



ANALYTICAL METHOD DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION FOR SIMULTANEOUS ESTIMATION OF TELMISARTAN AND CHLORTHALIDONE IN BULK AND PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORMS BY RP-HPLC METHOD

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ABSTRACT

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A simple, accurate, precise technique was developed for the simultaneous estimation of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone in Bulk and pharmaceutical dosage form. Chromatogram was run through Phenomenex LunaC18 (150 × 4.6mm, 5µl) column. Mobile phase containing Methanol: water pH3.5 adjusted with ortho phosphoric acid taken in the proportions 80:20% v/v was pumped through column at flow rate of 1ml/min. Temperature was kept ambient. Optimized wavelength selected was 225nm. Retention time of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone was observed to be 2.9min and 4.6min. %RSD of the Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone were observed to be 0.58 and 0.79 respectively. %Recovery was calculated for Telmisartan at 50%, 100% and 150% were 100.27%, 100.14%, 100.03% respectively and for Chlorthalidone at 50%, 100% and 150% were 101.78%, 100.43% and 100.48% respectively. LOD, LOQ values obtained from regression equation of Telmisartan and were 0.17, 0.19 and 0.48, 1.18 respectively. Regression equation of Telmisartan is $y = 11487x - 47198$, and $y = 11237x + 2102$ of Chlorthalidone. Retention time were decreased and the run time decreased, so the technique developed was simple conservative that can be embraced in regular quality control test in industries.

INTRODUCTION

Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone is a combination medicine used to treat hyper tension. Telmisartan is an angiotensin ii receptor antagonist (ARB) used in the management of hypertension. Generally, antagonist ii receptors blockers (ARBs) such as telmisartan binds to angiotensin ii (AT 1) receptors with high affinity, causing inhibition of action of angiotensiniion vascular smooth muscle, ultimately leading to reduction in arterial blood pressure. Chlorthalidone is diuretic; it is indicated in the management of hypertension by removing excess water and certain electrolytes from the body. Eventually it also relaxes blood vessels and improves blood flow.^[1-2]

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Preparation of diluents: Depending on the nature of solubility of the selected drugs, Acetonitrile and water in the ratio of 80: 20 v/v and pH was adjusted to 3.5 using orthophosphoric acid. The solution was prepared after degassing and filtering the solution using 0.45µm membrane filter.

Stock solution:

Preparation of standard stock solution: The solution was prepared by dissolving 45 mg of accurately weighed Telmisartan and 15mg Chlorthalidone in mobile phase, in two 100.0

ml volumetric flasks separately and sonicate for 20 min.

Preparation of sample stock solution:

Twenty tablets were weighed and the average weight of each tablet was calculated, and a quantity of tablet powder equivalent to 45 mg Telmisartan and 15 mg Chlorthalidone were weighed and dissolved in 70 ml mobile phase with the aid of ultra sonication for 20 min. The mixture was diluted to 100 ml with mobile phase to furnish a sample stock solution.

Working solution:

Preparation of working standard solution:

From the above stock solution 10 ml from each solution was taken into a 50 ml volumetric flask then made up the volume with mobile phase and sonicated for 10 min and filtered through 0.45µm membrane filter.

Preparation of sample working solution:

The sample stock solution was filtered through a 0.45 µm nylon syringe filter and 10 ml of the filtrate was diluted into 50 ml volumetric flask to give a sample solution containing 90µg/ml Telmisartan and 30 µg/ml Chlorthalidone.^[3-5]

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

Method validation: Specificity, linearity, range, accuracy, precision, repeatability, intermediate precision, limit of detection, limit of quantification, robustness.^[6-7]

Specificity: Specificity is the ability to assess equivocally the analyse in the presence of components which may be expected to be present. Typically these components include impurities, degradants, matrix, etc. Blank solution, standard solution of Telmisartan (90µg/ml) and Chlorthalidone (30 µg/ml) were injected into the HPLC system. The peak purity data of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone was compared there should not be any interference at the retention time of the main peak.

Linearity: Linearity for the drugs Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone was determined by preparing the standard solutions at six concentrations levels in six replicates in the range of 22.5 – 135 µg/ml for Telmisartan and

7.5 – 45µg/ml for Chlorthalidone from stock solution. The linearity charts of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone was shown in the figure no.5&6. The correlation coefficient was found to be 0.9954 and 0.999 for both drugs and the method was set to be linear. They were tabulated in table 1.

Accuracy: Accuracy was performed by spiking known amounts of standard solution to sample solution at three different concentrations levels (50%, 100%, 150%) and there by analyzed for overall %RSD should not be more than 2.0. The % recovery was calculated and the results was reported in table no. 2 & 3.

Precision: The precision of the analytical method was studied by injecting six replicates of standard and sample containing 90 µg/ml of Telmisartan and 30 µg/ml of Chlorthalidone were injected into HPLC system. The % RSD was calculated and the results were reported in the table no.4&5.

Limit of Detection (LOD) and Limit of Quantification (LOQ):

The limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) were determined by injecting six replicates of mobile phase followed by three concentrations of drug. The limit of detection was defined as the concentration which yields a signal - to - noise ratio 3:1 where as the limit of quantification was calculated to be the lowest concentration that could be measured with signal - to - noise ratio 10:1. LOD and LOQ were calculated from slope and standard deviation. The results were tabulated in table no. 6.

Robustness: The smallest deliberate changes in method like flow rate and mobile phase ratio are made but there were no predictable changes in the results and are in the range as per ICH guidelines. Conditions like flow minus (0.8 ml/min), flow plus (1.0 ml/min), mobile phase minus, mobile phase plus, ambient temperature was maintained and sample were injected in duplicate manner. System suitability parameters were not much affected and all the parameters were passed. % RSD was found to be within the limits and Results were tabulated in table no.7 & 8.

Fig-1: structure of Telmisartan and Fig-2: structure of Chlorthalidone

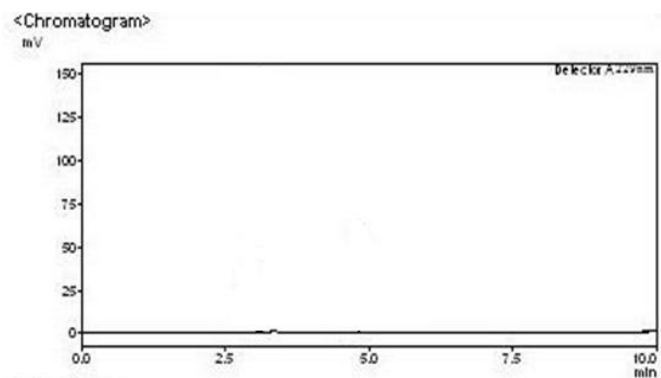
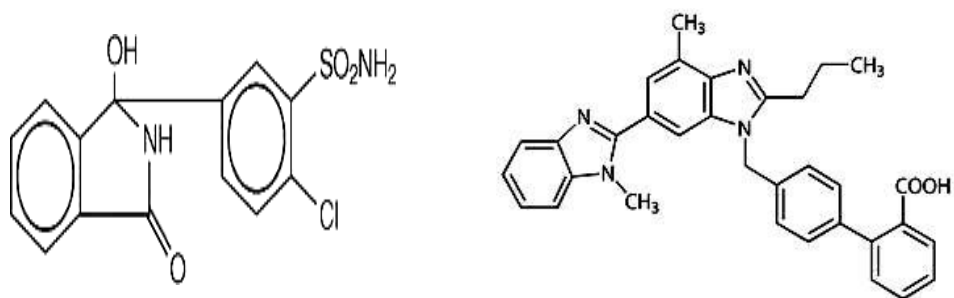


Fig-3: Chromatogram of Blank

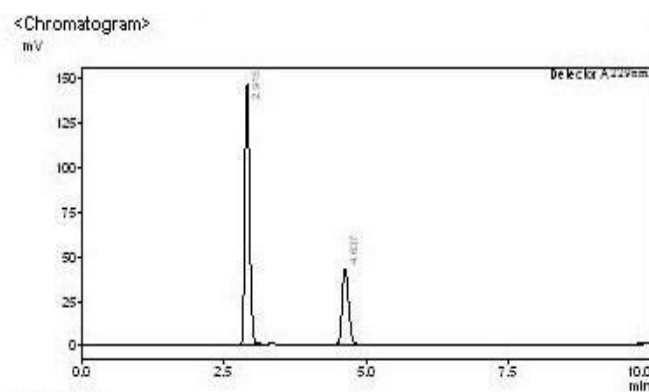


Fig-4: Optimized chromatogram

Table-1: Linearity results of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone

| Telmisartan | | Chlorthalidone | |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Conc($\mu\text{g/mL}$) | Peak area | Conc($\mu\text{g/ mL}$) | Peak area |
| 22.5 | 218093 | 7.5 | 85582 |
| 45 | 433120 | 15 | 172188 |
| 67.5 | 694264 | 22.5 | 255782 |
| 90 | 952350 | 30 | 342375 |
| 112.5 | 1244314 | 37.5 | 424969 |
| 135 | 1555021 | 45 | 503568 |

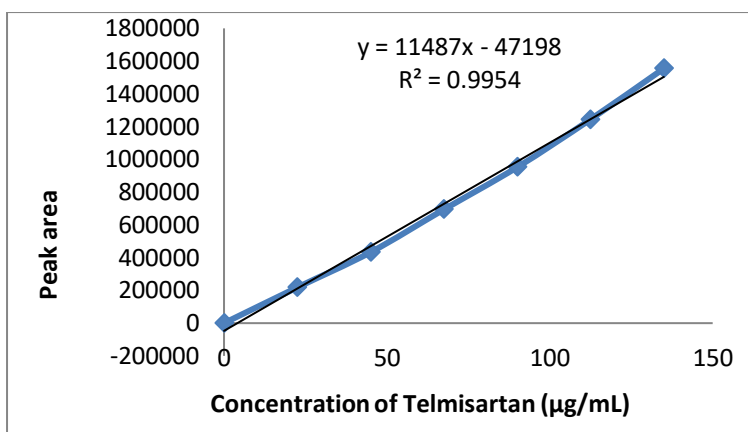


Fig-5: Calibration curve of Telmisartan

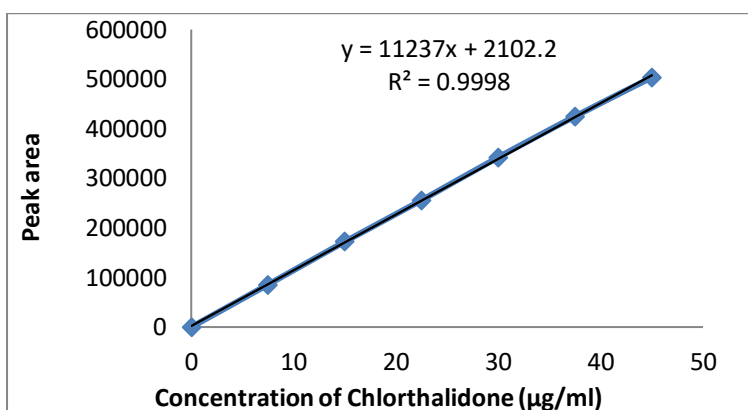


Fig-6: Calibration curve of Chlorthalidone

Table-2: Accuracy data of Telmisartan

| %Level | Amount spiked(µg/mL) | Amount recovered(µg/mL) | % Recovery | Mean % Recovery | %RSD |
|--------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------|-------|
| 50% | 45 | 45.124 | 100.28 | 100.27% | 0.12% |
| | 45 | 45.248 | 100.55 | | |
| | 45 | 45.986 | 99.97 | | |
| 100% | 90 | 90.247 | 100.27 | 100.14% | 0.11% |
| | 90 | 89.995 | 99.99 | | |
| | 90 | 90.137 | 100.15 | | |
| 150% | 135 | 134.896 | 99.92 | 100.03% | 0.09% |
| | 135 | 135.086 | 100.06 | | |
| | 135 | 135.138 | 100.10 | | |

Table-3: Accuracy data of Chlorthalidone

| %Level | Amount spiked($\mu\text{g/mL}$) | Amount recovered($\mu\text{g/mL}$) | % Recovery | Mean% Recovery | %RSD |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------|-------|
| 50% | 15 | 15.267 | 101.73 | 101.83 | 0.35% |
| | 15 | 15.348 | 102.32 | | |
| | 15 | 15.210 | 101.40 | | |
| 100% | 30 | 30.143 | 100.48 | 100.43 | 0.42% |
| | 30 | 30.257 | 100.86 | | |
| | 30 | 29.986 | 99.95 | | |
| 150% | 45 | 45.210 | 100.47 | 100.48 | 0.26% |
| | 45 | 45.328 | 100.73 | | |
| | 45 | 45.112 | 100.25 | | |

Table-4: System precision data of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone

| S.NO | Peak Area | |
|---------|-------------|----------------|
| | Telmisartan | Chlorthalidone |
| 1 | 952468 | 342375 |
| 2 | 952531 | 342756 |
| 3 | 952672 | 342658 |
| 4 | 952289 | 342325 |
| 5 | 952643 | 342124 |
| 6 | 952563 | 342109 |
| Mean | 952528 | 342391 |
| Std dev | 138.51 | 268.31 |
| %RSD | 0.58 | 0.79 |

Table-5: Method precision data of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone

| S.NO | Peak Area | |
|---------|-------------|----------------|
| | Telmisartan | Chlorthalidone |
| 1 | 952348 | 342258 |
| 2 | 952358 | 342109 |
| 3 | 952348 | 342352 |
| 4 | 952548 | 342428 |
| 5 | 952555 | 342375 |
| 6 | 952602 | 342315 |
| Mean | 952459.8 | 342306.2 |
| Std dev | 120.35 | 112.21 |
| %RSD | 0.56 | 0.82 |

Table-6: LOD and LOQ data of Telmisartan and Chlorthalidone

| Drug name | LOD | LOQ |
|----------------|------|------|
| Telmisartan | 0.17 | 0.91 |
| Chlorthalidone | 0.48 | 1.18 |

Table-7: Robustness data of Telmisartan

| S.NO | Condition | %RSD | Tailing factor | Theoretical plates |
|------|----------------------------|-------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Flow rate(-) 0.8ml/min | 0.088 | 1.168 | 3942 |
| 2 | Flow rate(+) 1.0ml/min | 0.101 | 1.180 | 4016 |
| 3 | Mobile phase(-) 60B:40A | 0.126 | 1.179 | 3864 |
| 4 | Mobile phase(+) 50B:50A | 0.108 | 1.158 | 3998 |

Table-8: Robustness data of Chlorthalidone

| S.NO | Condition | % RSD | Tailing factor | Theoretical plates |
|------|----------------------------|-------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Flow rate(-) 0.8ml/min | 0.085 | 1.126 | 2220 |
| 2 | Flow rate(+) 1.0ml/min | 0.099 | 1.149 | 2115 |
| 3 | Mobile phase(-) 60B:40A | 0.094 | 1.138 | 2093 |
| 4 | Mobilephase(+) 50B:50A | 0.132 | 1.151 | 2169 |

CONCLUSION:

The developed RP-HPLC method was validated as per ICG guidelines. All the system suitability parameters were within the range as stated by ICH guidelines. Interference peaks were not observed in blank, standard and sample chromatogram. Hence simple, precise and accurate, sensitive, specific and robust method was developed and validated. This can be used in quality control department with respect to routine analysis.

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