

WHAT IS MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS?

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a disease affecting the central nervous system, that is the nerves in the brain and spinal cord. 'Sclerosis' means scarring or hardening of patches of tissue. 'Multiple' because this happens at more than one place.

There is a wide range of possible symptoms, including fatigue, eyesight problems, cognition issues and altered sensations. The symptoms vary from person to person and from day to day. MS is a lifelong condition. It is not fatal, infectious or contagious.

Who is affected by MS?



There are over
130,000
people living
with MS in the UK



There are nearly
three times as many
women
as men diagnosed



People are
commonly diagnosed
when they're in their
20s & 30s

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