Aesthetics Matter

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Presentation Agenda:

- 1.) A bit about me.
- 2.) Examples of designers/companies/hackers who put aesthetics at the center of their design process for assistive technologies.
- 3.) PERS (personal electronic response system) work I have done that confronts the importance of aesthetics and how it affects a user's decision to wear an assistive device.
- 4.) Call to Action: How might we integrate aesthetic choices into assistive tech to positively affect the user's experience?

















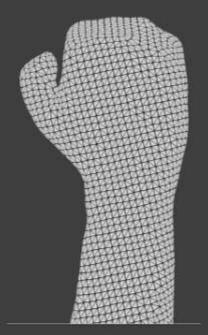
Procedure





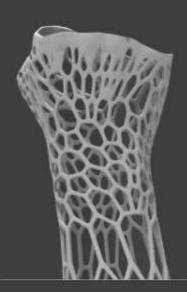
Limb is X-Rayed in order to identify the break and its exact position.





Arm is 3D scanned in order to define the exact dimension of the limb.





Dimensions and data are fed into the computer. Cast is generated with optimal support for vulnerable areas and to the exact limb size for a snug fit.

CORTEX



The Cortex Exoskeletal cast shown fitted snuggly on the patient's arm giving lightweight but super strong support exactly where needed for this particular wrist fracture. No more heavy weight, malodorous bulk for this lucky patient.

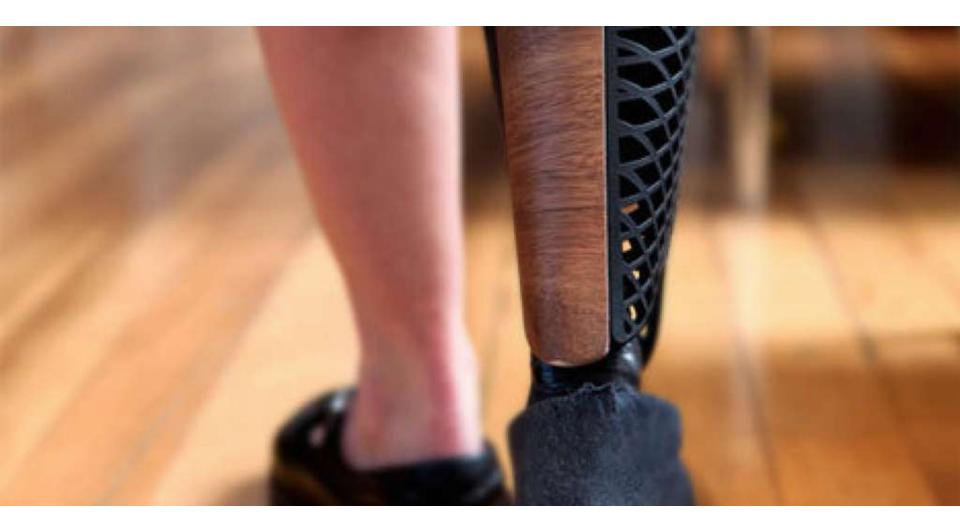


Discreet and thin there is no problem wearing a shirt and suit jacket over the Cortex Exoskeletal cast.



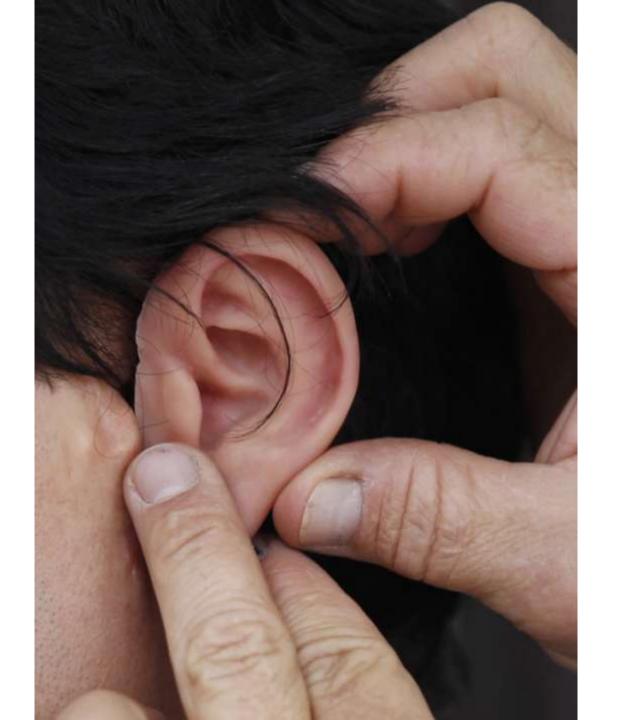
Fully washable and shower friendly and eco friendly too.

















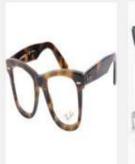


























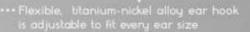




Concept by Nick Morgan Jones-German Designer http://nick.morgan-jones.com/#about



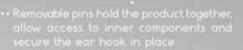
Detailed View



Rechargeable battery gives up to 20 hour of use per cycle

Microphone placed in front of the ear to improve directional hearing





KeySync key ring allows the user to adjust volume and turn the hearing aid on and off remotely through magnetic interaction

Receiver in the ear canal to support mile to severe hearing loss

Vents in hearing aid and clip-on case to not obscure the microphone



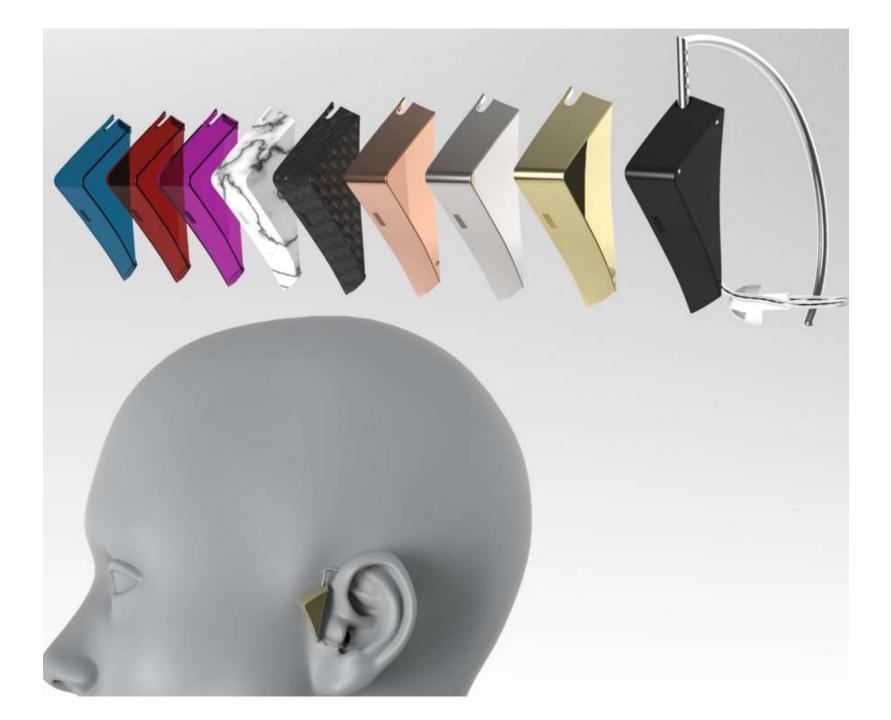
hassle of battery changing



*Inductive coil allows hearing aid to charge when stored in the box

*Removable AC adapter leaves the user with a convenient travel case







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This is what the back of the beads look like:



To turn them into decorations for my hearing aids we used a bit of red wire from the bead shop, and passed it through the gaps at the back, like this,



We piece at the back is very soft, so you can bend it easily to put the wire through. You have to leave enough space to put the tube of the hearing aid through. Then you make a knot with the wire, and cut the ends off so they don't scratch your ears.

And this is what the decorations look like,





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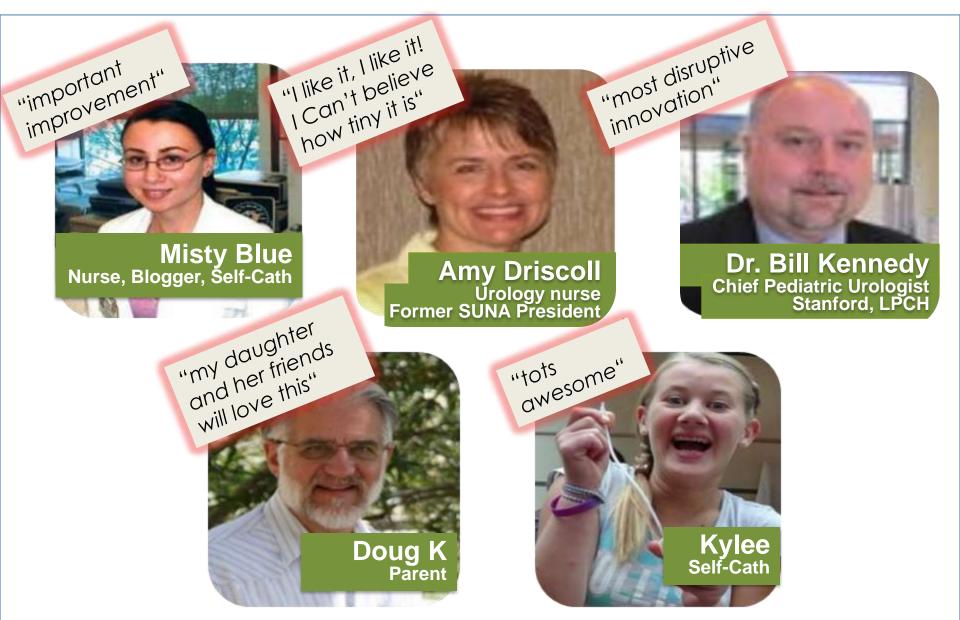
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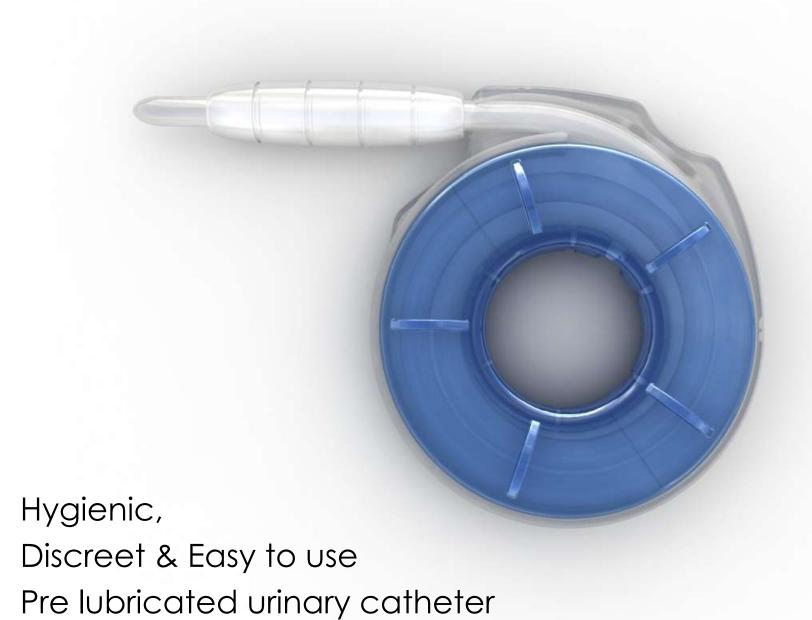






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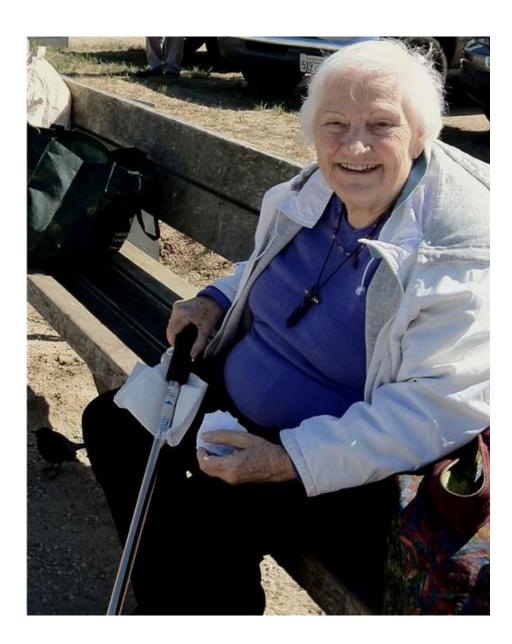


Reconsidering the Aesthetics of Emergency Call Devices



"I don't like to wear it, it's not attractive."

Naomi, 82 Lives alone in Lytton Garden Assisted Living Facility in Palo Alto.





Winter Quarter- Assistive Technology

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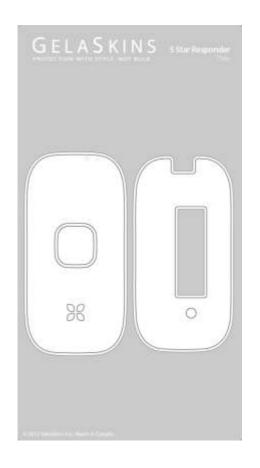
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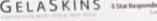




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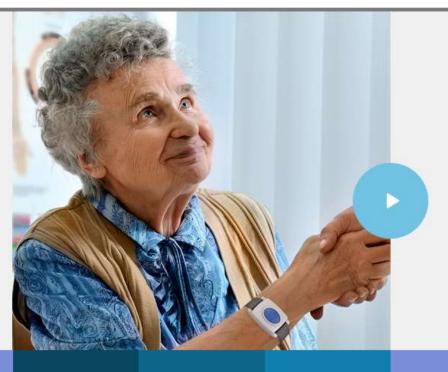








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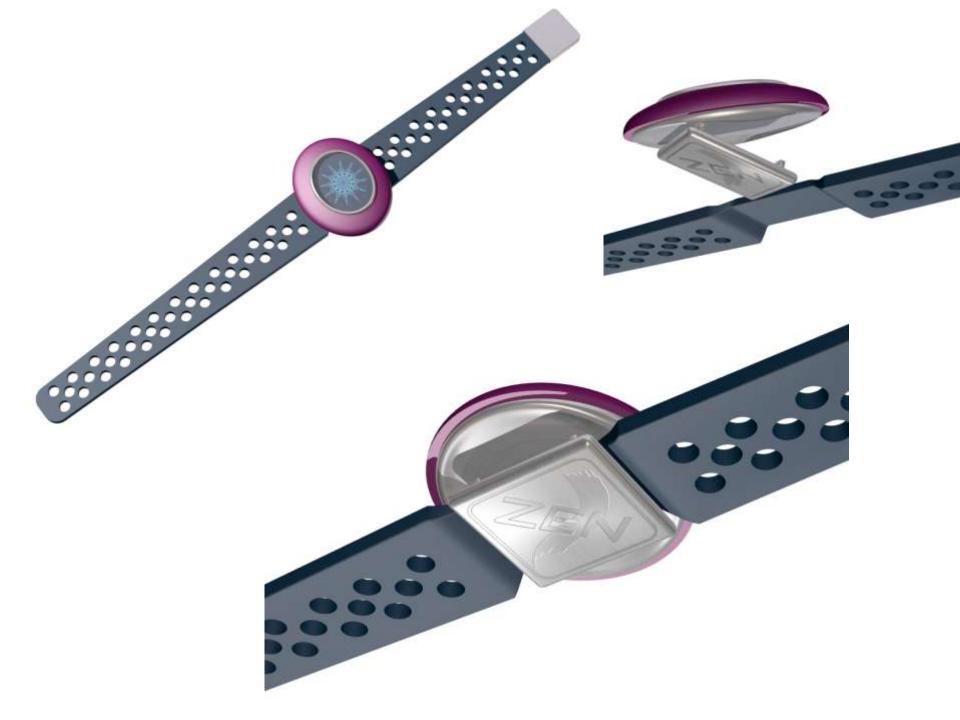
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