



ANALYTICAL METHOD  
ASSAY AND RELATED SUBSTANCE DETERMINATION  
HPLC Determination of 300mg Erdosteine Capsules

## ASSAY of the MONTH

**T**his assay is suitable for Erdosteine Capsules 300 mg as well as Erdosteine Suspension 175mg/5mL. No Erdosteine HPLC stability Indicating Assay has yet been published to date in the USP 24 / NF 19 or Pharmacopeial Forum 27 No 1 - 2.

### HPLC ASSAY AND RELATED SUBSTANCE

<b>Column</b>	Eurospher 100, C18, 25 x 0.40cm 5 $\mu$
<b>Mobile Phase</b>	Buffer pH 2.0*: Acetonitrile (88 : 12 v/v)
* Buffer pH 2	Potassium dihydrogen phosphate (KH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ) - 0.68g Hepatane sulphonic acid - 1.01g Phosphoric acid (85%) - 4.6mL & Water to 1000mL adjust pH to 2.0 with Sodium hydroxide 10N (35% w/v)
<b>Flow rate</b>	1.0mL / min
<b>Sample volume</b>	10 $\mu$ L
<b>Detector</b>	UV at 220nm, AUFS 0.01
Mobile phase proportions and flow rate may be varied in order to achieve the required system suitability	
<b>ALL SOLVENTS USED MUST BE HPLC GRADE</b> <b>ALL SOLUTIONS MUST BE FRESH DAILY</b>	
<b>THIS ASSAY IS CURRENTLY NOT AVAILABLE IN THE USP24 / NF19</b> <b>or PHARMACOPEIAL FORUM</b>	

### STANDARD SOLUTION PREPARATION

■ Accurately weigh about 14mg of Erdosteine A.S. into a 50mL volumetric flask. Add about 35mL of mobile phase and sonicate to dissolve. Make up to volume with mobile phase. This solution is labeled as the Standard Solution.

### SYSTEM SUITABILITY SOLUTION

■ Weigh about 6mg of Metabolite 1 into a 20mL volumetric flask. Dissolve in and make up to volume with Standard Solution.

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## SYSTEM SUITABILITY TEST

■ Inject the System Suitability Solution. The retention time of the Erdosteine peak is about **6** minutes and of Metabolite 1 peak is about **7.5** minutes.

The resolution factor between these two peaks (calculated according to USP) should be not less than **2.5**.

The tailing factor of the Erdosteine peak (calculated according to USP) should be not greater than **1.5**.

A relative standard deviation, calculated for **5** replicate injections of standard preparation must be not more than **2.0%**.

## SAMPLE SOLUTION PREPARATION

■ Weigh 20 capsules units. Transfer as completely as possible the contents of the capsules to a suitable tared container and determine the average content weight per capsule. Mix the combined contents and accurately weigh about 60mg of the powder into a 200mL volumetric flask. Add 150mL of mobile phase and sonicate for 15 minutes. Make up to volume with mobile phase. Filter through a 0.45µ membrane filter.

## PROCEDURE

■ Inject the Standard and Sample solutions into the chromatograph and determine the peak area of Erdosteine in each chromatogram with a suitable integrator.

## CALCULATION

$$\frac{\text{Pk area smp} \times \text{Std wt}^* (\text{mg}) \times \text{Avg cap. cont. wt}(\text{mg}) \times 400}{\text{Pk area std} \times \text{smp wt}(\text{mg}) \times \text{Dose}(\text{mg} / \text{cap})} = \% \text{ Erdosteine of labeled claim}$$

\* Std wt is corrected in accordance with % Assay and % Water.

## CONTENT OF METABOLITE 1

During the HPLC assay determination of Erdosteine active in capsules, the evaluation of Erdosteine Metabolite 1 can be done from the same chromatogram.

$$\frac{\text{Pk area Met 1}}{\text{Pk area Erdosteine}} \times \text{RF}^* \times 100 = \% \text{ of Metabolite 1}$$

\*\*RF = 4.0 - Response factor for calculation of Metabolite 1 =

$$\left( \frac{\text{Absorptivity of Erdosteine}}{\text{Absorptivity of Metabolite 1}} = 4.0 \right)$$

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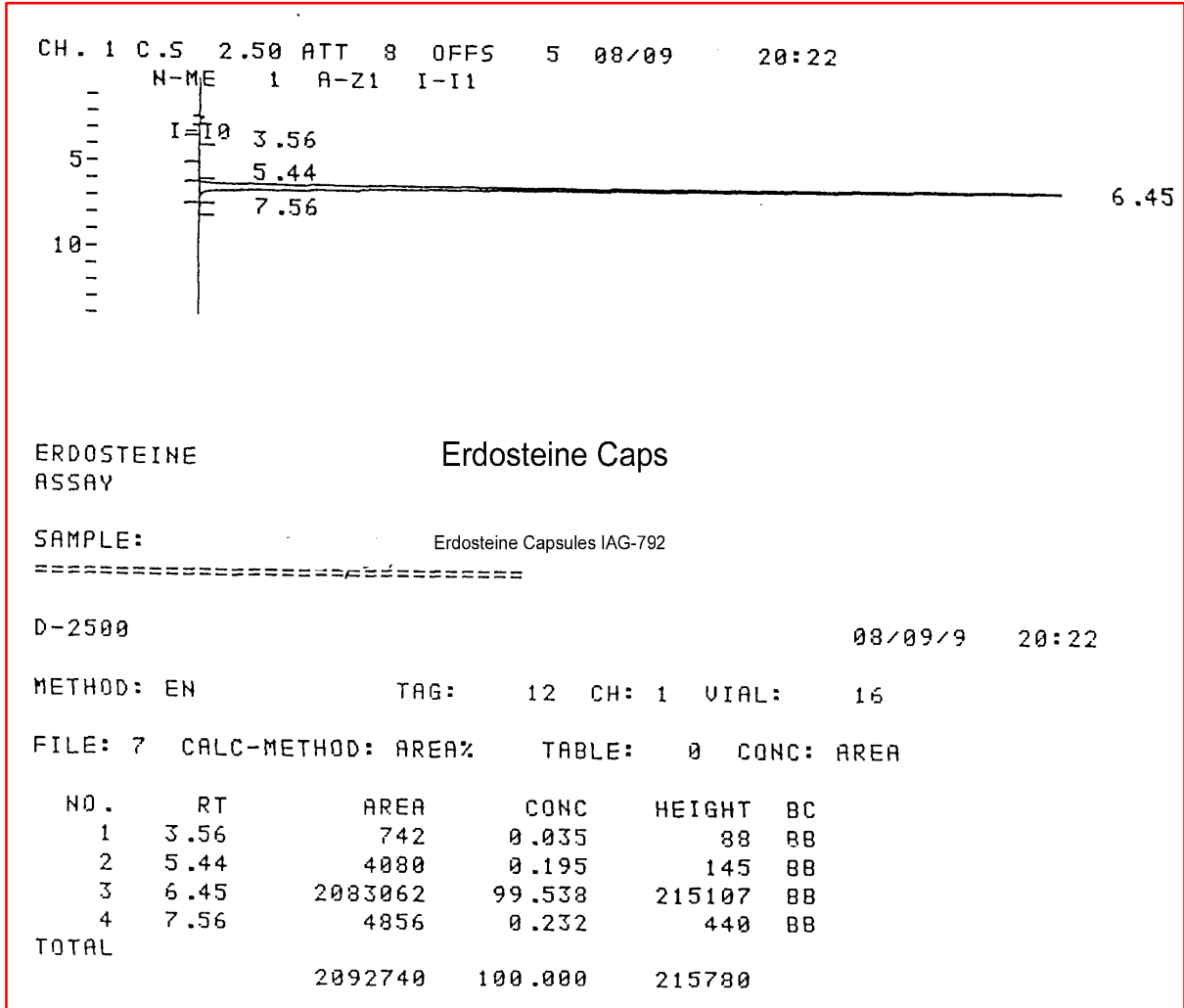
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**TYPICAL CHROMATOGRAM**



**SYSTEM SUITABILITY SET-UP**

Inject the system suitability solution as specified in the method, at the beginning of each analysis and whenever a significant change is made in the system, i.e. mobile phase, column, detector, etc. Record the chromatogram and calculate the system suitability parameters.

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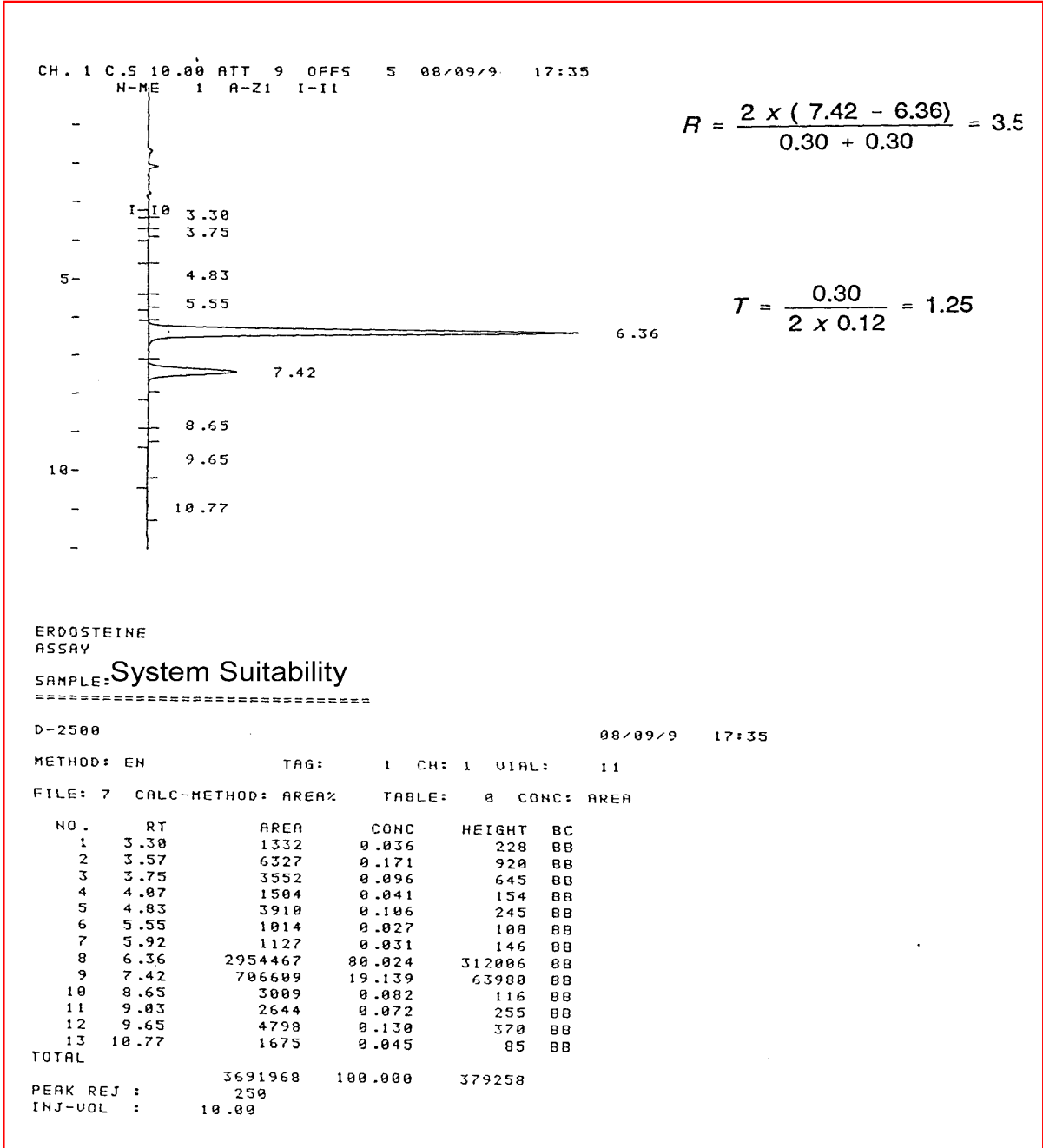
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**SYSTEM SUITABILITY GRAPH**



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