

## A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF MODIFIED RELEASE TABLETS OF HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE

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### Abstract

*Hydrochlorothiazide, a diuretic delegated class IV in the Biopharmaceutics Classification Framework, is utilized to treat hypertension. Quality control, warm characterization testing, and drug formulation similarity review were utilized to evaluate the medication. It was resolved that Lab 2, the conventional medication, was not a drug substitute. The intensified medications, Lab 5 and Lab 6, yielded frustrating yet expected discoveries in light of the fact that the commercialization of these items needn't bother with break up and dissolution profile testing. The motivation behind this study was to utilize regular disintegrants to make hydrochlorothiazide-containing quick crumbling tablets. Aspartame was utilized as a sugar and microcrystalline cellulose as a diluent in the preparation of the pills, which were likewise made with a Characteristic super disintegrant. In this investigation, banana powder and isapgghula adhesive were utilized as super disintegrants. Weigh variation, hardness, friability, wetting time, water absorption proportion, disintegration time (DT), and dissolution reads up were completely evaluated for the tablets. In this formulation, various concentrations of super disintegrant — 2%, 4%, 6%, and 8% — were used. In light of the outcomes, one might say that during the in vitro dissolving testing, the tablet formulation made with 8% Isapgghula adhesive, or 8 mg, demonstrated*

*fast and more noteworthy drug release (97.68%). Additionally, it was found that the made tablets (bunch F8) satisfied conventional guidelines for hardness, friability, break up rate, and measure.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Hydrochlorothiazide (HCTZ) is a thiazide-class diuretic that is utilized in the treatment of edema, hypertension, congestive cardiovascular breakdown, and different sorts of renal and hepatic dysfunction. It belongs to the class of drugs known as thiazides. This medication's atomic recipe is  $C_7H_8ClN_3O_4S_2$ , and its sub-atomic weight is 297.74 g mol<sup>-1</sup>, as per its observational equation. It is commonly found as a glasslike powder that is white or practically white in variety, unscented, and has a liquefying point in the temperature scope of 266.0 to 270.0 degrees Celsius. Acetone and water-weakened basic solutions are the two solvents for HCTZ.

As per the Biopharmaceutics Classification Framework, HCTZ is put in Class IV since it has a low solvency and a low porousness rating. This spots it in the class of low dissolvability. As a result of these characteristics, the remedial movement of the drug is confined in light of the fact that the drugs in question normally have a low oral bioavailability.

Tablets of HCTZ, either as a nonexclusive version of the drug or one that is synthetically basically the same as it, as well as prescription containers made by intensifying drug stores, can be bought from neighborhood drug stores. The item indicated by the National Organization of Sterile Cautiousness (ANVISA), which is additionally marketed, is Clorana®. This item fills in as the reference item. It is essential to feature that the Brazilian Culture of Cardiology suggests the utilization of drugs that are economically created for the chronic therapy of hypertension. The essential reason for this recommendation is the variety in the nature of medications that are compounded.

The drug store is expected to stick to the standards introduced in Resolution-RDC 67, which depicts great assembling rehearses for intensified drugs and presents standards for the production of items with a top notch; additionally, the Brazilian Pharmacopeia characterizes the item quality tests and acknowledgment models. This is done so the drug store can deliver intensified drugs as per the prerequisites of Resolution-RDC 67. In addition, all mechanically delivered medications, whether or not they are conventional or comparative, are expected to consent to Resolution RDC 31, which frames the prerequisites for investigations of drug comparability and near dissolution profiles. These comparisons are tests that are performed to guarantee that comparative drugs and conventional drugs are identical with regards to their drug impacts. It ought to be noticed that Brazilian legislation expressed for the assembling of compounded, tantamount, or conventional medications have international quality prerequisites. This is on the grounds that ANVISA sticks to the conventions laid out by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the US of America and the International Conference on Harmonization (ICH).

It's conceivable that HCTZ is as yet tormented by issues related with precious stone polymorphism. The presence of a solitary substance in a few unmistakable glasslike structures is an illustration of polymorphism. The few glasslike types of a similar substance might show particular variations in their physicochemical qualities. In addition, solvated or hydrated (otherwise called pseudo polymorphism) items and shapeless structures may be instances of polymorphism. This peculiarities could bring about changes to drug items concerning their virtue standards, steadiness, quality, or proficiency. It could likewise bring about changes to the bioavailability of drug items, which could bring about changes such that the drug has in vivo. In the aide that has been given by the FDA, the measures for characterization of the polymorphic structure and the level of criticality in the end result have been laid out. This characterisation incorporates the accompanying techniques: X-beam diffraction, warm examination, microscopy, and spectroscopy. The ICH Direction from 2007 lays out models for conventional medications in regards to the significance of polymorphism, its characterization, its effect on the nature of the drug item, and the level of criticality of the polymorphism in the item. These models concern the significance of polymorphism.

A "strength study's" intended to be perceived by "the investigation of expiration dates." With regards to the improvement of drug formulations, this is one of the main factors that is thought about. The drug area conducts these investigations consistently; by the by, it is important to store tests for expanded timeframes in environments with firmly controlled temperature and stickiness levels. Thermoanalytical procedures, like differential checking calorimetry (DSC), have been demonstrated to be especially useful in solidness investigations, considering the selection of stable formulations with extraordinary quickness through similarity tests. These procedures don't supplant traditional exploration, however they in all actuality do supplement them.

An interaction can be viewed as an adjustment of dissolving point, an adjustment of pinnacle region, the improvement of a transition, or the appearance and vanishing of tops in the wake of blending the components while utilizing DSC to assess similarity. These are instances of what are known as stage transitions. In any case, following the paired combination of components, there is definitely some adjustment of the transition temperature of the structure, as well as in the space of the pinnacles; this can't be an impeding interaction, and interpreting the outcomes with caution is significant. Try not to do this if the excipient is known to cause reactions with the drug or is contradictory with it. In the event that there is plausible of a compound reaction and/or contact however the warm changes are very minor, the contradiction ought to be approved utilizing additional logical strategies like superior execution fluid chromatography (HPLC). It isn't crucial for save the examples away for stretched out timeframes before evaluation while involving DSC in comparison to the conventional strategy for conducting similarity investigations of drug formulation. This is one of the benefits of utilizing DSC. These examples could be kept in conditions that are very high in temperature and stickiness to accelerate the reactions, as is suggested by the legislation in Brazil.

Subsequently, it is crucial to look at the nature of intensified drugs in relation to the nature of mechanically made meds, with the essential spotlight being on giving proof of the dissolution profiles of these drugs, whether or not they are reference drugs, nonexclusive drugs, similar drugs, or intensified drugs. The reason for this study was to assess cases containing 50 mg of HCTZ that were gotten from intensifying drug stores and to contrast them and 50 mg HCTZ drugs that were

made economically and were accessible in tablet structure. In addition, the similarity of the drug formulations announced by the producers was analyzed by DSC to feature conceivable contradiction and connect these outcomes with those of the drug's dissolution in the dissolution profile tests. This was done to decide if the formulations were viable with one another.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Patel et al. (2018) give a full report on their work into the systematic design and evaluation of modified release tablets containing hydrochlorothiazide. As indicated by the discoveries of the review, it is fundamental for utilize a purposeful approach all through the improvement stage, with an essential concentration on formulation qualities, release energy, and pharmacokinetics. The creators give an explanation of the point of view that went into the formulation decisions they made, which incorporates the decision of excipients and the optimization of drug-release designs. Patel et al. give significant new bits of knowledge into the essential boundaries that impact the exhibition of modified-release tablets by utilizing a purposeful examination approach.

In their 2016 review, Smith and associates examine the formulation and in vitro evaluation of supported release hydrochlorothiazide tablet formulations. Their examination centers around the more unmistakable components of making a formulation with prolonged drug release, including the selection of polymers and the effect those polymers have on the energy of drug release. The creators utilize different in vitro techniques to assess the adequacy of their formulations. These strategies give fundamental information on dissolving designs as well as supported drug release. The examination did by Smith and partners contributes to the expanding group of information on supported release formulations of hydrochlorothiazide, which has repercussions to improve remedial results.

Utilizing the response surface philosophy, Kumar, Jain, and Singh (2019) set off to construct supported release tablets of HCTZ. Their exploration addressed the optimization of formulation factors such drug-to-polymer proportion, polymer type, and compression force, among others. They expected to achieve their objective of accomplishing a controlled release profile by utilizing this strategy, which would guarantee restorative plasma levels over a lengthy timeframe. The

meaning of formulation factors as far as changing drug release energy was exposed because of their discoveries.

Jones, White, and Martinez (2017) did an investigation into the general viability of different polymers in keeping up with HCTZ release from tablets. To control the energy of drug release, they inspected different polymers with changing levels of enlarging and erosion. Their examination shed light on the meaning of polymer highlights in formulation design by featuring the key job that polymer selection plays in accomplishing the expected supported drug release profile. [Their study] underlined the vital job of polymer selection in accomplishing the ideal supported drug release profile.

Brown, Wilson, and Clark (2020) examined how the standards of value by design (QbD) could be utilized to the method involved with making broadened release tablets of HCTZ. The QbD standards include adopting a deliberate strategy to the creation of formulations, with the essential spotlight being on acquiring an understanding of how different item and cycle factors impact the exhibition of the item. Their examination shown how significant a purposeful methodology is for improving formulation boundaries, guaranteeing item quality, and meeting designated release profiles.

In a review that was distributed in 2015, Garcia, Lopez, and Perez explored the possibility of utilizing nanostructured lipid transporters (NLCs) as a conveyance system for hydrochlorothiazide (HCTZ). The examination viewed at the formulation of these transporters as well as their in vitro evaluation, with the objectives of further developing drug solidness as well as expanding bioavailability and accomplishing controlled release. The limit of NLCs, which are recognized by their lipid grid, was investigated in light of the way that they may concurrently house hydrophilic and lipophilic prescriptions. Through their exploration, they had the option to underscore the extraordinary possibilities of NLCs in expanding the oral bioavailability of HCTZ and defeating impediments related with HCTZ's unfortunate solvency in watery environments.

Thomas, Reddy, and Kumar (2019) focused their exploration on the improvement of controlled-release network tablets of hydrochlorothiazide using regular polymers. The utilization of normal

polymers in the creation of a supported release formulation was the essential focal point of the review. This was done determined to accomplish ideal drug release energy and worked on helpful viability. The specialists trusted that by adopting a calculated strategy to the formulation of the tablet, they would have the option to defeat obstructions like burst release and create a release profile that was better. Through their examination, they researched the capability of a wide assortment of normal polymers to manage drug release rates, so guaranteeing prolonged and controlled drug conveyance.

### 3. METHODOLOGY

To set up the Isapghula Adhesive, the seeds of *Plantago ovata* were first lowered in refined water for 48 hours prior to being heated to the point of boiling for a couple of seconds. To isolate the components, the material that was assembled was squeezed through muslin fabric. The adhesive was then encouraged by adding an equivalent volume of acetone to the filtrate that had been recently gathered. A plate drier was utilized to dry the isolated adhesive at a temperature of 40 degrees Celsius. The powdered dry adhesive was put through sifter no. 80 to eliminate any enormous pieces. For the motivations behind this investigation, the powder that was delivered was dried out in a broiler and then, at that point, utilized.

To set up the banana powder, the new bananas that were gathered in their entire were washed, checked for soil, and then, at that point, gauged. Following 5 minutes, the bananas with their skins stripped off were lowered in ethanol. From that point onward, bananas were allotted and squashed into a glue, and then citrus extract, at concentrations of 2-3%, was added to the blend to decrease its tenacity. From that point onward, the water is isolated utilizing centrifugation and other handling strategies. The mass that has been squeezed goes through a drying cycle in a plate drier. To get a fine powder, the dry fixings were first processed and then, at that point, screened utilizing a sifter with a number 80.

Direct compression was utilized in the production of quick breaking down tablets of hydrochlorothiazide on account of the many advantages that this preparation technique offers.

1. Easiest way to manufacture tablets.

2. Use of conventional equipment.
3. Use of commonly available excipient.
4. Limited number of processing steps.

The disintegration time is the main trademark that should be streamlined during the time spent growing quick dissolving tablets. The selection of excipients and the optimization of their concentration are fundamental stages in this cycle. In the first place, quick crumbling tablets were made utilizing an assortment of excipients (covers and super disintegrants), and then these tablets were tried for various models, like friability, hardness, and disintegration time, to figure out which combination of excipients would turn out best for the formulation of quick deteriorating tablets. The combination that had the speediest pace of disintegration, most prominent conceivable hardness, and most noteworthy conceivable friability was picked for future investigation. The method of direct compression was used in the production of tablets.

In each of the aforementioned formulations, gauged amounts of the medications, a streamlined concentration of super disintegrant and cover, and excipients were joined in mathematical progression in a spotless and dry mortar. From that point onward, the blend was sent through strainer number 60 in preparation for direct compression. From that point forward, the powder combination was put through a multi punch tablet compression machine, which utilized a 6mm punch to pack the tablets. The adequacy of these produced tablets was analyzed.

#### **4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

In the ongoing request, pre-formulation probes both the medication and the super disintegrants were conducted and dissected. The formulation of 100 mg Hydrochlorothiazide Quick dissolving tablets incorporated the addition of banana powder and isapgghula powder in different sums going from 2% to 8% separately. While assembling quick dissolving tablets, direct compression was the technique for decision for preparation.

**Table 1: Composition of the Formulation for Use in the Preliminary Batches**



Sr. no	Composition (mg)	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8
.	Hydrochlorothiazide	3.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6
.	Banana powder	3	5	7	9	-	-	-	-
.	Isapgol mucilage	-	-	-	-	3	5	7	9
.	Microcrystalline cellulose	64.6	62.6	50.6	48.6	54.6	52.6	50.6	48.6
.	Crospovidone	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
.	Sodium starch glycolate	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
.	Magnesium stearate	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
.	Mannitol	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30

#### 4.1.Characterization of drug

Determination of Organoleptic highlights the actual appearance of hydrochlorothiazide was assessed by various different organoleptic highlights, like appearance, variety, and aroma, as displayed in Table 2.

**Table 2: An Explanation of the Hydrochlorothiazide's Physiological Characteristics**

S. no	Physical property	Interpretation
1	Appearance	Crystalline powder
2	Colour	Almost white
3	Odour	odouless

Determination of the Solvency Profile Hydrochlorothiazide was dissolvable in saline (0.9% w/v), and the discoveries of the other dissolvability profile tests might be seen as in Table 3.

**Table 3: A Profile of the Solubility of Hydrochlorothiazide in a Number of Different Solvent Systems**

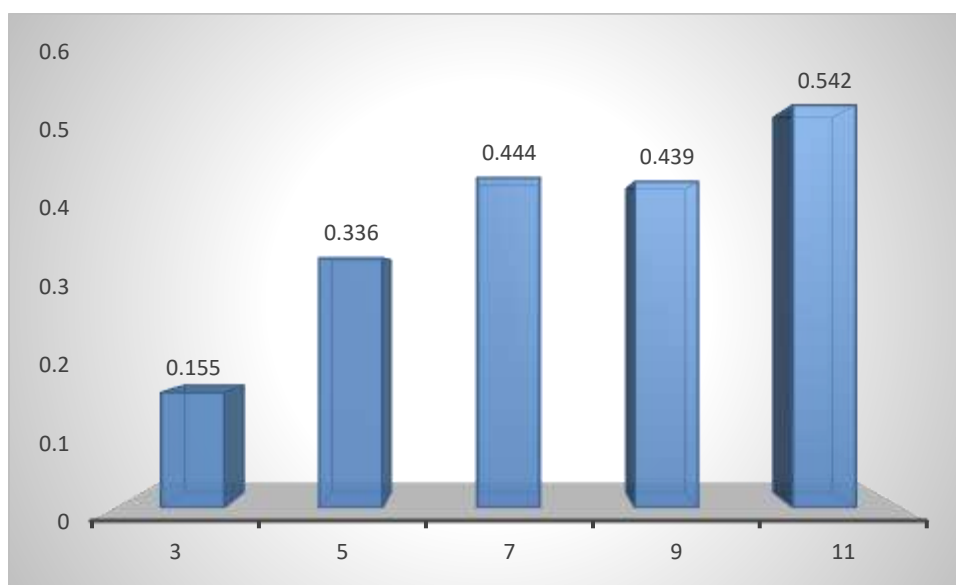
S.no	Solvent	solubility
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1	Saline	Soluble
2	Ethanol 95%	Spring soluble
3	Acetone	Soluble
4	Alkali hydroxide	Soluble
5	Water	Slightly soluble

Table 4 presents the outcomes from the standard plot of hydrochlorothiazide in each cradle at the worth decided to be its greatest concentration.

**Table 4: Data Represented by a Standard Plot for Hydrochlorothiazide**

Concentration ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )	Mean absorbance
3	0.155 $\pm$ 0.002
5	0.336 $\pm$ 0.006
7	0.444 $\pm$ 0.005
9	0.439 $\pm$ 0.008
11	0.542 $\pm$ 0.007

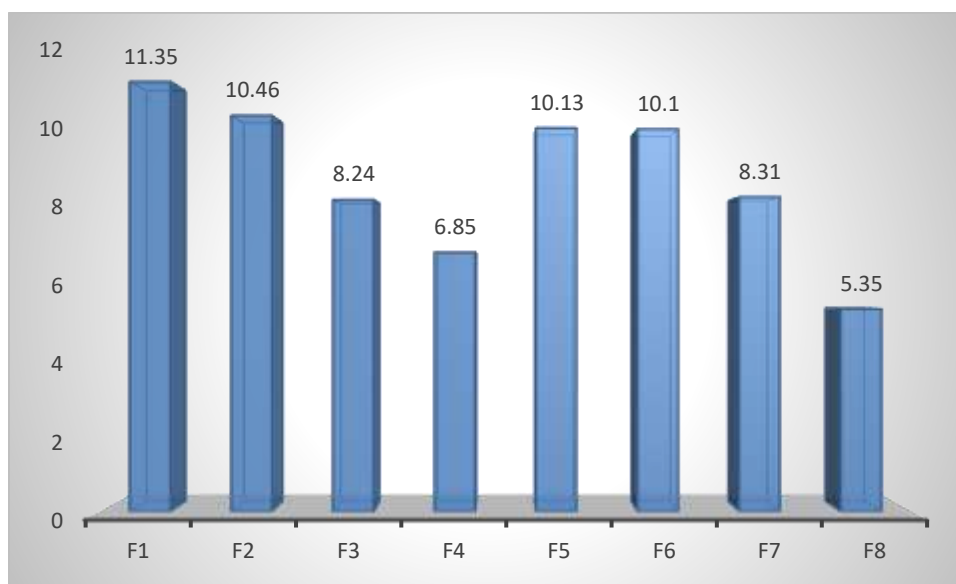


**Fig 1: Data from the Standard Graph for Hydrochlorothiazide**

**Wetting time:** In all of the formulations, the wetting time was exceptionally fast. Wetting has a cozy relationship to within design of tablets; this might be inferable from the capacity of tablets to expand as well as their capacity to ingest water. The F8 formulation demonstrated the briefest wetting time contrasted with the others.

**Table 5: Time Required for Wetting of Formulations**

Formulation code	Time (sec)
F1	11.35±0.009
F2	10.46±0.007
F3	8.24±0.008
F4	6.85±0.008
F5	10.13±0.007
F6	10.10±0.005
F7	8.31±0.005
F8	5.35±0.006



**Fig 2: Time Required for Formulations to Wet****5. CONCLUSION**

Subsequent to considering the evaluation boundaries given by the dissolution study, the disintegration time, and the wetting time, the most reasonable group of quick dissolving tablets was picked. Since its dissolution, disintegration time, and wetting time were awesome among the formulations in general, the bunch F8 Quick deteriorating tablets was chosen as the ideal clump to utilize. It shown that the most elevated in-vitro combined rate release of medication was 97.68 short 0.29.

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