

Disabled Austrian eaten to death by maggots: police

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A paralysed Austrian man was eaten to death by maggots in his bed while his partner slept beside him, police said Wednesday.

The 61-year-old retiree died in an ambulance on his way to hospital in Vienna on Tuesday with the <u>maggots</u> having partly devoured his back.

Paramedics notified police after discovering the shocking state of hygiene in the man's home, and his 34-year-old partner was questioned over his condition.

"The man had not wanted to be washed for a long time," a police spokesman said.

According to police, the couple had been together for around a decade, and the victim's partner had slept in the same bed right up until his death.

The dead man had been paralysed for several years following a stroke.

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