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# Regenerative medicine in gynecology





## A new approach

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Autologous fat grafting using a new medical device for the harvesting and preparation of adipose tissue rich in progenitor cells and stromal vascular fraction (SVF) cells is a promising treatment of genitourinary menopausal syndrome (GSM).



## Objective of the study



To evaluate the efficacy of microfragmented adipose tissue injection in the treatment of women with genitourinary syndrome of menopause (GSM).

## The study



This study included 12 women who received a multiple injection session using the SEFFIGYN™ medical device. Symptoms such as burning, itching, dryness, pain during penetration, pain during deep intercourse and pain during urination were evaluated before the patient's treatment, after 15 days and after 5 months using the numerical evaluation.

### **Risults**



An improvement in vulvar trophism was clinically evident as early as 2 weeks after treatment. All symptoms were significantly attenuated from the initial visit, as demonstrated by statistically significant reductions in NRS scores (P = 0.003 for pruritus, P = 0.008 for pain when urinating, and P < 0.001 for other symptoms, sign test). Additionally, all symptoms continued to improve over time. All patients reported a positive change in their quality of life and a resumption of sexual life.



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### A new approach to regenerative medicine in gynecology

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### Abstrac

Objective: To evaluate the efficacy of the injection of microfragmented adipose tissue in the treatment of women with genitourinary syndrome of menopause (GSM).

Methods: This observational cohort study included 12 women who received one session of multiple injections of microfragmented adipose tissue using the SEFFIGYN" medical device. Symptoms such as burning, itching, dryness, pain on penetration, pain during deep intercourse, and pain on urination were assessed before the patient's treatment (TO), after 15 days (T15), and after 5 months (5Mo) using the Numerical Rating Scale (NRS).

Results: An improvement of vulvar trophism was clinically evident already 2 weeks after treatment; all symptoms were notably attenuated compared with the initial visit, as demonstrated by statistically significant reductions of the NRS scores (P=0.003 for itching, P=0.008 for pain on urination, and P<0.001 for the other symptoms, Sign test). Moreover, all symptoms continued to improve over time. All patients reported a positive change in their quality of life and a resumption of sexual life.

Conclusion: The use of microfragmented adipose tissue in GSM is promising. Nevertheless, more studies will be fundamental to exclude a potential placebo effect and better understand the underlying molecular mechanism of action.

### KEYWORDS

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