

Letter to the Editor

Sir:

The comments from Gharbo and Williamson are appreciated. All of our solutions were assayed immediately after preparation and the triplicate HPLC determinations for each solution were completed within 30 minutes. Standard solutions of each ingredient were assayed individually and there was no detectable peak for salicylic acid in the chromatogram of the aspirin standard solutions. We recognize the instability of aspirin in aqueous solution, and the solvent mixture reported by us is not suitable in using an autosampler for delayed assays of aspirin containing preparations.

The comments of Gharbo and Williamson are appropriate and should be considered by those who perform delayed assays.

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