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## Bioanalytical method development and validation of Metaxalone in human plasma by LC-MS/MS

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A simple, rapid, sensitive, and selective liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry (MS) method was developed and validated for the quantification of Metaxalone, a skeletal muscle relaxant, in human plasma using Metaxalone –D6 as internal standard (IS). Following Liquid-Liquid Extraction (LLE), the analytes were separated using an isocratic mobile phase on a reverse phase C18 column (Chromatopak peerless basic 50× 4.6 mm× 3.0  $\mu$ m ) and analyzed by MS in the multiple reaction monitoring mode using the respective [M+H]+ ions, m/z 222.14/ 160.98 for Metaxalone and m/z 228.25 /167.02 for the IS. The assay exhibited a linear dynamic range of 25.19-2521.313 ng/mL for Metaxalone in human plasma. The goodness of fit was consistently greater than 0.98 during the course of validation. The range of accuracy and precision of the back-calculated concentrations of the standard curve points was from 94.1 % to 104.4 % and 0.3 % to 5.6 % for Metaxalone. A run time of 2.0 min for each sample and injection volume is 5  $\mu$ l. The validated method has been successfully used to analyze human plasma samples for application in pharmacokinetic, bioavailability, or bioequivalence studies.

## **Biography**

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