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What's your main focus at Poliklinika Bagatin?

We were originally founded in 1995 by Prof Marijo Bagatin and we are now one of the leading institutions for aesthetic surgery, dermatology and aesthetic medicine in South East Europe. We have a diverse range of treatment offerings, but a big drive has been in the fat loss/body sculpting market. One of our most popular treatments is the green lasers by Erchonia, FDA cleared for full body circumference up to 40 BMI.

Tell us about Erchonia green lasers?

We were the first in Europe to introduce the Emerald Laser in May 2020, after achieving vast success with its predecessor, Verju. This green laser technology by Erchonia has taken our success to another level. First, it represents a better patient experience and increased satisfaction; secondly, the superior results have led to higher sales in clinic. We also like the fact that it works in tandem with the patient's body to also work on their health and wellness. In my opinion, it provides the best and most flexible all-round solution on the market today, and also enables us to treat bigger patients.

How does the Emerald work?

One of the things I like about the Erchonia green laser technology is that it is a hands-free approach which frees up my staff. It is truly painless and has no reported side effects or adverse reactions. The technology can draw fat out of the body without destroying the fat cell, keeping the endocrine function intact. They do this by using electromagnetic energy transfer to create a photochemical reaction to create a transitory pore in the membrane of the fat cell, emulsifying the intracellular fat and allowing it to extrude out of the cell into the interstitial space. The patient's lymphatic system is then used to transport released fat out of the body. It can be used by itself or combined with other technologies that help lymphatic flow.

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