

Thermage

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Before

After Treatment

Millions of Oprah Winfrey fans came face to face with Thermage, the latest breakthrough for tightening loose skin, during Oprah's show "The Age-Defying Woman: How to Stop the Clock on Aging." *Vogue* magazine calls Thermage "the fascilit of the future." "Good Morning America," CNN and others are also raving about cosmetic surgery's most promising new technique, a one-hour treatment that has the power to turn back time without surgery.

A traditional surgical facelift entails cutting and separating one's skin and then pulling the skin toward the ears to give a tightened appearance. The excess skin is cut away and the

edges are sutured together. Permanent scars in the hairline and in the front of the ears are possible with surgical correction. Changes in appearance can be drastic, and at times the skin may look artificial and stretched. Thermage's new technology avoids these issues by gently and gradually firming up sagging skin without the scalpel.

Here's how it works. Thermage uses radiofrequency energy to gently stimulate the production of collagen deep within the skin. The result is tightening and contouring of the skin. Over time, as the collagen layers thicken, skin tone and elasticity improve and wrinkles visibly diminish.

Thermage is completely non-invasive.

There's no surgery, and there are no injections or stitches. A single treatment tightens your existing collagen and stimulates new collagen growth. You can feel and see your skin become smoother, firmer and tighter immediately after your Thermage treatment. Better still, you can continue to improve skin tone and laxity for up to six months as more and more collagen is laid down. Contouring effects can also enhance the shape of your face. Results can last for years.

Unlike lasers, Thermage works on all skin types and tones. And unlike injections or fillers, Thermage works on your entire face — forehead, eyes, nasolabial folds, jowls and the area under your chin. Thermage is also indicated for treatment of wrinkled skin on the body. These "Body by Thermage" treatments can cause a significant reduction in loose skin and wrinkles of sagging arms, tummies and thighs.

But none, however, women love the Thermage effect around the eyes. "Eyes by Thermage" produces tighter eyelids with improved tone; patients frequently report their eyes look brighter and less tired. Under-eye bags are reduced, crow's feet are softened and eyelids are tightened, raising years off the eyes. Fern makeup is applied easier, as the eyelids are smoother and less hooded. And again, improvements in skin lightening and contouring continue to improve for months as a result of the new and increased collagen production.

Many who are not ready for the more drastic changes of a facelift are finding Thermage to be the ideal "pick me up" procedure for restoring a more youthful appearance. More information regarding Thermage can be found at www.thermage.info.com.

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