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## Background and importance

Infant **tuberculosis treatment** is a **combined therapy**, which entails two main issues:

- **Commercialized pediatric presentations scarcity.**
- **Inadequate adherence.**



**Isoniazid** is indicated as a front-line treatment. In order to prevent isoniazid's induced peripheral neuropathy, **pyridoxine** should be supplemented.

## Aim and objectives

To develop and study the **physicochemical and microbiological stability** of a combined isoniazid+pyridoxine oral liquid formulation



## Materials and Methods

**Literature search:** Pharmacopeia, The National Formulary, scientific literature and Methodological Guidelines for non-sterile products.

### Physical study

- Organoleptic characters
- Clarity and degree of opalescence
- pH: pH-goal ≈ 5

### Microbiological study

- Aerobic microbial <math><10^3\text{UFC/ml}</math>
- Yeasts/moulds <math><10^2\text{UFC/ml}</math>
- Absence *E. coli*/ml

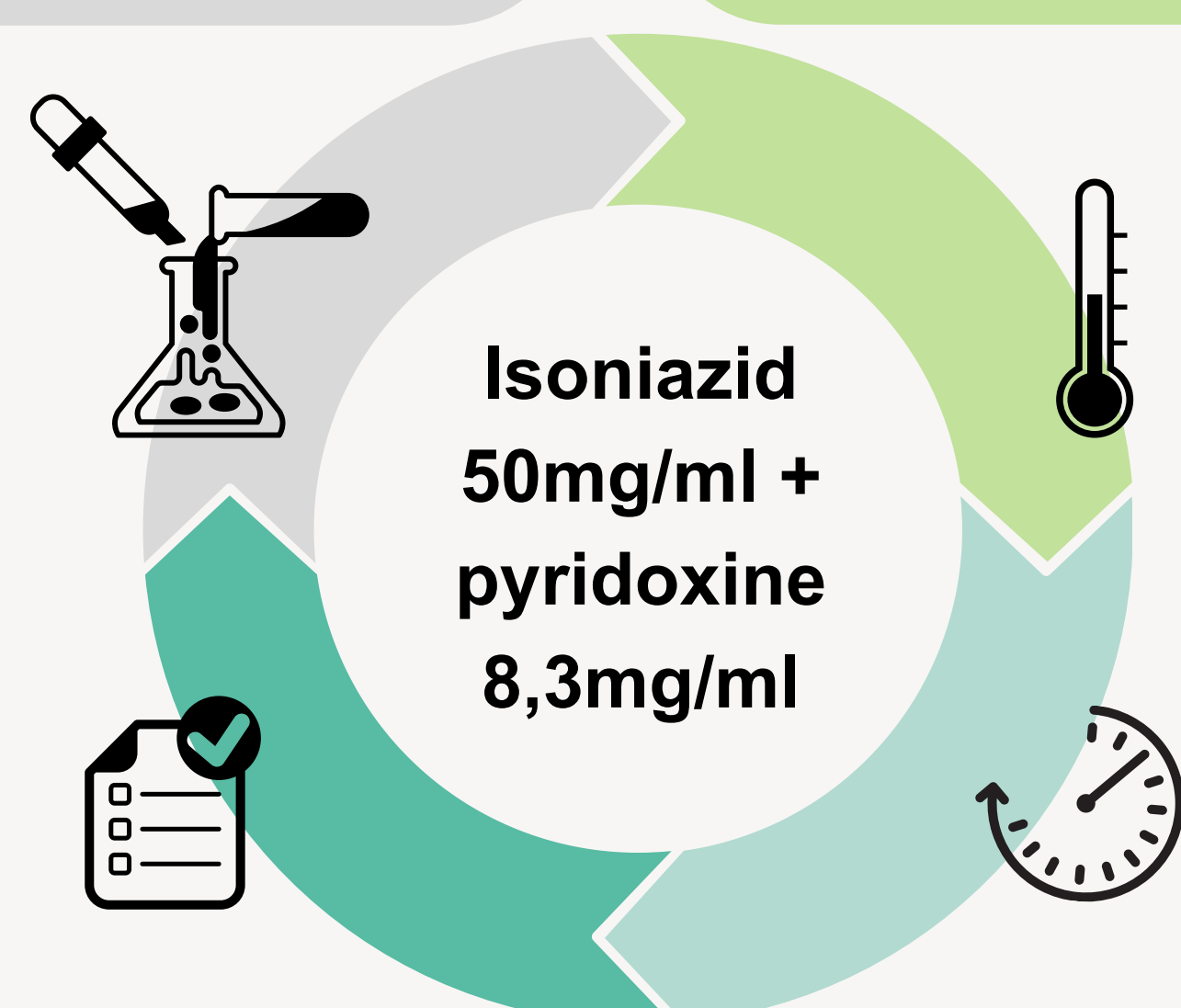
### Chemical study

- HPLC analysis and method validation
- Acceptable purity limit: 90-110%

## Results

Aqua conservans  
70%-liquid sorbitol

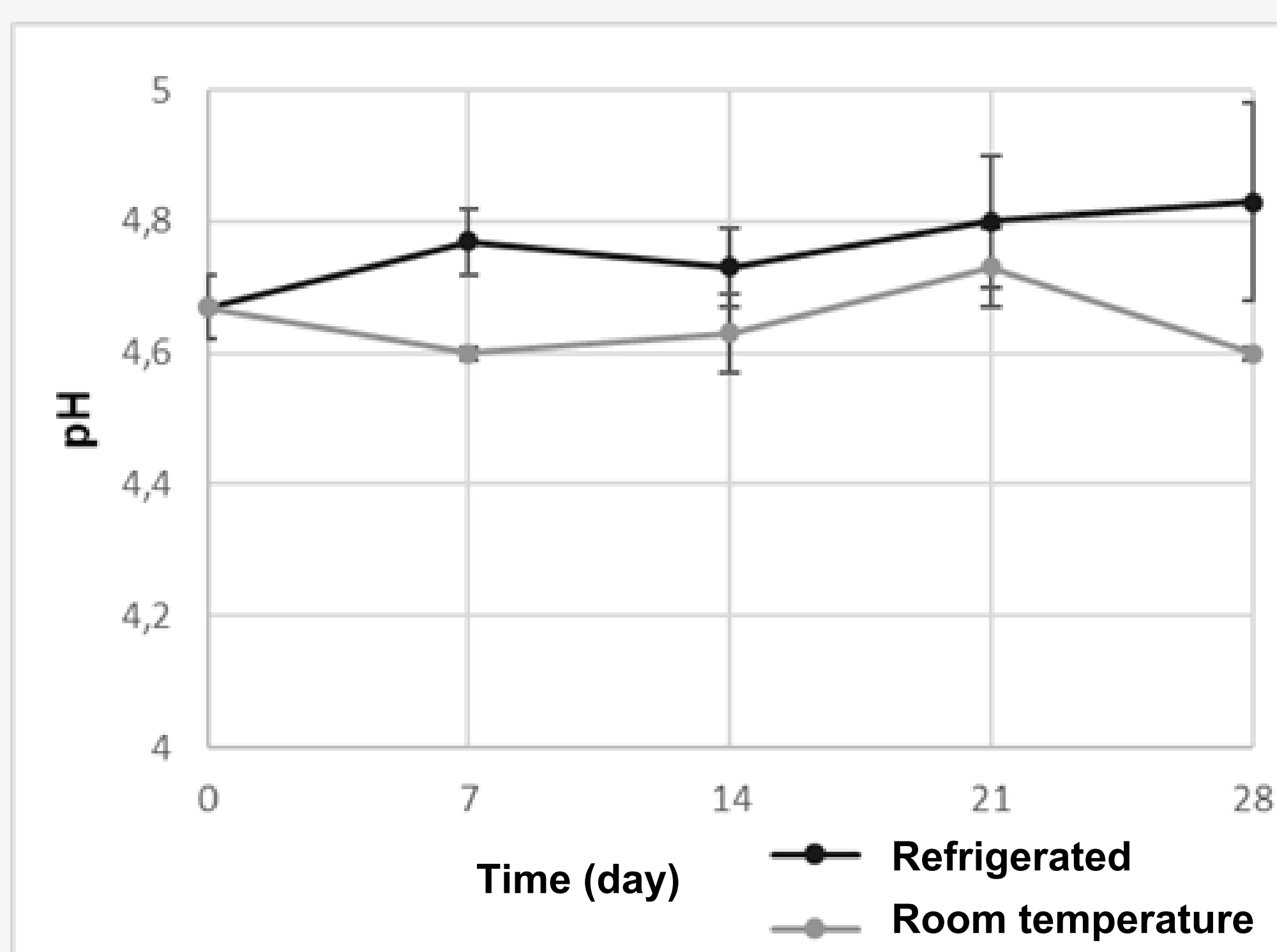
Room and refrigerated  
temperature



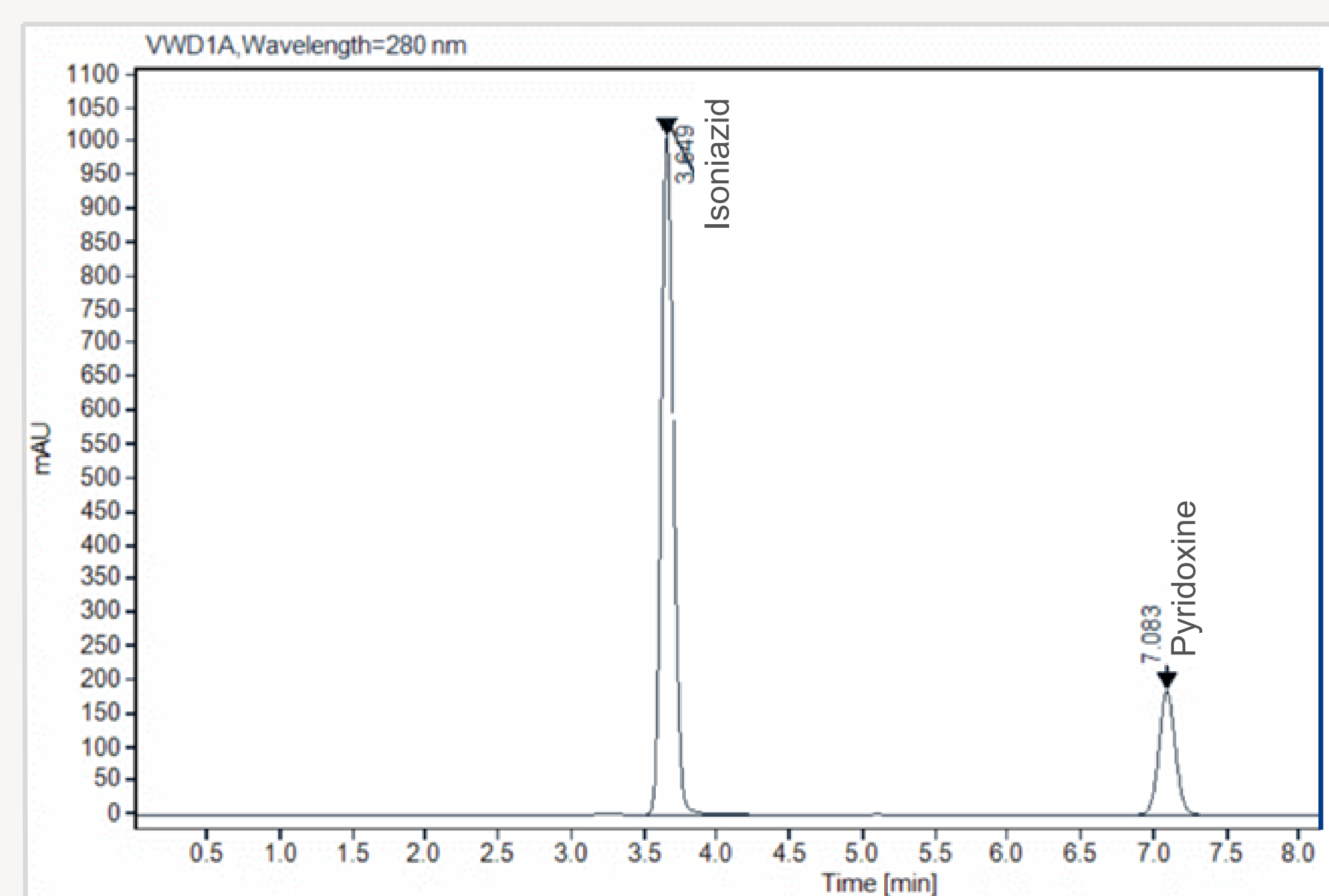
Sampling period:  
0,7,14,21,28 days

Study period:  
28 days

### pH mean and standard deviation



### HPLC chromatogram



- **Room temperature** samples got **darker, bitter and slightly acidified.**
- All samples maintained **microbiological stability.**
- The validated method was: **selective, linear, precise (CV<2%) and accurate (recovery 98-102%).**

## Conclusion and relevance

- Isoniazid and pyridoxine oral liquid formulation was **physicochemical and microbiological stable stored at refrigerated conditions for 28 days.**
- The proposed analytical method was viable to **simultaneously determine two different active ingredients.**
- It provides a **reliable solution to enhance therapeutic adherence of children.**

### Chemical stability study of isoniazid+pyridoxine

