

Robert Woo Reduces Medications Using the ReWalk

My name is Robert Woo.* I am an Architect, and I sustained a T4 complete spinal cord injury when 7 tons of steel studs fell on top of me while I was working on a job site in 2007. I have been a ReWalker since 2011.



Has your level of activity changed with the ReWalk?

Before ReWalk, I trained on an Ekso Bionics exoskeleton, and I also had a fitness bike at home. When I started using ReWalk, I stopped using the fitness bike. I was getting a lot more exercise from the ReWalk.

Have your medications changed since using the ReWalk?

I take less medications. I have eliminated all of my narcotic-based medication. I no longer need them because of the ReWalk. When I am standing, it relieves all my pain. Being off narcotics, I'm not as exhausted, and I have a lot more energy. When I'm back in my chair, the pain comes back again. I was taking narcotic-based pain meds several times per day, and now I take none.

Have you experienced any physical changes since you started using the ReWalk?

I used to have leg spasms, but those are gone, and I no longer need medication as a result of ReWalking. When I stop using ReWalk, the spasms come back. As soon as I walk, the spasms go away.

Bowel management improved greatly in regularity and ease. Before using ReWalk, it took once every few days to empty the bowel. I also used a lot of laxative tablets. It would take at least 2 hours to evacuate the bowel. After using the ReWalk, I was regular, and evacuation was easy and fast, within 30-45 minutes. There was no pain, and I stopped using laxatives.

My body has changed as well. I've lost fat and gained muscle.

Any other comments on how ReWalk has affected you?

I feel great! I look forward to being able to walk and go out with my family, hug my wife, take my children to the park, and do many things using the ReWalk that I thought I couldn't do after my injury and being confined to a wheelchair.

*This testimonial is based on individual experience and is not intended to represent clinical results of ReWalk.