

Venous Lake Treatment with Nd:YAG Laser

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Introduction:

This bulletin presents the case of a 65-year-old male with a venous lake located on the upper lip. We used the protocol treatment shown in the table above. No skin preparation was required. The procedure is performed under topical anesthesia (lidocaine 20% + prilocaine 10% + tetracaine 5%), which is applied to the lesions 30 minutes before. Ten minutes before starting the procedure, ice is placed over the lesion to minimize bleeding.

Laser	SP Dynamis
Wavelength	Nd:YAG (1064 nm)
Pulse duration	VERSA (25 ms)
Fluence	120 J/cm ²
Frequency	1 Hz
Handpiece	R33-T
Spot size	4 mm
Passes	1
Cooling	Yes
Sessions	Single session for total elimination



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CLINICAL CASE:

This protocol uses Nd:YAG (1064 nm) VERSA long pulses with a R33-T handpiece and a 4 mm spot size. Usually, these kinds of lesions are dark, with a very slow flow rate. We used a long pulse duration (such as 25 ns) and high fluence (120 J/cm2) with 1 Hz. Just one pass over the lesion was necessary to eliminate it.

The procedure requires cooling. After the procedure, no epithelializing cream is needed and photoprotection can be started immediately after the treatment. A single session is sufficient for total elimination of the lesion.



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