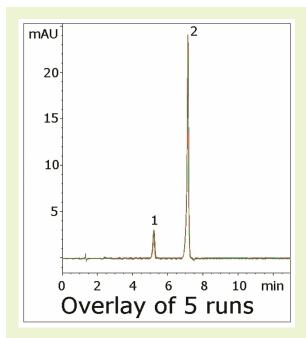


Verapamil Impurities Method

Excellent peak efficiency with an LC-MS compatible mobile phase



$$H_3CO$$
 H_3CO
 H_3C

Note: Verapamil is an L-type calcium channel blocker used in the treatment of hypertension, angina pectoris, and cardiac arrhythmia.

Method Conditions

Column: Cogent Diamond Hydride™, 4µm, 100Å

Catalog No.: 70000-7.5P Dimensions: 4.6 x 75 mm

Solvent: A: DI H₂O / 10 mM ammonium formate

B: 95/5 acetonitrile / 10 mM ammonium formate (v/v)

 Gradient:
 time (min.)
 %B

 0
 100

 9
 85

 10
 100

Post Time: 4 min Injection vol.: 1µL

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Detection: 278 nm

Samples: Sample mixture contained 0.1 mg/mL verapamil and 0.02mg/mL verapamil related compound B in a diluent of 50/50 solvent A/solvent B. Peak identities were confirmed with individual standards.

Peaks: 1. Verapamil related compound B

2. Verapamil

t₀: 0.9 min

Discussion

The USP impurities method for Verapamil uses an acetate buffer with the ion pair agent 2-aminoheptane. The ion pair agent is used to reduce peak tailing of the API and its impurity. This method featuring the Cogent Diamond Hydride column uses an LC-MS compatible mobile phase and produces high efficiency symmetrical peaks for both compounds. Furthermore, excellent resolution was obtained between the two peaks, which far exceeds the USP system suitability of $R_s{\ge}1.5$. For these reasons, the method is a significant improvement over the USP approach and illustrates the considerable potential of the column for analyses of amine-containing solutes.