

**ABSTRACT**

**EFFECT OF CARRAGEENAN POLYMER AND MALTODEXTRIN  
ON PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND RELEASE OF  
CIRPROFLOXACIN HCl-CARRAGEENAN MICROSPHERES**

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The aim of this research was to examine the effect of kappa carrageenan concentrations and maltodextrin on the characteristic and release of microspheres, were made by ionotropic gelation method using aerosolization technique with kappa carrageenan polymer (0.50 % and 0.75%) , crosslinker KCl (1.5 %), lyoprotectant maltodextrin (5%) and was dried using freeze dryer with four formula, there were F1 (carrageenan 0.75% without maltodextrin), F2 (carrageenan 0.50% without maltodextrin), F3 (carrageenan 0.75% with maltodextrin), F4 (carrageenan 0.50% with maltodextrin). Results showed that particle size was within range 1.34  $\mu\text{m}$  to 1.70  $\mu\text{m}$ , drug loading was within range 15.63% to 38.72%, entrapment efficiency was within range 25.38% to 51.61 % , yield was within range 52.53% to 63.19%, swelling index was within range 121% to 290%, and mucoadhesive was within range 0.0059 to 0,0096 kg force. The release rates of these microspheres within range 0.0290% to 0.0313% with zero order release model. The result of particle size, moisture content, drug loading, entrapment efficiency, mucoadhesivitas yield, and release were analyzed statistically using one way ANOVA, it was found that increasing kappa carrageenan concentration and added maltodextrin affect particle size, drug loading, entrapment efficiency, but didn't affect mucoadhesive, yield and release of ciprofloxacin HCl-carrageenan microspheres.

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