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POINT OF VIEW

THE FUTURE OF SKINCARE



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The industry has optimized products and now it must optimize outcomes

Skincare has been built around products, ingredients, claims and visible benefits. The next phase will be shaped by capabilities that connect skin biology, objective measurement, intervention selection and response over time.

WHAT IS CHANGING?

CONVENTIONAL SKINCARE MODEL	EMERGING SKIN-HEALTH MODEL
Products designed for broad consumer segments	Interventions informed by individual skin context
Ingredient and claim-led differentiation	Mechanism, evidence and outcome-led differentiation
Visible assessment and self-reported benefit	Imaging, biomarkers and objective measurement
Product recommendation	Regimen, protocol and intervention sequencing
Single purchase or procedure	Ongoing monitoring, maintenance and adaptation

Skin health is moving beyond the surface

For leaders in personal care, the question is no longer whether science and technology will reshape skincare. The question is how quickly they will redefine the value proposition, evidence standard and consumer relationship.

THE SHIFT



Appearance, biological function, prevention, intervention and ongoing measurement are increasingly intersecting.

THE IMPLICATION



Value is moving beyond isolated product claims toward evidence-led skin-health pathways.

THE OPPORTUNITY



Brands can connect consumer relevance with biological understanding, credible measurement and tailored care.

The next frontier is precision skin health:

Understand the biology → **Measure the condition** → **Select the intervention** → **Learn from the response**



SKIN LONGEVITY: From visible aging to functional skin health-span

The industry is pivoting from treating visible aging to extending the functional health-span of skin, reframing aging as a malleable, measurable biological process rather than a cosmetic inevitability.

01

From symptoms to mechanisms

Skincare science is organizing around the 12 hallmarks of aging rather than wrinkles and pigmentation alone, treating root cause, not appearance.

02

Emergence of credible measurement layer

Epidermal barrier integrity, SASP reduction, and metabolic clock markers (e.g., SIRT1 activity) are becoming the KPIs longevity claims will be judged against.

03

Diversification of intervention toolkit

NAD+ precursors, senolytics, microbiome-modulating actives, & epigenetic reprogrammers (retinoids, exosomes, biostimulators) each show graded clinical evidence, wherein, no single silver-bullet ingredient dominates.

04

Proof points already at shelf

Estée Lauder's SIRTIVITY-LP™, OneSkin's OS-01 peptide (-2.5% biological skin age), and Timeline's Mitopure® (Urolithin A) show serious science-backed players are already monetizing this shift, not just researching it.

Skin longevity will be won by platforms that connect biological mechanisms, credible biomarkers and interventions with measurable consumer outcomes



AI IN SKINCARE: From skin analysis to skin intelligence

AI is moving from a back-office R&D tool to a front-of-house product experience, reshaping formulation, diagnosis, and personalization simultaneously.

01

AI as co-formulator

Generative AI now simulates ingredient interactions at atomic scale, compressing formulation R&D timelines and reducing physical testing waste.

02

Real-time diagnostics

CNN-based computer vision now quantifies 16+ skin parameters from a single selfie in seconds, collapsing what used to require a dermatologist visit into a phone camera.

03

Personalization at regimen-level

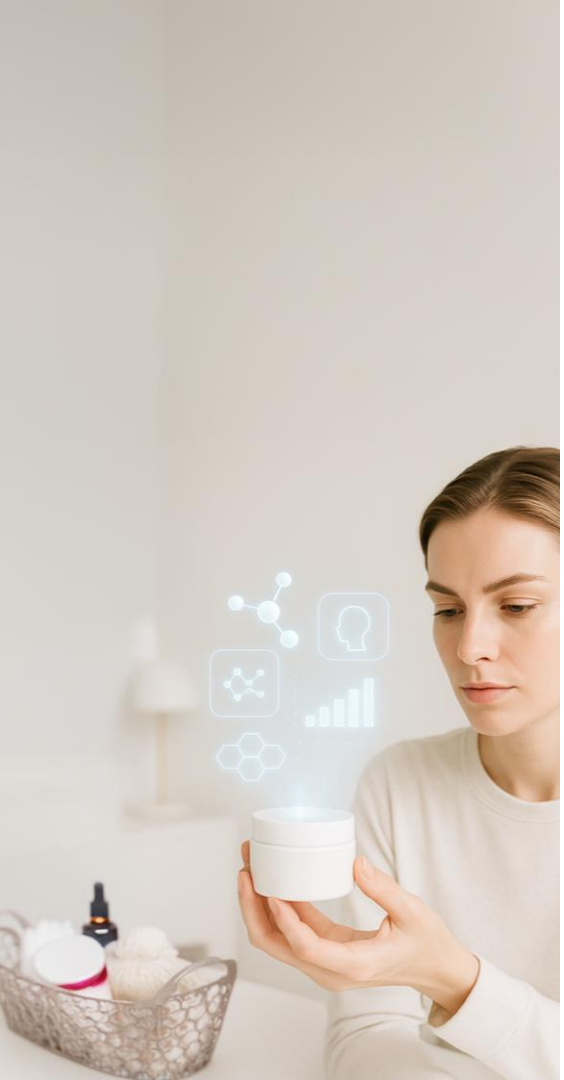
Leading players (Beiersdorf's algorithmic vegan range selecting from 380,000 formula combinations & Caligenix's 15+ marker genetic testing) are building full routines, cleanser through treatment, rather than recommending a single hero SKU.

04

Expansion beyond bathroom cabinet

AI-powered salon robotics (Henkel's SalonLab, robotic nail/lash application) show the same predictive logic moving into in-person service delivery.

AI creates strategic advantage when it connects diagnosis, formulation, recommendation and longitudinal response, not when it merely automates a skincare quiz.



Future of regenerative aesthetics

Aesthetics is shifting from correction to restoration, from temporarily changing how skin looks to biologically reprogramming how it behaves, via neocollagenesis and ECM remodeling rather than volumization alone.

01

Biostimulators lead on evidence

Particulate collagen stimulators (PLLA, CaHA, PCL, Galderma's Sculptra®, Merz's RADIESSE®, Sinclair's Ellansé®) show the most consistent histological data for durable dermal remodeling.

02

Cell-free biology is regulatorily unsettled

Exosomes and extracellular vesicles (ExoCoBio's ASCE+) show real mechanistic promise but remain unapproved by FDA/EMA for aesthetic use.

03

Polynucleotides are fast-maturing

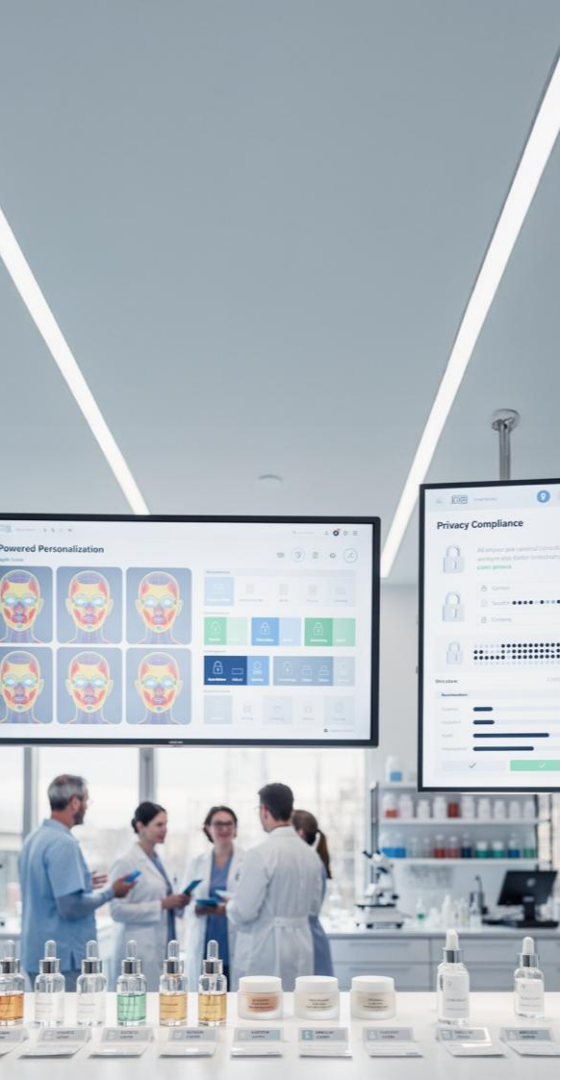
PDRN/PN injectables (PharmaResearch's REJURAN®) already have clearer regulatory standing than exosomes while still delivering genuine tissue-repair signaling & likely the nearest-term scalable regenerative bet.

04

Sequencing is becoming strategy

Leading protocols now pair biostimulatory priming with energy-based devices or injectables, shifting skin from a catabolic to anabolic state before structural treatment

Regenerative aesthetics will be defined by evidence architecture, clinical maturity and protocol design and not by regenerative language alone.



From single procedures to adaptive regime management

Aesthetic care is evolving from a single-procedure transaction to a longitudinal, data-driven patient journey wherein the treatment selection, sequencing, and adjustment are increasingly driven by measured response, not protocol defaults.

01

Quantitative and predictive assessment

AI facial-analysis tools (Galderma's FACE, Allergan's MAP, Haut.AI) now translate imaging into individualized treatment priorities that are replacing practitioner intuition with structured, repeatable data.

02

Evolving 3D simulation

Canfield's VECTRA and Crisalix let patients and practitioners preview outcomes and sequence multiple interventions before the first injection which is a meaningful shift in how treatment plans get built and sold.

03

Evidence-backed combination

Pairing complementary mechanisms (retinoids + peptides, PRP + microneedling, exosomes + lasers) shows measurable synergy across ECM remodeling, angiogenesis, and inflammation control

04

Dissolving clinic-to-home boundary

Digital platforms are increasingly linking in-clinic procedures to at-home maintenance regimens, extending brand relationships across the full patient journey rather than a single visit.

The most valuable personalization models will learn from response over time, shifting care from product selection to adaptive regime management.

The emerging skin-health innovation system

The future of skincare will not be determined by one technology, ingredient or aesthetic procedure. It will be shaped by how effectively the ecosystem connects biology, evidence, technology and intervention around the individual.

Skin longevity	Resilience, functional skin health-span and measurable biological mechanisms.
AI and skin intelligence	Diagnosis, formulation, personalization and longitudinal response measurement.
Regenerative aesthetics	Tissue remodeling, evidence quality, regulatory maturity and protocol design.
Personalization and combination care	Assessment, sequencing, combination and adaptation across care pathways.

The competitive unit is shifting from the hero ingredient, product or procedure to a defensible chain of evidence and a connected care pathway.

Scientific mechanism → Clinical evidence → Regulatory pathway → Claim → Consumer relevance

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