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Simultaneous estimation of rosuvastatin and aspirin by RP-HPLC in pharmaceutical formulations

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ABSTRACT

We intend to develop RP-HPLC method by simultaneous determination with simple, rapid, greater sensitivity and faster elution. The work is to establish a stability-indicating HPLC method for simultaneous determination of Rosuvastatin and Aspirin in combined dosage form. The validated method would be applicable in both formulation development and routine quality control analysis. The estimation of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was done by RP-HPLC. The assay of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was performed with tablets and the % assay was found to be 99.11 and 100.76 which shows that the method is useful for routine analysis. The linearity of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was found to be linear with a correlation coefficient of 0.999 and 0.999, which shows that the method is capable of producing good sensitivity.

The acceptance criteria of precision is RSD should be not more than 2.0% and the method show precision 0.8 and 0.5 for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin which shows that the method is precise.

The acceptance criteria of intermediate precision is RSD should be not more than 2.0% and the method show precision 0.6 and 0.5 for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin which shows that the method is repeatable when performed in different days also.

The accuracy limit is the percentage recovery should be in the range of 97.0% - 103.0%. The total recovery was found to be 100.34% and 100.22% for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin. The validation of developed method shows that the accuracy is well within the limit, which shows that the method is capable of showing good accuracy and reproducibility.

The acceptance criteria for LOD and LOQ is 3 and 10. The LOD and LOQ for Aspirin was found to be 3.00 and 9.98 and LOD and LOQ for Rosuvastatin was found to be 3.02 and 10.00.

Keywords: Rosuvastatin calcium; Aspirin; Simultaneous estimation; HPTLC.

INTRODUCTION

Analytical chemistry is the science that seeks ever improved means of measuring the chemical composition of natural and artificial materials. Chemical composition is the entire picture (composition) of the material at the chemical scale and includes geometric features such as molecular morphologies and distributions of species within a sample as well as single dimensional features such as percent composition and species identity.¹

To be effective and efficient, analyzing samples requires expertise in

1. The chemistry that can occur in a sample.
2. Analysis and sample handling methods for a wide variety of problems (the tools-of-the-trade).
3. Accuracy and precision of the method.
4. Proper data analysis and record keeping.

The pharmaceutical analysis comprises the procedures necessary to determine the "identity, strength, quality and purity" of such compounds. It also includes the analysis of raw material and intermediates during manufacturing process

of drugs.

High performance liquid chromatography

High performance liquid chromatography is a very sensitive analytical technique most widely used for quantitative and qualitative analysis of pharmaceuticals. The principle advantage of HPLC compared to classical column chromatography is improved resolution of the separated substance, faster separation times and the increased accuracy, precision and sensitivity⁸.

Analytical parameters for validation

Validation may be defined as a process involving confirmation or establishing by laboratory studies that a method/ system/ analyst gives accurate and reproducible result for intended analytical application in a proven and established range^{10,11}.

Validation parameters

The parameters for method validation as defined by the ICH guidelines are summarized below.

Linearity

It is the ability of the method to elicit test result that is directly proportional to analytic concentration within a given range. It is generally reported as variance of slope of regression line. It is determined by series of three to six injections of five or more standards.

Precision

It is a measure of degree of repeatability of an analytical method under normal operation and it is normally expressed as % of relative standard deviation (% RSD). This involves

- Repeatability
- Reproducibility
- Intermediate precision

$$\% \text{ RSD} = 100 \text{ S/X}$$

Where,

S = Standard deviation X = Mean

It is determined at three levels.

Repeatability

Precision of the method when repeated by the same analysts, same test method and under same set of laboratory conditions (reagent, equipments), within a short interval of time, the only difference being the sample.

Reproducibility

When the subject method is carried out by different analysts in different laboratories using different equipments, reagents and laboratory settings and on different days of variability of analytical results as function of analyst, day to day, laboratory to laboratory, equipment to equipment etc., using the samples from same homogenous batch.

Intermediate precision

It is determined by comparing the results of a method within the same laboratory but different days, analysts, equipments and reagents.

Accuracy

Defined as the closeness of agreement between the actual (true) value and mean analytical value obtained by applying the test method a number of times. Accuracy is acceptable if the difference between the true value and mean measured value does not exceed the RSD values obtained for repeatability of the method.

One can design experiments for recovery of known or spiked samples in presence of expected matrix, keeping the matrix constant. Accuracy can also be determined by comparing the results with those obtained using an alternative method which has already been validated.

Limit of Detection (LOD)

It is defined as the lowest concentration of an analyte in a sample that can be detected but not quantified. LOD is expressed as a concentration at a specified signal to noise ratio. The LOD will not only depend on the procedure of analysis but also on the type of instrument.

In chromatography, detection limit is the injected amount that results in a peak with a height at least twice or thrice as high as baseline noise level.

$$\text{S/N} = 2/1 \text{ or } 3/1$$

Limit of Quantification (LOQ)

It is defined as lowest concentration of analyte in a sample that can be determined with acceptable precision and accuracy and reliability by a given method under stated experimental conditions. The procedure usually followed is to analyze samples containing decreasing known quantity of the analyte and determine the Lowest level at which acceptable level of accuracy is attained.

LOQ is expressed as a concentration at a specified signal to noise ratio. In chromatography, limit of quantification is the injected amount that results in a peak with a height, ten times as high as base line noise level.

$$\text{S/N} = 10/1$$

Ruggedness

Degree of reproducibility of test results obtained by analyzing the same sample under variety of normal test conditions such as different analysts, instruments, days, reagents, column and TLC plates.

Robustness

It is the measure of the capacity of the analytical method to remain unaffected by small but deliberate variation in procedure. It provides an indication about variability of the method during normal laboratory conditions.

Drug profile

Rosuvastatin

Rosuvastatin is an antilipemic agent that competitively inhibits hydroxymethylglutaryl-coenzyme A (HMG-CoA) reductase. HMG-CoA reductase catalyzes the conversion of HMG-CoA to mevalonic acid, the rate-limiting step in cholesterol biosynthesis. Rosuvastatin belongs to a class of medications called statins and is used to reduce plasma cholesterol levels and prevent cardiovascular disease.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Table 1: Instruments used

SL.No	Instrument	Model
1	HPLC	WATERS, software: Empower, 2695 separation module.2487 UV detector.
2	UV/VIS spectrophotometer	LABINDIA UV 3000 ⁺
3	pH meter	Adwa – AD 1020
4	Weighing machine	Afcoset ER-200A
5	Pipettes and Burettes	Borosil
6	Beakers	Borosil

Table 2: Chemicals used

SL.No	Chemical	Brand
1	Aspirin	Supplied by Pharmatrain
2	Rosuvastatin	Supplied by Pharmatrain
3	KH ₂ PO ₄	FINAR chemical LTD
3	Ortho phosphoric acid	FINAR chemical LTD
4	Water and Methanol for HPLC	Standard solutions Ltd
5	Acetonitrile for HPLC	Standard solutions Ltd
6	HCl, H ₂ O ₂ , NaOH	MERCK

HPLC method development

Wave length selection

UV spectrum of 10µg/ml Aspirin and Rosuvastatin diluents (mobile phase composition) was recorded by scanning in the range of 200nm to 400nm. From the UV spectrum wavelength selected as 240nm. At this wavelength, both the drugs show good absorbed.

Optimized chromatographic conditions

Equipment High performance liquid chromatography equipped with Auto Sampler and uv Detector

Mobile phase : ACN: OPA 3 (80:20)

Column : Inertsil ODS (4.6 x250 mm, 5µm)

Flow rate : 1mL per min

Wavelength : 240 nm Injection volume: 20µL Column oven: Ambient

Run time : 10min

Preparation of buffer and mobile phase

Preparation of OPA Buffer

Take accurately 1ml of ortho phosphoric Acid is dissolved in 1000ml of Hplc water then adjust the pH 3 with NaOH.

Preparation of mobile phase

Mix a mixture of above buffer 200 mL (20%) and 800 mL of Acetonitrile HPLC (80%) degas in ultrasonic water bath for 5 minutes. Filter through 0.45 µ filter under vacuum filtration.

Diluent Preparation

Use the Mobile phase as Diluent.

Validation parameters

Assay

Standard Solution Preparation

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin &

Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution). Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Sample Solution Preparation

Accurately weigh and transfer equivalent to 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin sample (Tablet powder) into a 10ml clean dry volumetric flask add about 7mL of Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent.(Stock solution). Further pipette 0.6ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Procedure

Inject 20 µL of the standard, sample into the chromatographic system and measure the areas for the Aspirin & Rosuvastatin peaks and calculate the %Assay by using the formulae.

Linearity

Preparation of stock solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution) Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of Level – I (150ppm & 20ppm of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin):

0.2ml of stock solution has taken in 10ml of volumetric flask dilute up to the mark with Diluents.

Preparation of Level – II (300ppm & 40ppm of Aspirin &

Rosuvastatin):

0.4ml of stock solution has taken in 10ml of volumetric flask dilute up to the mark with Diluents.

Preparation of Level – III (450ppm & 60ppm of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin):

0.6ml of stock solution has taken in 10ml of volumetric flask dilute up to the mark with Diluents.

Preparation of Level – IV (600ppm & 80ppm of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin):

0.8ml of stock solution has taken in 10ml of volumetric flask dilute up to the mark with Diluents.

Preparation of Level – V (750ppm & 100ppm of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin):

1.0ml of stock solution has taken in 10ml of volumetric flask dilute up to the mark with Diluents.

Procedure

Inject each level into the chromatographic system and measure the peak area. Plot a graph of peak area versus concentration (on X-axis concentration and on Y-axis Peak area) and calculate the correlation coefficient.

Precision

Preparation of stock solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Procedure

The standard solution was injected for five times and measured the area for all five injections in HPLC. The %RSD for the area of five replicate injections was found to be within the specified limits.

Intermediate precision/ruggedness

To evaluate the intermediate precision (also known as Ruggedness) of the method, Precision was performed on different day within the laboratory.

Preparation of stock solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Procedure

The standard solution was injected for six times and measured the area for all six injections in HPLC. The %RSD for the area of six replicate injections was found to be within the specified limits.

Accuracy

For accuracy determination, three different concentrations were prepared separately i.e. 50%, 100% and 150% for the analyte and chromatograms are recorded for the same.

Preparation of Standard stock solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation Sample solutions

For preparation of 50% solution (With respect to target Assay concentration): Accurately weigh and transfer 37.5 & 5mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution). Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

For preparation of 100% solution (With respect to target Assay concentration): Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

For preparation of 150% solution (With respect to target Assay concentration): Accurately weigh and transfer 112.5 & 15mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Procedure

Inject the standard solution, Accuracy -50%, Accuracy -100% and Accuracy -150% solutions. Calculate the Amount found and Amount added for Aspirin & Rosuvastin and calculate the individual recovery and mean recovery values.

Limit of detection

Preparation of Aspirin solution: Preparation of 450µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75mg of Aspirin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of 0.69 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 mg of Aspirin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 0.24ml of the above stock solution into a 100ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 0.65ml of the above stock solution into a 100ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of Rosuvastatin solution

Preparation of 60 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 10mg of Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of 0.63 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 10mg of Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 1ml of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 1.1ml of the above stock solution into a 100ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Limit of quantification

Preparation of Aspirin solution: Preparation of 450 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 of Aspirin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of 2.31 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 of Aspirin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution). Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent. Further pipette 1 ml of the above stock solution into a 100ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of Rosuvastatin solution

Preparation of 60 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 10mg of Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Preparation of 2.10 µg/ml solution

Accurately weigh and transfer 10mg of Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 4ml of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Further pipette 0.88ml of the above stock solution into a 100ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Robustness

As part of the Robustness, deliberate change in the Flow rate, Mobile Phase composition, Temperature Variation was made to evaluate the impact on the method.

a. The flow rate was varied at 0.9 ml/min to 1.1ml/min. Standard solution 450 ppm & 60 ppm of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin prepared and analysed using the varied flow rates along with method flow rate.

b. Standard solution 450 µg/ml & 60µg/ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin was prepared and analysed using the varied Mobile phase composition along with the actual mobile phase composition in the method.

Degradation studies

The International Conference on Harmonization (ICH) guideline entitled stability testing of new drug substances and products requires that stress testing be carried out to elucidate the inherent stability characteristics of the active substance. The aim of this work was to perform the stress degradation studies on the Aspirin and Rosuvastatin using the proposed method.

Preparation of stock

Accurately weigh and transfer 75 & 10mg of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin working standard into a 10mL clean dry volumetric flask add Diluent and sonicate to dissolve it completely and make volume up to the mark with the same solvent. (Stock solution)

Further pipette 0.6 ml of Aspirin & Rosuvastatin of the above stock solution into a 10ml volumetric flask and dilute up to the mark with diluent.

Hydrolytic degradation under acidic condition

Pipette 0.6 ml of above solution into a 10ml volumetric flask

and 3 ml of 0.1N HCl was added. Then, the volumetric flask was kept at 60°C for 6 hours and then neutralized with 0.1 N NaOH and make up to 10ml with diluent. Filter the solution with 0.22 micronssyringe filters and place in vials.

Hydrolytic degradation under alkaline condition

Pipette 0.6 ml of above solution into a 10ml volumetric flask into and add 3 ml of 0.1N NaOH was added in 10 ml of volumetric flask. Then, the volumetric flask was kept at 60°C for 6 hours and then neutralized with 0.1N HCl and make up to 10ml with diluent. Filter the solution with 0.22 microns syringe filters and place in vials.

Thermal induced degradation

Aspirin and Rosuvastatin sample was taken in petridish and kept in Hot air oven at 110⁰ C for 24 hours. Then the sample was taken and diluted with diluents and injected into UPLC and analysed.

Oxidative degradation

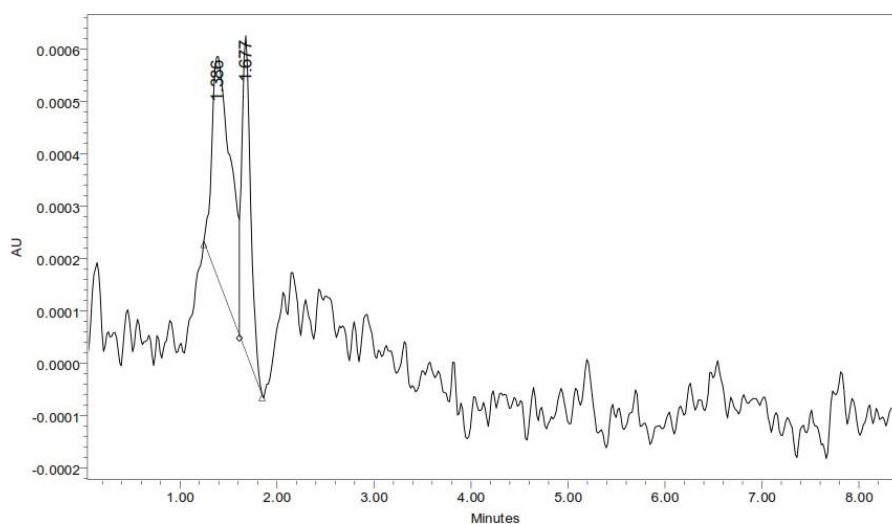
Pipette 0.6 ml above stock solution-2 into a 10ml volumetric flask, 1 ml of 3% w/v of hydrogen peroxide added and the volume was made up to the mark with diluent . The volumetric flask was then kept at room temperature for 15 min. Filter the solution with 0.45 microns syringe filters and place in vials.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Chromatographic conditions

Column	: Inspire ODS (4.6 x250 mm, 5□m)
Mobile phase ratio	: ACN: Water (60:40)
Detection wavelength	: 220 nm
Flow rate	: 1 ml/min
Injection volume	: 10µl

The trial shows no good peak separation, so more trials was required for obtaining peaks



System suitability

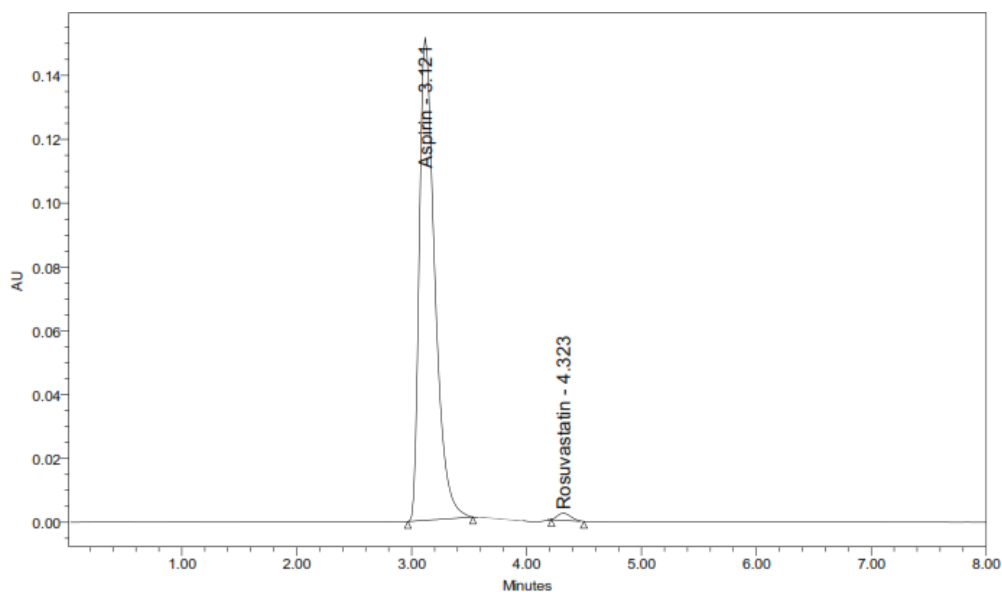


Fig 2: Chromatogram for system suitability

Table 3: Results of system suitability parameters

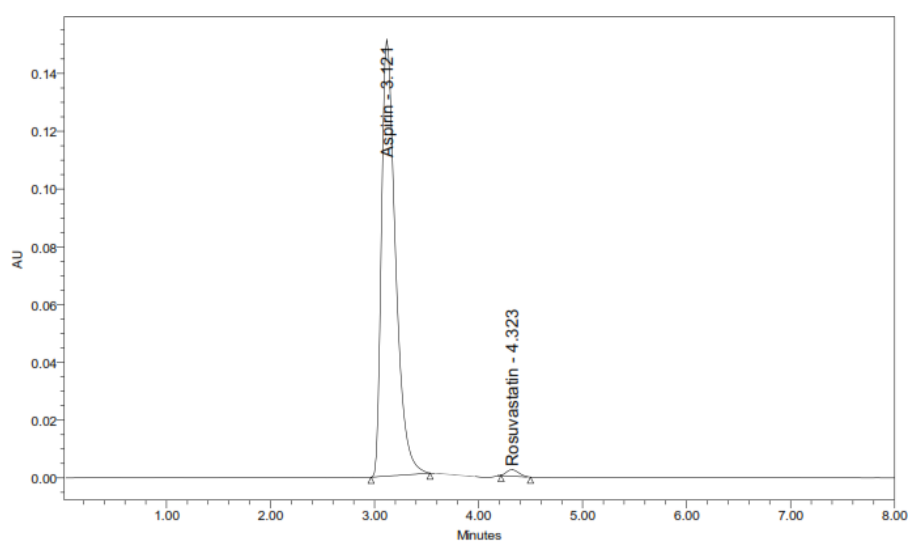
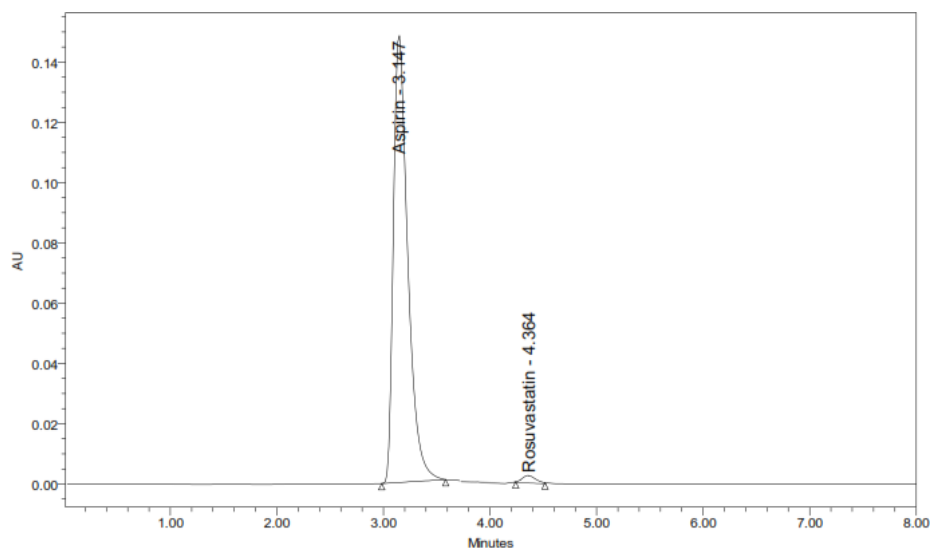
S.No	Name	RT(min)	Area (μVsec)	Height(μV)	USP resolution	USP tailing	USP plate count
1	Aspirin	3.121	1037570	151488		1.15	2597.80
2	Rosuvastatin	4.323	171037	2178	5.16	1.27	6104.23

- Resolution between two drugs must be not less than 2.
- Theoretical plates must be not less than 2000.
- Tailing factor must be not more than 2.
- It was found from above data that all the system suitability parameters for developed method were within the limit.

Validation parameters

Assay

Standard and sample solution injected as described under experimental work. The corresponding chromatograms and results are shown below.

**Fig 3: Chromatogram for Standard****Fig 4: Chromatogram for Sample****Table 4: Results of Assay for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin**

	Label Claim (mg)	% Assay
Aspirin	75	99.11
Rosuvastatin	10	100.76

Linearity

The linearity range was found to lie from 150 μ g/ml to 750 μ g/ml of Aspirin, 20 μ g/ml to 100 μ g/ml Of Rosuvastatin and chromatograms are shown below.

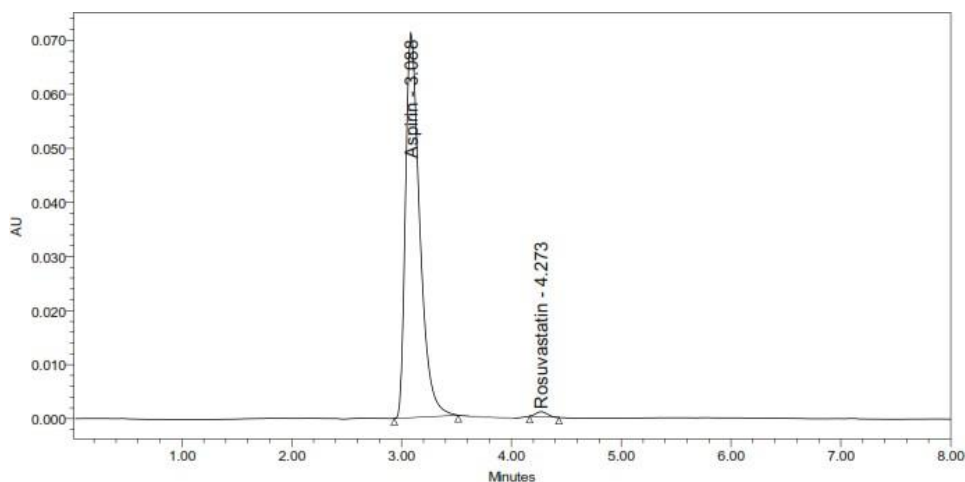


Fig 5: Chromatogram for linearity

Table 5: Area of different concentration of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin

S. No	Aspirin		Rosuvastatin	
	Concentration (μ g/ml)	Area	Concentration (μ g/ml)	Area
1	150	360303	20	59045
2	300	692178	40	114337
3	450	1019720	60	168147
4	600	1333531	80	220495
5	750	1679118	100	276005

Table 6: Analytical performance parameters of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin

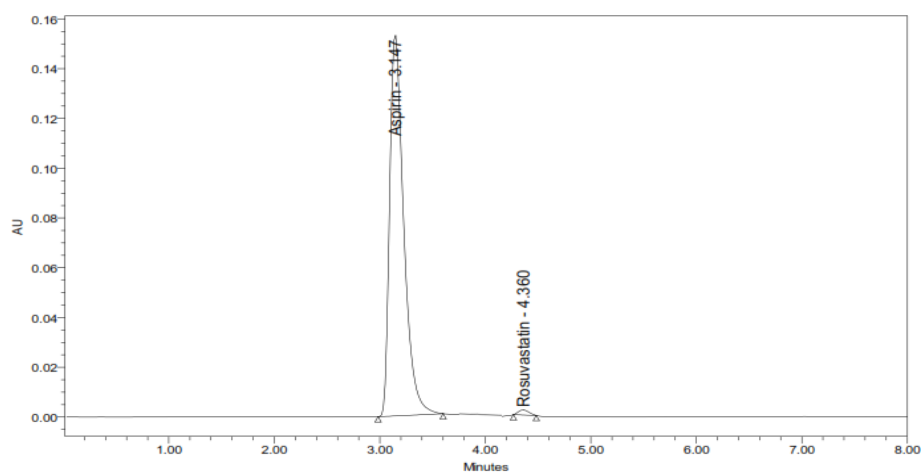
Parameters	Aspirin	Rosuvastatin
Slope (m)	2168	2700.4
Intercept (c)	33275	5582.4
Correlation coefficient (R^2)	0.999	0.999

Correlation coefficient (R^2) should not be less than 0.999

The correlation coefficient obtained was 0.999 which is in the acceptance limit.

Precision

Precision of the method was carried out for both sample solutions as described under experimental work. The corresponding chromatograms and results are shown below.



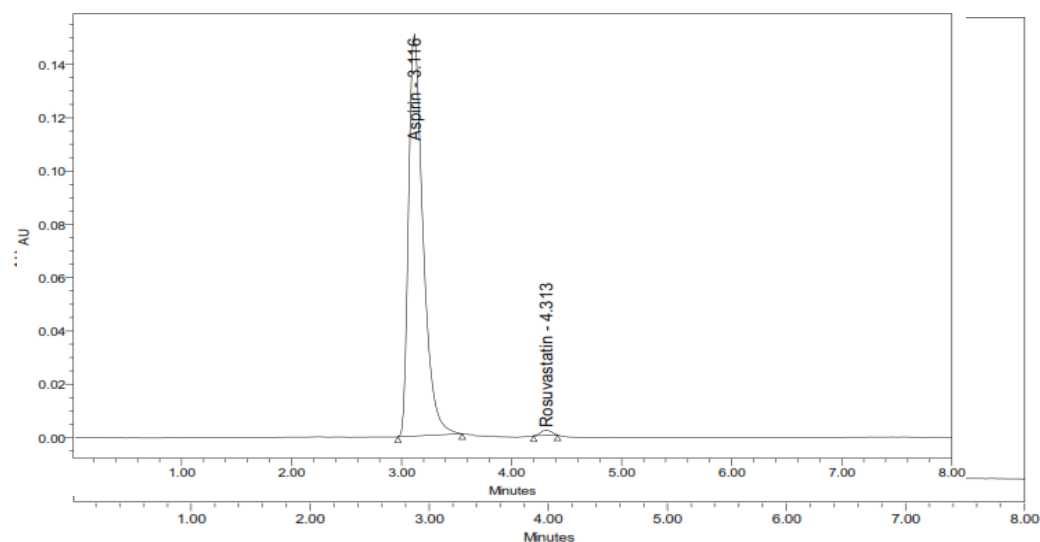


Fig 6: Chromatogram for Precision

Table 7: Results of Precision for Aspirin

Injection	Area
Injection-1	1023945
Injection-2	1027796
Injection-3	1026845
Injection-4	1036375
Injection-5	1020865
Average	1027165.2
Standard Deviation	5817.7
%RSD	0.8

Table 8: Results of Precision for Rosuvastatin

Injection	Area
Injection-1	168040
Injection-2	167914
Injection-3	170372
Injection-4	175848
Injection-5	166068
Average	169648.2
Standard Deviation	3787.4
%RSD	0.5

%RSD for sample should be NMT 2

The %RSD for the standard solution is below 1, which is within the limits hence method is precise.

Intermediate precision (ruggedness)

There was no significant change in assay content and system suitability parameters at different conditions of ruggedness like day to day and system to system variation.

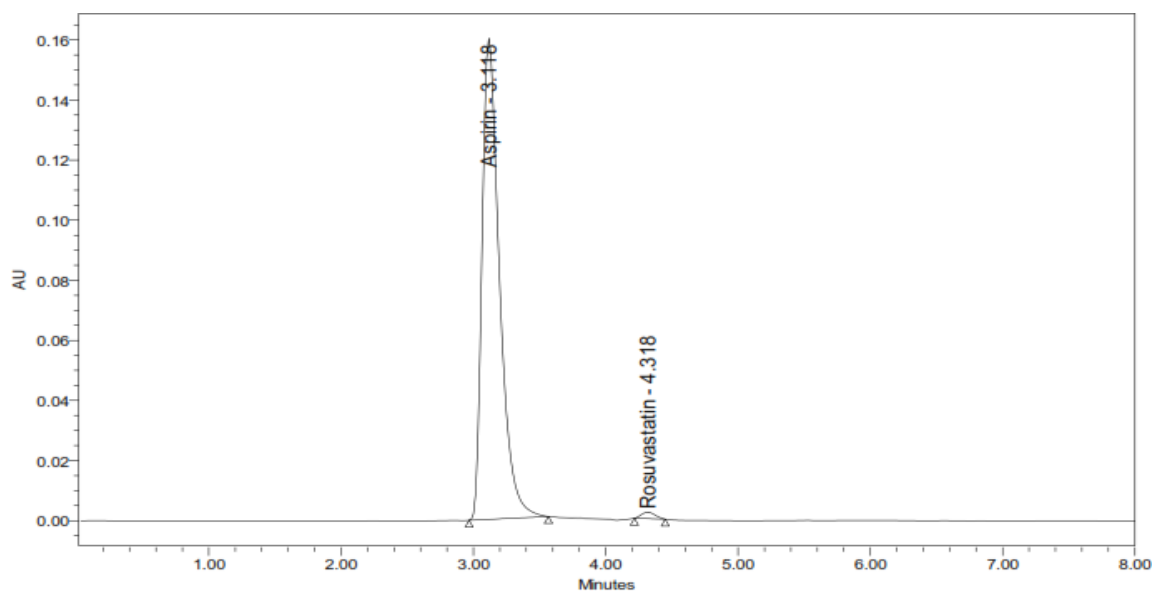


Fig 7: Chromatogram for ID Precision -1

Table 9: Results of Intermediate precision for Aspirin

Injection	Area
Injection-1	1003903
Injection-2	1018214
Injection-3	1012117
Injection-4	1018518
Injection-5	1009168
Injection-6	1020368
Average	1013714.4
Standard Deviation	6435.6
%RSD	0.6

Table 10: Results of Intermediate precision for Rosuvastatin

Injection	Area
Injection-1	164423
Injection-2	165485
Injection-3	166719
Injection-4	165469
Injection-5	166045
Injection-6	165226
Average	165561.0
Standard Deviation	774.2
%RSD	0.5

%RSD of five different sample solutions should not more than 2
 The %RSD obtained is within the limit, hence the method is rugged.

Accuracy

Sample solutions at different concentrations (50%, 100%, and 150%) were prepared and the % recovery was calculated.

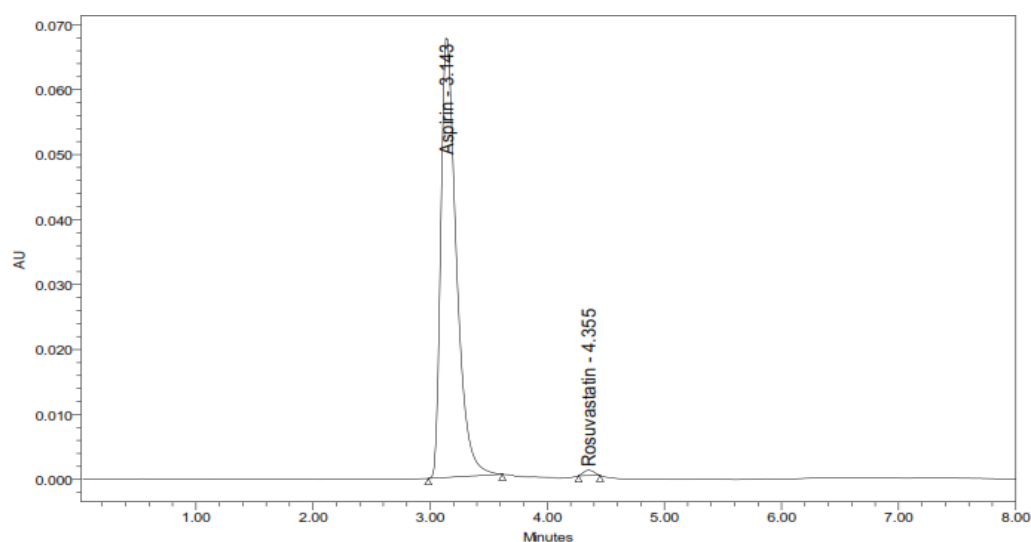


Fig 8: Chromatogram for Accuracy 50%

Table 11: Accuracy (recovery) data for Aspirin

%Concentration(at specification Level)	Area	Amount Added (mg)	Amount Found (mg)	% Recovery	Mean Recovery
50%	526473	37.5	37.51	100.2%	100.34%
100%	1011675	75	75.64	100.85	
150%	1481480	112.5	112.64	100.15	

*Average of three determinations

Table 12: Accuracy (recovery) data for Rosuvastatin

%Concentration(at specification Level)	Area	Amount Added (mg)	Amount Found (mg)	% Recovery	Mean Recovery
50%	620862	5	4.98	99.62%	100.22%
100%	1194715	10	10.06	100.59%	
150%	1798274	15	15.07	100.47%	

*Average of three determinations

The percentage recovery was found to be within the limit (97-103%).

The results obtained for recovery at 50%, 100%, 150% are within the limits. Hence method is accurate.

Limit of detection for aspirin and rosuvastatin

The lowest concentration of the sample was prepared with respect to the base line noise and measured the signal to noise ratio.

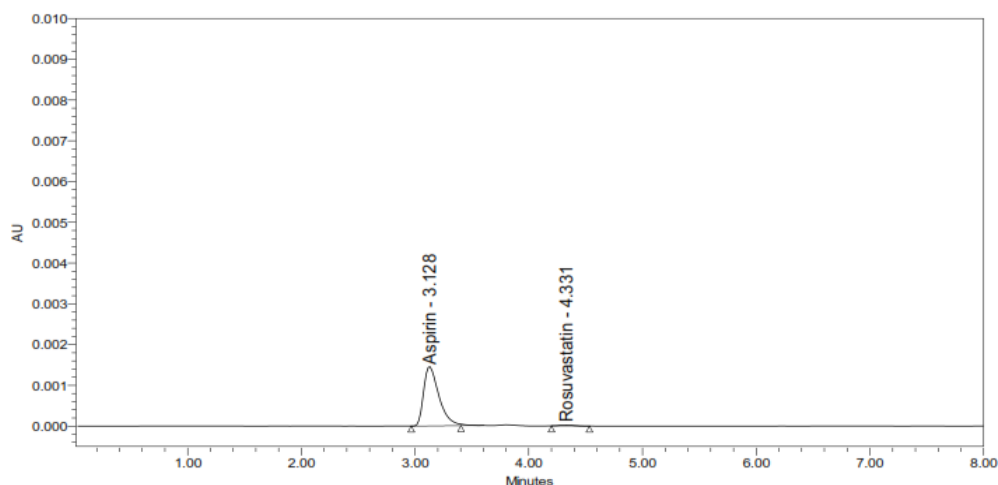


Fig 9: Chromatogram of Aspirin, Rosuvastatin showing LOD

Table 13: Results of LOD

Drug name	Baseline noise(μ V)	Signal obtained (μ V)	S/N ratio
Aspirin	66	198	3.00
Rosuvastatin	66	199	3.02

Signal to noise ratio shall be 3 for LOD solution
The result obtained is within the limit.

LIMIT OF QUANTIFICATION FOR ASPIRIN AND ROSUVASTATIN

The lowest concentration of the sample was prepared with respect to the base line noise and measured the signal to noise ratio.

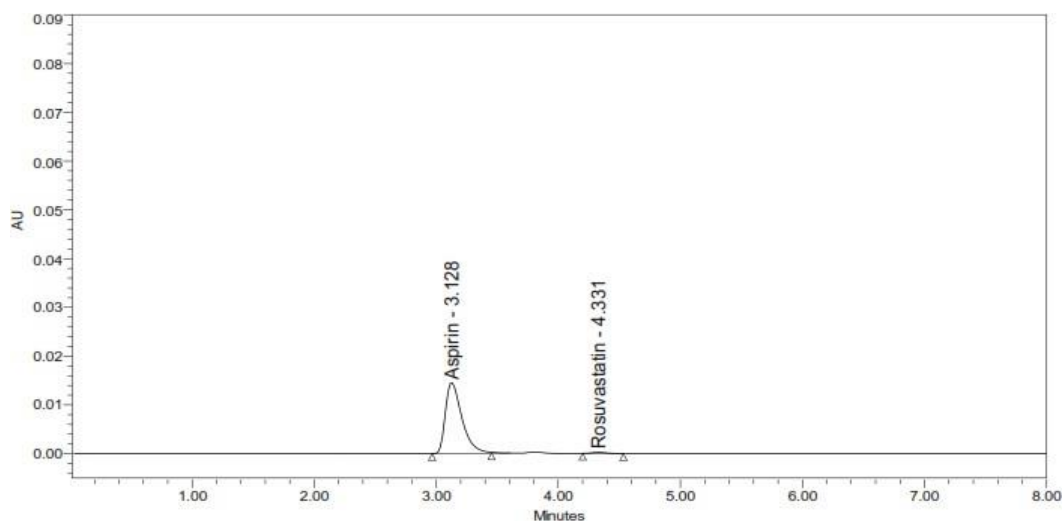


Fig 10: Chromatogram of Aspirin, Rosuvastatin showing LOQ

Table 14: Results of LOQ

Drug name	Baseline noise(μ V)	Signal obtained (μ V)	S/N ratio
Aspirin	66	659	9.98
Rosuvastatin	66	660	10.00

Signal to noise ratio shall be 10 for LOQ solution
The result obtained is within the limit.

Robustness

The standard and samples of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin were injected by changing the conditions of chromatography. There was no significant change in the parameters like resolution, tailing factor, asymmetric factor, and plate count.

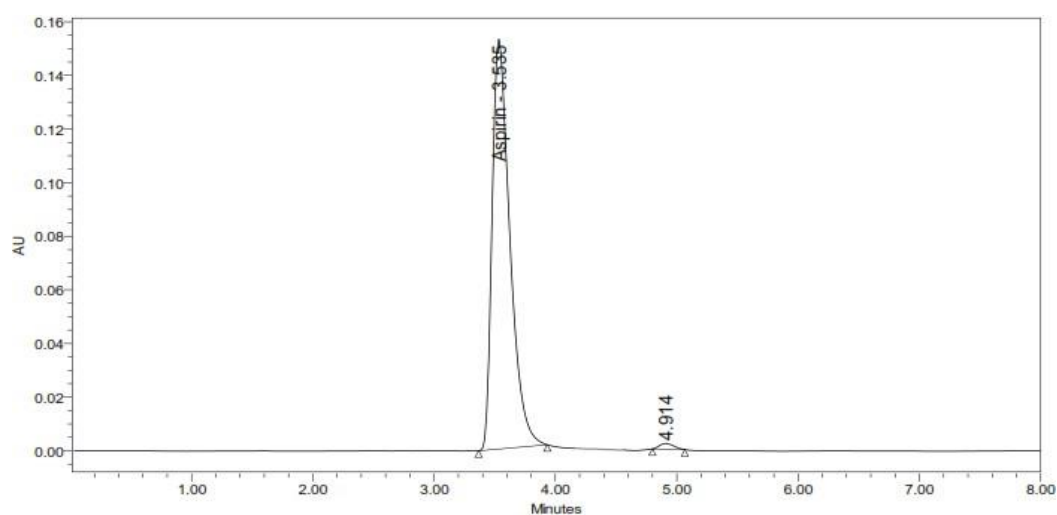


Fig 11: Chromatogram showing less flow

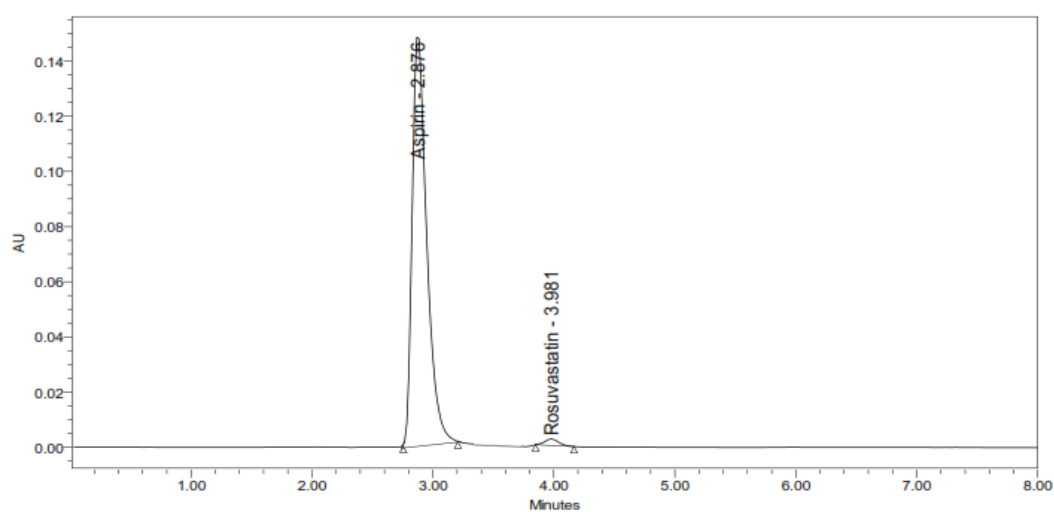


Fig 12: Chromatogram showing more flow Variation of mobile phase organic composition

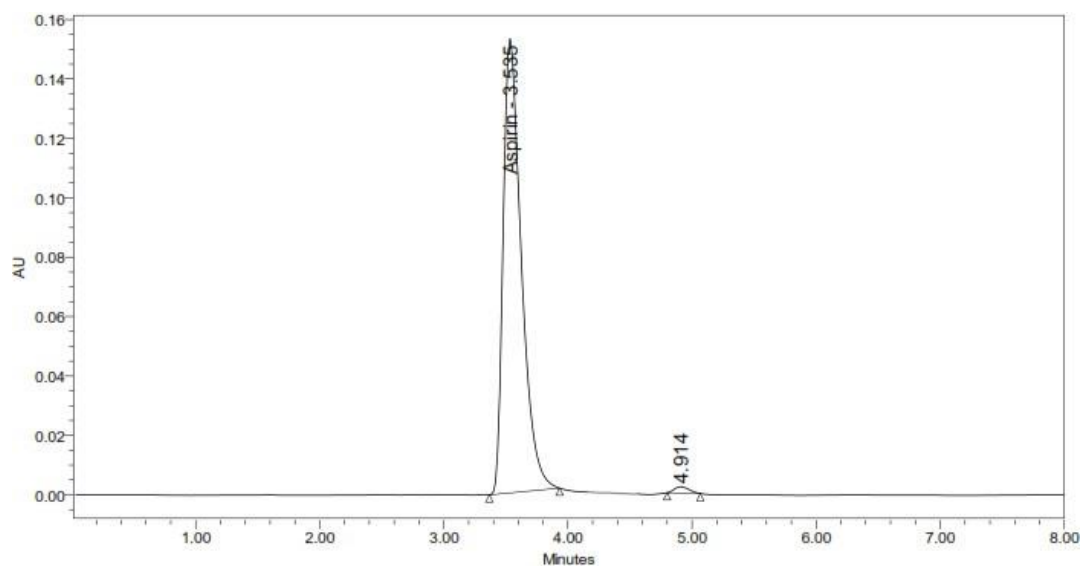


Fig 13: Chromatogram showing less organic composition

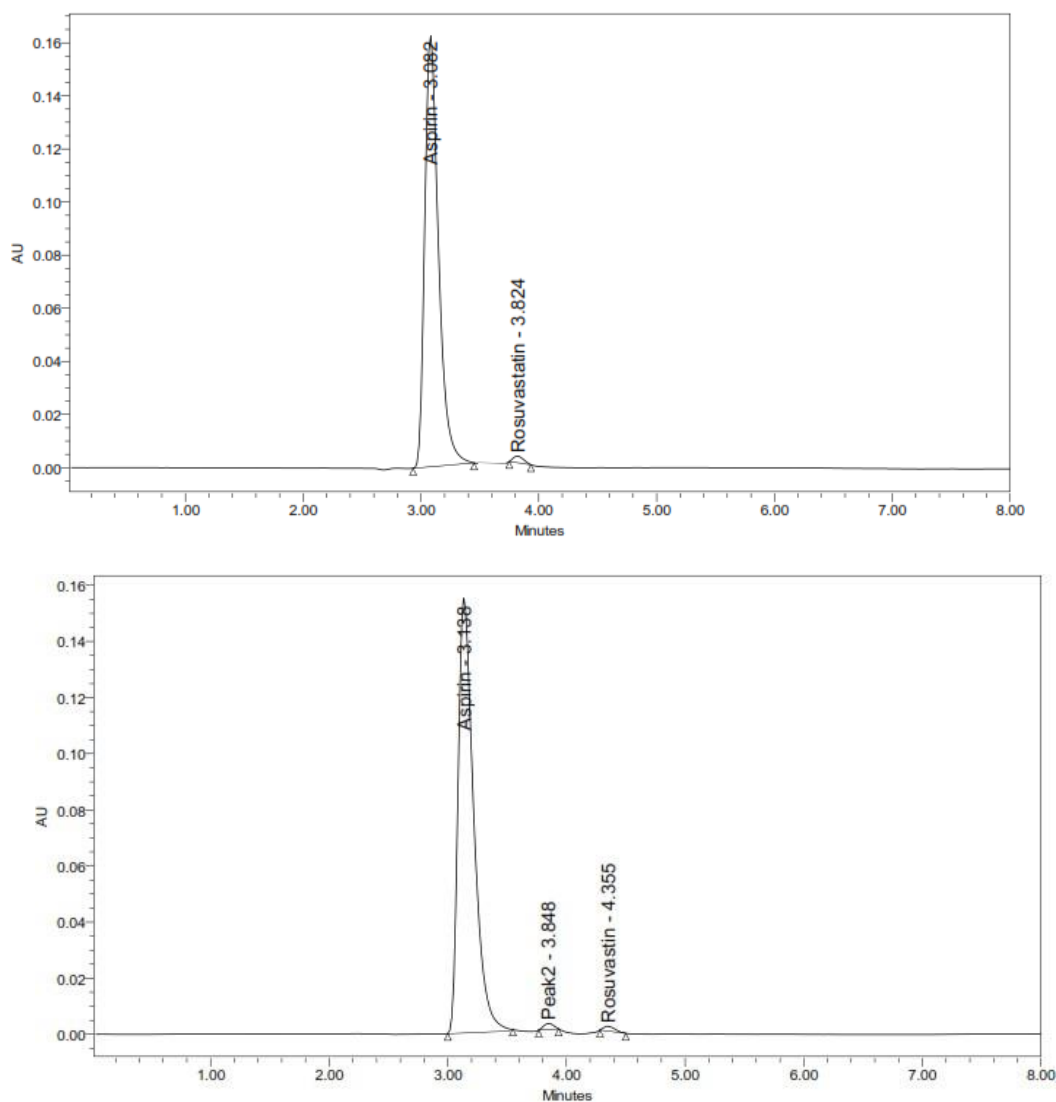


Fig 14: Chromatogram showing more organic composition

Table 15: Results for variation in flow for Aspirin

S. No	Flow Rate (ml/min)	System Suitability Results	
		USP Plate Count	USP Plate Count
1	0.9	2680.7	1.3
2	1	2524.84	1.3
3	1.1	2124.4	1.3

Table 16: Results for variation in flow for Rosuvastatin

S. No	Flow Rate (ml/min)	System Suitability Results	
		USP Plate Count	USP Tailing
1	0.9	3200.8	1.3
2	1	3177.99	1.4
3	1.1	2973.7	1.4

* Results for actual flow (1.0ml/min) have been considered from Assay standard.

Table 17: Results for variation in mobile phase composition for Aspirin

S. No	Change in Organic Composition in the Mobile Phase	System Suitability Results	
		USP Plate Count	USP Taling
1	10% less	2573.8	1.3
2	*Actual	2524.84	1.3
3	10% more	2124.4	1.3

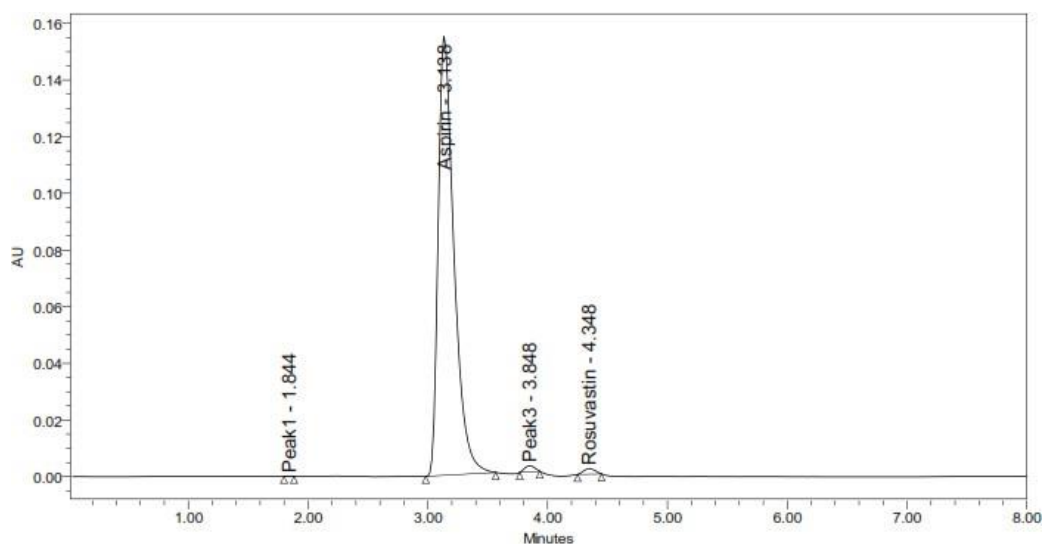
Table 18: Results for variation in mobile phase composition for Rosuvastatin

S. No	Change in Organic Composition in the Mobile Phase	System Suitability Results	
		USP Plate Count	USP Taling
1	10% less	3579.6	1.3
2	*Actual	3177.99	1.4
3	10% more	2973.7	1.4

* Results for actual Mobile phase composition have been considered from Accuracystandard.

The Retention time, USP plate count, USP tailing factor obtained for change of flow rate, variation in mobile phase was found to be within the acceptance criteria. Hence the method is robust.

Degradation studies

**Fig 16: Chromatogram showing Base**

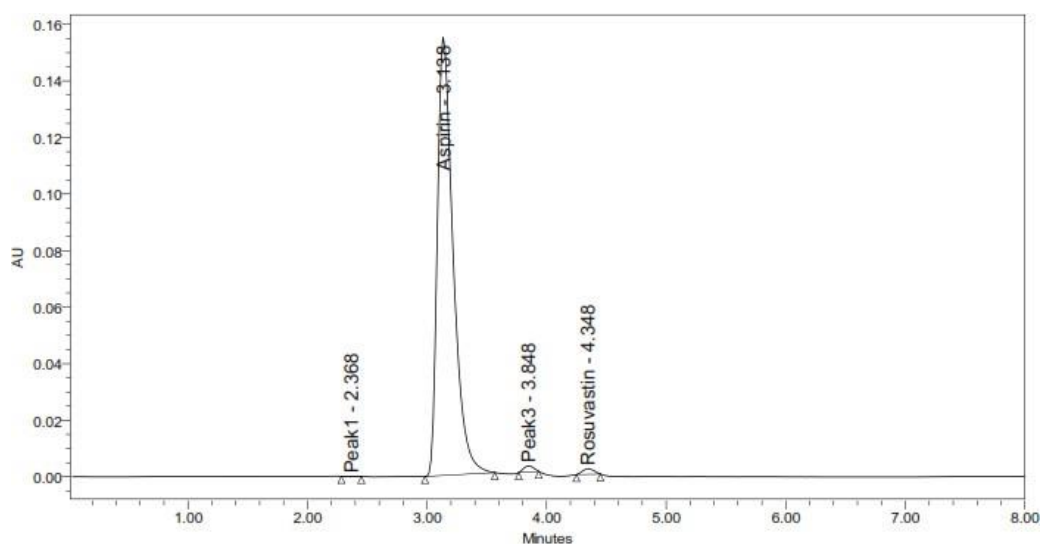


Fig 17: Chromatogram showing Peroxide

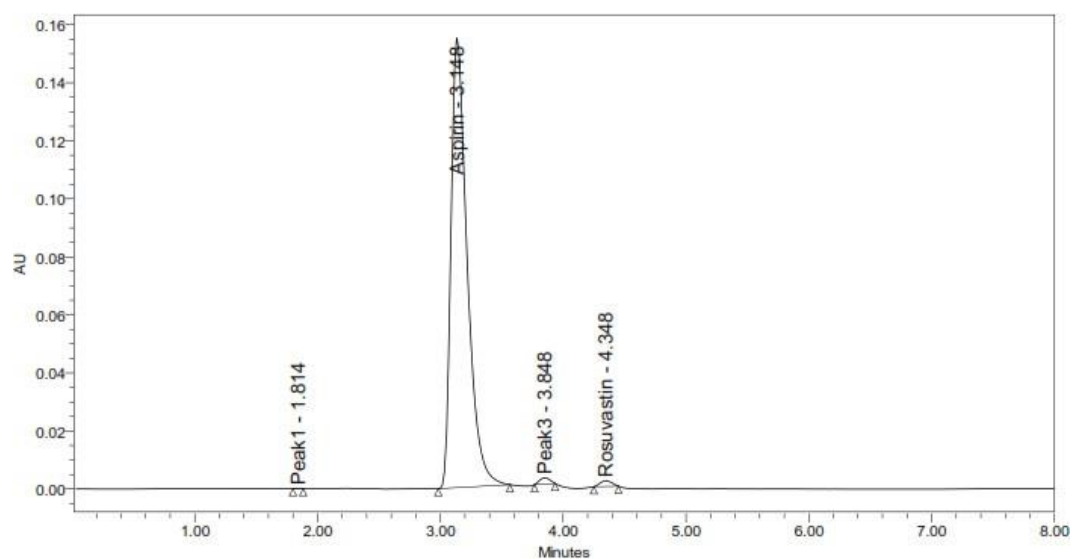


Fig 18: Chromatogram showing Thermal

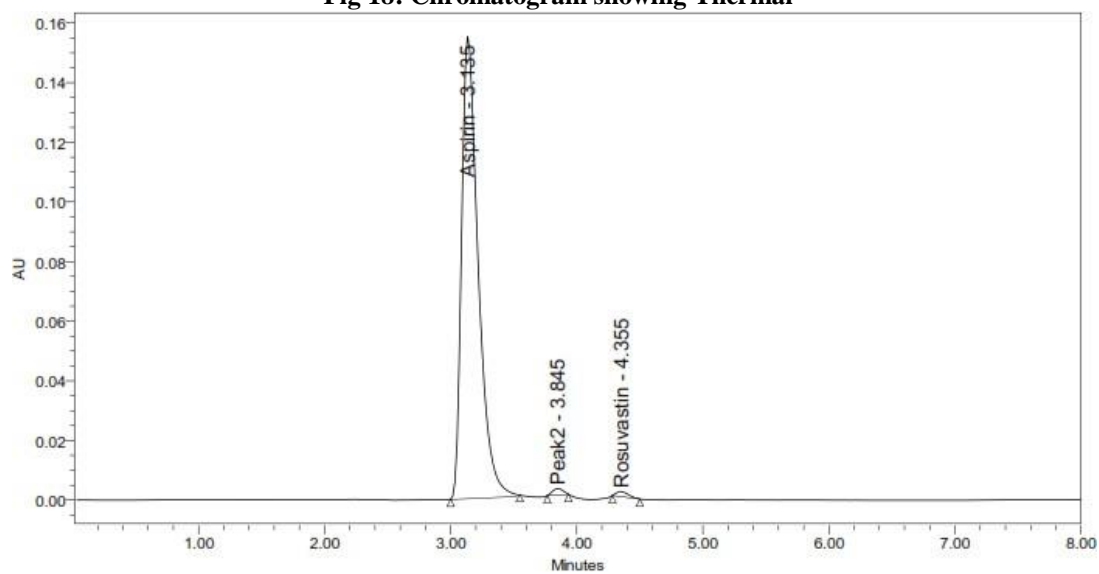


Fig 19: Chromatogram showing Photo

Table 19: Results for variation in mobile phase composition for Rosuvastatin

Parameters	Aspirin		Rosuvastatin	
	Area	%Degradation	Area	%Degradation
Standard	1037570		171037	
Acid	937570	9.64	157031	8.19
Base	920335	11.30	152390	10.90
Peroxide	966845	6.82	152390	10.90
Thermal	1019720	1.72	158147	7.54
Photo	988518	4.73	156045	8.77

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

The estimation of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was done by RP-HPLC. The assay of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was performed with tablets and the % assay was found to be 99.11 and 100.76 which shows that the method is useful for routine analysis. The linearity of Aspirin and Rosuvastatin was found to be linear with a correlation coefficient of 0.999 and 0.999, which shows that the method is capable of producing good sensitivity.

The acceptance criteria of precision is RSD should be not more than 2.0% and the method show precision 0.8 and 0.5 for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin which shows that the method is precise.

The acceptance criteria of intermediate precision is RSD should be not more than 2.0% and the method show precision

0.6 and 0.5 for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin which shows that the method is repeatable when performed in different days also.

The accuracy limit is the percentage recovery should be in the range of 97.0% - 103.0%. The total recovery was found to be 100.34% and 100.22% for Aspirin and Rosuvastatin. The validation of developed method shows that the accuracy is well within the limit, which shows that the method is capable of showing good accuracy and reproducibility. The acceptance criteria for LOD and LOQ is 3 and 10. The LOD and LOQ for Aspirin was found to be 3.00 and 9.98 and LOD and LOQ for Rosuvastatin was found to be 3.02 and 10.00.

The robustness limit for mobile phase variation and flow rate variation are well within the limit, which shows that the method is having good system suitability and precision under given set of conditions.

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