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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Table SM1. Samples composition given by manufacturer

Sample	Presentation	Composition as given by manufacturer (API and Vehicle)
A	Yellow solution	100 mg mL ⁻¹ choline citrate, 50 mg mL ⁻¹ betaine, 10 mg mL ⁻¹ racemethionine. Vehicle: sorbitol, sodium saccharin
		dihydrate, quinoline yellow, methylparaben, propylparaben, artificial pineapple flavor and water.
В	Pink suspension	75 mg L ⁻¹ simethicone. Vehicle: xanthan gum, carmellose sodium, microcrystalline cellulose, soluble red colouring 40,
		sodium saccharin, sodium cyclamate, propylene glycol, propylparaben, methylparaben, strawberry essence, ethoxylated
		hydrogenated castor oil, citric acid and purified water.
С	High viscosity	13.3 mg mL ⁻¹ guaifenesin 1.33 mg mL ⁻¹ dextromethorphan monohydrate hydrobromide. Vehicle: propylene glycol, ethyl
	red syrup	alcohol, sodium hydrate dihydrate, carmellose sodium, citric acid, polyoxyl 40 stearate, DM heat flavor (ethyl alcohol,
		rum, natural pepper flavor, propylene glycol, water and artificial spice flavor), macrogol, sodium benzoate, artificial
		chocolate flavor, sodium saccharin, levomenthol, artificial cherry flavor, menthoxypropanediol, FD&C 40 red colouring,
		sucrose and purified water.
D	Medium	0.8 mg mL ⁻¹ bromhexine hydrochloride. Vehicle: sodium benzoate, sodium cyclamate, sodium metabisulfite, heitelose,
	viscosity	glycerol, sorbitol, tartaric acid, ponceau red, cherry aroma, strawberry aroma and purified water.
	red syrup	
E	Purple solution	1757 mg L ⁻¹ NaCl
		60 mg L ⁻¹ zinc glyconate
		11.88 g L ⁻¹ glucose monohydrate, 2892 mg L ⁻¹ sodium citrate dihydrate
		1506 mg L ⁻¹ KCl and 1,757 mg mL ⁻¹ sodium chloride. Vehicle: acesulfame potassium, sucralose, grape aroma, red
		colouring, blue colouring, anhydrous citric acid and purified water.

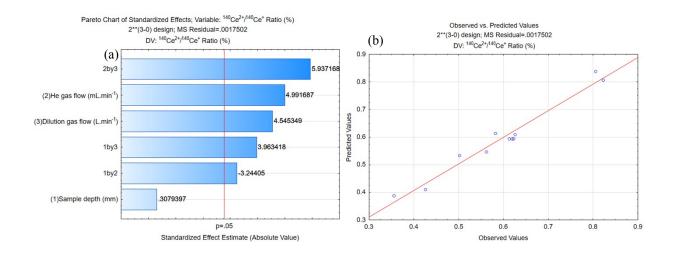


Fig. SM1. (a) Pareto Chart of standardized effects for doubly charged (140Ce²⁺/140Ce⁺) ion formation and (b) Observed *versus* predicted values for doubly charged (140Ce²⁺/140Ce⁺) ion formation.

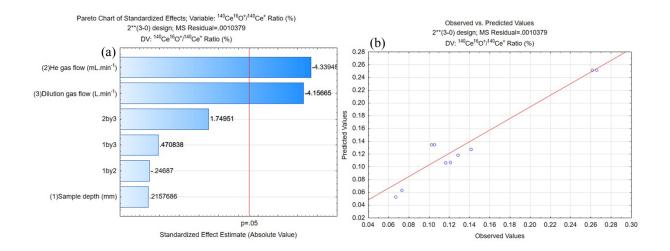


Fig. SM2. (a) Pareto Chart of standardized effects for oxide ($^{140}\text{Ce}^{16}\text{O}^{+/140}\text{Ce}^{+}$) ion formation and (b) Observed versus predicted values for oxide ($^{140}\text{Ce}^{16}\text{O}^{+/140}\text{Ce}^{+}$) ion formation.

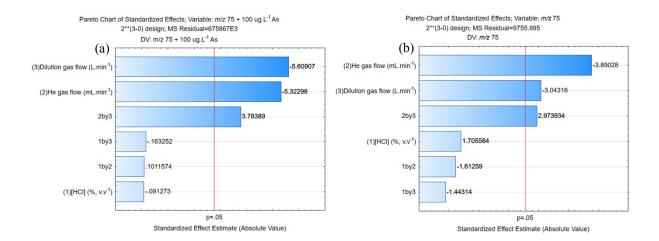


Fig. SM3. Pareto Chart of standardized effects for m/z 75 ion formation in HCl solutions (a) with $100 \ \mu g \ L^{-1}$ As and (b) without As addition.

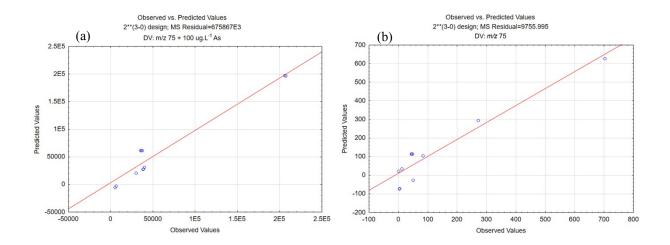


Fig. SM4. Observed *versus* predicted values for m/z 75 ion formation in HCl solutions (a) with $100~\mu g~L^{-1}$ As and (b) without As addition.