## Chapter 15 STABILITY INDICATING HPLC METHOD DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION FOR MOLNUPIRAVIR

## **15.1 EXPERIMENTALS**

## **15.1.1 Instruments Utilised**

The Shimadzu-HPLC system LC-20-AT-system with LC-Solution and Peak chrom software with both PDA & UV detector. Stationary phase coloumn in reverse phase has been used C-18-Hypersil-BDS & -ODS-250 x 4.6 mm, 5 micron size has been selected.

Systronics UV-visible spectrophotometer was used along with other Shimadzu UV 1800 spectrophotometer & Systronics UV for the wavelength maxima estimation. FTIR Spectrometer Shimadzu 8400 series has been utilised for identification of drugs standard samples. Melting point apparatus Labtronics was used for melting point determinations.

Wist Temperature Chamber was used for drying the drug samples and thermal degradation study. Ultra-sonicator Lab Branson ultrasonic's corporation was utilised. Digital pH meter labtronics was utilised. Photostability Test Chamber Sanwood SM-LHH-GSD-UV Series was utilised. Electronic analytical balance AUX-220 Shimadzu has been used. Borosil glass-wares volumetric flasks measuring cylinder pipettes of analytical were used. 0.22 and 0.45 µm nylon Millipore filters caps were used.

## **15.1.2 Materials and Reagents Utilised**

The chemicals used working reference standard drug Molnupiravir MOLN samples of upcare pharma has been utilised. Acetonitrile, Methanol, potassium dihydrogen ortho phosphate, orthophosphoric acid, used analytical HPLC Merck grade.  $H_2O_2$ , HCl, NaOH analytical grade of Rankem used. Milli-Q pure water is utilized.

#### 15.1.3 Identification of Standard Drug Sample

#### **15.1.3.1 Melting Point Determination**

The working standard drug Molnupiravir MOLN was identified by melting point determination. Melting point apparatus used was made of Labtronics<sup>TM</sup> Melting Point Apparatus. The melting points observed for the standard drug samples are shown in the Table 12.1.

Drug	<b>Observed Melting Range</b>	Standard Melting Range		
MOLN	158.49 <sup>°</sup> C	156-159 <sup>°</sup> C		

Table 12.1: Melting Points of MOLN

# 15.1.3.2 FTIR Spectral Determination for Identification Standard drug samples MOLN

The pure active pharmaceutical working standard drug substances MOLN as scanned between 400-4000cm<sup>-1</sup> in FTIR Spectrometer Shimadzu 8400 series. The drug dry powder samples were made die pressed pellets with KBr and the FRIR spectra were determined shown in Fig 12.1 for MOLN. The principal IR peaks recorded and observed for the drug are shown in Table 12.2, for MOLN.

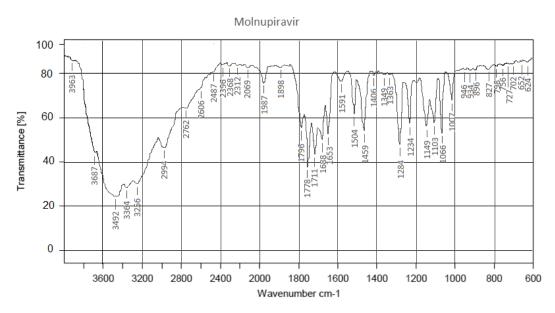


Figure 12.1: FTIR Spectra of Molnupiravir MOLN

MOLNUPIRAVIR							
Energy (Cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Band Assignment	Peak Intensity	Energy (Cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Band Assignment	Peak Intensity		
1210-1136	C-O Ester	58.47	1647 1600-1553	C=C (Aromatic)	78.29		
3300-3400	C-N	28.65	3000-2800 1450	C-H Methyl group	44.59		
1749-1792 1275-1200	C-O (Ether)	57.38 38.46	1124-1087	C-O Alcohol	58.82		
1690-1640	C=N	51.27 54.67	3350-3310	N-H 2 <sup>0</sup> Amine	30.46		
1725-1705 1685-1666	C=O Ketone	43.29	1750-1735 1770-1780	C=O Ester	38.84		
1500-1700	N-H	61.78	2700-3200 3550-3200 3700-3584	O-H Alcohol	31.07 43.78		
2000-1650	C-H Aromatic	77.27	1650-1580	N-H	77.69		

Table 12.2: FTIR Interpretation of Molnupiravir MOLN

## **15.1.4 Preparation of Solutions**

## 15.1.4.1 Preparation of standard solutions of MOLN

The standard stock soln. drug prepared in Methanol solvent. 20mg of MOLN was dissolved in solvent mixture and made upto 100ml soln with same solvent to give 200  $\mu$ g/ml standard stock solution of MOLN .From the above stock solutions of, 15ml from each was taken and diluted upto 100ml in to give MOLN 30  $\mu$ g/ml drug standard Final solution.

## **15.1.4.2 Preparation of Sample Solutions**

MOVFOR <sup>TM</sup> each capsule contains MOLN 200mg of Molnupiravir, powder equivalent to 600mg was taken and Dissolved in Methanol, sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [6000 ug/ml MOLN]

From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN] From the Solution B, 1ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 10ml to give Final Solution C [ 30ug/ml MOLN] used for analysis.

#### 15.1.4.3 Preparation of Optimized Mobile Phase

The mobile phase made by taking 65:35 ratio, 0.05M Phosphate buffer : ACN of pH 3 with 1% TEA Triethyl amine. The phosphate buffer was prepared by accurately weighing 6.8gm  $KH_2PO_4$  (MW. 136) with 10ml 1% TEA Triethyl amine in 1000ml HPLC grade milli-Q system purified water. The pH adjusted by 1% OPA Orthophosphoric acid. After filtration it was sonicated and the 1% OPA was prepared by taking (1.176ml) of 85% w/v orthophosphoric acid (MW 98) in 100ml HPLC grade water.

#### 15.1.5 Selection of Wavelength for Detection

The Final standard solns of MOLN 30  $\mu$ g/ml, scanned in 200 - 400 nm in UVvisible double beam spectrophotometer at a medium at scanning speed. The overlain spectra shown in Fig. 12.2 of MOLN 30 $\mu$ g/ml, was taken in Methanol and the 236nm wavelength was selected for estimation in the detection during the HPLC analysis.

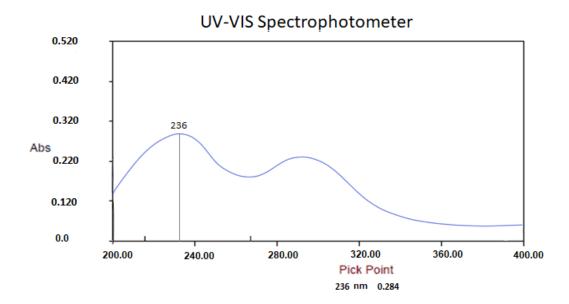


Figure 12.2: UV Spectra Overlay of MOLN

#### **15.1.6 Selection and Optimization of Mobile phase**

For the detection analysis of the MOLN drug in the in the working standard solutions by the HPLC method had been carried out in reverse phase by using polar solvents in mobile phase. The various trials with different mobile phase's has been carried out for the detection and seperation of the drugs was carried out shown in Table 12.3

Sr No	Mobile Phase	рН	Ratio (v/v)	Retention Time (min) MOLN	REMARK
1	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN	6	50:50	12.164	Longer retention time, Asymmetric peak, tailing peak, tailing factor-2.95
2	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN	5.5	50:50	10.322	Longer retention time, Asymmetric peak, tailing peak, tailing factor-2.87
3	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN	5	40:60	7.547	Asymmetric peak, tailing peak, tailing factor-2.76
4	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN	4.5	40:60	5.348	Asymmetric peak, tailing peak, tailing factor-2.64
5	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN 1%TEA	4	40:60	4.426	Symmetric peak, tailing factor-2.18
6	0.05 M Phosphate buffer : ACN 1%TEA	3	35:65	2.537	Symmetric peak, tailing factor-1.21
	Selected Mobile Phase				

Table 12.3: Trials for Selection of Mobile Phase for MOLN

## **15.1.7 Optimized Chromatographic Conditions**

Optimized chromatographic conditions for developed HLPC analytical method are shown below-

Parameters	Conditions
Stationary Phase Coloumn	C18 Hypersil BDS 250 x 4.6mm,
	5 micron
Mobile phase	Phosphate buffer 1%TEA : ACN 65:35
	pH- 3
Flow rate	1ml/minl
Injection volume	20ul
Temp	Ambient Lab Temperature
Detection Wavelength	236nm
Retention Times (min)	MOLN- 2.537

Table 12.4: Optimized Chromatographic Conditions for MOLN

## **15.2 STABILITY STUDIES BY FORCED DEGRADATIONS**

The stability studies for the pure working standard drugs MOLN as well as for the pharmaceutical marketed formulation MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> containing the drug has been carried out by performing the forced-degradations stress testing method has been utilised in method. Developed- HPLC-analytical method is been applied in stability study as well as in the assay analysis and dissolution profile study. The stability study has been performed on the pure drug and marketed formulation samples under different types of stress conditions which helps in the forced degradations of the drug substances, under the conditions like thermal, acid, base-alkali, photo, & oxidative degradations were performed in accordance with the guideline ICH and are effectively analysed by the developed HPLC method as well as validated.

## 15.2.1 Acid Degradation

For the acid degradation study, was performed in 0.1N HCl solution. The working standard drug solution of 1ml of MOLN (300ug/ml) std stock soln, was taken and 2ml of 0.1N HCl added and kept for 2hrs for degradation and then neutralized with 2ml of 0.1N NaOH soln, then it was made up soln to 10ml final volume with mo bile phase solvent to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method. In the similar manner the combined drug sample of

marketed MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> formulation was prepared stock soln containing MOLN (300ug/ml). 1ml from this stock soln was taken and 2ml of 0.1N HCl was added and kept for 2hrs for degradation and then neutralized with 2ml 0.1N Na OH, and the made up soln to 10ml final volume with mobile phase to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method.

#### **15.2.2 Base Degradation**

The Base degradation study, performed in 0.1N NaOH solution. The working standard drug solution of 1ml of MOLN (300ug/ml) std stock soln, was taken and 2ml of 0.1N NaOH added and kept for 2hrs for degradation and then neutralized with 2ml of 0.1N HCl soln, was made up soln to 10ml final volume with mobile phase to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method. In the similar manner the combined drug sample of marketed MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> formulation was prepared stock soln containing MOLN (300ug/ml). 1ml from this stock soln was taken and 2ml of 0.1N NaOH was added and it has been, kept for 2hrs for degradation and then neutralized with 2ml 0.1N HCl, and the made up soln to 10ml final made volume with mobile phase to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method.

#### 15.2.3 Oxidative Degradation

The oxidative degradation study, was has been performed in 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution as a oxidizing agent. The working standard drug solution of 1ml of MOLN (300ug/ml) std stock soln, was taken and 2ml of 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution added and kept for 2hrs for degradation and then made up soln to 10ml final volume with mobile phase to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method. In the similar manner the combined drug sample of marketed MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> formulation was prepared stock soln containing MOLN (300ug/ml). 1ml from this stock soln was taken and 2ml of 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution was added and kept for 2hrs for degradation and then made up soln to 10ml final volume with mobile phase to give MOLN 30ug/ml. And the analysed this sample by developed HPLC method.

#### **15.2.4 Thermal Degradation**

It has carried out for the working standard drug powder MOLN individually in Wist Temperature chamber oven at 60 <sup>0</sup>C for 24hrs. After thermal degradation, the drug

powder MOLN 600mg of Molnupiravir, was taken and Dissolved in Methanol , sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [6000ug/ml MOLN] From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN]. From the Solution B, 1ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 10ml to give Final Solution C [ 30 ug/ml MOLN] used for analysis.

In similar manner marketed formulation  $MOVFOR^{TM}$  capsule sample was kept in Wist Temperature chamber oven at 60  $^{0}C$  for 24hrs. After thermal degradation, drug powder equivalent to MOLN of Molnupiravir, powder equivalent to 600mg was taken and Dissolved in Methanol , sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [6000 ug/ml MOLN]. From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN]. From the Solution B, 1ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Final Solution C [ 30ug/ml MOLN] used for analysis.

This final solution was subjected to be analysed by the developed HPLC method.

#### **15.2.5 Photo Degradation**

The photo degradation has been carried out in UV chamber 1.2million-lux-hrs and 200-watt-hrs in a photo stability test chamber Sanwood SM-LHH-UV series. The standard drug powder of MOLN was kept into UV chamber for 24hrs.

After photo degradation, MOLN 600mg of Molnupiravir, was taken and Dissolve d in Methanol, sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [60 00ug/ml MOLN]

From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN]. From the Solution B, 1ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 10ml to give Final Solution C [ 3 0ug/ml MOLN] used for analysis. This final solution was subjected to be analysed by developed HPLC method.

In similar manner marketed formulation MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> capsule sample kept into UV chamber for 24hrs. After degradation, drug powder equivalent to MOLN of Molnupiravir, powder equivalent to 600mg was taken and dissolved in Methanol, sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [6000 ug/ml MOLN]. From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN]. From the Sol

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#### **15.3 METHOD VALIDATION**

#### 15.3.1 Linearity (Calibration Curve)

The working standard and sample solutions of MOLN 7.5, 15, 22.5, 30, 37.5, 45 ug/ml, prepared in the serial dilutions for drug, for conc. range, linearity, validation parameters and same con. ranges were used for the stability forced degradation studies. The calibration curves has been generated by plotting graph of peak area vs conc. for the drugs, and the regression equations, correlation coefficient  $R^2$  value and the, Limit of Detection (LOD) & Limit of Quantification (LOQ) had been calculated .

#### 15.3.2 Specificity and Selectivity

The selectivity and specificity parameters are utilised in selective detection particular analyte which are in the matrix or along with other substances without any interventions. 30ug/ml of MOLN was injected individually, and blank mobile phase as well as sample solutions from dosage form were compared to check the specificity & selectivity. Selectivity is a type of a qualitative determination of analytes, while the specificity is applied for both qualitative as well as quantitative estimations. The developed method must be selective and highly specific for the analyte for which the method is intended to use, even in presence of impurities or any other degraded products, additives, excipients, reagents or other substances.

#### **15.3.3 Accuracy (Recovery Studies)**

Accuracy is one of the important validation parameter which describes the trueness-exactness of the test results in accordance with the true values. The accuracy studies has been performed by doing the drug recovery studies of deliberately added working standard drugs from the sample, n=3 samples taken for drug MOLN at 50%, 100% & 150% had performed at each level to the pre-analysed samples. The amount of drug-substance added and amount of drug-substance recovered were

calculated from the sample peak area and total peak area and the % Recovery had been calculated.

#### 15.3.4 Precision

#### 15.3.4.1 Repeatability (n=6)

The repeatability study has been performed by repeatedly n=6 sample standards injected 30ug/ml of MOLN, and the area response of drugs was obtained and the %RSD had been calculated

#### **15.3.4.2 Intraday Precision (n=3)**

The intraday precision was performed by using the 7.5, 30, 45 ug/ml of MOLN was was used, and the solutions were repeatedly injected analysed by HPLC three times on same day, obtained results calculated into the terms of %RSD.

#### 15.3.4.3 Interday Precision (n=3)

The interday precision was performed by using the 7.5, 30, 45 ug/ml of MOLN was used, and the solutions were repeatedly injected analysed by HPLC three times in different days obtained results calculated into the terms of %RSD.

#### 15.3.5 LOD and LOQ

The LOD Limit of Detection has been obtained from 5 set of the calibration curves performed in the linearity-range studies, the LOD is calculated as LOD = 3.3 x SD/Slope

LOQ Limit of Quantitation has been obtained from the same 5 set of the calibration curves performed as per the linearity-range studies, the LOD is calculated as  $LOD = 10 \times SD/slope$ 

## 15.4 APPLICATION OF DEVELOPED ANALYTICAL METHOD AS A ASSAY METHOD FOR MARKETED FORMULATION

The developed analytical HPLC method is applied in the estimation-analysis of MOVFOR <sup>TM</sup> each capsule contains MOLN 200mg of Molnupiravir, powder equivalent to 600mg was taken and Dissolved in Methanol, sonicated, filtered and makeup to 100ml (Stock solutionA) [6000 ug/ml MOLN].

From the Stock solution A, 5ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 100ml to give Solution B [ 300ug/ml MOLN]. From the Solution B, 1ml was taken, diluted with mobile phase upto 10ml to give Final Solution C [ 30

ug/ml MOLN] used for analysis, were prepared, n=3 samples, analysed by the developed HPLC method.

The standard stock soln. drug prepared in Methanol solvent. 20mg of MOLN was dissolved in solvent mixture and made upto 100ml soln with same solvent to give 200 µg/ml standard stock solution of MOLN .From the above stock solutions each of. 15mlfrom was taken and diluted upto 100ml in to give MOLN 30  $\mu$ g/ml drug standard final solution., was prepared and analysed by HPLC and the % purity or % label claim was estimated by comparing the area & calculating from regression equation, for working standard drug and marketed formulation.

#### **15.5 RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS**

#### **15.5.1 Method Development**

The developed analytical HPLC method found to be reliable, accurate.,- precise for analysis and quality control testing for MOLN in pure form, in marketed capsule dosage form's. The method is advantageous as the low cost solvents are used, good resolution and seperation has been achieved, as well as the peak symmetry tailing factor are in greater acceptable limits. The isocratic mode adds the advantage of simplicity of the developed method. Method consists of the optimized mobile phase Phosphate buffer with 1%TEA : ACN (65 : 35 ) pH- 3.

Flow rate 1ml / min , detection wavelength at 236.nm. Excipients in the marketed formulation does not affect in the resolution, separations as well do not have any interfering peaks. The average retention time was found to be MOLN -2.537 minutes. The chromatogram of the drugs are shown below.

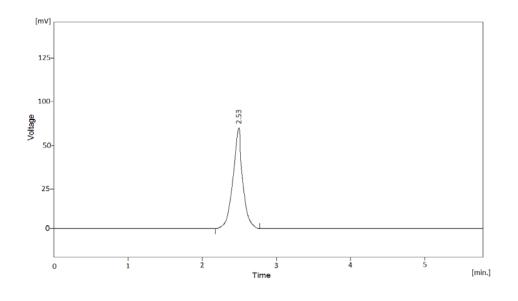


Figure 12.3: Chromatogram of Standard MOLN

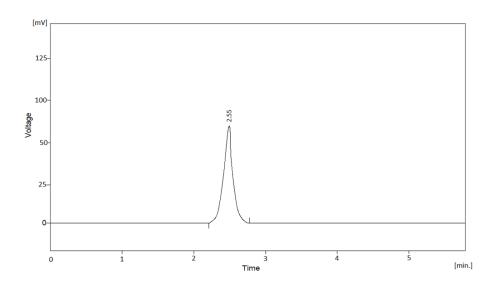


Figure 12.4: Chromatogram of Sample MOLN

#### 15.5.2 Stability & Forced Degradation Studies

Stability studies of drug substances under forced degradation by acid, base, thermal, oxidative and photo degradation has been successively carried out for the working standard drug MOLN and for the marketed formulation sample MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup>. Developed analytical HPLC method is competent to detect and quantify main peaks of the drugs, along with impurities, degraded products effectively without any interference or overlapping of other peaks. The chromatograms of drugs in different degradation conditions are shown below.

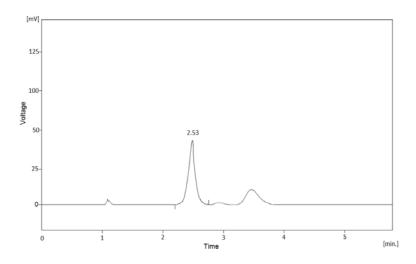


Figure 12.5: Chromatogram of Acid Degradation Standard MOLN

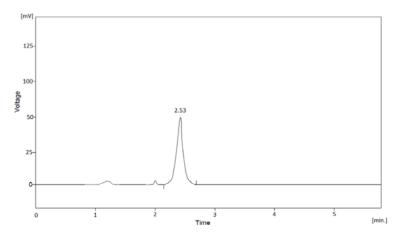


Figure 12.6: Chromatogram of Base Degradation Standard MOLN

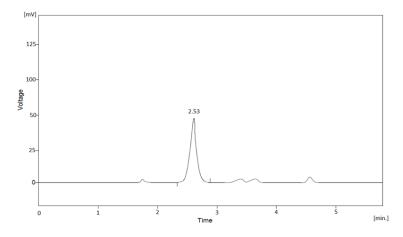


Figure 12.7: Chromatogram of Oxidative Degradation Standard MOLN

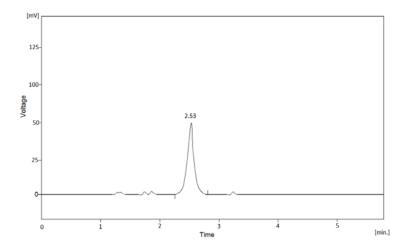


Figure 12.8: Chromatogram of Thermal Degradation Standard MOLN

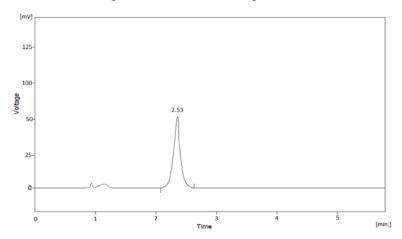


Figure 12.9: Chromatogram of Photo Degradation Standard MOLN

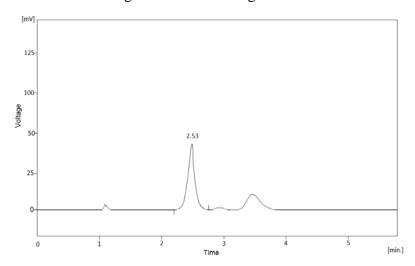


Figure 12.10: Chromatogram of Acid Degradation Sample MOLN

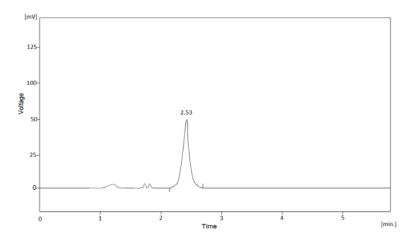


Figure 12.11: Chromatogram of Base Degradation Sample MOLN

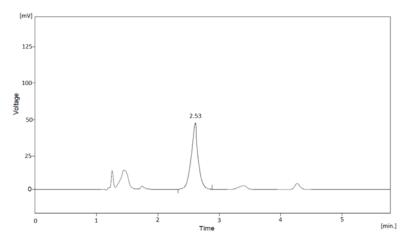


Figure 12.12: Chromatogram of Oxidative Degradation Sample MOLN

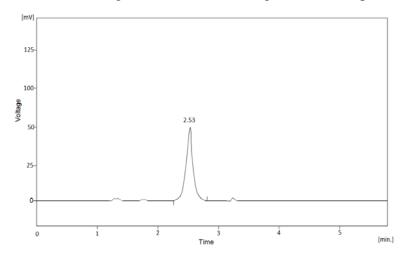


Figure 12.13: Chromatogram of Thermal Degradation Sample MOLN

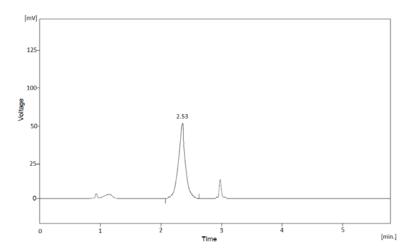


Figure 12.14: Chromatogram of Photo Degradation Sample MOLN

Degradation	Dools Amoo	% Drug	%
Condition	Peak Area	Recovered	Degraded
Acid	576.314	78.704	21.295
Base	678.491	92.658	7.341
Oxidative	602.653	82.301	17.698
Thermal	697.159	95.207	4.792
Photo	713.341	97.417	2.582

Table 12.5: % Drug Degraded & % Drug Recovered MOLN

PEAK PURITY						
Drug	Stress Type Peak Purity Angle		Peak Purity Threshold	Peak Purity		
MOLN	Untreated Sample	0.122	0.412	0.998		
	Acid	0.234	0.377	0.997		
	Base	0.129	0.296	0.999		
	Oxidative	0.224	0.361	0.997		
	Photo	Photo 0.133		0.998		
	Thermal	0.124	0.249	0.998		

Table 12.6: Peak Purity for MOLN

#### 15.5.3 Method Validation

#### 15.5.3.1 Specificity

Developed method is specific and selective as the no other peaks of, mobile phase or any excipients impurities were interfering or overlapping in the chromatograms.

The method effectively analyses the drug in pure form as well as in the marketed formulations with accuracy, and has reproducible results for individual drugs as well as for the combined formulation analysis.

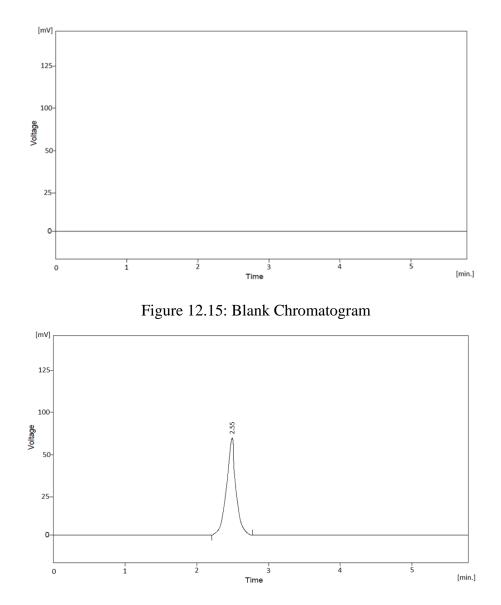


Figure 12.16: Chromatogram of Sample MOLN

#### 15.5.3.2 Linearity and Range (n = 5)

Drugs MOLN Linearity has been followed in a particular concentration ranges of 7.5, 15, 22.5, 30, 37.5, 45ug/ml. The linearity showing overlain chromatogram had been generated and the calibration curve been plotted of peak area vs conc. and straight line eqn. and correlation coefficient had been calculated.

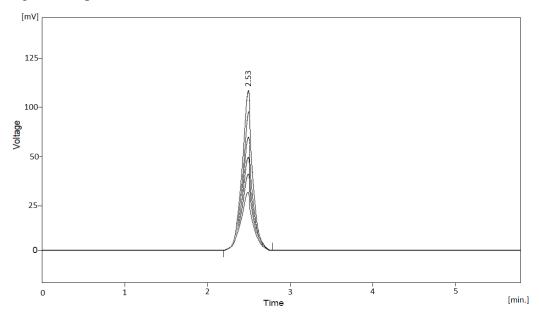


Figure 12.17: Overlain Chromatogram of Linearity for MOLN

(x) Conc.	(y) Area	
μg/ml	(y) Arca	
7.5	188.23	
15	362.76	
22.5	554.49	
30	735.19	
37.5	925.68	
45	1123.72	
STD ERROR	7.01	
Slope	24.94	
LOD	0.92	
LOQ	2.81	

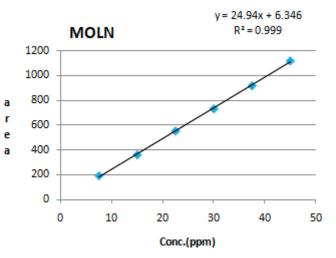


Figure 12.18: Calibration Curve for MOLN

Table 12.7: Linearity data of MOLN

#### **15.5.3.3** Accuracy (Recovery Studies) (n = 3)

The accuracy has been done by performing the recovery studies of the working standard drug from the pre-analysed sample of the drug MOLN. The recovered drug from the samples has been calculated as % Recovery is been reported in the table below.

Drug	Amt of Sample Taken (µg)	% Amt of Std Added	Spiked Std Drug Amount (µg)	Spiked Amt Recovered Mean (µg)	% Recovery	% Mean Recovery
	30	50	15	15.11	100.73	
MOLN	30	100	30	29.88	99.62	100.35
	30	150	45	45.32	100.71	

Table 12.8: Accuracy Study of MOLN (n = 3)

#### 15.5.3.4 Precision

#### **15.5.3.4.1 Repeatability** (n = 6)

The repeatability study of MOLN have been performed by multiple injections of the samples of the drugs (n = 6). The repeatability data for the MOLN is shown in the table below.

Conc. of MOLN ( µg/ml )	Area
	730.19
	728.25
30	721.57
50	736.98
	733.84
	724.94
Mean	729.29
SD	5.66
% RSD	0.77

Table 12.9: Repeatability Study of MOLN (n = 6)

#### 15.5.3.4.2 Intraday Precision (n = 3)

The Intraday precision for the MOLN has been performed by taking multiple injections (n = 3) in a same day at different 25, 100, 150 % Levels. The data for the intraday precision is shown in table below.

MOLN					
Conc. (µg/ml)	% RSD				
7.5	$195.6 \pm 2.7$	1.42			
30	$732.2 \pm 4.4$	0.61			
45	$1126.3 \pm 4.7$	0.41			

Table 12.10: Intraday Precision of MOLN (n = 3)

#### **15.5.3.4.3 Interday Precision** (n = 3)

The Interday precision for the MOLN has been performed by taking multiple injections (n = 3) in different day at different 25, 100, 150 % Levels. The data for the intraday precision is shown in table below.

MOLN					
Conc. (µg/ml)	% RSD				
7.5	$191.8 \pm 3.2$	1.70			
30	$733.0 \pm 1.7$	0.23			
45	$1127.5 \pm 0.4$	0.47			

Table 12.11: Interday Precision of MOLN (n = 3)

#### 15.5.3.5 LOD and LOQ

It has been calculated from the n=5 samples from the calibration curve slope and standard deviation. The LOD & LOQ value are found to be 0.92 & 2.81 ug respectively for MOLN.

#### 15.5.4 Application of the Developed Analytical Method to Formulation

The proposed analytical method been tested in assay analysis % Assay of the Label claim on the MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> Each capsule contains MOLN Molnupiravir 200mg. Analytical method successfully applied to the estimation of drugs in marketed pro-duct by comparing with the standard and the sample formulation. The assay result are shown in the table below.

	Serial	Label claim	Result	% Label	Avg %	SD	% RSD
	No	( mg )	( mg )	Claim	Assay	50	70 KSD
	1	200	199.74	99.87			
MOLN	2	200	195.50	97.75	98.27	1.42	1.44
	3	200	194.36	97.18			

Table 12.12: Assay of Formulation MOVFOR<sup>TM</sup> (n = 3)

#### **15.5.5 Summary of Results**

Sr No	Parameters	Results MOLN
1	System Suitability:	
	Theoretical plates-	3958
	Tailing Factor-	1.203
	Retention time min-	2.532
2	Precision (%RSD)	0.61
3	Linearity (R <sup>2</sup> )	0.999
4	Accuracy	100.35
	(% Recovery)	
5	LOD (ug/ml)	0.92
6	LOQ (ug/ml)	2.81
7	% Assay	98.27

## **15.6 CONCLUSIONS**

The stability analytical HPLC method for MOLN drug has been successfully developed and validated. The analytical method is optimized in testing, analysis of the drug in individual as well in the in formulation and all validation parameters., are performed in the acceptance criteria as per ICH regulatory guideline. The analytical method is optimized for the testing even in degraded conditions and analysis for MOLN in individual as well in combined forms and all the validatio n parameters are performed in the acceptance criteria as per ICH regulatory guidel ine. Developed method is accurate., & precise to detect the main drug peaks without any interference or overlap of degraded impurities & products produced during forced degradation stress conditions. Method that has been developed., is been, optimized to analyse minimum conc. of drugs in-pure form and, in testing-analysing marketed formulation. Accurate precise method developed., can be used for analysis of MOLN drug as well as individual in as Assay method and dissolution testing procedures in academics, research, analytical laboratories.