Mean</b>					<b>3295523</b>		
<b>%RSD</b>					<b>0.677</b>		

**Table 5 : Linearity data of Albuterol Sulphate**

Linearity	solution taken	PPM	%W/W	Area counts
Linearity-1	0	0.00	0	0
Linearity-2	0.8	0.67	397688	380101
Linearity-3	1.7	1.43	749988	776816
Linearity-4	2.2	1.85	940260	960448
Linearity-5	2.7	2.27	1147727	1150935
Linearity_6	3.5	2.94	1468241	1507551
Linearity-7	4.4	3.70	1833042	1888109
Linearity-8	5.5	4.62	2213642	2277133
Linearity-9	6.8	5.712	2686319	2891817

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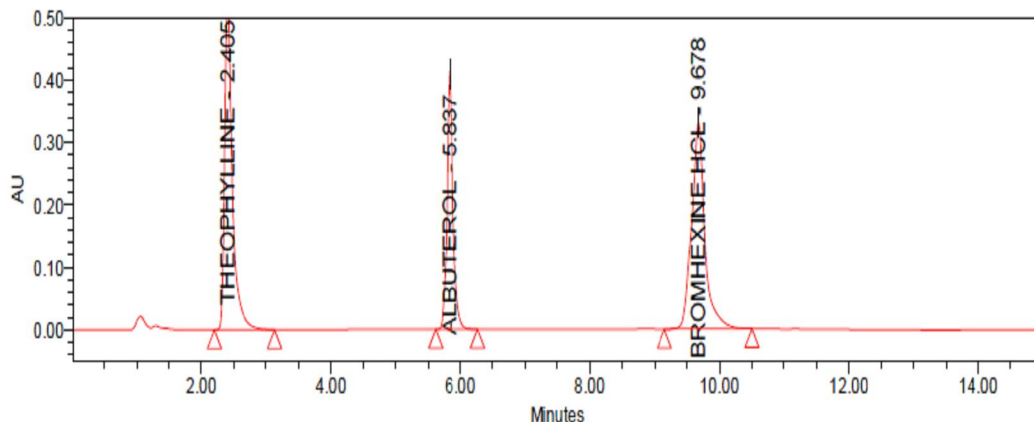


Figure 5 : Chromatogram of linearity

Table 6 : Linearity data of Theophylline

Linearity	solution taken	PPM	%W/W	Area counts
Linearity-1	0	0.00	0	0
Linearity-2	0.8	32.06	644669	300755
Linearity-3	1.7	68.14	1216519	560960
Linearity-4	2.2	88.18	1540716	654609
Linearity-5	2.7	108.22	1856366	788671
Linearity_6	3.5	140.28	2378009	991226
Linearity-7	4.4	176.35	2964337	1245763
Linearity-8	5.5	220.44	3585385	1521448
Linearity-9	6.8	272.544	4359018	1950376

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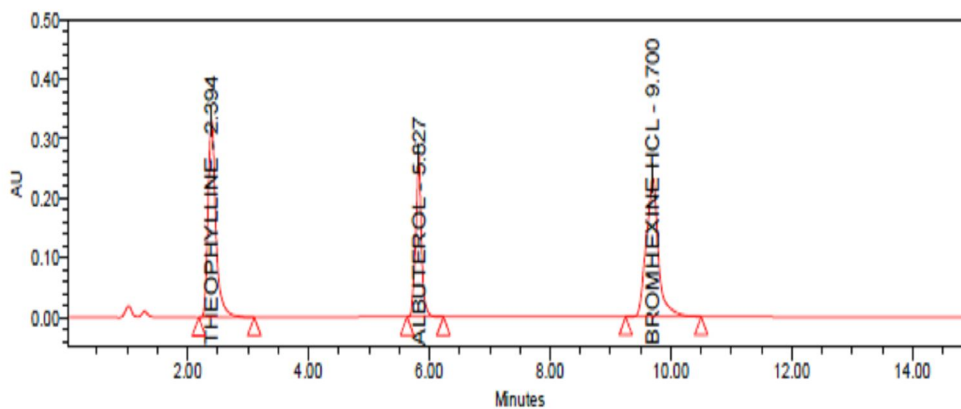
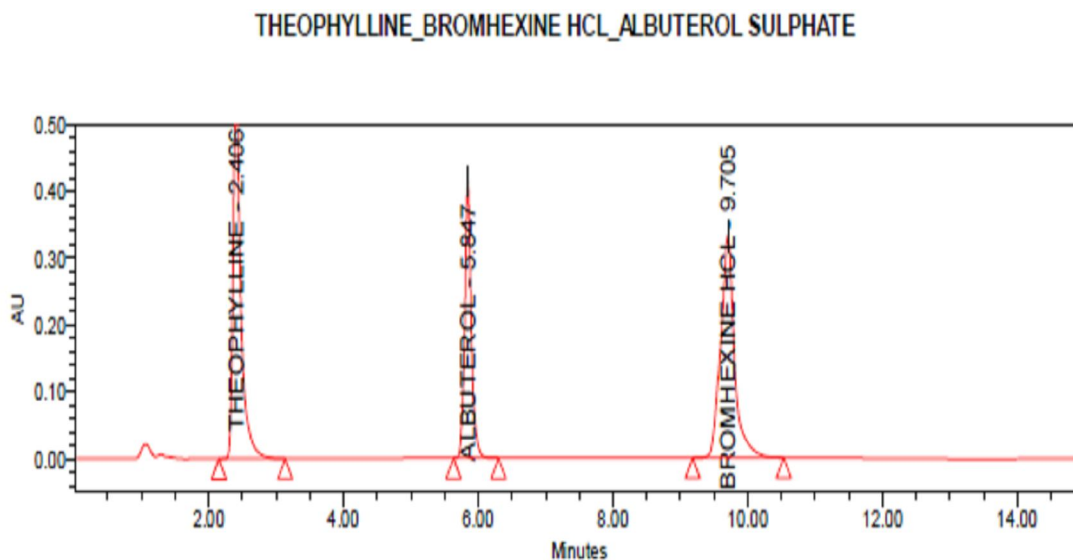


Figure 6 : Chromatogram for Accuracy at 50%

**Table 7 : Linearity data of bromohexine**

Linearity	solution taken	PPM	% W/W	Area counts
Linearity-1	0	0.00	0	0
Linearity-2	0.8	1.30	749215	130987
Linearity-3	1.7	3.08	1371349	273056
Linearity-4	2.2	3.89	1708737	339988
Linearity-5	2.7	4.70	2084599	408583
Linearity_6	3.5	5.99	2634885	538022
Linearity-7	4.4	7.45	3257262	681907
Linearity-8	5.5	9.07	3882378	820950
Linearity-9	6.8	11.016	4640068	1040686



**Figure 8: Chromatogram for Accuracy at 150%**

**Table 8 : Accuracy results of Albuterol sulphate by HPLC**

S.No.	Accuracy	Amount Added (mg)	Area	Amt recovered	% Recovery	Results
1	50%	11.25	942279	11.33	100.7	Mean=100.5 SD=0.34 %RSD=0.340
2	50%	11.3	940634	11.31	100.1	
3	50%	11.1	928493	11.17	100.6	
1	100%	22.5	1876041	22.57	100.3	Mean=100.3 SD=0.25 %RSD=0.250
2	100%	21.9	1821372	21.91	100.0	
3	100%	21.9	1830488	22.02	100.5	
1	150%	32.7	2726540	32.8	100.3	Mean=100.3 SD=0.30 %RSD=0.300
2	150%	32.5	2700649	32.48	99.9	
3	150%	32.3	2699856	19.14	100.5	
					<b>Mean=100.4</b> <b>SD=0.115</b> <b>%RSD=0.11</b>	

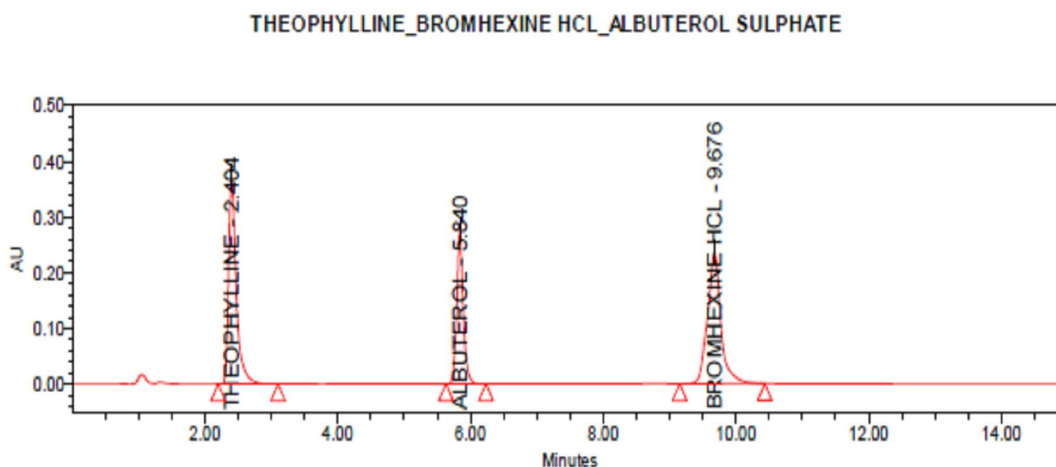


**Table 9: Accuracy results of Theophylline by HPLC**

S.No.	Accuracy	Amount Added (mg)	Area	Amt recovered	% Recovery	Results
1	50%	510.2	1542700	511.17	100.2	Mean=100.4 SD=0.50 %RSD=0.500
2	50%	503.7	1534148	508.34	100.9	
3	50%	501.7	1513422	501.47	100.0	
1	100%	1010.4	3060683	1014.15	100.4	Mean=100.1 SD=0.30 %RSD=0.300
2	100%	980.8	2953742	978.72	99.8	
3	100%	981.3	2968330	983.55	100.2	
1	150%	1455.3	4410783	1461.51	100.4	Mean=100.2 SD=0.32 %RSD=0.320
2	150%	1450.8	4388689	1454.18	100.2	
3	150%	1455.3	4383066	1452.32	99.8	
<b>Mean=100.2 SD=0.153 %RSD=0.15</b>						

**Table 10 : Accuracy results of Bromhexine HCl by HPLC**

S.No.	Accuracy	Amount Added (mg)	Area	Amt recovered	% Recovery	Results
1	50%	21.5	1717003	21.6	100.5	Mean=100.3 SD=0.36 %RSD=0.350
2	50%	21.6	1715419	21.58	99.9	
3	50%	21.2	1694081	21.32	100.6	
1	100%	40.8	3259072	41.01	100.5	Mean=100.4 SD=0.37 %RSD=0.370
2	100%	40.7	3231950	40.67	99.9	
3	100%	40.6	3246415	40.85	100.6	
1	150%	58.8	4696713	59.1	100.5	Mean=100.7 SD=0.14 %RSD=0.13
2	150%	58.3	4669160	58.75	100.8	
3	150%	58.4	4673845	58.81	100.7	
<b>Mean=100.5 SD=0.208 %RSD=0.21</b>						



**Figure 9: Representative chromatogram for system precision**

**Table 11: System Precision values of Albuterol sulphate by HPLC**

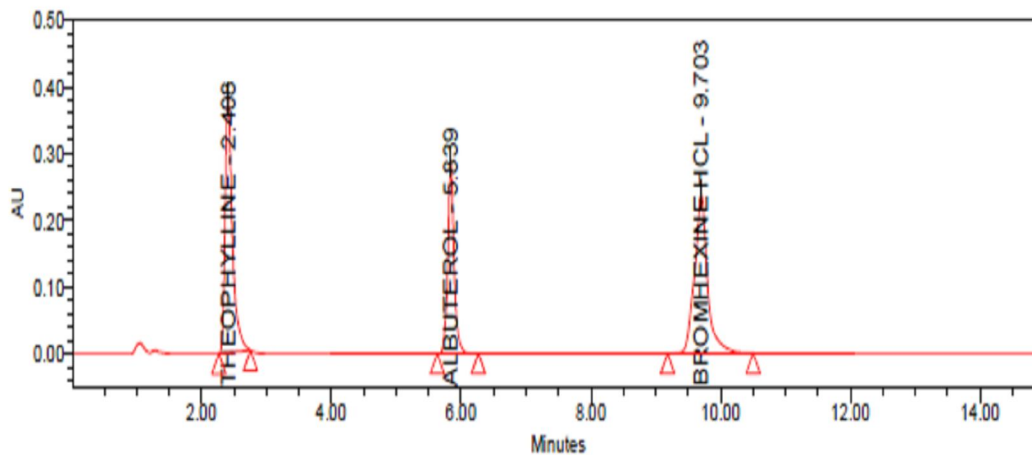
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5	5.838	1880684	20384	1.15
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		<b>Mean=1869675</b> <b>%RSD=0.909</b>		

**Table 12 : System Precision values of Theophylline by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	2.404	3029729	2464	1.55
2	2.404	2979135	2433	1.60
3	2.404	3001398	2455	1.62
4	2.402	3054458	2463	1.63
5	2.403	3040229	2471	1.64
6	2.403	3013715	2470	1.65
		<b>Mean=3019777</b> <b>%RSD=0.906</b>		

**Table 13 : System Precision values of Bromhexine HCl by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	9.675	3297365	10942	1.13
2	9.676	3266964	11772	1.17
3	9.684	3284638	11524	1.17
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**Table 14 : Method precision for Albuterol sulphate by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	5.849	1827803	21053	1.15
2	5.839	1887496	23100	1.15
3	5.836	1826955	22544	1.17
4	5.840	1910677	22578	1.14
5	5.841	1852287	23280	1.17
6	5.838	1836021	23554	1.1
		<b>Mean=1856873</b> <b>%RSD=1.870</b>		

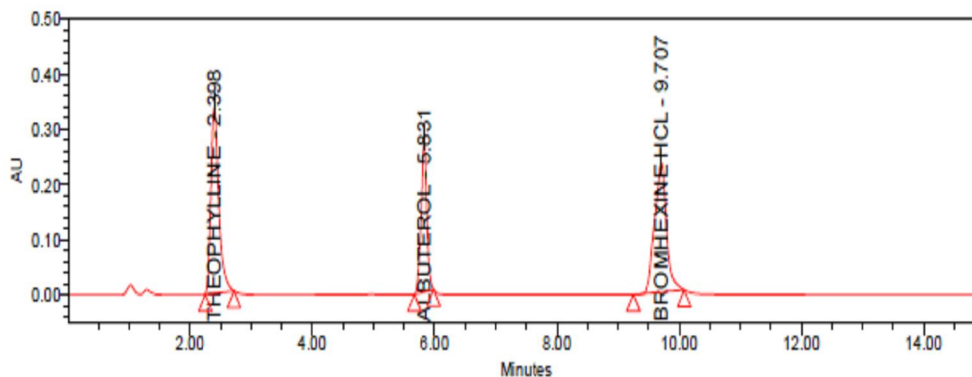
**Table 15 : Method precision for Theophylline by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	2.409	2967776	2489	1.69
2	2.408	2975437	2520	1.56
3	2.411	2962033	2531	1.67
4	2.412	2973888	2637	1.52
5	2.409	2961482	2519	1.64
6	2.409	2975765	2528	1.68
		<b>Mean=2969397</b> <b>%RSD=0.222</b>		

**Table 16 : Method precision for Bromhexine HCl by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	9.718	3202711	12445	1.19
2	9.703	3286920	12335	1.19
3	9.707	3262277	13511	1.21
4	9.716	3271142	11351	1.13
5	9.712	3257004	11911	1.16
6	9.714	3267645	12913	1.18
		<b>Mean=3257950</b> <b>%RSD=0.887</b>		

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**Figure 11: Representative chromatogram for Intermediate precision**

**Table 17 : Intermediate Precision values for Albuterol sulphate by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	5.836	1798616	18080	1.06
2	5.831	1794579	19342	0.95
3	5.823	1784375	20022	0.99
4	5.831	1784375	18688	0.90
5	5.833	1782547	18861	1.04
6	5.833	1794919	19148	1.05
		<b>Mean=1791097</b> <b>%RSD=0.355</b>		

**Table 18: Intermediate Precision values for Theophylline by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	2.394	2985315	1744	1.54
2	2.398	2983757	1819	1.38
3	2.395	299209	1794	1.48
4	2.399	2979326	1844	1.26
5	2.397	2974316	1680	1.51
6	2.398	2976653	1658	1.48
		<b>Mean=2983096</b> <b>%RSD=0.299</b>		

**Table 19 : Intermediate Precision values for Bromhexine HCl by HPLC**

S No.	RT	AREA	USP Plate count	USP tailing
1	9.711	3125101	9885	1.15
2	9.707	3110815	10313	1.03
3	9.703	3225915	10022	1.17
4	9.713	3234585	9683	1.02
5	9.715	3229759	10619	1.18
6	9.714	3223820	11221	1.20
		<b>Mean=3191666</b> <b>%RSD=1.798</b>		

**Table 20 : Robustness**

S.No	Parameters	Albuterol sulphate	Theophylline	Bromohexine	Acceptance criteria
1	Wave length +5	99.25%	99.39%	99.41%	98-102%
2	Wavelength -5	99.41%	99.35%	99.39%	98-102%
3	Column temp +5	99.24%	99.32%	99.25%	98-102%
4	Column temp -5	99.29%	99.30%	99.24%	98-102%
5	Mobile phase 60:40	99.32%	99.35%	99.30%	98-102%
6	Mobile phase 55:45	99.30%	99.39%	99.35%	98-102%
7	Flow rate +0.2	99.24%	99.24%	99.32%	98-102%
8	Flow rate -0.2	99.35%	99.25%	99.30%	98-102%

**Table 21 : LOD and LOQ**

Sample	LOD	LOQ
Albuterol sulphate	0.133	0.40
Theophylline	6.336	19.20
Bromhexine HCl	0.18	0.57

**Table 22: Solution stability of Albuterol sulphate**

S No.	Stability (hrs)	Rt(min)	Peak area	USP Plate count	USP Tailing	% assay
1	0	5.835	1971291	26703	1.26	99.9
2	12	5.806	1925425	24363	1.34	100.3
3	24	5.806	1893560	24478	1.31	100.2

**Table 23 : Solution stability of Theophylline**

S No.	Stability (hrs)	Rt(min)	Peak area	USP Plate count	USP Tailing	% assay
1	0	2.405	3213016	4285	1.20	100.4
2	12	2.383	3123116	3633	1.38	100.8
3	24	2.383	3065164	3650	1.36	100.5

**Table 24 : Solution stability of Bromhexine HCl**

S No.	Stability (hrs)	Rt(min)	Peak area	USP Plate count	USP Tailing	% assay
1	0	9.806	2821381	23782	1.23	100.9
2	12	9.720	2848372	21191	1.42	99.9
3	24	9.720	2796055	21343	1.41	99.8

**Table 25 : All validation parameters for three drugs**

PARAMETER	ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA	ALBUTEROL SULPHATE	Bromoxehine hydrochloride	Theophylline
<b>Linearity Range Correlation Coefficient</b>	Correlation coefficient $r^2 > 0.999$ or	$r^2 = 0.99913$	$r^2 = 0.99917$	$r^2 = 0.99919$
<b>System Precision</b>	RSD < 2%	%RSD = 0.909	%RSD = 0.906	%RSD = 0.677
<b>Intermediate Precision</b>	RSD < 2%	%RSD = 1.870	%RSD = 0.299	%RSD = 10798
<b>Method precision</b>	RSD < 2%	%RSD = 0.355	%RSD = 0.222	%RSD = 0.887
<b>Accuracy</b>	Recovery 98- 102% (individual)	% recovery=100.4	% recovery=100.2	% recovery=100.5
<b>Solution Stability</b>	> 12 hour	Stable up to 24 hour %RSD = 0782	Stable up to 24 hour %RSD = 0.761	Stable up to 24 hour %RSD = 0.286
<b>Robustness</b>	RSD NMT 2% in modified condition Flow minus Flow plus Organic plus Organic minus Wavelength plus Wavelength minus	Complies %RSD= 0.656 %RSD= 0.230 %RSD=0.603 %RSD=0.813 %RSD= 0.603 %RSD= 0.813	Complies %RSD= 0.435 %RSD= 0.199 %RSD=0.737 %RSD=1.976 %RSD= 0.737 %RSD= 0.456	Complies %RSD= 0.988 %RSD= 0.548 %RSD=1.093 %RSD=1.149 %RSD= 1.093 %RSD= 1.149

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