

Poorly Soluble Drugs Dissolution And Drug Release

Amorphous Solid Dispersions

This volume offers a comprehensive guide on the theory and practice of amorphous solid dispersions (ASD) for handling challenges associated with poorly soluble drugs. In twenty-three inclusive chapters, the book examines thermodynamics and kinetics of the amorphous state and amorphous solid dispersions, ASD technologies, excipients for stabilizing amorphous solid

dispersions such as polymers, and ASD manufacturing technologies, including spray drying, hot melt extrusion, fluid bed layering and solvent-controlled micro-precipitation technology (MBP). Each technology is illustrated by specific case studies. In addition, dedicated sections cover analytical tools and technologies for characterization of amorphous solid dispersions, the prediction of long-term stability, and the development of suitable dissolution methods and regulatory aspects. The book also highlights future technologies on the horizon, such as supercritical fluid processing, mesoporous silica, KinetiSol®, and the use of non-salt-forming organic acids and amino acids for the stabilization of amorphous systems. *Amorphous Solid Dispersions: Theory and Practice* is a valuable reference to pharmaceutical scientists interested in developing bioavailable and therapeutically effective formulations of poorly soluble molecules in order to advance these technologies and develop better medicines for the future.

Drug solubility and bioavailability improvement. Possible methods with emphasis on liquisolid systems formulation

Document from the year 2018 in the subject Pharmicology, grade: 1, , course: Pharmaceutical Technology, language: English, abstract: The aim of this book is to provide a brief but comprehensive overview on the issue of drug bioavailability improvement by preparation of a perspective dosage form – liquisolid systems. The introduction chapter about drug solubility and bioavailability is followed by a description of the general methods which could be used to improve drug bioavailability using approaches of chemistry, physical modification, and primarily pharmaceutical technology. Benefits and practical use of each method are documented by examples. The main part of the book is aimed at characterization and description of liquisolid systems (LSS) – perspective dosage form for bioavailability improvement. Elementary principles of LSS formulation are described in detail, e.g. how to perform a preformulation study; how to choose the correct type and amount of excipients; how to evaluate the dosage forms, etc. All the

above mentioned principles are documented with practical examples. The book could be used as a textbook for students of natural, medical and pharmaceutical sciences as well as by researchers in this field or industrial area. Contemporary pharmacotherapy is characterized by the increasing amount of active substances that are only poorly soluble in water. This may lead to the limitation of their systemic absorption on oral administration which is closely related to the bioavailability. This category is estimated to include more than forty percent of active substances that are in general use. So far, this poor aqueous solubility has been improved by physical or chemical modification of the active substance. In general, such changes are very expensive and troublesome, often leading to problems in stability, marketing authorization process, or administration comfort of the particular drug. This is one of the reasons why modern pharmaceutical technology has focused on those dosage forms that can increase the bioavailability of some active substances while maintaining suitable stability and administration comfort. Several processes that improve solubility, respectively bioavailability have been described and published. These include micronization, nanocrystals, and formulation of solid dispersions. Only recently, a novel trend has appeared – to take advantage of good solubility of

active substances in chosen solvents, that is, to use the active substances in a liquid phase.

Water-Insoluble Drug Formulation

Properties and Formulation: From Theory to Real-World Application Scientists have attributed more than 40 percent of the failures in new drug development to poor biopharmaceutical properties, particularly water insolubility. Issues surrounding water insolubility can postpone or completely derail important new drug development. Even the much-needed reformulation of currently marketed products can be significantly affected by these challenges. More recently it was reported that the percentage increased to 90% for the candidates of new chemical entities in the discovery stage and 75% for compounds under development. In the most comprehensive resource on the topic, this third edition of Water-Insoluble Drug Formulation brings together a distinguished team of experts to provide the scientific background and step-by-step guidance needed to deal with solubility issues in drug development. Twenty-three chapters systematically

describe the detailed discussion on solubility theories, solubility prediction models, the aspects of preformulation, biopharmaceutics, pharmacokinetics, regulatory, and discovery support of water-insoluble drugs to various techniques used in developing delivery systems for water-insoluble drugs. This book includes more than 15 water-insoluble drug delivery systems or technologies, illustrated with case studies and featuring oral and parenteral applications.

Highlighting the most current information and data available, this seminal volume reflects the significant progress that has been made in nearly all aspects of this field. The aim of this book is to provide a handy reference for pharmaceutical scientists in the handling of formulation issues related to water-insoluble drugs. In addition, this book may be useful to pharmacy and chemistry undergraduate students and pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical graduate students to enhance their knowledge in the techniques of drug solubilization and dissolution enhancement.

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Demand for better reliability from drug delivery systems has caused designers and researchers to move away from trial-and-error approaches and toward model-based methods of product development. Developing such models requires cross-disciplinary physical, mathematical, and physiological knowledge. Combining these areas under a single cover, Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms builds a firm understanding of all elements needed to conceive, build, and implement successful models of drug release. Written by experts with broad industrial and academic experience, this book discusses the underlying physical principles, shows how to build mathematical models based on these principles, and finally compares the resulting models with experimental results. The authors begin by introducing the basics of modeling, physiological details of gastrointestinal and dermal absorption pathways, rheology, mass transport and thermodynamics, dissolution and partitioning, as well as size effects on the

dissolution of crystallites. From this baseline, the authors explore applications in drug release from various delivery systems, specifically matrix systems, microemulsions, and permeability through membranes. Working systematically from theory to working models, Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms: A Physical and Mathematical Approach demonstrates the steps involved in designing, building, and implementing realistic and reliable models of drug release without unrealistically simplifying the theoretical parameters.

Enhancement of the Dissolution of a Poorly Water Soluble Drug

Solid dispersion technology has proved to be a powerful technique in the field of drug delivery of poorly water soluble drugs by enhancing the dissolution rate and bioavailability of that drug. Here we used four drugs namely Spironolactone, Etoricoxib, Ibuprofen and Carvedilol. Solid dispersions were prepared by solvent co-precipitation method, where acetone was used as solvent and pet-ether was used as anti solvent. Different water soluble polymer (HPMC 6cps,

Kollicoat IR, Kollidon VA 64 and HPC), and as an excipient poloxamer were used to prepare solid dispersion. Paddle type dissolution apparatus was used to study in-vitro dissolution rate, where paddle speed was 75 rpm. at 37 C. The dissolution samples were then analyzed spectrophotometrically by UV-VIS spectrophotometer. At first we tried to identify the effect of poloxamer 407, then with poloxamer others polymer were applied to find out their effect on drugs. Through the entire study, we searched for the suitable polymer and excipient with their proportion in a formulation which would show the best beneficial effect on drugs' dissolution rate.\"

Oral Lipid-Based Formulations

Oral lipid-based formulations are attracting considerable attention due to their capacity to facilitate gastrointestinal absorption and reduce or eliminate the effect of food on the absorption of poorly water-soluble, lipophilic drugs. Despite the obvious and demonstrated utility of these

formulations for addressing a persistent and growing problem

Controlled Release in Oral Drug Delivery

Controlled Release in Oral Drug Delivery provides focus on specific topics, complementing other books in the initial CRS series. Each chapter sets the context for the inventions described and describe the latitude that the inventions allow. In order to provide some similar look to each chapter, the coverage includes the historical overview, candidate drugs, factors influencing design and development, formulation and manufacturing and delivery system design. This volume was written along three main sections: the relevant anatomy and physiology, a discussion on candidates for oral drug delivery and the major three groups of controlled release systems: diffusion control (swelling and inert matrices); environmental control (pH sensitive coatings, time control, enzymatic control, pressure control) and finally lipidic systems.

Pharmaceutical Solid Dispersion Technology

Up to 40% of new chemical entities discovered by the pharmaceutical industry today are poorly soluble or lipophilic compounds. The solubility issues complicating the delivery of these new drugs also affect the delivery of many existing drugs. Poorly water-soluble drugs show unpredictable absorption, since their bioavailability depends upon the dissolution in the gastrointestinal tract. The dissolution characteristics of poorly soluble drugs can be enhanced by several methods. Among these methods, solid dispersions (SDs) and cyclodextrins (CDs) have been extensively studied to improve solubility, dissolution, and bioavailability of various drugs. The present manuscript reveals the significance and methodology of enhancing solubility of a poorly water soluble drug which can be useful to apply for other poorly water soluble drugs.

Handbook of Pharmaceutical Controlled Release Technology

Compounds with poor aqueous solubility are posing challenges in the development of new dosage form. Drug dissolution rather than permeation through the epithelium of the gastrointestinal tract is responsible for a low oral absorption. One of the pharmaceutical strategies to improve the oral bio availability is the formulation of solid dispersions. In present research work, Verapamil HCl was selected as model drug, because it has an extremely low aqueous solubility and dissolution rate, but it is well permeable through the membranes of the gastro-intestinal tract. Hence solid dispersion of Verapamil HCl using a very novel carrier Inulin was formulated and concluded that formulation scientists require lesser efforts regarding solubility issues to develop a dosage form of Verapamil HCl. Also good compressibility and flow property of studied solid dispersion make it easy to be formulated into better extended release dosage form like Controlled Porosity Osmotic Pump tablets which provides sustained zero-order release pattern for once a day oral administration that is effective immediately upon administration as well as throughout the period of time of 20-24 hour after administration.

Solubility enhancement of poorly water-soluble drugs by solid dispersion

Summary Solid dispersions are a promising approach for controlled release drug delivery systems as both the bioavailability enhancement of poorly water-soluble drugs as well as the sustained release of water-soluble drugs are possible to optimize their *in vivo* performance. Different methods for the manufacture of solid dispersion systems have been introduced in literature. In the present work, two methods are compared: hot-melt extrusion and ultrasound-assisted compaction technique. Various carrier systems and drugs with different physicochemical properties are applied to investigate the feasibility of the technologies for pharmaceutical formulation. The formulations are compared to the corresponding untreated physical blends of the components regarding their solid state structure and dissolution behavior to assess the effect of the manufacturing technique. Ultrasound-assisted compaction technique improves the initial dissolution rate of fenofibrate, a poorly water-soluble model drug. The crystalline API is partially converted into its amorphous state. As equivalent results can be achieved if the polymers are added directly to the dissolution medium, the dissolution

enhancement is attributed to an improved wettability of the drug. A statistical design of experiments is employed to investigate the effect of the process parameters on the results. Difficulties are encountered in the determination of process parameters which result in an optimal outcome. The process is very sensitive to the smallest changes of settings, for example of the position of the sonotrode. Additionally, the delivery of ultrasound energy is inhomogeneous. There is no or only insufficient user control of these parameters available. Furthermore, the duration of ultrasound energy delivery which is identified as a crucial parameter cannot be set by the user. The variable factors ultrasound energy, pressure of the lower piston and pressure of the upper piston affect the defined responses in the opposite direction. Hence, there are no settings which result in a satisfactory outcome. A strong influence of the material characteristics on the process is observed leading to a batch to batch variability. Due to an insufficient reproducibility of results, the application of the technology cannot be recommended in its current state in the pharmaceutical formulation development and/or production. Improvements in homogeneity of energy delivery, process monitoring, user control and amount of leakage are mandatory for an acceptable performance and a future application in

the pharmaceutical sector. The polymers COP, HPMC and PVCL-PVAc-PEG are well suitable as carriers for hot-melt extruded formulations of fenofibrate. All three extrudates are amorphous one-phase systems with the drug molecularly dispersed in the polymer. The enhancement of the initial dissolution rate and the maximum concentration level achieved are dependent on the applied carrier system. Supersaturation levels of up to 12.1 times are reached which are not stable due to recrystallization processes. The application of blends of polymers as carriers reduces the decrease rate after c_{max} . Because of water absorption and polymer relaxation, the overall dissolution performance decreases with increasing storage times which can be avoided through an optimization of the packaging. If oxeglitazar is used as API, the initial dissolution rate of the extrudates is below that of the untreated drug, with the exception of the ternary blend of COP, HPMC and oxeglitazar which shows a substance-specific super-additive effect. In contrast to the other extrudates, the formulation of PVCL-PVAc-PEG and oxeglitazar does not form a molecularly dispersed solid solution of the drug in the carrier. Instead, an amorphous two-phase system is present. No changes are observed after storage, presumably due to higher glass transition temperatures of the hot-melt extruded systems which are considerably above

those of the corresponding fenofibrate extrudates. With felodipine as API, the dissolution profile is enhanced with COP as single carrier. If HPMC or PVCL-PVAc-PEG is used as single or additional polymeric carriers, the dissolution is equivalent (HPMC) or lower (PVCL-PVAc-PEG) than that of the pure drug although molecularly disperse systems are present in all cases. Out of the two investigated methods only hot-melt extrusion is a suitable technology to manufacture solid dispersions with an improved dissolution behavior. The dissolution profile of the extrudates can be influenced by adding polymers with differing physicochemical characteristics. Predictions on the dissolution behavior of the extrudates with polymeric blends as carriers can be made if there is knowledge on the dissolution profiles of the corresponding single polymeric extrudates. Due to substance-specific effects, the results are not transferable from drug to drug. Even so, the data are promising as the release behavior of the manufactured extrudates can be easily modified and readily adapted to one's needs. Further research will have to be conducted to verify the concept and the relevance of the results *in vivo*. Zusammenfassung Feste Dispersionen sind ein vielversprechender Ansatz zur Herstellung von Drug Delivery-Systemen mit kontrollierter Wirkstofffreisetzung, da sie sowohl die Bioverfügbarkeit schlecht

wasserlöslicher Arzneistoffe verbessern als auch die Freisetzung gut wasserlöslicher Arzneistoffe verzögern können und so deren in vivo Verhalten optimieren. Verschiedene Herstellungsmethoden wurden in der Literatur vorgestellt. In der vorliegenden Arbeit werden zwei Technologien miteinander verglichen: Schmelzextrusion und Ultraschall gestützte Verpressung (USAC). Verschiedene Trägersysteme und Arzneistoffe mit unterschiedlichen physikochemischen Eigenschaften werden untersucht, um die Einsatzmöglichkeit im pharmazeutischen Bereich zu überprüfen. Die Struktur der hergestellten Systeme und deren Freisetzungsverhalten werden mit den physikalischen Mischungen der Komponenten verglichen, um den Einfluss der Formulierung zu bestimmen. Durch USAC wird die initiale Freisetzungsr率e von Fenofibrat, einem schlecht wasserlöslichen Modellarzneistoff, verbessert. Eine teilweise Umwandlung vom kristallinen in den amorphen Zustand tritt auf. Vergleichbare Ergebnisse werden bei einer Polymerzugabe zum Freisetzungsmedium erreicht; daher wird davon ausgegangen, dass vor allem eine verbesserte Benetzungbarkeit des Arzneistoffs eine Rolle spielt. Mittels statistischer Versuchsplanung wird der Einfluss der verschiedenen Prozessparameter untersucht. Die Einstellung der Prozessparameter, um ein optimales Ergebnis zu erhalten,

gestaltet sich schwierig. Der Prozess reagiert auf kleinste Veränderungen, zum Beispiel der Position der Sonotrode, überaus sensitiv. Außerdem wird die Ultraschallenergie nicht homogen übertragen. Die Kontrolle dieser Parameter durch den Anwender ist nicht oder nur unzureichend möglich. Ebenso kann die Dauer der Ultraschallapplizierung, die essentiell für den Prozess ist, nicht eingestellt werden. Die Prozessparameter Ultraschallenergie, Unterstempeldruck und Sonotrodendruck beeinflussen die Zielgrößen in entgegengesetzter Richtung. Daher gibt es keine Einstellung, die für alle Zielgrößen optimale Ergebnisse liefert. Zusätzlich ist der Prozess stark abhängig von den Eigenschaften des verwendeten Materials: Die Verwendung unterschiedlicher Polymerchargen macht eine Anpassung der Prozessparameter notwendig, um vergleichbare Ergebnisse zu erhalten. Eine ausreichende Reproduzierbarkeit der Ergebnisse für einen Einsatz dieser Technologie in Formulierungsentwicklung oder Produktion ist nicht gegeben. Eine homogene Ultraschallenergiezufuhr sowie Verbesserungen der Prozessüberwachung, der Benutzerkontrolle und eine Verminderung der austretenden Materialmenge sind für eine akzeptable Leistung und eine zukünftige Anwendung im pharmazeutischen Bereich zwingend erforderlich. Die Polymere COP, HPMC, PVCL-PVAc-PEG sind für eine

Freisetzungsbewerbesserung von Fenofibrat mittels Schmelzextrusion geeignet. Es liegen einphasige, molekulardisperse feste Lösungen vor. Abhängig von der Trägersubstanz wird die initiale Freisetzungsrates unterschiedlich stark erhöht, ebenso die maximale Konzentration des Arzneistoffes in Lösung. Eine bis zu 12.1-fache Übersättigung wird erreicht, die aufgrund von Rekristallisationsprozessen nicht stabil ist. Der Einsatz von polymeren Mischungen reduziert die Geschwindigkeit des Konzentrationsabfalls. Die Absorption von Wasser und Relaxationseffekte vermindern die Freisetzungserhöhung mit zunehmender Lagerdauer; dieser Entwicklung kann durch eine Optimierung des Packmittels entgegengewirkt werden. Wird der ebenfalls schwer wasserlösliche Arzneistoff Oxeglitazar verwendet, so ist die initiale Freisetzungsrates der Extrudate der reinen Arzneistoffs unterlegen, mit Ausnahme der ternären Mischung von COP, HPMC und Oxeglitazar, die einen substanzspezifischen überadditiven Effekt aufweist. PVCL-PVAc-PEG-Oxeglitazar-Extrudate bilden im Gegensatz zu den übrigen Formulierungen keine molekulardisperse feste Lösung, sondern ein amorphes Zwei-Phasen-System. Eine Veränderung während der Lagerzeit wird nicht beobachtet, vermutlich aufgrund der höheren Glasübergangstemperaturen dieser Systeme. Lediglich das Freisetzungprofil von COP-

Felodipin-Extrudaten ist verbessert. Gegenüber dem reinen Arzneistoff ist die Freisetzung der übrigen Extrudate vergleichbar (HPMC) oder verringert (PVCL-PVAc-PEG), obwohl auch hier molekulardisperse Systeme vorliegen. Von den beiden untersuchten Technologien ist lediglich die Schmelzextrusion geeignet, um feste Dispersionen mit einem verbesserten Freisetzungsverhalten herzustellen. Das Freisetzungsprofil der Extrudate kann durch den Zusatz von Polymeren mit unterschiedlichen Eigenschaften optimiert und vorhergesagt werden, wenn das Freisetzungsprofil der Einzelpolymer-Extrudate bekannt ist. Die Ergebnisse sind aufgrund von substanzspezifischen Effekten nicht von Arzneistoff auf Arzneistoff übertragbar. Nichtsdestotrotz sind die Erkenntnisse dieser Arbeit vielversprechend, da gezeigt wird, dass das Freisetzungsprofil der Extrudate leicht beeinflusst und an spezifische Anforderungen angepasst werden kann. Weitere Untersuchungen sind notwendig, um das Konzept und die Relevanz der Ergebnisse *in vivo* zu überprüfen.

Poorly Soluble Drugs

This book is the first text to provide a comprehensive assessment of the application of fundamental principles of dissolution and drug release testing to poorly soluble compounds and formulations. Such drug products are, vis-à-vis their physical and chemical properties, inherently incompatible with aqueous dissolution. However, dissolution methods are required for product development and selection, as well as for the fulfillment of regulatory obligations with respect to biopharmaceutical assessment and product quality understanding. The percentage of poorly soluble drugs, defined in classes 2 and 4 of the Biopharmaceutics Classification System (BCS), has significantly increased in the modern pharmaceutical development pipeline. This book provides a thorough exposition of general method development strategies for such drugs, including instrumentation and media selection, the use of compendial and non-compendial techniques in product development, and phase-appropriate approaches to dissolution development. Emerging topics in the field of dissolution are also discussed, including biorelevant and biphasic dissolution, the use of enzymes in dissolution testing, dissolution of

suspensions, and drug release of non-oral products. Of particular interest to the industrial pharmaceutical professional, a brief overview of the formulation and solubilization techniques employed in the development of BCS class 2 and 4 drugs to overcome solubility challenges is provided and is complemented by a collection of chapters that survey the approaches and considerations in developing dissolution methodologies for enabling drug delivery technologies, including nanosuspensions, lipid-based formulations, and stabilized amorphous drug formulations.

Formulating Poorly Water Soluble Drugs

The objective of this volume is to consolidate within a single text the most current knowledge, practical methods, and regulatory considerations pertaining to formulations development with poorly water-soluble molecules. A pharmaceutical scientist's approach toward solubility enhancement of a poorly water-soluble molecule typically includes detailed characterization of

the compound's physiochemical properties, solid-state modifications, advanced formulation design, non-conventional process technologies, advanced analytical characterization, and specialized product performance analysis techniques. The scientist must also be aware of the unique regulatory considerations pertaining to the non-conventional approaches often utilized for poorly water-soluble drugs. One faced with the challenge of developing a drug product from a poorly soluble compound must possess at minimum a working knowledge of each of the abovementioned facets and detailed knowledge of most. In light of the magnitude of the growing solubility problem to drug development, this is a significant burden especially when considering that knowledge in most of these areas is relatively new and continues to develop

Pharmaceutical Dissolution Testing

Introduction, Historical Highlights, and the Need for Dissolution Testing Theories of Dissolution Dissolution Testing Devices Automation in Dissolution Testing, by William A. Hanson and

Albertha M. Paul Factors That Influence Dissolution Testing Interpretation of Dissolution Rate Data Techniques and of In Vivo Dissolution, by Umesh V. Banakar, Chetan D. Lathia, and John H. Wood Dissolution of Dosage Forms Dissolution of Modified-Release Dosage Forms Dissolution and Bioavailability Dissolution Testing and the Assessment of Bioavailability/Bioequivalence, by Santosh J. Vetticaden Dissolution Rediscovered, by John H. Wood Appendix: USP/NF Dissolution Test.

Predicting the Oral Absorption of Poorly Soluble Drugs

Despite the public desire for a magic bullet--a drug that cures the ailment and is easy to take--most drugs require a sustained release to the target area as opposed to a burst, hence the need for controlled release devices. This volume devotes separate sections to current work in each of the key aspects for developing these devices, including the route of administration, drug delivery vehicles, drug targeting, and modulated drug delivery.

Oral Drug Absorption

Solid dispersion was prepared by solvent evaporation technique and it is optimized by using different of polymer and lipid ratios. The prepared solid dispersions were evaluated for solubility study, assay and in vitro dissolution study. The solid state property was characterized by differential scanning Calorimetry(DSC). The solubility and dissolution rate were found significantly increased in these solid dispersion systems compared with pure drug alone. The highest improvement of solubility and dissolution rate was found with PEG 6000 and 45 mg phosphatidylcholine. DSC studies of solid dispersions confirmed the there is no interaction between drug with excipients. This is attributed to improve bioavailability due to enhancement in rate and extent of drug release. The preparation of solid dispersion is a promising strategy to improve the solubility and dissolution of drug of low solubility and thereby bioavailability of the drug. The solvent evaporation method could be considered as a simple method for preparation of solid dispersion within a shorter period of times.

In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms

The suspension dosage form has long been used for poorly soluble active ingredients for various therapeutic indications. Development of stable suspensions over the shelf life of the drug product continues to be a challenge on many fronts. A good understanding of the fundamentals of disperse systems is essential in the development of a suitable pharmaceutical suspension. The development of a suspension dosage form follows a very complicated path. The selection of the proper excipients (surfactants, viscosity imparting agents etc.) is important. The particle size distribution in the finished drug product dosage form is a critical parameter that significantly impacts the bioavailability and pharmacokinetics of the product. Appropriate analytical methodologies and instruments (chromatographs, viscometers, particle size analyzers, etc.) must be utilized to properly characterize the suspension formulation. The development process continues with a successful scale-up of the manufacturing process. Regulatory agencies around the world require clinical trials to establish the safety and efficacy of the drug product. All of this

development work should culminate into a regulatory filing in accordance with the regulatory guidelines. Pharmaceutical Suspensions, From Formulation Development to Manufacturing, in its organization, follows the development approach used widely in the pharmaceutical industry. The primary focus of this book is on the classical disperse system – poorly soluble active pharmaceutical ingredients suspended in a suitable vehicle.

Osmotic Drug Delivery System for a Poorly Soluble Drug

Developing Solid Oral Dosage Forms: Pharmaceutical Theory and Practice, Second Edition illustrates how to develop high-quality, safe, and effective pharmaceutical products by discussing the latest techniques, tools, and scientific advances in preformulation investigation, formulation, process design, characterization, scale-up, and production operations. This book covers the essential principles of physical pharmacy, biopharmaceutics, and industrial pharmacy, and their application to the research and development process of oral dosage forms. Chapters

have been added, combined, deleted, and completely revised as necessary to produce a comprehensive, well-organized, valuable reference for industry professionals and academics engaged in all aspects of the development process. New and important topics include spray drying, amorphous solid dispersion using hot-melt extrusion, modeling and simulation, bioequivalence of complex modified-released dosage forms, biowaivers, and much more. Written and edited by an international team of leading experts with experience and knowledge across industry, academia, and regulatory settings Includes new chapters covering the pharmaceutical applications of surface phenomenon, predictive biopharmaceutics and pharmacokinetics, the development of formulations for drug discovery support, and much more Presents new case studies throughout, and a section completely devoted to regulatory aspects, including global product regulation and international perspectives

In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms

Guides readers on the proper use of in vitro drug release methodologies in order to evaluate the performance of special dosage forms. In the last decade, the application of drug release testing has widened to a variety of novel/special dosage forms. In order to predict the in vivo behavior of such dosage forms, the design and development of the in vitro test methods need to take into account various aspects, including the dosage form design and the conditions at the site of application and the site of drug release. This unique book is the first to cover the field of in vitro release testing of special dosage forms in one volume. Featuring contributions from an international team of experts, it presents the state of the art of the use of in vitro drug release methodologies for assessing special dosage forms' performances and describes the different techniques required for each one. In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms covers the in vitro release testing of: lipid based oral formulations; chewable oral drug products; injectables; drug eluting stents; inhalation products; transdermal formulations; topical formulations; vaginal and rectal delivery systems and ophthalmics. The book concludes with a look at regulatory aspects. Covers both oral and non-oral dosage forms. Describes current regulatory conditions for in vitro drug release testing. Features contributions from well respected

global experts in dissolution testing In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms will find a place on the bookshelves of anyone working with special dosage forms, dissolution testing, drug formulation and delivery, pharmaceutics, and regulatory affairs.

Innovative Dosage Forms

Teaches future and current drug developers the latest innovations in drug formulation design and optimization This highly accessible, practice-oriented book examines current approaches in the development of drug formulations for preclinical and clinical studies, including the use of functional excipients to enhance solubility and stability. It covers oral, intravenous, topical, and parenteral administration routes. The book also discusses safety aspects of drugs and excipients, as well as regulatory issues relevant to formulation. Innovative Dosage Forms: Design and Development at Early Stage starts with a look at the impact of the polymorphic form of drugs on the preformulation and formulation development. It then offers readers reliable strategies for the

formulation development of poorly soluble drugs. The book also studies the role of reactive impurities from the excipients on the formulation shelf life; preclinical formulation assessment of new chemical entities; and regulatory aspects for formulation design. Other chapters cover innovative formulations for special indications, including oncology injectables, delayed release and depot formulations; assessing pharmacokinetics of various dosage forms; physical characterization techniques to assess amorphous nature; novel formulations for protein oral dosage; and more. -Provides information that is essential for the drug development effort - Presents the latest advances in the field and describes in detail innovative formulations, such as nanosuspensions, micelles, and cocrystals -Describes current approaches in early pre-formulation to achieve the best *in vivo* results -Addresses regulatory and safety aspects, which are key considerations for pharmaceutical companies -Includes case studies from recent drug development programs to illustrate the practical challenges of preformulation design Innovative Dosage Forms: Design and Development at Early Stage provides valuable benefits to interdisciplinary drug discovery teams working in industry and academia and will appeal to medicinal chemists, pharmaceutical chemists, and pharmacologists.

Solid Dispersion As A Solubility Enhancement Technique

The Handbook of Pharmaceutical Controlled Release Technology reviews the design, fabrication, methodology, administration, and classifications of various drug delivery systems, including matrices, and membrane controlled reservoir, bioerodible, and pendant chain systems. Contains cutting-edge research on the controlled delivery of biomolecules! Discussing the advantages and limitations of controlled release systems, the Handbook of Pharmaceutical Controlled Release Technology covers oral, transdermal, parenteral, and implantable delivery of drugs discusses modification methods to achieve desired release kinetics highlights constraints of system design for practical clinical application analyzes diffusion equations and mathematical modeling considers environmental acceptance and tissue compatibility of biopolymeric systems for biologically active agents evaluates polymers as drug delivery carriers describes peptide, protein, micro-, and nanoparticulate release systems examines the cost, comfort, disease control, side effects, and patient compliance of numerous delivery systems and devices and more!

k-Carrageenan Micropellets: Production and Dissolution Behavior

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characterization of a cationic lipid-phosphatidylcholine mixed emulsion formulated as a highly efficient vehicle that facilitates adenoviral gene transfer. 10. Combination of NIR therapy and regulatory T cell modulation using layer-by-layer hybrid nanoparticles for effective cancer photoimmunotherapy. 11. Cyclic RGD-conjugated Pluronic® blending system for active targeted drug delivery. 12. Transferrin-Conjugated Polymeric Nanoparticle for Receptor-Mediated Delivery of Doxorubicin in Doxorubicin-Resistant Breast Cancer Cells. 13. Self-microemulsifying drug delivery system (SMEDDS) for improved oral delivery and photostability of methotrexate. 14. Comparison of 1-palmitoyl-2-linoleoyl-3-acetyl-rac-glycerol-loaded self-emulsifying granule and solid self-nanoemulsifying drug delivery system: powder property, dissolution and oral bioavailability. 15. Liposomal Formulations for Nose-to-Brain Delivery: Recent Advances and Future Perspectives. 16. Development of folate-functionalized zein nanoparticles for ligand-directed delivery of paclitaxel.

Pharmaceutical Drug Delivery Systems and Vehicles

There has not, until now, been a single up-to-date volume to provide those in drug R&D with practical information on all aspects of solid dispersion technology for drugs. This forthcoming volume finally provides such a guide and reference. The unified presentation by a team of specialists in this field is designed for practical application. Theoretical concepts are covered for a fuller understanding of current techniques. All significant recent developments are included.

Pulmonary Drug Delivery

Drug therapy via inhalation route is at the cutting edge of modern drug delivery research. There has been significant progress on the understanding of drug therapy via inhalation products. However, there are still problems associated with their formulation design, including the interaction between the active pharmaceutical ingredient(s) (APIs), excipients and devices. This

book seeks to cover some of the most pertinent issues and challenges of such formulation design associated with industrial production and desirable clinical outcome. The chapter topics have been selected with a view to integrating the factors that require consideration in the selection and design of device and formulation components which impact upon patient usability and clinical effectiveness. The challenges involved with the delivery of macromolecules by inhalation to both adult and pediatric patients are also covered. Written by leading international experts from both academia and industry, the book will help readers (formulation design scientists, researchers and post-graduate and specialized undergraduate students) develop a deep understanding of key aspects of inhalation formulations as well as detail ongoing challenges and advances associated with their development.

Formulating Poorly Water Soluble Drugs

This volume is intended to provide the reader with a breadth of understanding regarding the

many challenges faced with the formulation of poorly water-soluble drugs as well as in-depth knowledge in the critical areas of development with these compounds. Further, this book is designed to provide practical guidance for overcoming formulation challenges toward the end goal of improving drug therapies with poorly water-soluble drugs. Enhancing solubility via formulation intervention is a unique opportunity in which formulation scientists can enable drug therapies by creating viable medicines from seemingly undeliverable molecules. With the ever increasing number of poorly water-soluble compounds entering development, the role of the formulation scientist is growing in importance. Also, knowledge of the advanced analytical, formulation, and process technologies as well as specific regulatory considerations related to the formulation of these compounds is increasing in value. Ideally, this book will serve as a useful tool in the education of current and future generations of scientists, and in this context contribute toward providing patients with new and better medicines.

Drug Delivery Strategy

Oral Drug Absorption, Second Edition thoroughly examines the special equipment and methods used to test whether drugs are released adequately when administered orally. The contributors discuss methods for accurately establishing and validating in vitro/in vivo correlations for both MR and IR formulations, as well as alternative approaches for MR and

Drug Delivery Strategies for Poorly Water-Soluble Drugs

Many newly proposed drugs suffer from poor water solubility, thus presenting major hurdles in the design of suitable formulations for administration to patients. Consequently, the development of techniques and materials to overcome these hurdles is a major area of research in pharmaceutical companies. Drug Delivery Strategies for Poorly Water-Soluble Drugs provides a comprehensive overview of currently used formulation strategies for hydrophobic drugs,

including liposome formulation, cyclodextrin drug carriers, solid lipid nanoparticles, polymeric drug encapsulation delivery systems, self-microemulsifying drug delivery systems, nanocrystals, hydrosol colloidal dispersions, microemulsions, solid dispersions, cosolvent use, dendrimers, polymer-drug conjugates, polymeric micelles, and mesoporous silicon nanoparticles. For each approach the book discusses the main instrumentation, operation principles and theoretical background, with a focus on critical formulation features and clinical studies. Finally, the book includes some recent and novel applications, scale-up considerations and regulatory issues. *Drug Delivery Strategies for Poorly Water-Soluble Drugs* is an essential multidisciplinary guide to this important area of drug formulation for researchers in industry and academia working in drug delivery, polymers and biomaterials.

Strategies to Modify the Drug Release from Pharmaceutical Systems

Recent trends in solubility and bioavailability enhancement for poorly water-soluble drugs

Oral Controlled Release Formulation Design and Drug Delivery

Pharmaceutical Drug Delivery Systems and Vehicles focuses on the fundamental principles while touching upon the advances in the pharma field with coverage of the basic concepts, fundamental principles, biomedical rationales, preparative and characterization techniques, and potential applications of pharmaceutical drug delivery systems and vehicles.

Poorly Soluble Drugs

Solubility is the property of a solid, liquid, or gaseous chemical substance called solute to dissolve in a solid, liquid, or gaseous solvent to form a homogeneous solution of the solute in the solvent. The solubility of a substance fundamentally depends on the solvent used as well as on temperature and pressure. The extent of solubility of a substance in a specific solvent is

measured as the saturation concentration where adding more solute does not increase its concentration in the solution. Solubility also plays a major role for other dosage forms like parenteral formulations as well. Many newly proposed drugs suffer from poor water solubility, thus presenting major hurdles in the design of suitable formulations for administration to patients. Consequently, the development of techniques and materials to overcome these hurdles is a major area of research in pharmaceutical companies. This book provides a comprehensive overview of currently used formulation strategies for hydrophobic drugs discusses the main instrumentation, operation principles and theoretical background, with a focus on critical formulation features and clinical studies. It provides a comprehensive assessment of the application of fundamental principles of dissolution and drug release testing to poorly soluble compounds and formulations. Over 40% of new chemical entities developed in pharmaceutical industry are practically insoluble in water. These poorly water soluble drugs having slow drug absorption leads to inadequate and variable bioavailability and gastrointestinal mucosal toxicity. For orally administered drugs solubility is the most important one rate limiting parameter to achieve their desired concentration in systemic circulation for pharmacological response.

Problem of solubility is a major challenge for formulation scientist. The improvement of drug solubility thereby its oral bioavailability remains one of the most challenging aspects of drug development process especially for oral-drug delivery system.

Developing Solid Oral Dosage Forms

Guides readers on the proper use of in vitro drug release methodologies in order to evaluate the performance of special dosage forms. In the last decade, the application of drug release testing has widened to a variety of novel/special dosage forms. In order to predict the in vivo behavior of such dosage forms, the design and development of the in vitro test methods need to take into account various aspects, including the dosage form design and the conditions at the site of application and the site of drug release. This unique book is the first to cover the field of in vitro release testing of special dosage forms in one volume. Featuring contributions from an international team of experts, it presents the state of the art of the use of in vitro drug release

methodologies for assessing special dosage forms' performances and describes the different techniques required for each one. *In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms* covers the in vitro release testing of: lipid based oral formulations; chewable oral drug products; injectables; drug eluting stents; inhalation products; transdermal formulations; topical formulations; vaginal and rectal delivery systems and ophthalmics. The book concludes with a look at regulatory aspects. Covers both oral and non-oral dosage forms Describes current regulatory conditions for in vitro drug release testing Features contributions from well respected global experts in dissolution testing *In Vitro Drug Release Testing of Special Dosage Forms* will find a place on the bookshelves of anyone working with special dosage forms, dissolution testing, drug formulation and delivery, pharmaceutics, and regulatory affairs.

Water-Insoluble Drug Formulation, Second Edition

Scientists have attributed more than 40 percent of the failures in new drug development to poor

biopharmaceutical properties, particularly water insolubility. Issues surrounding water insolubility can postpone, or completely derail, important new drug development. Even much-needed reformulation of currently marketed products can be significantly affected by these challenges. Water Insolubility is the Primary Culprit in over 40% of New Drug Development Failures The most comprehensive resource on the topic, this second edition of Water Insoluble Drug Formulation brings together a distinguished team of experts to provide the scientific background and step-by-step guidance needed to deal with solubility issues in drug development. Twenty-three chapters systematically describe solubility properties and their impact on formulation, from theory to industrial practice. With detailed discussion on how these properties contribute to solubilization and dissolution, the text also features six brand new chapters on water-insoluble drugs, exploring regulatory aspects, pharmacokinetic behavior, early phase formulation strategies, lipid based systems for oral delivery, modified release of insoluble drugs, and scalable manufacturing aspects. The book includes more than 15 water-insoluble drug delivery systems or technologies, illustrated with case studies featuring oral and parenteral applications. Highlighting the most current information and data available, this seminal volume

reflects the significant progress that has been made in nearly all aspects of this field.

Pharmaceutical Suspensions

This is the first report of a systematic investigation on the production of micropellets (500 μm to 700 μm median diameter). In general, $\text{\textgreek{3}}$ -carrageenan is a suitable pelletization aid to produce spherical aggregates by wet extrusion/ spheronization. The obtained pellets show fast drug release, which is advantageous for use with slightly soluble drugs. The mechanism of spheronization for micropellets differed to that for bigger pellets. The conditions for spheronization reported for bigger pellets could not be used to produce micropellets. The optimization of the process parameters for producing micropellets was performed on two different types of spheronizers. The dissolution behavior of the micropellets containing $\text{\textgreek{3}}$ -carrageenan and different APIs was investigated in terms of the effects of ionic interactions. To evaluate the ionic interactions, different chloride salts such as sodium chloride or calcium

chloride, among other dissolution media, were added. The different cations used are generally known as 'specific' - and 'non-specific' - binding ions to the β -carrageenan. A correlation was found between the dissolution behavior of micropellets comprising β -carrageenan and the classification of the dissolved ions. When the ratio between API and β -carrageenan in the micropellets was varied, a relation between the dissolution rate and the solubility of the API was shown. The dissolution rate of soluble drugs was not affected by the ratio resulting in fast drug release independent of the media. In contrast, the dissolution profiles of micropellets comprising β -carrageenan and either very slightly soluble or practically insoluble drugs were dependent on the concentration of the ions. For example, drug release from micropellets comprising β -carrageenan was slower with increasing amounts of calcium ions in the dissolution media. Matrix dissolution of the anomalous (non-Fickian) diffusion type was obtained. The dissolution behavior was affected by ionic interactions. The correlation between the ratio of API and β -carrageenan only existed when ionic solutions such as calcium chloride were used as the dissolution media and not with deionized water. Further investigations with practically insoluble drugs showed that the API was a key determinant on the dissolution behavior. By means of a

model, the relation between the dissolution behavior of micropellets, the solubility of the API and the ionic interactions with β -carrageenan was described. In addition, the effects of different fillers on the dissolution behavior of micropellets were investigated. The type and the amount of filler affected the dissolution behavior. The drug release was improved in the presence of water-soluble lactose monohydrate. However, the effect of the solubility of the fillers was negligible on the dissolution behavior when the amount of API was increased and the amount of filler was decreased. In conclusion, the results of this thesis showed that fast dissolving micropellets were produced by wet extrusion/ spheronization. However, the drug release is strongly dependent on the formulation and the conditions of the dissolution media. Based on the extensive analysis of the ionic interactions on β -carrageenan it is possible to explain the dissolution behavior of micropellets in the presence of ions, which enables conclusions about food interactions to be drawn. Based on this, measures to improve the availability of the drug can be initiated.

Factors Influencing the Release of Poorly Water-soluble Drugs from Solid-dispersion Granules During Storage

Demand for better reliability from drug delivery systems has caused designers and researchers to move away from trial-and-error approaches and toward model-based methods of product development. Developing such models requires cross-disciplinary physical, mathematical, and physiological knowledge. Combining these areas under a single cover, *Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms* builds a firm understanding of all elements needed to conceive, build, and implement successful models of drug release. Written by experts with broad industrial and academic experience, this book discusses the underlying physical principles, shows how to build mathematical models based on these principles, and finally compares the resulting models with experimental results. The authors begin by introducing the basics of modeling, physiological details of gastrointestinal and dermal absorption pathways, rheology, mass transport and thermodynamics, dissolution and partitioning, as well as size effects on the

dissolution of crystallites. From this baseline, the authors explore applications in drug release from various delivery systems, specifically matrix systems, microemulsions, and permeability through membranes. Working systematically from theory to working models, *Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms: A Physical and Mathematical Approach* demonstrates the steps involved in designing, building, and implementing realistic and reliable models of drug release without unrealistically simplifying the theoretical parameters.

Emulsions and Nanosuspensions for the Formulation of Poorly Soluble Drugs

Explore possible new approaches for overcoming poorly soluble drugs - a challenge to drug formulation work and an increasing problem. Many newly developed drugs are poorly soluble, very often simultaneously in aqueous and in organic media. *Emulsions and Nanosuspensions for the Formulation of Poorly Soluble Drugs* aims to: review the possibilities, limitations and future perspectives of emulsions as drug carriers considering technology from other than the

pharmaceutical industry (i.e food industry). show the production technology of nanosuspensions, explain the special dissolution properties (i.e. increased saturation solubility) and increased dissolution velocity (theory), and cover the possible applications. present the theory of high pressure homogenization and high pressure extrusion in dispersion techniques, including examples of applications and size measurements in concentrated dispersions.

Current Advances in Drug Delivery Through Fast Dissolving/Disintegrating Dosage Forms

Since the earliest dosage forms to modern drug delivery systems, came a great development and growth of knowledge with respect to drug delivery. Strategies to Modify the Drug Release from Pharmaceutical Systems will address principles, systems, applications and advances in the field. It will be principally a textbook and a reference source of strategies to modify the drug release. Moreover, the characterization, mathematical and physicochemical models, applications

and the systems will be discussed. Addresses the principles, systems, applications and advances in the field of drug delivery Highlights the mathematical and physicochemical principles related to strategies Discusses drug release and its possible modifications

Hot-melt extrusion with poorly soluble drugs

Hot-melt extrusion with poorly soluble drugs is a challenging method to enhance the solubility. The formation of solid dispersions, specifically of glassy solid solutions, wherein the drug is dispersed on a molecular basis in an inert carrier, leads to metastable systems that have advantageous dissolution behaviour but suffer from physical stability problems. To date, there is poor understanding of the solid state structure, the mechanism by which dissolution enhancement occurs, the stability on storage and in dissolution, and the processing to solid dosage forms. The hot-melt extrusion process is influenced by several parameters. The right coordination of these parameters is decisive for the production of solid dispersions and thus, the

success in solubility enhancement. The solid state and the viscosity of the extrudates can be controlled by the temperature of the barrels. Besides the configuration of the screw and the temperature profile of the barrel, the design of the die plate represents the third important extrusion parameter. By keeping the dead storage capacity at a minimum, an early solidification and thus a blockage of the dies can be prevented. Due to shear forces evolving in the extruder barrel and the ability of the drug to dissolve in the molten carrier before reaching the melting temperature, the process temperature can be kept below the melting point of the substances. Basic butylated methacrylate copolymer is a suitable carrier to enhance the solubility of the poorly water-soluble drug celecoxib in a hot-melt extrusion process. The best solubility enhancement can be obtained by dispersing the drug in the molten carrier on a molecular basis and thus, to form glassy solid solutions. The solid state characteristics of the solid dispersion can be revealed by DSC analysis and interpretation of the corresponding glass transitions. Such systems may contain a drug load of up to 60% and are stable at increased temperature and humidity which is due to the very low water uptake of the components. Glassy solid solutions of celecoxib and basic butylated methacrylate copolymer have a fast dissolution rate and result in a

58 fold supersaturated solution. The mechanism of drug release from these glassy solid solutions is carrier-controlled and governed by dissolution. The enhancement of the dissolution rate is based on improved solubility and wettability. Basic butylated methacrylate copolymer interacts chemically with celecoxib in an acid-base reaction. The hot-melt extrusion process is highly dependent on the physicochemical properties of the compounds and their miscibility in the molten state. The use of basic butylated methacrylate copolymer as solubility enhancing carrier in hot-melt extrusion cannot be transferred easily to all drugs. Depending on the properties of the drug, specifically the melting point and the pK_a , basic butylated methacrylate copolymer can be a useful carrier in glassy solid solution formation, but might be insufficient for solubility improvement. The formation of a glassy solid solution evolves from interactions between the drug and the carrier. Bonds can differ in their strength and can be advantageous or disadvantageous for a fast dissolution. Furthermore, decomposition processes can occur, when processing the drug at high temperatures. Thus, each formulation has to be analyzed separately. The interpretation of the chemical structure, the calculation of solubility parameters, the determination of melting temperatures and enthalpies, and the performance of molecular

dynamics simulations are tools to predict the miscibility of drugs and carriers for the formulation of solid dispersions. A combined approach of tools predicting miscibility is highly appropriate, as no single technique may yield all the required information. Nevertheless, the evaluation of the melting behaviour via DSC has the highest impact. Hot-melt extruded glassy solid solutions can be processed into solid dosage forms. The mechanical energy input through milling and zabletting has no influence on the solid-state stability. The solution-state stability can be achieved by adding HPMC to the external phase. The filling of capsules with milled hot-melt extrudates is a promising technique to obtain solid dosage forms from glassy solid solutions. By the extensive analysis of the hot-melt extrusion process, the interactions of the compounds, the thermal characteristics, and the dissolution mechanism of the resulting systems, it is possible to predict the extrusion process in an early stage of development and to improve the dissolution of poorly soluble drugs.

Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms

This book describes the theories, applications, and challenges for different oral controlled release formulations. This book differs from most in its focus on oral controlled release formulation design and process development. It also covers the related areas like preformulation, biopharmaceutics, in vitro-in vivo correlations (IVIVC), quality by design (QbD), and regulatory issues.

Understanding Drug Release and Absorption Mechanisms

Fast Dissolving/Disintegrating Dosage Forms (FDDFs) have been commercially available since the late 1990s. FDDFs were initially available as orodispersible tablets, and later, as orodispersible films for treating specific populations (pediatrics, geriatrics, and psychiatric patients). Granules, pellets and mini tablets are among latest additions to these dosage forms,

which are still in the development pipeline. As drug delivery systems, FDDFs enable quicker onset of action, immediate drug delivery, and sometimes offer bioavailability benefits due to buccal/sublingual absorption. With time, FDDF have evolved to deliver drugs in a sustained and controlled manner. Their current market and application is increasing in demands with advances in age adapted dosage forms for different patients and changing regulatory requirements that warrant mandatory assessments of new drugs and drug products before commercial availability. This book presents detailed information about FDDFs from their inception to recent developments. Readers will learn about the technical details of various FDDF manufacturing methods, formulation aspects, evaluation and methods to conduct clinical studies. The authors also give examples of marketed fast disintegrating/dissolving drug products in US, Europe, Japan, and India. This reference is ideal for pharmacology students at all levels seeking information about this specific form of drug delivery and formulation.

Controlled Drug Delivery

Under the motto “Healthcare Technology for Developing Countries” this book publishes many topics which are crucial for the health care systems in upcoming countries. The topics include Cyber Medical Systems Medical Instrumentation Nanomedicine and Drug Delivery Systems Public Health Entrepreneurship This proceedings volume offers the scientific results of the 6th International Conference on the Development of Biomedical Engineering in Vietnam, held in June 2016 at Ho Chi Minh City.

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