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## RP-HPLC Analytical Method Development and Validation of Avibactam and Aztreonam

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### ABSTRACT

A simple, rapid, precise, sensitive, and reproducible reverse phase high performance liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC) method has been developed for the quantitative analysis of Avibactam and Aztreonam pharmaceutical dosage form. Chromatographic separation of Avibactam and Aztreonam was achieved on Waters Alliance-e2695 using Luna Phenyl Hexyl (250x 4.6mm, 5 $\mu$ ) column and the mobile phase containing Acetonitrile: 0.1% Formic acid in the ratio of 20:80% v/v. The flow rate was 1.0 ml/min; detection was carried out by absorption at 250nm using a photodiode array detector at ambient temperature. The number of theoretical plates and tailing factors for Avibactam and Aztreonam were NLT 2000 and should not be more than 2 respectively. % Relative standard deviation of peak areas of all measurements always less than 2.0. The proposed method was validated according to ICH guidelines. The method was found to be simple, economical, suitable, precise, accurate & robust method for quantitative analysis of Avibactam and Aztreonam study of its stability.

**Key words:** Avibactam, Aztreonam, Luna Phenyl Hexyl, Acetonitrile, Formic Acid.

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### INTRODUCTION

HPLC is a liquid chromatographic separation technique conducted in high pressure where the sample (mixture constituents) is separated into its individual components by passing the sample present in a mobile phase (a flowing liquid) into a stationary phase (sorbents packed inside a column). Separation is due to the difference in affinity of individual components with mobile phase and stationary phase. The basic components are solvent delivering unit, sample injector, column, and a detector [1,2].

Avibactam is an inhibitor of beta-lactamases, which are enzymes that bacteria use to resist antibiotics. It is used to treat bacterial infections, particularly when combined with other antibiotics such as ceftazidime or aztreonam. Aztreonam is used to treat bacterial infections, doctors prescribe aztreonam, an antibiotic. To put it simply, it kills germs or at least stops them from multiplying. Aztreonam is a multi-system antibiotic that fights against bacterial infections [3-5].

During our literature survey we found out that there are many HPLC methods available for determination of Avibactam and Aztreonam both individually and in combination with other drugs. There are few LCMS/MS methods which are available for determination of Avibactam and Aztreonam. There is one bioanalytical assay also available for these drugs. Our developed method is more economical, eco-friendly, and sensitive compared to other available LCMS/MS, HPLC-MS/MS, HPLC-UV methods [6-9].

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### Chemicals and reagents

Avibactam and Aztreonam (API) was obtained as a gift sample from Hetero Labs Ltd., Hyderabad, Telangana. All the chemicals and reagents used were analytical grade. Methanol, acetonitrile and distilled water used were of HPLC grade.

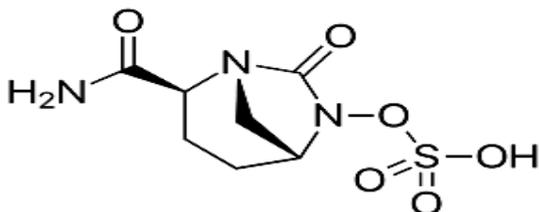


Figure 1: Chemical structure of avibactam

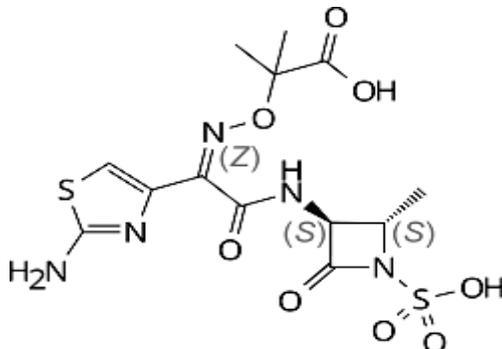


Figure 2: Chemical structure of aztreonam

### System suitability

In accordance with ICH standards, all system suitability parameters were acceptable and within the specified range [10-12].

### Analytical method validation

The method's accuracy, precision, specificity, and linearity range were all confirmed. Following ICH criteria, the method was validated. Avibactam had a retention duration of 2.254 minutes and Aztreonam of 3.536 minutes. At retention durations for these medications, we did not detect any interference peaks in the placebo and blank samples using this approach. Thus, it was claimed that this approach was precise.

### Precision:

A homogeneous sample from a single batch should be analyzed six times for technique precision. This tells you whether the results of a procedure are stable for only one batch. Find the percentage RSD by running the sample six times. The precision of the instrument was checked by repeatedly injecting (n=6) solutions of 100ppm of Avibactam, 50ppm of Aztreonam).

### Linearity:

Fill a 10-milliliter volumetric flask to the mark with the same solvent after accurately weighing 10 mg of Avibactam and 5 mg of Aztreonam working standard. Add the diluent and sonicate until fully dissolved. Put each solution into the chromatographic apparatus and find its peak response.

### Assay:

$$\% \text{ Assay} = \frac{AT}{AS} * \frac{WS}{DS} * \frac{DT}{WT} * \frac{\text{Average weight}}{\text{Label Claim}} * \frac{P}{100} * 100$$

### LOD and LOQ:

To determine the drug carry's detection and quantification limits, we employed the following equation, which was recommended by the worldwide conference on harmonization.

$$\text{LOD} = 3.3 X \sigma / S$$

$$\text{LOQ} = 10 X \sigma / S$$

Results for all the validation parameters are shown in the below Figures and Tables.

### Degradation studies:

Various degradation studies were conducted the results were found to be in acceptance range [13-18].

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Validated analytical methods are aimed for the determination of levetiracetam in API and its formulation. All the analytical validation parameters for the proposed method were determined according to ICH guidelines.

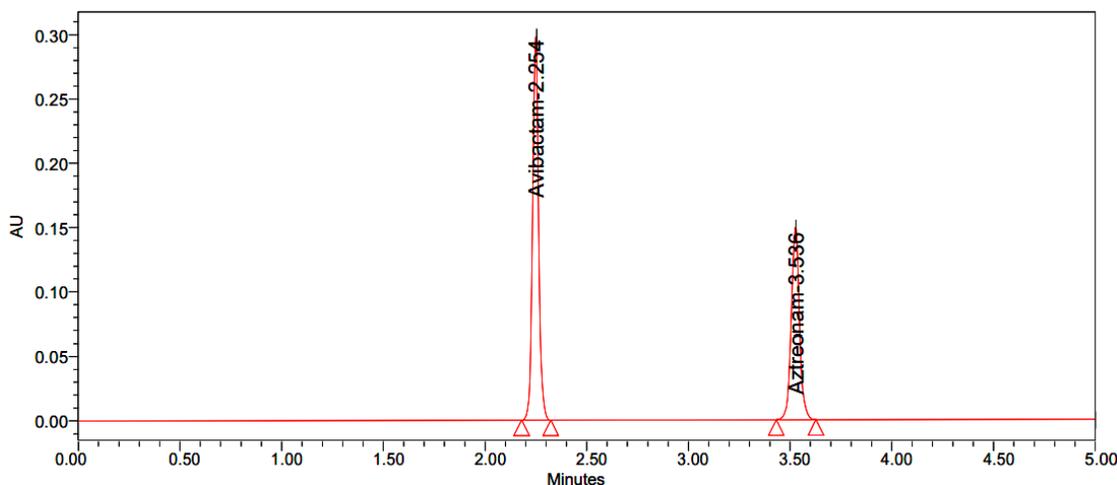


Figure 3: Optimized Chromatogram

**Table 1:** Drug Profile- Avibactam

<b>IUPAC Name</b>	[(2 <i>S</i> ,5 <i>R</i> )-2-Carbamoyl-7-oxo-1,6-diazabicyclo[3.2.1]octan-6-yl] hydrogen sulphate
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	265.25 g/mol

**Table 2:** Drug Profile- Aztreonam

<b>IUPAC Name</b>	2-[[[(1 <i>Z</i> )-1-(2-Amino-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)-2-[(2 <i>S</i> ,3 <i>S</i> )-2 methyl-4-oxo-1-sulfoazetidin-3-yl]amino]-2 oxoethylidene]amino]oxy-2-methylpropanoic acid
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>17</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>8</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	435.4 g/mol

### Method validation

The proposed method was validated as per ICH Q2 guidelines. The solutions of the drugs were prepared as per the earlier adopted procedure given in the experimental work.

**Table 3:** System suitability parameters for Avibactam & Aztreonam

S. No	Parameter	Avibactam	Aztreonam
1	RT	2.254	3.536
2	Theoretical plates	9862	7417
3	Tailing factor	0.97	1.08
4	Resolution	----	6.13
5	%RSD	0.31	0.71

**Table 4:** Optimized Chromatogram results

S. No	Name	RT	Response	USP Count	Plate	USP Tailing	USP Resolution
1	Avibactam	2.254	3157456	9862		0.97	-
2	Aztreonam	3.536	1538763	7417		1.08	6.13

**Table 5:** Results for various validation parameters

S. No	Parameters	Avibactam	Aztreonam
1	Precision (%RSD)	0.31	0.71
2	Linearity (R <sup>2</sup> )	0.99935	0.99966
3	% Assay	100.3	100.6
4	Method Precision (%RSD)	0.40	0.51
5	Intermediate Precision (%RSD)	0.57	0.88
6	Accuracy	99.7%	99.9%
7	LOD	0.6	0.3
8	LOQ	2.0	1.0

**Table 6:** Forced Degradation results for Avibactam and Aztreonam

% Drug	Avibactam		Aztreonam	
	% Assay	% Deg	% Assay	% Deg
<b>Control</b>	100	0	100	0

Acid	88.9	11.1	91.0	9.0
Alkali	84.9	15.1	88.4	11.6
Peroxide	86.6	13.4	89.6	10.4
Reduction	89.2	10.8	99.3	0.7
Thermal	95.1	4.9	98.6	1.4
Photolytic	98.6	1.4	98.8	1.2
Hydrolysis	96.4	3.6	97.1	2.9

## CONCLUSION

From present research work, it is concluded that it is economical and reproducible. The method was developed and validated as per ICH Q2 (R1) guidelines. The proposed methods can be employed for routine analysis of avibactam and aztreonamin API and from pharmaceutical dosage form (tablets). It is inferred that the methods were found to be simple, accurate, precise, and linear. The methods were found to be having suitable application in routine laboratory analysis with high degree of accuracy and precision.

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