

## International Journal of Pharmacy and Industrial Research (IJPIR)

IJPIR |Vol.14 | Issue 4 | Oct - Dec -2024 www.ijpir.com

DOI: https://doi.org/10.61096/ijpir.v14.iss4.2024.446-456

ISSN: 2231-3656 Print: 2231-3648

#### Research

# Designed method validation for new In-Vitro Dissolution by UV Visible Spectrophotometer for Metronidazole extended releases tablet by single chemical.

## G. Divya, Anjali B, Mohammed Omar

Arya college of Pharmacy, Kandi, Sangareddy, Affiliated to Osmania University, Hyderabad, Sangareddy, Telangana 502285

\*Author for Correspondence: G. Divya Email: <u>Gaddamdivya24@gmail.com</u>

Check for updates	Abstract
Published on: 21 Nov2024	The present research work discusses the development of a UV spectrophotometric method for Metronidazole. Simple, accurate and cost efficient spectrophotometric method has been developed for the estimation of
Published by: DrSriram Publications	Metronidazole (MND) in Tablet dosage form. The optimal conditions for the drug analysis were established. The maximum wavelength (max) was found to be 278nm. The percentage recovery of the drug was calculated at 8 hours and obtained 99.4 % against criteria -Recovery should not be less than 95.0 and linearity observed as 0.9999. Validation was conducted in accordance with ICH guidelines,
2024 All rights reserved.	covering parameters such as linearity, accuracy, precision, limit of detection (LOD), and limit of quantification (LOQ). The sample solution exhibited stability for up to 24 hours. The proposed method is deemed appropriate for the analysis of Metronidazole in tablet formulations for quality control applications.
Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License.	<b>Keywords:</b> Metronidazole extended releases, UV Visible Spectrophotometer, Dissolution validation

## INTRODUCTION

Designed method validation for new In-Vitro Dissolution by UV Visible Spectrophotometer for Metronidazole extended releases tablet by single chemical. Verification of the method used for the analysis of determination of dissolution of Metronidazole ER tablets 750 mg with the predetermine acceptance criteria 1st hour – between 25 to 45 %, 2nd hours- between 40 to 60 %, 8th hours= Not less than 80 %. Metronidazole, a BCS class I drug, could be waived based on the BCS principles, thus enabling in-Vitro dissolution data as a surrogate of BE study. However, the impact of dissolution profiles of metronidazole tablets on the in vivo performance has never been studied systematically. Product used for dissolution: FLAGYL® (metronidazole) extended release tablets, 750 mg. To reduce the development of drug-resistant bacteria and maintain the effectiveness of FLAGYL ER®, and other antibacterial drugs, FLAGYL ER® should be used only to treat or prevent infections that are proven or strongly suspected to be caused by bacteria.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

Equipment - Instrument - Glassware-Standard - Solvent-Chemicals Requirement

**Equipment and Instrument:** All equipment and instrument used during method validation shall be qualify, validate and within calibration and preventive maintenances validity.

UV -Visible Spectrophotometer: Model: ShimadzuInstrument number: OC/UV/030

pH meter: Model:Mettler-Instrument number: QC/pH/015

Analytical Balance Model: Mettler Instrument number: QC/BAL/026

**Glassware:** All Class A types glassware shall be used. Before used it shall be cleaned and dried as per validated and approved procedure.

Standards: Reference standards of Metronidazole which has purity 99.99 %

**Solvent and Chemicals Used during analysis:**Hydrochloric acid HPLC grade, WaterHPLC grade, Metronidazole standard, Placebo of Metronidazole ER tablet 750 mg, Product used for dissolution: FLAGYL® (metronidazole) extended release tablets, 750 mg(Metronidazole ER tablet 750 mg).

#### Design Analytical method validation for dissolution by UV -Visible Spectrophotometer

Specificity and System Suitability: IdentificationBlank interference of the ExperimentSystem SuitabilityLinearity and RangePrecisionSystem PrecisionMethod PrecisionAccuracySolution StabilitySystem StabilitySolution stabilityRobustnessChange in wave lengthFilter variability.

## Methodology of the Experiment

**Chemical and Equipment:** Chemicals: Hydrochloride acid HPLC grade, HPLC grade purified water, Dissolution parameters, Medium: 900 ml 0.1 N hydrochloric acid, Apparatus USP type ll paddle, Speed 50 RPM, Temperature 37°C Sampling time 1,2 and 8 hours

**Method for the Placebo preparation:** Weight and transferred 300 mg of placebo in the each dissolution vessel containing 900ml dissolution medium. At the of the specified time point withdraw 10 ml of the sample solution though each dissolution vessel and replace with 10 ml of fresh dissolution medium. Filter the solution thought 0.45, micron membraneDilute 2.0 ml of the above filter solution to 100.0 ml with dissolution medium well,

Preparation of 0.1 NHydrochloride acidDilute 85 ml of hydrochloric acid to 1000 ml with water and mix it well

**Preparation of the standard:** Accurateweight and transfer about 40 mg of standard Metronidazole into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Add about 60 ml of dissolution medium and sonic ate to dissolve. Diluteto volume with dissolution medium and mix it well

Dilute 2 ml of the above solution to 50.0 ml with dissolution medium and mix well

**Preparation of Sample solution:** Set the parameters of dissolution apparatus as mentioned above. Placeon tablet into each of the dissolution jar. At the end of the specified time point withdraw 10 ml of the sample solution from each dissolution vessel and replace with 10 ml of fresh dissolution medium. Filter the solution though 0.45 micronmembrane filter

Dilute 2.0 ml of the above solution to 100 ml with dissolution medium and mix it well

Validation Parameters: The main objective of method validation process is to prove that an analytical method is acceptable for its intended purpose. The necessity for laboratories to use fully validated methods is now universally accepted as a way to obtain reliable results. There are diverse documents for method validation including information about different performance parameters. The classical performance characteristics are accuracy, limit of detection, precision, recovery, robustness, ruggedness, selectivity, specificity and trueness. Unfortunately, contradictory information is normally present among the method validation documents used by laboratories.

Specificity and System Suitability: This test is performed for the identification of analyte and placebo interference

System Suitability: Measure the standard absorbance for ten replicates at about 278 nm 1 cm<sup>2</sup> cell.

Acceptance criteria: The % RSD of absorbance should NMT 2.0

## Identification

Results of Identification :		
Type of Spectrum	Wave length maxima	Absorbance
Standard	276.50	0.621
Sample	276.50	0.583

**Conclusion**: The spectrum of standard sample should be comparable with respect to wavelength. Hence method is specific.

## Blank and Placebo interference

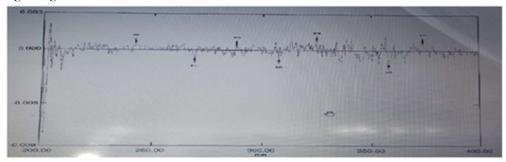
Results o	f Blank and Placebo interfe	rence	
Sr.no	% Blank Interference	% Placebo Interference	
1	0.00	0.00	
2	0.00	0.00	
3	0.00	0.00	
Maxima	0.00	0.00	

**Conclusion**: The spectrum of standard sample should be comparable with respect to wavelength. No interference. Hence method is specific.

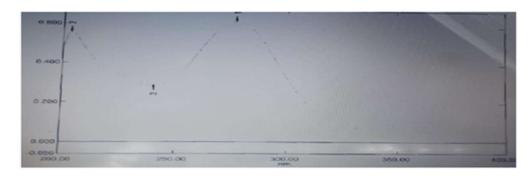
## **System Suitability**

Result of System Suitabil	ity	
Replicate	Absorbance	
1	0609	
2	0.608	
3	0.609	
4	0.608	
5	0.609	
6	0.608	
7	0.607	
8	0.608	
9	0.607	
10	0.608	
Mean	0.608	
SD	0.0007	
% RSD	0.12	

## Wavelength range 200 to 400 Placebo



Wavelength range 200 to 400 Standard

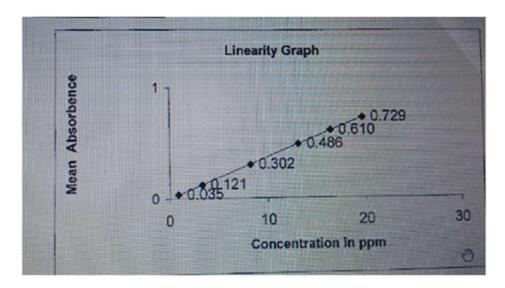


Summary of	Specificity and System Suita	bility		
Specificity	Validation parameters	Results		Acceptance criteria:
•	•	Wave le	ngth	_ ^
	Standard	276.50	Absorbance	The spectrum of standard sample
	Wavelength maxima		0.621	should be comparable with respect to
	Sample	276.50	Absorbance	wavelength
	Wavelength maxima		0.583	
	Blank Interference	0.00		The Maximum % interference due to
	Placebo	0.00		blank and placebo should be NMT 2.0
System	% RSD	0.12		The % RSD of absorbance should
Suitability				NMT 2.0

#### Linearity

Linearity of analyte from 5 % of lower specification to 120 % of higher specification level Perform the linearity of the analyte from 5% to 120% target concentration -1 ppm to 20 ppm by taking minimum five concentration levels and the measures the absorbance at 278 nm in 1cm²cell.For 5 % and 120% of target concentration measure the absorbance 6 times and for the other levels in duplicate.Plot graph of concentration against the absorbance and calculate the linearity regression coefficient % Y intercept, residual sum of squares and % RSD of absorbances for 5 % and 120% of the target concentration.Correlation coefficient should be less than 0.999, % Y intercept should be between  $\pm$  2.0, % RSD of absorbance at 5% level and 120% level should be NMT 2.0

Linearity Levels	Concentration in ppm	Mean Absorbance	% RSD	Statistical Analysis	
L1	0.877	0.35.121	1.16	R2	1.00000
L2	3.288	0.121		Slope	0.033690
L3	8.220	0.302		Y intercept	0.001
L4	13.152	0.486		% Y- intercept	0.16
L5	6.440	0.610		Correlation coefficient	0.99998
L6	19.728	0.729	0.23	Residual sum of squares	0.0020



Summary of I	inearity		
	Validation parameters	Results	Acceptance criteria
	R2	1.00000	NA
	Slope	0.033690	NA
	Y intercept	0.001	NA
Linearity	% Y Intercept	0.16	% Y intercept should be between $\pm$ 2.0
	Correlation Coefficient	0.99998	Correlation coefficient should be less than 0.999
	Residual sum of squares	0.0020	NA

**Precision:** In the precision methods at least six determination method precision shall be demonstrated **System Precision:** Prepare standard solution as per the test method and measure the absorbance five times at 278 nm using 1cm<sup>2</sup>cell.% RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT 2.0.

Result of Sy	ystem Precision					
Sr.No	Standard ab	Standard absorbance				
	1 sthour	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour	8 thhour			
1	0.613	0.607	0.615			
2	0.612	0.606	0.614			
3	0.614	0.607	0.615			
4	0.613	0.607	0.615			
5	0.614	0.607	0.615			
Mean	0.613	0.607	0.615			
SD	0.0007	0.0004	0.0004			
% RSD	0.11	0.07	0.07			

Acceptance criteria: % RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT 2.0

**Method Precision:** Prepare six sample preparations as per test method for each time point and measure the absorbance at 278 nm using 1cm<sup>2</sup>cell. And calculate percentage of dissolution. The % RSD of % dissolution from six samples for each time point should be NMT 5.0.

Result of M	ethod Precision		
Sr.No	Standard absorbance		
	1 sthour	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour	8 <sup>th</sup> hour
1	32.5	48.2	93.6
2	34.1	49.8	90.6
3	32.4	48.8	90.7

4	34.4	49.7	93.1	
5	33.0	48.4	90.9	
6	32.5	48.6	92.0	
Mean	33.2	48.6	92.0	
SD	0.88	0.70	1.40	
% RSD	2.65	1.43	1.52	

Acceptance criteria: % RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT 2.0

**Summary of Precision** 

	Validation	Results	Acceptance criteria:
	parameters		
Cristom	% RSD	1 <sup>st</sup> hour 0.11	% RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT
System Precision;		2 <sup>nd</sup> hour 0.07	2.0
Precision,		8 <sup>th</sup> hour 0.07	
Method	% RSD	1 <sup>st</sup> hour 2.65	The % RSD of % dissolution from six
Precision		2 <sup>nd</sup> hour 1.43	samples for each time point should be NMT
		8 <sup>th</sup> hour 1.52	5.0

#### **System Precision**

Prepare standard solution as per the test method and measure the absorbance five times at 278 nm using 1cm²cell.% RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT 2.0

Sr.No	Standard absor	bance	
	1 sthour	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour	8 <sup>th</sup> hour
1	0.617	0.617	0.620
2	0.615	0.617	0.619
3	0.616	0.617	0.620
	0.616	0.618	0.620
	0.617	0.617	0.619
<b>l</b> ean	0.616	0.617	0.620
D	0.0005	0.0004	0.0004
RSD	0.08	0.06	0.06

**Method Precision:** Dissolution was performed with sic tablets as per the tedtmethos and measured the absorbance of each solution by using UV spectrophotometer and calculation the % dissolution, Prepare six sample preparations as per test method for each time point and measure the absorbance at 278 nm using 1cm<sup>2</sup>cell. And calculate percentage of dissolution. The % RSD of % dissolution from six samples for each time point should be NMT 5.0. The overall % RSD of % dissolution from precision study and intermediate precision study for each time point should be NMT 5.0

Results of Method Precision					
Sr.No	Standard absorb	Standard absorbance			
	1 sthour	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hour	8 <sup>th</sup> hour		
1	34.2	50.5	92.9		
2	32.8	47.7	94.0		
3	35.3	49.1	92.1		
4	32.8	49.6	92.9		
5	33.3	47.2	94.1		
6	35.0	48.2	91.3		
Mean	33.9	48.7	92.6		
SD	1.10	1.24	1.08		
% RSD	3.24	2.55	1.16		
The % RSD of %	dissolution from six sample	s for each time point should	be NMT 5.0	•	

Over all	0/	Dissolution	atatiation	for 1	harre

Sample	% Dissolution for 1 hours (Overall Statistics)	
	Set 1	Set 2

1	32.5	34.2
2	34.1	32.8
3	32.4	35.3
_ 4	34.4	32.8
_ 5	33.0	33.3
6	32.5	35.0
Mean	33.2	33.9
SD	0.88	1.10
% RSD	2.65	3.24
Over all Mean	33.5	
Over All SD	1.03	
Over All % RSD	3.07	
Analyst	ABC	EFG
Set	1	2
Day	1	2
Instrument	QC-UV-001	QC-UV-004

## Over all % Dissolution statistics for $2^{nd}$ hours

% Dissolution for 1 hou	rs (Overall Statistics)	-
Set 1	Set 2	
48.2	50.5	
49.8	47.7	
48.8	49.1	
49.7	49.6	
48.4	47.2	
48.6	48.2	
48.6	48.7	
0.70	1.24	
1.43	2.55	
48.8		
0.96		
1.97		
ABC	EFG	
1	2	
1	2	
QC-UV-001	QC-UV-004	
	Set 1  48.2  49.8  48.8  49.7  48.4  48.6  0.70  1.43  48.8  0.96  1.97  ABC	48.2     50.5       49.8     47.7       48.8     49.1       49.7     49.6       48.4     47.2       48.6     48.2       48.6     48.7       0.70     1.24       1.43     2.55       48.8     0.96       1.97     ABC     EFG       1     2       1     2       1     2       2     2

## Over all % Dissolution statistics for 8th hours

Set 1 1 93.6	Set 2 92.9 94.0
	94.0
2 90.6	
3 90.7	92.1
4 93.1	92.9
5 90.9	94.1
6 92.0	91.3
Mean 92.0	92.6
SD 1.40	1.08
% RSD 1.52	1.16
Over all Mean 92.4	
Over All SD 1.28	
Over All % RSD 1.39	
Analyst ABC	EFG
Set 1	2
Day 1	2
Instrument QC-UV-001	QC-UV-004

	Validation parameters	Results		Acceptance criteria:
	% RSD	1st hour	0.08	% RSD for five absorbance's
System Precision:		2 <sup>nd</sup> hour	0.06	should be NMT 2.0
		8th hour	0.06	
Method Precision	% RSD	1st hour	3.24	The % RSD of % dissolution
		2 <sup>nd</sup> hour	2.55	from six samples for each time
		8th hour	1.16	point should be NMT 5.0
	% RSD-Over All	1st hour	3.07	The % RSD of % dissolution
		2 <sup>nd</sup> hour	1.97	from precision study and
		8 <sup>th</sup> hour	1.39	intermediate precision study for each time point should be NMT 5.

**Accuracy:** The accuracy shall be performed by placebo spiked with known amount of analysts by using at least 3 replicates of 3 test concentrations levels.

**System Precision:** Prepare standard solution as per the test method and measure the absorbance five times at 278 nm using 1cm<sup>2</sup>cell. % RSD for five absorbances should be NMT 2.0

**Accuracy:** Prepare sample solution by spiking the analyte to the placebo at known concentration Level ranging from 5 % to 120 % of target concentration by using at least three replicate of minimum three concentration levels and measure the absorbance.% Recovery should not be less than 95.0

Accuracy Accuracy		Amount	Amount	%	Statistic	al analysis
riccur ucy	10,01	added in mg	found in mg	Recovery	Statistic	ar anarysis
Level-1	Sample -1	38.59	38.31	99.3	Mean	99.8
	Sample -2	38.57	38.31	99.3	_	
	Sample -3	39.16	39.51	100.9	_	
Level-2	Sample -1	151.00	149.64	99.1	Mean	99.0
	Sample -2	151.05	148.45	99.0	_	
	Sample -3	150.28	149.64	98.8	_	
Level-3	Sample -1	376.97	374.71	99.6	Mean	99.2
	Sample -2	376.39	372.31	99.2	_	
	Sample -3	375.26	372.31	99.3	_	
Level-4	Sample -1	598.73	594.98	99.4	Mean	99.4
	Sample -2	5.99.17	596.18	99.2	_	
	Sample -3	598.33	593.78	99.4		
Level-5	Sample -1	751.38	745.82	99.3	Mean	99.4
	Sample -2	750.28	747.02	99.6		
	Sample -3	750.02	742.82	99.4		
Level-6	Sample -1	895.62	893.07	99.7	Mean	99.6
	Sample -2	896.13	891.87	99.5	_	
	Sample -3	895.33	891.87	99.6	_	
Over all St	tatistical analysis	S				
Mean	99.4	SD	0.46	•	% RSD	0.46
The recove	ery results indica	ites that the test m	ethod has an acce	eptable level o	f Accuracy	7

Accuracy Summary			
	Validation	Results	Acceptance criteria:
	parameters		_
	% Mean recovery	99.4	% Recovery should not be less
Accuracy	•		than 95.0
Conclusion: The recov	very results indicates	that the test method h	nas anacceptable level of accuracy

## Range

Evaluate the range of methods using the data from linearity, Precision and accuracy studies

Range			
	Validation	Results	Acceptance criteria:
	parameters		
Range	5 % to 120 % of	target concentration	
Conclusion: Ra	nge of the analytical met	hod can be obtained f	rom linearity, precision and accuracy data. Report
the range in %	with respect to sample co	oncentration	

## **Solution Stability**

**System Precision:** Prepare standard solution as per the test method and measure the absorbance five times at 278 nm using 1cm<sup>2</sup>cell.% RSD for five absorbance's should be NMT 2.0

Carryout the solution stability for standard and  $8^{th}$  hour time point sample solutions and measure the absorbance at 278 nm in 1 cm2 cell at regular interval 2 hours, 4 hours, 8 hours, 12 hours , 24 hours along with freshly prepared standard. For standard the % difference of % Assay for initial standard to standard at regular intervals should be NMT 2.0. For sample the % difference of % dissolution for initial sample to sample at regular intervals should be NMT 2.0

Results of solution stability			
Time in hours	% Assay	% Difference	
Standards solution			
Initial	99.8	-	
2 hours	99.6	0.2	
4 hours	100.0	0.2	
8 hours	99.1	0.7	
12 hours	99.1	0.7	
24 hours	99.4	0.4	

Results of solution stability				
Time in hours	% Dissolution	% Difference		
Sample solution				
Initial	92.3	-		
2 hours	92.6	0.3		
4 hours	93.2	0.1		
8 hours	92.6	0.3		
12 hours	93.3	1.1		
24 hours	93.2	1.0		

Summary Solution Stability					
	Validation parameters Results	Acceptance criteria:			
Standard solution	Standard solution is stable up to 24 hours on the bench				
Sample solution	Samplessolution is stable up to 24 hours on the bench				

#### Robustness

**Change in wavelength:** Prepare standard solution as per the test method and measure the absorbance by alternating by 278± 5 nm (273 nm and 283 nm). System suitability should pass as per test method at variable conditions. The % difference of % dissolution compared from 278± 5 nm should be NMT 5.0

Re	sults of Change in w	avelength					
Sr.no	278nm-273nn	278nm-273nm-283nm					
	% Dissolution	% Dissolution			Difference		
	At 278nm	273nm-	283nm	At 278nm Vs	At 278nm Vs		
				273nm	283 nm		
1	94.0	93.8	93.7	0.2	0.3		
2	93.1	92.4	92.7	0.8	0.4		

3	92.9	92.7	92.9	0.2	0.0
The % difference of % dissolution compared from 278± 5 nm should be NMT 5.					

**Filter Variability:** Prepare 3 samples solution for 8<sup>th</sup>hours time point as per the test methods. Centrifuge one portion of sample solution and filter the other portion of sample solution through at least two types of filters ( PVDF and nylon 66 filter). Note: Sample preparations in precision study can be used in filter variability. For % difference of % dissolved compared to centrifuge to the filtered samples s should be NMT 5.0

Results of Filter	Variability					
Sr.no	Centrifuged -PVDF -nylon 66 filter					
	% Dissolution	-	Difference			
	Centrifuged	Nylon 66	PVDF	Nylon 66	PVDF	
1	92	92.1	91.7	91.7	0.3	
2	92.3	93.2	91.5	91.5	0.9	
3	93.1	92.4	92.4	92.5	0.8	
For % difference	of % dissolved co	empared to centrifug	ge to the filte	ered samples s should be N	NMT 5.0	
Robustness						
	Validati	on parameters	Results	Acceptance criteria:		
	Maximu	Maximum % Difference		For % difference of % dissolved con		
Eilten Venieleilite	(Centrif	(Centrifuged Vs PVDF)		centrifuge to the filtered samples s should be		
Filter Variability	Maximu	Maximum % Difference		NMT 5.0		
	(Centrifu	(Centrifuged Vs Nylon 66)				
	Maximu	Maximum % Difference (278 Vs 273)		The % difference of % dissolution compared		
Change in Ways	1an ath (278 Vs			from 278± 5nm should	be NMT 5.0	
Change in Wave	Maximu	Maximum % Difference		_		
	(278 Vs	(278 Vs 283)				

## **CONCLUSION**

This study describes a UV method that has been used to assess metronidazole tablets and related validation parameters using various solvent systems of these water: hydrochloride for combination mixture of metronidazole tablets have been shown the possible better findings out this assay method. This proposed solvent system meets all of the method validation criteria, such as linearity, accuracy and precision.

## REFERENCES

- 1. Pankuch GA, Jacobs MR, Appelbaum PC, Susceptibilities of 428 gram-positive and negative anaerobic bacteria to Bay y3118 compared with their susceptibilities to ciprofloxacin, clindamycin, metronidazole, piperacillin, piperacillin-tazobactam, and cefoxitin. Antimicrobial agents and chemotherapy. 1993 Aug;
- 2. Löfmark S, Edlund C, Nord CE, Metronidazole is still the drug of choice for treatment of anaerobic infections. Clinical infectious diseases: an official publication of the Infectious Diseases Society of America. 2010 Jan 1; [PubMed PMID: 20067388)
- 3. Raudin JI, Skilogiannis I, In vitro susceptibilities of Entamoeba histolytica to azithromycin, CP-63,956, erythromycin, and metronidazole. Antimicrobial agents and chemotherapy. 1989 Jun;
- 4. Nix DE, Tyrrell R, Müller M, Pharmacodynamics of metronidazole determined by a time- kill assay for Trichomonas vaginalis. Antimicrobial agents and chemotherapy. 1995 Aug [PubMed PMID: 7486930]
- 5. Ralph ED, Kirby WM, Unique bactericidal action of metronidazole against Bacteroides fragilis and Clostridium perfringens. Antimicrobial agents and chemotherapy. 1975 Oct; [PubMed PMID: 172007]
- 6. Edwards DI, Nitroimidazole drugs-action and resistance mechanisms. I. Mechanisms of action. The Journal of antimicrobial chemotherapy. 1993 Jan, [PubMed PMID: 8444678)
- 7. Edwards DI, Reduction of nitroimidazoles in vitro and DNA damage. Biochemical pharmacology. 1986 Jan 1; PubMed PMID: 3940526]
- 8. Tocher JH, Edwards DI, The interaction of reduced metronidazole with DNA bases and nucleosides. International journal of radiation oncology, biology, physics. 1992; [PubMed PMID: 1544834]
- 9. Finegald SM, Metronidazole. Annals of internal medicine. 1980 Oct; [PubMed PMID:7436193]
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases: Summary of 2015 CDC Treatment Guidelines. Journal of the Mississippi State Medical Association. 2015 Dec; [PubMed PMID: 26975162]
- 11. Gonzales MLM, Dans LF, Sio-Aguilar J, Antiamoebic drugs for treating amoebic colitis. The Cochrane database of systematic reviews. 2019 Jan 9; [PubMed PMID: 30624763]

- van Schalkwyk J, Yudin MH, Vulvovaginitis: screening for and management of trichomoniasis, vulvovaginal candidiasis, and bacterial vaginosis. Journal of obstetrics and gynaecology Canada: JOGC Journal d'obstetrique et gynecologie du Canada: JOGC. 2015 Mar, [PubMed PMID: 26001874]
- 13. Gardner TB, Hill DR, Treatment of giardiasis. Clinical microbiology reviews. 2001 Jan, [PubMed PMID: 11148005Mazuski JE, Tessier JM, May AK, Sawyer RG, Nadler EP, Rosengart
- 14. MR, Chang PK, O'Neill PJ, Mallen KP, Huston JM, Diaz JJ Jr, Prince IM, The Surgical Infection Society Revised Guidelines on the Management of Intra-Abdominal Infection. Surgical Infections. 2017 Jan
- 15. Stevens DL, Bisno AL, Chambers HF. Dellinger EP, Goldstein EJ, Gorbach SL, Hirschmann JV, Kaplan SL. Montoya JG, Wade JC. Practice guidelines for the diagnosis and management of skin and soft tissue infections: 2014 update by the infectious diseases society of America. Clinical infectious diseases: an official publication of the Infectious Diseases Society of America. 2014 Jul 15:59(2):147-59. doi: 10.1093/cid/ciu296. Epub 2014 Jun 18 [PubMed PMID: 24947530]