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Title of the Manuscript:	Estimation of Ursolic acid in Bauhinia racemosa Lam. by HPTLC method
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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Some references are as old as 1988. They need to be reviewed for accuracy compared to recent information.	

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