

IRON PH

A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, multicentre trial, assessing the impact of ferric carboxymaltose on exercise capacity and functional status in pulmonary hypertension

INCLUSION CRITERIA

≥18 years of age

WHO functional class II – IV

Iron deficiency defined as TSAT <21% (no more than ≥3 months old at randomization)

PH group 1, 2 or 4 defined by echocardiography and/or right heart catheterization

Group 1

- Idiopathic PAH, hereditary PAH, drug induced PAH or PAH and associated with CTD or CHD (historical RHC available) on stable and optimized doses of PAH targeted therapies for at least 4 weeks before randomization
- Echocardiographic evidence of a high or intermediate probability for PH (see below).

Group 2

- Baseline LVEF > 50% on imaging modality within last 6 months before randomization and on stable doses of loop diuretics and HFpEF therapies for 4 weeks. Diagnosed by either RHC or echo as defined below.
- Diagnosis by RHC as following:
 - mPAP > 20mmHg AND
 - PCWP > 15 mmHg at rest or PCWP/CO-slope > 2mmHg/L/min or exercise PCWP > 25mm Hg, or PCWP 13-15 mmHg with elevation \geq 18mmHg after 500 cc Fluid
- Diagnosis by echo as following:
 - Presence of LVH or LA-enlargement AND
 - TRVmax > 2.8 m/s (at rest) or mPAP/CO > 3 mHg/L/min (exercise) or echocardiographic evidence of high or intermediate probability for PH (see below).

Group 4

- Inoperable CTEPH OR Persistent/recurrent CTEPH (> 1 year after endarterectomy or > 6 months after balloon pulmonary angioplasty) ineligible for balloon pulmonary angioplasty
- Echocardiographic evidence of a high or intermediate probability for PH (see below).

Exclusion criteria

Screening haemoglobin < 8 g/dl or >15 g/dl

Ferritin > 700 ng/mL

Known hypersensitivity reaction to any component of FCM

Group 1 PH associated with veno-occlusive diseases

Primary diagnosis of group 3 or 5 PH

Treatment with oral or other IV iron therapies at screening

Current or planned mechanical circulatory support or lung/heart transplantation

Any planned surgery or procedure leading to expected significant blood loss

Haemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis (current or planned within the next 24 weeks)

Inability to return for follow up visits within the necessary windows

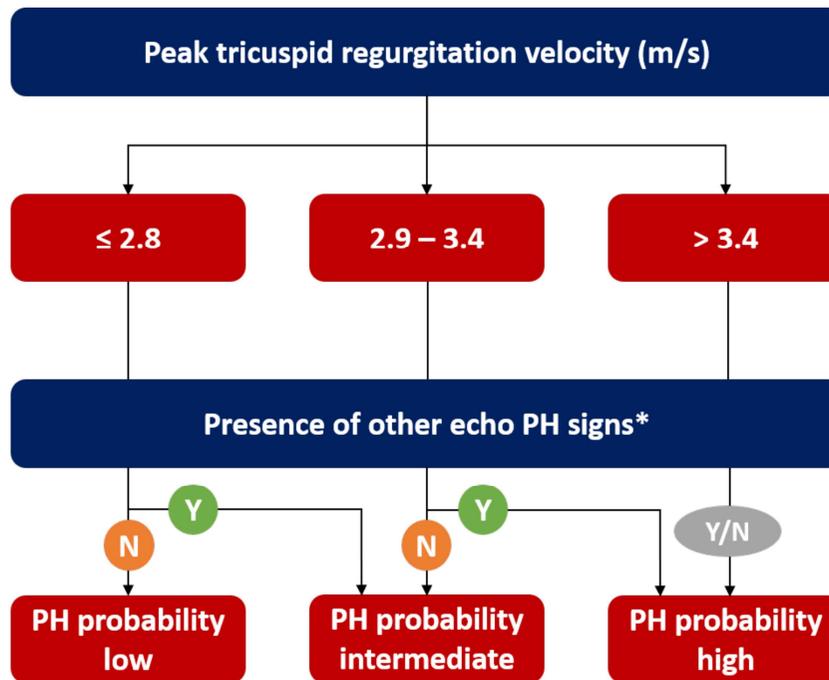
Concurrently in a study with another investigational product

Uncorrected moderate to severe aortic stenosis (AVA <1.5cm² and mean gradient >20 mmHg) or severe valvular regurgitation (except tricuspid regurgitation)

Impression by investigator that patient cannot perform a 6MWT

Active infection as judged by the investigator

Pregnancy or desire to become pregnant during the study duration



*Other echocardiographic signs of PH (signs from at least 2 categories (A/B/C) must be present)

A: ventricles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RV/LV basal diameter/ area ratio >1.0 • Flattening of the interventricular septum • TAPSE/sPAP ratio < 0.55 mm/mmHg
B: pulmonary artery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RVOT AT <105 ms and/or mid-systolic notching • Early diastolic pulmonary regurgitation velocity >2.2 m/s • PA diameter > Aortic Root or > 25mm
C: ICV and RA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IVC diameter > 21 mm with decreased inspiratory collapse • RA area (end-systole) >18 cm²