Ferriprox (deferiprone) today (its relevance to DEEP)

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• Safety in pediatric patients

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Ferriprox (deferiprone) Summary of Product Characteristics

4.3 Contraindications

- Hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients.
- History of recurrent episodes of neutropenia.
- History of agranulocytosis.
- Pregnancy.
- Breastfeeding.
- Due to the unknown mechanism of deferiprone-induced neutropenia, patients must not take medicinal products known to be associated with neutropenia or those that can cause agranulocytosis



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4.2 Posology and method of administration

Paediatric population

There are limited data available on the use of deferiprone in children between 6 and 10 years of age, and no data on deferiprone use in children under 6 years of age.



Pediatric (<16 years) vs. Adult Patients Pooled Clinical Trials Safety Data

	Ferriprox (All Doses)		
	Pediatric	Adult	
N Exposed	223 (32%)	469 (68%)	
Total Exposure (patient-years)	496	1046	

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	Ferriprox (All Doses)			
	Pediatric			Adult
	N=223		N=469	
	1-5 years	6-11 years	12-15 years	≥16 years
N Exposed	1-5 years 62	6-11 years 81	12-15 years 80	≥16 years 469

Patients aged 1-5 in Pooled Safety Data



Primary Diagnosis Pediatric Patients (<16 Years Old)



Pediatric Patients by Dose Pooled Safety Data

Ferriprox (all doses) mg/kg/d n=223 (%)

	50 mg/kg/d	75 mg/kg/d	100 mg/kg/d	Combination Therapy
N patients	3 (1.3)	140 (62.8)	67 (30.0)	13 (5.8)

Top 10 Adverse Events, Irrespective of Causality in Pediatric vs. Adult patients Pooled Safety Data





Prevalence of Neutropenia in the U.S. Population: Age, Sex, Smoking Status, and Ethnic Differences

Matthew M. Hsieh, MD; James E. Everhart, MD, MPH; Danita D. Byrd-Holt; John F. Tisdale, MD; and Griffin P. Rodgers, MD

Table 3. Prevalence of a Neutrophil Count Less than 1.5×10^9 Cells/L

Variable	Prevalence, %* (95% CI)
Age	
1–13 y	7.24 (5.24–9.24)
3–5 y	3.70 (2.6–4.8)
6–8 y	2.25 (1.51–2.99)
9–11 y	2.73 (1.63–3.83)
12–14 y	2.21 (1.64–2.78)
15–17 y	1.51 (1.0-2.02)
18–24 y	0.66 (0.31–1.01)
25–74 y	0.72 (0.54–0.9)
≥75 y	0.50 (0.17-0.83)
· ·	Ann Intern Med. 2007:146:486-49

Rate of Specific Adverse Events Stratified by Age: Pooled Safety Data



Ferriprox Safety in pediatric patients

Safety profile of Ferriprox in pediatric patients is comparable to that of adult patients



Physiochemical properties Comparison of three chelators

deferiprone deferasirox deferoxamine

Molecular Weight	139	373	560
Partition Coefficient	0.18	6.3	0.02
Protein Binding	<10%	99% (albumin)	<10%
Charge of Chelator	neutral	negative	positive
pFe3+	19	22.5	26

Deferiprone can relocate labile iron from sites of regional iron accumulation to sites of iron consumption



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IRON BALANCE IN TRANSFUSIONAL IRON OVERLOAD





Transfusion Iron Accumulation vs Chelator-Induced Iron Excretion



Adapted from Grady et al 2000, 2001, 2002; Galanello 2007

Deferiprone (DFP) is comparable to **Deferoxamine (DFO)** in Controlling Hepatic Iron Concentration



DOSE RELATED IRON EXCRETION DFO= Deferoxamine; DFP= Deferiprone; DFX= Deferasirox



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Transfusional Iron Overload



