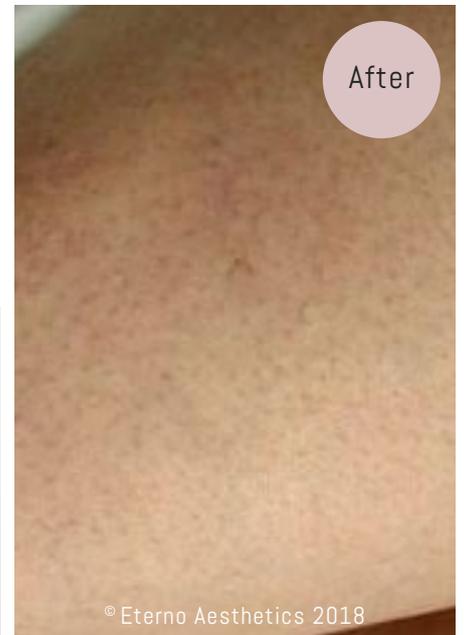




Thread Vein Removal

As we start to age one of the first places we begin notice these changes is in our skin. At the age of 30 hyaluronic acid stops being produced, and as our collagen and elastin cells begin to break down we notice our skin beginning to sag and loose its fullness.



WHAT IS MICROSCLEROTHERAPY?

Microsclerotherapy is the injection of a sclerosing agent (prescription only medicine) into the lumen of the vein, which in turn damages the wall lining, causing it to swell and become sticky. Compression is then applied to close the veins. Over a period of time, the vein will heal closed and eventually fade away. Often a number of treatments are required to clear or improve the condition. This number differs from person to person but on average 2-4 treatments are required. Microsclerotherapy is considered the gold standard treatment for leg telangiectasias, it cannot be used to treat veins on the face. Facial veins can be treated using Thermavein or laser.

There are several risk factors that make people more likely to develop spider veins and these include: ageing, gender, pregnancy, taking oral contraceptive, hormonal changes during puberty or menopause, varicose veins, sedentary lifestyle, surgery, obesity, standing for long periods of time, sun exposure, and those treated with chemotherapy or radiotherapy.

Though safe, it is not entirely without risk. The two most common side effects are something called haemosiderin deposition and telangiectatic matting. Haemosiderin deposition occurs when the vein is not entirely closed, blood is trapped and clots. In some people iron pigments leak from the clot and stain the skin over the vessel brown. These brown marks are usually not permanent but may take 6 - 18 months to fade. They darken when exposed to the sun and will take longer to fade if tanned.

Matting occurs if the fragile vessel is injured during the injection, leaving a mat of tiny veins that look like a blush or a red bruise. Matting usually disappears completely after 6 - 12 months, but if it persists, it can be treated with sclerotherapy if the needle can access the fine vessels and flush the solution gently through.

A consultation is required prior to treatment to assess your suitability for the treatment and to discuss all the relevant information so you can decide if its right for you.

Treatment Overview

-  **Procedure Time**
30-60 Minutes
-  **Discomfort Level**
Minimal
-  **Anaesthetic**
None
-  **Recovery Time**
2-4 Weeks
-  **Duration of results**
2-4 Weeks after final treatment
-  **Final Results**
2 Weeks

Pricing

- First Treatment £200
- Each subsequent Treatment £150