

Review on Lozenges

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Abstract: *Lozenges are palatable unit dosage form administrated in the oral cavity, which is the most common route and easiest way of administering a drug and have a bright future as novel method of delivering drugs for local and systemic effect. However, pediatric, geriatric patients show less compliance in swallowing tablets and capsules due to difficulties in swallowing and bitter taste of many drugs when formulated as liquid dosage form. The benefit of the medicated lozenges is they increase the retention time of the dosage form in the oral cavity which increases bioavailability and reduces first pass metabolism. The present review covers all aspects associated with lozenges like its advantages and disadvantages, its types and their preparation methods, criteria for selecting flavoring agents and quality control of lozenges. The medicaments which can be formulated as lozenges include local anesthetics, antihistamines, antitussives, antiseptics, decongestants, demulcents, and antibiotics.*

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