

## Protocol for Skin Preparation before Chemexfoliation

4 weeks before peel	Protocol 1  Triple-prep cream (Fluocinolone 0.01% + Hydroquinone 4% + Tretinoin 0.05%) applied over the whole face once a day.  Hypoallergenic broad-spectrum sunscreen (SPF 30 or greater).  Glycolic acid (AHA) 5-10% once daily.  Sequence  Morning: skin cleanser > moisturizer > SPF > makeup  Evening: skin cleanser > AHA > Triple-prep  Protocol 2  Tretinoin 0.1% applied once daily.  Glycolic acid (AHA) 5-10% applied once daily.  Hydroquinone 4% (HQ) applied twice daily.  Sequence  Morning: skin cleanser > HQ> moisturizer> SPF > makeup  Evening: skin cleanser > Tretinoin> HQ > AHA
1 week before peel	Discontinue Triple-prep, Tretinoin, Hydroquinone, Glycolic acid. Continue mild skin cleanser, sunscreen SPF 30 or greater, and moisturizer.
1 day before peel	Start anti-herpetic medication (Valacyclovir or similar) at prescribed dose.  Avoid facial hair removal techniques, including shaving.
Day of peel	Use mild facial cleanser. No makeup, sunscreen, or perfumes.