### Spectrophotometric determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride via complexation with Fe( III )in pharmaceutical and environmental wastewater samples

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#### Abstract

To develop spectrophotometric method for the determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in commercial dosage forms and industrial wastewater samples. The method is based on the chelation of the drug with Fe III to form red colored metal chelate at room temperature which absorbs maximally at 465 nm. Beer s law is obeyed over the concentration range of 2-28  $\mu$ g/ml with molar absorptivity and Sandell s sensitivity of 0.534x10<sup>4</sup> l/mol.cm and 0.035 $\mu$ g/cm<sup>2</sup> respectively, relative standard deviation (RSD)is less than2.0 (n=10). The method is applied successfully for determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in some pharmaceutical formulations (tablets and injection)and industrial wastewater samples. A statistical comparison of these results with those of official method using (t and F) values at 95% confidence level shows good agreement and indicates no significant difference in the precision. So that the proposed method can be used as a routine quality control for determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in pure form, pharmaceutical formulations and industrial wastewater samples.

#### الخلاصة

تم تَطوير طريقة طيفية لتقدير برادوكسين هيدروكلوريد في مستحضراتة الصيدلانية وعينات من الميام الصناعية. تعتمدالطريقة على تكوين معقد كليتي بين الدواء وايون الحديد الثلاثي لتَشكيل معقداحمر اللَوَّن في درجة حرارة الغرفة واللذي لة اقصى امتصاص عند 465 نانوميتر. حيث ان قانون بير ينطبق على مدى تركيز 2-28 مايكروغرام \مل ان قيمة معامل الامتصاص المولاري ودلالة ساندل للطريقة كانا <sup>4</sup>0 مدى الترامول سم و 30.00 مايكروغرام \مل ان قيمة معامل الامتصاص المولاري ودلالة ساندل للطريقة كانا <sup>4</sup>0 مدى تركيز 2-28 مايكروغرام \مل ان قيمة معامل الامتصاص المولاري ودلالة ساندل للطريقة أقل من 0.534 يترامول سم و 30.00 مايكروغرام \مل <sup>2</sup> على التوالي،ان الانحراف القياسي النسبي للطريقة أقل من 0.2 % أقراص وحقن) و عينات مياه صناعية. وتم اجراء مقارنة إحصائية بين نتائج هذه الطريقة ونتائج الطريقة (أقراص وحقن) و عينات مياه صناعية. وتم اجراء مقارنة إحصائية بين نتائج هذه الطريقة ونتائج الطريقة القياسية النسبي للطريقة ونتائج الطريقة القياسية النسبي للطريقة ونتائج الصيدلانية (أقراص وحقن) و عينات مياه صناعية. وتم اجراء مقارنة إحصائية بين نتائج هذه الطريقة ونتائج الطريقة القياسية النسبي للطريقة ونتائج الصيدلانية (أقراص وحقن) و عينات مياه صناعية. وتم اجراء مقارنة إحصائية بين نتائج هذه الطريقة ونتائج الطريقة القياسية الدستورية المعتمدة لأختبار نجاح الطريقة باستخدام اختباري (1) و(1) عند حدود ثقة %90 وكانت القياسية الدستورية المعتمدة لأختبار نجاح الطريقة باستخدام اختباري (1) و(1) عند حدود ثقة %90 وكانت القياسية الدستورية المعتمدة للأختبار نجاح الطريقة باستخدام اختباري (1) و(1) عند حدود ثقة %90 وكانت القياسية الدستورية المعتمدة منائية وفي بعض مستحضراتة الصيدلانية وكذلك في نموذج من المياة الصياعية الميانوية الميانية وي ماليوية في ملاميدل النوعية التنايم وليانية وكاني الروتيني وفي السيطرة النوعية التنايم ولحين هيدروكلوريد بحالته النقية وفي بعض مستحضراتة الصيدلانية وكذلك في نموذج من المياة الصنايم الموروحة.

#### Introduction

Pyridoxine hydrochloride,(2-methyl-1hydroxy-4,5 bis(hydroxyl-methyl)pyridinum chloride Fig [1]. Is one of the members of the vitamin B6 group a water soluble vitamin ,is involved principally in amino acid metabolism ,but is also involved in carbohydrate and fat metabolism .It is also essential for both protein and red blood cell metabolism.



#### Fig[1]: Chemical Structure of pyridoxine hydrochloride

It is widely distributed in the plant and animal worlds, especially in yeast, liver, cereals and meat. In pharmaceutical formulations, vitamin B6 is usually found as the hydrochlodride . Pyridoxine hydrochloride is required for both mental and physical health, which has been used in the treatment of the nausea and vomiting of pregnancy and irradiation. The deficiency of pyridoxine hydrochloride has been suggested as the case of many types of illness and disease<sup>(1-4)</sup>.Several methods for the determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride have been described in the literature, including spectrophotometric methods, most of these methods use either diazotized reagents or indirect spectrophotometric methods<sup>(5-9)</sup>, spectrofluorometric method<sup>(10)</sup>,voltammetric methods<sup>(11-12)</sup>, partial least -squares regression methods<sup>(13-14)</sup>, non aqueose titration method<sup>(15)</sup> and HPLC method<sup>(16)</sup>. The official BP described potantiometric

titration for pure drug and UV spectrophotometric for tablets and injections<sup>(17)</sup>. The present work describes a new, simple direct. spectrophotometric method for the determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in pure form pharmaceutical formulations and in industrial wastewater samples. The method is based on the reaction of drug with ferric ion at pH3 resulting in the formation of red complex which absorbs maximally at 465 nm.

#### Experimental

#### Apparatus

ShimadzuUV- 1700 pharmaspec (double beam) spectrophotometer with 1.0 cm quartz cells was used for absorption measurement, and Jenway3310 pH meter was used

#### Reagents

All chemical used were of analytical or pharmaceutical grade and pyridoxine hydrochloride standard material was provided from ALhokamaa company for pharmaceutical industries (HPI) Mosul-Iraq.

## Pyridoxine hydrochloride standard solution :0.01% (4.86x10<sup>-4</sup>M)

This solution was prepared by dissolve 0.01 gm of Pyridoxine hydrochloride in 100mL of distilled water in volumetric flask.

## Ferric ammonium sulfate ;1%(0.02 M)

This solution was prepared by dissolve 1 gm of  $NH_4Fe(SO_{4)2}$ .12  $H_2O$  in distilled water containing 3mL of concentrated  $H_2SO_4$  and makeup to 100mL in volumetric flask.

#### **Buffer solution (pH3)**

This solution was prepared by mixing of 22.3mL of 0.1M HCL with 50mL of 0.1 M potassium hydrogen phthalate and dilute to 100mL by distilled water in a volumetric flask <sup>(17)</sup>.

### General procedure :

Different aliquots of standard pyridoxine hydrochloride solution equivalent 50-700  $\mu$ g (0.5-7mL) were transferred into a series of 25mL

volumetric flasks, 0.5ml of buffer solution pH3, and 7mL of Ferric ammonium sulfate solution were added. The content was mixed and let stand for 5min with occasional shaking. The volume was diluted to the mark with distilled water and mixed well. The absorbance of each solution was measured at 465 nm against a reagent blank

## Procedures for pharmaceutical preparations

#### Tablets

To minimize a possible variation in the composition of the tablets, the mixed content of 20 tablets. (containing 40mg of pyridoxine hydrochloride/tablet were provided from AL-Hokamaa company for pharmaceutical industries (HPI) Mosul-Iraq).).were weighed and grounded, then the powder equivalent to 100 mg of pyridoxine hydrochloride in about 70mL of distilled water was stirred well for 30 min and then filtered through whatman No. 42 filter paper and the filtrate solution was diluted to 1L by distilled water and 3mL of this solution was treated as described above under general procedure.

#### Injection

2ml vial containing 100mg of pyridoxine hydrochloride ( were provided from state company of drug industries and medical appliance (NDI) Ninavah- Iraq .) was transferred into 1L volumetric flask and diluted up to the mark with distilled water, 3ml of this solution was treated as described above under general procedure.

## Procedure for industrial wastewater samples

To demonstrate the practical applicability of the proposed method, real industrial wastewater samples from al-hokamaa company for drug

industries (HPI) Mosul-Iraq were analyzed bv spiked with the concentrations ranging from 2-20 µg/ml of pyridoxine hydrochloride and aliquot of this solution was treated as described above under general procedure

### **Result and Discussion**

Pyridoxine hydrochloride was found to react with Fe(III) at room temperature resulting in formation of red colored complex which absorbed at465nm Fig 2.The various experimental affecting the development and stability of the reaction product was optimized by changing each variable in turn while keeping all other variables constant.



Fig(2):Absorption spectra of (A) - pyridoxine hydrochloride (16μg/ml) and its complex with Fe(III). (B) - Blank against water.

#### Effect of PH:

The effect of pH was investigated in the range 1-11. (by added various amounts of 0.01 M HCL or 0.01 M NaOH) to  $16\mu$ g/ml Pyridoxine hydrochloride and 7mL of Ferric ammonium sulfate solution were added. The results indicated that the product remained maximum and constant over the pH range 2.5-3.5, fig(3). There for a 0.5 ml of pH<sub>3</sub> was selected for further study.



#### Fig(3):Effect of pH

## Effect of Ferric ammonium sulfate solution:

The amount of Ferric ammonium sulfate solution (1%) for maximum color intensity was examined the maximum constant intensity was reached at 6 ml of reagent solution and remained constant up to 9ml ,fig(4). .However 7ml of the reagent solution was selected for the subsequent work.



Fig(4):Effect of the amount of ferric ammonium sulfate solution.

#### Effect of temperature and time:

The results obtained indicated that complete color formation occurred immediately and not effected by temperature. Higher temperature causes turbid color, therefore, room temperature was selected as suitable temperature. The absorbance remained constant for 6 hours at least, and 5 min was selected as a suitable time.

#### Effect of order of addition

To test the effect of order of the addition of the reagents on the absorbance of the product, different order were tested. The selected order was sample solution, buffer solution pH3 followed by ferric ammonium sulfate solution which was gave high absorbance value.

#### **Calibration graph**

Employing the conditions described in the general procedure a linear calibration graph of pyridoxine hydrochloride was obtained fig(5). which shows that Beer's law was obeyed over the concentration range 2-28 µg/ml with correlation coefficient of  $(R^2 = 0.997)$ , intercept of 0.036 and slope of 0.026 .The conditional molar absorptivity of the product formed and sandell s sensitivity were found to be  $0.534 \times 10^4$  L/ mol .cm and  $0.035 \mu g/cm^2$  respectively.



#### Fig. (5): Calibration graph of pyridoxine hydrochloride.

#### Accuracy and precision

The accuracy and precision of the method was established by analyzing the pure drug solution at three different levels. each determination being repeated ten times. The average recovery which is a measure of accuracy is  $100 \pm 0.95$  revealing high accuracy of the method. The relative standard deviation (RSD), which is an indicator of precision is less than 2%. The results are complied in Table[1]

Table [1]: Optical	characteristics a	and statistical	data for	• regression	equation of
	the p	roposed meth	od		

Parameters	Value
$\lambda \max(nm)$	465
Beer's law limits ( $\mu g .ml^{-1}$ )	2-28
Molar absorpitivity (1.mol <sup>-1</sup> .cm <sup>-1</sup> )	$0.534 \times 10^{4}$
Sandell s Sensitivity	0.035
Correlation coefficient $(r^2)$	0.997
Regression equation $(Y = a \times + b)$	
Slope (a)	0.026
Intercept (b)	0.036
Recovery %	$100 \pm 0.95$
Relative standard deviation (%)	< 2.0

# Apparent stability of the product

The conditional stability constant of the product can be estimated by using the following equation  $^{(18)}$ .

K=a- $(\Delta A/\epsilon)/n^n(\Delta A/\epsilon)^{n+1}$  Where:

a= pyridoxine hydrochloride total
 concentration . (molar)

 $\Delta A$ =Sample absorbance in reagent excess minus the sample absorbance at stiochiometric mount.

ε= Molar absorptivity at the measured wavelength.

And n=number of ligands.

The stability constant (means of three values) was found to be  $6.0 \times 106$  l<sup>1/2</sup>/mol<sup>1/2</sup>.cm<sup>1/2</sup>.indicating the product is very stable.

#### **Stoichiometry of reaction**

The stoicheiometry of the reaction between pyridoxine hydrochloride and Fe III was investigated using job's method of continuous variation and mole ratio methods of equimolar solution( $4.86 \times 10^{-4}$  M), the result obtained show that 1:2 Fe(III) to drug at 465 nm fig(6).



## Fig(6) :Continuous variation and mole ratio plots for reaction of Fe(III) with pyridoxine hydrochloride

The suggested reaction and structure of the product might be written as:



#### **Interferences Study**

In order to assess the possible of the proposed method, the effect of substance that often accompany with pyridoxine hydrochloride in various pharmaceutical products were studied by adding different amount of substances to 300µg/25ml (12µg/ml) of



Interfering substances	Amount added(mg)	Amount of pyridoxine hydrochloride found(µg) *	RSD %
Benzyl alcohol	1	299	0.88
Chlorobutanol	10	301	0.91
Lactose	40	300.8	0.71
Microcrystalline cellulose	20	300.6	0.64
Corn starch	30	300.7	0.78
Magnesium stearate	40	300.7	0.91
Hydroxylpropyl methyl cellulose	40	298.8	0.93

Table (2): Determination of 300µg/25ml of pyridoxine hydrochloride in the
presence of excipients and other substances.

\*Average of six determinations.

### **Analytical application**

The proposed method was satisfactorily applied the to determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in its pharmaceutical formulations and wastewater samples . the results of the assay of the pharmaceutical formulations revels that there is close agreement between the results obtained by the proposed method and the lable claim. The results were also compared statistically by student t-test and by the variance ratio F-test with those obtained by Uvspectrophotometric official BP method <sup>[17]</sup> at 95% confidence level. The calculated t- and F- values did not exceed the theoretical values indicating that there was no significant

differences between the precision of the proposed and literature method as cited in table(3), And the results of wastewater samples table (4) show that the recovery values obtained were close to 100%.

## Table(3): Determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in pharmaceutical formulations

Pharmaceutical	Lable amount	Found by	official BP	t value	F value
formulations	mg	proposed	method <sup>(17)</sup>		
		method * mg			
Tablets	40mg/tab	39.92	39.95	1.14	1.02
Inicotiona	100m a/2ml	100.09	100.1	1.05	1.06
Injections	100mg/2ml	100.08	100.1	1.95	1.06

\*mean value of ten determinations

T values (n=10, at 95% confidence level tabulated value 2.262).

F values (n1-1 and n2-1=9, at 95% confidence tabulated value 3.18).

#### Table(4): Determination of pyridoxine hydrochloride in wastewater samples

Wastewater samples	Added µg/ml	Found* µg/ml	Recovery %(n=10)
Industrial	5.0	5.06	101.2
wastewater	15.0	14.98	99.86
	25.0	25.1	100.4

\* mean value of ten determinations.

### Conclusions

The proposed method was simple, accurate, sensitive and low economical Furthermore, the proposed cost. method doesn't require elaboration of which procedures, are usually with associated chromatographic methods. The proposed method could applied successfully be for determination of of pyridoxine hydrochloride in pure form as well as in different dosage forms and in wastewater samples .

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