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I. Case Presentation

n 81-year-oldwoman was admitted to our cardiac surgery department because of a severe dysphoea of one month duration also at rest and an episode of acute pulmonary oedema. At the admission she had mild dyspnoea, a blood pressure of 110/70 mmHg and a long standing persistent a trial fibrillation rhythm at the electrocardiogram. Blood test were almost normal: haemoglobin 13.2 g/dl, transaminases < 20 mg/dl, creatinine 0.83 mg/dl, brain natriuretic peptide 657 pg/ml. Chest radiograph indicated a significant increase of the vascular network in both the lungs. Transthoracic echocardiography showed a normal left ventricular systolic function, with a 52% ejection fraction, a moderately dilated left ventricle (tele-diastolic volume: 89 ml/m²), and a huge left a trial chamber (area: 48 cm², volume/BSA: 52 ml/m². At the doppler examination, a severe and symptomatic mitral valve regurgitation was diagnosed (vena contracta: 7

mm, EROA 46 mm², regurgitant volume: 72 ml). The aortic valve appeared to be normal and there was a minimal physiologic tricuspid regurgitation. The heart team opted for a surgical approach and then she underwent mitral valve replacement and a porcine bioprosthesis (Carpentier Edwards Perimount Magna Mitral Ease, 29 mm) was implanted. Transoesophageal echocardiography (TEE) was used in a conventional intraoperative setting (at baseline, for de-airing and surgical result evaluation) and the probe was inserted without any resistance. On the fourth postoperative day, there was evidence of a yellowish material from the right thoracic drainage, while she was drinking. She was asymptomatic, a febrile, with modest leucocytosis and increase of inflammatory indexes.

Suspecting the existence of an esophagealpleural fistula, Methylene blue was given orally, and it coloured the chest tube drainage. Parenteral nutrition was started immediately. Antibiotic prophylaxis was then started and medications were given intravenously.

Oral Gastrografin radiography confirmed a communication between the esophagus and the right pleura (Fig. 1).

Thoracic computed tomography (CT) scans clearly indicated the fistula location (Fig. 2A) and esophagoscopy showed a wide opening -6cm - on the right surface of the distal esophagus (Fig. 2B). No other anomalies were found. We speculated that perforation could be due to ischemia of the esophagus resulting from the combination of TEE probe compression and non-pulsatile flow during a lengthy on pump procedure, in a fragile patient, as it is already well reported in the literature¹. Moreover, in our patient, CT images clearly showed a giant left atrium - indexed volume 52 ml/m²compressing and displacing the oesophagus, right in the fistulated region. Several studies reported cases of esophagus compression and distortion by enlarged left atrium related to mitral valve disease²: this anatomic feature should be recognized as a risk factor for TEErelated esophageal complications.

Finally, a 15 x 2 cm auto expandable esophageal stent was placed endoscopically. No

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residual communication was observed, and a new CTscan confirmed the good result (Fig.3).

II. DISCUSSION

TEE is used routinely during cardiac surgery to monitor cardiac haemodynamic, weaning off cardiopulmonary bypass, air removal, and valve function, butal though it is a relatively safe exam, it may result in some complications³. During cardiac surgery, the insertion, manipulation, and removal of the probe may increase those complications⁴. Moreover, when cardiopulmonary bypass (CBP) is necessary as in this case, patient's temperature is lowered to 32-29° C, there is a significant inflammation reaction and the blood flow provided has a continuous pattern, not a pulsatile one. All these conditions can cause micro-ischemia, facilitate tissue damage and weak the oesophageal wall, even if any movement or manipulation of the probe was gentle and TEE examination was discontinued intermittently and automatically to decrease the probe temperature and the risk of tissue damage. In addition, a huge left atrium might chronically compress the anterior oesophageal wall, causing local ischemia, and might displace it, generating dangerous bends which can make easier a TEE-mediated damage. However it has be reported that the majority of iatrogenic esophageal damages occurs in patients with an unknown esophageal or gastric pathology⁵.

In this case, our hypothesis was that the lesion was induced by transoesophageal echocardiography probe in a favourable setting: huge left atrium which displaced the thoracic oesophagus, in a very frail patient who underwent a quite long surgical procedure, using CBP with long-time perfusion with continuous blood flow.

III. Conclusion

TEE is a fundamental tools during cardiac surgery, however for patient safety, comprehensive intraoperative TEE guidelines should always be followed. And an enlarged left atrium should be recognized as a main risk factor for TEE-induced esophageal perforation, especially in fragile patients, with marked esophagus distortion.

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Fig. 1: The asterixis shows the communication between the esophagus and the right pleura at the oral Gastrografin radiography. PL: Right Pleura.



Fig. 2 A: Computed tomography scan displayed pleural-esophageal fistula (indicated by the asterisk) with contrast effusion in the right pleura, the enlarged left atrium and its distortion of the oesophagus, at the level of the lesion. LA: Left Atrium; LV: Left Ventricle; PL: Right Pleura. B - Esophagoscopy showed the level and the extension of the fistula (indicated by the asterisk) on the right surface of the distal oesophagus, for the subsequent stenting procedure. OE: Oesophagus; PL: Right Pleura.



Fig. 3: Final computed tomography evaluation of stent deployment in the oesophagus (asterisk) with no residual communication. LA: Left Atrium; LV: Left Ventricle.



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I. INTRODUCTION

Since 1968, the introduction of biological heart valves has involved a tremendous amount of work and research that has utilized effective valve replacement therapy to treat valvular heart disease.⁽¹⁾

The future of heart valve treatments discusses improving valve structure and degradation of bioprostheses and compares pericardial heart valves to porcine valves.

In addition, implantation of a prosthetic heart valve (PHV) can be considered a risky surgery and may aggravate if subsequent reoperation is required to replace the worn prosthetic valve.

This mechanical bioengineering approach encompasses the coupling and uncoupling mechanisms of their components.

II. Methods

Relevant literature databases on eight types of i-BHVs were searched on PubMed and MEDLINE from 1984 to 2022.

Martin J.R. et al. (1984) developed the first i-BHV, which consisted of three parts: the sewing ring, the i-BHV, and the retaining ring. The sewing ring mounts onto the high-profile support ring, which has an internal stop for docking with the i-BHV support structure and an inner channel for attaching the retaining ring. The support framework for the i-BHV has on its underside a small flap that forms a step protruding from the outside, intended to track the inner circular stop of the ring that supports the sewing ring. They implanted the prototypein the tricuspid position. At the follow-up operation, which took place after eight months, the valve was changed in 8 minutes. The ring supporting the sewing ring in situ facilitated the procedure. They reported no thrombotic phenomena or periprosthetic leaks. The wound healed, and growth of fibrotic pannus and underlying tissue less than 1 mm thick was found. Finally, the authors propose another new project to optimize the reduction of the effective valve area of this model.⁽²⁾

Fernandez J et al. (1987) described the Tasconbioprostheses, consisting of the sewing ring and the i-BHV. The plastic material screw locking mechanism was used for the coupling and engagement between the sewing ring and the support framework for the porcine bioprostheses. It reported implant safety in 25 patients and satisfactory short-term hemodynamic properties. However, the fibrous tissue blocked the screw thread in the longterm, making it difficult to separate the parts and safely remove the i-BHV.⁽³⁾

Cooper DK et al. (1988) used a Bjork-Shiley mechanical valve prosthesis as an interchangeable model. He mentioned that this interchangeable coupling mechanism could also be used for bioprostheses. The project consists of two parts: the sewing ring and the i-BHV. The engagement and disengagement between the parts are possible thanks to the spring-mechanical property of the steel half-ring covered by the sewing ring. The half-ring is made of malleable stainless-steel wire in the form of a self-locking type semi-circular clamp. Each end of the half ring is shaped like two small rings visible and accessible from outside the sewing ring. Tweezers with hooked ends were developed for these rings. When activated, it increases the circumferential diameter of the half-ring by a few millimeters; when the pressure is removed, the ring returns to its original diameter at rest. At rest, the halfring has a diameter that encompasses the outer groove

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of the i-BHV in a circle way. Enlarging with the forceps allows insertion to dock the new i-BHV and its removal. In vivo tests were carried out on ten baboons.⁽⁴⁾

coiled framework made of a flexible plastic structure with spring properties (*Figure 1*).

Lyra et al. (1992) developed an i-BHV consisting of the metal ring that supports the sewing ring and the



Figure 1: VIEW "A": drawing in millimeters of the sinuous support for the bioprosthesis with the interchangeable framework in the front view and the ring that holds the sewing ring in the oblique view and the front view.

The bioprosthetic framework has a sinuous and circular shape that gives it malleability and behaves with the mechanical properties of a spring. As a result, this penetrates with its underside framework during its circular compression, then relaxes again and snaps into engagement with the sewing ring (*Figure 2*).



Figure 2: Interchangeable Bioprosthetic Heart Valve =i-BHV. Photographs view of the i-BHV separated from its sewing ring. The top left photo is the stainless-steel framework, one of which is used to make the sewing ring to support it and cover it with mesh, as shown below. Above right, the framework of the i-BHV is made of flexible plastic polymer and covered with bovine pericardium. This mechanism aids in the assembly of the bioprostheses, as shown below.

The i-BHV separation can be achieved by breaking the framework at its three posts with laminectomy surgical forceps, allowing decoupling with the sewing ring. The i-BHV model was tested in a pulsed pneumatic ventricle simulator and behaved like ordinary bioprostheses. No animal testing was performed.⁽⁵⁾

Jansen et al. (1992), this model consists of its sewing ring and the i-BHV. A metallic ring made from a

metallic nickel-titanium alloy (nitinol) was incorporated into his sewing ring. This metal alloy with plastic properties allows its diameter to change significantly when subjected to a temperature variation between 20 and 37 degrees Celsius and has excellent temperatureinduced conformation and memory properties, with the ability to regain its predetermined shape. This diameter variation enabled the coupling mechanism around the external channel of the i-BHV support framework obtained through the thermal contraction of the metal ring of the sewing ring. Its detachment occurs with an increase in temperature, which expands the diameter of the metal ring, making it possible to detach the i-BHV from the metal ring of the sewing ring. There are no animal studies in the literature.⁽⁶⁾

Fukamachi et al. (2008) proposed an i-BHV consisting of the sewing ring and the i-BHV. The researchers incorporated a magnetic metal ring into the sewing ring and another into the support framework of the i-BHV. The model used the magnetic attraction between two magnetic rings to couple and lock between the parts. The prototype met the target in vitro tests and withstood the separation force in a pulsating pneumatic ventricle simulator. In vivo testing demonstrated the hemodynamic effects of i-BHV in acute experiments on three sheep. All experiments efficiently performed both fixing and loosening between the magnetic pieces using forceps specially designed to break the magnetic attraction between the components. The next i-BHV was magnetically coupled to the sewing ring to simulate reexchange during reoperations.⁽⁷⁾

Ebner et al. (2012) proposed an i-BHV that consists of two parts: the sewing ring and the i-BHV. Both frameworks were made of plastic material, giving them enough malleability to allow for the mechanical coupling between the parts. The shape of the ring that supports the sewing ring went through modifications, and its framework has three ascending bars with hooks at the ends designed to couple to the i-BHV's support framework. The i-BHV's support structure is sinuous and circular. And it has three horizontal bars added to its three ascending bars, where there is a quick coupling mechanism between the two parts. The three hook bars at the ends of the ring that supports the sewing ring penetrate the interior of the i-BHV's sinuous support framework and are connected to its three horizontal bars by quick-connect couplings. Therefore, the coupling between the pieces takes place at these three points. The forced engagement between the parts is only possible due to the deformability of the plastic material of the two parts. The three struts of the top can be compressed internally while the tortuous support structure of the bioprosthesis expands. After the coupling hooks pass the horizontal bars of the i-BHV support framework, the two parts lock and return to their rest positions. In three patients, the i-BHV set behaved like conventional bioprostheses. Performance was excellent, and it was easy to insert the first surgical implant. The coupling lasted 3 to 6 minutes intraoperatively.(8)

Eren et al. (2022) described a novel transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI) with a valve system consisting of two components: A retention device that could be surgically implanted or attached to a catheter and a novel valve system called

exchangeable-TAVI (e-TAVI). To facilitate the minimally invasive removal and replacement of an e-TAVI, a novel electromagnetic vascular catheter e-TAVI was developed to remove and retrieve a failed e-TAVI, followed by the immediate placement of a new valve. The experimental research revealed the need to define news bond-coupling constraints between the electromagnets and the ferromagnets in the cladding simulations, suggesting that another physical coupling mechanism is required to realize the e-TAVI concept. Moreover, the attachment between the catheter and the e-TAVI framework should be tight enough to allow its removal through the catheter pathway.⁽⁹⁾

III. Discussion

The innovative i-BHV is ahead of its similar, not interchangeable, not enhancing its durability or performance, but rather the ease and the security of detaching and then replacing it with the next i-BHV when reinserted in the next operation.

Therefore, the perspectives and limitations of these reviews, with multicenter publications and a small number of cited surgeries, make it difficult to generalize the results.

The engagement and decoupling between parts are possible thanks to these innovations. Fukamachiet al.⁽⁷⁾ report the desirable advantages of an i-BHV, such as:

- 1. Simple surgical fixation of the sewing ring together or not with the i-BHV.
- 2. Reduction of operational risks related to removing the bioprosthesis's old, worn-out sewing ring.
- 3. Ease and safety in removing the i-BHV during reoperation.
- 4. Hermetic sealing between parts.
- 5. No growth of fibrotic tissue at the internal junction interface between the pieces.
- 6. The optimized lumen-to-ring ratio is to obtain the largest possible area of the valve opening, despite the addition of the coupling mechanism between the parts.
- 7. The sewing ring frameworks and the framework that stents the valve prosthesis leaflets must be made of medical grade material, malleable, and fatigue resistant.
- 8. Durability and security of the coupling and locking mechanism between the parts.
- 9. Absence of long-term fragility or mechanical stress fractures due to structural changes in the bioprosthesis support framework and sewing ring.

Due to the degeneration of bioprosthetic heart valves, the interchangeable bioprosthetic heart valve (i-BHV) describes new paradigms based on the innovative hypothesis of heart valve surgery to improve reoperations, supposedly making them safer and faster.⁽¹⁰⁾

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Abbreviations and acronyms:

PHV = prosthetic heart valve

TAVI = transcatheter aortic valve implantation

e-TAVI = exchangeable transcatheter aortic valve replacement

BHV = bioprosthetic heart valves

i-BHV = interchangeable bioprosthetic heart valve

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The optimised formulation was combined into transdermal patches utilising various concentrations of HPMC E5 and HPMC E15, as well as the plasticizer PEG-400. The skin permeation investigations of the optimal transfersomal patch (HPMC E5 3% v/v, 1.5% v/v PEG-400, and 2% nano suspension, i.e., 40% v/v Labrosol and 68% soya lecithin) have flux of 43 (g/cm2/hr), permeation coefficient of 14.5 (cm/hr) (Kpx103), enhancement ratio of 2.8, lag time of 0.2 The optimised patches have non-fickian diffusion in the Korsemeyer-Peppas model with n value 0.8 and zero order kinetic type of drug release. In vitro drug release tests, skin permeation studies, and other tests were performed on the patches. The findings of the in vitro assays show that the manufactured patches had improved drug release rates when compared to standard transdermal patches.

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I. INTRODUCTION

ransdermal administration is acknowledged as a promising approach for local and systemic medication delivery. Transdermal medication delivery avoids hepatic first pass metabolism and enhances patient compliance. However, the stratum cornea's highly structured structure acts as a barrier to drug permeability and must be changed to give poorly penetrating medicines^[1]. The use of chemical penetration enhancers would greatly increase the number of transdermal medication molecules.

In Saudi Arabia, where it affects about oneguarter of the adult population, hypertension is increasingly becoming a problem. In 2007, the prevalence of hypertension in Saudi Arabia was 26.1%. Male cases predominated over female instances (28.6 vs 23.9, respectively). Hypertension was more prevalent (by roughly 27.9%) among urban residents than rural residents (occurrence of 22.4 percent). The risk of hypertension increases with age, even if significant and effective preventive actions have been taken [2]. Patients with hypertension need ongoing treatment. Sometimes a lifetime of treatment is necessary. The majority of hypertension medications prescribed are angiotensin II receptor blockers. Here are a few instances of the angiotensin II receptor blockers with high oral bioavailability: Nebivolol is 13%, candesartan is 15%, valsartan is 10%–35%, and olmesartan is 28.6%, ^[3] A highly cardioselective b1-receptor blocker with a vasodilatory effect, nitric oxide mediates the action of nebivolol HCL (10 mg). White powder, NNdimethylformamide (DMF) is soluble in methanol, dimethylsulfoxide, and DMF but not in ethanol, propylene glycol, or polyethylene glycol. The half-life of the active isomer, d-nebivolol, is 12 hours. Nebivolol plasma concentrations peak 1.5-4 hours after administration. Drug binds to protein 98% of the period in vitro. There are no reports of transdermal nebivolol patches. The mechanical properties and medication release pattern of these patches will be examined in vitro. [4].

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

a) Materials

Nebivolol HCL was purchased from Hyderabad's Hetero Drugs Ltd. We bought Tween 80 from Gattefosse in Mumbai. The reagents used were all of the analytical variety. SD Fine Chemical, based in Mumbai, India, supplied the soyalecithin, Span and Tween 80, Hydroxypropyl E 15 and HPMC E 5, and other products. Other substances and reagents were of analytical quality.

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b) Methods

Preparation of Nebivolol HCL Loaded Transfersomes

The flask combination was then given ethanol and chloroform [5]. In the same flask, the drug loading was completed. Each element was dissolved by shaking the solution. The inner surface of the flask was coated with a thin dry lipid layer by a rotary evaporator. The solution was added to an 800 ml rotary vacuum flask evaporator, which was spun at 60 rpm for 30 minutes to create a thin coating on the flask walls.

Preliminary formulations^[6]

Sizing, polydispersity index and zeta potential estimation The prepared transfersomes' vesicle size, PDI, and zeta potential were measured by light scattering using the Malvern Master seizer and water as dispersion.

Entrapment efficiency

After vesicle disruption, the drug concentration in trasferosomes was measured. Trasferosomes containing medication were centrifuged for 30 minutes at 14,000 rpm. The filtrate was analysed. ^{[7].}

Drug content determination

This was measured by dissolving 100 mg of the formulation in 10 mL of ethanol. The blend was tested.

Preparation of transdermal patch

As a backing membrane, aluminium foil was used to cast the transferosomal mixtures into transdermal patches. The optimal HPMC: PVA ratio (1:1) was chosen^[8]. Plasticizer glycerol was added to the mix.

Characterization of Transfersomal patch

Visual inspection was performed on all of the transdermal patches to ensure that they were of proper colour, clarity, flexibility, and smoothness.

Uniformity of weight

The average weight of the individual batch was established by weighing five separate patches from the same batch. A considerable deviation from the average weight of five should not be observed in any individual weight^[9].

Moisture content

The film was weighed and then placed in a desiccator with calcium chloride for at least 24 hours to dry out the moisture. The film was weighed several times until it exhibited a consistent weight on the scale. The moisture content was calculated as the difference between the constant weight taken and the beginning weight, and it was expressed as a percentage (by weight) of the total weight of the sample.

Thickness

The thickness of the patch was measured with the use of Vernier callipers. The thickness of the patch was measured at three distinct locations on the patch, and an average was determined. It is critical to understand the uniformity of patch thickness since it is directly related to the precision of the dose delivered in each patch.

Folding endurance

The folding endurance of all of the formulated patches is measured manually by a third party. Using a patch (2 x 2 cm2), a strip was cut and folded at the same spot over and over again until it broke. The brittleness of a patch is determined by the number of times it can be folded in the same spot without breaking or cracking ^[10].

In vitro dissolution studies

Permeation experiments were carried out in a Franz Diffusion cell of the vertical kind. It was decided to keep a semipermeable membrane on a diffusion cell with an effective diffusion area of 2.303 cm2 in order to test it. It was maintained at 37 0.5°C throughout the trials with a 22.5 ml phosphate buffer at pH 6.8 as the receptor fluid, which was agitated at 100 rpm in the receptor compartment ^[11]. The amount of drug that permeated was measured by graphing the cumulative amount of drug that permeated against the passage of time^[10].

In vitro skin permeation study

Prior to usage on experiment day, the frozen hog skin samples were thawed and examined for nicks and holes. The skin samples were cut to the proper size and placed on a horizontal type Franz cell on an SFDC-6 transdermal diffusion cell instrument (Logan, USA) with the stratum corneum facing the donor compartment and the dermis facing the receiver cell. Nanotransfersome formulations were applied to the surface of the rats' skin in a non-occlusive way. This experiment used ethanolic phosphate buffer saline (epbs) as the receptor medium (pH 7.4, 20:80). A small magnetic bead moving at a speed of 100 per minute revolutions was used to stir the receiver cell vehicle, which was held at a temperature of 37 degrees Celsius. One millilitre of receiver medium had to be sampled, and an equivalent amount of fresh vehicle had to be added. The samples that were eliminated were assessed using the HPLC technique. A number of metrics were calculated, including the total amount of medication that was absorbed, the lag time (Tlag), the permeability coefficient (Kp), and the enhancement ratio (ER).^[12,11].

III. Results and Discussion

a) Screening of edge activators

Span 80, Tween 80, and Labrosol were selected and subjected to additional screening based on the size of the vesicle and the effectiveness with which it was entrapped.

After preparing the nano vesicles using the above-mentioned procedure, they were assessed for their size and entrapment efficiency.

Table -1: Formulation of nebivolol hydrochloride transferosomes using various edge activators

Formulation code	S:S-80	S: T-80	S: L	Drug (mg)	Solvent (C:M)	Buffer Solution (ml)	% Entrapment efficiency	Size (nm)
NT1	1:1	-	-	50	1:1	5ml	62± 0.13	257±0.6
NT2	2:1	-	-	50	1:1	5ml	65± 0.04	238±0.9
NT3	3:1	-	-	50	1:1	5ml	69± 0.02	223±0.6
NT4	-	1:1	-	50	1:1	5ml	72± 0.06	186±0.8
NT5	-	2:1	-	50	1:1	5 ml	83± 0.16	201±0.6
NT6	-	3:1	-	50	1:1	5ml	89± 0.05	180±0.7
NT7	-	-	1:1	50	1:1	5ml	89± 0.13	157±0.6
NT8	-	-	2:1	50	1:1	5ml	90± 0.16	158±0.8
NT9	-	-	3:1	50	1:1	5ml	93± 0.12	198±0.6

Where n = 3, Mean ± SD, S - Soya lecithin, S-80 = Span 80, T-80= Tween 80, L= Labrosol, C- Chloroform, M- Methanol

No. 1 in the table The nanovesicles produced using labrosol (NT7, NT8, and NT9) have shown higher size and improved trapping efficiency as compared to earlier formulations, as shown in table No.1. According to this evidence, increasing the concentration of phospholipids increases the drug's ability to be captured; this is consistent with the facts. The edge activator Labrosol was found to be more suitable for the selected medicine's transfersomal formulation based on the results in Table 1.^{[13}].

Optimization of the formulation by Central Composite Design

The central composite design having two independent variables (X1&X2) was used to study the effect on dependent variables (Y1&Y2). As per the design (table no.2) total 13 runs were generated out of which 9 with unique combination were observed. The formulations were prepared (table No.3) according to the generated combinations of the design and evaluated for the responses like %entrapment efficiency (Y1) and particle size (Y2) mentioned in table no.- 5.9. The formulations have shown wide range in dependent variables, particle size having range of 140nm-183nm and %entrapment efficiency having 40-96% as shown in table no. 4.

Formulation code	Coded va	due	Actual	value
	XI	X2	X1	X2
T-N1	-1	1	20	60
T-N2	0	0	40	40
T-N3	0	+1.41421	40	68
T-N4	+1.41421	0	68	40
T-N5	-1	-1	20	20
T-N6	0	0	40	40
T-N7	0	0	40	40
T-N8	-1.41421	0	13	40
T-N9	0	0	40	40
T-N10	0	0	40	40
T-N11	1	-1	40	20
T-N12	1	1	60	60
T-N13	0	-1.41421	40	12
Independent variables	Levels			
	Low (-1)	•	High (1)	
X1- labrosol (%w/v)	20	•	60	
X2-Soya lecithin (%w/v)	20		60	
Dependent variables	Y1- mean size (nm)			
	Y2- percentage entrapment efficiency (%)			

			Solvent
Formulation code	Labrosol (%w/v)	Soya lecithin (%w/v)	(C:M)
T-N1	20	60	1:1
T-N2	40	40	1:1
T-N3	40	68	1:1
T-N4	68	40	1:1
T-N5	20	20	1:1
T-N6	40	40	1:1
T-N7	40	40	1:1
T-N8	13	40	1:1
T-N9	40	40	1:1
T-N10	40	40	1:1
T-N11	40	20	1:1
T-N12	60	60	1:1
T-N13	40	12	1:1

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Formulation code	Size (nm)	Zeta potential	PDI	% Entrapment Efficiency
T-N1	166±3.8	-32±8	0.1±5.25	82± 0.13
T-N2	151±6.5	- 47±8.2	0.3±5.86	87± 0.04
T-N3	140±2.7	-39±8.2	0.2±3.51	96± 0.14
T-N4	153±2.7	-39±8	0.2±3.51	86± 0.14
T-N5	163±3.2	-51±9	0.1±4.09	92± 0.24
T-N6	151±4.8	-43±9.2	0.2±4.6	87± 0.03
T-N7	151±2.2	-40±8.3	0.3±5.45	87± 0.21
T-N8	180±2.4	-34±8.4	0.4±4.82	92± 0.16
T-N9	151±2.8	-34±7.40	0.2±3.84	87± 0.06
T-N10	151±2.6	-40±6.21	0.1±5.45	87± 0.23
T-N11	148±3.2	-37±7.2	0.1±5.86	86± 0.08
T-N12	157±3.6	-31±8.02	0.2±4.83	88± 0.21
T-N13	183±3.2	-46±9.2	0.2±5.45	80± 0.13

Table- 4: Evaluation of nebivolol hydrochloride transferosomes using central composite design

Where n=3





Figure-1: Response surface plots showing the effect of edge activators: lecithin on Particle size (A&B) 3D plot (C) Contour plot (D) Residual plot

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Figure-2: Response surface plots showing the effect of edge activators: lecithin on % Entrapment efficiency (A&B) 3D plot (C) Contour plot (D) Residual plot



Figure-3: A, B, C & D are the fluorescent microscopic pictures of Nanovesicles



Figure -4: Particle Size determination of Nebivolol hydrochloride nano vesicles with the help of Malvern Zetasizer



Figure-5: Zeta potential determination of Nebivolol hydrochloride nano vesicles with the help of Malvern Zetasizer.

Preparation of transdermal patches

The transdermal patches were made with varied doses of HPMC E15 and E5. Water and methanol are utilised as the solvent, and polyethelenglycol (PEG)- 400

is used as a plasticizer. Transdermal patches are first made, as indicated in Table-5.

	HPMC F5	HPMC	PEG-400	
Formulation code	(%w/v)	E 15 (%w/v)	(%w/v)	Solvent
PN1	1	-	1.2	Methanol: water
PN2	2	-	1.2	Methanol: water
PN3	2.5	-	1.2	Methanol: water
PN4	3	-	1.2	Methanol: water
PN5	-	1	1.2	Methanol: water
PN6	-	2	1.2	Methanol: water
PN7	-	2.5	1.2	Methanol: water
PN8	-	3	1.2	Methanol: water

As can be seen in table no. 5, the created formulations underwent evaluations for weight variation, thickness, folding endurance, moisture absorption, and percentage drug release. The formulations were made using the solvent casting method, with the help of the plasticizer PEG-400 (%w/v), the polymers HPMC E 15 and 5, and water as the solvent. $^{[15]}$.

Formulation code	Weight(mg) ± SD	Thickness(mm) ± SD	Folding endurance ± SD	Diameter(cm) ± SD	% Drug Release	Moisture absorption (%)	
PN1	207± 2.48	0.053 ± 0.002	306 ± 3.52	4.03 ± 0.02	70 ± 0.14	4.9± 0.52	
PN2	184± 2.48	0.050 ± 0.005	302 ± 2.73	4.06 ± 0.06	74± 0.09	5.4± 0.3	
PN3	202 ± 2.48	0.048 ± 0.023	304 ± 1.51	4.10 ± 0.08	73 ± 0.03	5.1±0.4	
PN4	160 ± 2.32	0.047 ± 0.034	300 ± 1.13	4.03 ± 0.02	78 ± 0.02	4.2±0.4	
PN5	240 ± 2.74	0.054 ± 0.090	308 ± 2.08	4.06 ± 0.06	80± 0.15	3.9± 0.5	
PN6	184 ± 2.16	0.048 ± 0.036	308 ± 2.34	4.06 ± 0.03	76± 0.15	3.3±0.4	
PN7	178 ± 1.34	0.050 ± 0.087	306 ± 2.68	4.08 ± 0.09	74± 0.24	5± 0.5	
PN8	181 ± 2.21	0.050 ± 0.057	303 ± 1.73	4.05 ± 0.03	70± 0.24	4.6± 0.6	
Where n=3							

Table-6: Evaluation of transdermal patch with nebivolol hydrochloride

The formulations made with pure medication have drug release in the range of 60-70% invitro across dialysis membrane, according to table No. 6. The folding endurance is inacceptable range for all the prepared formulations [16]. It was discovered that all of the created formulations maintained the proper weight, thickness, and diameter. The transdermal patches' moisture absorption capacity is optimal. Preparation of transfersomal patches

The formulations with nanocarriers are made using an optimised nano formulation, in which the drug equivalent of 10 mg is added to a mixture of HPMCE15/HPMC E5, plasticizer (PEG-400), solvent (water), and other ingredients as given in table no. 5.18. Evaluation is done on the prepared formulations [17].

Table-7: Formulation of transdermal patch with nebivolol hydrochloridenano carriers

Formulation code	HPMCE5 (%w/v)	HPMC E 15 (%w/v)	PEG-400 ‱/v	Nano suspension ‱/v
TPN1	1	-	1.5	2
TPN2	2	-	1.5	2
TPN3	2.5	-	1.5	2
TPN4	3	-	1.5	2
TPN5	-	1	1.5	2
TPN6	-	2	1.5	2
TPN7	-	2.5	1.5	2
TPN8	-	3	1.5	2

Evaluation of transfersomal patches

The evaluation of transfersomal patches were carried out for Folding endurance, weight variation,

thickness, moisture content and percentage drug percentage^[18].

Table-8: Evaluation of transdermal patch with nebivolol hydrochloride nanocarriers

Formulation code	Weight(mg) ± SD	Thickness(mm) ± SD	Folding endurance ± SD	Diameter(cm) ± SD	% Drug Release	Moisture absorption (%)
TPN1	207± 3.48	0.053 ± 0.001	106 ± 2.52	4.03 ± 0.03	82± 0.05	4.2± 0.2
TPN2	206± 2.48	0.050 ± 0.002	102 ± 1.73	4.06 ± 0.02	86± 0.02	5.4± 0.6
TPN3	204± 2.48	0.048 ± 0.001	104± 2.51	4.10 ± 0.05	89± 0.21	4.8± 0.8
TPN4	195 ± 2.32	0.047 ± 0.001	107 ± 1.73	4.03 ± 0.02	93± 0.24	4.1± 0.4
TPN5	194± 2.74	0.054 ± 0.001	108± 2.08	4.06 ± 0.02	88± 0.15	4.6± 0.3
TPN6	186± 2.16	0.048 ± 0.001	108 ± 2.64	4.06 ± 0.02	86± 0.15	3.9± 0.5
TPN7	193± 1.34	0.050 ± 0.002	106 ± 2.08	4.08 ± 0.02	84± 0.17	3.9± 0.2
TPN8	182± 2.21	0.050 ± 0.001	103± 3.53	4.05 ± 0.04	84± 0.25	4.2±0.31

Where n=3

The patches made with HPMC E5 have demonstrated better drug release (24hrs) as compared to other formulations, according to the examination of the transfersomal patches[19]. The invitro drug release has improved in the transfersomal patches with increases in HPMC E5 concentration.



Figure-6: Comparative drug release study of transdermal patches loaded with drug and transfersomes.

When comparing the drug release studies using transdermal patches with drugs and transfersomal patches, a comparative drug release bar graph like that in Fig. 4.13 is generated. It is clear that the inclusion of flexible nano vesicles that improve diffusion has an impact on the drug release from transfersomal patches [21,20].

In-vitro evaluation of transdermal patch with nanocarriers using pig skin

Pig skin was used to assess transfersomal patches for skin permeation experiments. Calculations were made for the flux, penetration coefficient, total amount of drug absorbed over the course of 24 hours, enhancement ratio, and lag time (hours)[22].

Formulation code	$Q_{24}(\mu g/cm^2)$	Flux(µg/cm²/hr)	Permeation Coefficient (cm/hr) Kpx10 ³	Enhancement Ratio	Lag time(hr)
CONTROL	526±0.43	20±0.65	3±0.5	-	0.6±0.64
TPN1	682.6± 1.44	38± 1.31	9± 0.34	2.4± 0.94	0.2± 0.34
TPN2	656± 1.94	37± 1.46	10.5 ± 1.04	2.1± 0.62	0.3± 0.23
TPN3	697± 1.32	40± 1.43	10± 1.9	2.7± 0.41	0.2± 0.37
TPN4	733 ± 1.33	43± 1.2	$14.5{\pm}~1.2$	$\textbf{2.8}{\pm 0.32}$	0.2± 1.39
TPN5	706± 1.35	30± 1.34	13±1.7	1.6± 0.85	0.3± 0.43
TPN6	657± 1.68	35± 1.52	8.5±1.9	1.8± 0.72	0.3± 0.53
TPN7	693± 1.84	29± 1.66	9.5±1.8	1.5 ± 0.61	0.3± 0.14
TPN8	640± 1.74	35± 1.82	9±1.3	1.9± 0.81	0.4± 1.45

Table-9: In-vitro evaluation of transdermal patch with nebivolol hydrochloride nanocarriers using pig skin

Where n=3

The results were analysed, and it can be seen from Table No. 9 that all the transfersomal formulations have better permeation properties. However, when compared to all the formulations, patches with HPMC E5 of 2.5% with plasticizer 1.5% and nano formulation have shown better permeation results, having flux of 43 1.2 (g/cm2/hr) and permeation coefficient of 14.5 (cm/hr) (Kpx103)-9, Enhancement Ratio- 2.8, Lag time(hr)-0.2 and $Q_{24}(\mu g/cm^2)$ - 733 ± 1.33^{[23,22].}





Formulation code	Zero order	First order	Higuchi	Korsemeyer-Peppa's equation		Diffusion mechanism
	R^2	R^2	R^2	R^2	п	_
CONTROL	0.81	0.87	0.78	0.83	0.3	Fickian diffusion
TPN1	0.82	0.765	0.89	0.819	0.7	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN2	0.86	0.78	0.81	0.827	0.6	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN3	0.82	0.75	0.88	0.894	0.5	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN4	0.932	0.76	0.91	0.92	0.5	Non- Fickian diffusion
TPN5	0.90	0.828	0.852	0.91	0.6	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN6	0.86	0.864	0.83	0.84	0.6	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN7	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.87	0.5	Non-Fickian diffusion
TPN8	0.84	0.86	0.87	0.77	0.5	Non-Fickian diffusion

Table-10: Model dependent kinetics of nebivolol hydrochloride transfersomal patches



Figure-8: Scanning electron microscopic analysis of Optimized patch

Skin irritation study

The animals used in the investigation of cutaneous irritation were guinea pigs. Studies on skin irritation were conducted for 14 days, and the results were tabulated accordingly. The skin irritant caused irritation with both minor and definite erythema, and after 12 days, clearly discernible edoema was created. When compared to this, neither the placebo nor the optimised batch displayed any irritation until 11 days later[24].

Stability studies

In accordance with ICH recommendations, the stability studies were carried out using optimised patches under accelerated stability circumstances. Every 0, 15, 30, 60, and 180 days, the patches were examined for moisture absorption, folding endurance,

drug homogeneity, and in vitro drug release through the skin[25].

Stability conditions	Sampling time	Folding endurance	Drug content uniformity (%)	In vitro drug release (%) through skin	Moisture absorption (%)
Accelerated condition (40	0	106 ± 2.52	99± 0.02	92± 0.01	4.2± 0.2
± 2 C and 75 ± 5% RH)	15	102 ± 1.73	97± 0.12	91.6± 0.02	5.3± 0.6
	30	104± 2.51	96± 0.18	91± 0.05	4.4± 0.8
	60	104 ± 1.73	96± 0.14	91± 0.03	5.9± 0.4
	180	104 ± 2.52	96± 0.14	90± 0.02	6.2± 0.3

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Table-11: Stability	y studies of nebivolol	hydrochloride	transfersomal	patch

Where n=3

From the table-11 it is evident that the optimized formulation is found to be stable having goodfolding



Figure- 9: Representing the SEM imaging of optimized transfersomal patch after stability studies.

IV. CONCLUSION

The results of in vitro drug release demonstrate that produced patches released drugs more effectively than conventional transdermal patches. The skin permeation investigations of the improved transfersomal patch (HPMC E5 3% w/v, 1.5% w/v PEG-400, 2% v/v nano suspension, i.e. 40% w/v Labrosol with 68% w/v soy lecithin) revealed flux of 43 (g/cm2/hr), permeation coefficient (cm/hr) -14.5, and absorption rate (g/cm2/hr), Enhancement Ratio of 2.8, non-fickian diffusion in the Korsemever-Peppas model with n = 0.8, and zero order kinetics type of drug release are characteristics of the optimised patches. When compared to the placebo batch and the optimised batch, the optimised formulation has demonstrated better stability. Therefore, based on the results of the current investigation, it can be concluded that transfersomal patches have better drug release qualities than conventional transdermal matrix patches. A regulated drug release of the medication has also been demonstrated via the transdermal patches.

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endurance, drug uniformity, In vitro % drug release

through skin and moisture absorption.

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II. MANAGING BLOOD GLUCOSE DURING PERIOPERATIVE PERIOD

a) Screening for diabetes in PAC (Pre anesthetic checkup)

It is recommended for all patients above 35 year of age and one below this age with a risk factor (Obesity, hypertension, family history, h/ o GDM, HIV, Physical inactivity).(1) So practically most adult patients requiring surgical intervention undergo blood glucose estimation. This screening many times make the diagnosis of diabetes for the first time.

If patient is found to have impaired blood glucose, then he can be directed to life style modifications, oral hypoglycemic agents and any further investigation required.

Those who are already diagnose with diabetes, it will be required to do fasting, post prandial blood glucose with HbA1c. (4) These test reflects the control and any untoward effect of glucose will be minimized if it remains in the range. The desired premeal blood glucose is 90-130 mg % and post mealis 140-180 mg%.

b) Perioperative control of Glucose

Now it is recommended not to stop oral hypoglycemic agents till day before surgery as we used to do previously except for SGLT 2 inhibitors. (5) If blood glucose is fairly controlled then we can continued with these medicines, otherwise it is prudent to switch to insulin. Use of Insulin has few merits and demerits as explained in the box 1. Most hospitals has their own insulin regimen for control of blood glucose in perioperative period depending upon the practices and insulin sensitivity of the individuals.(6)

Merits

- I. Short half-life , so can be titrated according to need
- II. More physiologic
- III. Adverse effect can be managed quickly

Demerits

- I. Injection phobia to patient
- II. Insulin delivery is a skill



BOX 1: Merits and Demerits of Insulin use in perioperative period

c) Effect of anesthesia on diabetes

Now with introduction of newer techniques and novel agents for induction and maintenance of desired level of anaesthesia, it is very easy to control blood glucose. Local, regional, spinal and epidural anaesthesia lessened the systemic complications.

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General anaesthesia, long surgeries and labile diabetes increases the chance of glucose imbalance. These can be better tackled by Insulin infusion and hourly blood glucose monitoring.

Insulin use during surgery should be intravenous only because subcutaneous absorption become erratic due to various reasons like hypotension, anaesthesia drug effect, and various Intravenous infusion of crystalloids and blood products. During operation / surgery random plasma glucose should be maintatined between 140-180 mg %.

d) Post-operative period and Glucose control

In post-operative period, we should give insulin because of its merits discussed earlier. In post op period once the patient extubated, start taking oral diet, we can switch to subcutaneous insulin or re-introduce oral hypoglycemic agents gradually. OHA which are known to cause hypoglycemia like sulphonylureas to be avoided early in the course. It is always better to start multiple subcutaneous insulin injection which is most physiologic and avoid chances of hypoglycemia. (7)Doses can be titrated according to meal, other drugs / fluids influencing blood glucose. Basal insulin is useful to control fasting level. Its steady action decreases the chances of hyperglycemic complications too. Points to be addressed in post- operative period is mentioned in box 2.

- 1. Eating pattern is not smooth
- 2. Drugs (fluids, medications and blood products) changes the level of glucose
- 3. Patient's daily activity is compromised, so it also influence the consumption of glucose.
- 4. Surgery related effects (pain/immobilization/ anxiety) can affect glucose levels.

BOX 2: Points to be addressed in post-operative periods

III. Conclusion

There is no one regimen which can address all patients in all kind of surgeries. So individual patient to be managed with unique approach depending upon the type of surgery, he is undergoing upon. Few basics to be understand in such clinical scenarios as described in box 3.

- 1. Emergency surgeries not to be postponed for deranged blood glucose.
- 2. Cancer surgeries are also semi urgent condition, individual risk benefit ratio to be considered before postponing a surgery just because of increased blood glucose.
- 3. For day care surgeries, no need to stop OHA, and start insulin- we can very well continue OHA, till a day before surgery and reintroduce all one by one as patient oral intake and activity increases.
- 4. Persons undergoing major surgeries can be switch to insulin (preferably Multi subcutaneous insulin injection (MSII)).
- 5. Even persons on GLP-1 analogue, DPP 4 inhibitors/SGLT 2 inhibitors or premixed insulin should switch to MSII.
- 6. During operation, keep patient on Intravenous insulin with hourly glucose monitoring. Target is (140-180 mg %)
- 7. During post-operative period, gradual recovery demands gradual upgrading of insulin dose and reintroduction of OHA (if needed).

BOX 3: Summary of blood glucose control in Perioperative period

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