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### A case of severe tungiasis in Nigeri

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**Abstract:** We present a severe case of tungiasis (sand flea disease) in a mental disease, living in a rural village in Lagos State, Nigeria. More than 100 sand fleas were counted, causing severe pathology on the feet and distal limbs. Lesions also occurred on the hands, elbows, and buttocks. This cas

may cause severe disease in a small proportion of high-risk individuals in these communities. Action is needed to reduce severe morbidity caused by these diseases in this and other underprivileged communities.

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