

Rationale for Initiation, Continuation and Discontinuation (RICaD)

Ferric maltol (Feraccru®) 30mg capsules

For the treatment of iron deficiency anaemia (IDA) in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) in adults

This document supports the use and transfer of an agent which is classified as **AMBER**. It is intended for completion by specialist in order to give Primary Care prescribers a clear indication of the reason for recommending an **AMBER** medication together with suggested criteria for its subsequent continuation or discontinuation. This RICaD should be provided as a supplement to the specialist's clinical letter.

Patient details		GP details		Specialist details	
Name		GP name	Dr	Specialist name	
NHS Number		GP address		I confirm that this patient is eligible to receive ferric maltol (Feraccru®) 30mg capsules under the restrictions listed below	
DOB				Signature	
Patient address				Date	
				Contact details	

Rationale for Choice

Relevant Diagnosis:	Iron deficiency anaemia (IDA) in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) in adults			
Reason why Ferric maltol (Feraccru®) 30mg capsules has been chosen in preference to drugs without Formulary restrictions:	Specialists please type text below and check boxes:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and mild to moderate iron deficiency anaemia (IDA) And <input type="checkbox"/> Patient is unable to tolerate other oral iron preparations (please complete table below)			
	Feraccru® should not be used in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) flare or in IBD-patients with haemoglobin (Hb) <95 g/L.			
	Oral Iron preparation	Dose	Duration of use	Reason for discontinuation
Pre-treatment test results	Specialists please complete the information in table below:			
	Baseline Haemoglobin (Hb) (specialist to monitor)		Date	
	Reference range Male = 135-180 g/L Female = 115-160g/L	Ferric maltol (Feraccru®) should not be used in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) flare or in IBD-patients with haemoglobin (Hb) <95g/L.		
Renal and liver function checked <input type="checkbox"/> (tick box to confirm)				

Guidance on initiation (to be completed by the specialist)

Initiation dose:	<p>The recommended dose is one 30mg capsule twice daily, morning and evening, for 12-weeks</p> <p>Specialist to supply 1 month course, GP to provide remaining 2 months, then STOP.</p> <p>Specialist to monitor Hb at 1 month; discharge to GP if Hb is improving.</p> <p>If no improvement is demonstrated, consider alternative iron treatments option (IV iron) to correct Hb.</p>		
Specialist recommendations	Specialist to complete		
Monitoring:	Haemoglobin (Hb)		
	Haemoglobin (Hb) at 1 month (specialist to monitor)		Date
	Haemoglobin (Hb) at 3 months (GP to monitor)		Date
	Reference range Male = 135-180 g/L Female = 115-160 g/L	Ferric maltol (Feraccru®) should not be used in patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) flare or in IBD-patients with haemoglobin (Hb)<95 g/L.	
	Renal and liver function <input type="checkbox"/> (tick to confirm checked)		

Suggested Criteria for Continuation or Discontinuation (to be completed by the specialist)

Assessment of Efficacy			
Frequency	<p>Monitor FBC, Hb Renal and liver at 3 months (either by specialist [If patient under their care] or GP [If patient under their care] following completion of Ferric maltol (Feraccru®).</p> <p>Specialist Consultant/Nurse to monitor Hb as part of clinic visit and advise GP accordingly.</p> <p>If Hb low, consider treatment options in line with blood results.</p>		
Location	Out patient's clinic, GP practice		
Method	Blood test – FBC, Hb Renal and liver at 3 months (either by specialist or GP [whom patient under the care of])		
Continuation Criteria	<p>Patients under specialist care</p> <p>If following specialist Consultant/Nurse review, Hb below reference range –stop ferric maltol (Feraccru®) and switch to IV iron (if clinically appropriate).</p>		
	<p>Patient with their own GP</p> <p>If following blood test with GP at 3 months, Hb below reference range – consider referral to specialist for advice.</p> <p>If patient presents with IBD flare stop ferric maltol (Feraccru®) and refer to specialist</p>		
Discontinuation Criteria	<p>If Haemoglobin (Hb)<95 g/L– discontinue and refer to specialist for advice.</p> <p>If Hb in reference range oral iron should be stopped.</p> <p>If patient presents with IBD flare stop ferric maltol (Feraccru®) and refer to specialist</p>		
Follow up action	Specialist to complete		
Shared Care Read Code	In the patients notes, using the appropriate Read Code listed below, denote that the patient is receiving treatment under a shared care agreement/RiCaD		
	GP Prescribing System	Read Code	Description
	EMIS and Vision	8BM5.00	Shared care prescribing
	SystemOne	XaB58	Shared care
References	<p>Feraccru® SPC</p> <p>Please note the information included in this document is correct at the time of writing.</p> <p>The manufacturer's Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) and the most current edition of the British National Formulary should be consulted for up to date and more detailed prescribing information.</p>		