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# **Full Face Resurfacing in One Procedure**

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#### Parameters:

	Along the wrinkle	Perpendicular to the wrinkle	Entire face	Lower third of the face		
Laser source:	Er:YAG, 2940 nm					
Pulse mode:	SP	SP	SP	LP	VLP	XLP
Fluence:	4.2 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	3.2 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	3.8-4 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	2.8 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	1.8 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	1.2 J/cm <sup>2</sup>
Frequency:	12 Hz					
Spotsize:	2 mm	3 mm	7 mm	6 mm	6 mm	6 mm
Handpiece:	R11					
Passes	2-3	3-4	4	3	4	3

## Treatment procedure:

A 72 year old female patient came to our clinic wanting to improve her appearance. Clinical examination revealed signs of chronological aging such as ptosis of the upper eyelid of moderate degree, an abundance of small and medium-deep wrinkles all over the face, skin dyschromia, multiple keratomas and hyperkeratosis, pronounced nasolabial folds and general skin sagging.

Upon consulting and presenting the options, the patient decided to undergo a laser resurfacing procedure according to our protocol. We used the Fotona Spectro laser system and the parameters shown in the table. The patient's skin was anesthetized with anesthetic cream (EMLA) that was applied 45 minutes before the treatment. During the entire procedure a Zimmer cooler (grade 3) and smoke evacuator were used. The patient didn't report any discomfort during the treatment.

After the procedure we applied antibacterial cream and dressing on the patient's face. The patient was advised to apply wet dressings (chlorhexidine) twice daily and Bepanthen for eight days (up to 6 times daily) and SPF 50 cream additionally. The recovery period consisted of edema and an itching feeling for the first 3 days. Crusts that formed peeled off completely by day 8. General redness persisted for up to 3 weeks and on certain areas for up to 12 weeks.

As a result of the procedure, we observed a pronounced lifting of the upper and lower eyelids, the skin became lighter in color, smoother and more elastic, and much of the wrinkles disappeared. All of the hyperkeratosis was removed and the overall effect is a younger looking face.



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Before treatment



12 days after treatment



8 months after treatment