

**DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION OF ANALYTICAL METHOD FOR  
SIMULTANEOUS ESTIMATION OF DITHRANOL AND SALICYLIC  
ACID IN BULK AND ITS DOSAGE FORM**

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**ABSTRACT**

A Q-Absorbance spectroscopy and RP-HPLC methods were developed and validated for simultaneous estimation of Dithranol and Salicylic acid as API and its formulation. A simple and easy UV spectrophotometric method with good sensitivity has been developed for simultaneous quantification of Dithranol and Salicylic acid. The method employed Q-Absorbance method based on the measurement of absorbance at two wavelengths, 258 nm  $\lambda_{Max}$  of Dithranol and 278 nm Isoabsorptive point of Dithranol and Salicylic acid. The calibration curve was linear in a concentration range of 1-5  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  for both the drugs. The RP-HPLC method has shown adequate separation of Dithranol and Salicylic acid as API and its formulation. The separation was achieved on a Enable C18 (250mm X 4.6 mm i.d, 5  $\mu\text{m}$  particle size) with an gradient system of Acetonitrile: Water in the ratio of 90:10 v/v. The mobile phase at a flow rate of 1.5 ml/min, pH 3.5, Injection volume 20  $\mu\text{l}$  and wavelength of detection used was 278 nm. The retention time for Dithranol and Salicylic acid were obtained as  $1.73 \pm 0.1 \text{ min}$  and  $2.99 \pm 0.1 \text{ min}$ , respectively. The linearity of the proposed method was investigated in the range of 2-10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  for both the drugs. Correlation coefficient was 0.999 and 0.998 for Dithranol and Salicylic acid, respectively. The developed method was validated as per ICH guideline, for its accuracy, precision, LOD & LOQ and

the results were found to be satisfactory, thus the method is specific, rapid and simple with good for estimation of Dithranol and Salicylic acid.

**Key words:** Dithranol and Salicylic acid, Q-Absorbance method, RP-HPLC, validation.