Cardi-Row

Wheelchair Accessible Back and Cardio Workout



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Summary

- Statement of Problem
- Need Finding
- Existing Products
- Design Process
- Testing with Users
- Future Development
- Questions?

Problem Statement

Existing outdoor accessible exercise equipment does not meet all the needs of the wheelchair driving population.

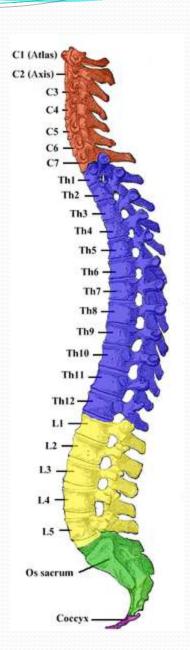
Trip to VA: Need Finding

- "The point of therapy is to help people reintegrate into society" – VA team
 - Want machines that all users can use
- Lack of cardio machines for wheelchair users
- Lack of resistance variation
- Machine that accommodate all the conditions of our target users



Target Users

- Wheelchair users with C6 or lower spinal injury
 - Limited hand and wrist control
 - Full elbow control
 - Limited trunk stability
 - No use of legs
- Non-wheelchair users



Design Requirements

Develop an exercise machine that:

- Is usable by our entire user base
 - Varying athletic abilities
 - Varying grip strength
 - Varying trunk stability
 - Varying wheelchair configuration
- Has variable resistance without free weights
- Is weather resistant

Wheelchair treadmill and hand-cycle for cardio workout





Wheelchair Latpull



Traditional Latpull and Rower



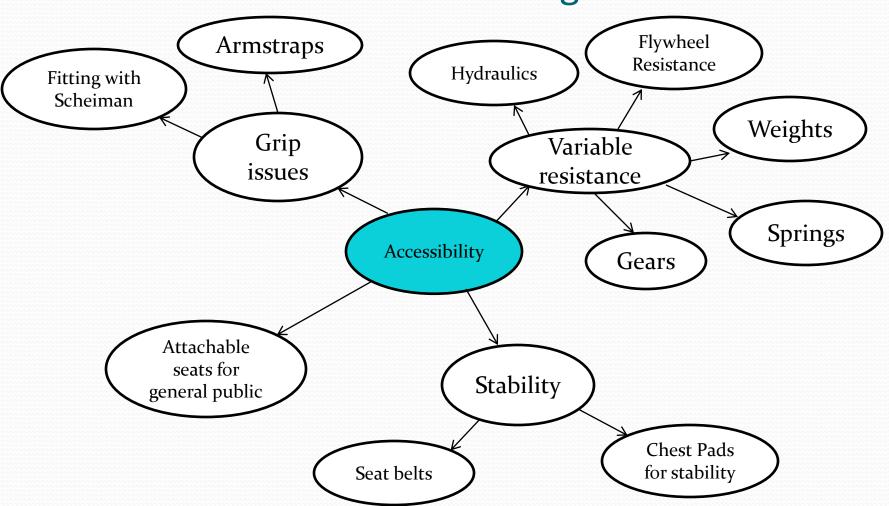


Scheiman Rebuild Fitness





Brainstorming



Our Resistance Solution

Resistance wheel



Existing Solutions

- Weights
- Hydraulics
- Friction
- User bodyweight

Our Stability Solution

Adjustable Chestpad



Existing solutions

- Seatbelts
- Not addressed on most machines

Our Gripping Solutions

Armstraps



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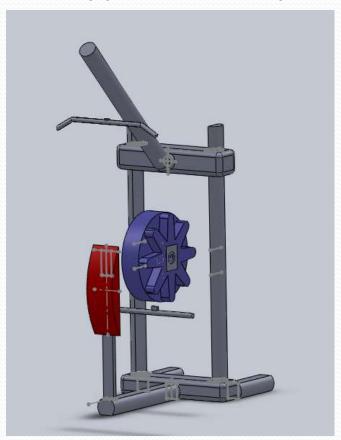
Dual Purpose Machine

- Lat pull
- Cardio rower





Prototype Development



Early CAD design

Prototype Development





Foam Core Model

Prototype Development



Tested Model

User Testing at the VA





User Testing at the VA





User Testing at the VA

Final Model





Future Development

- Adjustability
 - Telescoping and height adjustment of chestpad
 - Height adjustment of latpull bar
- Bilateral control
 - Dual independent handles
- Independence of rower and latpull
 - Multiple rowers
 - Dual independent cables
- Enhance weather resistance

Questions?