

“Formulation development and evaluation of emulgel drug delivery system for the treatment of psoriasis”

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Abstract

Many advantages of gels a major limitation is in the delivery of hydrophobic drugs. So to overcome this limitation an emulsion based approach is being used so that even a hydrophobic therapeutic moiety can enjoy the unique properties of gels. When gels and emulsions are used in combined form the dosage form is referred as Emulgel in recent years, there has been great interest in the use of novel polymers. A suitable method of analysis of drug was UV spectrophotometric. Mometasone furoate showed maximum absorption at a wavelength of 260nm. Various formulations (F1-F8) were developed by using Carbopol 940 for local release of Mometasone furoate for the treatment of topical infections by using penetration enhancer Tween 80. Developed formulations of Mometasone furoate were evaluated for the physiochemical parameters such as drug content, viscosity, spread ability, in vitro diffusion. Viscosity studies of various formulations revealed that formulation F4 is better compare to others. Release of drug from Mometasone furoate emulgel was significantly slower, which confirmed that slight prolonged drug release rate. Incorporation of carbomer affected the release rate of the drug. By increasing the amount of carbomer, the release rate of the drug decreased, which could be related to the increased rigidity of the formulation, followed by its de-creased permeability for the drug. *In vitro* drug release from the semisolid preparation of Mometasone furoate emulgel optimized formulation F4 shows significantly improved in drug release rate as compare to marketed preparation. It was concluded that developed formulations deliver the drug for the treatment of fungal disease. Hence it could be concluded that the carbomer based semisolid preparation would providing local onset of action without need of any device for their application on skin. The preparation of emulgel has potential advantages over marketed preparation as they improved patient compliance rapid local onset of action for longer period with cost effectiveness. The pediatric and geriatric populations are the primary ones whose problems are easily targeted.

Keywords: Psoriasis, Emulgent, Mometasone, FTIR Spectroscopy, λ_{max} of mometasone furoate.

INTRODUCTION

Psoriasis is chronic inflammatory skin disarray that may drastically affect the feature of life of an affected person.¹ Various treatments are presented for psoriasis and with this topical therapy are most generally used in majority of patients. Psoriasis has genetic and life manner triggers; the treatment guidelines involve continuous monitoring and lifelong care for the patients. Knowledge of the disease trigger factors and their part in precipitating the psoriasis is quiet significant in the disease management. Care should be taken to avoid these psoriasis triggers.² In recent years, new biological therapies have been introduced and numerous existing treatments have been superior giving new anticipate to people with psoriasis. Superiority of life in a disease whether it's pre-treatment or post-treatment speak a lot about its all round impact on patients. Psoriasis has depressingly effects on quality of life.³ Psoriasis is a lifelong, chronic, and recurrent disease. In a patient surveys conducted by the National Psoriasis Foundation between 2001 and 2008 in the USA, 33% of patients with soft disease and 60% of patients with moderate-to- severe psoriasis accounted that their disease extensively affect their everyday life. Psoriasis can be as devastating as many other severe medical or psychiatric conditions. The physical, psychological and social dimensions of life are negatively precious by the psoriasis and can be greater than those consequential from life threatening illnesses such as myocardial infarction. Different treatment options are available to control and eliminate the indication of psoriasis. Nevertheless, most of them cannot be observed as an ideal drug molecule⁴

Drug profile

Mometasone furoate

Mometasone is a medium-potency synthetic corticosteroid with anti-inflammatory, antipruritic, and vasoconstrictive properties. Studies in asthmatic patients have demonstrated that mometasone provides a favorable ratio of topical to systemic activity due to its primary local effect along with the extensive hepatic metabolism and the lack of active metabolites.⁵ Though effective for the treatment of asthma, glucocorticoids do not affect asthma symptoms immediately. Maximum improvement in symptoms following inhaled administration of mometasone furoate may not be achieved for 1 to 2 weeks or longer after starting treatment. The anti- inflammatory actions of corticosteroids are thought to involve phospholipase A2 inhibitory proteins, lipocortins, which control the biosynthesis of potent mediators of inflammation such as prostaglandins and leukotrienes.⁶

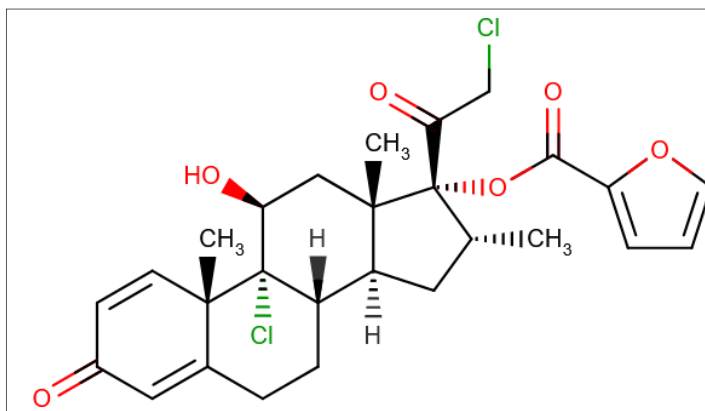


Figure no.1: Structure of Mometasone Furoate

Excipient Profile

Polyethyleneglycol, Carbopol, Carbomers are white-colored, ‘fluffy’, acidic, hygroscopic powders with a characteristic slight odor. A granular carbomer is also available (Carbopol 71G). Nonproprietary names BP: Carbomers PhEur: Carbomers USP-NF: Carbomer Synonyms: Carbopol; carboxy polymethylene; polyacrylic acid; carboxyvinyl polymer; Pemulen; Tego Carbomer. Chemical Name: Carbomer. Hypromellose, short for hydroxylpropyl methylcellulose (HPMC), is a semisynthetic, dormant, viscoelastic polymer utilized as an ophthalmic oil, and additionally an excipient and controlled-conveyance segment in oral medicaments, found in an assortment of business items. As a nourishment added substance, hypromellose is an emulsifier, thickening and suspending operator, and an other option to creature gelatin. Its Codex Alimentarius code (E number) is E464. It is by and large perceived as sheltered by the FDA.⁷

PREFORMULATION STUDY

Material Used in Investigation

Materials which are used in the investigation are listed in Table 6.1.

Table no. 1: Materials used for formulation development of Emulgel

Sr. No.	Chemicals	Supplier
1.	Mometasone furoate	Euphoria Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. Mumbai
2.	Disodium Hydrogen Phosphate	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai
3.	Di potassium Hydrogen Orthophosphate	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai

4.	Sodium Chloride	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai
5.	Methanol	Qualigens Fine Chemicals, Mumbai
6.	Ethanol	Qualigens Fine Chemicals, Mumbai
7.	Chloroform	Qualigens Fine Chemicals, Mumbai
8.	Carbopol 934p	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai
9.	Methyl Paraben	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai
10.	Propyl Paraben	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai
11.	Propylene Glycol	S. D. Fine Chem. Ltd., Mumbai

Instruments Used in Investigation

Instruments which are used in the investigation are listed in Table .

Table no.2: Instruments used for the preparation and evaluation of Emulgel

Sr. No.	Instruments	Supplier
1.	UV -Visible Spectrophotometer	Labindia 3000+
2.	Fourier Transform Infra Red Spectroscopy	Brucker, Germany
3.	Mechanical Stirrer	Bionics Scientifics, Delhi
4.	Optical Microscope	Lyzer, Ambala
5.	Micro Centrifuge	REMI laboratory, Mumbai
6.	Franz Diffusion Cell	Electro Lab, Mumbai
7.	pH Meter	Accumax India, New Delhi
8.	Electronic Balance	Contech Instruments Ltd. , Mumbai
9.	Melting Point Apparatus	Contech Instruments Ltd. , Mumbai
10.	Hot Air Oven	Oracle Equipments, New Delhi
11.	Vortex Apparatus	Ambros Lab Equipments, Ambala
12.	Brook Field Viscometer	Precision Electro Instrumentation India Private Limited, Thane

Preformulation

Preliminary stability studies

Characterization of drug:

Physiochemical Properties of Mometasone furoate

A) Physical evaluation

It refers to the evaluation by sensory characters-taste, appearance, odor, feel of the drug, etc.

Table no.3: List of Sensory characters

S. No.	Sensory characters	Result
1.	Taste	Tasteless
2.	Appearance	White to Off-White
3.	Odor	Odorless
4.	Texture	Crystalline

B) Solubility: Solubility of the drug was determined by taking some quantity of drug (about 1-2 mg) in the test tube separately and added the 5 ml of the solvent (water, ethanol, methanol, 0.1N HCL, 0.1N NaOH, Chloroform and 7.4 pH buffer) Shake vigorously and kept for some time. Note the solubility of the drug in various solvents (at room temperature).⁸

Table no. 4: Solubility of mometasone furoate

S. No.	Solvent	Solubility
1.	Water	Slightly Soluble (+)
2.	Ethanol	Freely soluble (++)
3.	Methanol	Freely soluble (++)
4.	0.1N HCL	Insoluble (+)
5.	0.1N NaOH	Sparingly Soluble (+)
6.	Chloroform	Poorly soluble (-)
7.	7.4 pH buffer	Soluble

B) Melting point:

It is one of the parameters to judge the purity of drugs. In case of pure chemicals, melting points are very sharp and constant. Since the drugs contain the mixed chemicals, they are described with certain range of melting point.⁹

Procedure for determine melting point:

A small quantity of powder was placed into a fusion tube. That tube was placed in the melting point determining apparatus (Chemline) containing castor oil. The temperature of the castor oil was gradual increased automatically and read the temperature at which powder started to melt and the temperature when all the powder gets melted.¹⁰

Table no.5: Melting point of the mometasone furoate

S. No.	Melting Point of Mometasone furoate	Average Melting Point of Mometasone furoate
1.	218-219° C	218-220° C
2.	216-220° C	
3.	218-220° C	

D.Partition coefficient: It is a measurement of a drug's lipophilicity and an indication of its ability to cross cell membrane is the oil/water partition coefficient in system such as octanol/water and chloroform/water. The partition coefficient is defined as the ratio of un-ionized drug distributed between the organic and aqueous phases at equilibrium. It does provide a mean of characterizing the lipophilic/hydrophilic nature of the drug.

Procedure:

Taken well cleaned and dried separating funnel, then transferred the octanol/water system (50:50 20 ml) as sufficient quantity in separating funnel and added the 1 gm drug in it. Shaked the funnel continuously until the drug was distributed in both phases. Then placed the funnel on stand for settle both phases. After that taken both phases in beaker separately and calculated the drug amount present in both phases.

Table no.6: Partition coefficient of the Mometasone furoate

S. No.	Amount of drug in octanol	Amount of drug in water	Partition coefficient (Po/w)	Average partition coefficient
1.	370.08	440.47	0.84	0.84
2.	375.50	447.02	0.84	
3.	365.25	440.06	0.83	

C) Determination of pH (1% w/v solution in water):

Procedure:

About 100mg of the Powder was taken and dissolved in 100ml of distilled water with sonication and filtered. The pH of the filtrate was checked with standard glass electrode.

Table no.7: pH of the Mometasone furoate

S. No.	pH of the solution	Average pH of the solution
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1.	7.4	7.5
2.	7.5	
3.	7.5	

D) Identification test using FTIR Spectroscopy

Infra- red spectrum is an important record which gives sufficient information about the structure of a compound. This technique provides a spectrum containing a large number of absorption band from which a wealth of information can be derived about the structure of an organic compound. The region from 0.8 μ to 2.5 μ is called Near Infra-red and that from 15 μ to 200 μ is called Far infra-red region.

Identification of Mometasone furoate was done by FTIR Spectroscopy with respect to marker compound. Mometasone furoate was obtained as White or almost white crystalline powder. It was identified from the result of IR spectrum as per specification.

Sample of pure Mometasone furoate

The IR spectrum of sample drug shows the peak values which are characteristics of the drug and the graph were shown in figure no. 6.1

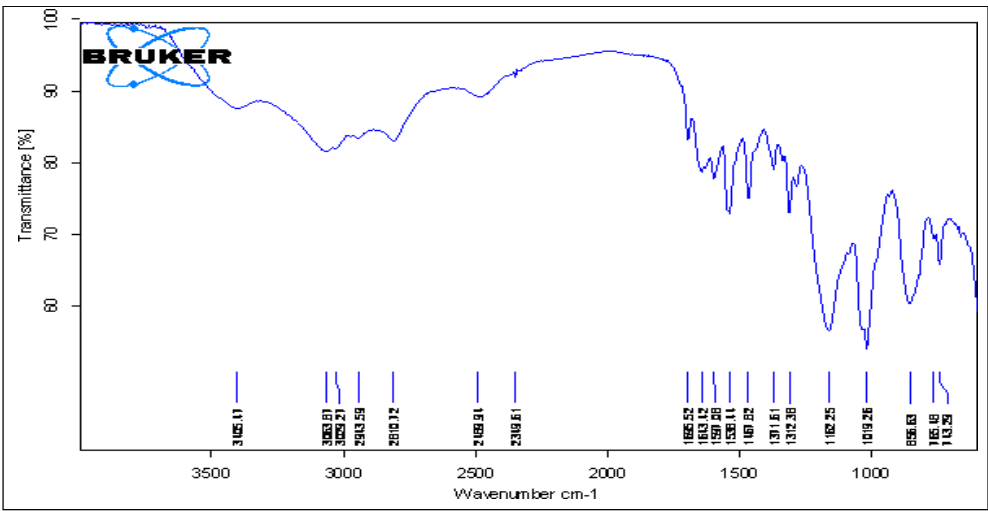


Figure no.7: FT-IR Spectrum of Pure Drug (Mometasone furoate)IR

Spectrum of Mometasone furoate + All EXCIPIENTS

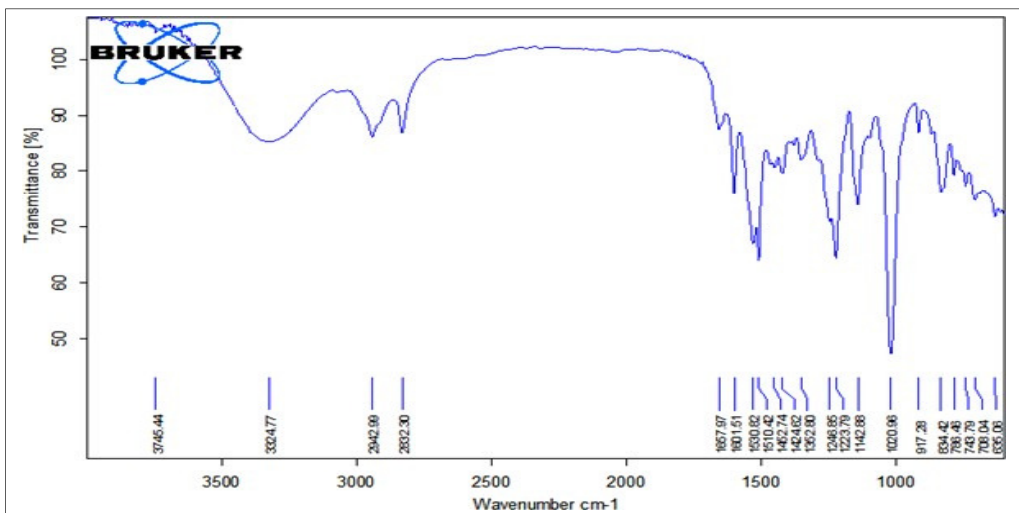


Figure no.8 : FT-IR Spectrum of Pure Drug and Excipients

Loss on drying: The moisture in a solid can be expressed on a wet weight or drywet basis. On a wet weight basis, the water content of a material is calculated as a percentage of the weight of the weight solid. The term loss on drying is an expression of moisture content on a wet weight basis.

Procedure:

Loss on drying is directly measured by IR moisture balance. Firstly calibrated the instrument by knob then taken 5.000 gm sample (powder) and set the temp at 100°C to 105°C for 15 minutes and constant reading set the knob and check % moisture.

Table no. 8: Loss of drying of drug sample

S. No.	Initial weight	Final weight after 15 minutes	% loss of drying	Avg. % loss of drying
1.	5gm	4.92 gm	1.67 %	1.672 %
2.	5gm5gm	gm	1.82 %	
3.		gm	1.67 %	

E) Determination of $\lambda_{\max}$ of mometasone furoate:

The $\lambda_{\max}$ of mometasone furoate was determined by running the spectrum of drug solution in double beam ultraviolet spectrophotometer.

Procedure:

Accurately weighed 10 mg of drug was dissolved in 10 ml of 7.4 pH buffer solution in 10 ml of volumetric flask. The resulted solution 1000 μ g/ml and from this solution 1 ml pipette

out and transfer into 10 ml volumetric flask and volume make up with 7.4 pH buffer solution prepare suitable dilution to make it to a concentration range of 5-25 $\mu\text{g/ml}$. The spectrum of this solution was run in 200-400 nm range in U.V. spectrophotometer (Labindia-3000+). The spectrum peak point graph of absorbance of mometasone furoate versus wave length was shown in figure 6.3.:

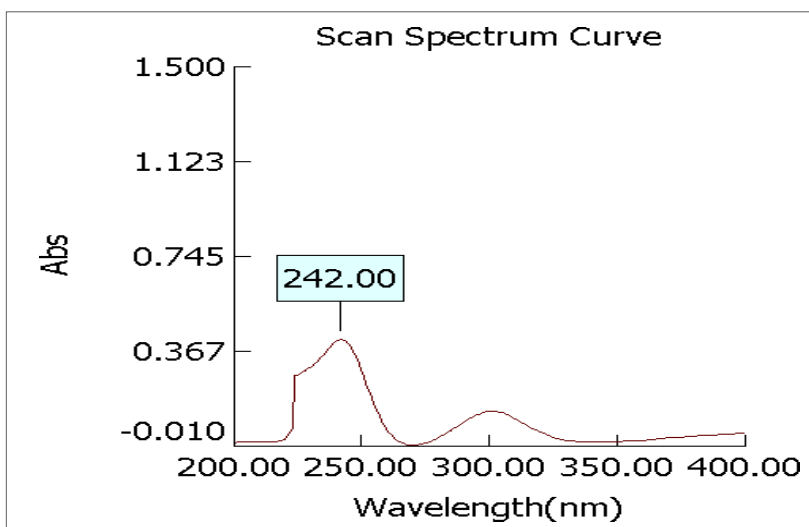


Figure no.9: Standard calibration curve of mometasone furoate

F) Calibration curve of Mometasone furoate at λ max

242nm Observation table:

Table no. 10: Calibration curve of Mometasone furoate

S. No.	Conc. ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	Absorbance (λ max at 242nm)			
		I	II	III	Average
1	5	0.121	0.121	0.123	0.122
2	10	0.241	0.214	0.216	0.224
3	15	0.358	0.359	0.358	0.358
4	20	0.481	0.482	0.481	0.485
5	25	0.601	0.602	0.602	0.602

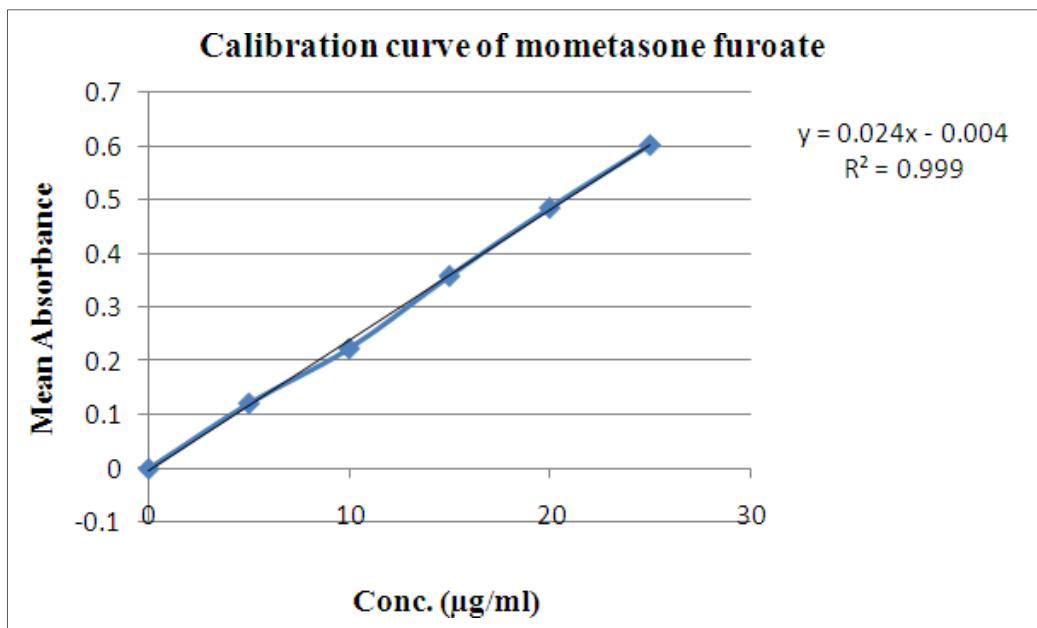


Figure no.10 : The linear regression analysis for standard curve

The linear regression analysis was done on Absorbance data points. The results are as follow for standard curve

Slope	=	0.024
The intercept	=	0.004
The correlation coefficient (r^2)	=	0.999

Compatibility studies of drug and excipients

In the compatibility testing program, blends of drug and excipients are prepared by triturating the drug with Individual excipients.

Procedure: Taken 50 mg accurately weigh of mometasone furoate dry powder and 50 mg of excipients and mix the blend of drug and excipients and binary/tertiary blends of extract and excipients were prepared and transferred to inert glass vials. The mouths of the vials were covered with rubber closures followed by the aluminum seal caps. Binary/tertiary blends of extract and excipients, Mometasone furoate neat and excipients were stored at 4°C (refrigerator) as control and at 40°C/75%RH for accelerated stability studies for 4 weeks. The visual observations (color, flow, & sticking) were recorded for initial and at the end of the first, second, third and fourth week.

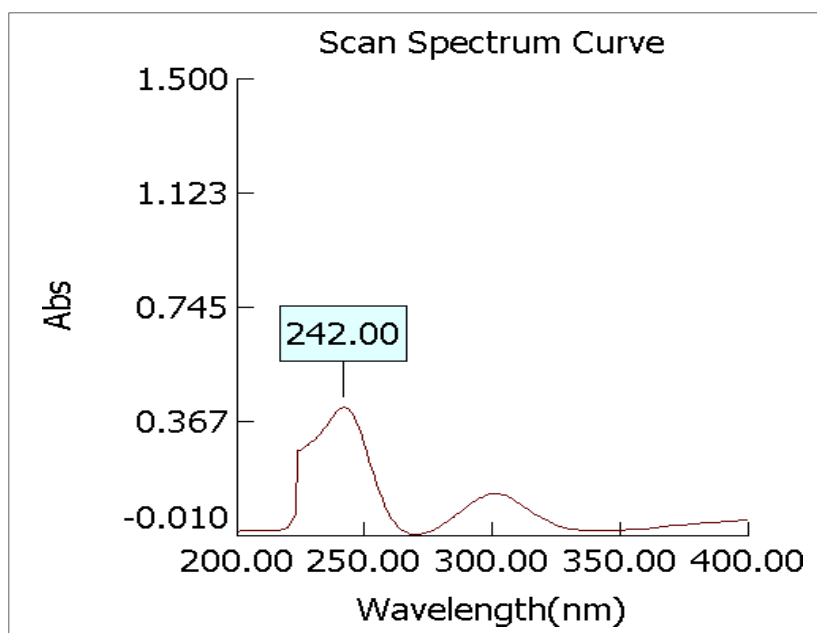


Figure no.11: U.V. Graph of standard Mometasone furoate

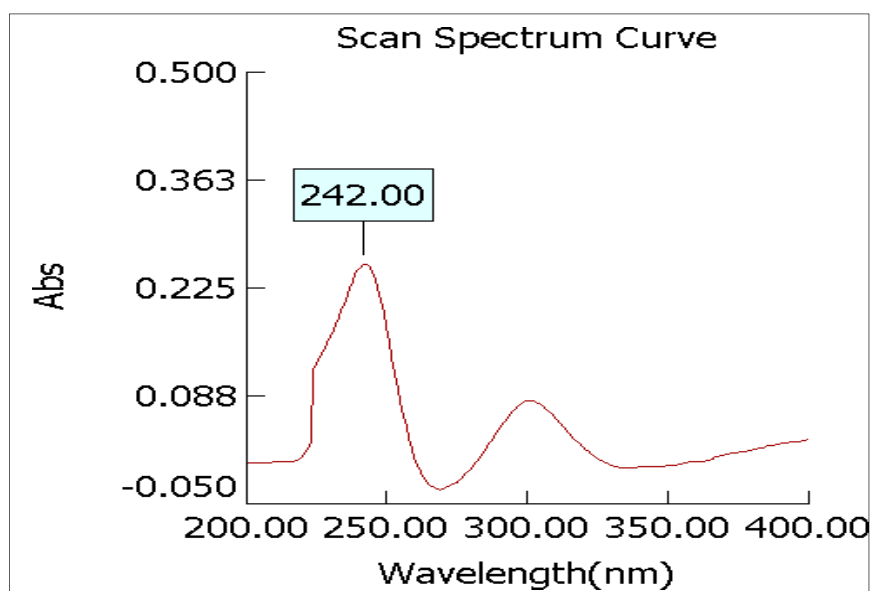


Figure no.12: U.V. Graph of standard mometasone furoate + all excipients

PREPARATION AND CHARACTERIZATION

Formulation development

Preparation of carbopol

Fifty grams of the carbopol gel was prepared by dispersing one gram of carbopol powder in 50 ml purified water with aid of moderate speed stirrer (50 rpm), and then the pH was adjusted to 6-6.5 using 0.5 N sodium hydroxide.

Preparation of emulsion

Different formulations F1, F2, F3, and F4, were prepared using Carbopol 934 as gelling agent whereas formulations F5, F6, F7 and F8 were prepared by dispersing HPMC in heated distilled water (80°C), and the dispersion was cooled and left overnight. The pH of all the formulations was adjusted to 6-6.5 using tri ethanol amine (TEA). The oil phase of the emulsion was prepared by dissolving Span 20 in light liquid paraffin, while the aqueous phase was prepared by dissolving Tween 20 and ethanol in purified water. Methylparaben was dissolved in propylene glycol and mixed with aqueous phase. Drug was dissolved in oil phase. Permeation enhancers were dissolved in the oily phase. Both the oily and aqueous phases were separately heated to 70° to 80°C, then the oily phase was added to the aqueous phase with continuous stirring until it got cooled to room temperature. The obtained emulsion was mixed with the gel in 1:1 ratio along with the addition of a few drops of glutaraldehyde followed by gentle stirring to obtain the Emulgel.

Table no.11 : Different formulas of Mometasone furoate emulgel (% w/w)

Formulation	Mometasone furoate (g)	Carbomer 941 (g)	HPMC (g)	Liquid Paraffin (g)	Span 20 (g)	Tween	propylene glycol
F1	500	1	-	5	1	0.5	5
F2	500	1	-	5	1	0.5	5
F3	500	1	-	5	1	0.5	5
F4	500	1	-	5	1	0.5	5
F5	500	-	1	10	2	1	5
F6	500	-	1	10	2	1	5
F7	500	-	1	10	2	1	5
F8	500	-	1	10	2	1	5

Evaluation of emulgel

Physical Characteristic

The Physical Characteristic was checked for emulgel formulations (colour, clogging, homogeneity and texture) and observations were shown in Table 8.1.

Determination of pH

The pH of the emulgel was determined by digital pH meter. One gram of gel was dissolved in 25 ml of distilled water and the electrode was then dipped in to gel formulation for 30 min until constant reading obtained. And constant reading was noted. The measurements of pH of each formulation were replicated two times.

Washability

Formulations were applied on the skin and then ease and extent of washing with water were checked manually and observations were shown in Table 8.1.

Extrudability study

The emulgel formulations were filled into collapsible metal tubes or aluminium collapsible tubes. The tubes were pressed to extrude the material and the extrudability of the formulation was checked.

Spreadability

Method:

Two glass slides of standard dimensions (6×2) were selected. The emulgel formulation whose spreadability had to be determined was placed over one of the slides. The second slide was placed over the slide in such a way that the formulation was sandwiched between them across a length of 6 cms along the slide. 100 grams of weight was placed up on the upper slide so that the emulgel formulation between the two slides was traced uniformly to form a thin layer.

The weight was removed and the excess of the emulgel formulation adhering to the slides was scrapped off. The lower slide was fixed on the board of the apparatus and one end of the upper slide was tied to a string to which 20 gram load could be applied 50 with the help of a simple pulley. The time taken for the upper slide to travel the distance of 6 cms and separate away from lower slide under the direction of the weight was noted. The experiment was repeated and the average of 6 such determinations was calculated for each emulgel formulation Ahmad (2008).

$$\text{Spreadability} = \frac{m.l}{t}$$

Where, S=Spreadability (gcm/sec)

m = weight tied to the upper slide (20 grams) l= length of glass slide (6cms).

t = time taken in seconds.

Viscosity

The measurement of viscosity of the prepared gel was done using Brookfield digital Viscometer. The viscosity was measured using spindle no. 6 at 10 rpm and 25°C. The sufficient quantity of gel was filled in appropriate wide mouth container. The gel was filled in the wide mouth container in such way that it should sufficiently allow to dip the spindle of the Viscometer. Samples of the gels were allowed to settle over 30 min at the constant temperature (25±1°C) before the measurements.

***In-vitro* drug release studies using the prehydrated cellophane membrane**

1. Preparation of cellophane membrane for the diffusion studies:

The cellophane membrane approximately 25 cm x 2cm was taken and washed in the running water. It was then soaked in distilled water for 24 hours, before used for diffusion studies to remove glycerin present on it and was mounted on the diffusion cell for further studies.

2. Diffusion Studies:

The *in-vitro* diffusion of drug from the different gel preparations were studied using the classical standard cylindrical tube fabricated in the laboratory; a simple modification of the cell is a glass tube of 15mm internal diameter and 100mm height. The diffusion cell membrane was applied with one gram of the formulation and was tied securely to one end of the tube, the other end kept open to ambient conditions which acted as donor compartment. The cell was inverted and immersed slightly in 250 ml of beaker containing neutralizing phthalate buffer, freshly prepared (pH 5.4) as a receptor base and the system was maintained for 2 hrs at 37± 0.5°C. The media was stirred using magnetic stirrer. Aliquots, each of 5 ml volume were withdrawn periodically at predetermined time interval of up to 12 hrs and replaced by an equal volume of the receptor medium. The aliquots were suitably diluted with the receptor medium and analyzed by UV-Vis spectrophotometer at 260.0 nm using neutralizing phthalate buffer as blank.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Characterization of emulgel

Gels were evaluated for their clarity, pH, viscosity, spreadability, skin irritation test, in vitro diffusion studies using standard procedure. All studies were carried out in triplicate and average values were reported.

Results of psychorheological characteristic

The Psychorheological Characteristic was checked for emulgel formulations (colour, clogging, homogeneity and texture) and observations were shown in Table.

Results of Washability

Formulations were applied on the skin and then ease and extent of washing with water were checked manually and observations were shown in Table.

Table no.12: Psychorheological Characteristic

Formulation	Washability	observation
F1	+++	white cream
F2	+++	white cream
F3	+++	white cream
F4	+++	white cream
F5	++	white cream
F6	++	white cream
F7	++	white cream
F8	++	white cream

Washability - Excellent: +++, Good: ++, Average: +, Poor: -

Results of extrudability study

The emulgel formulations were filled into collapsible metal tubes or aluminium collapsible tubes. The tubes were pressed to extrude the material and the extrudability of the formulation was checked.

Results of Spreadability

Table no.12: Extrudability and Spreadability study

Formulation	Extrudability	Spreadability (gcm/sec)
F1	++	11.11±1.23
F2	+++	10.23±0.89
F3	+++	11.56±0.87
F4	+++	12.32±0.58
F5	++	9.85±0.45
F6	++	8.65±0.65
F7	+++	9.12±0.12
F8	++	7.98±0.32

Excellent: +++, Good: ++, Average: +, Poor: -

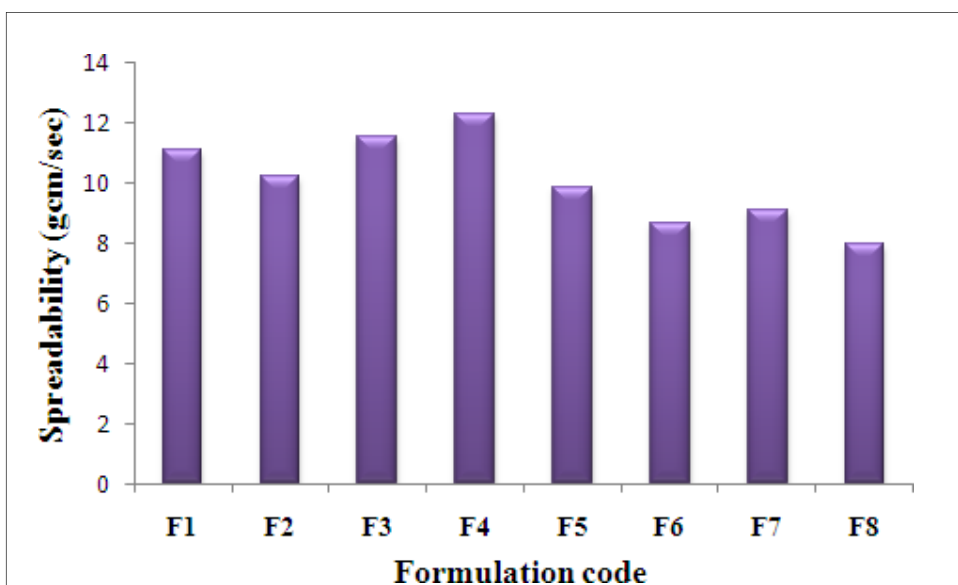


Figure no.13: Graph of Spreadability study

Results of Viscosity

The measurement of viscosity of the prepared gel was done using Brookfield digital Viscometer. The viscosity was measured using spindle no. 6 at 10 rpm and 25°C. The sufficient quantity of gel was filled in appropriate wide mouth container. The gel was filled in the wide mouth container in such way that it should sufficiently allow to dip the spindle of the Viscometer. Samples of the gels were allowed to settle over 30 min at the constant temperature (25±1°C) before the measurements.

Determination of pH

Table no.13 : Viscosity and pH

Formulation	Viscosity (cps)	pH
F1	2569	6.5
F2	2365	6.8
F3	2789	6.5
F4	2654	6.6
F5	1984	6.8
F6	1950	6.5
F7	1898	6.7
F8	1812	6.8

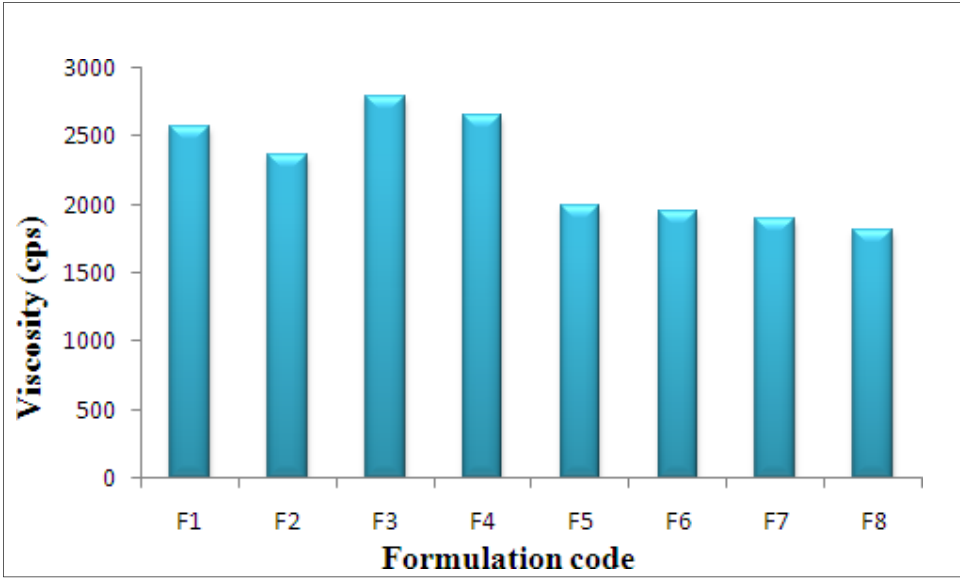


Figure no.14: Graph of Viscosity (cps)

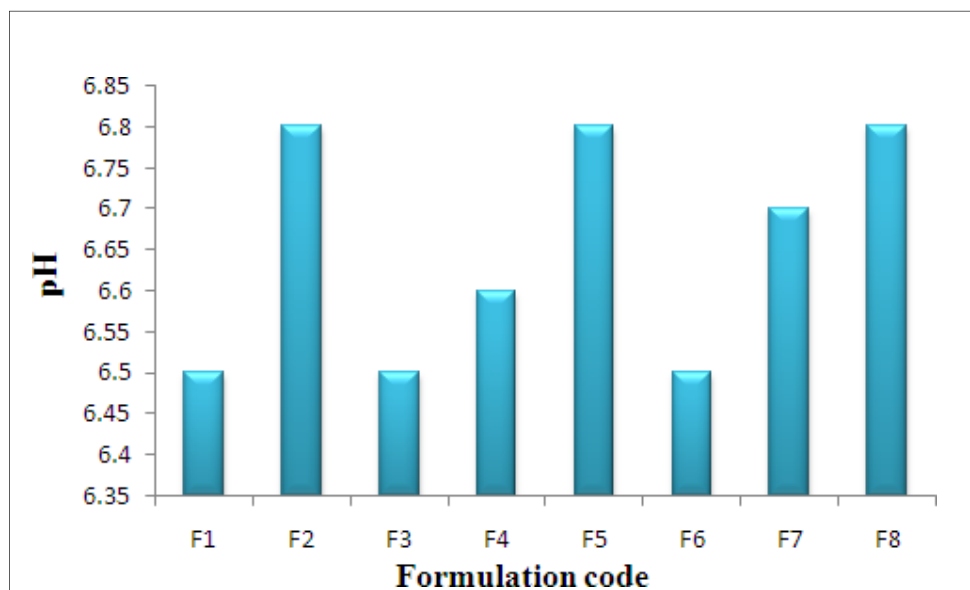


Figure no15 : Graph of pH

***In-vitro* drug release studies using the prehydrated cellophane membrane**

Release of drug from Mometasone furoate emulgel was significantly slower, which confirmed that slight prolonged drug release rate. Incorporation of carbomer affected the release rate of the drug. By increasing the amount of carbomer, the release rate of the drug decreased, which could be related to the increased rigidity of the formulation, followed by its de-creased permeability for the drug. *In-vitro* drug release studies of formulation F1-F8

Table no.14: % Cum. drug release of formulation F1-F8

S. No.	Time (min)	% Cum. drug release							
		F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	15	15.65	18.98	23.36	25.65	11.23	16.65	15.65	11.23
3	30	28.65	32.25	36.65	40.23	18.98	22.36	23.36	20.14
4	45	36.56	46.65	40.12	46.65	25.65	28.98	34.56	31.56
5	60	46.56	58.98	58.98	55.65	33.36	36.65	40.25	39.98
6	120	55.65	72.25	78.98	88.98	48.98	50.14	55.65	45.65
7	240	78.98	87.98	95.56	98.89	56.69	62.12	69.98	52.12

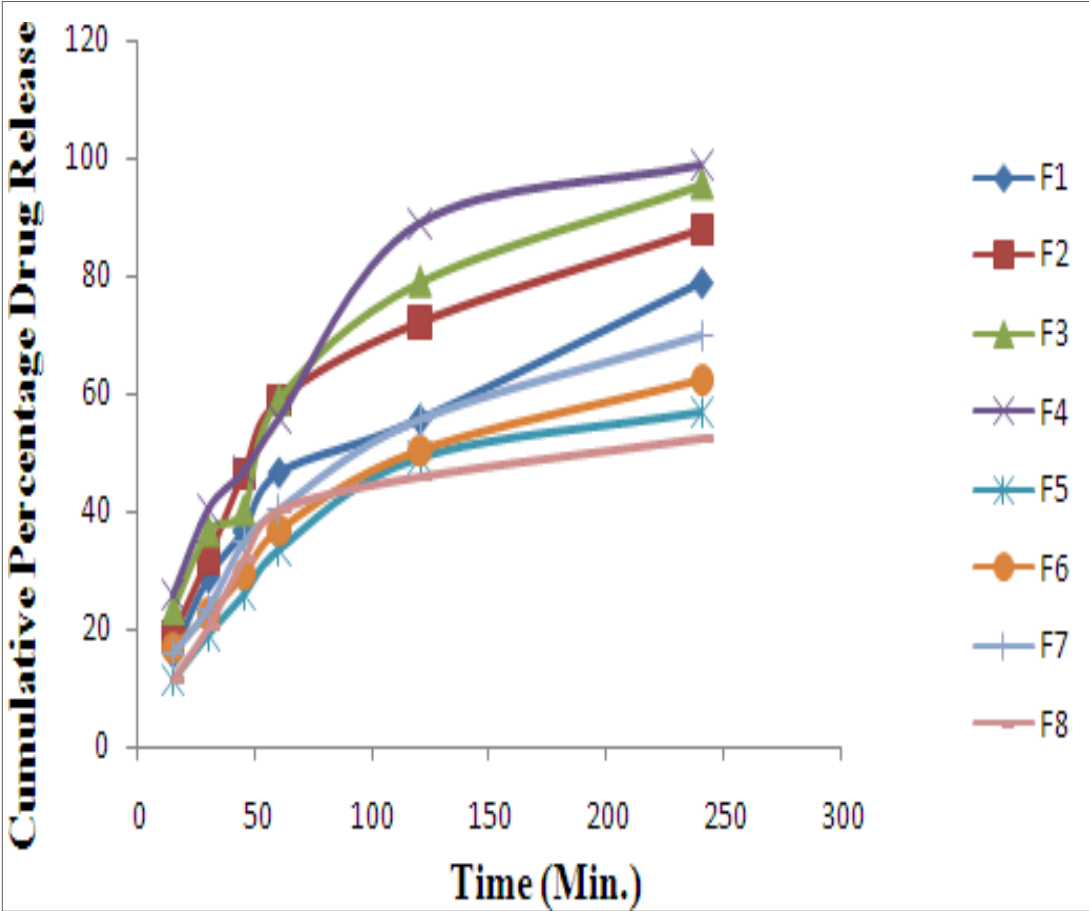


Figure no.16: Graph of % Cum. drug release of formulation F1-F8

Table no.15 : *In Vitro* Drug Release Data for optimized formulation F4

S. No.	Time (min)	Square Root of Time	Log Time	Cumulative * Percentage Drug Release ± SD	Log Cumulative Percentage Drug Release	Cumulative Percent Drug Remaining	Log cumulative Percent Drug Remaining
1	15	3.873	1.176	25.65	1.409087369	74.35	1.871280973
2	30	5.477	1.477	40.23	1.604550033	59.77	1.776483256
3	45	6.708	1.653	46.65	1.668851648	53.35	1.727134424

4	60	7.746	1.778	55.65	1.745465169	44.35	1.646893624
5	120	10.954	2.079	88.98	1.949292401	11.02	1.042181595
6	240	15.492	2.38	98.89	1.995152377	1.11	0.045322979

* Average of three determinations

Zero order release Kinetics of Optimized formulation F4

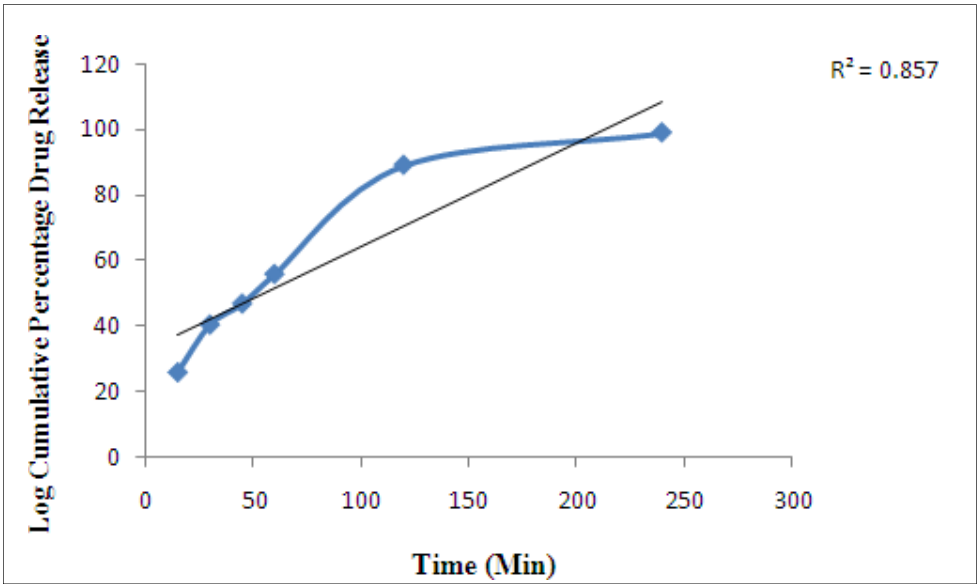


Figure no.17: Graph of Zero order release Kinetics of Optimized formulation

F4First order release Kinetics of Optimized formulation F4

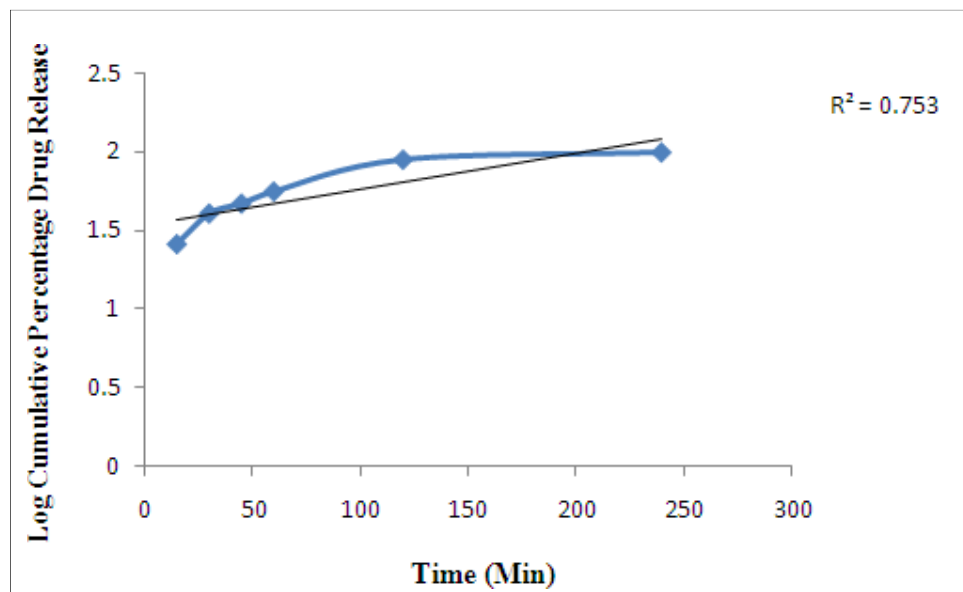


Figure no.18 : Graph of First order release Kinetics of Optimized formulation F4

In vitro drug release from the semisolid preparation of Mometasone furoate emulgel optimized formulation F4 shows significantly improved in drug release rate as compare to marketed preparation. It was concluded that developed formulations deliver the drug for the treatment of fungal disease. Hence it could be concluded that the carbomer based semisolid preparation would providing local onset of action without need of any device for their application on skin. The preparation of emulgel has potential advantages over marketed preparation as they improved patient compliance rapid local onset of action for longer period with cost effectiveness. The pediatric and geriatric populations are the primary ones whose problems are easily targeted.

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