



The non-surgical facelift

ULTRAFORMER III IS THE LATEST NON-SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY ON OUR RADAR, OFFERING FACE AND NECK TIGHTENING WITH NO DOWNTIME. WORDS BY ERIN DOCHERTY

Your skin is the largest organ of your body and it plays a big role in the way others perceive your attractiveness and healthiness, so why not keep it looking its best?

Just as you work to keep your body fit and trim, your skin needs a helping hand too, especially when the signs of ageing take their toll.

To keep your skin looking young and healthy, sunscreen, exercise and nutritional eating is key. However, to help with damage already done, there are now many different avenues you can take to lessen an ageing appearance.

One of the newest and most advanced technologies in the non-surgical enhancement space is Ultraformer III – a quick, non-invasive approach that tightens skin on the face and neck.

“Ultraformer III ticks all the boxes: great results, no downtime, and minimal side effects and discomfort,” says WA cosmetic doctor Dr Serene Lim.

With more than 10 million treatments performed worldwide, it goes without saying Ultraformer III is a firm favourite among patients and doctors alike. Completely customisable, it offers natural-looking improvement and can postpone the need for surgical face tightening procedures.

“We all lose collagen at a rate of 5-10% a year after the age of 25 or so. Stimulating the body’s own regenerative process early on, before it reaches the point of no return, can potentially negate the need for facelift surgery when performed correctly in the right patient,” says NSW cosmetic doctor Dr Danae Lim.

WHAT IS ULTRAFORMER III AND WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Distributed by Cryomed, Ultraformer III uses a form of energy called Micro and Macro-Focused Ultrasound energy (MMFU) to heat tissues and tighten skin.

At certain depths the collagen is heated and the surrounding tissues are activated to produce new collagen. At more superficial levels there is the added advantage of brightening and improving skin texture due to a process where the re-organisation of collagen fibres occur.

“Ultraformer III leads the way in anti-ageing, stimulating the body’s own collagen production by heating deep tissue planes specifically to tighten up the SMAS, or facelift layer. It addresses the cause of skin laxity and not just the symptoms,” says Dr Danae Lim.

“We use the Ultraformer III in our TightSkin program,” says VIC cosmetic dermatologist Dr Michael Rich. “It works extremely well to lift facial tissue, is a very comfortable walk-in walk-out treatment, and requires very few treatments for great results. Newer devices like the Ultraformer III have really improved clinical outcomes for skin tightening.”

Ultraformer III has a range of amazing benefits that make it a highly accessible and tailored treatment for a variety of individual skin concerns and skin types.

It is commonly used to lift the brow and forehead, the under-eye area, cheeks, mid-face, jaw line and neck. With the addition of the new MF2 cartridge, treatment areas are almost limitless and previously ‘hard-to-reach’ areas like around the eyes, lines above the upper lip or enlarged pores on the nose can be treated with ease.

“Even clients who have had eyelid surgery say their eyelids are

lifted further and, more importantly, the texture of their eyelid skin is improved after the MF2,” says Dr Serene Lim.

“As the forehead is not a flat surface, the slim MF2 cartridge can be manoeuvred to treat the area more precisely, improving the skin texture and lifting the eyes (like a brow lift) as the connective tissue is restored.”

Not only does it address wrinkles but it also lifts the skin and improves texture, tone and pore size. Dr Serene

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Lim has undergone an Ultraformer MF2 treatment on her own eyelids and is impressed with the results.

“Droopy eyelids run in my family. I was determined not to go down the surgical path and that spurred me to research alternatives. The Ultraformer III MF2 has lifted my eyelids after just one treatment. I’m very happy with the results!” she says.

“The Ultraformer III with the MF2 is a game changer in cosmetic enhancement – sagging necks, eyes and jaw lines can be treated non-surgically with no downtime. Every layer of the skin can be treated separately so treatment is

tailored according to the individual’s requirements,” says Dr Serene Lim.

In the past, treatment of darker skin types such as Asian skin could lead to the risk of post inflammatory hyperpigmentation (PIH), which is notoriously difficult to fade.

“When treating Asian skin it is important to note that due to the risks of PIH, energy-based devices should be used with caution,” says Dr Danae Lim. “The skin needs to be prepped appropriately with active ingredients to improve cell turnover for patients who have never had any medical-grade treatments previously.”

“Ultraformer is non-invasive, with no skin penetration and therefore no risk of hyperpigmentation or scarring if performed correctly. Radiofrequency devices, on the other hand, typically cannot deliver energy to deep layers without penetrating the skin. With the Ultraformer III ultrasound technology, the deeper levels are targeted with virtually no side effects, bar some slight tenderness/swelling post treatment,” explains Dr Danae Lim.

Generally one treatment is sufficient, with re-treatment every 18-24 months. Skin starts to look brighter in as little as three weeks, with further improvements and skin tightening results visible from around six weeks onwards as new collagen is formed. **CBM**

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