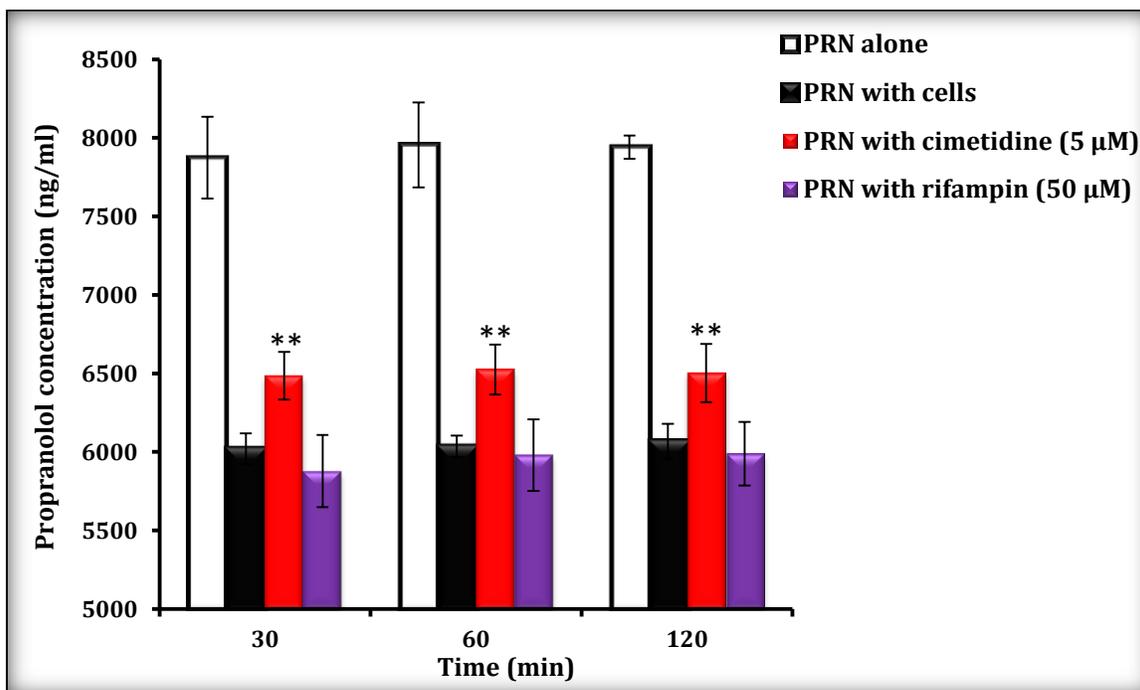


### 3.7.2 Effect of cimetidine and rifampin on PRN metabolism

Cimetidine (5  $\mu\text{M}$ ), decreased PRN metabolism and increased PRN concentrations at 30, 60, and 120 min significantly ( $p < 0.01$ ), whereas rifampin (50  $\mu\text{M}$ ) increased PRN metabolism and decreased PRN concentrations at 30, 60 and 120 min ( $p > 0.05$ ). The maximum value for PRN with cimetidine at 60 min was  $6525 \pm 160$  ng/ml, whereas PRN with rifampin GlcN obtained the lowest value of  $5877 \pm 230$  ng/ml at 30 min (**Figure 3.25**).



**Figure 3.25** Propranolol concentration versus time profiles in hepatocyte cell isolation and culture. Cells were cultured with 20  $\mu\text{M}$  propranolol with 5  $\mu\text{M}$  cimetidine and 50  $\mu\text{M}$  rifampin for 120 min. The data are presented as mean  $\pm$  SEM (\*\*,  $p < 0.01$ ).