

# Unbelievable Medical Conditions

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## 1. The Woman who has 200 orgasms every day

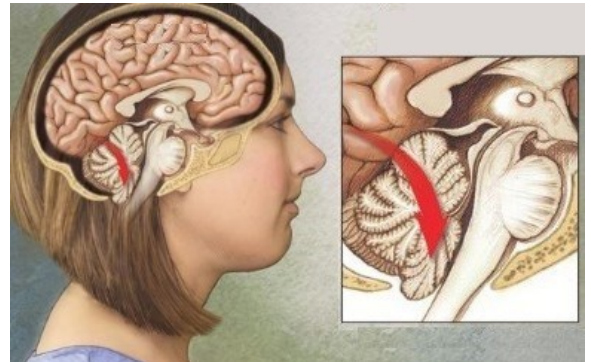
Sarah Carmen, 24, from the UK, gets around 200 orgasms every day. She suffers from “*Persistent genital arousal disorder*” (PGAD). PGAD is spontaneous, persistent, unwanted and uncontrollable genital arousal, and is typically not relieved by orgasm. Multiple orgasms, during hours or days, are usually required for relief. PGAD only occurs in women and is very rare. It is different from hyper- sexuality, which means “to have persistent sexual desire”. Sarah said “Sometimes I have so much sex, to try to satisfy myself, that I get bored of it. My boyfriends don't make much effort, because I reach climax so easily”. She believes that her condition is a side effect of a course of medication. “A week after the medication, I began to become more aroused, more frequently, and eventually, I just had continuous orgasms. Just thinking about sex is enough for me to climax. Her boyfriends find it difficult to satisfy her demands. “Often, I try to wear myself out, by having as many orgasms as possible, so that I can rest” she said.

## 2. The Man Who can't get Fat

Richard Perry, 59, can eat whatever he likes - pies, burgers, desserts - and he never gets fat. He can't put on weight because of a condition called *lipodystrophy*, that makes his body rapidly burn fat. He used to be a chubby child, but when he was 12, he lost all his fat in just a few days. He tried to gain weight, but extra food had no effect. Mr. Perry, from the UK, endured a decade of tests before the sickness was diagnosed. His body produces six times the normal level of insulin. His doctor said that the condition is an overweight person's dream!

## 3. The Boy Who Can't Sleep

Rhett Lamb, 3 years old, is like any other toddler, but there's one thing that makes him completely different: he has a rare medical condition which means he can't sleep. Rhett is awake 24 hours a day, and his condition has baffled his parents and doctors for years. After a number of conflicting opinions, Shannon and David Lamb finally learned what was wrong with their child: a rare condition called “Chiari Malformation”. Part of the brain is squeezed by an opening in the cranium. The only remedy is surgery.



## 4. The Girl Who is Allergic to Water

Teenager Ashleigh Morris, 19, can't go swimming, lie in a bath or take a shower – because she is allergic to water. Even her own sweat causes a painful rash. Ashleigh, from Melbourne, Australia, is allergic to water of any temperature, a condition she has had since she was 14. She suffers from an extremely rare skin condition called “*Aquagenic Urticaria*”.



## 5. The Woman Who Can't Forget

That's the story of AJ, a 40-year-old married woman who remembers everything. Researchers at UCI studied this extraordinary case. She has complete and detailed memories of her own life and all public events. If you randomly select a date from the past 30 years and ask her about it, she'll provide elaborate, verifiable details about what happened to her that day and if there were any significant news events. She can also remember what day of the week it was, and what the weather was like. Her complete name is not known, as she wishes to protect her privacy. UCI called her condition "*hyperthymestic syndrome*".

## 6. The Girl Who Eats Only Tic-Tacs

Natalie Cooper, a 17-year-old from the UK, has a mystery illness that makes her vomit every time she eats – anything! Well - almost anything. Only one thing doesn't make her sick: Tic-Tacs! For reasons that doctors are unable to explain, Tic-Tacs are the only thing that her stomach can stand. She has to get sustenance from a specially formulated feed through a tube directly into her stomach. But, as she explains, she doesn't have an aversion to food. "I like eating everything" says Natalie. "I enjoy eating, it just comes back up. It happens almost immediately and I am used to it - it's not painful. I really love chocolate cake – but it can be a bit messy!"



## 7. The Musician Who Can't Stop Hiccupping

Chris Sands, 24, from Lincoln in the UK, hiccups almost every two seconds. He has tried many different cures, including hypnosis and yoga, but nothing has worked. His problem is due to acid reflux caused by a damaged valve in his stomach. Mr. Sands is a backing singer for a pop group, but he has only been able to perform four times. Doctors say that the only cure would be surgery, but Mr. Sands is waiting for other possible cures.

## 8. The Girl Who Collapses Every Time She Laughs

Kay Underwood, 20, has *cataplexy*, which means that any strong emotion triggers a dramatic weakening of her muscles, causing her to collapse. Laughter, anger, fear, surprise, awe and embarrassment can cause her to collapse suddenly. Kay, of Leicestershire in the UK, once collapsed more than 40 times in one day. She says: "People think it is very strange when it happens, and it isn't easy to cope with their reactions". Most cataplexy sufferers, also suffer from *narcolepsy* - a condition that makes you sleep suddenly. Narcolepsy affects around 30,000 people in the UK and about 70 per cent of them also have cataplexy.

## 9. The Woman Who is Allergic to Modern Technology

For most people who use a mobile phone or a microwave oven, technology is simply part of their lives. But using these devices is impossible for Debbie Bird, 39, because she is allergic to electromagnetic fields. She is so sensitive to electromagnetic fields created by computers, mobile phones and microwave ovens, that she develops a painful skin rash. Consequently, Mrs Bird, a health spa manager, has transformed her home into an 'EMF-free zone'. "My life and home have completely changed due to my condition" she said.