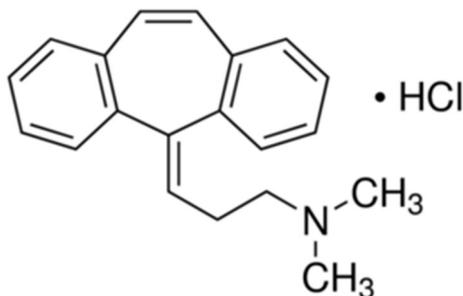


**Cyclobenzaprine HCl**  
**5 mg Tablets**

**Structure:**



**Molecular Formula and Mass:**  $C_{20}H_{21}N \cdot HCl - 311.853$

**Category:** Muscle relaxant

**Sample:**

Grind one tablet and dissolve in 30.0 mL of methanol. Shake for at least 10 min and filter. Final concentration of sample solutions = 0.167 mg/mL, which is the required concentration representing 100%.

**Standards:**

High Standard:

The high limit is 115%; therefore, the concentration of the high standard =  $0.167 \text{ mg/mL} \times 1.15 = 0.192 \text{ mg/mL}$ . Weigh approximately 19.2 mg of standard and dissolve it in 100 mL methanol. If you weighed 19.3 mg of standard, dissolve it in:  $19.3 \text{ mg} \div 0.192 \text{ mg/mL} = 101 \text{ mL}$  of methanol. This makes the high standard solution concentration equal to 0.192 mg/mL, which is 115%.

Low Standard:

The low limit is 85%; therefore, the concentration of the low standard =  $0.167 \text{ mg/mL} \times 0.85 = 0.142 \text{ mg/mL}$ . Dilute 7.40 mL of high standard to 10.0 mL by adding 2.60 mL of methanol. This gives a concentration of  $0.192 \text{ mg/mL} \times 7.40 \text{ mL} \div 10.0 \text{ mL} = 0.142 \text{ mg/mL}$ , which is 85.0%.

**Spotting:**

Spot on the  $5 \times 10$  cm silica gel TLC aluminum plate with 3.00  $\mu\text{L}$  aliquots as follows:

Left spot	low standard (85%) = 0.426 $\mu\text{g}$
Center Spot	100% sample = 0.501 $\mu\text{g}$
Right Spot	high standard (115%) = 0.576 $\mu\text{g}$

**Development:**

Mix 16.0 mL of toluene, 8.00 mL of ethyl acetate, 14.0 mL of methanol, and 2.00 mL of acetic acid. Develop the plate in a small glass chamber with approximately 20.0 mL of this solution until the solvent front reaches within 1 cm of the top of the TLC plate.

( $R_f = 0.20$ )

**Detection:**

UV:

Dry the plate and observe under ultraviolet light at 254 nm. Observe the intensities and the sizes of the spots.

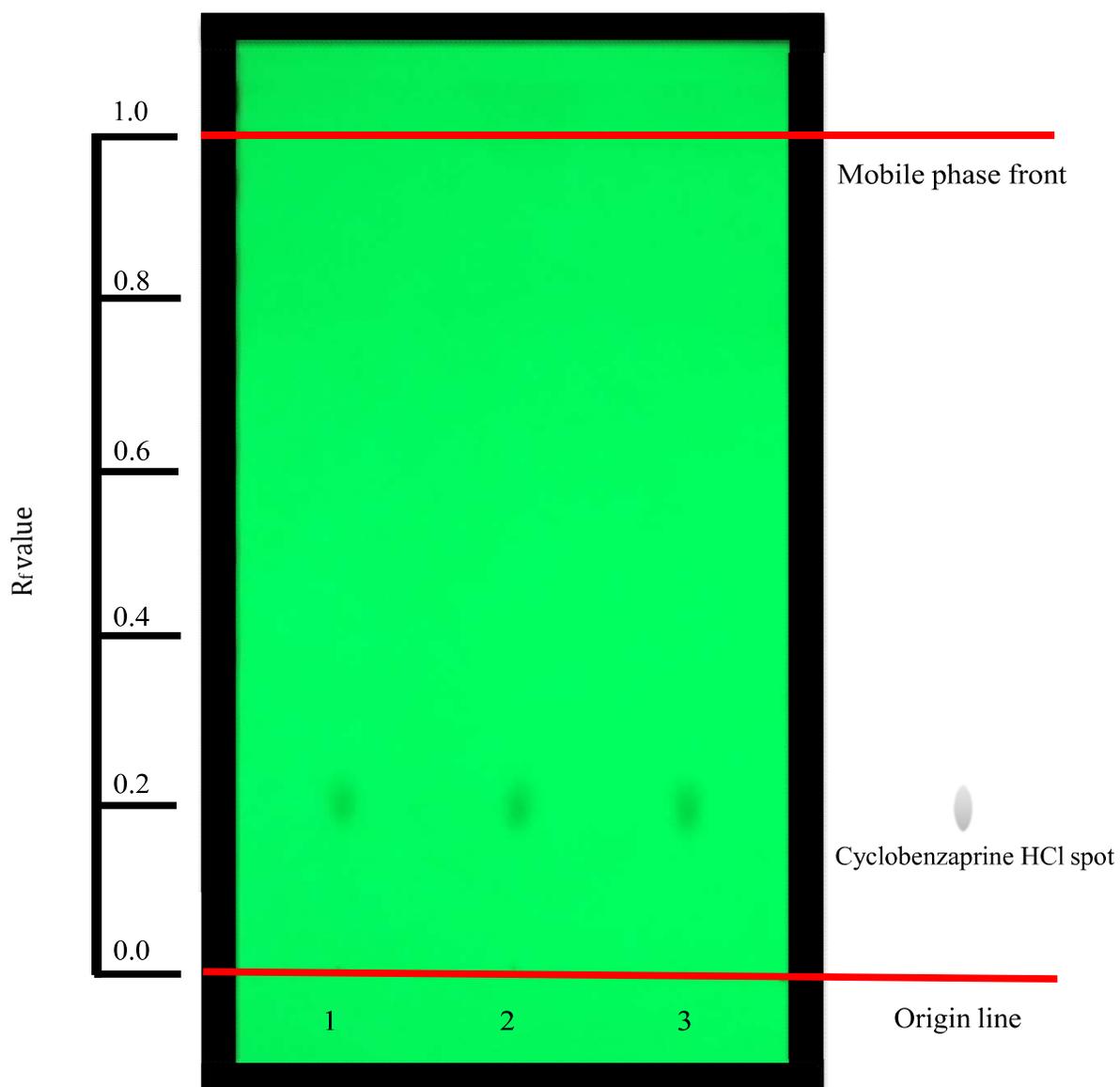


Plate observed under ultraviolet light at 254 nm.

Lane 1: Low standard (85%) = 0.426  $\mu\text{g}$

Lane 2: 100% sample = 0.501  $\mu\text{g}$

Lane 3: High standard (115%) = 0.576  $\mu\text{g}$

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