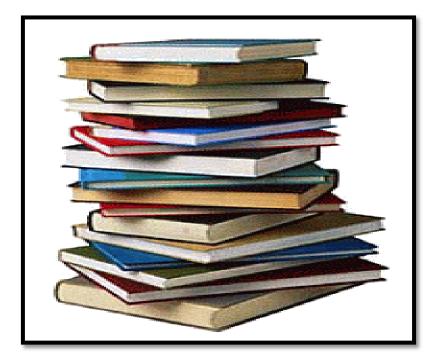
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## "APPENDIX"



## **List of Publications**

## **Research Articles**

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## Research paper

Development and characterization of enteric coated pectin pellets containing mesalamine and *Saccharomyces boulardii* for specific inflamed colon: *In vitro* and *in vivo* evaluation

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#### ABSTRACT

The objective of this study was to develop and characterize enteric-coated pectin pellets containing mesalamine and S. bulardii for specific colon targeted drug delivery for ulcerative colitis management. Pellets of mesalamine and S.bulardii were produced by extrusion-spheronization technique by using pectin and microcrystalline cellulose and coated with Cellulose acetate phthalate. The pellets were evaluated for morphology, micromeritic properties as well as through fourier transform infrared spectroscopy, differential scanning calorimetry and X-ray diffraction techniques and the results confirmed that all the ingredients of the pellets were compatible with each other without revealing any specific interaction. The dissolution profiles of uncoated and coated pellets were examined at pH 1.2, 6.8 and 7.4 with and without rat cecal content. Further pharmacokinetic studies revealed a lower value of maximum concentration in the case of cellulose acetate phthalate coated pellets formulation in comparison to uncoated ones which, evidenced the lower systemic exposure of the drug. Finally, to ensure the therapeutic activity of the selected formulation, a 2,4,6-trinitrobenzene sulfonic acid-induced colitis model was used. Colon/Bodyweight ratio, myeloperoxidase, lipid peroxidase level, glutathione activity and histological evaluation were performed in the colitis model. Animal experiments revealed that coated pellets of mesalamine and S. bulardii significantly improved the diseased conditions in Wistar rats. The confirmation of which was done by the gain in weight, clinical improvement in macroscopic and microscopic factors of induced colitis. These findings ensure that coated pellet formulation has promising potential for targeted drug delivery of mesalamine and S. bulardii to the colon as well as to improve the viability of probiotics and enhancement in the effectiveness of mesalamine in management of ulcerative colitis.

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Development and *In Vivo* Evaluation of Pectin Based Enteric Coated Microparticles Loaded with Mesalamine and *Saccharomyces boulardii* for Management of Ulcerative Colitis

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#### ABSTRACT

Mesalamine is the first-line choice of drug for ulcerative colitis management. However, due to the nontargeted delivery of mesalamine, it shows side effects. The possible impact of mesalamine can be improved by coated microparticles in combination with S. boulardii for targeted delivery to the colon with the prevention of unwanted side effects. In this work, pectin-based mesalamine and S. boulardii loaded microparticles were prepared by dehydration technique and coated by an oil-in-oil solvent evaporation method and characterized by Scanning electron microscopy (SEM), X-ray diffraction, and zeta analysis. 2, 4, 6-Trinitrobenzenesulfonic acid was used for the induction of colitis. The anti-inflammatory effects of coated microparticles on Caco-2 protein (CRP), were assessed. SEM data revealed that all the prepared coated microparticles had an almost spherical shape. The X-ray powder diffraction analysis of uncoated and coated microparticles showed maximum stability without any interaction. The particle size of uncoated and coated microparticles was 9.14 and 15.61 µm, respectively. The zeta potential of uncoated and coated microparticles was observed to be -26.78 and -29.36 mV, respectively. The prepared coated microparticles decreased the levels of lipid peroxides, MPO, and GSH significantly in colitis. In the Caco-2 cell culture model, the concentration of IL-8 is decreased significantly. The hematological observations confirmed that the prepared formulation showed a promising decrease in the levels of WBC, CRP, and ESR in diseased animals. Animal experiments revealed that cellulose acetate phthalate coated microparticles of mesalamine and S. boulardii significantly improved the colitis disease conditions of Wistar rats. Hence, cellulose acetate phthalate-coated microparticles of mesalamine and S. boulardii could be recommended as adjuvant therapy to achieve a synergistic effect in the management of UC.

Keywords: ulcerative colitis, mesalamine, pectin, probiotic (Saccharomyces boulardii), microparticles, TNBS

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#### DEVELOPMENT OF CELLULOSE ACETATE PHTHALATE COATED PECTIN MICROPARTICLES LOADED WITH MESALAMINE AND SACCHAROMYCES BOULARDII INTENDED FOR SPECIFIC COLONIC DRUG DELIVERY

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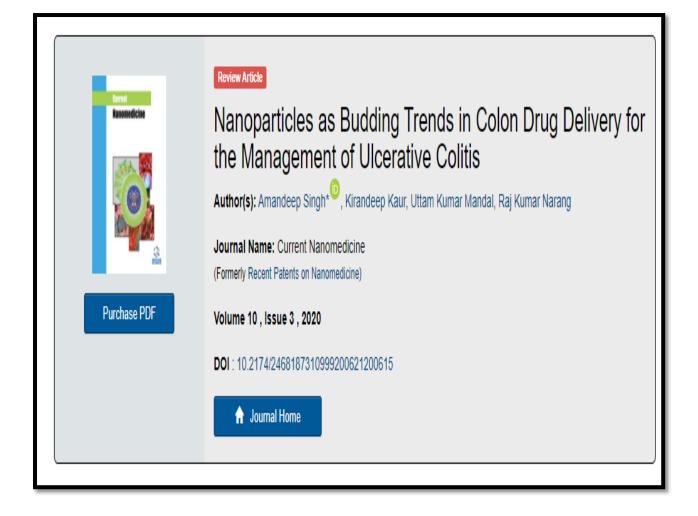
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## ABSTRACT

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The present work was focused on delivering mesalamine along with probiotic, specifically to the colonic site. Mesalamine and probiotic were encapsulated in natural polysaccharide pectin microparticles and coated with the Cellulose acetate phthalate (CAP) as an enteric-coated polymer. The major concern of this research is to protect the drug and probiotic release from the gastric environment and target to colonic region. By using nitric oxide assay, the IC<sub>50</sub> value of both probiotics (*Saccharomyces boulardii* and *Lactobacillus acidophilus*) was determined. Pectin microparticles were prepared by dehydration technique followed by coating with oil-in-oil solvent evaporation. For the drug and polymer compatibility, FTIR determination was done. The release of drug and probiotic was determined with and without rat cecal content. Furtherly pharmacokinetic studies were done to assess the drug concentration in Wistar rat's blood fluid. The nitric oxide assay confirmed that *Saccharomyces boulardii* has high nitric oxide scavenging ability. The FTIR graphs confirmed that no chemical reaction was observed within the drug and polymer. The observed *in-vitro* results of coated microparticles release have been confirmed that the coated formulation has the potential to release the drug and probiotic at the colonic site. Further pharmacokinetic studies revealed a lower value of  $C_{max}$  in the case of CAP coated microparticles formulation in comparison to uncoated ones which evidenced the lower systemic exposure of the drug.

Keywords: Ulcerative colitis, Probiotic, Saccharomyces boulardii, Lactobacillus acidophilus, Pectin, Colon targeted drug delivery.



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