What is claimed is:

1. An oral pharmaceutical liquid formulation comprising deferiprone in a concentration of from 20 grams to 200 grams per litre of liquid formulation and a taste masking composition, said taste masking composition comprising:

a sweetener selected from the group consisting of aspartame, saccharin, saccharin sodium, sucralose and mixtures thereof;

hydroxyethylcellulose as a thickening and suspension aid, in a concentration of from 0.5 grams to 3.0 grams per litre of liquid formulation;

glycerin as a humectant in an amount of 100 grams to 900 grams per litre of liquid formulation; and

at least one flavoring agent selected from the group consisting of natural flavors, natural fruit flavors, artificial flavors, artificial fruit flavors, peppermint, peppermint oils and mixtures thereof;

wherein the remainder of the liquid formulation is purified water.

2. The formulation of claim 1 further comprising more than one flavoring agent.

3. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the sweetener is sucralose.

4. The formulation of claim 1, wherein said liquid pharmaceutical formulation has a pH from 2.5 to 5.0.

5. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the amount of glycerin is about 500 grams per litre of the formulation.

6. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the amount of hydroxyethylcellulose is about 1.0 grams per litre of the formulation.

7. The formulation of claim 4, further comprising concentrated hydrochloric acid.

8. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the sweetening agent is selected from the group consisting of an artificial sweetener selected from the group consisting of aspartame, sucralose and saccharin.

9. The formulation of claim 1, wherein said sweetening agent is present at 0.1 to 3 percent by weight of the formulation.

10. The formulation of claim 1, wherein deferiprone is present in an amount of 50 grams to 200 grams per litre of the formulation.

11. The formulation of claim 1 wherein the flavoring agent comprises artificial cherry flavor.

12. The formulation of claim 11 wherein peppermint oil is added as an additional flavor.

13. A liquid pharmaceutical formulation comprising: 50 to 200 grams of deferiprone per litre of the formulation, about 15 grams of sucralose per litre of the formulation, about 500 grams of glycerin per litre of the formulation, about 1 gram of hydroxyethylcellulose per litre of the formulation, about 59 grams of concentrated hydrochloric acid per litre of the formulation, about 0.40 grams of FD&C Yellow No. 6 per litre of the formulation, about 2 grams of artificial cherry flavour per litre of the formulation, about 0.10 grams of peppermint oil per litre of the formulation and a sufficient amount of purified water to yield 1 litre of the formulation.

14. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the flavoring agent is selected from the group consisting of cherry, grape, strawberry, orange-blood, melon, banana, and citrus vanilla, and mixtures thereof.

15. The formulation of claim 3, wherein the sucralose is present in an amount of from 5 grams to 30 grams per litre of the formulation.

16. The formulation of any one of claims 1 to 15, wherein said formulation is used in iron overload conditions of the heart, the mitochondria or the central nervous system including the brain.

What is claimed is:

1. An oral pharmaceutical liquid formulation comprising deferiprone in a concentration of from 20 grams to 200 grams per litre of liquid formulation and a taste masking composition, said taste masking composition comprising:

a sweetener selected from the group consisting of aspartame, saccharin, saccharin sodium, sucralose and mixtures thereof, present in a concentration of from 0.1 to 3 percent by weight of liquid formulation;

hydroxyethylcellulose as a thickening and suspension aid, in a concentration of from 0.5 grams to 3.0 grams per litre of liquid formulation;

glycerin as a humectant in an amount of 100 grams to 900 grams per litre of liquid formulation; and

at least one flavoring agent selected from the group consisting of natural flavors, natural fruit flavors, artificial flavors, artificial fruit flavors, peppermint, peppermint oils and mixtures thereof;

wherein the remainder of the liquid formulation is purified water.

2. The formulation of claim 1 further comprising more than one flavoring agent.

3. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the sweetener is sucralose.

4. The formulation of claim 1, wherein said liquid pharmaceutical formulation has a pH from 2.5 to 5.0.

5. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the amount of glycerin is about 500 grams per litre of the formulation.

6. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the amount of hydroxyethylcellulose is about 1.0 grams per litre of the formulation.

7. The formulation of claim 4, further comprising concentrated hydrochloric acid.

8. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the sweetening agent is selected from the group consisting of an artificial sweetener selected from the group consisting of aspartame, sucralose and saccharin.

9. The formulation of claim 1, wherein deferiprone is present in an amount of 50 grams to 200 grams per litre of the formulation.

10. The formulation of claim 1 wherein the flavoring agent comprises artificial cherry flavor.

11. The formulation of claim 10 wherein peppermint oil is added as an additional flavor.

12. A liquid pharmaceutical formulation comprising: 50 to 200 grams of deferiprone per litre of the formulation, about 15 grams of sucralose per litre of the formulation, about 500 grams of glycerin per litre of the formulation, about 1 gram of hydroxyethylcellulose per litre of the formulation, about 59 grams of concentrated hydrochloric acid per litre of the formulation, about 0.40 grams of FD&C Yellow No. 6 per litre of the formulation, about 2 grams of artificial cherry flavour per litre of the formulation, about 0.10 grams of peppermint oil per litre of the formulation and a sufficient amount of purified water to yield 1 litre of the formulation.

13. The formulation of claim 1, wherein the flavoring agent is selected from the group consisting of cherry, grape, strawberry, orange-blood, melon, banana, and citrus vanilla, and mixtures thereof.

14. The formulation of claim 3, wherein the sucralose is present in an amount of from 5 grams to 30 grams per litre of the formulation.

15. The formulation of any one of claims 1 to 14, wherein said formulation is used in iron overload conditions of the heart, the mitochondria or the central nervous system including the brain.