Supplementary data

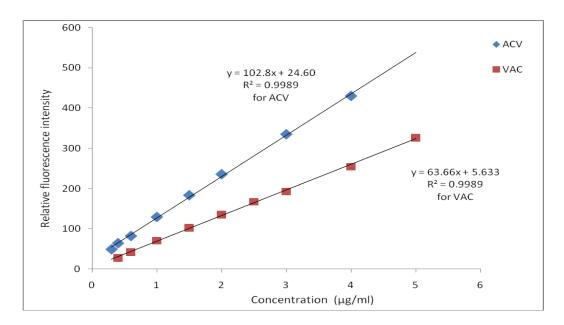


Fig. 1(a): Calibration curves of ACV and VAC by aqueous acid spectrofluorimetric method.

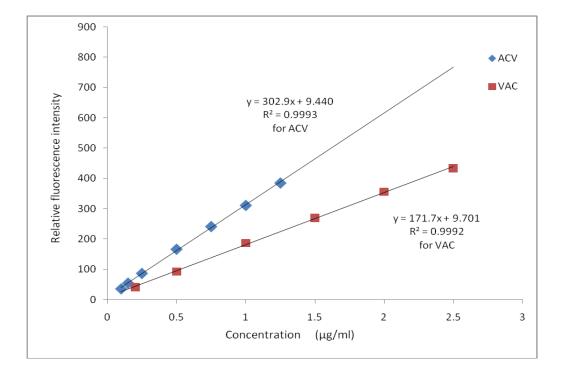


Fig. 1(b): Calibration curves of ACV and VAC by micelle- enhanced spectrofluorimetric method.

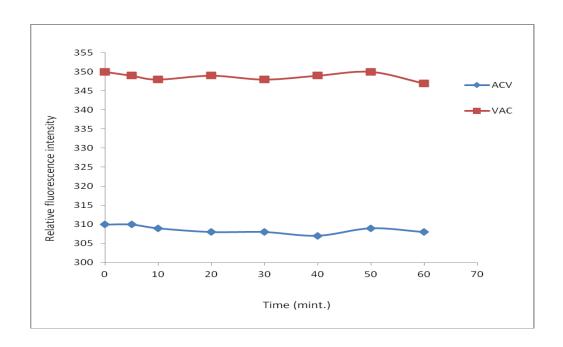


Fig. 2: Effect of time on the relative fluorescence intensities of ACV 1 μg ml⁻¹ and VAC is 2 μg ml⁻¹ in micellar system.

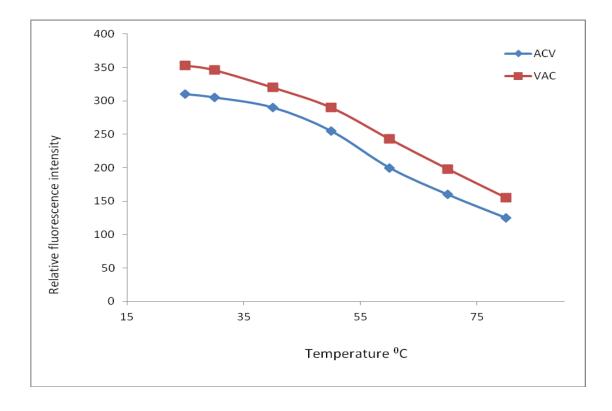


Fig. 3. Effect of temperature on the relative fluorescence intensities of ACV 1 μ g ml⁻¹ and VAC is 2 μ g ml⁻¹ in micellar system.

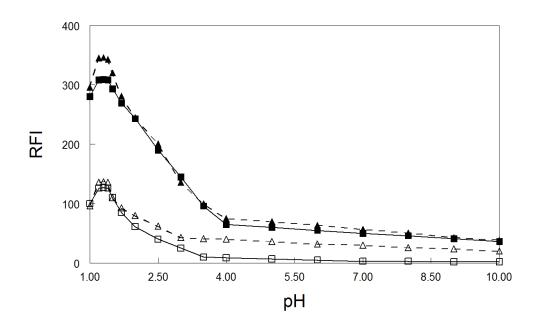


Fig. 4: Effect of pH on the relative fluorescence intensities of aqueous ACV (- \square -), VAC (- Δ -), ACV in SDS system (- \blacksquare -), and VAC in micellar system (- \blacktriangle -). ACV concentration is 1 μ g ml⁻¹ and VAC is 2 μ g ml⁻¹.

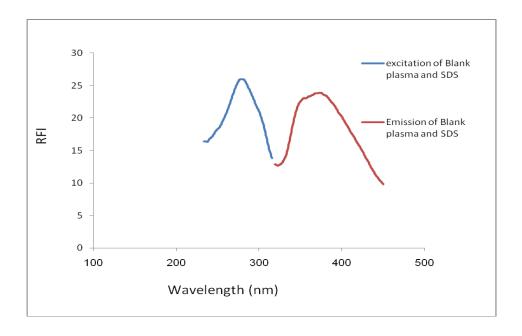


Fig. 5. Fluorescence spectra of drug-free human plasma treated with acetonitrile as precipitating agent and general procedure was followed with SDS.

N. B. The same figure appears with SDS without plasma.

Table 1: The Intra- and inter-day precision for the determination of VAC and ACV by the proposed spectrofluorimetric methods

Conc.	% Recovery* ± RSD					
(μg ml ⁻¹)	Intra-day	precision	Inter-day	Inter-day precision		
-	Method I	Method II	Method I	Method II		
For VAC						
1.0	99.12 ± 0.87	98.95 ± 0.39	99.50 ± 0.64	101.31 ± 2.27		
1.5	99.66 ± 0.60	99.08 ± 0.46	100.6 ± 2.42	99.30 ± 1.08		
2	98.86 ± 1.22	100.14 ± 1.02	99.77 ± 0.31	98.90 ± 1.52		
For ACV						
0.5	99.47 ± 0.98	100.75 ± 0.70	99.35 ± 1.42	103.30 ± 1.70		
1	102.80 ± 0.46	98.91 ± 0.54	100.60 ± 2.13	99.96 ± 1.27		
1.25	98.88 ± 1.01	97.30 ± 2.01	100.03 ± 0.63	97.60 ± 1.50		

^{*}The value is the average of three determinations.

Table 2: Robustness for determination of VAC (2 μg ml⁻¹) and ACV (1 μg ml⁻¹) using the proposed spectrofluorimetric methods

Method	%Recovery* ± SD					
parameter	VA	AC	ACV			
	Method I	Method II	Method I	Method II		
pН						
1.2	100.35 ± 0.87	98.58 ± 0.57	98.70 ± 1.09	100.38 ± 1.68		
1.4	99.36 ± 0.86	99.53 ± 0.72	98.59 ± 0.98	98.58 ± 0.92		
Volume of SDS						
4 ml		99.41 ± 0.93		98.10 ± 1.05		
6 ml		100.01 ± 1.84		99.88 ± 1.02		

Table 3. Analysis of ACV in human plasma using the proposed and reported chromatographic method.

	For i	n vitro study		
Concentration	% Recove			
	Proposed	Reported HPLC	t- value ^b	F- value ^b
(ng/ml)	micellar method	method [18]	nethod [18]	
500	98.49 ± 1.42	98.58 ± 1.36	0.112	1.092
700	99.60 ± 1.31	97.70 ± 2.03	1.754	2.419
1000	97.64 ± 1.45	96.87 ± 1.22	0.901	1.409
	For i	n vivo study		
0/ D	Proposed	Reported HPLC	t valueb E value	
% Recovery in vivo ± SD	micellar method	method [18]	t- value ^b	F- value ^b
	80.02 ± 0.23	79.63 ± 0.49	1.639	4.842

^a Average of five determinations.

b tabulated values at 95% confidence limit are t=2.306, F=6.338...