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ADIPOCYTE APOPTOSIS INDUCED BY TREATMENT WITH SYNCHRONIZED RADIOFREQUENCY AND HIGH-INTENSITY FOCUSED ELECTROMAGNETIC PROCEDURE: HUMAN HISTOLOGIC ANALYSIS

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HIGHLIGHTS

- 9 subjects (23-61 years, BMI = 24.6-34.7 kg/m², skin type I-V) were divided into the active group (n=6, receiving one HIFEM+RF treatment) and control group (n=3, sham treatment)
- Punch biopsies were obtained at baseline, 8 hours, and 24 hours after the treatment to measure the levels of caspase-3
- **Caspase-3** is an enzyme initiating the execution phase of apoptosis, as it is responsible for nucleus destruction and DNA fragmentation. **After caspase-3 activation, apoptosis is considered to be inevitable**.
- Immunohistochemical evaluation showed **significant activation of caspase-3** in the active group (p<0.001), indicating an elevated level of apoptosis.
- The apoptotic index increased on average from 7.3% to 47.01 ± 10.56% on average (+540%)
- No significant change in the levels of apoptotic cells was observed in the control group



The left side (A) represents untreated adipose tissue with a healthy nucleus (red arrows), while the right side (B) represents adipose tissue 8 hours after the HIFEM+RF treatment with numerous apoptotic nuclei (red circles).