Bioanalytical method development and validation for bioflavonoid quercetin in nano formulation by RP-UFLC in rabbit plasma

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A sensitive reverse phase high pressure liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC) has been developed and validated for the quantification of quercetin in rabbit plasma using protein precipitation method (PPT). Best chromatographic resolution was achieved on a reverse phase Hibar C₁₈ (250 x 4.6 mm i.d., 5µ) column with the mobile phase consisted of acetonitrile:ammonium acetate buffer (pH 3.5) in the ratio of 75:25 (v/v) with a flow rate of 0.8ml/min. The retention time for the drugs was found to be 5.6 minute and 10 minute for internal standard (fluticasone propionate). The analyte was detected by using a PDA detector with LC solution software. Linearity was obtained in the concentration range from (20 to 400.0 ng/ml) (r = 0.989). Lower limit of quantification (LLOQ) was found to be 10 ng/ml. Middle limit of quantification (MQC) was found to be 200 ng/ml and higher limit of quantification (HQC) was found to be 400 ng/ml. The average recovery of the analyte was found to ranging from 95.82 to 98.8%. The present method was successfully applied in the newly developed nano-formulation for estimation of various pharmacokinetic parameters such as peak plasma concentration (C_{max}), time to peak concentration (t_{max}), area under the plasma concentration-time curve (AUC_{0-t} & AUC_{0-∞}), elimination rate constant (k_e) and elimination half-life (t_{1/2}) for quercetin in rabbit plasma.

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