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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED

NSAIDs - Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory drugs

VAS - Visual Analog scale

IV - Intravenous

IM - Intramuscular

ABSTRACT

Introduction: NSAIDs till day are the most prescribed analgesics for the control of post-exodontia pain and can be administered by oral, parenteral, transdermal routes etc. Transdermal patches possess the advantages of providing sustained release of the drug, are non-invasive, bypass first pass metabolism and eliminate gastrointestinal adverse effects. In this study, the efficacy of single application of Diclofenac 200 mg transdermal patch and Ketoprofen 30 mg transdermal patch for post orthodontic exodontia pain relief over 24 hours post operatively was compared.

Materials and methods: In the present split mouth study, 30 patients who underwent orthodontic bilateral maxillary and/or mandibular premolars extractions under local anaesthesia were included. Each patient received single transdermal Diclofenac 200 mg patch and transdermal Ketoprofen 30mg patch on outer, ipsilateral upper arm immediately post extraction in the 2 appointments in random order. The pain score was recorded every second hourly for first 24 hours post operatively using Visual Analog Scale (VAS) , requirement of rescue analgesic at various time points in first 24 hours post operatively and total number of rescue analgesic taken in first 24 hours post operatively was noted.

Results: No statistically significant ($p < 0.05$) difference was found between the analgesic efficacy of two transdermal patches at any given time point in 24 hours by Mann-Whitney U test. Overall within each group statistical significant ($p < 0.05$) difference was found by intragroup comparison of VAS pain scores at different time points in relation to VAS pain score at 0 – 2 hours after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen and Diclofenac patches respectively with Wilcoxon matched pairs test. The study patients had mean maximum pain intensity of 2.33 for Ketoprofen

transdermal patch and 2.60 for Diclofenac transdermal patch. All study patients consumed the rescue analgesic within first 12 hours post operatively with the mean value of total number of rescue analgesic taken with Ketoprofen transdermal patch (0.23) being slightly lower than Diclofenac transdermal patch (0.27) application.

Conclusion: In the present study, Ketoprofen transdermal patch and Diclofenac transdermal patch provide similar analgesia post orthodontic extraction. However, the patients required rescue analgesic during initial hours of post-operative follow-up period.

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INTRODUCTION

Pain after minor or major oral surgical procedures is one of the actively studied subjects in pharmacology and pain research.¹ Monheim's has defined pain as "an unpleasant emotional experience usually initiated by a noxious stimulus and transmitted over a specialized neural network to the central nervous system where it is interpreted as such."² Studies have shown that sensory nociception in the oral cavity is significantly more than in many other areas of the body.¹

In a normal atraumatic tooth extraction once the effect of the local anesthetic wears off, may cause mild to severe pain, depending on the condition of the tooth and patient perception. Production of prostaglandins at the extraction site causes post exodontia pain³ which is an uncomfortable experience for the patients that may lead to disruption of daily routine activities and may distract the individual from essential obligations. Hence, measures should be taken to provide appropriate analgesia for an uneventful post exodontia healing phase for the patient.⁴

Administration of either peripherally acting [Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)] or centrally acting (opioids) drugs are used for achieving post operative analgesia. However, the majority of the post exodontia pain is managed by NSAIDs (Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs) worldwide.⁵

One of the commonly prescribed NSAIDs for post exodontia pain relief is Diclofenac. Diclofenac is a non-selective cyclooxygenase enzyme inhibitor of the aryl acetic acid group, that shows analgesic, anti-inflammatory as well as antipyretic activity.⁶ Diclofenac sodium acts by potent cycle-oxygenase inhibition, reduction of arachidonic acid release, and enhancement of arachidonic acid uptake. It thereby

results in a dual inhibitory effect on both the cycle-oxygenase and lipoxygenase pathways.⁷

Ketoprofen, (RS) 2-(3-benzoylphenyl)-propionic acid, is one of the propionic acid class of NSAIDs and has analgesic and antipyretic effects. Ketoprofen combines with the cyclooxygenase and thereby prevent its substrate-enzyme combination with arachidonic acid and the formation of eicosanoids, prostaglandins, and thromboxanes.⁸ Ketoprofen has been well documented in various studies as an effective agent in providing post operative analgesia.⁹

These drugs can be administered using various routes of drug administration such as oral, parenteral such as intravenous (IV), intramuscular (IM), sublingual and transdermal.⁵ Oral route of administration of drugs has been the route of choice in daily practice for a long time, but this route poses the disadvantages of low bioavailability due to its first pass metabolism, gastrointestinal adverse effects and patient non-compliance.¹⁰ Other routes of administration of drugs commonly used in cases of extreme post exodontia pain are intramuscular or intravenous. Intramuscular injections of NSAIDs can lead to erythema, pruritis, oedema, abscess and necrosis. The intravenous route though provides the fastest analgesia, but its action is of short duration as it injects the entire dose within a short span which could eventually lead to systemic toxicity.¹⁰

To overcome the drawbacks of the most commonly used routes of drug administration newer drug delivery agent, **transdermal patch**, may be used by which the drug enters into systemic circulation through the skin or mucosa. Transdermal drug delivery systems are simple and compliant methods of delivery.¹¹ Transdermal patches possess the advantages of providing sustained release of the drug, non-

invasive method of drug administration, they bypass first pass metabolism and eliminate gastrointestinal adverse effects.⁴

In the present study, the efficacy of transdermal Ketoprofen patch versus transdermal Diclofenac patch in patients undergoing orthodontic extractions was compared for pain and the need for rescue analgesic after single application over 24 hours post operatively.

AIM AND OBJECTIVES

AIM OF THE STUDY

To compare the efficacy of transdermal Ketoprofen patch versus transdermal Diclofenac patch in patients undergoing orthodontic extractions.

OBJECTIVES

1. To assess the pain intensity for the first 24 hours after extraction using VAS²⁴ pain scale;
2. To assess the requirement for rescue analgesic intake within 24 hours post-extraction; and
3. To record the number of rescue analgesic tablets taken within 24 hours post-extraction.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Darpan Bhargawa et al⁴ in 2019 compared the efficacy of transdermal Ketoprofen (20 mg) and Diclofenac (200 mg) patch in patients undergoing therapeutic atraumatic first premolar extractions. Forty patients requiring therapeutic extraction of both maxillary and mandibular first premolar teeth bilaterally were included. Single transdermal Ketoprofen patch was applied for first and fourth quadrant extractions, and transdermal Diclofenac patch was applied for second and third quadrant extractions all under local anaesthesia. They concluded that Ketoprofen is superior to Diclofenac as a transdermal medicament in providing post extraction analgesia.

Selvi et al¹² in 2016 compared Transdermal Diclofenac Patch with Intramuscular Diclofenac Injection as an Analgesic Modality Following Surgical Extraction of Impacted Mandibular Third Molars in a cross over efficacy trail. Twenty patients requiring bilateral mesioangular impacted mandibular third molars were selected for the study. After performing impaction surgery on right side, patients received 50-cm² patch, 100 mg of Diclofenac diethylamine, and after 3 weeks surgical extraction on the left side was performed and post operatively patients received injection Diclofenac. Patients were evaluated for pain for three post operative days. They concluded that Diclofenac administered by either mode of delivery as transdermal patches or IM injections has similar effectiveness but the patients showed better compliance with transdermal drug delivery.

Hemant Bhaskar et al¹³ in 2010 compared transdermal Diclofenac patch with oral Diclofenac as an analgesic modality following multiple premolar extractions in orthodontic patients. Twenty pre-orthodontic patients requiring bilateral maxillary and

mandibular first premolar extractions were selected for the study. The right maxillary and mandibular first premolars were extracted first and 50 mg oral Diclofenac sodium tablets were prescribed to be taken thrice a day for three days. In the next appointment, the contralateral first premolars were extracted and a 100 mg transdermal Diclofenac patch was applied once a day for three days. They concluded that both Diclofenac formulations provided potent analgesia with advantage of better patient compliance for transdermal route.

Vandana Chhabra et al¹⁰ in 2019 evaluated the efficacy of transdermal Diclofenac patch (100 mg) in the management of post surgical pain with transalveolar extraction of impacted mandibular third. In this study transdermal Diclofenac 100 mg patch was used once daily for 3 post operative days for 100 patients and 65% of patients did not require any rescue analgesic for pain relief. They emphasized upon the usage of transdermal patch due to its low side effects as it bypasses the hepatic first pass metabolism and have several benefits such as constant and controlled drug release, ease of usage and good effectiveness.

Anisha Perepa et al¹⁴ in 2015 evaluated the analgesic efficacy of a Diclofenac transdermal patch with Diclofenac intra muscular injection in the immediate post operative period in patients undergoing bijaw surgeries for surgical correction of various dentofacial deformities. Sixty patients were divided into two groups: Group A (study group) received a single dose of 100 mg transdermal Diclofenac patch, Group B (control group) received 75 mg intramuscular Diclofenac. They concluded that A noninvasive application of a single dose of transdermal Diclofenac patch is more effective than intramuscular Diclofenac in the immediate post operative phase.

Pranavi Jadhav et al¹⁵ in 2018 compared the analgesic efficacy of Diclofenac and Ketoprofen transdermal patch, in the management of immediate post operative pain following orthognathic procedures. A randomised controlled study was conducted among 50 subjects divided into 2 groups diagnosed clinically and cephalometrically as skeletal and dental class II malocclusion, and underwent bi-jaw surgical procedure. The transdermal patches used, contained 100 mg of either Diclofenac or Ketoprofen and administered by a nurse prior to induction. They concluded that subjects in both groups were comfortable and returned to early function. However, Ketoprofen transdermal patch had an edge over the Diclofenac transdermal patch with respect to analgesic efficacy.

Bachalli et al¹⁶ in 2016 conducted a comparative study of Diclofenac transdermal patch (100 mg) against oral Diclofenac (100 mg) for pain control following removal of mandibular impacted third molars. Twenty healthy subjects divided into two groups with bilateral mesioangular impactions of mandibular third molar teeth underwent surgical removal under local anaesthesia. They concluded that transdermal Diclofenac sodium can be used as an alternative form of pain control following removal of impacted mandibular third molars, however considering that the analgesic potency might be lesser in the immediate post operative period, it might be prudent to use oral Diclofenac sodium for immediate post operative pain relief, following which transdermal route can be used for pain control.

Vinod Kumar et al¹⁷ in 2017 evaluated the role of transdermal Diclofenac (Nupatch) in post operative pain management who underwent major surgery. The study included hundred adult patients on whom Diclofenac transdermal patch (Nupatch) 50 sq.cm was applied 2-3 cm away from operative site at the zero hour

postoperatively and was changed every 24 hourly postoperatively for four days. They concluded that transdermal Diclofenac patch (Nupatch) is easy to use and is a painless application that is effective in reducing post operative pain and also lowers the need of rescue analgesia.

Ritu Verma et al⁹ in 2016 compared single dose transdermal patches of Diclofenac (100 mg) and Ketoprofen (20 mg) for post operative analgesia in lower limb orthopedic surgery. In this study 60 patients were included and 30 each were randomly allocated in the two groups who received one of the transdermal patches, and evaluated for pain in the first 24 hours post operatively. They concluded that transdermal patch of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac both are effective for post operative analgesia in lower limb orthopedic surgery under spinal anaesthesia but in Diclofenac group more patients required rescue analgesic as compared to Ketoprofen group.

YMA Tai et al¹⁸ in 1992 compared controlled-release Ketoprofen and Diclofenac in the control of post-surgical pain. He compared post operative dental pain following unilateral or bilateral surgical removal of lower third molars by providing preoperative treatment with controlled release Ketoprofen or Diclofenac. Fifty patients were assessed on the day of surgery and one week later for graded dental pain, consumption of paracetamol, incidence of dental bleeding, dysphagia, sleep disturbance and trismus which were similar in both groups. However, median pain scores were elevated in the Diclofenac group over Ketoprofen group.

Deepthi Mony et al⁶ in 2016 compared and evaluated the pre-emptive analgesic efficacy of preoperatively administered Ketorolac and Diclofenac for controlling post operative pain after third molar surgery. Fifty patients with similarly impacted third molars were divided in 2 groups, intramuscular injection of Ketorolac

30 mg and Diclofenac 75 mg were used in respective groups. Pain was assessed using visual analogue scale (VAS) for 3 days and rescue analgesic intake during the same period. They concluded that pre-emptive analgesic effect shown by Ketorolac was better than Diclofenac for post operative pain management after third molar surgery.

Archana Raichurkar et al¹⁹ in 2015 compared the efficacy of Diclofenac and Ketoprofen transdermal patch with placebo in attenuating intravenous cannulation pain in patients posted for elective surgeries. One hundred and fifty patients with ASA I and II were selected and divided into groups of 50 each with group I being Placebo control patch. Group II being Ketoprofen transdermal patch and III being Diclofenac transdermal patch that were applied 4 hours before venous cannulation and VAS score was observed. They concluded that both Diclofenac and Ketoprofen transdermal patches both provide better pain relief than placebo however Ketoprofen patch fared better in reducing the severity of pain.

Andreas Osterwalder et al²⁰ in 2002 evaluated tissue absorption and distribution of Ketoprofen after patch application in subjects undergoing knee arthroscopy or endoscopic carpal ligament release. One patch with 100 mg Ketoprofen on the affected body site was applied once a day during the 6 days before the scheduled surgery on ten patients with a mean age of 45.0 ± 12.3 years, planned for arthroscopic meniscectomy (5 subjects) or endoscopic carpal tunnel decompression (5 subjects), were asked to apply. They concluded that Ketoprofen applied on the skin is able to enter the subcutaneous and intra-articular tissues, reaching concentrations significantly higher than in plasma to produce the desired pharmacological activity in situ and plasma concentrations are low enough to avoid any systemic activity or side effect.

Ng et al³ in 2001 compared the efficacy and adverse effects of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac in treatment of acute musculoskeletal pain. Target study patients were Chinese adults who suffered from any musculoskeletal injuries of less than 12 hours. They received either 100mg of Ketoprofen or 75 mg of Diclofenac; pain was assessed by a visual analog score and evaluations were performed at 30 minutes from treatment. They concluded that Ketoprofen and Diclofenac are equally effective and safe in the treatment of acute musculoskeletal pain in Hong Kong Chinese population.

Mazieres et al²¹ in 2005 tested the efficacy and tolerability of a 100 mg patch of Ketoprofen applied once a day for treatment of ankle sprain. One hundred sixty-three patients were randomized that included 81 Ketoprofen group and 82 placebo group. They concluded that a 7-day course of treatment with a Ketoprofen patch is useful in benign ankle sprain without revealing unexpected adverse events.

Kostamovaara et al²² in 1998 compared the efficacy of Ketorolac 30 mg i.v. followed by infusion at a rate of 90 mg/15.5 hour with that of Diclofenac 75 mg followed by infusion of 75 mg/15.5 hour or Ketoprofen 100 mg followed by infusion of 100 mg/ 15.5 hour on post operative pain in 85 patients after hip replacement surgery under spinal anaesthesia. He concluded that Ketorolac, Diclofenac and Ketoprofen are equally effective for pain relief after total hip replacement surgery.

Santosh Kumar et al¹¹ in 2016 evaluated the efficacy of transdermal buprenorphine patch in post operative pain management in abdominal surgery. Ninety patients divided into 3 equal groups comprising Group A: Placebo patch, Group B: Buprenorphine 10 mg patch and Group C: 20 mg patch. Pain was assessed using VAS scale at 2 hours, 6 hours, 12 hours, 2nd day-7th day post operatively. It was concluded

that transdermal Buprenorphine transdermal patch was effective in attenuating post operative pain better than placebo while maintaining hemodynamic stability.

Zia Arshad et al²³ in 2015 compared post operative analgesia between transdermal Buprenorphine and Transdermal fentanyl between transdermal Buprenorphine and Transdermal fentanyl. Sixty patients undergoing major abdominal surgery under G.A. were divided into 2 equal groups with Group A receiving Buprenorphine 10mcg/hour TDS and Group B receiving 25 mcg/hour fentanyl TDS, 6 hours prior to surgery; and followed for three days for post operative pain relief. They concluded that both the transdermal patches were effective in post operative analgesia, however, Fentanyl is better than buprenorphine.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

STUDY DESIGN

An In-Vivo Single Blinded Randomised Controlled Clinical Trial – A Split Mouth Study

STUDY POPULATION:

The study was conducted in Department Of Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery, KLE V. K. Institute of Dental Sciences, Belagavi with due permission of the institutional ethical committee. A total of 30 patients, referred from Department of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics with requirement of bilateral maxillary and/or mandibular premolar extraction for orthodontic intervention, were included in the study that met the inclusion and exclusion criteria. A written informed consent was obtained from them.

INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Patients aged 15 to 30 years requiring bilateral maxillary and/or mandibular premolar extraction for orthodontic intervention.
- No known history of allergy to NSAIDs.
- Patients willing to give written informed consent for the study.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Presence of systemic disease.
- Premolars associated with periodontal and periapical pathologic features.

MATERIALS AND ARMAMENTARIUM

Materials:

- 200 mg Diclofenac transdermal patch
- 30 mg Ketoprofen transdermal patch

Armamentarium:

- Face shield
- Mouth mask
- Head cap
- Surgical gloves
- Syringe 2 ml
- Local Anaesthesia with adrenaline
- Gauze pieces
- Periosteal elevator
- Premolar Extraction Forceps

METHODOLOGY

- Assigned patients underwent extractions in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.
- In the first appointment or session, patients underwent atraumatic extraction of the ipsilateral maxillary and /or mandibular premolars under local anaesthesia at a single session.

- In the second appointment or session, patients underwent extraction of premolars on the contralateral side 5-7 days later.
- Extraction of teeth was carried out by conventional forceps method after administering regional anaesthesia by infiltrating or blocking the nerve with 2% lignocaine plus adrenaline 1:80,000.
- A pressure pack was placed on the extraction site.
- All patients received post-extraction instructions.
- The patch was decided in random order based on chit system.
- Each patient received single transdermal Diclofenac 200 mg patch or transdermal Ketoprofen 30mg patch on outer, ipsilateral upper arm immediately post extraction. Patients who had received Diclofenac patch in the first appointment were given Ketoprofen patch in the second appointment while the patients who had received Ketoprofen patch in the first appointment were given Diclofenac patch in the second appointment.
- All the study patients received rescue analgesic (Tablet Ketorolac 10 mg).
- The patient's post-operative pain was assessed using a 10-point visual analog scale²⁴ (VAS) recorded every 2 hourly (Patient Assessment sheet).
- Follow up was done 24 hours after the extraction to evaluate pain; adverse reactions, if any, associated with the patch and the need for rescue analgesic within 24 hours after the atraumatic extraction.

METHODOLOGY WITH FLOWCHART

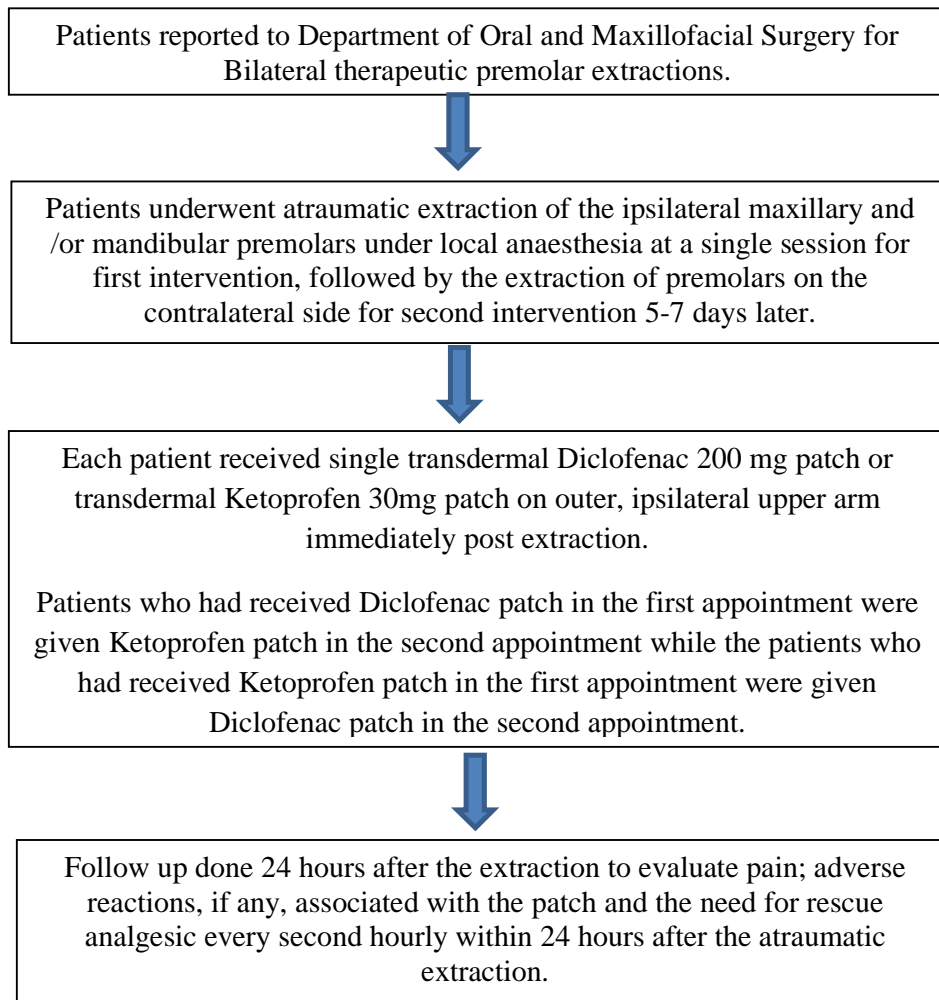




Fig. 1: Personal protective Equipment



Fig. 2: Armamentarium used for orthodontic premolar extractions



Fig. 3: Transdermal Diclofenac 200 mg patch and Transdermal Ketoprofen 30 mg patch



Fig. 4: Immediate post extraction right upper and lower premolar extraction



Fig. 5: Transdermal patch applied in appointment 1

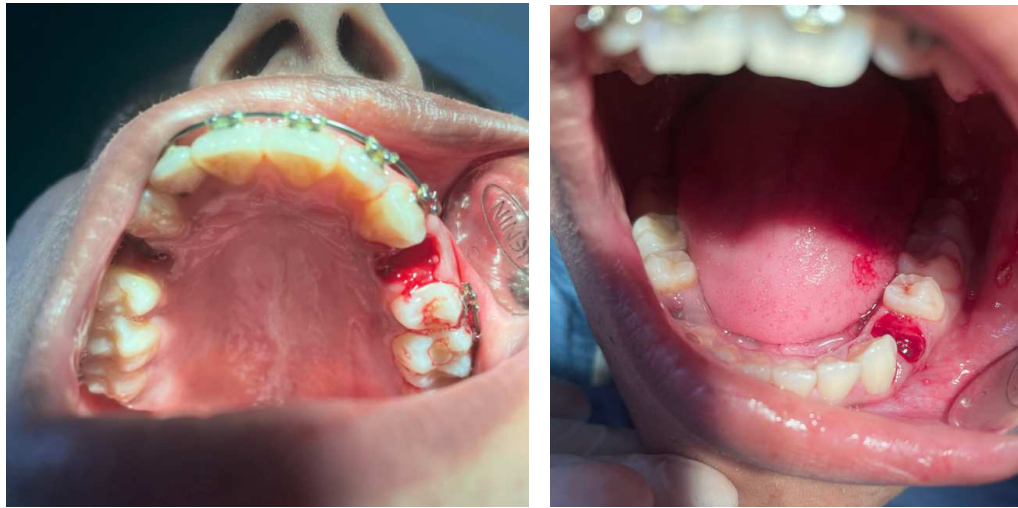


Fig. 6: Immediate post extraction left upper and lower premolar extraction



Fig. 7: Transdermal patch applied in appointment 2

RESULTS

In the present study 30 patients were included who required post extraction analgesia after orthodontic bilateral maxillary and/or mandibular premolars extractions under local anaesthesia. The patients were randomly divided into two groups: **Group 1** (Transdermal Ketoprofen 30 mg patch given in first appointment and Transdermal Diclofenac 200 mg patch given in the second appointment) included **16 patients** and **Group 2** (Transdermal Diclofenac 200 mg patch given in the first appointment and Transdermal Ketoprofen 30 mg patch given in second appointment) included **14 patients**.

Table 1: Gender wise distribution of patients

Gender	Number of patients	Percentage of patients
Male	15	50.00
Female	15	50.00
Total	30	100.00

Graph 1: Mean age and SD age of males and females in the study

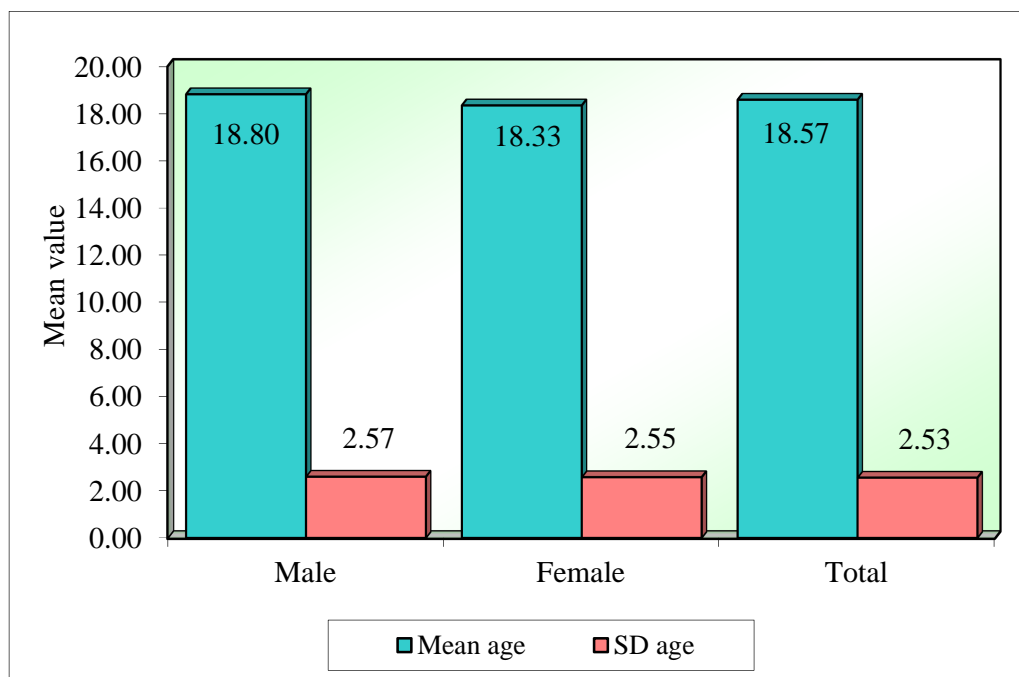
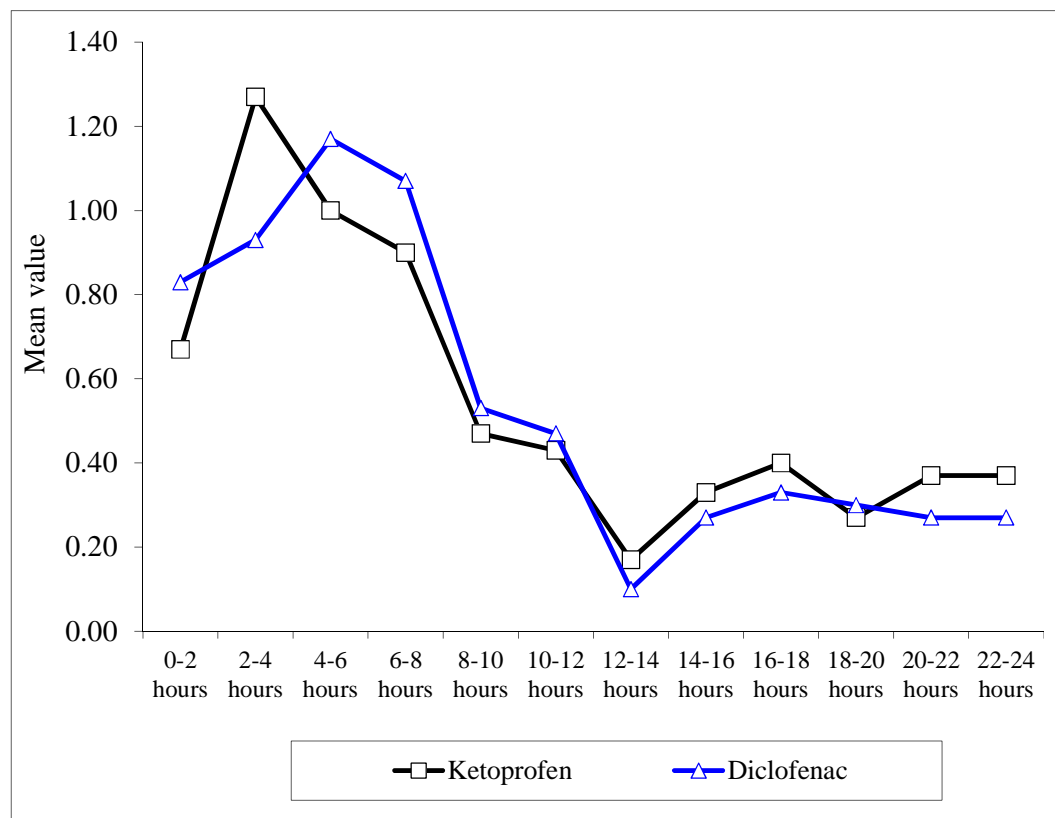


Table 2: Comparison of VAS pain scores of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac patches by Mann-Whitney U test

Time points	Ketoprofen			Diclofenac			U-value	Z-value	P-value
	Mean	SD	Mean rank	Mean	SD	Mean rank			
0-2 hours	0.67	1.21	29.87	0.83	1.32	31.13	431.00	-0.2735	0.7845
2-4 hours	1.27	1.87	28.17	0.93	0.25	32.83	380.00	-1.0275	0.3042
4-6 hours	1.00	1.51	30.42	1.17	2.02	30.58	447.50	-0.0296	0.9764
6-8 hours	0.90	1.77	29.75	1.07	2.07	31.25	427.50	-0.3253	0.7450
8-10 hours	0.47	1.17	30.87	0.53	1.46	30.13	439.00	0.1552	0.8766
10-12 hours	0.43	1.61	30.48	0.47	1.46	30.52	449.50	0.0000	1.0000
12-14 hours	0.17	0.91	30.03	0.10	0.40	30.97	436.00	-0.1996	0.8418
14-16 hours	0.33	1.15	30.52	0.27	1.11	30.48	449.50	0.0000	1.0000
16-18 hours	0.40	1.07	31.00	0.33	1.21	30.00	435.00	0.2144	0.8303
18-20 hours	0.27	0.98	30.05	0.30	1.12	30.95	436.50	-0.1922	0.8476
20-22 hours	0.37	1.03	31.08	0.27	0.94	29.92	432.50	0.2513	0.8016
22-24 hours	0.37	1.00	31.45	0.27	0.83	29.55	421.50	0.4140	0.6789

Table 2 and graph 2 shows comparison of VAS pain scores at different treatment time points after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen patches and Transdermal Diclofenac patches. No statistically significant ($p < 0.05$) difference was found between the analgesic efficacy of two transdermal patches at any given time point in 24 hours.

Graph 2: Comparison of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac patches with mean values of VAS pain scores at different treatment time points



Graph 2 shows a line diagram representing comparison of mean values of VAS pain scores at different time points after application of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac Transdermal patches.

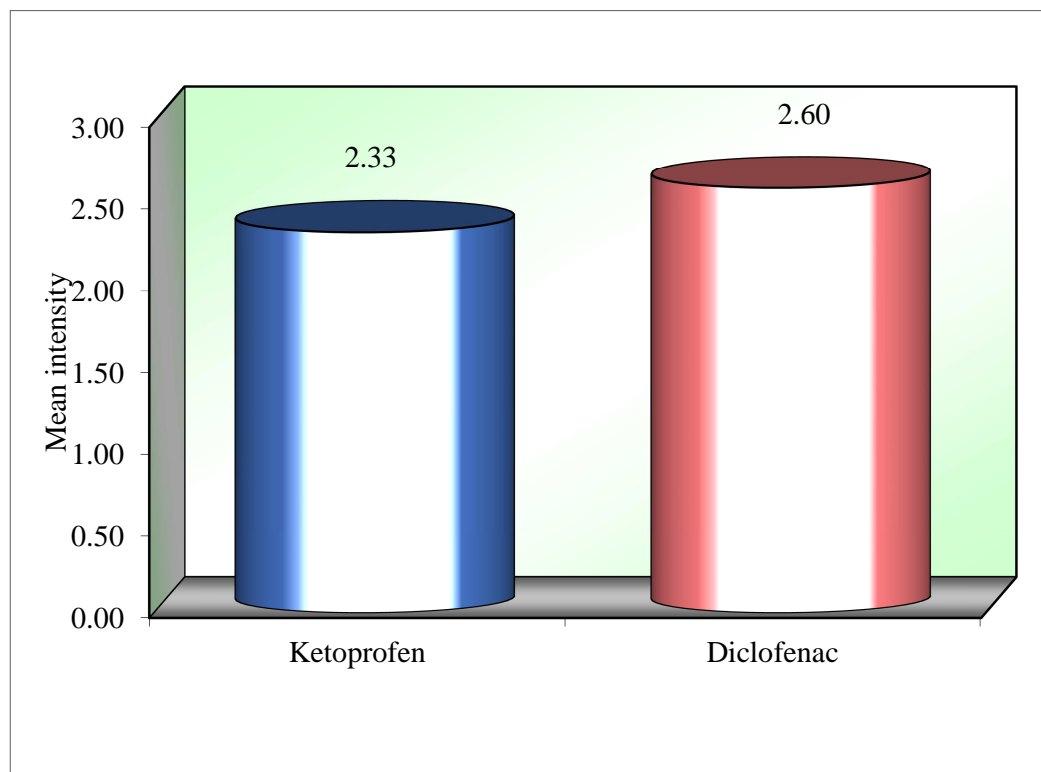
Table 3: Comparison of VAS scores at different treatment time points with initial (0-2 hours) VAS score after application of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac Transdermal patches by Wilcoxon matched pairs test

Groups	Changes from 0-2 hours to	Mean Diff.	SD Diff.	% of changes	Z-value	P-value	Friedman's test	P-value
Ketoprofen	2-4 hours	-0.60	1.38	-90.00	2.2737	0.0230*	54.1856	0.0001*
	4-6 hours	-0.33	1.71	-50.00	0.8790	0.3794		
	6-8 hours	-0.23	1.76	-35.00	0.5491	0.5829		
	8-10 hours	0.20	1.40	30.00	0.8736	0.3824		
	10-12 hours	0.23	1.04	35.00	1.2230	0.2213		
	12-14 hours	0.50	0.68	75.00	3.0594	0.0022*		
	14-16 hours	0.33	1.03	50.00	2.2713	0.0231*		
	16-18 hours	0.27	1.26	40.00	1.3278	0.1842		
	18-20 hours	0.40	1.38	60.00	2.1181	0.0342*		
	20-22 hours	0.30	1.39	45.00	1.6449	0.1000		
	22-24 hours	0.30	1.47	45.00	1.6449	0.1000		
Diclofenac	2-4 hours	-0.10	1.30	-12.00	0.9124	0.3615	103.4617	0.0001*
	4-6 hours	-0.33	2.09	-40.00	0.8235	0.4102		
	6-8 hours	-0.23	2.42	-28.00	0.3314	0.7404		
	8-10 hours	0.30	1.73	36.00	0.7533	0.4513		
	10-12 hours	0.37	1.69	44.00	1.1531	0.2489		
	12-14 hours	0.73	1.39	88.00	2.5858	0.0097*		
	14-16 hours	0.57	1.81	68.00	2.1658	0.0303*		
	16-18 hours	0.50	1.91	60.00	1.7577	0.0788		
	18-20 hours	0.53	1.80	64.00	2.1344	0.0328*		
	20-22 hours	0.57	1.63	68.00	2.1573	0.0310*		
	22-24 hours	0.57	1.55	68.00	2.1315	0.0330*		

*p<0.05

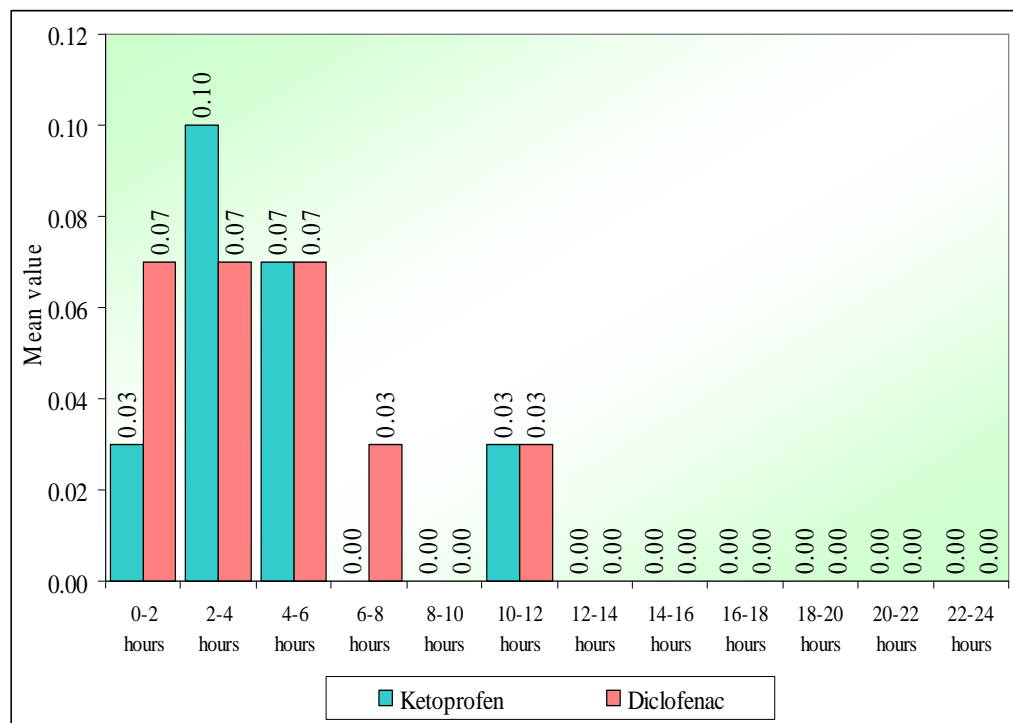
Table 3 demonstrates intragroup comparison of VAS pain scores at different time points in relation to VAS pain score at 0 – 2 hours after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen and Diclofenac patches respectively to the study patients. Statistically significant difference ($p < 0.05$) in VAS pain score was found with Ketoprofen patch at time points 2-4 hours, 12-14 hours, 14-16 hours, 18-20 hours as compared to VAS pain score at 0-2 hours; and with Diclofenac group at time points 12-14 hours, 14-16 hours, 18-20 hours, 20-22 hours, 22-24 hours as compared to VAS pain score at 0-2 hours. Overall within each group statistical significant ($p < 0.05$) difference was found between the VAS pain scores at different time points as compared to VAS pain score at 0-2 hours.

Graph 3: Comparison of maximum pain intensity experienced after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen and Transdermal Diclofenac patches



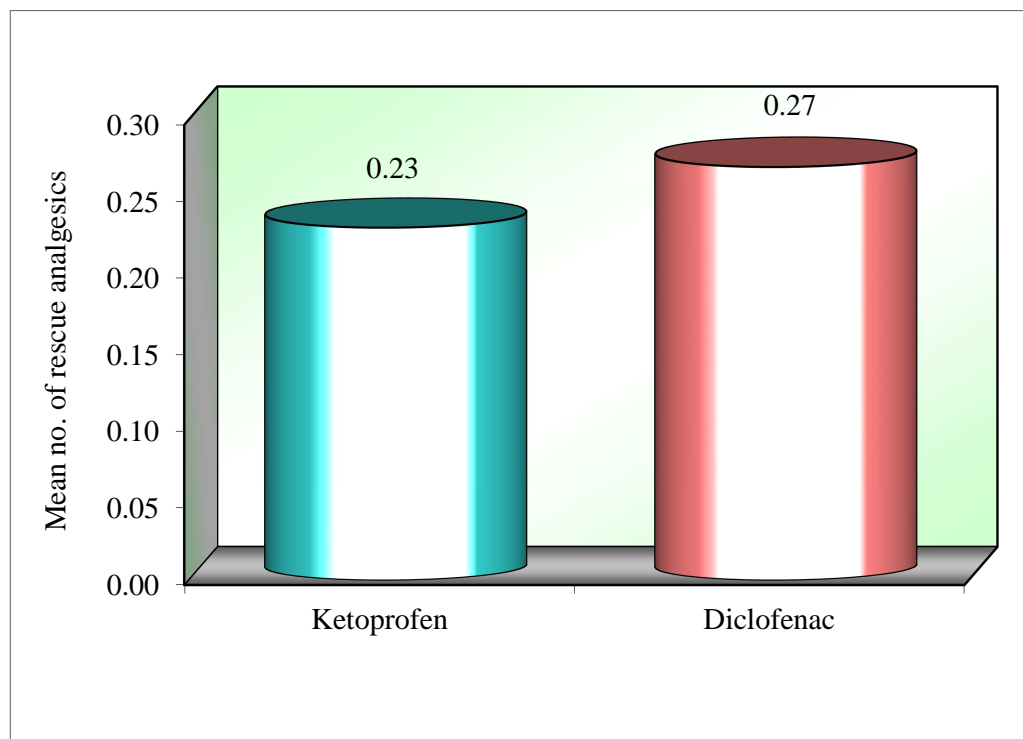
Graph 3 demonstrates the comparison of mean of maximum VAS pain score or maximum pain intensity experienced by the study patients within first 24 hours postoperatively after the application of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac transdermal patch respectively. The study patients had mean maximum pain intensity of 2.33 after Ketoprofen transdermal patch application which was slightly lower than the mean maximum pain intensity of 2.60 after Diclofenac transdermal patch.

Graph 4: Comparison of Rescue analgesic intake at different treatment time points after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen and Transdermal Diclofenac patches



Graph 4 is bar graph that demonstrates comparison of mean of rescue analgesics taken by the study patients at different time points with Ketoprofen and Diclofenac transdermal analgesic patches respectively. All study patients consumed the rescue analgesic within first 12 hours post operatively with maximum intake in Ketoprofen group between 2-4 hours post operatively.

Graph 5: Comparison of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac patches with Number of Rescue analgesics



Graph 5 compares the mean value of total number of rescue analgesic intake by the study patients in first 24 hours post extraction after application of Transdermal Ketoprofen and Transdermal Diclofenac patches respectively. The mean value of total number of rescue analgesic taken with Ketoprofen transdermal patch is 0.23 which is slightly lower than Diclofenac transdermal patch (0.27) application

DISCUSSION

Patients relate dental treatment especially minor oral surgical procedures performed under local anaesthesia with pain. An eventful experience of badly managed pain related to dental treatment can lead patients to avoid or delay treatment and makes them apprehensive to future minor oral surgical procedures.¹⁶ Therapeutic or orthodontic teeth extractions are many times first exodontia procedure for the patients and hence, pain management is of utmost importance in such cases for removal of fear instilled in patients related to minor oral surgical procedures.

Post extraction the medications are usually administered by oral route, but the oral route has certain disadvantages such as low bioavailability due to its first pass metabolism, gastrointestinal adverse effects and patient non-compliance.⁹ This lead to use of transdermal drug delivery system.

Transdermal drug delivery has been considered a safer method for pain management postoperatively since a long time as it avoids the gastrointestinal complications. The drug contained in the transdermal patch enters the body through the dermis of the skin, after which, it diffuses into the capillaries for systemic delivery. A steady penetration of the drug across the dermis occurs, that allows for a consistent, uniform serum drug level and regulated drug absorption. Pharmacokinetic data have suggested that transdermal NSAID patches have an increased tissue concentration to excrete a therapeutic effect but with plasma concentrations low enough thus avoiding systemic complications.⁹ This drug delivery system also has enhanced bioavailability, because it evades the firstpass hepatic metabolism and enzymatic or pH associated deactivation associated with oral administration.

Transdermal drug delivery is non – invasive and hence it eliminates the fear of prick or injection associated with the invasive IM or IV route of injection.⁹

Transdermal patch application has increased flexibility in terminating drug administration by patch removal. Patient compliance is henceforth improved.²⁵ Various analgesic drugs are available in the form of a patch, for example, fentanyl and buprenorphine, apart from diclofenac and ketoprofen. Reported data, supported by the results from clinical trials, recommend that transdermal medications are equally efficacious compared with oral administration of the same drug. Transdermal patches provide effective postoperative analgesia, not only for dentoalveolar surgical practice, but also for major procedures, such as orthognathic, abdominal, and orthopedic surgery.²⁶

Diclofenac and Ketoprofen are preferred NSAID used in clinical practice for postoperative pain management. Selvi et al¹² in 2016 compared transdermal Diclofenac patch with intramuscular diclofenac injection as an analgesic modality following surgical extraction of impacted mandibular third molars in a cross over efficacy trail. They concluded that Diclofenac administered by either mode of delivery as transdermal patches or IM injections has similar effectiveness but the patients showed better compliance with transdermal drug delivery. Hemant Bhaskar et al¹³ in 2010 compared transdermal diclofenac patch with oral diclofenac as an analgesic modality following multiple premolar extractions in orthodontic patients. They concluded that both diclofenac formulations provided potent analgesia with the advantage of better patient compliance for transdermal route. The above mentioned studies concluded that patient compliance with the patch was greater than that with other routes of drug administration.

Mazieres et al²¹ in 2005 tested the efficacy and tolerability of a 100 mg patch of Ketoprofen applied once a day for the treatment of ankle sprain. One hundred sixty-three patients were randomized that included 81 Ketoprofen group and 82 placebo group. They concluded that a 7-day course of treatment with Ketoprofen patch is useful in benign ankle sprain without revealing unexpected adverse events. Andreas Osterwalder et al²⁰ in 2002 evaluated tissue absorption and distribution of Ketoprofen after patch application in subjects undergoing knee arthroscopy or endoscopic carpal ligament release. They concluded that Ketoprofen applied on the skin is able to enter the subcutaneous and intra-articular tissues, reaching concentrations significantly higher than in plasma to produce the desired pharmacological activity in situ and plasma concentrations are low enough to avoid any systemic adverse or side effect.

In the present study, 30 patients with a mean age of 18.57 ± 2.53 years who underwent orthodontic bilateral maxillary and/or mandibular premolars extractions under local anaesthesia were included and required post extraction analgesia. The extractions were done in two separate appointments with a latency period of at least 5 days between the interventions. The study population comprised of 15 males (50%) and 15 females (50%). The purpose of the present study was to compare the analgesic efficacy of transdermal ketoprofen and diclofenac patches for patients who had undergone atraumatic extraction of first premolars for orthodontic purposes. The evaluation was done on the basis of Visual Analog Scale (VAS) pain score recorded every second hourly for first 24 hours post operatively, requirement of rescue analgesic at various time points in the first 24 hours post operatively and total number of rescue analgesic taken in the first 24 hours post operatively. Any allergic reaction or complications to the use of analgesic patches was also recorded.

The results of the present study have shown that the ketoprofen transdermal patch and diclofenac transdermal patch provide similar analgesia post orthodontic extraction. Ritu Verma et al⁹ in 2016 compared single dose transdermal patches of Diclofenac (100 mg) and Ketoprofen (20 mg) for postoperative analgesia in lower limb orthopedic surgery. They concluded that transdermal patch of Ketoprofen and Diclofenac both are effective for postoperative analgesia in lower limb orthopedic surgery under spinal anaesthesia but in Diclofenac group more patients required rescue analgesic as compared to Ketoprofen group. Whereas the available literature that compared the analgesic efficiency of ketoprofen to that of diclofenac suggests that ketoprofen is a better alternative for achieving analgesia for postoperative pain management. Darpan Bhargawa et al⁴ in 2019 compared the efficacy of transdermal Ketoprofen (20 mg) and Diclofenac (200 mg) patch in patients undergoing therapeutic atraumatic first premolar extractions. They concluded that Ketoprofen is superior to Diclofenac as a transdermal medicament in providing post extraction analgesia.

The results from the present study are consistent with the above studies showing a decreased mean VAS score for maximum pain intensity with ketoprofen patch application as compared to diclofenac patch application. Patients reported of lower maximal pain intensity with Ketoprofen transdermal patch application. No statistically significant ($p < 0.05$) difference was found between the analgesic efficacy of two transdermal patches at any given time point in 24 hours. The mean VAS score for maximum pain intensity was 2.33 for Ketoprofen patch compared with a mean VAS score for maximum pain intensity of 2.60 for the diclofenac patch.

However, Bachalli et al¹⁶ in 2016 conducted a comparative study of Diclofenac transdermal patch (100 mg) against oral diclofenac (100 mg) for pain

control following removal of mandibular impacted third molars. They concluded that transdermal diclofenac sodium can be used as an alternative form of pain control following removal of impacted mandibular third molars, however considering that the analgesic potency might be lesser in the immediate postoperative period, it might be prudent to use oral diclofenac sodium for immediate postoperative pain relief, following which transdermal route can be used for pain control. This finding is consistent with our study where patients had higher VAS pain score and required rescue analgesic up to 10-12 hours postoperatively after which they were comfortable. In the present study, the total number of patients who took rescue analgesic with Ketoprofen patch application was six while seven patients took rescue analgesic with Diclofenac patch application. All the patients who took rescue medication consumed them between 0 hours to 10-12 hours postoperatively. No allergic or adverse reactions were reported to either of the patches among the study participants which is similar to the available literature.

In general, according to the literature Ketoprofen has been found to be more potent than Diclofenac, although the use of Ketoprofen has not been popular in clinical practice, despite its documented potent action which might be attributed to its lack of over the counter availability. However, in our study Ketoprofen fared better in providing post exodontia analgesia than Diclofenac in terms of maximum VAS score recorded by the study patients after each of the transdermal patch application but the difference between the VAS scores was not statistically significant at any of the different time points in 24 hours follow-up period.

CONCLUSION

Transdermal drug delivery systems are simple and compliant methods of delivery. They possess the advantages of providing sustained release of the drug, non-invasive method of drug administration, they bypass first pass metabolism and eliminate gastrointestinal adverse effects.

In conclusion, both Ketoprofen and Diclofenac transdermal patches were effective for postoperative analgesia after orthodontic extraction under local anaesthesia but the maximum pain intensity was lower with Ketoprofen transdermal patch. The patients in the current study required rescue analgesic during initial hours of post-operative follow-up period after which they were comfortable. This may indicate that analgesic potency of transdermal patches might be less immediately after application, till they achieve steady plasma concentrations requiring oral drug administration for immediate postoperative pain relief.

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ANNEXURE I – CONSENT FORM

**KLE Vishwanath Katti Institute of Dental Sciences, Belagavi
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Patient Information Sheet**

**“Evaluation Of Efficacy Of Transdermal Ketoprofen Patch In Comparison To
Transdermal Diclofenac Patch as an Analgesic In Patients Undergoing
Orthodontic Extractions – A Randomised Prospective Split Mouth Study”**

Dear Patient,

You are invited to take part in a research study to evaluate and compare pain control after orthodontic extraction using two different analgesic patches. This research is a part of a MDS, main dissertation at KLE Academy of Higher Education and Research.

Before you decide whether to take part in the study it is important that you understand what the research is for and what you will be asked to do. Please take time to read the following information and discuss it with others if you wish to. It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. If you decide to take part you will be given this information sheet to keep. You will be also asked to sign a consent form. You can change your mind at any time and withdraw from the study without giving any reason. The standard of care you receive will not change whether or not you decide to participate in this study. You are welcome to call me (@8054189425) if you would like any further information.

The purpose of this research study is to compare the efficacy of transdermal Ketoprofen Patch versus transdermal Diclofenac Patch in orthodontic extractions.

You have been chosen because you require extraction of your premolars for orthodontic intervention. This study will involve 30 participants who require bilateral premolars extractions for orthodontic intervention, and will be given transdermal Ketoprofen 30mg patch and transdermal Diclofenac 200mg patch, in random order, immediately post-extraction after getting informed consent. You will be asked to report for a review and follow-up visit after 24 hours.

The information gained from this research will be used to publish in scientific platforms/ journals without revealing your identity to make recommendations for the best practice and the results of the study may also lead onto further studies into the management of pain using alternative mode of drug delivery methods after orthodontic extractions.

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**K.L.E.'s V.K. Institute of Dental Sciences
Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Belagavi
CONSENT FOR THE STUDY**

**“EVALUATION OF EFFICACY OF TRANSDERMAL KETOPROFEN PATCH
IN COMPARISON TO TRANSDERMAL DICLOFENAC PATCH AS AN
ANALGESIC IN PATIENTS UNDERGOING ORTHODONTIC
EXTRACTIONS – A RANDOMISED PROSPECTIVE SPLIT MOUTH
STUDY.”**

Date: _____ Time: _____ am/pm

1. I, _____ aged _____ years have been informed about my involvement in the study.
2. I agree to give my personal details like Name, Age, Sex, Address, Medical history, Past dental history and any other details required for the study to the best of my knowledge.
3. I will cooperate with the surgeon for examination and also for various investigations.
4. I permit the operator to utilize the information given by me and the results obtained _____ from this study for presentation and publication.
5. I permit the surgeon to take my photographs to utilize it for the study and presentation _____ purpose.
6. I am participating in this study with my own wish and the dental surgeon has explained the nature and the effect of procedure including extraction of tooth followed by application of transdermal patch for management of pain in my vernacular language.
7. The nature and purpose of the operation and the materials being used, possible alternative methods of treatment, the risk involved and the possibility of complications have been fully explained to me in my mother tongue. No guarantee or assurance has been given by anyone as to the results that may be obtained.
8. I have read and understood the above information given by surgeon about the study and willingly agree to participate in the study.

Patients / Witness Signature:

Date:

Surgeon's name: Dr.

Surgeon's signature:

ANNEXURE II – BIostatISTICS CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE



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Date: 18.11.2022

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ANNEXURE VI – MAIN SHEET

PATIENT NO.	NAME	AGE/GENDER	OPD NO.	TEETH EXTRACTED IN APPOINTMENT 1	TRANSDERMAL ANALGESIC PATCH APPLIED IN APPOINTMENT 1	TEETH EXTRACTED IN APPOINTMENT 2	TRANSDERMAL ANALGESIC PATCH APPLIED IN APPOINTMENT 2
1	SHAKEEB	24/M	46/13/01/21	14, 45	K	24, 35	D
2	DEEPAK S. GAVASKAR	18/M	21/21/12/20	24, 34	D	14, 45	K
3	ASHWINI A. SUTAR	20/F	38/6/1/21	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
4	ARUNDHATI S.	15/F	6/6/3/21	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
5	SHILPA B. SHETAGE	18/F	58/08/03/21	14, 44	D	24, 34	K
6	ZAHEER S. KUMOL	16/M	03/1/12/20	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
7	SAHANA PUJARI	17/F	58/2/11/20	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
8	DISHA RAUTH	15/F	27/12/1/21	14, 45	K	24, 35	D
9	VIDHATA R. KARKINAIK	16/M	31/20/3/21	14, 45	K	24, 35	D
10	MALLIKARJUN B. NESARGI	19/M	63/27/09/21	14, 44	D	24, 34	K
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13	GAUTAMI G. SONADAKKE	20/F	25/26/10/21	14, 45	D	24, 35	K
14	UZMA S.	21/F	07/21/6/21	15, 45	D	25, 35	K
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17	MUSKAN Z. DESAI	19/F	13/20/09/21	25	D	15	K
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19	ABHISHEK KOTALGI	18/M	18/13/12/21	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
20	ASHMITA THAKUR	18/F	10/21/3/22	14, 44	D	24, 34	K
21	SUPRIYA MAKAR	18/F	21/9/3/22	14	D	24	K
22	SUHAS S. NAVAJEKAR	22/M	36/17/3/21	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
23	PRIYANKA KOUJALAGI	25/F	35/21/12/21	24, 34	D	14, 44	K
24	TEJASHWINI TANOJI	17/F	11/6/11/21	14, 44	D	24, 34	K
25	SACHIN METRI	19/ M	30/14/3/22	24, 34	K	14, 44	D
26	SANGMESH PUJERI	15/M	36/30/8/19	14, 44	D	24, 34	K
27	ANUSHA NARENDRA	16/F	22/05/16/32	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
28	PRASANN GUMALI	21/M	61/25/10/21	14, 44	K	24, 34	D
29	YUVARAJ RAYOPPAGOL	17/M	22/9/17/59	24, 34	D	14, 44	K
30	NAGARAJ TARIHALKAR	17/M	22/4/6/23	24, 34	K	14, 44	D
					GROUP 1 : 16		GROUP 2 : 14

S.No.	Ketoprofen												Diclofenac											
	0-2 hours	2-4 hours	4-6 hours	6-8 hours	8-10 hours	10-12 hours	12-14 hours	14-16 hours	16-18 hours	18-20 hours	20-22 hours	22-24 hours	0-2 hours	2-4 hours	4-6 hours	6-8 hours	8-10 hours	10-12 hours	12-14 hours	14-16 hours	16-18 hours	18-20 hours	20-22 hours	22-24 hours
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	1	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	1	0	0	8	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	0
18	6	8	3	3	2	8	5	5	3	2	2	1	2	1	7	6	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1
19	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	2	4	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
22	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	4	5	5	5	3	1	6	4	6	6	0	0	0	0	1	1
23	1	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	1	2	2	3	4	4	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	1	2	3	4	0	6	6	6	5	4
26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
29	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Patient No.	In First 24 hours for Ketoprofen patch	In First 24 hours for Diclofenac patch
1	0	0
2	1	1
3	1	1
4	3	4
5	2	3
6	0	0
7	2	2
8	2	2
9	0	0
10	1	1
11	3	4
12	0	0
13	4	4
14	1	1
15	0	0
16	0	0
17	8	9
18	8	9
19	2	1
20	2	2
21	4	5
22	5	6
23	4	5
24	5	5
25	4	6
26	0	0
27	3	3
28	2	2
29	2	2
30	1	0

S. No.	Ketoprofen												Diclofenac											
	0-2 hours	2-4 hours	4-6 hours	6-8 hours	8-10 hours	10-12 hours	12-14 hours	14-16 hours	16-18 hours	18-20 hours	20-22 hours	22-24 hours	0-2 hours	2-4 hours	4-6 hours	6-8 hours	8-10 hours	10-12 hours	12-14 hours	14-16 hours	16-18 hours	18-20 hours	20-22 hours	22-24 hours
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Patient No.	In First 24 hours with Ketoprofen patch	In First 24 hours with Diclofenac patch
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	1	1
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
8	0	0
9	0	0
10	0	0
11	1	1
12	0	0
13	1	1
14	0	0
15	0	0
16	0	0
17	0	1
18	2	2
19	0	0
20	0	0
21	1	1
22	0	0
23	0	0
24	1	1
25	0	0
26	0	0
27	0	0
28	0	0
29	0	0
30	0	0