

Investigation and estimation of spectrophotometric values specific and molar absorbances for Losartan Potassium and Valsartan.

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Abstract.

The aim of current investigation was the investigation and estimation of spectrophotometric values specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbances for angiotensin receptor blockers Losartan Potassium and Valsartan.

The following experimental results were obtained: for solutions of reference standards Losartan Potassium ($\lambda_{max} = 208 nm$) at $A > 0.2$ ($3.10^{-7} g/ml \div 6.75 \cdot 10^{-7} g/ml$): $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 12113 \div 12778$; $\epsilon: 558441 \div 589064$; for Valsartan in 99.8 % ethanol at $\lambda_{max} = 252 nm$ for $A > 0.2$ ($6.10^{-6} g/ml \div 1.10^{-5} g/ml$): $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 774 \div 800$; $\epsilon: 33730 \div 34840$. For Valsartan in methanol at $\lambda_{max} = 250 nm$ for $A > 0.2$ ($3.5 \cdot 10^{-6} g/ml \div 1.10^{-5} g/ml$): $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 480 \div 628$; $\epsilon: 20885 \div 27368$. Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbances for $A < 0.2$ were:

[C] g/ml	$A^{1\%}_{1cm}$	ϵ	
$3.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \div 1.10^{-7}$	$13107 \div 16710$	$604252 \div 770348$	Losartan Potassium
$5 \cdot 10^{-7} \div 2.10^{-6}$	$877 \div 880$	$38221 \div 38304$	Valsartan (99.8 % ethanol)
$1.2 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$574 \div 617$	$24997 \div 26875$	Valsartan (methanol)

Key words: Losartan Potassium, Valsartan, spectrophotometry, specific, molar, absorbance.

Introduction.

Arterial hypertension is widespread disease [1]. Perceptive strategies and trends in hypertension treatment [1] are with new antihypertensive drugs [2]: angiotensin receptor blockers – sartans [3]. Losartan is applied for I and II stage of hypertension [4, 5]. Valsartan is approved for: I and II stage of hypertension [6, 7], metabolic syndrome [8], myocardial infarction [9], left ventricular systolic dysfunction [10], and diastolic dysfunction in heart failure [11].

Instrumental methods are applied for different analysis: phytochemical investigation of plants: TLC: leave extract of *Dendranthema indicum* (L Desmoul) [12]; stem bark extract of *Psorospermum senegalense* (Spach) [13]; GC assessment of organochlorine pesticides in cocoa beans [14]; spectrophotometry for Curcuminoid analogues [15], determination of

cromium (VI) [16] and tantalum (V) ($\lambda = 490$ nm) [17] with hydroxythiophenol; assay for iron (III) with 5-(p-hydroxybenzylidene)-thiazolidone-2,4 at $\lambda = 540$ nm) [18] and cobalt (II) with 2-hydroxy-5-iodothiophenol at $\lambda = 598$ nm) [19]; quantification of fluoride using alizarin red S complex at $\lambda = 624$ nm) [20].

First derivative UV-spectrophotometry has been applied for determination of Losartan potassium tabl. [21, 22]; Losartan ($\lambda = 271.6$ nm) and Hydrochlorothiazide ($\lambda = 335$ nm) in combination [23].

For quantification of Valsartan in tabl. have been developed the following methods: UV-spectrophotometry at $\lambda = 205.6$ nm; second derivative spectrophotometry at $\lambda = 221.6$ nm and $\lambda = 231.2$ nm [24]. For simultaneous assay of Valsartan ($\lambda = 264$ nm) and Hydrochlorthiazide ($\lambda = 270.5$ nm) in tabl. UV-method have been described [25]. First derivative UV-spectrophotometry have been reported for quantification of: Valsartan Hydrochlorthiazide [26, 27]; Valsartan, Hydrochlorthiazide and Enalapril [28]; Valsartan ($\lambda = 250$ nm) and Amlodipine besilate ($\lambda = 238$ nm) [29]; Valsartan ($\lambda = 250$ nm) and Ramipril ($\lambda = 218$ nm) [30].

The aim of current investigation was the calculation and estimation of spectrophotometric values specific and molar absorbance for Losartan Potassium and Valsartan.

Materials.

I. Reference standards: Losartan Potassium (Sigma Aldrich, N: Y0001062); Valsartan (98 %) (Sigma Aldrich, N: SML 0142).

II. Reagents with analytical grade of purity: 99.98 % ethanol (Sigma Aldrich, N: SZBD 0500 V UN 1170), methanol (99.9 %) (Sigma Aldrich, N: SZBD 063AV UN 1230), distilled water.

METHODS. UV-spectrophotometry.

I. Equipment – UV-VIS diode array spectrophotometer (Hullett Packard N: 8452 A).

II. Preparation of solutions of reference standard Losartan Potassium in distilled water.

An accurately weighed quantity of reference standard Losartan Potassium: 67.5 mg, 62.5 mg, 60 mg, 55 mg, 50 mg, 45 mg, 40 mg, 37 mg, 30 mg, 10 mg, 7 mg, 4 mg, 3,5 mg was dissolved in distilled water to 100.0 ml volumetric flasks. An aliquots part of 1.0 ml of all of the resulted preparations was diluted to 100.0 ml with the same solvent. From all of the obtained samples, aliquot parts of 1.0 ml was diluted with distilled water to 10.0 ml, to obtain solutions with concentrations of Losartan Potassium respectively: $6.75 \cdot 10^{-7}$ g/ml; $6.25 \cdot 10^{-7}$ g/ml; 6.10^{-7} g/ml; $5.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$ g/ml; 5.10^{-7} g/ml; $4.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$ g/ml; 4.10^{-7} g/ml; $3.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$ g/ml; 3.10^{-7} g/ml; 1.10^{-7} g/ml; 7.10^{-8} g/ml; 4.10^{-8} g/ml; $3.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$ g/ml which are analysed by UV- spectrophotometry, by measuring the absorbance at $\lambda = 208$ nm, using distilled water as blank solution.

III. Preparation of solutions of reference standard Valsartan in 99.98 % ethanol.

An accurately weighed quantities from reference standard Valsartan (10 mg, 20 mg, 60 mg, 120 mg, 140 mg, 160 mg, 200 mg) were dissolved in a volumetric flask of 200.0 ml in 99.98 % ethanol. From every solution an aliquot part of 1.0 ml separately was diluted with 99.98 % ethanol to 100.0 ml to obtain solutions with concentration of Valsartan respectively: 5.10^{-7} g/ml; 1.10^{-6} g/ml; 3.10^{-6} g/ml; 6.10^{-6} g/ml; 7.10^{-6} g/ml; 8.10^{-6} g/ml; 1.10^{-5} g/ml)

IV. Preparation of solutions of reference standard Valsartan in methanol.

An accurately weighed quantities from reference standard Valsartan (24 mg, 34 mg, 50 mg, 70 mg, 120 mg, 160 mg, 200 mg) were dissolved in a volumetric flask of 200.0 ml in methanol. From every solution an aliquot part of 1.0 ml separately was diluted with methanol to 100.0 ml to obtain solutions with concentration of Valsartan respectively: $1.2.10^{-6}$ g/ml; $1.7.10^{-6}$ g/ml; $2.5.10^{-6}$ g/ml; $3.5.10^{-6}$ g/ml; 6.10^{-6} g/ml; 8.10^{-6} g/ml; 1.10^{-5} g/ml.

All solutions in 99.98 % ethanol were analysed at $\lambda = 252$ nm against blank 99.98 % ethanol and the absorbance of solutions in methanol was measured at $\lambda = 250$ nm, using methanol as blank solution.

Results and discussion.

In our previous work [31], solutions of reference standard Telmisartan were prepared as follows: an accurately weighed quantity of reference standard Telmisartan: 125 mg, 100 mg, 90 mg, 80 mg, 50 mg, 40 mg, 30 mg, 10 mg, 5 mg, 2.5 mg was dissolved in 99.98 % ethanol in a volumetric flask of 100.0 ml. An aliquot part of 1.0 ml from all of the obtained samples was diluted with the same solvent to 100.0 ml. The resulting solutions had a concentration of Telmisartan respectively: $1.25.10^{-5}$ g/ml; 1.10^{-5} g/ml; 9.10^{-6} g/ml; 8.10^{-6} g/ml; 5.10^{-6} g/ml; 4.10^{-6} g/ml; 3.10^{-6} g/ml; 1.10^{-6} g/ml; 5.10^{-7} g/ml; $2.5.10^{-7}$ g/ml. The absorbance of all solutions was measured at $\lambda = 298$ nm against compensation: 99.98 % ethanol.

The following results for specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbances were obtained:

- 1) $A > 0.2$: in 3.10^{-6} g/ml ÷ $1.25.10^{-5}$ g/ml: $A^{1\%}_{1cm}$: 725 ÷ 823; ϵ : 37347 ÷ 42335
- 2) $A < 0.2$: in $2.5.10^{-7}$ g/ml ÷ 1.10^{-6} g/ml: $A^{1\%}_{1cm}$: 1201 ÷ 1567; ϵ : 61816 ÷ 80651

In our previous investigations, UV-spectrophotometric methods for identification and determination of Losartan Potassium [32] and Valsartan [33] were validated for analytical parameters: selectivity, linearity, LOD, LOQ, accuracy and precision in accordance with International Conference on Harmonization guidelines [34] and the validated UV-method was applied for Losartan Potassium in tablets [35].

I. Determination of specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards of Losartan Potassium in distilled water and Valsartan in 99.98 % ethanol and methanol.

The experimental results for the absorbances are used for the calculation of specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards of Losartan Potassium in distilled

water at $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 208 \text{ nm}$. (Table 1.), Valsartan in 99.98 % ethanol at $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 252 \text{ nm}$ (Table 2.) and Valsartan in methanol at $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 250 \text{ nm}$ (Table 3.).

Table 1. Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1\text{cm}}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards of Losartan Potassium ($3.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ g/ml} \div 6.75 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ g/ml}$) in distilled water at $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 208 \text{ nm}$.

N:	C [g/ml]	C [g/100 ml]	A	($A^{1\%}_{1\text{cm}}$)	C [g/l]	C [mol/l]	ϵ
1.	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.04651	13289	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	612616
2.	$4 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.05289	13223	$4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$8.6 \cdot 10^{-8}$	609570
3	$7 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.09175	13107	$7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.51 \cdot 10^{-7}$	604252
4.	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.1671	16710	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.16 \cdot 10^{-7}$	770348
5.	$3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.36386	12129	$3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	559144
6.	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.42397	12113	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$7.59 \cdot 10^{-7}$	558441
7.	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.47047	12715	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.02 \cdot 10^{-7}$	586192
8.	$4 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.50270	12568	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.67 \cdot 10^{-7}$	579374
9.	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.54944	12778	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$9.32 \cdot 10^{-7}$	589064
10.	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.57045	12677	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$9.76 \cdot 10^{-7}$	584407
11.	$5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.66003	13201	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.08 \cdot 10^{-6}$	608560
12.	$5.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.67903	12346	$5.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.19 \cdot 10^{-6}$	569163
13.	$6 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.73882	12314	$6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.30 \cdot 10^{-6}$	567672
14.	$6.25 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$6.25 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.79494	12719	$6.25 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.36 \cdot 10^{-6}$	586360
15.	$6.75 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$6.75 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.84961	12587	$6.75 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.46 \cdot 10^{-6}$	580265

Table 2. Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1\text{cm}}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards Valsartan ($5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ g/ml} \div 1 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ g/ml}$) in 99.98 % ethanol at $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 252 \text{ nm}$.

N:	C [g/ml]	C [g/100 ml]	A	$A^{1\%}_{1\text{cm}}$	C [g/l]	C [mol/l]	ϵ
1.	$5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.04388	877	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.15 \cdot 10^{-6}$	38221
2.	$1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.08795	880	$1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.30 \cdot 10^{-6}$	38304
3	$2 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.17590	880	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.59 \cdot 10^{-6}$	38304
4	$6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.46730	779	$6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.38 \cdot 10^{-5}$	33920
5.	$7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.54213	774	$7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.61 \cdot 10^{-5}$	33730
6.	$8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.63997	800	$8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.84 \cdot 10^{-5}$	34840
7.	$1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.79050	791	$1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.30 \cdot 10^{-5}$	34428

Table 3. Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards**Valsartan ($1.2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ g/ml ÷ 1.10^{-5} g/ml) in methanol at $\lambda_{max} = 250$ nm.**

N:	C [g/ml]	C [g/100 ml]	A	$A^{1\%}$ 1 cm	C [g/l]	C [mol/l]	ϵ
1.	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.07405	617	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.76 \cdot 10^{-6}$	26875
2.	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.09866	580	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$	25275
3.	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.14349	574	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.74 \cdot 10^{-6}$	24997
4.	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.21994	628	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$8.04 \cdot 10^{-6}$	27368
5.	$6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.35248	587	$6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.38 \cdot 10^{-5}$	25585
6.	$8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.41620	520	$8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.84 \cdot 10^{-5}$	22658
7.	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.47955	480	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	20885

The intervals for specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance of reference standards Losartan Potassium and Valsartan are summarized on Table 4. ($A > 0.2$) and Table 5. ($A < 0.2$).

Table. 4 Intervals for specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance for solutions of reference standards Losartan Potassium and Valsartan at $A > 0.2$.

N:	Capтан	C [g/ml]	C [g/100ml]	$A^{1\%}_{1cm}$	C [g/l]	C [mol/l]	ϵ
1.	Losartan Potassium (distilled water)	$3 \cdot 10^{-7} \div 6.75 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-5} \div 6.75 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$12113 \div 12778$	$3 \cdot 10^{-4} \div 6.75 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-7} \div 1.46 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$558441 \div 589064$
2.	Valsartan 99.98% ethanol	$6 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 1.10^{-5}$	$6 \cdot 10^{-4} \div 1.10^{-3}$	$774 \div 800$	$6 \cdot 10^{-3} \div 1.10^{-2}$	$1.38 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 2.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$33730 \div 34840$
3.	Valsartan methanol	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 1.10^{-5}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \div 1.10^{-3}$	$480 \div 628$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \div 1.10^{-2}$	$8.04 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 2.30 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$20885 \div 27368$

Table. 5. Intervals for specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ϵ) absorbance for solutions of reference standards Losartan Potassium and Valsartan at $A < 0.2$.

N:	Capтан	C [g/ml]	C [g/100ml]	$A^{1\%}_{1cm}$	C [g/l]	C [mol/l]	ϵ
1.	Losartan Potassium (distilled water)	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \div 1.10^{-7}$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 1.10^{-5}$	$13107 \div 16710$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-5} \div 1.10^{-4}$	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \div 2.16 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$604252 \div 770348$
2.	Valsartan 99.98% ethanol	$5 \cdot 10^{-7} \div 2.10^{-6}$	$5 \cdot 10^{-5} \div 2.10^{-4}$	$877 \div 880$	$5 \cdot 10^{-4} \div 2.10^{-3}$	$1.15 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 4.59 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$38221 \div 38304$
3.	Valsartan methanol	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 2.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-4} \div 2.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$574 \div 617$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3} \div 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.76 \cdot 10^{-6} \div 5.74 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$24997 \div 26875$

Conclusion.

Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ε) absorbance for solutions of reference standards Losartan Potassium ($\lambda_{max} = 208$ nm) and Valsartan (in 99.98 % ethanol at $\lambda_{max} = 252$ nm and in methanol at $\lambda_{max} = 250$ nm) for $A > 0.2$ and $A < 0.2$ in respective concentration intervals were determined. *For solutions of reference standards Losartan Potassium ($\lambda_{max} = 208$ nm) at $A > 0.2$ (3.10^{-7} g/ml $\div 6.75.10^{-7}$ g/ml), $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 12113 \div 12778$; $\varepsilon: 558441 \div 589064$. For Valsartan in 99.98 % ethanol at $\lambda_{max} = 252$ nm for $A > 0.2$ (6.10^{-6} g/ml $\div 1.10^{-5}$ g/ml), $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 774 \div 800$; $\varepsilon: 33730 \div 34840$. For Valsartan in methanol at $\lambda_{max} = 250$ nm for $A > 0.2$ ($3.5.10^{-6}$ g/ml $\div 1.10^{-5}$ g/ml); $A^{1\%}_{1cm}: 480 \div 628$; $\varepsilon: 20885 \div 27368$. Specific ($A^{1\%}_{1cm}$) and molar (ε) absorbances for $A < 0.2$ were:*

[C] [g/ml]	$A^{1\%}_{1cm}$	ε	
$3.5.10^{-8} \div 1.10^{-7}$	$13107 \div 16710$	$604252 \div 770348$	Losartan Potassium
$5.10^{-7} \div 2.10^{-6}$	$877 \div 880$	$38221 \div 38304$	Valsartan (99.8 % ethanol)
$1.2.10^{-6} \div 2.5.10^{-6}$	$574 \div 617$	$24997 \div 26875$	Valsartan (methanol)

Conflicts of interests.

All authors have none to declare.

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