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Development and Validation of Stability Indicating Analytical Method for Estimation of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in Tablet Dosage Form

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ABSTRACT:

A reversed-phase liquid chromatographic method has been developed and validated for estimation of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in Tablet dosage form. Chromatography was carried on PHENOMENEX C18 (250 x 4.6) mm; 5 μ m analytical column using mobile phase (0.2 % Formic Acid and 0.2 % tri ethyl amine (TEA) in water pH adjusted to 5.0 with formic acid and methanol (40:60 % v/v) at a flow rate of 01.0 ml/min. The detection was carried out at 260 nm. The retention time of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate is found to be 2.954 min and 5.128 min respectively. Correlation co-efficient for cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate was found to be 0.999. Assay result of marketed formulation was found to be in 99.4 % and 98.8 % for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate respectively. The proposed method was validated with respect to linearity, accuracy, precision and robustness. Recovery was found in the range of 99.4 %–101.5 %. Statistical Analysis proves that the developed methods were successfully applied for the analysis of pharmaceutical formulations and can be used for routine analysis of drugs in Quality Control laboratories.

KEYWORDS Cinnarizine, Dimenhydrinate, hplc, analytical method development, validation

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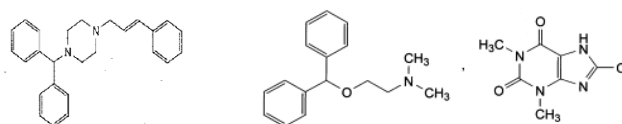
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INTRODUCTION:

The IUPAC name of the cinnarizine is (E)-1-(Diphenylmethyl)-4-(3-phenylprop-2-enyl)piperazine with molecular formula and molecular weight C₂₆H₂₈N₂ and 368.514 g/mol respectively. The molecular structure of the drug is given in Fig.1.a^{1,2,3}

Figure 1 –Cinnarizine(a) and Dimenhydrinate (b)



(Dimenhydrinate -b)

Cinnarizine is an [antihistamine](#) and a [calcium channel blocker](#) classified as a selective antagonist of T-type voltage-operated calcium ion channels, because its binding blocks the channels and keeps them inert. In treatment of nausea and motion sickness it was previously hypothesized that Cinnarizine exerts its effects by inhibiting the calcium currents in voltage gated channels in [type II vestibular hair cells](#) within the inner ear

Cinnarizine is Official in Indian Pharmacopeia 2014, British Pharmacopeia 2015, and European pharmacopeia 2015

The IUPAC name of the Dimenhydrinate is 2-benzhydryloxy-N,N-dimethylethanamine;8-chloro-1,3-dimethyl-7H-purine-2,6-dione with molecular formula and molecular weight $C_{24}H_{28}ClN_5O_3$ and 469.96382 g/mol respectively. The molecular structure of the drug is given in Fig.1.b^{4,5}

Dimenhydrinate is an antiemetics drug combination that contains [diphenhydramine](#) and [theophylline](#). It is not effective in the treatment of nausea associated with cancer chemotherapy. Dimenhydrinate directly inhibits the stimulation of certain nerves in the brain and inner ear to suppress nausea, vomiting, dizziness, and vertigo. [diphenhydramine](#) and dimenhydrinate both reduce vestibular neuronal excitation due to angular or linear acceleration motions.⁶ However no stability indication method has been reported till date for the estimation of Cinnarizine and dimenhydrinate using the RP-HPLC method⁷. The present paper describes the analytical method development and validation of estimation of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in Pharmaceutical dosage form using RP-HPLC. The proposed method are optimized and validated as per ICH guidelines.⁸⁻¹¹

Dimenhydrinate is official in British pharmacopeia 2015 and USP -30 NF-25¹²

Materials and methods

Materials

SHIMADAZU HPLC 2010 C HT. Cinnarizine and dimenhydrinate was obtained as a gift

sample from Montage laboratories pvt .ltd , Himatnagar , and Gujarat, India. The commercial fixed dose combination stugeron plus was procured from local market. All solvents (HPLC grade) were obtained from Merck Chemicals and Rankem .

Methods

Working Standard preparation

Preparation of Dimenhydrinate + Cinnarizine solution: (100 µg/mL and 50 µg/mL respectively)

About 10mg of Cinnarizine and 20mg of Dimenhydrinate weigh and transferred into 200mL of

volumetric flask, 130mL of diluent added in to it sonicated to dissolve, cooled and then dilute up to 200mL of diluent.

Sample Preparation for marketed formulation:

Transferred 5 intact tablets in to 200mL of volumetric flask, added about 150mL of Diluent in to it, sonicated for 30 minutes with intermittent shaking, cooled to attain room temperature and made upto volume with Diluent. and filtered the solution with 0.45µ nylon filter. Further 5 ml of stock solution pipette out in 50mL of volumetric flask and made up the volume with Diluent.

Cinnarizine: 50 ppm

Dimenhydrinate: 100 ppm

METHOD VALIDATION

Chromatographic conditions and System Suitability

Parameters:

Pumps: Mode of chromatography: Reversed Phase Chromatography

Mode of Elution: Isocratic

Flow Rate: 1.0 ml/min

Oven: Ambient Temperature

Detector: Type: UV detector

Wavelength: 260 nm

Column: Phenomenex C18 (250 x 4.6) mm, 5µm

Sample Volume: 20 µl

Run time: 10 min

Mobile Phase: (0.2 % Formic Acid and 0.2 % tri ethyl amine (TEA) in water pH adjusted to 5.0 with formic acid and methanol (40:60 % v/v))

Diluent: Methanol

System Suitability Parameters:

Table 1-

Sr. No	Peak name	Retention time (min)	Area	Tailing factor	Theoretical plate	Resolution
1	Cinnarizine	2.954	6813762	1.2	8742	-
2	Dimenhydrinate	5.128	9837000	1.1	13257	6.8

Linearity and Range (n=3):

The linearity response was determined by analyzing 5 independent levels of calibration curve in the range of 25-75 µg/ml for Cinnarizine and 5 independent levels of calibration curve in the range of 50-150 µg/ml for Dimenhydrinate. The plot of peak area against concentration was plotted. Correlation coefficient and regression line equations were calculated. Linearity range was established through consideration of required practical range and according to each drug concentration present in the pharmaceutical product, to give accurate, precise and linear results.

Precision

Repeatability

Repeatability was determined by analyzing standard solution of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate having the concentration 50 µg/ml and 100 µg/ml. Scanned these solutions six times in a day. The results were reported in terms of % RSD (relative standard deviation).

Interday Precision

The inter-day precision of the proposed method was determined by measuring the corresponding response on 3 different days over a period of 1 week for 3 different

concentration of cinnarizine (25, 50 and 75 µg/ml) and Dimenhydrinate (50, 100 and 150 µg/ml) and The results were reported in terms of % RSD.

Accuracy (% Recovery)

The accuracy of the method was determined by calculating recovery of cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate by the Standard addition method. Each solution was injected in triplicate and the percentage recovery was calculated by measuring the peak areas and fitting these values into the regression equation of the respective calibration curves.

Limit of detection and Limit of quantification

The limit of detection (LOD) and the limit of quantification (LOQ) were calculated using the standard deviation of y-intercept of calibration curve (σ) and average of slope (S) of the calibration curve.

$$LOD = 3.3 \times \sigma / s,$$

$$LOQ = 10 \times \sigma / s$$

Robustness

The robustness was studied by analyzing the sample of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate by deliberate variation in the method parameters. The change in the response was noted. Robustness of the method was studied by changing different experimental conditions like pH of Solution by ± 2 unit, Flow rate by ± 0.2 ml/min, Mobile phase by ± 2 %.

Result and discussion

VALIDATION PARAMETER

Linearity and Range

Linear correlation was obtained between peak area and concentration of Cinnarizine in the range of 25-75 µg/ml and for Dimenhydrinate 50-150 µg/ml. The linearity of the calibration curves was validated by the value of correlation coefficients of the regression (r). The overlay chromatogram is presented in Figure 2. The linearity data are presented in Table 2. Calibration curve is presented in Figure 3 and Figure 4.

Figure 2: Chromatogram of Linearity Overlay

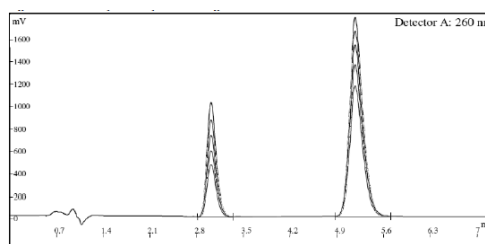


Figure 3: Linearity Curve of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate

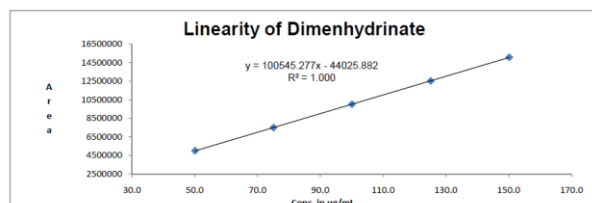
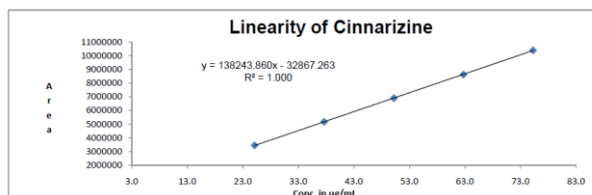


Table 2: Data indicating Linearity of cinnarizine and dimenhydrinate

Cinnarizine		Dimenhydrinate	
Conc. (µg/ml)	Area	Conc. (µg/ml)	Area
25.1	3444524	50.1	4998621
37.6	5169245	75.1	7500480
50.2	6897270	100.1	10020618
62.7	8619032	125.2	12522030
75.3	10390977	150.2	15071087

Table 3.1 and 3.2 Repeatability data from tablet formulation

Repeatability (Method precision, n=6):

Table 3.1: Repeatability Study of Cinnarizine (n=6)

Sr. no	Area	Mean	% RSD
1	6799105	6785822.66	0.4
2	6777871		
3	6823608		
4	6750747		
5	6772204		
6	6791401		

Table 3.2: Repeatability Study of Dimenhydrinate (n=6)

Sr. no	Area	Mean	% RSD
1	9801078	9836833.16	0.6
2	9854117		
3	9826108		
4	9797524		
5	9941263		
6	9800909		

Repeatability

The data for repeatability for CINNARIZINE AND DIMMENHYDRINATE is shown in

Table-3. The % RSD for Repeatability data was found to be 0.4% and 0.6% respectively

Intraday precision

The data for intraday precision for cinnarizine and dimenhydrinate is shown in Table-4. The % RSD for intraday precision for Cinnarizine was found to be between 0.21 – 0.31% and for Dimenhydrinate was found in range of 0.27 – 0.72 %

Table 4.1 & 4.2 : Intraday Precision data for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate from

Tablet formulation
Table 4.1 : Intraday Precision Study of Cinnarizine (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	25.0	3427543±7902.0	0.23
2	50.0	6856913±14264	0.21
3	75.0	10330339±32056.4	0.31
Mean			0.35

Table 4.2: Intraday Precision Study of Dimenhydrinate (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	50.0	4964547±13182.1	0.27
2	100.0	9952345±30486.2	0.31
3	150.0	14968775±107571.3	0.72
Mean			0.82

Interday precision

The data for interday precision for Cinnarizine and dimenhydrinate is shown

in Table-5. The % RSD for intraday precision for Cinnarizine was found to

be between 0.69– 0.83% and for Dimenhydrinate 0.46 – 0.86 % .

Table 5.1 and 5.2 : Intraday Precision data for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate from

tablet formulation

Interday Precision (Intermediate precision, n=3):

Table. 5.1: Interday Precision Study of Cinnarizine (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	25.0	3413401±23602.7	0.69
2	50.0	6828621±46730.7	0.68
3	75.0	10287770±85031.3	0.83
		Mean	0.73

Table. 5.2: Interday Precision Study of Dimenhydrinate (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	50.0	4893583±32915.6	0.67
2	100.0	9885975±45485.2	0.46
3	150.0	14868961±120354.6	0.81
		Mean	0.64

Accuracy

Accuracy of the method was confirmed by recovery study from marketed formulation at three level of standard addition. Percentage recovery for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate was found to be 99.4 %– 101.5 %. The results are shown in Table-6. Recovery greater than 98 % with low SD justifies the accuracy of the method.

Table 6.1: Recovery Data of Cinnarizine

Accuracy Level %	Standard Addition	Area	Amount added (mg)	Amount recovered (mg)	% Recovery	Mean	% RSD
80 %	1	6130	80.00	79.57	99.5		
	2	6183	80.50	81.12	100.8	10	0.8
	3	6156	79.60	80.32	100.9	0.4	
100%	1	6886	100.50	101.73	101.2		
	2	6812	100.00	99.57	99.6	10	1.0
	3	6790	99.50	98.92	99.4	0.1	
	1	7566	120.50	121.68	101.0		

120%	185				10	0.8
2	7542	120.70	120.98	100.2	0.2	
	341					
3	7472	119.80	118.92	99.3		
	309					

Table: Recovery Data of Dimenhydrinate

Accuracy Level %	Standard Addition	Area	Amount added (mg)	Amount recovered (mg)	% Recovery	Mean	% RSD
80 %	1	8898	160.00	159.02	99.4		
	2	8923	159.00	160.02	100.6	10	0.8
	3	8995	161.40	162.93	100.9	0.3	
100%	1	9884	200.00	198.85	99.4		
	2	9995	201.00	203.35	101.2	10	0.9
	3	9901	199.60	199.55	100.0	0.2	
120%	1	1098	240.00	243.50	101.5		
	2	1091	241.60	240.69	99.6	10	1.0
	3	1092	240.20	240.99	100.3	0.5	

Limit of detection and limit of quantification

The Limit of detection (LOD) were found to be 0.654 and 0.1305 for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate respectively and Limit of quantitation

were found to be 1.9834 for Cinnarizine and 0.3957 for dimenhydrinate

Robustness

The method is found to be robust as the results were not

significantly affected by slight variation in composition of mobile phase, pH of mobile phase and flow rate of the mobile phase (Table-7).

Table 7.1 & 7.2 : Robustness data for Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate from tablet Formulation

Table 7.1: Change the ratio of mobile phase

Stand ard repeti tions (n=6)	38 : 62		42 : 58	
	Cinnar izine	Dimenhyd rinate	Cinnarizin e	Dimenhyd rinate
Mean	68751	9952499±	6876954±	9870500±
Area ± SD	85± 21948 .6	32879.0	53524.5	24279.0
% RSD	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.2

Table 7.2: Change the flow rate

Stand ard repeti tions (n=6)	0.8 ml/min		1.2 ml/min	
	Cinnarizi ne	Dimenhy drinate	Cinnarizin e	Dimenhyd rinate
Mean	751420±	10930565	6219078±	8959694±
Area ± SD	40995.9	±39501	34274.7	38035.6
% RSD	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4

Table 7.3: Change the pH

Stand ard repeti tions (n=6)	pH 5.1			
	Cinnarizin e	Dimenhy drinate	Cinnarizin e	Dimenhy drinate
Mean	6855236±	9952499±	6853645±	9878899±
Area ± SD	16216.6	24279.0	19193.3	41036.8
% RSD	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4

Applicability of the method

The proposed RP-HPLC method was successfully applied for determination of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in tablet dosage form.

The percentage was found to be satisfactory, which is comparable with the corresponding label claim amount (Table-8).

Table 8-Application of RP-HPLC method to Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate

Tablet 8 formulation				
S r n o	Formulat ion	Drug	% assay of Cinnariz ine	% assay of Dimenhydry nate
1	Stugeron plus	Cinnarizine(2 0mg) Dimenhydrin ate (40mg)	99.4%	98.8%

CONCLUSION

In Estimation of cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in tablet dosage form, separation was achieved on Phenomenex C18 (250 x 4.6)mm ; 5µm at Ambient temperature by using a mobile phase(0.2 % Formic Acid and 0.2 % tri ethyl amine (TEA) in water pH adjusted to 5.0 with formic acid and methanol (40:60 % v/v) at a flow rate of 1.0ml/min and UV detection was carried out at 260 nm. Data suggests that peak purity index of the drug was found to be greater than 0.990, so there is no co-elution of any degradation products with main peaks and the results obtained were found within the acceptance criteria. Results of the validation for cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate of the above method were linear in the range of 25-75 µg/ml and 50-150 µg/ml respectively . The % recovery was found to be 99.4 %– 101.5 %. The results of the precision study indicate that the proposed method shown good

repeatability with a % RSD of 0.4 % for Cinnarizine and % RSD of 0.6 % for Dimenhydrinate . Similarly %RSD from the intraday precision data was found to be 0.23% -

0.31% for Cinnarizine and 0.27 % - 0.72% for Dimenhydrinate and %RSD from the Interday precision data were found to be 0.68% - 0.83% and for Dimenhydrinate 0.46% - 0.81% . Absolute difference between mean assay values of method precision and intermediate precision was found to be less than 2.0 %. Robustness is performed by making changes in flow rate, Mobile phase composition and pH. The assay obtained after proposed changes compared with the assay obtained in normal conditions. According to the acceptance criteria difference in the assay should not be more than 2%. The results obtained are well within the acceptance criteria. The % assay results of 99.4 % for Cinnarizine and 98.8 % for Dimenhydrinate indicates that the proposed method was successfully utilized for the estimation Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in Tablet dosage form. Hence, the method can be termed as robust. Since the results are well within the limit of acceptance criteria for all validation parameters, therefore the method can be considered as validated and suitable for intended use. So, the proposed stability indicating RP-HPLC assay method can be successfully applied for the estimation of Cinnarizine and Dimenhydrinate in tablet dosage form.

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