Buruli ulcer

A chronic, debilitating skin disease caused by a bacterium.

**Early detection is critical**

Most lesions occur on the limbs.

Skin lesions → Small ulcer → Large ulcer

**Reported in 33 countries**

- Skin lesions
- Small ulcer
- Large ulcer

**Can be cured**

- Combined antibiotics
- Disability prevention

**Research priorities**

Simple diagnostic tools + Mode of transmission

In Africa, half of patients are aged under 15 years.

Countries reporting cases:
- Previously
- Currently

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