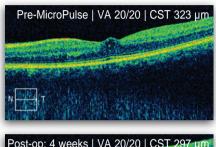
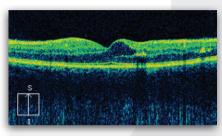
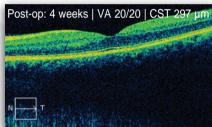
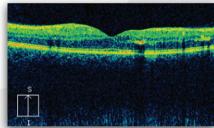


Diabetic Macular Edema | IQ 532™









Physician: David Gossage, DO | East Lansing, MI

Patient: 28-year-old male with type 1 diabetes, previously treated with argon focal/grid laser in February 2006 and July 2008. In December 2011, the patient was treated with 532 nm MicroPulse (100-µm spot, 80 mW power, 200-ms duration and a 5% duty cycle and delivered 111 shots) with just a 9 µm reduction in macular thickness at 3 months follow-up. At that point, I retreated with MicroPulse using a higher power.

MicroPulse Treatment Parameters

Laser | Wavelength: IQ 532 | 532 nm

Spot Size on SLA: 100 µm

Contact Lens: Mainster Focal Grid

Power: 200 mW* Duration: 200 ms Duty Cycle: 5%

Evidence of Laser Treatment on FA: None

Physician Technique: It is possible to treat with a higher power without thermal spread. I now treat my patients more heavily (high-density applications), using the same paintbrush technique back and forth but followed by an up-and-down motion, essentially creating a grid over the area I want to treat. Thus, not only am I using a much higher power, I am also applying the laser twice, and am seeing excellent results in patients with type 1 and type 2 diabetes, still without seeing any thermal damage.

*The power used for MicroPulse treatment was based on doubling the power determined from a pre-treatment test spot performed in CW mode in a non-edematous area of the retina. Start at 50 mW and titrate power up by increments of 10 mW (moving to new locations) until a barely visible burn is achieved.



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