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# The Impacts of Low-Level Laser Therapy - A Complementary Treatment in the Management of Side Effects After Implant Surgery.

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## Abstract

**Introduction:** One of the most important medical applications of **laser** is low-level **laser therapy** (LLLT). In this method, **laser** radiation penetrates easily into the target tissue. The aim of this study was to investigate whether LLLT can reduce the side effects of advanced implant **surgery**. **Methods:** In this triple-blind clinical trial, 30 patients aged 25 to 65 years were selected for implant insertion and divided into two groups. In the **laser** group, immediately after the **surgery**, 72 hours and 1 week after the **surgery**, the **surgical** site was irradiated with an 830 nm **laser**. The dose required for the **laser therapy** was 5 J/cm<sup>2</sup>. The degree of pain, facial swelling and wound healing were analyzed using statistical methods. **Results:** Our results showed that at 12, 24, 48, and 72 hours after the **surgery**, the pain level was reduced in the **laser** group compared with the placebo group (*P*<0.05). Swelling of the face was also significantly reduced 7 days after **surgery** in the **laser** group (*P*<0.05). The investigation on the recovery conditions of the **surgical** site showed that on the 3rd, 7th and 14th days after the **surgery**, higher levels of wound healing have been achieved (*P*<0.05). **Conclusion:** Our results suggest that **laser**, as a complementary **therapy**; can be used to reduce the severity and duration of pain. Also, **laser** can reduce facial swelling and

accelerate wound healing.

### KEYWORDS: Implant failure; Low-level laser therapy; Side effects; Sinus lift; Wound healing

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