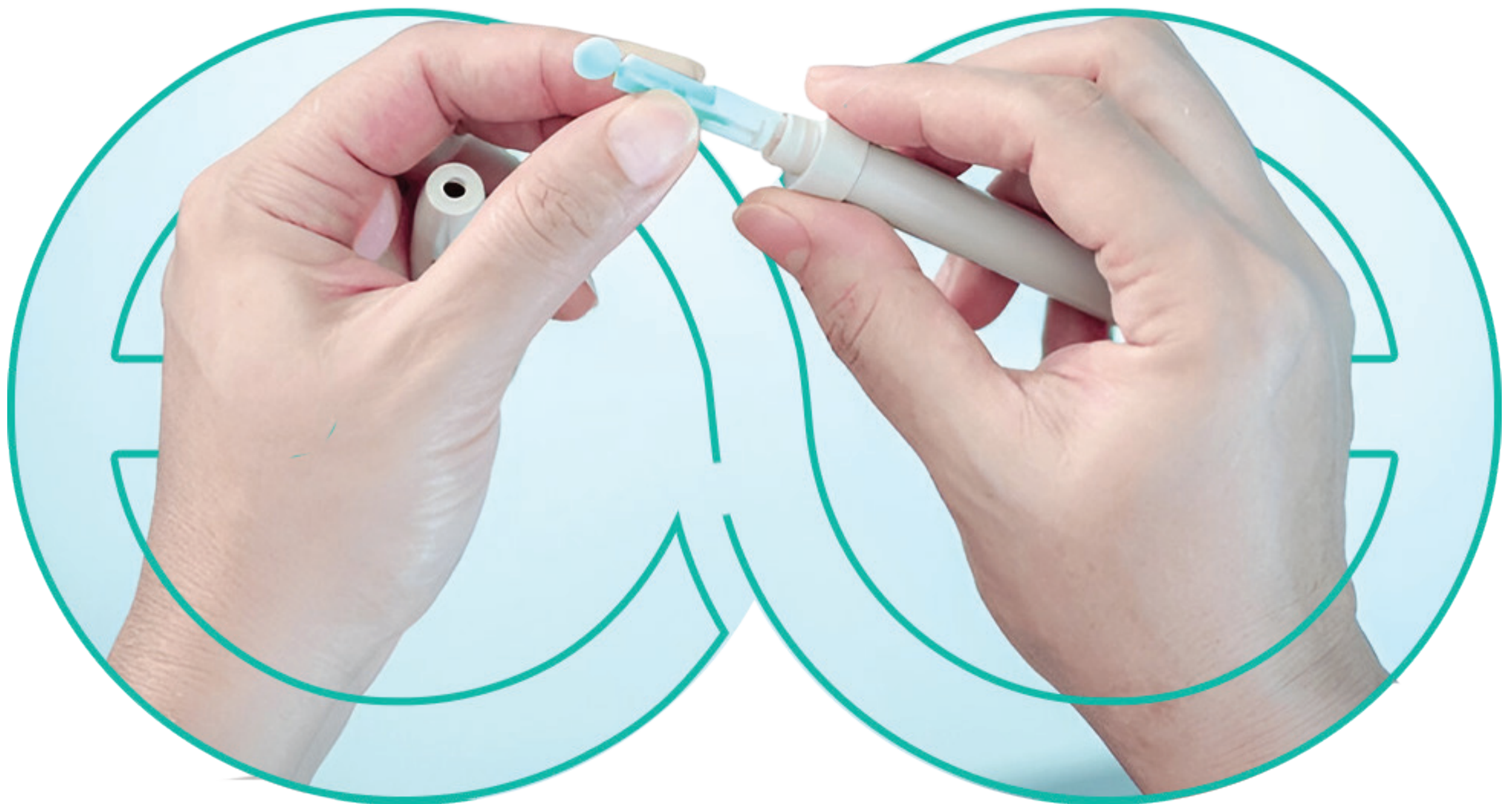




Ferric Carboxymaltose (FCM): Bioequivalence-Validated Strategies Driving Global Regulatory Success

Veeda Lifesciences: Expertise That Builds Trust with Global Clients

**Direct
Regulatory
Engagement:**
USFDA & EMA

Study Portfolio:
5 Healthy Volunteer
Studies and 3 Patient
PK Studies and
>30 Feasibilities

**80% success
rate**

**Proven
Enrolment
Capacity: 80+
Volunteers &
300+ Patients**

Meeting USFDA and EMA Submission Requirements: A Rigorous Similarity Proof Framework

In-Vitro Similarity - Our Detailed Approach

- Q1/Q2 Similarity: Verifying both qualitative and quantitative consistency with the reference product.
- Particle Size Distribution & Characterization
 - Z-average size, PDI or D_{50} , SPAN
 - At least 10 datasets across 3 batches (Test & Reference)
 - Population BE, 95% upper bound limits

In-Vivo Bioequivalence – Customized Study Options

Option 1: Patient Bioequivalence Study

- Study Population: Adults with iron deficiency anemia and chronic renal disease.
- Strength & Protocol: Using a 750mg formulation, administered at a specific push rate.
- Analyte Focus: Measuring FCM Associated Iron (FAI) or, alternatively, Total Iron (TI) and Transferrin Bound Iron (TBI) to establish bioequivalence.

Option 2: Healthy Volunteer Bioequivalence Study

- Study Population: Healthy subjects, selected with defined exclusion criteria.
- Product Strength: A 100mg dose tailored for healthy volunteers.
- Consistent Analysis: The same rigorous analyte measurements (FAI, TI, TBI) ensure dependable bioequivalence outcomes.

Robust Study Designs: Prioritizing Safety & Accuracy

Subject Safety & Selection:

- Comprehensive screening: Lab parameters (serum iron, transferrin, etc.), vital signs, ECG
- On-site safety: Presence of an Intensivist
- Controlled housing: From 1 day pre-dose to 2 days post-dose

Sampling Protocol:

- Intensive sampling: 3 pre-dose, every 10–15 minutes up to 2.5 hours, and a final sample at 144 hours (25–30 total samples)
- Standard blood volume: 4mL per sample

Study Structure:

- Design: Parallel, two-arm study (Test & Reference)
- Phases:

Pilot Phase

18–24 subjects per arm

Pivotal phase

75–80 subjects per arm (scalable up to 200)



Advanced Analytical Capabilities

➤ In-House Methods for Analytes Measurement:

TI, TBI, and FCM Associated Iron (FAI)

➤ State-of-Art Instrumentation:

- ⦿ ICP-OES
- ⦿ SEC coupled with ICP-MS for enhanced sensitivity

➤ Detailed Performance Metrics:

- ⦿ Linearity Range: 10 mcg/ml to 600 mcg/ml (for FAI)
- ⦿ Processing Volumes: 0.10 mL for TI and 0.075 mL for TBI
- ⦿ Run Time: 7 minutes for TI and 4 minutes for TBI

Challenges and Future Directions:

- ⦿ **Iron Species Separation:** Efficient separation of Drug-Bound Iron (DBI), Free Radical Iron (if present), and Transferrin-Bound Iron (TBI) in serum/plasma using SEC-LC-ICP-MS.
- ⦿ **Method Optimization:** Careful tuning of the mobile phase, size exclusion column, and reconstitution solution to ensure method robustness and reproducibility.
- ⦿ **Carryover Minimization:** Precise selection of auto-sampler rinsing solutions to reduce carryover, especially with higher Free Iron (FAI) concentrations in patient samples (~300–500 µg/mL).
- ⦿ **Hemolysis Impact:** Exclude hemolyzed samples from analysis to avoid interference in Total Iron and Transferrin-Bound Iron quantification, ensuring accurate pharmacokinetic and statistical evaluation.

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