

UHPLC-UV Method for the Determination of Esomeprazole Using a Synchronis C18 1.7 μm Column

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- Esomeprazole
- Synchronis C18
- Heartburn

Abstract

This application note demonstrates the use of the Thermo Scientific Synchronis C18 1.7 μm column for the determination of esomeprazole by UHPLC-UV.

Introduction

One of the key goals for the chromatographer is to achieve a consistent, reproducible separation. The selection of a highly reproducible HPLC column is essential if this goal is to be attained. The SynchronisTM column range has been engineered to provide exceptional reproducibility due to its highly pure, high surface area silica, dense bonding and double endcapping, all controlled and characterized through the use of rigorous testing.

Esomeprazole is a proton pump inhibitor and works by decreasing the amount of acid produced in the stomach. It is prescribed for treatment of gastro-esophageal reflux diseases such as heartburn. It is also used for the treatment of stomach ulcers caused by taking non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs).

This application note demonstrates the successful analysis of esomeprazole using a Synchronis C18 1.7 μm column.



Experimental Details

Chemicals and Reagents	Part Number
Fisher Scientific HPLC grade water	W/0106/17
Fisher Scientific HPLC grade acetonitrile	A/0626/17
Fisher Scientific HPLC grade ammonia solution	A/3295/PB05
Esomeprazole purchased from Sigma Aldrich	

Sample Handling Equipment

NSC Mass Spec Certified 2 mL clear vial with blue bonded PTFE silicone cap	MSCERT4000-34W
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Separation Conditions	Part Number
Instrumentation:	Thermo Scientific Accela UHPLC system
Column:	Synchronis C18 1.7 μm , 50 x 2.1 mm
Mobile phase A:	water + 0.1 % ammonia solution
Mobile phase B:	acetonitrile
Gradient:	Time (minutes) % B
	0.0 20
	0.50 20
	2.00 70
	2.01 20
	3.00 20
Flow rate:	0.4 mL/min
Column temperature:	30 °C
Injection details:	1 μL partial loop
Injection wash solvent:	80:20 (v/v) water:acetonitrile
UV detector wavelength:	302 nm
Backpressure:	450 bar

Solutions

Working standard contained 50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ of esomeprazole in water

Results

The analysis was performed on a Synchronis C18 1.7 μ m, 50 x 2.1 mm column. As shown in Figure 1, esomeprazole was analyzed in less than 2 minutes. Table 1 shows the calculated results from six replicate injections.

	Esomeprazole
Retention time (minutes)	1.66
%RSD on retention time	0.6
Asymmetry	1.24
%RSD on asymmetry	1.6

Table 1: Retention time and asymmetry results for esomeprazole

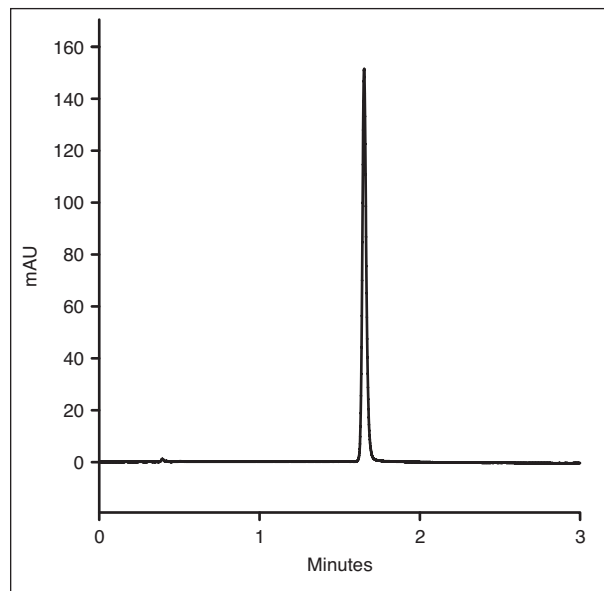


Figure 1: Chromatogram of esomeprazole analyzed using a Synchronis C18 1.7 μ m, 50 x 2.1 mm column

Conclusions

The Synchronis C18 1.7 μ m column successfully analyzed esomeprazole in less than 2 minutes. Replicate injections show stable and reproducible results. This demonstrates that Synchronis C18 is an excellent choice of column for the rapid analysis of esomeprazole, allowing high sample throughput.

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