StarWalker® SQ

Ultra Performance Q-Switched Laser System

ASP POWERED
New Revolutionary **Adaptive Structured Pulse** Technology

Fotona
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Beast within a Beauty: Top Performance & Award Winning Design

Key benefits

- Third-generation ASP technology for ultimate precision, efficacy and safety of treatments
- Widest range of procedure modes, including unique PQS, MaQS, VERDE and VERSA modes for pigment, vascular and collagen treatments
- Impressive line of advanced smart control handpieces
- Intuitive, easy-to-use parameter selection
- Minimally invasive, safe treatments with little downtime
- Great patient comfort and satisfaction

StarWalker® SQ

Functionality
StarWalker's third-generation technology provides highest power and treatment capability in the most advanced and the most compact design.

OptoFlex® arm with patented vacuum cell technology for distortion-free beam delivery to the treatment site

Ten laser sources and four laser wavelengths for the widest range of treatments

Pulse modalities from pico/nanoseconds to microseconds, milliseconds and seconds for optimal effect on the tissue site

Intuitive and intelligent graphical user interface

Instant access to preprogrammed procedures via a large display

Wireless footswitch for freedom and convenience in system control

Top-hat beam profile for uniform treatments with predictable results

Quick-release mechanism for fast exchange of handpieces

Compact handpieces with automatic real-time handpiece type and spotsize detection

Fotona proprietary ASP (Adaptive Structured Pulse) technology enabling laser pulse shapes to be adapted to the bio-photonic dynamics of a particular treatment

Dual monitor EFC energy control to ensure the precision of laser output

Ultra performance laser system with an exceptionally small footprint

Performance at your fingertips with an interactive touch screen

Widest Range of Clinical Applications

	1064 nm Nd:YAG	532 nm KTP	585 nm dye	650 nm dye
Pigments, Tattoo	Pico, QS, MaQS	Pico, QS	Pico, QS	Pico, QS
Melasma, Pigmented Lesions	Pico, QS, MaQS	-	QS	QS
Acne scars, Active acne	MaQS, VERSA	-	-	-
Skin toning, Skin Whitening	MaQS	QS	QS	-
Photodamaged skin	FRAC3	-	-	-
Wrinkles, Pores, Skin rejuvenation	VERSA, PIANO	-	-	-
Vascular lesions, Veins, Haemangiomas	VERSA	VERDE	QS	-
Hair removal	QS, VERSA	-	-	-
Warts	VERSA	-	-	-
Onychomycosis	VERSA	-	-	-

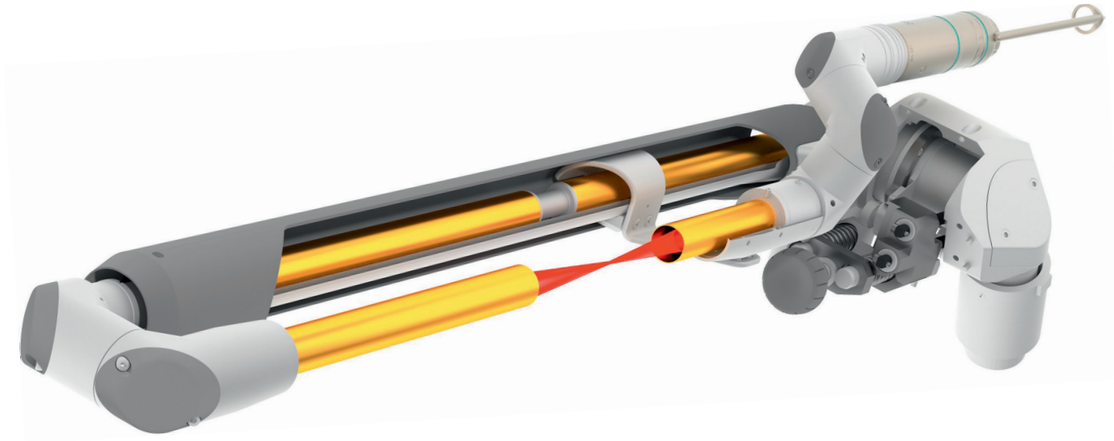
The Interactive Touch Screen Guides Users Through All Treatments

Key benefits

- Easy to use, intuitive interface puts an entire range of applications at your finger tips
- Responsive parameter control
- User-friendly application wizards for recommended parameters
- Fully customizable memory storage for pre-set treatments
- Procedure log keeps track of all procedures for quick recall of past treatment parameters by calendar date
- Control Panel tracks all procedure statistics during treatments

Ease of use
StarWalker's new advanced touch screen user interface features intuitive navigation and exceptional flexibility.

Innovation at Work



Reliability
StarWalker is built on Fotona's foundation of over 50 years of experience, with quality and reliability being one of the pillars of company's commitment and reputation.

Patented solutions for a homogenous beam profile

Homogeneity of a laser beam profile ensures safety during treatment since laser energy is evenly distributed across the treated area. Epidermal damage is minimized and the risks of bleeding, tissue splatter and transient textural changes in the skin are decreased. Achieving homogeneous beam profiles has been a great challenge for the laser industry due to the nonlinearity of Q-switched lasers.

Fotona's StarWalker advanced Q-switched laser technology relies on groundbreaking solutions such as patented OPTOflex® and Vacuum Cell Technologies to produce almost perfectly homogeneous beam profiles.

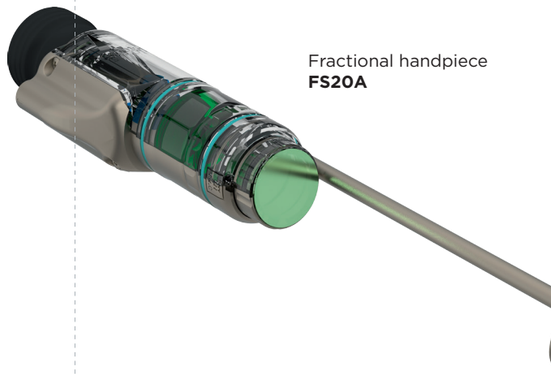
The OPTOflex® articulated arm is specifically designed to efficiently transmit the laser beam without losing energy or changing the beam's original properties. The shape and magnitude of the aiming beam enhances visibility, allowing for easier, faster treatments and greater precision. OPTOflex® is light, compact and folds back to decrease system height.

With laser quality benefits unlike any other beam delivery system, OPTOflex® is definitive of the next generation in laser delivery systems for high-power lasers.

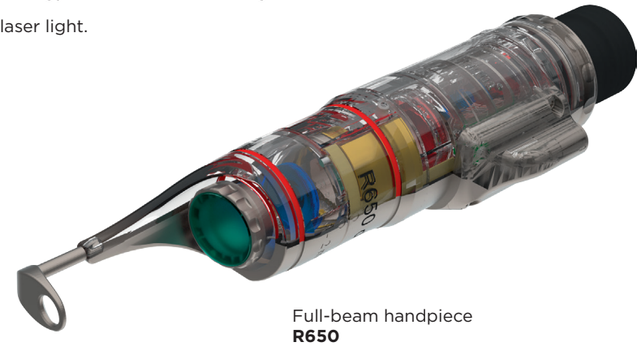
Full-beam and fractional handpieces

The StarWalker's full beam and fractional handpiece technology enables physicians to provide advanced solutions for a broad range of treatments.

Fractional handpieces harness the powerful photomechanical effect of the StarWalker into tightly focused arrays. These arrays contain concentrations of energy while the surrounding area remains unaffected by the laser light.



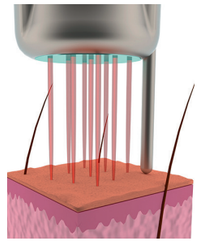
Fractional handpiece
FS20A



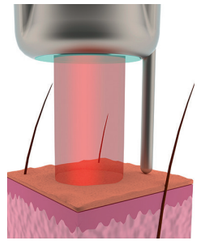
Full-beam handpiece
R650

Longer System Lifetime: Almost 100% flashlamp pulse utilization

Most standard Q-switched laser systems can only achieve stable output during laser beam operation by ensuring that their flashlamps are pulsed internally at a constantly high repetition rate, even when the operator selects a single-pulse or low repetition rate mode. As a result the laser system and especially the flashlamp, one of the most important components, can burn out prematurely due to overuse. This is not the case with the StarWalker's patented Vacuum Cell & OPTOflex technology, where the laser flashlamp is activated only when actual laser output is required. A much lower burden on the laser system is imposed, resulting in a longer flashlamp lifetime and lower costs of laser system maintenance.



Full-beam



Fractional beam

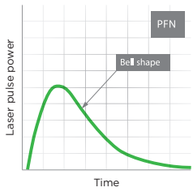
Taking Your Practice into the Future

New Revolutionary
Adaptive Structure Pulse
Technology

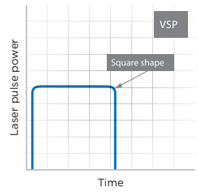
ASP POWERED

Third Generation ASP Technology

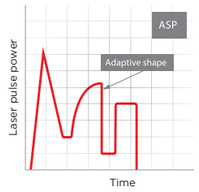
StarWalker™ and its groundbreaking ASP (Adaptive Structured Pulse) technology represent a cosmic shift forward for the medical and aesthetic laser industry. This third-generation technology combines the unsurpassed range of pulse duration modes of Fotona's VSP (Variable Square Pulse) technology with the revolutionary capability of ASP technology to adapt the temporal structure of laser pulses to the bio-photonic dynamics of laser-tissue interaction.



Standard PFN Technology



Fotona VSP Technology



Third Generation Fotona ASP Technology

Picosecond and Nanosecond Laser System

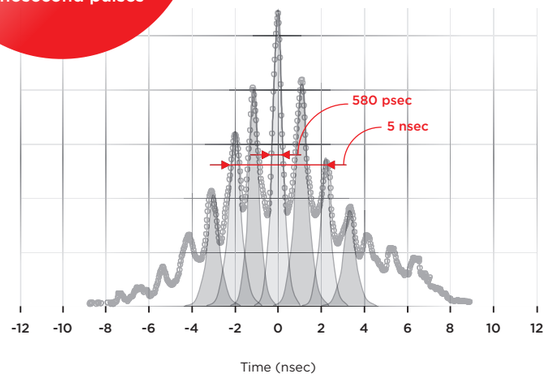
Fotona's StarWalker laser system features the entire range of super-short pulse technologies in a single, high-performance solution. StarWalker's nanosecond (QS) and ultrashort picosecond (Pico) pulse modalities produce powerful bursts of laser energy that photoacoustically break apart skin pigmentations into smaller, more easily eliminated particles.

Fotona Q-Switched Pulse Power

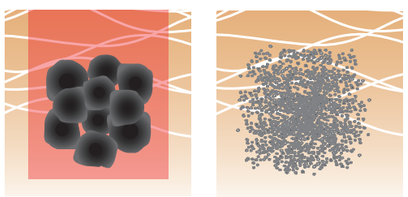
StarWalker's unique TMD (Transverse Mode Discrimination) laser oscillator technology combined with the ASP pulse control delivers very short (5 nsec) Q-switched pulses consisting of a high energy train of ultra-short bursts of energy in trillionths of a second, enabling photomechanical impact to shatter tiny skin targets without injury to the surrounding skin. StarWalker's technology thus combines the high energy capabilities of nanosecond lasers with the ultrashort pulse peak powers of traditional picosecond lasers.

Best of Both Worlds

Picosecond pulse power with the high energy of nanosecond pulses



A typical measured local temporal intensity of the StarWalker's 1064 nm QS pulse. The 1064 nm QS pulse consists of high peak power picosecond micro pulses within an overall nanosecond high energy macropulse.



When absorbed in skin pigments, extremely short energy bursts of picosecond structured QS pulses generate photoacoustic shockwaves that disintegrate irradiated pigment particles into tiny particles that are then easily eliminated by the body.

Fotona MaQS – Unmatched Q-Switched Pulse Energy

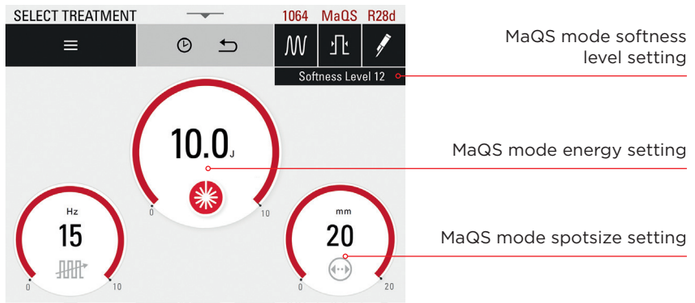
Based on revolutionary ASP technology, StarWalker is capable of delivering up to an unprecedented 10 J of Q-switched energy in one giant structured MaQS pulse.
The unique MaQS high energy capability of StarWalker enables the generation of a higher energy photoacoustic effect at the treatment site, leading to more effective and faster treatments. Additionally, with high MaQS energies, larger spotsizes can be used resulting in more homogeneous treatments of even deeper lying skin pigments, and therefore with reduced risk of unwanted side effects.

Ultimate safety with Q-Switched treatments

Patient safety and comfort with ultra-performance MaQS mode treatments are further enhanced by the StarWalker's unique capability that allows the user to select the softness level (from 1 to 12) of the treatment. When a higher softness level is selected, the StarWalker's ASP technology ensures that the generated acoustic energy is released at an acceptable acoustic power, resulting in a "softer" and less invasive effect on the tissue.

MaQS Technology

Ultra high Q-switched energy for ultimate speed and precision



Speed and precision
StarWalker's PQS and MaQS capabilities allow the operator to perform treatments with unprecedented efficacy and precision, and with increased safety enabled by the operator-adjustable "softness" level of the treatment.

Empowered by ASP Technology

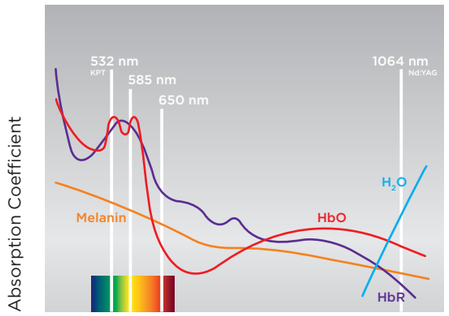
Fourteen Laser Sources

StarWalker features an extraordinary 14 laser treatment modes operating at 4 complementary laser wavelengths. Based on the ASP technology, StarWalker modes are tailored to the requirements of specific treatments, a feature that has not been possible with earlier technologies.

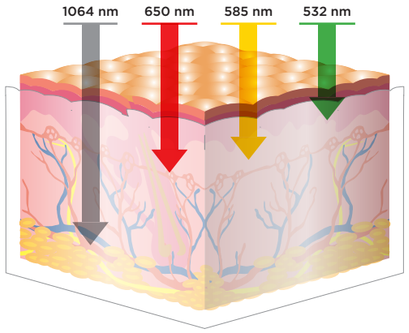
Wavelength	Pulse width			
	pico & nanoseconds	microseconds	milliseconds	seconds
1064 nm	Pico, QS, MaQS	FRAC3	VERSA	PIANO
532 nm	Pico, QS	-	VERDE	PIANO
585 nm	Pico, QS	-	-	-
650 nm	QS	-	-	-

Four Laser Wavelengths

StarWalker delivers four laser wavelengths to cover the complete absorption spectrum of melanin, oxyhemoglobin and water.



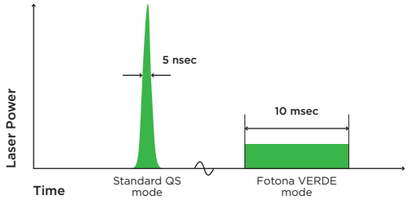
StarWalker's wavelengths are located at appropriate skin absorption peaks and minimums.



Four wavelengths to treat structures at different skin depths.

VERDE 532 nm mode for Treating Vascular Lesions

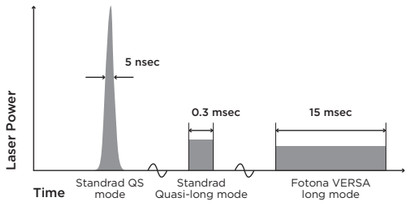
The 532 nm wavelength is located at one of the oxyhemoglobin absorption peaks, which makes it an ideal candidate for treating vascular lesions.
Based on the revolutionary ASP technology, StarWalker features a unique green long-pulse VERDE pulse mode that has been designed specifically to treat vascular lesions. The StarWalker's VERDE mode operates at a long pulse duration of 10 ms, adapted to correspond to the TRT of most dermal vessels.



Standard Q-switched lasers deliver 532 nm energy in short nanosecond pulses that may overheat and rapture blood vessels.

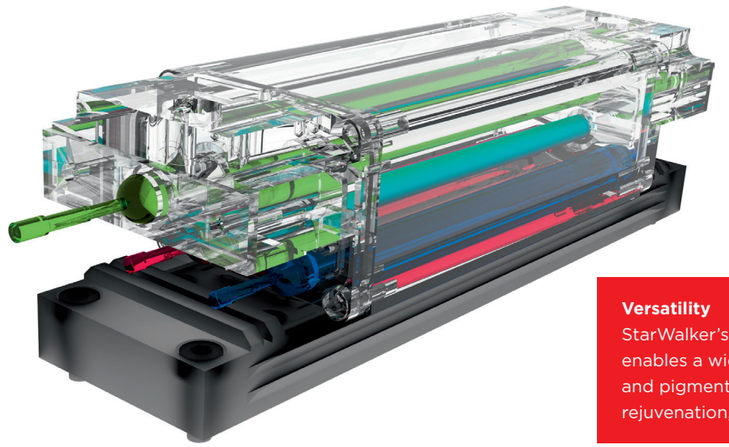
VERSA 1064 nm mode

StarWalker's ASP technology delivers 1064 nm VERSA mode pulses with a duration of 15 msec, which is a clinically well proven Nd:YAG laser pulse duration for a broad range of treatments, such as hair removal, wrinkle reduction, treatment of warts or treatment of onychomycosis.



Standard Q-swiched laser systems cannot deliver Nd:YAG laser pulses in the 'long-pulse' duration regime.

In additon to long-pulse VERDE and VERSA modes, StarWalker features also FRAC3 and PIANO pulse modes. FRAC3 mode utilizes the short submillisecond pulse duration and high peak power density at 1064 nm to produce a self-induced three-dimensional fractional pattern in the epidermis and dermis, with damage islands that are predominantly located at the sites of targetes skin imperfections. On the other hand, PIANO mode is a super-long modality which extends the 1064 nm and 532 nm pulse durations to the seconds regime. It is indicated for skin rejuvenation treatments where overall homogeneous, bulk heating of the dermis is desired.



Photon emission energy converter of the StarWalker's TMD (Transverse Mode Discrimination) laser oscillator

Versatility
StarWalker's range of laser sources and wavelengths enables a wide range of treatments, from tattoo removal and pigmented and vascular lesion removal to skin rejuvenation, acne treatments, hair removal and more.

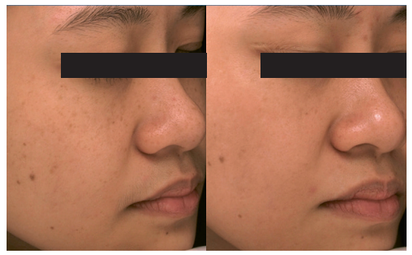
Expanded Treatment Range

Epidermal and dermal pigmented lesions

StarWalker's PQS, MaQS and QS modes are ideal tools for effectively treating a wide variety of epidermal and dermal pigmented lesions on all skin types.
Melanin absorption is highest at 532 nm, and then decreases towards longer StarWalker wavelengths. On the other hand, the dermal penetration depth is greatest at 1064 nm. Therefore, the 532 nm is useful for removing epidermal pigmentation such as freckles, and the 1064 nm is suitable for removing pigments deeper in the dermis.

Courtesy of AB Goodall

TwinToning: combined 1064 nm and 532 nm QS skin toning



AngelWhite: 1064 nm QS skin whitening

Melasma with QS 1064 nm

Courtesy of J. Kozarev

Age spots with QS 1064 nm

Courtesy of S. Saracoglu

Nevus of ota with QS 1064 nm

Courtesy of KW Book

Removal of freckles with QS 1064 nm mode

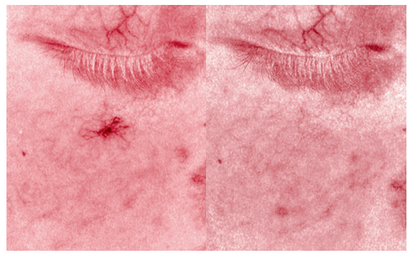
Versatility
StarWalker's ten laser modes provide the user with treatment options otherwise not available with Q-switched laser systems.

Enhanced Vascular Treatments

Spider vein before and after

Vascular treatments

The 532 nm wavelength is located at one of the oxyhemoglobin peaks, which makes the StarWalker VERDE mode an ideal candidate for superficial vascular treatments, while 1064 nm is used for treating deeper and larger vessels.



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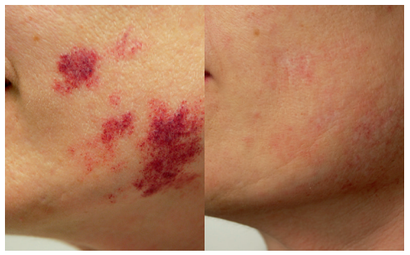


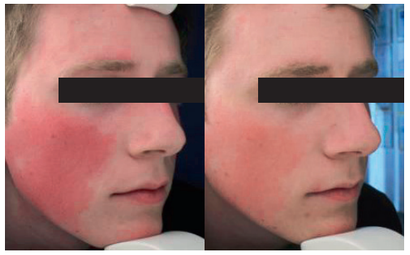
Courtesy of U. Ahcan

Treatment of port-wine stain with VERDE mode

Acne treatments

Fractional 1064 nm QS treatment of active acne

Facial redness



Courtesy of D. Kaliterna

Fractional 1064 nm QS treatment of facial redness

Hair removal

Hair removal with VERSA 1064 nm mode

Facial pores

Treatment of pores with QS 1064 nm

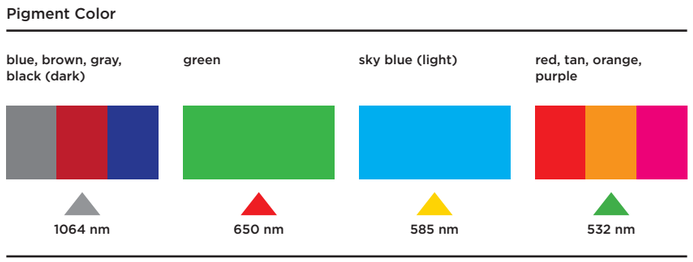
Advanced Tattoo Removal

Multi-color laser for multicolor tattoos

FracTat™

Combined fractional ablative and Q-switched photoacoustic tattoo removal procedure

The Fotona StarWalker ASP ultra-short pulse technology combines 4 different wavelengths in an advanced, high-powered solution for tattoo removal.



Generally, the greater the absorption of laser light in the tattoo pigment granules at a certain wavelength, the greater the energy available to break up these tattoo pigment granules.

Courtesy of Fotona

Color tattoo before and after

Courtesy of Dr. Kaarov

Color tattoo before and after

Color tattoo removed after five treatments

Courtesy of L. Marini

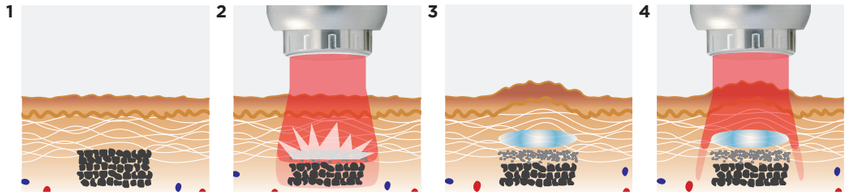
Cosmetic tattoo (permanent make-up) removal

Advantages of FracTat:

When a Q-swiched laser pulse strikes the tattoo pigment it generates gas and steam within the skin. This causes an optical shielding or “frosting” effect that prevents any subsequent laser pulse from effectively reaching the deeper-lying pigments. Furthermore, gas bubbles which are formed around the pigment particles can damage the surrounding tissue.

- Enhanced generation of photoacoustic shockwaves
- Reduced frosting and pressure on surrounding tissue
- Multiple QS irradiations can be made during a single session
- Direct pigment removal via ablation and healing of fractionated skin
- Enhanced generation of photoacoustic shockwaves

Standard Treatment



Before the treatment

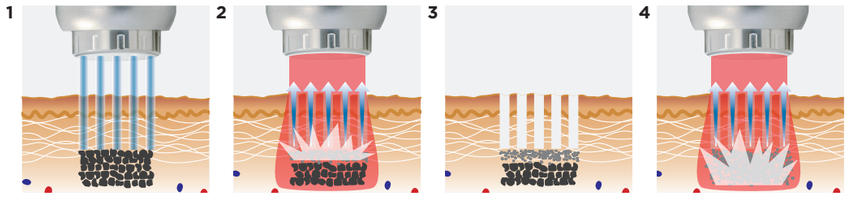
First treatment with a QS pulse

Gas bubbles following the QS treatment

Subsequent QS pulses are blocked from reaching deeper lying pigments

When the Fotona patented FracTat™ procedure is performed, micro holes are first drilled into the skin using a fractional ablative laser handpiece. The fractional micro holes act as pressure relief ducts through which the gasses can escape without building up excessive pressure.

Fractat™ treatment



Micro holes are drilled with an ablative fractional laser

First treatment with a QS pulse

Reduced frosting effect

Subsequent QS pulses are not blocked from reaching deeper lying pigments

Before

Following FracTat treatment

After

Courtesy of L. Marini, Italy

Reliability
StarWalker’s QS peak energy, four colors and proprietary FracTat™ procedure make StarWalker an industry leading tattoo removal laser system.

Excellence in Your Hands

A focus on applications with an impressive line of advanced easy-to-use handpieces

Full-beam and Fractional beam Titanium handpieces

handpiece	wavelength	spotsize	spot shape
R28	1064 / 532 nm	2 - 8 mm	circle
R29	1064 / 532 nm	10, 12.5, 20 mm	circle
R58	532 nm	1.5 - 6 mm	circle
RHX	1064 nm	3, 4.5, 6 mm	hexagonal
R585	585 nm	2, 3, 4 mm	circle
R650	650 nm	2, 3, 4 mm	circle
FS20	1064 nm	9x9 mm	fractional, 5x5 square grid
FS20A	1064 nm	9x9 mm	fractional, 5x5 square grid
FS50	532 nm	9.3x9.3 mm	fractional, 5x5 square grid

Key benefits

- Quick-release mechanism for attaching handpieces to the Optoflex articulated arm
- FracTat technology offers a wide range of ablative and nonablative fractional treatments with different wavelengths and matrix patterns
- Automatic Detection: on-the-fly detection of type of HP, spot-size and spacer. HPs retain their compact size even with the automatic detection feature
- Unified handpiece design with built-in CPU for optimal safety and performance
- Titanium construction

Perfection
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