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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

5 FU 5 Flourouracil

AFSR Ablative fractional skin resurfacing

AHAs Alpha Hydroxy Acids

AKs Actinic Keratosis

ALA 5-Aminolaevulinic Acid
ATP Adenosine Triphosphate
BCCs Basal Cell Carcinoma

Ca Calcium ion

CAP Combined Apex Pulse

CD Compact Disc

CO₂ Carbon dioxide CW Continuous Wave

DC Direct Current

DEJ Dermoepidermal Junction

DVD Digital Video Disc

ELOS Electro-optical Synergy

Er:YAG Erbium-doped Yttrium Aluminium Garnet Laser

FDA Food and Drug Administration

FR Fractional Resurfacing
HeAg Helium-Silver Laser
HeNe Helium-Neon Laser

HEPCO₂ High-Energy Pulsed CO₂

HPD Hematoporphyrin Derivative

HSV Herpes simplix virus IPL Intense pulsed light

J Joules

J/cm² Joules per Square Centimeter

LED Light-emitting diodes

LITT Laser-Induced Interstitial Thermotherapy

LSR Laser Skin Resurfacing

MENDs Micro-epidermal necrotic debris

MIS Minimally Invasive Surgery
MMP Matrix Metalloproteinases

ms Millisecond

m-THPC Meta-Tetrahydroxyphenyl Chlorin

MTZs Microscopic thermal zones

NARF Nonablative radiofrequency

NB-UVB Narrow band ultraviolet B

Nd:glass Neodymium-doped glass

Nd:YAG Neodymium-doped Yttrium Aluminium Garnet
Nd:YLF Neodymium-doped Yttrium Lithium Fluoride

NeCu Neon-Copper Laser

NFSR Nonablative fractional skin resurfacing

Nm Nanometer

NMSCs nonmelanoma skin cancers

ns Nanosecond

PABA Para Amino Benzoic Acid

PDT Photodynamic Therapy

PpIX Protoporphyrin IX

PSR Plasma skin regeneration

RF Radio Frequency

ROS Reactive Oxygen Species
RTD Residual Thermal Damage
SCCs Squamous Cell Carcinomas

SP Short-Pulsed

SPF Sun Protective Factor
TCA Trichloroacetic Acid

TEA A nitrogen Transverse Electrical discharge in gas at Atmospheric

pressure laser

UHF Ultra-high-frequency
UV Ultraviolet Light

VSP Variable Square Pulse

W Watts

W/cm² Watts per Square Centimeter

ZTD Zone of thermal damage

ZTM Zone of thermal modification

μm Micrometer

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