

Niravi - Lidocaine 4% topical patch

Niravi–Lidocaine 4% patch is an OTC topical patch with a unique formula developed and manufactured by Sparsha Pharma USA, Inc. (Sparsha). Sparsha's formulation is a high quality matrix type drug in adhesive formulation that makes an extremely thin, user friendly patch compared to other brands. Niravi-Lidocaine 4% patch enables consistent drug delivery up to 24 hours by stable adherence on skin.

Niravi

Niravi is Sparsha's brand name for pain relief patch.

Niravi stands for "Pain removal" in Sanskrit. Niravi is manufactured by Sparsha, Oceanside, CA.

- Up to 24 hours consistent drug delivery
- Minimizes local skin damage with longer application and breathable non-woven backing cloth
- User friendly Easily applied without direct touch
- 24 hours application duration makes application time easy to remember
- Fits on the body with ultra thin non-woven backing cloth; hardly noticeable
- Earth friendly High drug utilization and less wasteful after use







Sparsha

Sparsha is a pharmaceutical company located in Oceanside, California that specializes in transdermal/topical film products. Sparsha has the capability to take products from formulation development to commercial production.

Sparsha produces the Lidocaine 4% Patch under Current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP). Sparsha supplies the same Lidocaine 4% patch for other brands (Theracare, Asperflex, etc.) in the U.S.

Comparison

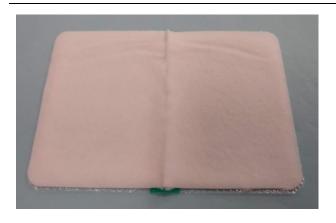
Sparsha Patch (Niravi)



Sparsha uses high quality, thin nonwoven backing cloth to support drug adhesive formulation. It is a thinner patch compared with any other Lidocaine patch available on the market. This characteristic contributes to better adhesion and higher rate of drug utilization for drug delivery. A patch is placed on two release liners which makes application easier for user to avoid touching adhesive. Sparsha patch formulation is constructed based on US FDA recognized materials.

(Application duration: up to 24 hour)

Hydrogel Patch available on market



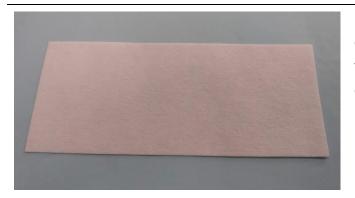
Hydrogel patch gives cooling sensation upon user application.

The backing cloth is thick and flexible, but the adhesion nature is weaker in general.

(At most 8 hours application on label)



Matrix Patch available on market



Due to thick and non-stretchable non-woven cloth, the patch tends to be peeled off from the corner or edge by body movement or cloth contact in general.

(8-12 hours application on label)

Drug Delivery

The drug delivery characteristics of the Sparsha Lidocaine 4% patch was compared with commercially available Lidocaine 4% patches by *in vitro* human cadaver skin permeation study (Product A: Hydrogel type, Product B: Matrix type), and result was shown in Figure 1.

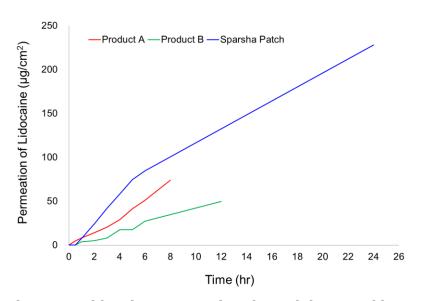


Figure 1 Lidocaine permeation through human skin

Sparsha patch showed higher drug delivery compared with both commercial products. From the data, continuous drug delivery was confirmed for up to 24 hours.



Patch adherence

Peel adhesion force of Sparsha Lidocaine 4% Patch was compared with commercially available Lidocaine 4% patches (Product C, Product D and Product E).

Products

Product	Duration of application on label
Sparsha Lidocaine 4% Patch	Up to 24 hours
Product C	Up to 12 hours
Product D	At most 8 hours
Product E	Up to 12 hours

Adhesion test: 180-degree peel test

Sample width: 2cm

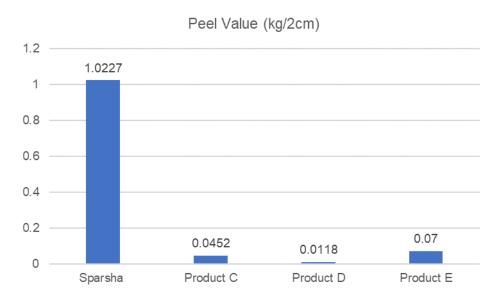


Figure 2 Peel adhesion of Lidocaine 4% Patches

Sparsha Lidocaine 4% patch showed much higher adhesion compared with other commercially available products.



Sparsha Lidocaine 4% patch was applied on human volunteers to confirm its adhesion.

(The volunteer applied Sparsha Lidocaine 4% Patch for 24 hours, most of the patch area was adhering even after 24 hours.)

There was no pain upon removal of patch after 24 hours.



Shelf life

2 years from the date of manufacture





