

Supplementary Materials: Stability of Ophthalmic Atropine Solutions for Child Myopia Control

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Validation of Tropic Acid Quantification Method

The chromatographic method used was found linear for concentrations ranging from 0.1 to 5 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. Average regression equation was $y = 41722x - 439$ where x is the tropic acid concentration (in $\mu\text{g/mL}$) and y the surface area of the corresponding chromatogram peak. Interception was not significantly different from zero and average determination coefficient R^2 of three calibration curves was 0.9998.

The relative mean trueness bias coefficients were of less than 2%. Mean repeatability RSD coefficients was of 1.32%, and mean intermediate precision RSD coefficients was of 3.26%. The accuracy profile constructed with the data showed that the limits of 95% confidence interval coefficients were all within 6% of the expected value, except for the 0.10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ calibration point for which the lower range limit was of -6.4%.

Complementary Study: Quantification of Tropic Acid in Commercial Ophthalmic Atropine Solutions

As a complementary study, the principal BP of atropine (tropic acid) was quantified in two commercial atropine ophthalmic solutions: 0.5% atropine (5 mg/mL) in 10 mL multidose eyeglass dropper (Alcon) and 1% atropine (10 mg/mL) in 0.4 mL single dose eyeglass dropper (Faure). 1/50th and 1/100th dilutions of the two commercial solutions were realized to reach the experimental atropine concentration of 0.1 mg/mL. Tropic acid presence and quantification were evaluated with the same method describe further for atropine quantification and BPs research. The tests were performed in triplicate.

Two commercial atropine ophthalmic formulations presented high concentrations of tropic acid, as presented in Table 1. The concentrations of tropic acid were 6 to 11 times higher than those found in the studied atropine formulations after 6 months conservation (21.4 and 40.2 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ *versus* 3.5 $\mu\text{g/mL}$).

Table 1. Atropine and tropic acid concentrations in commercial atropine ophthalmic formulations.

	Atropine concentration (mg/mL)			Tropic acid concentration ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)		
0.5% atropine in 10 mL multidose eyeglass dropper (Alcon)	5.3	±	0.0	21.4	±	0.4
1% atropine in 0.4 mL single dose eyeglass dropper (Faure)	10.4	±	0.1	40.2	±	0.6

Raw data

Raw data is presented in the following tables (Tables 2 to 6).

Table 2. Atropine and tropic acid quantification.

Nb of unit	Atropine AUC		Atropine Concentration (mg/mL)		Tropic acid AUC		Tropic acid Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$)	
	Gamma	EO	Gamma	EO	Gamma	EO	Gamma	EO
	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD	PEBD
Day 0	1	2245774	2251614	0.10033	0.10059	NA	NA	NA
	2	2252215	2252040	0.10062	0.10061	NA	NA	NA
	3	2244406	2252105	0.10026	0.10061	NA	NA	NA
	4	2246283	2252202	0.10035	0.10061	NA	NA	NA
	5	2250389	2250062	0.10053	0.10052	NA	NA	NA
Day 8	1	2237327	2246380	0.09995	0.10035	5952	5968	0.2
	2	2238204	2245525	0.09999	0.10031	5708	5863	0.1
	3	2242888	2245311	0.10020	0.10031	5965	6041	0.2
	4	2239986	2248017	0.10007	0.10043	5966	5847	0.2
	5	2239946	2247185	0.10006	0.10039	5981	5756	0.2
Day 15	1	2231738	2237453	0.09969	0.09995	11990	11421	0.3
	2	2230922	2238453	0.09966	0.10000	11590	11533	0.3
	3	2232445	2239359	0.09973	0.10004	12041	11411	0.3
	4	2230975	2238497	0.09966	0.10000	11839	11526	0.3
	5	2232593	2238647	0.09973	0.10001	12366	11509	0.3
Day 30	1	2228302	2230630	0.09954	0.09964	26059	24139	0.6
	2	2225530	2232078	0.09942	0.09971	25374	24596	0.6
	3	2223462	2231739	0.09932	0.09969	24246	23747	0.6
	4	2224868	2232857	0.09939	0.09975	25742	24431	0.6
	5	2230460	2232593	0.09964	0.09973	24833	24947	0.6
Day 60	1	2200643	2210560	0.09830	0.09874	52400	49334	1.3
	2	2205060	2210609	0.09850	0.09874	52172	50913	1.3
	3	2205771	2211835	0.09853	0.09880	50528	51098	1.2
	4	2203923	2213348	0.09844	0.09887	51251	50562	1.2
	5	2200295	2212743	0.09828	0.09884	51952	50715	1.3
Day 90	1	2167052	2181056	0.09679	0.09742	92245	86953	2.2
	2	2163396	2174140	0.09662	0.09710	92800	90032	2.2
	3	2163286	2183164	0.09662	0.09751	93957	87432	2.3
	4	2164854	2177172	0.09669	0.09724	92657	90808	2.2
	5	2165957	2177253	0.09674	0.09724	92933	88251	2.2
Day 180	1	2116721	2133153	0.09452	0.09526	144155	143703	3.5
	2	2123068	2137217	0.09481	0.09544	144880	142454	3.5
	3	2122013	2135924	0.09476	0.09539	143250	144048	3.4
	4	2122672	2137014	0.09479	0.09544	151728	140567	3.6
	5	2117772	2135585	0.09457	0.09537	142547	142030	3.4

Table 3. Visual aspect and chromaticity data.

Day 0		Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	100.33	100.35	99.91	100.35	99.92	100.1 72
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3127	0.3128	0.3127	0.3127	0.312 72
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.329	0.329 08
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.02	0	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.014
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.91	100.3	100.25	100.36	100.17	100.1 98
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3128	0.312 72
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.329	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.329 06
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.01	0	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.014
Day 8	<i>Solutions</i>	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.96	100.02	99.98	100.02	99.91	99.97 8
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3127	0.3126	0.3126	0.3127	0.312 66
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.3291	0.329	0.329 02
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.024
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.98	99.98	99.93	100	99.94	99.96 6
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.312 7
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.329
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.01	0	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.008
Day 15		Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.72	99.96	99.97	99.91	99.73	99.85 8
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3126	0.3126	0.3126	0.3126	0.312 62
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.3289	0.3289	0.329	0.3289	0.328 94
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.038
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					

	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.81	99.88	99.79	99.72	99.83	99.80
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3126	0.3127	0.3126	0.3126	0.3126
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.3289	0.3289	0.3289
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.07	0.05	0.038
Day 30	Visual aspect	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
		Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	100.4	100.48	100.19	100.09	100.29	100.29
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3126	0.3125	0.3125	0.3125	0.3125	0.3125
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3289	0.3289	0.3288	0.3288	0.3288	0.3288
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.05	0.08	0.09	0.1	0.11	0.086
Day 60	Visual aspect	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
		Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	100.07	100.35	100.32	100.17	100.36	100.254
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3126	0.3126	0.3125	0.3125	0.3125	0.3125
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3287	0.3289	0.3289	0.3289	0.3289	0.32886
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.088
Day 90	Visual aspect	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
		Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.86	99.85	99.87	99.66	99.77	99.802
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3128	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.3292	0.329	0.329	0.329	0.32904
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.01	0.05	0.01	0	0.01	0.016
	Visual aspect	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n
		Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles					
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.83	99.86	99.88	99.77	99.8	99.828
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3127	0.3129	0.31274
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.329	0.329	0.3291	0.329	0.3291	0.32904
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.02

	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.329 1	
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.054	
	<i>Solutions</i>	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n	
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles						
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.2	99.39	99.42	99.4	99.81	99.44 4	
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3126	0.3128	0.3127	0.3128	0.3127	0.312 72	
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3291	0.3292	0.3291	0.3291	0.3291	0.329 12	
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.03	0.09	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.042	
Day 180		Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mea n	
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles						
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	99.18	99.28	99.67	100.01	100.45	99.71 8	
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.313	0.313	0.3127	0.3127	0.3126	0.312 8	
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3293	0.3294	0.3291	0.3291	0.329	0.329 18	
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.17	0.17	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.086	
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mea n	
	<i>Visual aspect</i>	Visual examination: colourless, clear, without particles						
	<i>Luminance (Y)</i>	100.46	100.34	100.39	100.47	100.48	100.4 28	
	<i>Chromaticity (x)</i>	0.3125	0.3126	0.3126	0.3126	0.3126	0.312 58	
	<i>Chromaticity (y)</i>	0.3289	0.3289	0.329	0.3289	0.329	0.328 94	
	<i>Excitation percentage Pe (%)</i>	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.06	

Table 4. Complete pH data of atropine solutions.

		Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean
Day 0	pH	6.09	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.09	6.096
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
	pH	6.08	6.1	6.09	6.1	6.1	6.094
Day 8	pH	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean
		6.1	6.09	6.11	6.11	6.12	6.106
	pH	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
Day 15	pH	6.1	6.1	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.106
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
	pH	6.14	6.13	6.13	6.12	6.13	6.13
Day 30	pH	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean
		6.11	6.12	6.12	6.16	6.14	6.13
	pH	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
Day 60	pH	6.11	6.12	6.13	6.13	6.14	6.126
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
	pH	6.13	6.12	6.15	6.16	6.15	6.142
Day 90	pH	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean
		6.11	6.14	6.13	6.13	6.14	6.13
	pH	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
Day 180	pH	6.12	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.128
		EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean
	pH	6.21	6.21	6.2	6.21	6.2	6.206

Table 5. Complete osmolality (mOsmol/kg) of atropine solutions.

	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 0	399	428	415	398	420	412
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	401	399	399	397	398	398.8
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 8	407	397	397	397	403	400.2
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	398	396	409	402	399	400.8
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 15	390	396	412	416	400	402.8
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	417	404	407	410	406	408.8
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 30	378	402	385	401	400	393.2
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	402	405	405	405	406	404.6
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 60	399	397	407	399	398	400
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	420	428	422	401	402	414.6
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 90	409	408	416	428	405	413.2
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	409	403	406	421	401	408
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
Day 180	401	433	399	441	417	418.2
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5	Mean n
	402	415	405	405	399	405.2

Table 6. Complete turbidity (FNU, formazine nephelometric unit) of atropine solutions performed on pooled volume of 5 units.

	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
Day 0			0.33		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
Day 8	0.32				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
Day 15			0.31		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
Day 30	0.31				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
Day 60			0.27		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
Day 90	0.26				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
Day 180			0.78		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
	0.54				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
			0.78		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
	0.44				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
			0.43		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
	0.34				
	Gamma LDPE Unit 1	Gamma LDPE Unit 2	Gamma LDPE Unit 3	Gamma LDPE Unit 4	Gamma LDPE Unit 5
			0.93		
	EO LDPE Unit 1	EO LDPE Unit 2	EO LDPE Unit 3	EO LDPE Unit 4	EO LDPE Unit 5
	0.64				