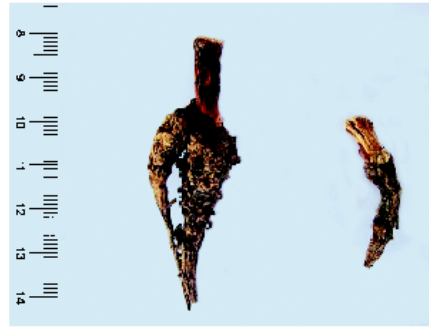


*Aconitum chasmanthum* Stapf. ex Holmes  
(Vatsanābha)

Drug consists of poisonous dried tuberous root of *Aconitum chasmanthum* Stapf. ex Holmes; Fam. Ranunculaceae. An erect, perennial herb occurs in subalpine and alpine meadows of north western Himalayas, in high plateaus between 2000 to 4000 m altitude. Tubers are generally collected in September.



A. Flowering plant



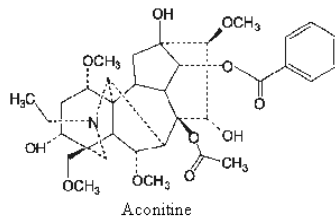
B. Tuberous roots

*Aconitum chasmanthum* Stapf. ex Holmes

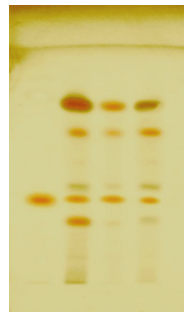
**Chemical Constituents**

**Major**

Aconitine, indaconitine.

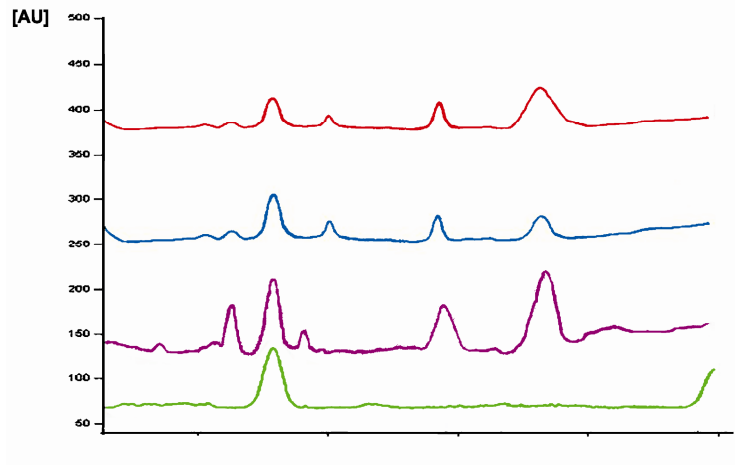


**TLC / HPTLC Details**



TLC profile of test solution of *Aconitum chasmanthum* tuberous root after derivatization.

**1:** Aconitine standard; **2-4:** Test solution.



HPTLC densitometric scan at 254 nm of *Aconitum chasmanthum* tuberous root.  
A. Aconitine standard; B-D. Test solution.