



CRYOSURGERY (CRYOTHERAPY)

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Cryosurgery is used frequently by dermatologist to treat many skin problems. Liquid nitrogen is sprayed on to the area of skin freezing it. Light freezing causes a peeling, moderate freezing a blistering and hard freezing a scabbing. The most common uses for cryosurgery is to treat **warts**, **seborrheic keratoses** and **actinic keratoses**. It is also used for **acne**, scars, small benign growths and some skin cancers. Older dermatologists still use a swab to apply it, but the result is the same.

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