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Merz Expands Aesthetic Product Offerings

In 2009 and 2010 pharmaceutical company Merz GmbH & Co. KGaA (Frankfurt, Germany) is planning a major push deeper into the worldwide aesthetic market. The company has a history of compassion for patient needs, as well as innovation in healthcare that spans more than 100 years. Among other long range efforts, Merz plans to strengthen the international aesthetic pipeline with the creation of its own brand of neuro-modulators (botulinum toxin), dermal fillers and standardized, validated scales to grade aging skin.

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Runner Er:YAG scanner by Fotona

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inclusion of an Nd:YAG positions the MultiFlex as a new gold standard for vascular treatments, providing a superior solution for all vascular lesions including facial flushing, telangiectases, port-wine stains and leg veins up to 3 mm in diameter. The system also achieves excellent acne clearance results.

Ellipse's hallmark is built-in clinical intelligence to secure effective treatment and reduce the risk of side effects. Based on operator evaluation of patient parameters, Ellipse MultiFlex chooses appropriate default treatment settings. Every treatment event is logged and fully traceable enabling physicians to safely delegate treatments. Furthermore, the Nd:YAG offers superb ergonomics with smooth adjustability of working light, aiming beam and spot size.

For enhanced skin rejuvenation results, Fotona (Ljubljana, Slovenia) will be launching its range of Runner Er:YAG scanners at EADV. The F-Runner and S-Runner scanners provide a complete range of full and fractional, ablative, smooth and non-ablative skin rejuvenation treatment methods. They are ergonomically designed and provide adjustable scan areas, shapes, patterns and spot deposition regimes, ensuring full adaptability to many clinical situations. Through a 250 µm microbeam and a 144 mm² treatment area, the F-Runner is designed to provide fractional therapy, while the S-Runner features a 4 mm spot size and a 16 cm² treatment area for conventional Er:YAG resurfacing. This range of scanners improves treatment versatility, accuracy and precision over larger areas, contributes to the user-friendliness for the laser practitioner and decreases user fatigue.

Runner scanners are compatible with Fotona's newest Dynamis line of laser systems for aesthetics, dermatology and surgery. The SP Dynamis incorporates Er:YAG and Nd:YAG laser sources, including a QCW Nd:YAG for surgical treatments, such as laser lipolysis and endovenous laser ablation. With the Runner scanners and Fotona's fractional handpiece options, the Er:YAG laser has become a truly comprehensive solution in treating aging skin. The SP Dynamis' Nd:YAG laser is compatible with Fotona's S-11 Nd:YAG scanner and supports manual spot sizes up to 20 mm for a wide-range of aesthetic and FRAC3 rejuvenation treatments.

The Pixel^{RF} from Alma Lasers (Caesarea, Israel) is an innovative fractionated skin resurfacing module to provide treatment or improvement of acne scars, stretch marks, skin tightening, drug delivery, discoloration, fine lines and wrinkles. The Pixel^{RF} module is a simple upgrade to Alma's Accent^{XL} platform and offers a unique function to the aesthetic treatment range of practitioners. Using Micro Plasma Technology with a combination of stationary and IN-Motion™ tips, the Pixel^{RF} handpiece delivers excellent results. Microscopic bursts of electromagnetic radiofrequency (RF) energy are delivered to the skin's surface via an array of pyramid-shaped points on an RF electrode. These bursts perforate and ablate the skin to highly controlled depths. Treatment is quick – the 18 mm wide IN-Motion roller tip can cover large areas, such as the entire face, in less than ten minutes.

Additionally, IN-Motion technology delivers high patient comfort, ensuring minimal downtime and maximum speed of treatment. The Pixel^{RF} module is versatile, uses multiple tips with either stationary mounting or novel IN-Motion RF technology, depending on skin contour or severity of the condition, and it can also function as a drug delivery system. The Pixel^{RF} provides an affordable and practical solution for practitioners. Treatment is effective for all skin types, genders and ethnicities, and can be used throughout the year with no seasonal restrictions.

The QuadraLASE fractional laser system from Candela (Madrid, Spain) combines the proven performance of a CO₂ laser with an innovative scanning system giving practitioners a total solution for skin rejuvenation and tightening by treating wrinkles, uneven tone and texture, sun damage, acne scarring, the removal of skin tags, benign lesions and more.