



## SIMPLE METHOD DEVELOPMENT OF ACECLOFENAC BY RP-HPLC METHOD

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### ABSTRACT

A simple, selective, rapid, precise and economical reverse phase high pressure liquid chromatographic method has been developed for aceclofenac. The method was carried out on a Phenomenex C<sub>18</sub> (250 mm x 4.6 mm i.d., 5 μ) column with a mobile phase consisting of acetonitrile: 0.1% Triethyl amine (adjusted to pH 4.5 using orthophosphoric acid) (60:40 v/v) at a flow rate of 1.0 ml/min. Detection was carried out at 254 nm.

**Keywords:** Aceclofenac, Method development

### INTRODUCTION

Aceclofenac is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug with good analgesic and anti-rheumatic properties.[1] Chemically it is [[2-(2, 6-Dichlorophenyl) amino] phenyl] acetyl oxy] acetic acid. It is used in various pain conditions like rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis and ankylosing spondylitis.[1–4]. Limited method has been reported in UV and HPLC methods [5,6].

### EXPERIMENTAL

#### Reagents and chemicals:

Acetonitrile HPLC grade was procured from Merck KGaA, Germany. Triethyl amine AR grade were procured from SYSTEMRM, Selangor, Malaysia. Water HPLC grade was obtained from a Milli-QRO water purification system. Reference standards of aceclofenac were received from swapnroop drugs & pharmaceuticals Ltd, India.

#### Apparatus:

HPLC chromatographic separation was performed on a Shimadzu liquid chromatographic system equipped with a LC-20AD solvent delivery system (pump), SPD-20A photo diode array detector, and SIL-20A-CHT injector with 50 μL loop volume. LC solution version 1.25 was applied for data collecting and processing (Shimadzu, Japan).

#### Preparation of standard solutions:

Standard stock solutions of 1.0 mg/ml aceclofenac was prepared separately using a mixture of water and acetonitrile (1:1 v/v).

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### Method development:

#### Apparatus and chromatographic conditions:

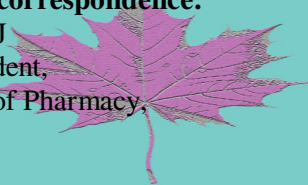
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#### Preparation of standard solutions:

Standard stock solutions of 1.0 mg/ml aceclofenac were prepared separately using a mixture of water and acetonitrile (1:1 v/v). From the standard stock solution, standard solution was prepared to contain 10.0 μg/ml of aceclofenac.

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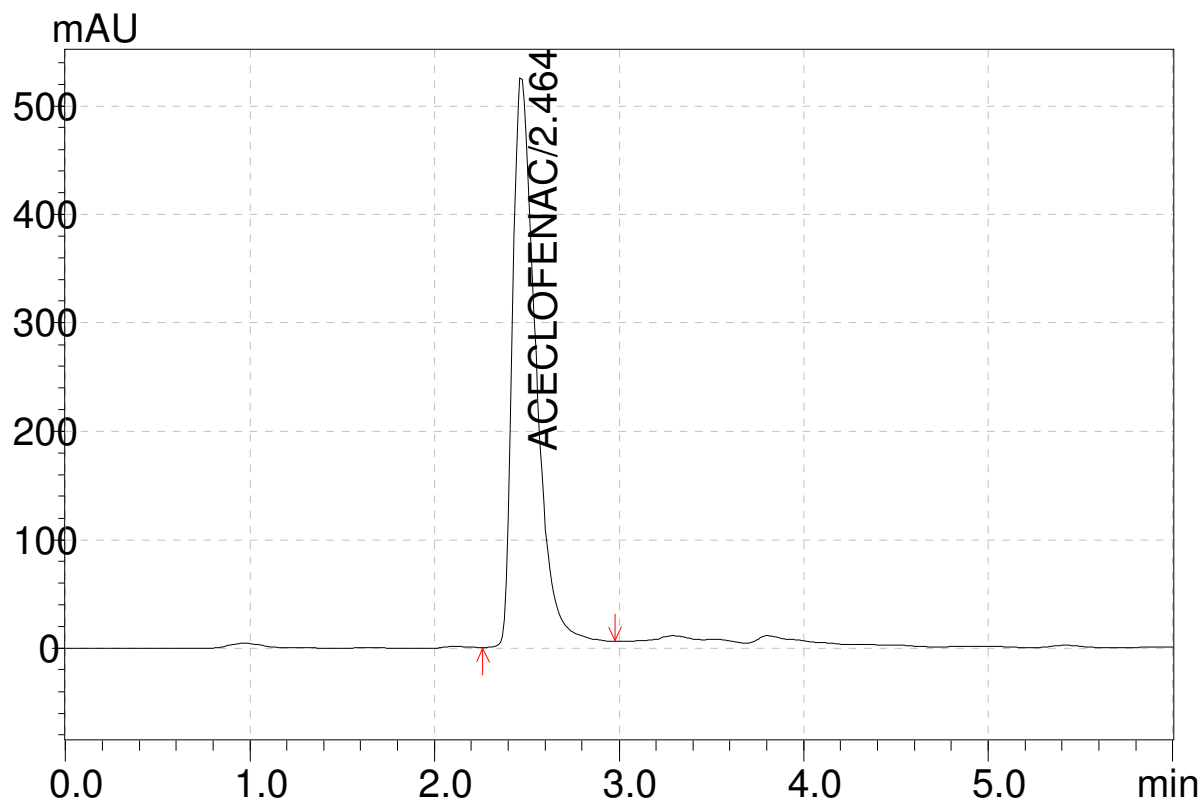


Figure- 1: Typical Chromatogram of Standard

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the developed method for the estimation of aceclofenac is accurate, precise and selective and it can be applicable for the further research. These advantages encourage the application of this method in routine analysis aceclofenac pharmaceutical formulations.

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