Multiple pterygium syndrome is a very rare genetic disorder characterized by minor facial anomalies, short stature, vertebral defects, multiple joints in a fixed position (contractures) and webbing (pterygia) of the neck, inside bend of the elbows, back of the knees, armpits and fingers. Multiple pterygium syndrome usually follows autosomal recessive inheritance but can also follow autosomal dominant inheritance. Multiple pterygium syndrome is a very rare genetic disorder that affects males and females equally. There have been approximately fifty cases of this disorder reported in the medical literature. Multiple pterygium syndrome has been found in Germany, France and England.