Use of beard & body hair to transplant in cases of extensive hairloss

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A young patient underwent a scalp expansion and flap procedure. He later proceeded to a NW 6 level of hair loss. Mistakes in the flap procedure coupled with depleted scalp donor reserve make this a difficult, if not impossible repair case. Difficulties in the case include 1. The 2 flaps were misaligned. 2. One of the flaps was not taken from the safe donor area. As a result, when patient reached a NW 6 level of hair loss, he lost a portion of the hair from that flap. 3. The direction of the hair in the flap point unnaturally back. This creates a further dilemma when trying to create a new hairline. 4. Depleted scalp donor reserves. The approach used:

1. A combination of mostly beard and chest donor hair were used to augment to scalp donor hair supply.
2. The hairline was designed to incorporate the flap hair in the revised hair restoration. The flap procedures, if performed, should be limited to carefully screened candidates (ones whose hair loss is not likely to proceed to higher NW levels). With FUSE/fue, donor reserves from the beard and body areas can be used in suitable patients to augment the scalp donor hair.

Biography

Arvind Poswal completed his medical studies from the prestigious Armed Forces Medical College, Pune (India). Over the past almost 14 years, he has developed the field of hair transplant, whether it is techniques, instrumentation or training. He is also the inventor of the stitchless FUSE technique that has enabled numerous recent advances in the field of modern hair transplants. Arvind Poswal is a member of various prestigious societies of the world. He is the member of ESHRS, ISHRS, IPHA, SHTS, NSCP, ISCC, WTS, FUE Europe Society and AHRS. Arvind Poswal is the recipient of various prestigious Awards. He has developed goodwill internationally over the years and is considered among the world’s top few doctors in the field of hair transplant.

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