



## Four Legged Buddha Image and Polymelia: A Medical Anthropology Evidence

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### Abstract

The Buddha image is the image built in the place of the Lord Buddha. Stone, ivory, wood, and other materials can be used to create carvings. Clay is another option. Alternatively, metal can be cast. In general, the term Buddha usually refers to. The statue is big enough to be revered. The building of the Buddha figure is linked to local art and belief. The influence of anthropological background is fascinating. In general, local sculptures may represent both local conditions and distinctions in human anatomy. The authors of this page describe and investigate incidents involving Buddha statues that occurred in Thailand, a Southeast Asian country. The unusual Buddha with four legs, which could indicate the occurrence of a rare birth.

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### Introduction

The Buddha image refers to the image created in place of the Lord Buddha. to worship Carvings may be made from materials such as stone, ivory, wood, or other materials. Clay may also be used. Or cast with metal. In general, the word Buddha usually means. The figure is large enough to be worshiped. The construction of Buddha image is attached to local art and belief. The effect of anthropological background is interesting. In general, the local sculpture might represent both the local conditions and the differences in human structure. The authors of this page describe and examine occurrences involving Buddha statues that occurred in Thailand, a country in Southeast Asia. The strange Buddha with four legs that might reflect existence of a rare birth deformity, polymelia is presented.

### Case studies

In some specific Buddhist temples, the ancient Buddha image has extraordinary excessive legs. The famous images include:

### A. Wat Salakreun

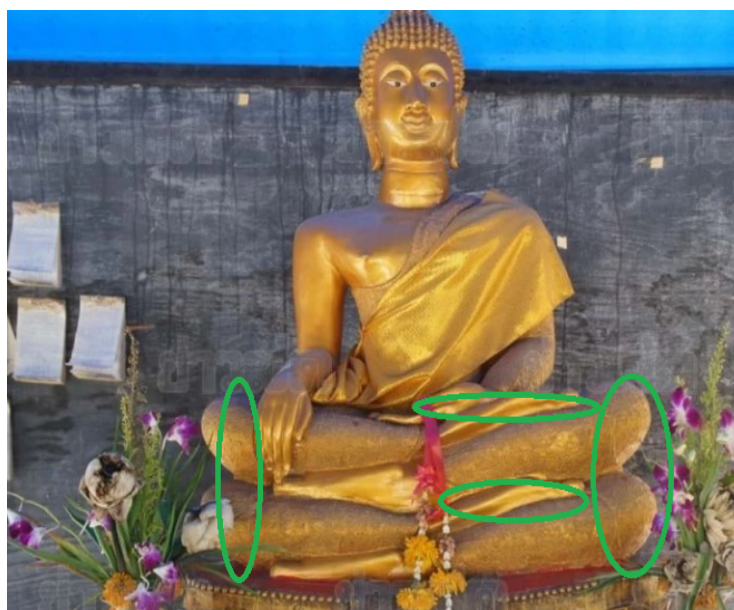
This temple located in Bangkok, capital of Thailand. The ancient Buddha is called “Laung Por Si Khao” or buddha image with four knees. This specific image has four knees.

### B. Wat Boonkanjanaram

This temple locates at Pattaya, the world famous sea resort. At this temple, there is a famous Buddha image namely: LaungPror Si Kar: or buddha image with four legs. This specific image has four legs.



A. Wat Salakreun



B. Wat Boonkanjanaram

Figure 1. Some famous Buddha image with four legs

## Discussion

It's fascinating to see medical anthropological evidences in local art. The evidence found in the art of religious artifacts is provided in this paper. The Buddha image reflects a specific medical ailment, polymelia. Polymelia in general. Polymelia is a congenital condition characterized by one or more extra legs [1 - 2]. Polymelia, also known as congenital limb duplication, is an extremely rare condition in humans, with only a few cases recorded in the literature [1 - 2]. It can coexist with other organ problems, such as heart and liver disorders, at times [3]. According to some reports, the infant had a positive prognosis and evolution following surgical treatment of his supernumerary leg, with no aftereffects or handicap [1]. It exists, although it is quite uncommon.

It exists, although it is quite uncommon. A local artifact may have preserved the individual's history with a larger pair of shoes in the past. It's fascinating to observe how the Buddha picture reflects reality. This essay makes it quite evident that ectrodactyly should have existed for a very long period in the area under consideration.

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