

# Scalp Stimulation Utilizing MTS and A New Approach to Hair Regeneration Microneedling Therapy :

## A New Approach to Scalp Stimulation and Hair Regeneration

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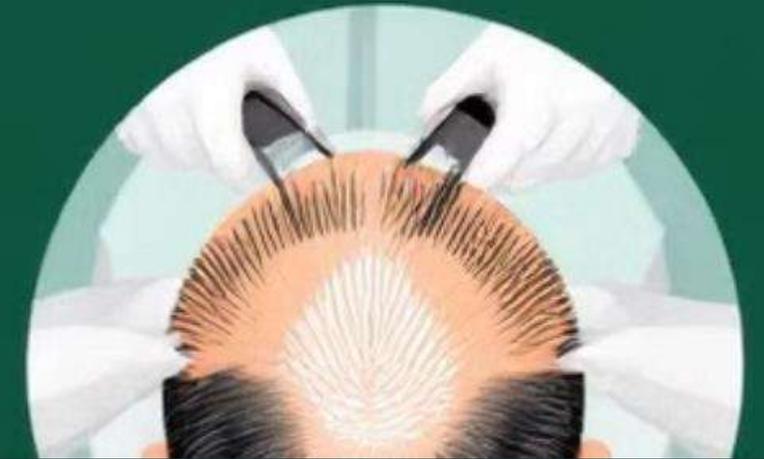


# RF Needling

Microneedling Therapy System

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# Evolution of Hair Loss Treatment

## Existing Approaches

Conventional therapies like hair loss drugs, PRP, and hair transplants have limitations

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## Microneedling

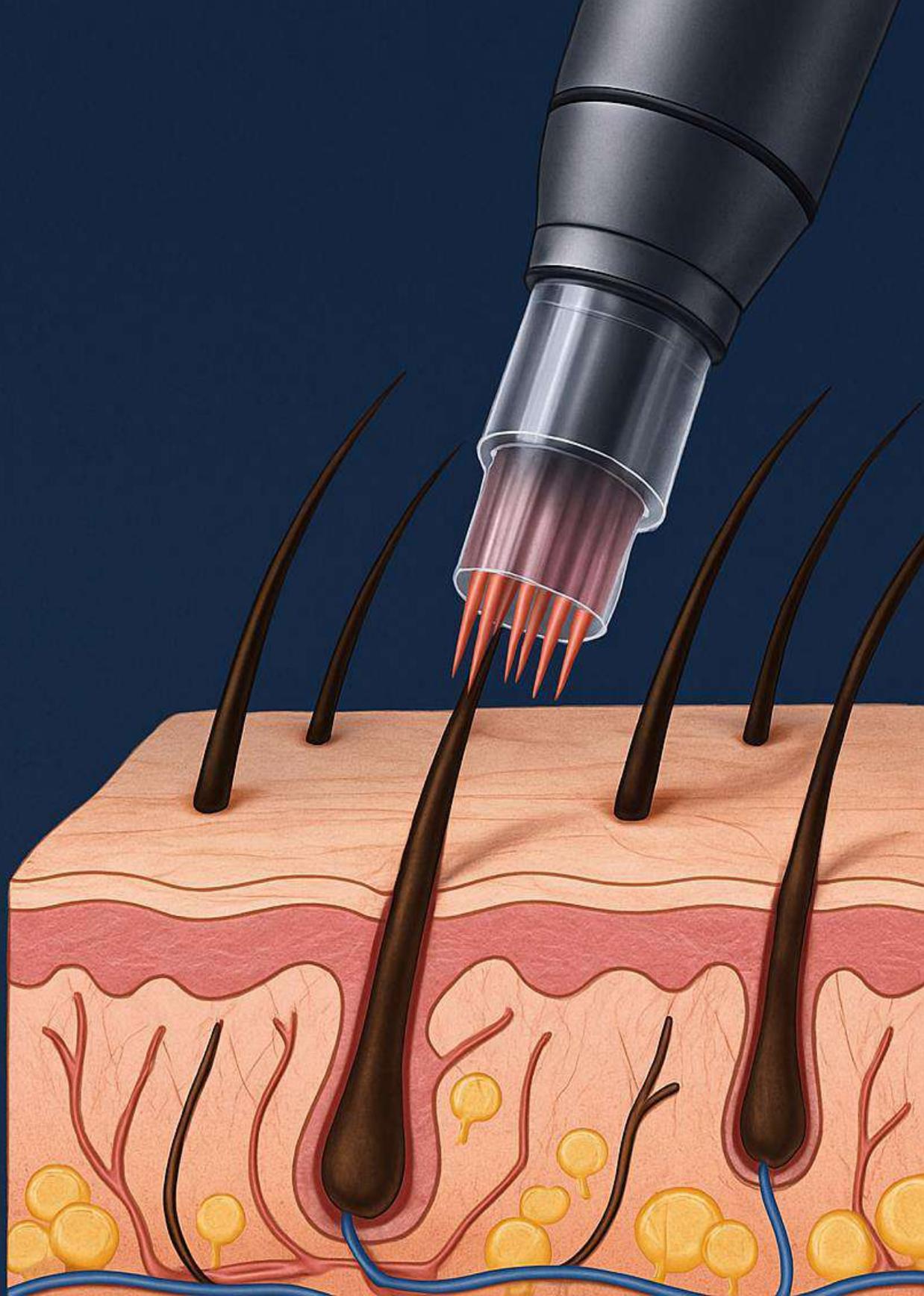
Microneedling suggests a new possibility that is effective yet less invasive

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## Non-invasive Treatment

Interest in non-invasive treatments with few side effects has greatly increased recently



# Basic Principles of Microneedling



## Micro-stimulation

Induces tissue regeneration by giving micro-stimulation to epidermis and dermis



## Increased Blood Flow

Activation of Growth Factors



## Activation of Growth Factors

Promotes hair growth as scalp blood flow increases Stem cells



## Enhanced Drug Delivery

Drugs like Minoxidil, Exosomes absorb more deeply and effectively

# Clinical Effects of Microneedling for Hair Regeneration

> Int J Trichology. 2013 Jan;5(1):6-11. doi: 10.4103/0974-7753.114700.

## **A Randomized Evaluator Blinded Study of Effect of Microneedling in Androgenetic Alopecia: A Pilot Study**

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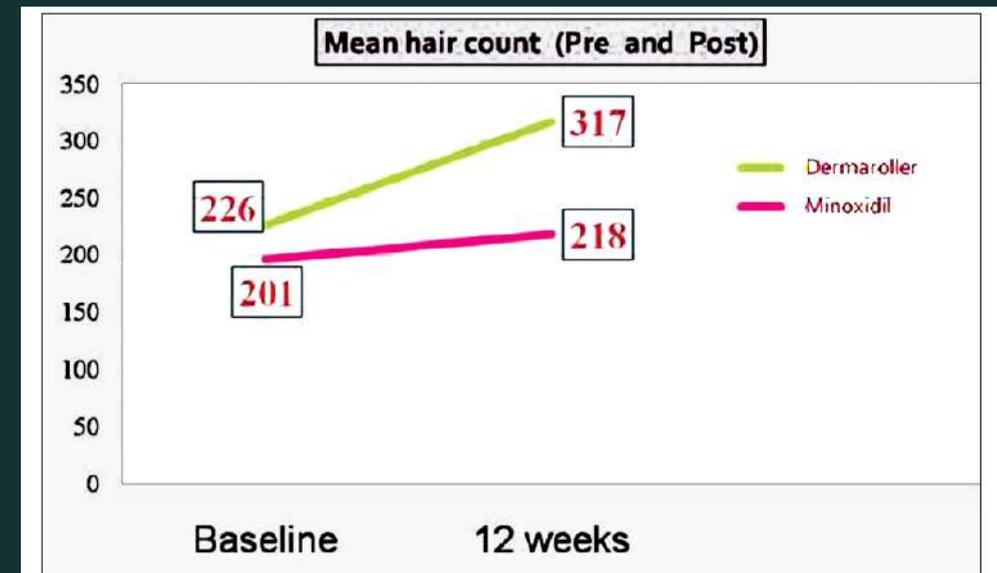
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**Table 1: Change from baseline hair count at 12 weeks**

Variables	Mean hair count mean ( $\mu$ ) $\pm$ SD	Paired <i>t</i> -test <i>P</i> value
Microneedling treated group ( <i>n</i> -50)	91.40 $\pm$ 49.27	—
Minoxidil treated group ( <i>n</i> -44)	22.20 $\pm$ 19.34	0.039

**Table 2: Investigator evaluation of hair growth at week 12**

Seven point scale evaluation	Microneedling treated group ( <i>n</i> -50)	Minoxidil treated group ( <i>n</i> -44)
0 no change	0	16
+1 mild improvement	10	28
+2 moderate improvement	22	0
+3 marked improvement	18	0



**Figure 5:** Mean hair counts at baseline and at end of 12 weeks in the Microneedling and Minoxidil treated group

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## Randomized trial of electrodynamic microneedle combined with 5% minoxidil topical solution for the treatment of Chinese male Androgenetic alopecia

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**Table 2.** Changes in hair density after 24 weeks of treatment.

Hair count/cm <sup>2</sup>	One-sample <i>t</i> test			One-way ANOVA <i>P</i> value between the three groups	<i>P</i> value Two-sample <i>t</i> test		
	Group 1 ( <i>n</i> = 18)	Group 2 ( <i>n</i> = 18)	Group 3 ( <i>n</i> = 20)		Group 1 vs Group 2	Group 1 vs Group 3	Group 2 vs Group 3
Non-vellus hair count	24.1 ± 7.8 <i>P</i> < 0.001	20.5 ± 7.3 <i>P</i> < 0.001	34.7 ± 13.2 <i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> = 0.014	<i>P</i> = 0.99	<i>P</i> = 0.065	<i>P</i> = 0.01
Vellus hair count	-5.4 ± 3.8 <i>P</i> < 0.001	3.4 ± 3.5 <i>P</i> = 0.002	4.2 ± 2.1 <i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> = 1.000
Total hair count	18.8 ± 9.6 <i>P</i> < 0.001	23.4 ± 5.1 <i>P</i> < 0.001	38.3 ± 11.1 <i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> = 0.002	<i>P</i> = 0.098	<i>P</i> = 0.001	<i>P</i> = 0.01

Data is presented as mean ± standard deviation. Group 1: 5% minoxidil; Group 2: microneedle treatment; and Group 3: microneedle combined 5% minoxidil.

**Table 3.** Mean change in hair thickness from baseline to Week 24.

Change in Non-vellus hair thickness (µm)	One-sample <i>t</i> test			One-way ANOVA <i>P</i> value between the three groups	<i>P</i> value Two-sample <i>t</i> test		
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Change in Non-vellus hair thickness (µm)	10.7 ± 5.5 <i>P</i> < 0.001	3.2 ± 6.2 <i>P</i> = 0.09	11.8 ± 3.7 <i>P</i> < 0.001	0.005	<i>P</i> = 0.102	<i>P</i> = 0.1	<i>P</i> = 0.001

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ARTICLE



## Randomized trial of electrodynamic microneedling combined with 5% minoxidil topical solution for treating androgenetic alopecia in Chinese males and molecular mechanistic study of the involvement of the Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin signaling pathway

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	Group 1 ( <i>n</i> = 23)	Group 2 ( <i>n</i> = 23)	Group 3 ( <i>n</i> = 25)		Group 1 vs. group 2	Group 1 vs. group 3	Group 2 vs. group 3
Non-vellus hair count	28.01 ± 7.42 <i>p</i> = .002	32.09 ± 4.51 <i>p</i> = .004	56.45 ± 7.82 <i>p</i> = .002	<i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> = .513	<i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> < .001
Vellus hair count	-13.74 ± 3.41 <i>p</i> = .014	-10.56 ± 2.83 <i>p</i> = .064	-16.67 ± 6.48 <i>p</i> = .021	<i>p</i> = .578	<i>p</i> = .592	<i>p</i> = .617	<i>p</i> = .297
Total hair count	14.27 ± 3.24 <i>p</i> = .046	21.53 ± 6.19 <i>p</i> = .074	39.78 ± 7.79 <i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> = .190	<i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> = .007

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	18.70 ± 6.17 <i>p</i> < .001	10.41 ± 4.83 <i>p</i> = .058	22.46 ± 3.87 <i>p</i> < .001	<i>p</i> = .002	<i>p</i> = .015	<i>p</i> = .259	<i>p</i> < .001

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## Microneedling for Hair Loss

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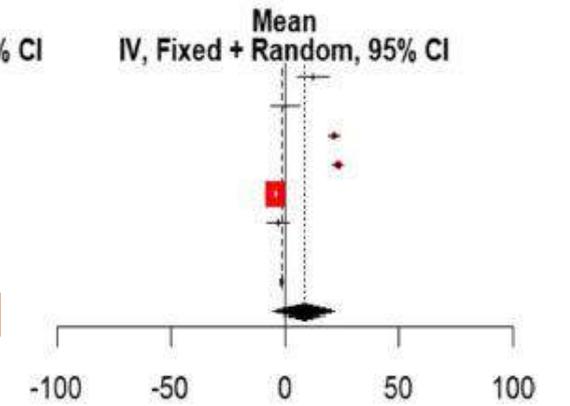
### microneedling only

Study	Weight (fixed)	Weight (random)	Mean IV, Fixed + Random, 95% CI
Aggarwal(2020)	0.6%	16.3%	12.28 [ 5.46; 19.10]
Yu(2020)	0.7%	16.4%	0.14 [-6.11; 6.39]
Bao(2020)(JDT)	4.5%	16.9%	21.53 [19.00; 24.06]
Bao(2020)(JCL)	5.2%	16.9%	23.40 [21.04; 25.76]
Sohng(2020)	87.5%	17.0%	-4.27 [-4.85; -3.69]
Lee(2013)	1.4%	16.6%	-3.00 [-7.62; 1.62]

Total (fixed effect, 95% CI) 100.0% -- -1.50 [-2.04; -0.97]

Total (random effects, 95% CI) -- 100.0% 8.38 [-5.12; 21.88]

Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 279.5659; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 852.82, df = 5 (P < 0.01); I<sup>2</sup> = 99%



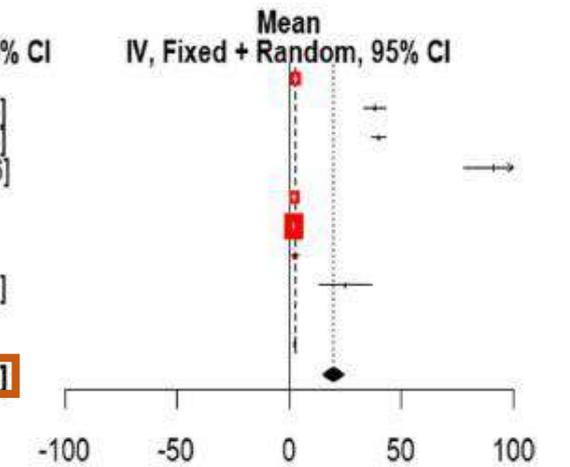
### microneedling with topical minoxidil 5%

Study	Weight (fixed)	Weight (random)	Mean IV, Fixed + Random, 95% CI
Faghihi(2021)(0.6mm)	15.4%	14.8%	2.84 [ 2.09; 3.59]
Bao(2020)(JCL)	0.4%	12.8%	38.30 [33.44; 43.16]
Bao(2020)(JDT)	0.9%	14.0%	39.78 [36.73; 42.83]
Dhurat(2013)	0.0%	6.6%	91.40 [77.74; 105.06]
Faghihi(2021)(1.2mm)	17.9%	14.8%	2.07 [ 1.38; 2.76]
Kumar(2018)	63.4%	14.8%	1.95 [ 1.58; 2.32]
Sohng(2020)	1.9%	14.4%	2.56 [ 0.46; 4.66]
Yu(2020)	0.1%	7.9%	24.95 [13.43; 36.47]

Total (fixed effect, 95% CI) 100.0% -- 2.65 [ 2.36; 2.95]

Total (random effects, 95% CI) -- 100.0% 19.87 [15.14; 24.61]

Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 39.4199; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 967.85, df = 7 (P < 0.01); I<sup>2</sup> = 99%



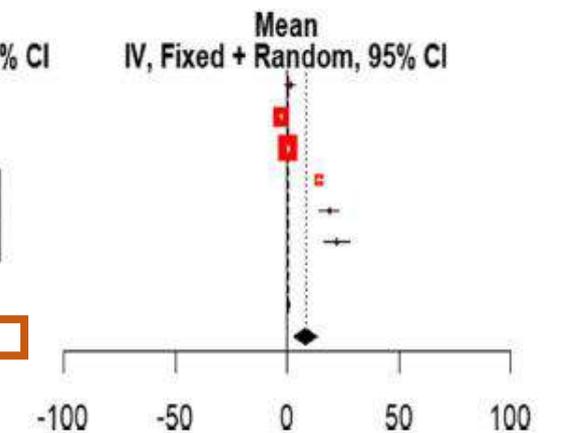
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Faghihi(2021)	2.7%	17.1%	1.30 [-0.96; 3.56]
Sohng(2020)	33.0%	17.6%	-2.78 [-3.43; -2.13]
Kumar(2018)	55.1%	17.6%	0.30 [-0.21; 0.81]
Bao(2020)(JDT)	8.0%	17.5%	14.27 [12.95; 15.59]
Bao(2020)(JCL)	0.7%	15.6%	18.80 [14.37; 23.23]
Dhurat(2013)	0.4%	14.5%	22.20 [16.49; 27.91]

Total (fixed effect, 95% CI) 100.0% -- 0.66 [ 0.29; 1.04]

Total (random effects, 95% CI) -- 100.0% 8.45 [ 3.26; 13.64]

Heterogeneity: Tau<sup>2</sup> = 39.7018; Chi<sup>2</sup> = 633.44, df = 5 (P < 0.01); I<sup>2</sup> = 99%



# Clinical Effects of Microneedling for Hair Regeneration

Skin Appendage Disorders

## Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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### Relative Effects of Minoxidil 5%, Platelet-Rich Plasma, and Microneedling in Pattern Hair Loss: A Systematic Review and Network Meta-Analysis

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**Table 2.** Agents' surface under the cumulative ranking curve (SUCRA) values for network meta-analysis (NMA) on efficacy as per change in total hair density at 24 weeks for patients with PHL

Regimen	SUCRA, %
Microneedling and 5% minoxidil	95.81
PRP and 5% minoxidil	64.68
5% minoxidil	53.925
PRP	34.905
Microneedling	27.78
Microneedling and PRP	22.9

The NMA adjusted for variation to biological sex (i.e., male vs. female) and design of study (i.e., whole-head vs. split-scalp).

# Clinical Effects of Radiofrequency for Hair Regeneration

## Clinical evaluation of a novel fractional radiofrequency device for hair growth: Fractional radiofrequency for hair growth stimulation

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### Abstract

AGA is a common disorder. Different treatments are available to prevent hair loss and achieve hair growth with variable results. The purpose of the present study was to evaluate the efficacy and safety of a novel fractional radiofrequency (RF) device (HairLux, Innogen Technologies Ltd., Yokneam, Israel), to prevent hair loss and induce hair growth. Twenty-five patients received 10 fractional RF treatments every 2 weeks, and were followed up 2 months after the last treatment. All patients were evaluated by global photography. In 10 patients, blinded manual hair counts were performed. Patients demonstrated less hair shedding, fuller hair, and faster hair growth. There was an average increase of 31.6% in hair density (based on hair counts) and 18% increase in hair shaft thickness. All subjects tolerated the treatments well. The HairLux device is effective and safe for hair growth stimulation in AGA. Ten treatment sessions are recommended to maximize results.

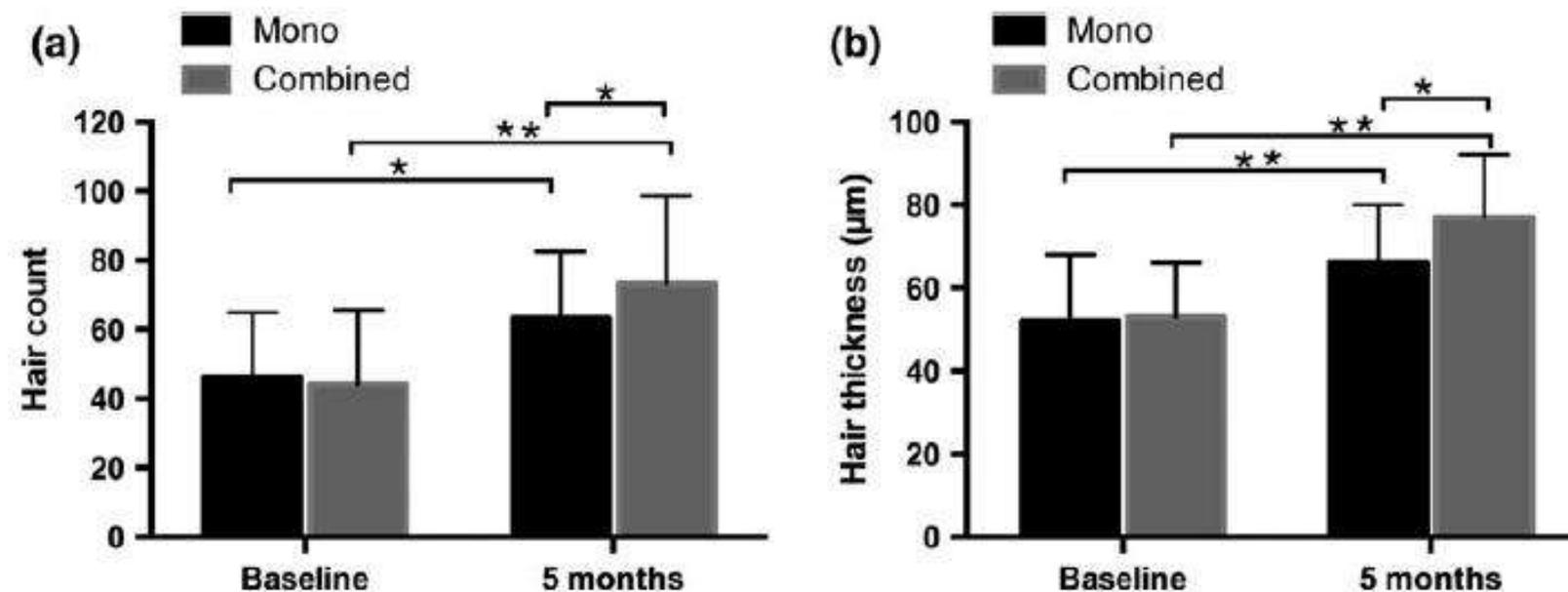
# Clinical Effects of Radiofrequency for Hair Regeneration

A pilot split-scalp study of combined fractional radiofrequency microneedling and 5% topical minoxidil in treating male pattern hair loss

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**Figure 1** (a) Hair count and (b) hair thickness at baseline and 5 months after monotherapy with minoxidil 5% monotherapy and combined therapy with fractional radiofrequency microneedling and minoxidil 5%. \* $P < 0.05$ , \*\* $P < 0.01$ . The bars on the graph represent standard error.

# Clinical Effects of Radiofrequency for Hair Regeneration

## Non-ablative radio frequency for the treatment of androgenetic alopecia

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### Abstract

**Introduction:** Medical treatment of androgenetic alopecia (AGA) is mainly limited to pharmacological and surgical interventions. Patients' desire for noninvasive and non-systemic treatments has accelerated research into medical devices that can promote hair growth. Low-level laser therapy (LLLT) was the first such device. However, its success has been limited by contradictory and controversial efficacy claims. Work previously performed in animal models of AGA has demonstrated the viability of a repair mechanism as a potential treatment modality. This study therefore explores the use of a non-ablative radio frequency (RF) device in the treatment of AGA.

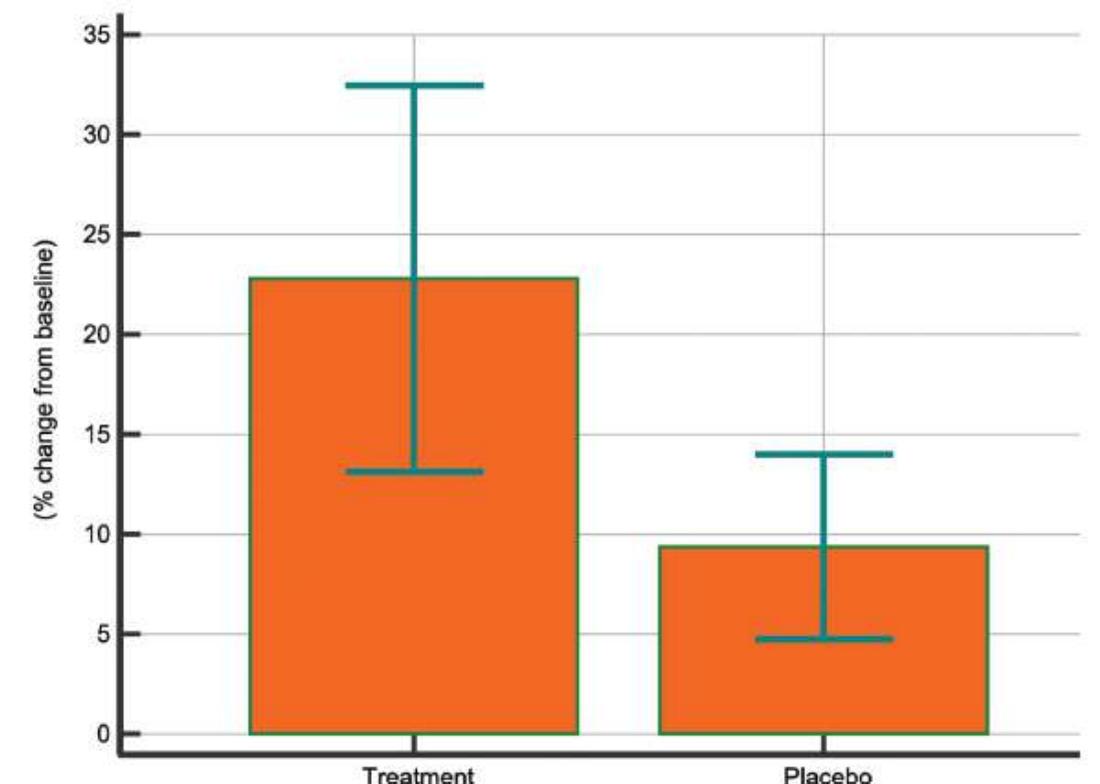
**Methods:** A single blinded study compared a non-ablative RF device versus a sham device in 24 men with AGA. Each patient received four treatments over the 12-week study.

**Results:** In this preliminary study of 24 AGA patients treated with a novel RF device, we demonstrated that 54% showed a response. Furthermore, among patients that underwent four or more treatment sessions, 40% experienced a 30% or greater increase in hair counts compared to baseline.

**Conclusions:** If validated in a larger cohort, non-ablative RF may prove to be an important clinical tool in the treatment of AGA.

**Keywords:** radio frequency, androgenetic alopecia, treatment

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**Figure 1** | Average percent change in target area hair counts (TAHC) after treatment with a non-ablative radio frequency device.

# Key Mechanisms of Hair Loss Treatment via Radiofrequency Technology



## Promoting Growth Factor Secretion

Activation of key growth factors like IGF-1, VEGF



## Activating Hair Follicle Stem Cells

Promotes tissue regeneration and formation of new hair follicles by activating Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin signal



## Thermal injury

Activation of regeneration of hair follicles and dermal papilla cells



# Introduction of Latest Technology : Fusion of RF + MTS



## Synergy Effect

Maximization of therapeutic effects via combination of RF and MTS



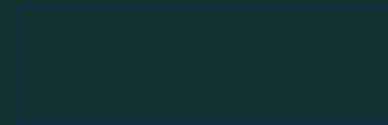
## Delivery of Thermal Energy

Thermal energy of RF delivers effectively to deep tissues



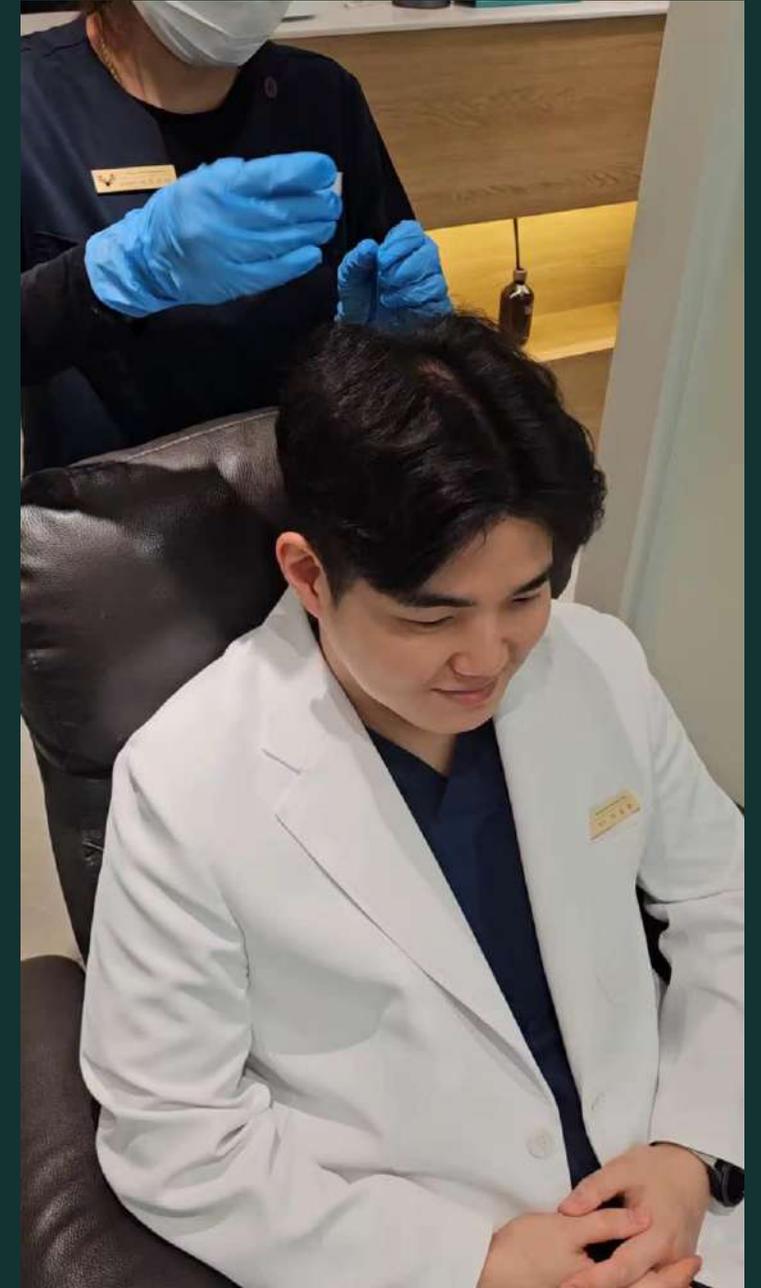
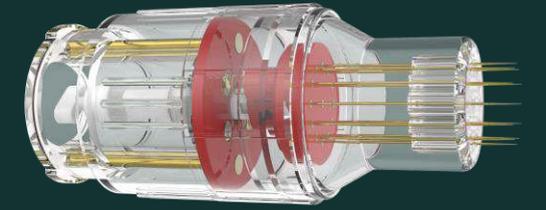
## Collagen Remodeling

Stimulates collagen creation and dermal layer by high frequency





# Procedure Process





# Safety and Precautions

## General Side Effects

- Temporary Redness
- Scalp Heat Sensation
- Micro-bleeding

## Cautionary Patients

- Metal Allergy
- Inflammatory Scalp Disease
- Blood Clotting Disorder

## Advantages of Non-surgical Approach

- Procedure time and recovery time are quick
- Repeated procedures are possible
- Immediate return to daily life

# Conclusion and Future Prospects



## **New Axis of Non-invasive Treatment**

MTS has positioned itself as an innovative method for hair loss treatment and drug delivery.

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## **Integrated Treatment Synergy**

RF-MTS integrated devices further advance the procedural effects.

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## **Future Development Direction**

Combination with cutting-edge treatments like Exosomes, stem cells is anticipated.

