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## Development and Validation of Analytical Method for Simultaneous Estimation of Metformin Hydrochloride and Teneiglipitin Hydrobromide Hydrate in Pharmaceutical Dosage Form

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### ABSTRACT:

A reversed-phase liquid chromatographic method has been developed and validated for estimation of Metformin Hydrochloride and Teneiglipitin Hydrobromide Hydrate in Pharmaceutical Dosage Form. RP-HPLC method, Column used was 250 x 4.6mm C18, Hypersil BDS with mobile phase containing Water (pH 4.0, adjust with 1% Orthophosphoric acid): Methanol (60:40). The flow rate (1.0 ml/min) and wavelength (236 nm). The retention time was found to Metformin HCl and Teneiglipitin HBr Hydrate was found to be  $3.317 \pm 0.01$  min. and  $4.783 \pm 0.01$  min. respectively. Correlation coefficient for Metformin HCl and Teneiglipitin HBr Hydrate was found to be 0.999. Assay result of marketed formulation was found to be in 99.3 % and 98.3 % for Metformin HCl and Teneiglipitin HBr Hydrate. The proposed method was validated with respect to linearity, accuracy, precision and robustness. Percentage recovery for Metformin HCl and Teneiglipitin Hydrobromide Hydrate was found to be 99.0 – 100.0%. Analysis proves that the developed method was successfully applied for the analysis of pharmaceutical formulations and can be used for routine analysis of drugs in Quality Control laboratories.

**KEYWORDS:** Metformin HCl, Teneiglipitin HBr Hydrate, HPLC, analytical method development, Validation, ICH, USFDA, Chromatography.

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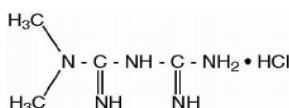
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### INTRODUCTION:

The IUPAC name of the Metformin HCl is 1-carbamimidamido-N,N-dimethylmethanimidamide. With molecular formula and molecular weight  $C_4H_{11}N_5$  HCL and 129.16 g/mol respectively.

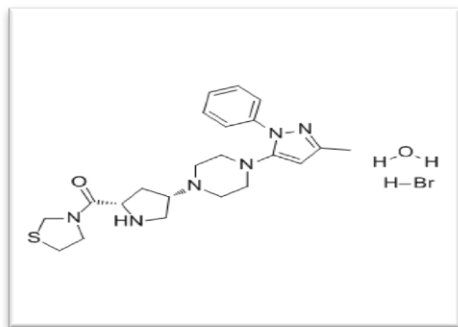
The molecular structure of the drug is given in Fig.1



➤ Metformin HCl is used as a antidiabetic.

The IUPAC name of the Teneiglipitin HBr Hydrate is {(2S,4S)-4-[4-(3-Methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-5-yl)-1-piperazinyl]-2-pyrrolidinyl}(1,3-thiazolidin-3-yl)methanone hemipentahydrobromide hydrate. With molecular formula and molecular weight  $C_{22}H_{30}N_6O_5S_2$  HBr. H O and 628.86 g/mol respectively.

The molecular structure of the drug is given in Fig.2



- Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate has antidiabetic properties.
- The anti glycaemic effect of DPP-4 inhibitors is mediated by inhibiting the degradation of the incretin hormone glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) and stimulating insulin release in response to increased blood glucose levels.

However no HPLC method has been reported till date for the estimation of Metformin Hydrochloride and Teneligliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate using the RP-HPLC method. The present paper describes the analytical method development and validation of estimation of Metformin Hydrochloride and Teneligliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate in Pharmaceutical dosage form using RP-HPLC. The proposed method are optimized and validated as per ICH guidelines.

## Materials and methods

### Materials:

#### a) Instruments

- Analytical Weighing Balance
- Sonicator
- FT-IR spectrophotometer
- HPLC system
- Millipore Filter Unit
- pH Meter
- UV Spectrophotometer

#### b) Glasswares

- Beaker
- Conical flask
- Measuring cylinder
- Petri dish
- Pipette
- Volumetric flask

#### c) Chemicals

- Standard Metformin Hydrochloride and Teneligliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate Gifted by Montage Laboratories Pvt Limited, Himatnagar.
- The commercial fixed dose combination **Zita Met Plus 20/500 Tablets 10's** manufactured by Glenmark Pharmaceutical was procured from local market. All solvents (HPLC grade) were obtained from S.D. fine chemical.

#### d) Method

- Chromatographic method

#### Methods

##### Working Standard preparation

- **Solution Preparation of metformin HCl: (500 µg/ml)**

About 50 mg of metformin HCl API was weight and dissolve in 100 ml of methanol.

- **Solution preparation of Teneligliptin HBr hydrate: (20 µg/mL)**

20 mg of Teneligliptin HBr hydrate API was dissolved in 100 ml of diluent, further diluted 1 ml to 10 ml with diluent to get 20 µg/ml concentration of Teneligliptin HBr hydrate in solution.

- **Sample Preparation for marketed formulation:**

Weigh and powdered 20 tablets. Take tablet powder equivalent to 50mgMET/2mgTEN in to a 100ml volumetric flask. Add 60 ml methanol. Shake for 15 minutes and sonicate for 10 minutes. Make up volume with methanol. Filter this solution with Whatman filter paper no-1. (TEN-20mcg/ml, MET-500mcg/ml)

#### METHOD VALIDATION

##### Chromatographic conditions and System Suitability

##### Parameters:

**Mode of chromatography:** Reversed Phase Chromatography

**Mode of Elution:** Isocratic

**Flow Rate:** 1.0 ml/min

**Oven:** Oven Temperature: 35° ± 2°C

**Detector:** Type: UV detector

**Wavelength:** 236 nm

**Column:** 250 x 4.6mm C18, Hypersil BDS

**Sample Volume:** 20 µl

**Run time:** 10 min

**Mobile Phase:** Water (pH 4.0, adjust with 1% orthophosphoric acid):Methanol (60:40)

#### System Suitability Parameters:

**Table 1:** System Suitability Test Parameters for Metformin HCl and Teleniglipitin HBr Hydrate

Sr. No.	System suitability parameter	Metformin HCl	Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate
1	Retention time (min)	3.317	4.783
2	Resolution (R)	-	7.093
3	Theoretical plate number (N)	7512	6025
4	Tailing factor (T)	1.1	1.0

#### Linearity and Range (n=3):

- The linearity of analytical method is its ability to elicit test results that are directly proportional to the concentration of analytes in sample within a given range.
- The range of analytical method is the interval between the upper and lower levels of analytes that have been demonstrated to be determined within a suitable level of precision, accuracy and linearity.
- The linearity was determined at five levels over the range of 1-3 µg/ml for Metformin HCl and 25-75 µg/ml Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate. Peak area of above linearity solution preparations were taken at each concentration three times. Mean Peak Area at each concentration was calculated and Graph of Mean Peak Area (y axis) versus Concentration (x-axis) was plotted.

#### Precision

#### Repeatability

Six replicate of 2 ug/ml concentration of Metformin HCl and 50 ug/ml concentration of Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate were prepared and chromatographic were recorded at the optimized condition . SD and RSD were calculated.

#### Intraday Precision and Interday Precision

Variations of results within the same day (intra-day), variation of results between days (inter-day) were analyzed. Intra-day precision was determined by analyzing both standard solutions for three times in the same day. Interday precision was determined by analyzing the drugs daily for three days. %RSD was calculated.

#### Accuracy (% Recovery)

Accuracy is the closeness of the test results obtained by the method to the true value. To study the accuracy 5 tablet powder were weighed and analysis was carried out as per assay. Recovery studies were carried out by addition of standard drug to the sample at 3 different concentration levels (80%, 100% and 120%) taking into consideration percentage purity of added bulk drug samples. These solutions were subjected to re-analysis by the proposed method and Results are calculated.

#### 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 ( $\sigma$ ) and average of slope (S) of the calibration curve.

$$\text{LOD} = 3.3 \times \sigma / s$$

$$\text{LOQ} = 10 \times \sigma / s$$

#### Robustness

The robustness of the method was established by making deliberate minor variations in the following method parameter

- a) Flow rate: ±0.2 ml/min
- b) Change in the ratio of component in the mobile phase: ± 2%.
- c) pH of mobile phase: ±0.2

#### RESULT

#### VALIDATION PARAMETER

**Linearity and Range**

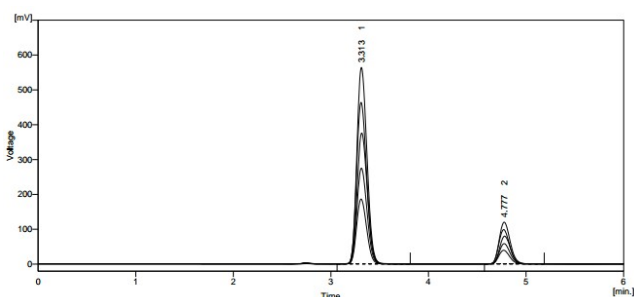
Linear correlation was obtained between peak area and concentration of Metformin HCl in the range of 25-75 µg/ml and Tenueligliptin hydrobromide hydrate in the range of 1-3 µg/ml. The linearity of the calibration curves was validated by the value of correlation coefficients of the regression (r).

**Table 2:** Linearity data for Metformin HCl

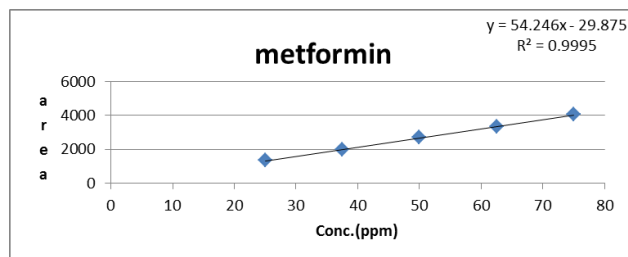
% Linearity Level	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean area	Correlation Coefficient
50	25	1979.133	0.999
75	37.5	1340.464	
100	50	4054.368	
125	62.5	3332.042	
150	75	2706.050	

**Table 3:** Linearity data for Tenueligliptin hydrobromide hydrate

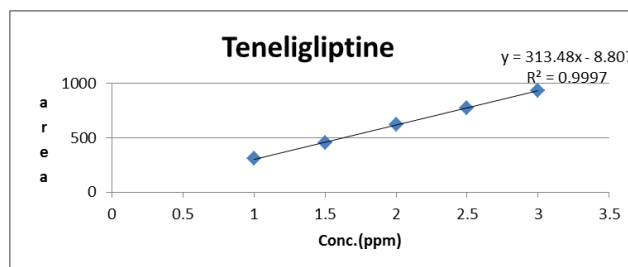
% Linearity Level	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean area	Correlation Coefficient
50	1	454.708	0.999
75	1.5	307.931	
100	2	931.652	
125	2.5	774.655	
150	3	621.797	



**Figure 3:** Overlay chromatogram of different concentration of Metformin HCl and Tenueligliptin HBr Hydrate



**Figure 4:** Calibration curve of Metformin HCl



**Figure 5:** Calibration curve of Tenueligliptin HBr hydrate

**ACCURACY**

Accuracy of the method was confirmed by recovery study from marketed formulation at three level of standard addition. Percentage recovery for Metformin HCl and Tenueligliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate was found to be 99.0 – 100.0 %.

**Table 4:** Recovery Data of Metformin HCl

Accuracy Level %	Set no.	Amount Added (mg)	Amount Recovery (mg)	% Recovery	Mean	% RSD
80	1	20	19.75068	98.753	99.97	1.12745
		85	84428	54592	047	
		93	4446			
	2	20	20.19488	100.97		
		93	4446			
		76	8488			
100	1	25	24.76339	99.053	99.51	0.41205
		13	5653	41367	328	
		52	5409			
	2	25	24.95988	99.839		
		52	5409			
		6	304			
120	1	30	30.05108	100.17	99.68	0.44940
		20	0273	69169	721	
		81	8605			
	2	30	29.88145	99.604		
		81	8605			
		51	617			

**Table 5:** Recovery Data of Teneligliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate

Accuracy Level %	Se t o.	Amou nt Adde d (mg)	Amount Recover y (mg)	% Recover y	Mean	% RSD
80	1	0.8	0.79037 700	98.8971 252	99.5591 896	0.73124 993
	2	0.8	0.79706 294	99.6328 686		
	3	0.8	0.80198 06	100.247 575		
100	1	1.0	0.99098 797	99.0987 917	99.7293 847	0.65179 894
	2	1.0	1.00397 257	100.397 257		
	3	1.0	0.99692 105	99.6921 052		
120	1	1.2	1.19841 205	99.8676 711	99.6177 116	0.26947 506
	2	1.2	1.19581 783	99.6514 858		
	3	1.2	1.19200 773	99.3339 778		

**PRECISION**

**Repeatability (Method precision, n=6):**

**Table 6:** Repeatability of Metformin HCl

Sr. no	Area	Mean	SD	%RSD
1	2695.278	2699.277667	10.41551655	0.385863103
2	2681.583			
3	2706.074			
4	2711.476			
5	2697.918			
6	2703.337			

**Table 7:** Repeatability of Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate

Sr. no	Area	Mean	SD	%RSD
1	619.291	618.8698	4.863821	0.78592
2	620.531			
3	609.293			
4	623.023			
5	619.908			
6	621.173			

**Repeatability**

The data for repeatability of Metformin HCl and Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate is shown in Table 6 & Table 7. The % RSD for Repeatability data was found to be 0.38% and 0.78% respectively.

**Intraday precision**

The data for intraday precision for Metformin HCl is shown in Table-8. The % RSD For intraday precision was found to be 0.796%. The data for intraday precision for Teneligliptin hydrobromide hydrate is shown in Table-9. The % RSD for intraday precision was found to be 0.938%.

**Table 8:** Intraday precision for Metformin HCl (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	25	1327.719333± 14.1821	1.068160803
2	50	2686.121333± 18.6780781	0.695354966
3	75	4026.226333± 25.15140935	0.624689406
<b>Mean</b>			<b>0.796</b>

**Table 9:** Intraday precision for Teneligliptin hydrobromide hydrate (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	1	306.2143333± 0.964596461	0.31500696
2	2	612.9726667± 10.54915174	1.720982404
3	3	923.5223333± 7.210171796	0.780725223
<b>Mean</b>			<b>0.938</b>

**Interday precision**

The data for interday precision for Metformin HCl is shown in Table-10. The % RSD For intraday precision was found to be 0.443%. The data for interday precision for Teneligliptin hydrobromide hydrate is shown in Table-11. The % RSD for intraday precision was found to be 0.951%.

**Table 10:** Interday precision for Metformin HCl (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	25	1330.727± 5.522386	0.41499

2	50	2684.974± 13.48349	0.502183
3	75	4024.98± 16.56048	0.411442
<b>Mean</b>			0.443

**Table 11:** Interday precision for Tenelegliptin hydrobromide hydrate (n=3)

Sr. No.	Concentration (µg/ml)	Mean Area ± SD	% RSD
1	1	304.81± 2.21183	0.725642
2	2	614.4103± 6.328348	1.029987
3	3	920.2257± 10.1123	1.098894
<b>Mean</b>			0.951

**LIMIT OF DETECTION AND LIMIT OF QUANTIFICATION**

The Limit of detection (LOD) and Limit of quantitation (LOQ) Metformin HCl and Tenelegliptin Hydrobromide Hydrate as mention below table 12

**Table 12:** Results of LOD and LOQ

Drug	Metformin HCl	Tenelegliptin HBr Hydrate
LOD	1.740314044	0.052093545
LOQ	5.273678922	0.157859228

**ROBUSTNESS**

**Robustness**

The method is found to be robust as the results were not significantly affected by slight variation in composition of mobile phase, Mobile phase pH and flow rate of the mobile phase.

**Table 13:** Change the flow rate

Standard repetitions (n=6)	0.8ml/min		1.2ml/min	
	MET	TEN	MET	TEN
<b>Mean</b>	2797.685	641.2733	2635.754	604.6393
<b>Area ± SD</b>	± 24.74225	± 6.585731	± 28.89574	± 6.18042
<b>% RSD</b>	0.884383	1.026977	1.096299	1.022166

**Table 14:** Change the mobile phase composition

Standard repetitions (n=6)	58:38		62:42	
	MET	TEN	MET	TEN
<b>Mean</b>	2767.79	634.918	2634.69	602.351
<b>Area ± SD</b>	7 20.9926	3 5.79852	8 24.5523	7 8.34993
<b>% RSD</b>	0.75845 9	0.91327 1	0.93188 3	1.38622 2

**Table 15:** Change the mobile phase pH

Standard repetitions (n=6)	3.8:6.8		4.2:7.2	
	MET	TEN	MET	TEN
<b>Mean</b>	2773.53	635.081	2582.92	590.733
<b>Area ± SD</b>	6 25.2698	7 7.14679	5 15.7492	3 9.71396
<b>% RSD</b>	0.91110 7	1.12533 4	0.60974 6	1.64439 1

**System Suitability tests**

**Table 16** System Suitability Test Parameters for Metformin HCl and Tenelegliptin HBr Hydrate

Sr. No.	System suitability Parameter	Metformin HCl	Tenelegliptin HBr Hydrate
1	Retention time (min)	3.317	4.783
2	Resolution (R)	-	7.093
3	Theoretical plate number (N)	7512	6025
4	Tailing factor (T)	1.1	1.0

**Assay preparation (Marketed formulation):**

Label claim: TEN-20mg and MET-500mg

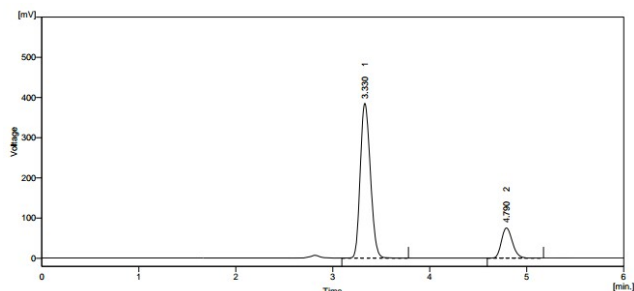
**Sample stock solution:**

Weigh and powdered 20 tablets. Take tablet powder equivalent to 50mgMET/2mgTEN in to a 100ml volumetric flask. Add 60 ml methanol. Shake for 15 minutes and sonicate for 10 minutes. Make up volume with methanol.

Filter this solution with Whatman filter paper no-1. (TEN-20mcg/ml, MET-500mcg/ml)

**Working sample preparation:**

Take 1ml from sample stock solution into a 10ml and make up with mobile phase. (TEN-2mcg/ml, MET-50mcg/ml)



**Figure 6:** Injection of marketed formulation

**Peak Table:**

**Table 17:** Injection of marketed formulation

Sr. No	Peak name	Retention time	Area	Tailing factor	Theoretical Plates	Resolution
1	Metformin HCl	3.390	2784.689	1.1	7512	-
2	Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate	4.790	584.538	1.0	6025	7.159

**Observations:**

In formulation sample preparation, both peaks are found well separated with good peak shape.

**% Assay Results from Formulation:**

**Table 18**

Sr. No.	Sample name	% Assay of MET	% Assay of TEN
1	Formulation	102.37 %	93.09 %

**SUMMARY OF REGRESSION PARAMETERS**

**Table 19** Summary of Regression Parameters for Metformin HCl and Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate

Sr. No	Parameters	Metformin HCl	Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate	REMARK
1	Linearity (µg/ml)	25-75 µg/ml	1-3 µg/ml	Linear
2	%Recovery	99.5-99.9	99.5-99.7	Accurate (98.0%-102%)
3	Precision (%RSD) Repeatability (n=6) Intra-day (n=3) Inter-day (n=3)	0.38% 0.79% 0.44%	0.78% 0.93% 0.95%	Precise (%RSD < 2)
4	LOD (µg/ml)	1.7403140 44	0.0520935 45	Sensitive
5	LOQ (µg/ml)	5.2736789 22	0.1578592 28	Sensitive
6	Specificity	Specific	Specific	Specific (No interference)
7	Robustness	Robust	Robust	(No difference in result)

**DISCUSSION**

A simple, accurate and precise RP-HPLC method for the simultaneous estimation of Metformin HCl and Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate in Pharmaceutical Dosage form has been developed and validated. Water (pH 4.0, adjust with 1% Orthophosphoric acid):Methanol (60:40 % v/v) Separation of drugs was carried out using mobile phase at 10 min. run time and 236 nm. The Rt value for Metformin HCl and Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate were found to be 3.317 ± 0.01 min. and 4.783 ± 0.01 min. respectively.

The drug response with respect to peak area was linear over the concentration range 25-75µg/ml Metformin HCl and 1-3 µg/ml for Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate. The percentage recovery of Metformin HCl and Teneligliptin HBr Hydrate was found to be 99.5-99.9% and 99.5-99.7% respectively.

The %RSD values for intra-day precision study and inter-day study were  $\leq 2.0\%$ , confirming that the method was sufficiently precise. The limit of detection and limit of quantitation were found to be  $1.7403\mu\text{g/ml}$  and  $5.2736\mu\text{g/ml}$  for Metformin HCl and  $0.0520\mu\text{g/ml}$  and  $0.1578\mu\text{g/ml}$  for Teneeligiptin HBr Hydrate.

The %RSD values of Robustness study were  $\leq 2.0\%$ , confirming that the proposed method was found to be robust enough to withstand such deliberate changes and allow routine analysis of the sample. Interference studies reveals that the common excipients and other additives usually present in the dosage form did not interfere in the proposed method.

So it is concluded that the developed method is specific. The system test parameters were also performed and were found to be within acceptable criteria. The method can be successfully employed for the simultaneous determination of Metformin HCl and Teneeligiptin HBr Hydrate in pharmaceutical dosage form.

## CONCLUSION

A simple, economic, specific and robust RP-HPLC method has been developed and validated for the simultaneous estimation of Metformin HCl and Teneeligiptin Hydrobromide Hydrate in pharmaceutical dosage form. There was no interference from any excipients in the determination of drugs in tablets which indicates the method is specific. All method validation parameters lie within its acceptance criteria as per ICH Q2(R1) guideline so we can conclude that method is Specific, Linear, Accurate and Precise. Hence it can be successfully used for the routine analysis of Metformin HCl and Teneeligiptin Hydrobromide Hydrate in pharmaceutical dosage form.

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