

Sport Faces Ruin As Sumo Wrestlers Lose Their Hair



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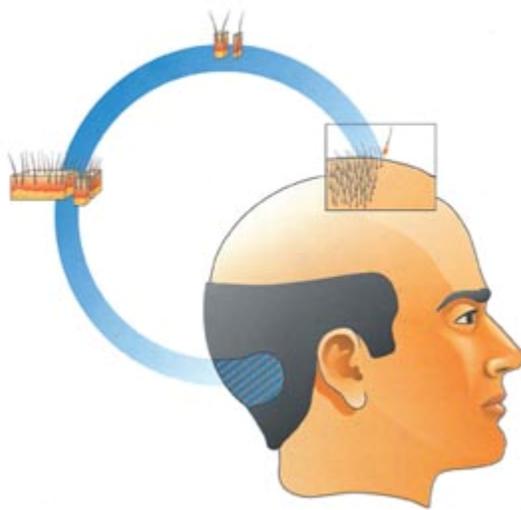
As the wrestlers grapple with one another, the fungus spreads itching and baldness, causing flakes of skin to flake off. The disease also enters hair follicles and causes hair loss – causing much disquiet in the sport as the wrestlers lose their famous 'top-knots'.

Wrestlers have been forced to undertake a three-month course of drugs to rid themselves of the disease, but the hair loss is permanent. Throughout the sport, hair is recognised as central to a wrestlers' reputation, in much the same way that in many cultures hair is acknowledged as a symbol of virility.

Since the Edo period sumo wrestlers have been expected to grow their hair long and adopt the 'top-knot' style. Such is the superstition surrounding a wrestler's hair, Yokozuna Tochigiyama, Japan's most successful wrestlers, retired in his prime in 1925 as he did not have enough hair.

Men in the United Kingdom need not go to such lengths if they are suffering from hair loss.

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