

Injectafer® (ferric carboxymaltose) – New indication

- On November 19, 2021, the FDA approved American Regent's <u>Injectafer (ferric carboxymaltose)</u>, for the treatment of iron deficiency anemia (IDA) in adults and pediatric patients 1 year of age and older who have either intolerance to oral iron or an unsatisfactory response to oral iron.
 - Injectafer was previously approved for this indication in adult patients only.
- Injectafer is also approved for the treatment of IDA in adult patients who have non-dialysis dependent chronic kidney disease.
- The use of Injectafer for the expanded indication is supported by evidence from adequate and wellcontrolled studies of Injectafer in adults with additional pharmacodynamic and safety data in pediatric patients aged 1 year and older.
- The most common adverse reactions (≥ 4%) with Injectafer use in pediatric patients were hypophosphatemia, injection site reactions, rash, headache, and vomiting.
- For pediatric patients weighing 50 kg or more, the recommended dosage of Injectafer is 750 mg intravenously (IV) in two doses separated by at least 7 days for a total cumulative dose of 1,500 mg of iron per course. For pediatric patients weighing less than 50 kg, the recommended dosage is Injectafer 15 mg/kg body weight IV in two doses separated by at least 7 days per course.
 - Refer to the Injectafer drug label for additional dosing in adults.



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