

TECH SOCK ENGINEERS

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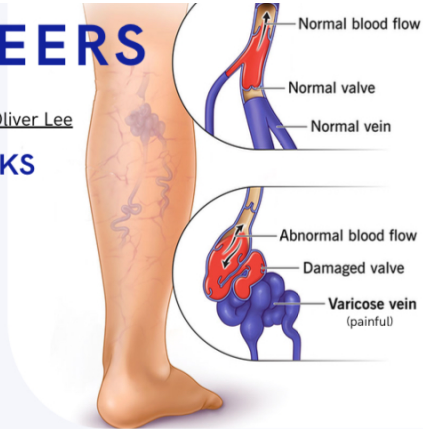
HOW MIGHT WE MAKE COMPRESSION SOCKS MORE ACCESSIBLE FOR ELDERS

Tired Weakness
 Long-time Standing
20% OF ADULTS GET VARICOSE VEINS
 Age Pregnancy
 Sedentary Lifestyle

Current Socks are...

- Cheap
- Cure
- Easy to Get
- Strength
- Unfriendly
- Complex

But it Has Problems...



Improve Grip

Improve Overall Wearability

SOLUTION DIRECTIONS



Handle Sock



Corset Sock



Velcro Sock

Our Uniqueness

ACCESSIBLE

- User-Centered
- No/Little Strength Requirement
- Remain Cheap
- Easy to Use

SIMPLE

- No Prior Knowledge
- No Excessed Machinery
- No Complicated Procedure
- Intuitive

EFFECTIVE

- Treat the Disease
- No Causing Harms
- Easy to Sustain & Clean

The handle sock adds 2 strong elastic handles to the sides of the sock to facilitate grip when pulling it up, and the handles are collapsible to make them non-obtrusive. The corset and velcro ideas make the sock loose to put on, then adjustable to tighten on the leg. The corset sock uses polyester boning and laces up, while the velcro sock uses attachable elastic straps.



Subject Tests

- We asked students to wear the **handle sock**, and added different hurdles to simulate the difficulties that elders might face.
- We timed them wearing normal vs modified sock.

The **corset sock** was made too big to test with human subjects, so we tested functionality on the dummy leg.



TRACTION EXPERIMENTS

FUTURE



EARLY ADOPTER PLANS

- Partner with local hospitals and geriatric care homes
- Doctors can recommend our product to patients
- Contact local manufacturers