

## **Does Hair Transplantation Leave Permanent Scars?**

Opting for hair restoration surgery is a big decision and a serious commitment, and one you should not take lightly. One important consideration is the scarring such a procedure would leave. A hair transplant without scars is something that is not yet a reality, but advancements in hair restoration have dramatically reduced the size and appearance of hair transplant scars. Regardless of which method you choose, hair transplantation is still a surgery – even if conducted with the latest Artas robotic technology. Let's consider various techniques and discuss what the scars from hair transplant surgery look like and how they vary based on the procedure you choose.

### **Scars after FUT/Strip Surgery**

Once the most popular method, the traditional FUT (follicular unit transplantation), also known as the strip harvest, leaves a linear scar from the hair transplant in the back of the patient's head. That is because an entire area in the back of the head is removed with a scalpel, and then individual follicles from that harvested area are transplanted onto the recipient area. The downside of strip surgery is that the patient has to wear their hair a certain length to hide that scar.

### **Scars after FUE/Artas**

FUE, follicular unit extraction, is a newer and less invasive technique. With Artas robotic technology, it is even more accurate and precise than with any surgeon. The FUE procedure targets individual follicles and replants them in donor areas. Removing a follicle does leave a small, round scar, but it is hardly visible to the naked eye. However, if you decide to go for a short cut, we recommend going for a buzz rather than a shaved head. This way, any FUE hair restoration scars are not visible to the naked eye. FUE and Artas FUE are also much more effective than FUT at giving you natural-looking results.

### **Not Ready for Surgery? No Problem**

If you're not yet confident that hair transplantation is for you, you can opt for less invasive options – PRP (platelet-rich plasma) for the scalp or a laser cap, or both. Neither of these treatments is invasive, and while results are not the same as after a transplantation, they may significantly improve thinning hair and stimulate follicular growth. However, remember that hair loss is a race against time: the more hair you have, the more options for transplantation exist. If you are almost bald, there is not much that can be done.

### **First Steps to Take**

The first step in treating hair loss and hair thinning is the correct diagnosis. Are you losing hair because of pattern baldness, alopecia, a nutritional deficiency, a medical condition or a drug side effect? Dr. Max will examine your hair thinning or hair loss and suggest the best possible course of action. An experienced hair surgeon, he attacks hair loss from all fronts – in addition to transplantation, he often offers complementary procedures such as PRP, the laser cap and the Follicle Elixir IV to ensure maximal results for his patients. Call us today at (954) 945-2909 and schedule

your free consultation. You can also look at the before and after photos or watch real people talk about their experience on our Youtube channel.