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Paraplegic girl mutilated after being attacked by rats as she slept

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A 14-year-old disabled girl in France has been seriously injured after being bitten by a swarm of rats as she slept.

The girl was sleeping in her apartment when she was attacked by a number of rats who bit her over two hundred times.

Her father found her in a pool of blood, covered in over 225 rat bites on her legs, face and hands.

Some of her fingertips were chewed completely off.

The family intend to sue the landlord of the property for negligence after the horrific incident.

He said he had complained to the landlord about bins that had been piled up outside the property.

The family have since been moved to alternative accommodation.



He thought his daughter, Samantha, had been the victim of a violent break in when he first found her

"She was bleeding from her ears, I thought she'd had a brain haemorrhage.

"I had the fright of my life," he told local newspaper, Courier Picard.

He said that his daughter would probably have felt the rats biting her but would have been unable to call for help.

"She must have felt the rats on her but didn't have the presence of mind to call us," he said.

The girl is in critical condition in hospital and may not recover from her injuries.

"She's received a battery of vaccines. Her fingertips have been gnawed off. It's not operable," he said.

Doctors have told the family that it is highly unusual for rats to attack someone like this, saying that rats usually only excessively bite people who are deceased.

This is literally the stuff nightmares are made of and we're hoping the girl can make a recovery after her ordeal.