



Advanced Facial Plastic Surgery Center in Dallas Offers Photodynamic Therapy for Treatment of Acne and Actinic Keratoses

Actinic keratoses are rough, scaly patches of skin caused by excessive sun exposure. These AKs can enlarge and progress into dangerous skin cancers. For this reason, it is recommended that anyone with AKs seek timely treatment.

(PRWeb via [PRWeb](#)) January 9, 2006 -- The Levulan PDT system is an advanced two-step treatment for minimally to moderately thick AKs. First, the Levulan Keratick® (aminolevulinic acid HCl) for Topical Solution, 20% is applied to individual AKs on the patient's skin. This solution is an acid that is naturally occurring in the body and makes the AKs more sensitive to light. Next, the AKs are exposed to the BLU-U® blue light. This light destroys AKs whether they are precancerous or not. Clinical testing has shown that after eight weeks of treatment, the Levulan PDT system cleared 100% of treated AKs in the majority of patients.

The BLU-U blue light is also FDA approved for the treatment of troublesome acne that may not be responding to medications or conventional treatments. It works by killing the p. acnes bacteria which causes acne, allowing patients to control their acne for long periods of time. Additionally, BLU-U controls overactive sebaceous glands, decreasing oil production. Treatments are simple, safe, and painless, involving a series of short sessions of exposure to the blue light.

In the Advanced Skin Aesthetics division of the Advanced Facial Plastic Surgery Center, the goal is to help patients achieve healthy, beautiful skin. Our doctors, medical technicians, and aestheticians are highly trained experts in the field of skin care.

As the Director of the Advanced Facial Plastic Surgery Center in Dallas, Dr. Benjamin Bassichis, M.D., FACS offers both non-surgical and surgical treatments for facial rejuvenation tailored to meet the needs of each patient. He uses the latest proven techniques, including minimally invasive procedures, to provide long lasting results, with minimized downtime.

Dr. Bassichis is a facial plastic and reconstructive surgeon double Board Certified by both the American Board of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and the American Board of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery. He is a National Educator for Allergan and Medicis, teaching other physicians how to safely and effectively treat patients using Botox® as well as Restylane®. Dr. Bassichis is also Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and has authored more than 50 scientific chapters and papers.

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