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## Introduction

**D**ERMATOLOGY HAS CHANGED dramatically over the past decade. Procedural dermatology has become an area of increasingly intense interest and great sophistication in our specialty. The broad spectrum of dermatologic surgery ranges from the excision of benign lesions through complex skin cancer surgery to laser photomedicine, injection of filler substances, use of precisely paralyzing toxins, and the treatment of appearance related conditions.

This issue of *Seminars in Cutaneous Medicine and Surgery* includes articles on many types of uncommon skin cancers, the proper use of wound closure materials and wound dressings, the state-of-the-art of hair transplantation, and reviews of dermatologic laser surgery as well as the use of lasers for hair removal.

All dermatologists are dermatologic surgeons as well (whether they know it or not), performing either minor procedures in the course of medical dermatologic care or are acquainted with and/or use lasers, light sources, or other procedural techniques in the care of their patients. As a result this issue will be of interest to all.

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