

METHOD DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION ON HPLC-RP HPLC ON GYMNEMIC ACID

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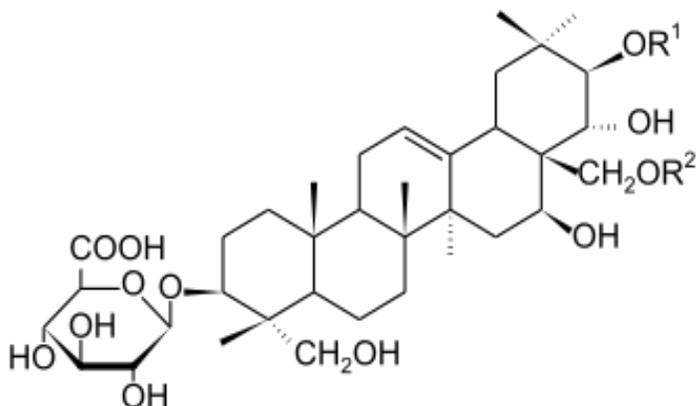
Abstract:

The aim of present study is to develop and validate a simple, precise and rapid HPLC method for the quantification of gymnemic acid in *Gymnema sylvestre* extracts and formulations. The analysis was performed by reverse-phase on HPLC chromatography on a Phenomenex Gemini-NX-5 μm C18 with isocratic elution of Methanol: Phosphate buffer 0.005M pH 3.5 (70:30) at a flow rate of 1.0mL/min. The method was validated in terms of precision, specificity, selectivity, linearity, limit of quantitation and detection, accuracy, recovery, and stability as per the ICH guidelines. The linear range of method was found to be 0.2- 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ with correlation coefficient of 0.9994. The developed method was found to be a relatively simple, precise and reproducible for the quantification of gymnemic acids in *Gymnema sylvestre* extracts and formulations.

KEY WORDS: gymnemic acid, *Gymnema sylvestre*

INTRODUCTION:

Gymnema sylvestre is a potent anti-diabetic activity. It is used as astringent, anti-inflammatory, diuretic, liver tonic, emetic, refrigerant, astringent. It is also used in hepato splenomegaly, constipation, jaundice, dyspepsia, helminthiasis, amenorrhea. In addition to this it is also used as anti-cancer agent, anti-microbial, anti-inflammatory activities. The leaves of *Gymnema sylvestre* belong to triterpenes saponins which includes oleananes and dammarane classes. The active important ingredient in *G. sylvestre* is gymnemic acid. Gymnemic acid contains several ingredients in it. The structure of gymnemic acid is as follows



In the present study a modified method was tried to quantify gymnemic acid by using HPLC-RP HPLC method. According to the literature survey a standard method and technique was implemented for development of compound. A number of mobile phases has been performed with buffer solutions for gymnemic acid -I by using isocratic run. The method was tried to give best peak and run time for the validation of gymnemic acid.

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

Standard gymnemic acid was procured from the sigma Aldric, Bangalore, India. Gynmema Slyvestre extract was collected from SV university, Tirupathi, India. Market formulations of G. slyvestrae i.e. Meshashringi Capsules (Himalaya, Bangalore, India) were used as marketed formulations for the estimation. Water obtained from the Milli-Q water purification system. All other reagents were HPLC grade or AG grade.

PREPARATION OF STANDARD SOLUTION:

10mg of Gymnemic acid was taken in 10ml volumetric flask and make up the volume to 10 ml with methanol (the concentration of this solution is 1mg/ml). From this 1ml of the solution is pipetted in 10ml of volumetric flask and the volume was made up with methanol. The concentration of this solution is 100µg/ml. From this 1ml of the solution is pipetted in 10ml of volumetric flask and the volume was made up with methanol. The concentration of this solution is 10µg/ml. Different concentration ranging from 2µg/ml, 4µg/ml, 6µg/ml, 8µg/ml and 10µg/ml of Gymnemic acid was prepared by transferring required aliquotes of solution to 10ml volumetric flask and make up the volume up to the mark by methanol. This was sonicated for 8 mins then the solution was filtered using 0.45 micron Millipore filters.

CHROMATOGRAPHIC CONDITIONS:

Chromatographic measurements were made on Shimadzu integrated liquid chromatographic system which consist of a solvent delivery pump (model spd10A uv-vis, Japan, Shimadzu LC-10ATVP, Japan) injector (model7725i Rheodyne) UV visible absorbance detector (Model spd 10A) and the instrument was connected to the computer –VP software.

HPLC was performed on a lichosorb (Phenomenex Gemini-NX-5 μm C 18(2) 110 Å, LC Column 250 x 4.6 mm, Ea) .The Mobile phase was consisted of Phosphate buffer 0.005M: Methanol and pumped at a flow rate of 1ml/min. The Mobile phase was filtered through 0.45 micron Millipore filter paper and degassed by sonication for 10 mins. The detection was carried out at 210nm. An injection volume of sample was 20 μl . The temperature was maintained at ambient conditions.

PREPARATION OF SAMPLE SOLUTIONS:

An accurately weighed quantity of extract form of gynmena slyvestrae was saponified for 1hr with phosphate buffer: methanol .The saponified mixture was concentrated . The residue was dissolved in 1:1 mixture of methanol and HPLC grade water, followed by the acidifying with theconcentrated hydrochloric acid. The acidified sample was transferred to a 10ml volumetric flask and the volume was made up to the mark with methanol and filtered through whatman filter paper and used for further analysis of HPLC

The HPLC estimation was carried out by injecting 20 μl of the sample solution. Percentage of gymnemic acid was estimated using the area under the curve obtained from the sample by comparing the same with the standard.

CALIBRATION CURVE:

Five different concentrations of SS after dilution up to 10 ml (2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ -10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$) with mobile phase were injected in triplicates.

Regression equation with slope, intercept and co-efficient of correlation (r^2) was derived (table 1)

METHOD VALIDATION

The developed RP HPLC method was validated by the determination of precision, specificity, selectivity, linearity, limit of detection and accuracy, recovery and stability as per the ICH guidelines.

PRECISION:

System repeatability was determined by six replicate applications and six times measurement of sample solution at the analytical concentration of 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ of gymnemicacid.The repeatability of sample application and measurement of peak area for gymnemic acid were expressed in terms of relative standard deviation (RSD). Method repeatability was obtained from RSD value by repeating the assay six times on the same day for intra-day precision .Intermediate precision was assessed by the assay of three , f the determination of gymnemic acid was carried out at three different concentration levels 80,100,120 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$.

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

LOD and LOQ were experimentally verified by diluting known concentrations of SS until the average response were approximately three or ten times the standard deviation of the responses for six replicates determinations. In order to find LOD and LOQ, the solution was prepared and injected six times following the proposed method. LOD was considered as 3:1 and LOQ as 10:1

Specificity (Selectivity):

The specificity of the method was ascertained by analyzing standard drug and sample and comparing the Retention time of the standard solution with that of sample solution.

RECOVERY STUDIES:

Accuracy of the method was ascertained by spiking the pre-analysed samples with known amount of standard Drug solution and then analyzing by HPLC. The spiking was done at three different concentration levels i.e. 80, 100, 120 % of the assay concentration level of sample (10 µg mL⁻¹) in triplicates. The average percentage recovery at each concentration level was evaluated.

Validation parameters	Results
Linearity range (µg mL ⁻¹)	2-10(µg mL ⁻¹)
Correlation coefficient (r ²)	0.9994
Regression equation	$y = 27,960.1011x - 2,479.8606$
LOD (µg mL ⁻¹)a (Limit of detection)	0.024504511
LOQ (µg mL ⁻¹)b (Limit of quantification)	0.245045112
System precision (RSD)c	1.56
Method precision(RSD)d	1.53
Intermediate precision (RSD)e inter day	1.41
Intraday	0.023
RSD (Linearity of the method)	0.75
Recovery f	98.13-99.027
Stability g (Recovery % µ SD)	99.85
Room Temperature	98.23% µ2.51
Refrigeration Temperature	

Stability:

The stability of the sample was ascertained by storing them at room temperature (4 C) for 24 hrs(short time)and 72 hrs (long time) for analyzing of samples.

Results and Discussions:

Total gynnemic acid can be determined and quantified by gravimetrical analysis; which is a crude method of study. Different scientists have developed methods for the quantification of gynnemic acid by HPLC method .

This method is complicated method as it involves two steps of processing acid hydrolysis followed by the basic hydrolysis. This method was modified and made an attempt to develop a simplified method which is reproducible results and the method was validated.

The method was standardized with C18 column with Phosphate buffer 0.005M: Methanol (70:30) as the solvent system at the λ max of 210nm. The flow rate was standardized to 1.0 ml/minute. This method was chosen because of its best suitability, good resolution and a clear peak was obtained between 7-9 minutes. The uniqueness of this analysis is that all unwanted peaks were eluted within 6 minutes, which ensures that analysis is over in 12 minutes with not more than 10ml of mobile phase. The chromatogram is shown in figure 1. Method validation Linearity The method was found to be linear in the concentration range of 80 to 12 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ (Table 1). The calibration curve of standard revealed that they had similar pattern are shown in Figure 1 and 2. Table 1: Validation parameters of the developed HPLC method for gives linear regression of the data points with the equation $y = 27,960.1011x - 2,479.8606$ regression co-efficient (r^2) $R^2 = 0.9994$ and RSD 0.015%. Retention time was 8.15 min with flow rate of 1 mL min⁻¹. Precision i) System precision System precision was evaluated by analyzing SS for six times and RSD was found to be less than 2% (Table 1). ii) Method precision (Repeatability) Method precision experiment was performed by preparing the same sample for six times and analyzing as per the method. The assay values were evaluated for RSD. It was found to be less than 2% (Table 1). iii) Intermediate precision (Reproducibility) The same sample was prepared and analyzed for three times on different days. The data was generated in three sets for each case ($n=2 \times 3$). The resultant six assay values in each different condition were evaluated for RSD. The assay was carried out at three different concentrations i.e. 80, 100 and 120 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$. It was found to be less than 2% (Table 1). The results depicted in Table 1 showed that no significant intra- and inter-day variation was observed in the analysis of gymnemic acid. LOD and LOQ The LOD with S/N ratio of 3: 1 was found to be 6.5 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ and LOQ with S/N ratio of 10: 1 was found to be 12.5 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ ($n = 6$)(Table 1). Specificity The difference in the retention time of standard and sample was compared and found to be μ 0.3 min. The standard Retention time (RT-8.15 min) of gymnemic acid is corresponding to the sample chromatogram (RT-8.18 min) of the Gymnema extract along with other components. There was no interference from other component present in chromatogram. Chromatograms obtained for gymnemic acid standard and Gymnema extract revealed that they had similar pattern are shown in Figure 1 and 2.

Method validation

Linearity

The method was found to be linear in the concentration range of 2 to 10 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ (Table 1). The calibration curve of standard gymnemic acid gives linear regression of the data points with the equation $y = 27,960.1011x - 2,479.8606$ regression co-efficient (r^2) 0.994 and RSD 0.75%. Retention time was 8.15 min with flow rate of 1 mL min⁻¹. Precision

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Recovery studies

The method when used for extraction and subsequent estimation of gymnemic acid from extract after spiking with 80, 100 and 120% of additional standard gymnemic acid yielded average recovery of 98.2 μ 0.74 (assay concentration 461.73 μ g mL⁻¹)

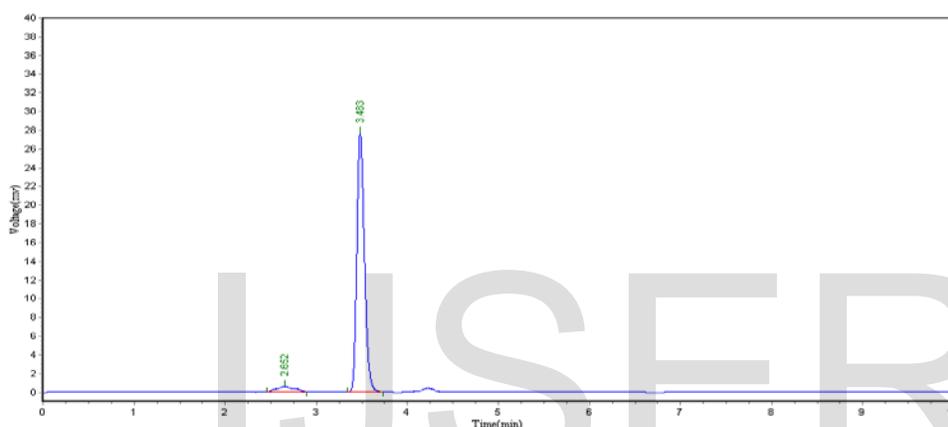


Figure 1 chromatogram of standard gymnemic acid

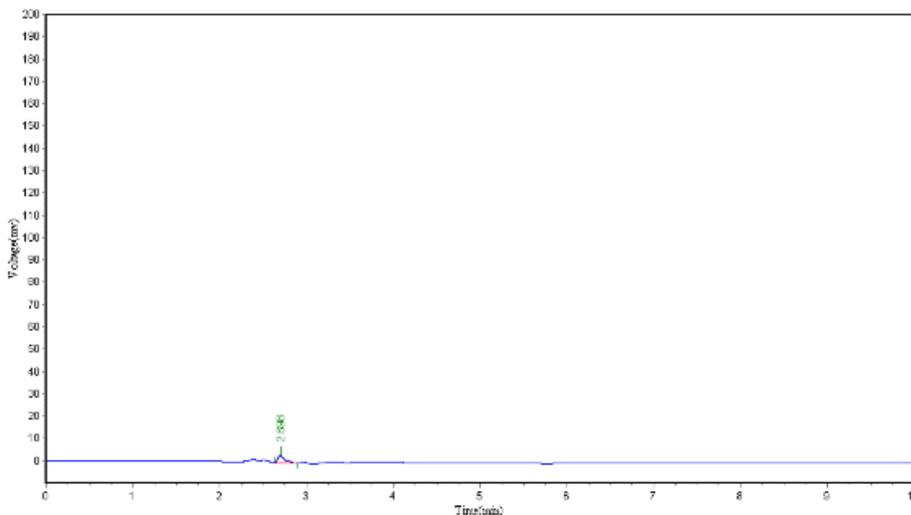


Figure 2 chromatogram showing the blank compound

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