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## Ablation of CIN I and VAIN II Lesions with Er: YAG Laser

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## Parameters:

	Cervical Vaporization	Cervical Coagulation	Vaginal Vaporization
Laser source:	Er:YAG	Er:YAG	Er:YAG
Handpiece:	R09	R09	R09
Spot size	4 mm	4 mm	4 mm
Pulse duration:	SP	VLP	SP
Fluence:	3 - 3.2 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.8 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	2.8 J/cm <sup>2</sup>
Frequency:	9 - 10	12	9

## **Treatment procedure:**

Cervix before, 30 and 60 days

after the laser treatment

This case presents a 24-year-old female who came in for her first gynecological examination. She became sexually active at the age of 23, was nulliparous, heterosexual (3 partners) and used contraceptive pills. She reported symptoms of recurrent labial herpes. A complete gynecological examination with video colposcopy was performed. The Papanicolau smear test showed CIN I and the biopsy showed squamous metaplasia in the ecto-endocervical junction area of the cervix. A condyloma with mild and moderate cytological atypia was also found in the vagina.

Two sessions were performed. Schiller's test using Lugol stain was used to determine the areas that needed to be removed/ablated at both sessions. The cervix and vaginal wall was treated in the first session, and after 30 days some retouching on the vaginal wall was performed according to Schiller's test. The parameters used are in the table above. During the ablation the detritus was gently cleaned with gauze soaked in sterile saline solution. No anesthesia or prior sedation was needed. The patient didn't report any discomfort or pain during or after the procedure.

Video colposcopy after 60 days showed normal tissue without any scarring. A Papanicolau test and biopsy were also taken. The PAP test was negative and the biopsy showed normal epithelium without any atypical cells.



Vagina before and 60 days after the laser treatment

Uterine wall before, 30 and 60 days

after the laser treatment