



## DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION OF RP-HPLC METHOD FOR ESTIMATION OF LYMECYCLINE IN BULK AND CAPSULE DOSAGE FORM

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### ABSTRACT

The Reversed-Phase chromatographic LC method was developed and validated for the estimation of Lymecycline in Bulk and capsule dosage form. The separation was achieved using a Hypersil BDS C18 column (4.6 mm x 150 mm i.d., 5 $\mu$ ). The mobile phase containing Acetonitrile and Water (pH 3 adjusted with orthophosphoric acid) (50: 50 V/V) was pumped at a flow rate of 1 mL/min. The analyte monitored with PDA detector at 359 nm. The method was found to be linear from 10 to 40 $\mu$ g/ml. The retention time for analyte was found at 2.203 min. All the validation parameters were within the acceptance range. The developed method was successfully applied for quantification of the Lymecycline bulk and capsule.

**KEYWORDS:** The Reversed-Phase chromatographic Lymecycline bulk and capsule.

### INTRODUCTION

Lymecycline is a water-soluble combination of Tetracycline and lysine in the presence of formaldehyde.<sup>[1][2][3]</sup> Yellow colour compound and very hygroscopic powder having pH 8.1 of 1% solution of lymecycline in water.<sup>[4]</sup> Lymecycline, chemically is (2S)-6-[[[(4S,4aS,5aS,6S,12aR)-4-(dimethylamino) 1,6,10,11,12a-pentahydroxy-6-methyl-3,12-dioxo-4,4a,5,5a-tetrahydrotetracene-2-carbonyl]amino] methylamino]-2-aminohexanoic acid (Figure 1). Lymecycline is a tetracycline broad-spectrum antibiotic. Lymecycline is around multiple times more soluble than tetracycline

base and it is the special case among amongst the tetracyclines derivatives in that it is absorbed by the "active transport" process across the intestinal wall.<sup>[5]</sup>

Literature serves revealed that there is no UV spectrophotometric method was available for the estimation of Lymecycline, one HPLC method available for its estimation<sup>[6]</sup> the current investigate emphasize a simple, sensitive and effective UV-Spectrophotometry method for estimation of Lymecycline in bulk material and capsule. Further, methods were validated as per ICH guidelines.

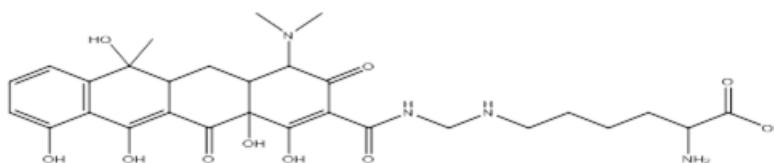


Fig. 1: Chemical structure of Lymecycline.

### Experimental

#### Chemicals and reagents

Lymecycline (91.3% pure) was a gift sample from from Glenmark Pharmaceutical Ltd., Mumbai. HPLC Grade Acetonitrile purchased from Avantor (Rankem), Thane. The double distilled water was used throughout the experiment.

#### Preparation of solutions

##### Preparation of Lymecycline Standard Stock solution

Stock solution of Lymecycline was prepared by dissolving accurately weighed 10 mg of the drug in 100 ml of Double distilled water (final concentration, 100  $\mu$ g/mL). The prepared stock solution was stored at cool temperature and protected from light.

##### Preparation of Lymecycline sample solution

To estimate the content of Lymecycline in capsules

formulation; Twenty capsules (Involym) were weighed accurately, their content was removed and finely powdered. A quantity equivalent to 10 mg of Lyme cycline was weighed and transferred into 100 mL of the volumetric flask containing 50mL of water. The solution was sonicated and filtered through the Whatmann filter paper(no.41) and adjusted volume up to 100 ml to obtain the concentration 100  $\mu$ L/mL. Aliquot portion 2.5 mL was transferred to 10 mL Volumetric Flask and volume adjusted to mark with the same solvent. The sample solution injected six times into column.

#### Instrumentation and Chromatographic condition

The HPLC system consisted of Shimadzu (Japan) equipped with a LC-20 AD solvent delivery system (pump), SPD-M20A Photo Diode Array Detector, Data processor LC solution and a Rheodyne injector with 20  $\mu$ L loop Analysis was carried out at 359 nm using Hypersil BDS C18 (4.6 mm x 150 mm i.d., 5 $\mu$ ) column at 30°C temperature. The mobile Phase consist of Acetonitrile and Water (pH 3 adjusted with ortho phosphoric acid) (50: 50, V/V) that was set at a flow rate of 1.0 ml/min. Prior to injection of drug solution the column was equilibrated for 20 min.

#### Method Validation

##### Accuracy/ Recovery studies

To examine the accuracy of the proposed methods and to confirm the interference from excipients used in the

formulation, recovery experiments were carried out by adding a known amount of standard drug to marketed capsule formulation at 80, 100 and 120% level. It was then re-analyzed by the proposed methods. The % recovery of noted.

##### Precision

The precision of the proposed method was determined in terms of intra-day and inter-day precision. Intra-day precision was resolute by examining the 20, 25 and 30  $\mu$ g/ml of Lyme cycline three times in the similar day. Inter-day precision was determined the concentration of 20, 25 and 30  $\mu$ g/ml of Lyme cycline for three days.

##### Sensitivity

The limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) of the drug were calculated by using the equations designated by International Conference on Harmonization (ICH) guidelines.  $LOD = 3.3 \times \sigma / S$   
 $LOQ = 10 \times \sigma / S$ , Where  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation of intercept, S is the slope.

##### Linearity

Linearity was performed by using seven concentrations level of analyte ranging between 10-40  $\mu$ g/ml.

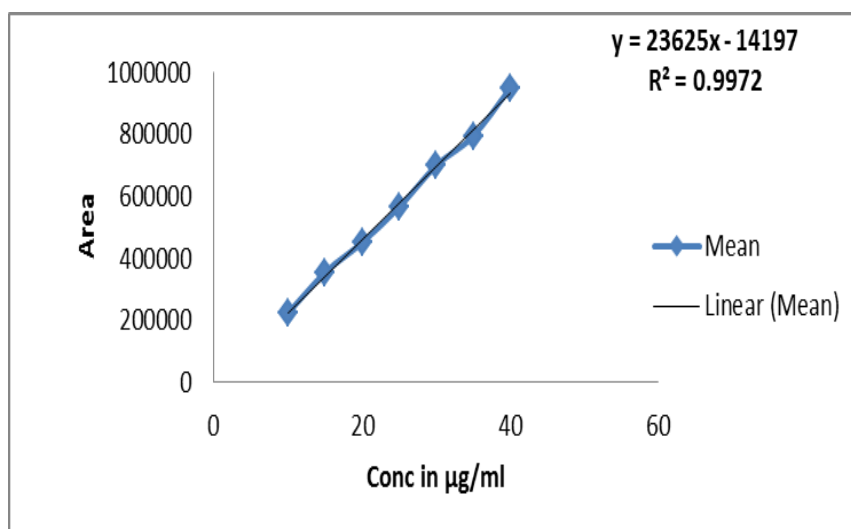


Fig. 2: Linearity curve of Lyme cycline.

##### Ruggedness

The ruggedness of the introduced method was determined for 25  $\mu$ g/ml concentration of Lyme cycline by analysis of aliquots from a homogenous slot by two analysts using same operational and environmental conditions. The results are in the acceptable range that is % RSD values < 2 for all the methods.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Optimization of chromatographic conditions

The optimization of mobile phase was started with using Methanol and Water in ratio of 50:50% v/v it was observed that the drug was not eluted further the composition of mobile phase was changed but the satisfactory peak not observe then pH of water adjusted 3 with OPA its show the good shape but along with some impurities so mobile phase was revised using ACN : Water pH 3 50:50 v/v with 1 ml/min flow rate it show

the good peak with tailing factor 1.327 and Retention time 2.203 min having capacity factor 1.1.

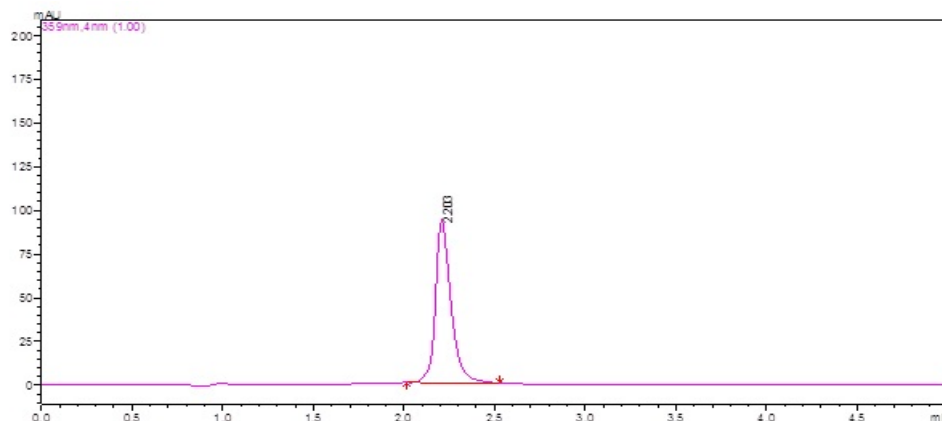


Fig. 3: Optimized Chromatogram of Lymecycline.

#### Method validation

The developed method was validated in terms of precision, accuracy, limit of quantification (LOQ), Limit of Detection (LOD), specificity, ruggedness and robustness according the international conference on harmonization (ICH) guidelines Q2(B).<sup>[7][8]</sup>

#### System suitability

The System Suitability test was performed, the obtained results such as theoretical plate, tailing factor, Retention time Shown in to the Table 1.

Table 1: System Suitability Studies.

Retention time	2.203 min
Capacity factor	1.2
Theoretical plate	3043
Tailing Factor	1.327

#### Accuracy and Precision

The accuracy of the lymecycline drug was performed by the standard addition method, Where the known amount of standard added in three different levels i.e 80, 100, 120% for marketed capsule formulation of lymecycline and the % recovery and %RSD found within the limit i.e 99.60-100.25%. The results of studies was showed in Table 2.

Table 2: Accuracy.

Drug	Initial Amount [µg/mL]	Excess drug added to the analyte [%]	Total amount found±SD[µg/mL]	Recovery [%] [n=3]	%RSD [n=3]
Lymecycline	15	80	27.03 ± 0.18	100.25	0.66
	15	100	30.02 ± 0.14	100.17	0.48
	15	120	32.92 ± 0.10	99.60	0.30

n- number of determinations

Table 3: Precision Studies [Intra and Inter-day].

Standard Concentration [µg/mL]	Amount found [µg/mL]	% Amount found [µg/mL] [n=3]	% RSD
<b>Intra-day Precision</b>			
20	20.02	99.61	0.10
25	24.72	99.51	0.62
30	29.81	99.22	0.53
<b>Inter-day Precision</b>			
20	19.98	99.66	0.28
25	24.78	99.14	0.23
30	29.92	99.72	0.70

n - number of determination

**Table 4: Repeatability.**

Standard Concentration [ $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ]	Area	Amount Found [ $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ]	% Amount Found
25	567547	24.62	98.50
25	565451	24.54	98.14
25	568172	24.65	98.60
25	566583	24.58	98.33
25	566651	24.59	98.34
25	566457	24.58	98.31
<b>AVERAGE</b>	566810	24.59	98.37
<b>%RSD</b>	0.17	0.16	0.16

Precision of the intended method was carried out in terms of repeatability and intra-day and inter-day variations. The repeatability of method was analyzed by performing six repeat estimations of  $25\mu\text{g/mL}$ ; the effects on the results were studied in terms of %RSD and found to be less than 2. Intra-day variation was performed by checking three different analyte concentrations for three times during a same day and Inter-day precision was evaluated by three different analyte concentrations for three back to back different days, intra-day and inter-day variation were measured at three different concentrations 20, 25 and  $30\mu\text{g/mL}$ . The impact on results of intra-day and inter-day variations were assessed in terms of % RSD; and results were Shown in Table 3.

#### Limit of Quantification and Limit of Detection

The LOD and LOQ were calculated using equations;  $\text{LOD} = 3.3 \times \text{N/B}$  and  $\text{LOQ} = 10 \times \text{N/B}$ , where, N is standard deviation of the peak areas of the drugs ( $n=3$ ), taken as a measure of noise, and 'B' is the slope of the corresponding calibration curve. The LOD and LOQ for Lymecycline were found to be  $0.116\mu\text{g}$  and  $0.350\mu\text{g}$ , respectively. The obtained LOD and LOQ values showed the higher sensitivity to the optimized mobile phase mixture.

#### Specificity

Specificity study is a practice to measure quantitatively the analyte in existence of constituent that may be likely to be in the sample matrix. The results of specificity study revealed that there was no other interfering peak around the retention time of drug.

#### Robustness and Ruggedness

Robustness of the method was established to evaluate the influence of small but purposeful dissimilarity in the chromatographic conditions for the determination of the percentage of Lymecycline. The Robustness of the method was performed at a concentration level of  $25\mu\text{g/mL}$ . When extremely little changes were made to the technique conditions there were no checked changes in chromatographic and content of the drug. Ruggedness of proposed method was evaluated by using two different analysts under the same experimental and environmental conditions. The results of ruggedness study revealed that value of percentage RSD was below 2.0%, showed

ruggedness of developed analytical method

#### Assay of Marketed Involym Capsule formulation

Assay of *Lymecycline capsule* containing 408 mg of Lymecycline along with common excipients performed at concentration of  $25\mu\text{g/mL}$ . The amounts of Lymecycline determined were found to be 100.06. An excellent amount of recovery showed that there was no interference from the excipients present in the INVOLYM Capsule dosage form. Assay results for a INVOLYM tablet was represented in Table 5.

**Table 5: Assay of Marketed Involym Capsule formulation.**

Drug	Amount taken [ $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ]	Amount found [ $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ]	%Amount found
Lymecycline	25	25.44	101.75
	25	25.11	100.42
	25	24.88	99.54
	25	24.93	99.72
	25	24.73	98.94
	25	25.01	99.97
	<b>Mean <math>\pm</math> SD</b>	<b>25.01 <math>\pm</math> 0.22</b>	<b>100.06 <math>\pm</math> 0.88</b>
	<b>% RSD</b>	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.88</b>

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