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Analytical method development and validation for the simultaneous estimation of vinblastine and vincristine in combined dosage form by RP-HPLC method

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Abstract

A new method was established for simultaneous estimation of Vinblastine and Vincristine by RP-HPLC method. The chromatographic conditions were successfully developed for the separation of Vinblastine and Vincristine by using Xterra C185 μ m (4.6*250mm) column, flow rate was 1ml/min, mobile phase ratio was Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: ACN (55:45%v/v) (pH was adjusted with ortho phosphoric acid), detection wavelength was 255nm. The instrument used was WATERS HPLC Auto Sampler, Separation module 2695, PDA Detector 996, Empower-softwareversion-2. The retention times were found to be 2.399mins and 3.907mins. The %purity of Vinblastine and Vincristine was found to be 100.7% and 101.4% respectively. The system suitability parameters for Vinblastine and Vincristine such as theoretical plates and tailing factor were found to be 1.3, 5117.5 and 1.4, 3877.3 the resolution was found to be 8.0. The analytical method was validated according to ICH guidelines (ICH,Q2(R1)).The linearity study for Vinblastine and Vincristine was found in concentration range of 1 μ g-5 μ g and 100 μ g-500 μ g and correlation coefficient(r^2) was found to be 0.999 and 0.999, %mean recovery was found to be 100% and 100.5%, %RSD for repeatability was 0.2 and 0.4, %RSD for intermediate precision was 0.5 and 0.1 respectively. The precision study was precise, robust, and repeatable. LOD value was 2.95 and 3.04, and LOQ value was 9.87 and 10 respectively. Hence the suggested RP-HPLC method can be used for routine analysis of Vinblastine and Vincristine in API and Pharmaceutical dosage form.

Keywords: XterraC18, Vinblastine and Vincristine, RP-HPLC

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1. Introduction

Vinblastine is a vinca alkaloid used to treat breast cancer, testicular cancer, neuroblastoma, Hodgkin's and non-

Hodgkin's lymphoma, mycosis fungoides, histiocytosis, and Kaposi's sarcoma. Vincristine is an antitumor vinca alkaloid isolated from Vinca Rosea. It is marketed under several

brand names, many of which have different formulations such as Marqibo (liposomal injection) and Vincasar. Vincristine is indicated for the treatment of acute leukaemia, malignant lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, acute erythraemia, and acute panmyelosis. Vincristine sulfate is often chosen as part of polychemotherapy because of lack of significant bone-marrow suppression (at recommended doses) and of unique clinical toxicity (neuropathy).

Instrumentation

The instrument used was HPLC Alliance Waters model No. 2695 separation module. 2487 UV detector, Software-Empower. The stationary phase used was Xterra C18 5µm (4.6*250mm) column. Digital weighing balance-Model number BSA224SC, Sonicator (Enertech)-SE60US, pH meter Model number Adwa-AD 1020, UV/VIS spectrophotometer UV3000 Lab India Software-UVWin5

2. Methodology

3. Results and Discussion

Vinblastine and Vincristine were gift samples supplied by Cipla labs. Water, Methanol, Acetonitrile, Potassium dihydrogen orthophosphate were supplied by Merck.

Method development

Five trials were made by changing the mobile phase ratios and solvents. Water: Methanol (40:60%v/v), Water: Methanol (40:60%v/v), Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 5.0: Methanol (50:50%v/v), Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: MeOH, Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: ACN (30:70%v/v). Finally, the mobile phase optimized was Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: ACN (55:45%v/v).

Chromatographic conditions: The chromatographic conditions were successfully developed for the separation of Vinblastine and Vincristine by using Xterra C18 5µm (4.6*250mm) column, flow rate was 1ml/min, mobile phase ratio was Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: ACN (55:45%v/v) (pH was adjusted with orthophosphoric acid), detection wavelength was 255nm.

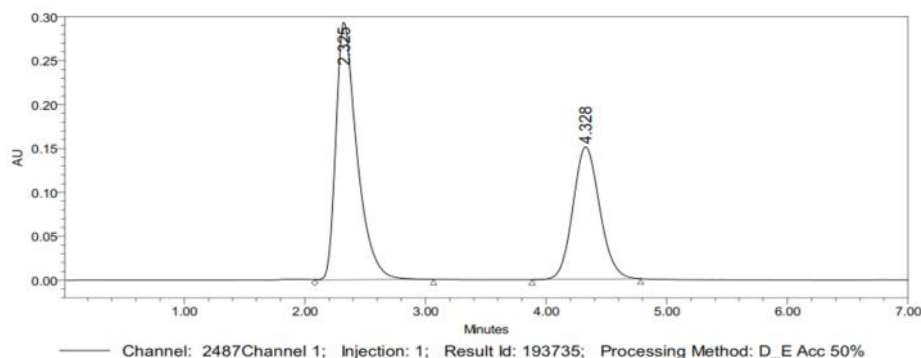


Figure 1: Chromatogram showing accuracy

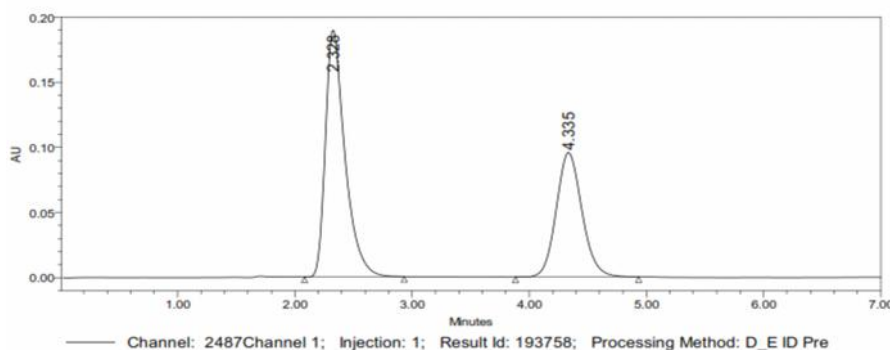


Figure 2: The results are summarized Vincristine

Table 1: Accuracy results of Vincristine

| %Concentration (at specification Level) | Area | Amount added (mg) | Amount found (mg) | % Recovery | Mean Recovery |
|---|---------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| 50% | 2332744 | 5 | 5.10 | 101.8% | 100.5% |
| 100% | 3132697 | 10 | 9.99 | 99.9% | |
| 150% | 3918997 | 15 | 14.9 | 99.1% | |

Acceptance Criteria: The %Recovery for each level should be between 98.0 to 102.0%.

Table 2: Accuracy results of Vinblastine

| %Concentration (at specification level) | Area | Amount Added(mg) | Amount Found(mg) | %Recovery | Mean Recovery |
|--|---------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 50% | 353867 | 5 | 5.0 | 101.3% | 100.0% |
| 100% | 4735088 | 10 | 9.94 | 99.4% | |
| 150% | 5911798 | 15 | 14.8 | 99.2% | |

Table 3: Repeatability results of Vinblastine

| Injection | Area |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Injection-1 | 1501417 |
| Injection-2 | 1486940 |
| Injection-3 | 1490656 |
| Injection-4 | 1487329 |
| Injection-5 | 1490384 |
| Average | 1491345 |
| Standard Deviation | 5881.4 |
| %RSD | 0.39 |

Table 4: Repeatability results of Vincristine

| Injection | Area |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Injection-1 | 2235319 |
| Injection-2 | 2240678 |
| Injection-3 | 2249490 |
| Injection-4 | 2245822 |
| Injection-5 | 2251694 |
| Average | 2244601 |
| Standard Deviation | 6656.8 |
| %RSD | 0.32 |

Table 5: Ruggedness results of Vincristine

| Injection | Area |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Injection-1 | 2194758 |
| Injection-2 | 2195700 |
| Injection-3 | 2196191 |
| Injection-4 | 2195326 |
| Injection-5 | 2200951 |
| Average | 2196585 |
| Standard Deviation | 2496.0 |
| %RSD | 0.11 |

Table 6: Ruggedness results of Vinblastine

| Injection | Area |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Injection-1 | 1456296 |
| Injection-2 | 1457422 |
| Injection-3 | 1456513 |
| Injection-4 | 1454579 |
| Injection-5 | 1451483 |
| Average | 1455259 |
| Standard Deviation | 2347.6 |
| %RSD | 0.16 |

Table 7 Showing results of standard injection

| S.No | Peakname | R _t | Area | Height | USP Plate count | USP Tailin | USP Resolution |
|------|-------------|----------------|--------|--------|-----------------|------------|----------------|
| 1 | vinblastine | 2.23 | 791379 | 39418 | 2632 | 1.8 | |
| 2 | Vincristine | 4.34 | 185338 | 16275 | 2614 | 1.6 | 5.23 |

Table 8 Showing results of sample injection

| S.No | Peakname | R _t | Area | Height | USP Plate count | USP Tailing | USP Resolution |
|------|-------------|----------------|-------|--------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 1 | Vinblastine | 2.3 | 47263 | 3764 | 2455 | 1.60 | |
| 2 | Vincristine | 4.3 | 31225 | 19841 | 2614 | 1.11 | 5.52 |

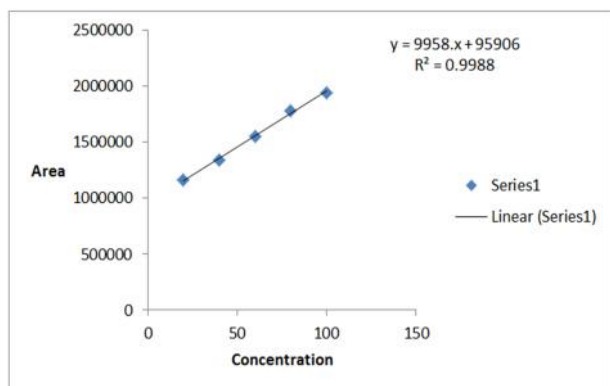


Figure 3: Calibration curve of Vincristine

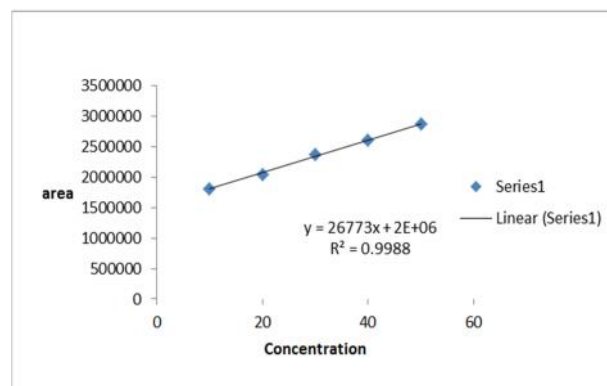


Figure 4: Calibration curve of Vinblastine

Table 9 System suitability results for Vincristine (Mobile phase)

| S.No | Change in Organic Composition in the MobilePhase | Systemsuitabilityresults | |
|------|--|--------------------------|------------|
| | | USPPlatecount | USPTailing |
| 1 | 10%Less | 1748.5 | 1.22 |
| 2 | Actual | 1548.2 | 1.2 |
| 3 | 10%More | 1948.0 | 1.2 |

Table 10 System suitability results for Vinblastine (Mobile phase)

| S.No | Change in Organic Composition in the Mobile Phase | Systemsuitabilityresults | |
|------|---|--------------------------|------------|
| | | USPPlatecount | USPTailing |
| 1 | 10%Less | 883.3 | 1.56 |
| 2 | Actual | 1234.0 | 1.1 |
| 3 | 10%More | 969.2 | 1.6 |

4. Conclusion

A new method was established for simultaneous estimation of Vinblastine and Vincristine by RP-HPLC method. The chromatographic conditions were successfully developed for the separation of Vinblastine and Vincristine by using Xterra C18 5µm (4.6*250mm) column, flow rate was 1ml/min, mobile phase ratio was Phosphate buffer (0.05M) pH 4.6: ACN (55:45%v/v) (pH was adjusted with orthophosphoric acid), detection wavelength was 255nm. The instrument used was

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