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Novel UV Spectrophotometric Determination of Rabeprazole Sodium In Bulk and Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms

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ABSTRACT

Rabeprazole (RBZ) sodium is a substituted benzimidazole that inhibits gastric acid secretion and used for the treatment of erosive or ulcerative GERD, DU and hypersecretory syndromes including ZES. In present work, a simple, sensitive, accurate and economical spectroscopic method has been developed for the estimation of Rabeprazole in Bulk and its pharmaceutical dosage forms. An absorption maximum was found to be at 292 nm with the solvent system 0.05N NaOH. The drug follows Beer law in the range of 2-18 µg/ml with correlation coefficient of 0.999. The percentage recovery of Rabeprazole ranged from 99.8 to 100.2 % in pharmaceutical dosage form. Results of the analysis were validated for accuracy, precision, LOD, LOQ and were found to be satisfactory. The proposed method is simple, rapid and suitable for the routine quality control analysis.

Key-words: Rabeprazole, UV spectrophotometry, Tablets, estimation.

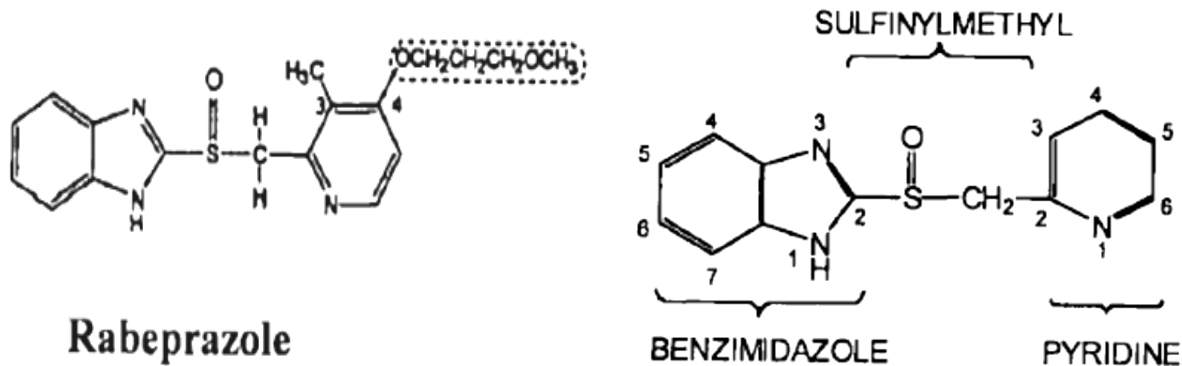
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INTRODUCTION

Rabeprazole sodium, chemically Benzimidazole derivative 2-[[[4-(3-methoxypropoxy)-3-methyl-2-pyridinyl] methyl] sulfinyl] - 1H-benzimidazolesodium and it is a proton pump inhibitor that suppresses gastric acid secretion by specific inhibition of the enzyme system of Hydrogen/potassium adenosine triphosphatase (H⁺/K⁺ATPase) at the secretory surface of the gastric parietal cell and is used in the treatment of various gastric disorders such as gastric and duodenal ulcers, gastro esophageal reflux disease and in pathological hypersecretory conditions¹⁻⁴. Molecular basis of Rabeprazole (RBZ) reveals that it is a complex for the estimation by UV method and the -OCH₃, Benzimidazole, pyridine are responsible for its therapeutic activity and quality control parameters^{5, 6, 7}. A survey of literature also states that there was no specified reported data on UV method for the estimation of Rabeprazole. An absorbance was found to be 292 nm and the spectrum was scanned for the drug dissolved in 0.05N NaOH.



MATERIALS AND METHODS

Rabeprazole sodium, tablets were purchased from Glaxosmithkline pharmaceuticals Ltd. Mumbai. All the reagents and chemicals used were AR grade. Spectrophotometer used was Double beam UV-Visible spectrophotometer with 10mm matched quartz cell Model- UV-1700 PHARMASPEC. Make - shimadzu, Japan and Analytical balance: shimadzu, Japan AX 200. Tablets REPRAL TM -20 (Elder pharmaceuticals Ltd. Mumbai), PARIT—20 (Glaxosmithkline pharmaceuticals Ltd. Mumbai).

METHOD DEVELOPMENT

Preparation of standard stock solution

RBZ (10 mg) was accurately weighed and transferred to a 100 ml volumetric flask. It was first dissolved in 25 ml of 0.05N NaOH and sonicated for about 10-15 min., then finally made up to the volume with 0.05N NaOH (100 µg / ml).

Preparation of calibration curve

From the standard stock solution fresh aliquots were pipetted out and suitably diluted with 0.05N NaOH to get final concentration in the range of 2-18 µg /ml. The solutions were scanned under spectrum mode for 200-400 nm wavelength range and a sharp peak was obtained at 292 nm (Fig-1). A calibration curve was plotted taking an absorbance on Y-axis against concentration of standard solution on X-axis (Fig-2). The method was applied for known sample solution and was found to be satisfactory for the analysis of tablet dosage forms.

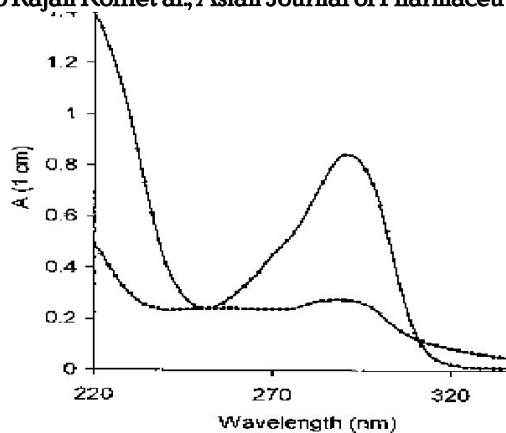


Fig. 1: Spectrum of Rabeprazole in 0.05N NaOH

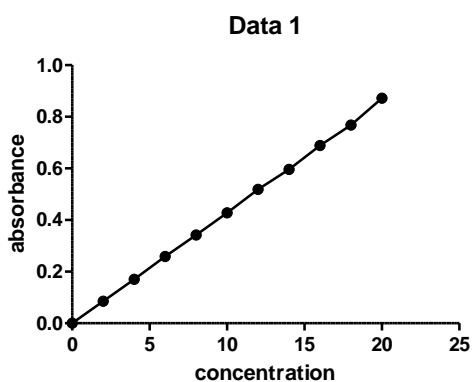


Fig. 2: calibration curve for Rabeprazole

Optical characteristics

The optical characteristics such as Beer's law limit, molar extinction coefficient, % RSD were calculated. Regression characteristics like slope, intercept, correlation coefficient, LOD, LOQ, standard deviation were calculated in Table-1.

METHOD VALIDATION

The method was validated for different parameters like Linearity, Accuracy and Precision.

Linearity

Fresh aliquots were prepared from the stock solution (100 µg/ml) ranging from 2-20 µg/ml. The samples were scanned in UV-Visible spectrophotometer using 0.05N NaOH as blank. It was found that the selected drug shows linearity between the 2-18 µg/ml.

Accuracy

Accuracy of the method confirmed by studying recovery at 3 different concentrations 80, 100, and 120% of these expected, in accordance with ICH guidelines, by replicate analysis (n=6). Standard drug solution was added to a pre-analyzed sample solution and percentage drug content was measured. The results from study of accuracy were reported in table no.3. % Recovery = $[(ct - cu) / ca] \times 100$. Where ct is the total conc. of the analyte found; cu is the conc. of the analyte present in formulation; and ca is the conc. of the pure analyte added to the formulation.

Precision

Precision (intra-day precision) of the method was evaluated by carrying out the six independent test samples of Rabeprazole. The intermediate precision (inter-day precision) of the method was also evaluated using two different analysts, and different days in the same laboratory. The percent relative standard deviation (%RSD) and assay values obtained by two analysts were found to be Good.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

From the optical characteristics (Table-1) of the proposed method, Rabeprazole was shown its λ max at 292 nm in the solvent 0.05N NaOH with a good correlation coefficient 0.9999. The percentage purity and relative standard deviation from the Assay of the tablet dosage forms (Table-2) were found to be within the limits and from linearity data (Table-3) it was found to be that

Rabeprazole obeys Beer's law in the range of 2-18 $\mu\text{g/ml}$. The accuracy data of the drug (Table-4) was shown good percentage recovery and %RSD with the range of 99.4 -101.3 and 0.2-0.4 respectively. The Inter-day and Intra-day (Table-5) precision values were found to be 0.57 and 0.79 respectively, which indicates that the proposed method is accurate and also reveals that there is no interference of the commonly used excipients and additives in the formulation.

Table 1: Optical characteristics and precision of the proposed method

Parameter	Value
Absorption maximum	292 nm
Beer's law limit ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	0.9999
Regression equation ($Y = mX + c$)	$Y = 0.043x - 0.002$
Slope (m)	0.04318
Intercept (c)	0.00258
Standard Deviation	0.0075
LOD ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	1.53
LOQ ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	4.63

Table 2: Assay of Rabeprazole tablets

Dosage form	Label claim (mg/tab)	Amount found * \pm SD	% Purity of the tablet \pm %RSD
REPRAL	20	20.04 \pm 0.07211	100.2 \pm 0.36
PARIT	20	19.93 \pm 0.055	99.85 \pm 0.28

Table 3: Linearity of Rabeprazole in working standard

S.No	Concentration	Absorbance
1	0	0.
2	2	0.085
3	4	0.17
4	6	0.259
5	8	0.342
6	10	0.428
7	12	0.519
8	14	0.596
9	16	0.689
10	18	0.768
11	20	0.872

Table 4: Accuracy data of the drug

Sample ID	Concentration $\mu\text{g/ml}$		Recovery* \pm S.D	RSD (%)
	Pure drug	Formulation		
80%	8	10	101.3 \pm 0.308	0.305
100%	10	10	99.4 \pm 0.397	0.40
120%	12	12	99.9 \pm 0.222	0.223

CONCLUSION

The proposed method for the estimation of Rabeprazole was found to be simple, sensitive and reliable with good precision and accuracy. The method is specific while estimating the commercial formulations

without interference of excipients and other additives. Hence this method can be used for the routine analysis of Rabeprazole in pure and pharmaceutical formulations.

Table 5: Precision of the Rabeprazole working standards

Assay of Rabeprazole as percent of labeled amount		
Sample no	Analyst -I(Intra-day precision)	Analyst -II(Inter-day precision)
1	100.32	99.78
2	101.32	101.52
3	99.88	100.36
4	100.22	101.24
5	99.98	99.87
Mean	100.34	100.54
%RSD	0.57	0.79

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