

# Man that feels no fear!

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## *Cushing's syndrome*

42-year-old husband and father of 2, Jordy Cernik was diagnosed with the rare condition back in 2005. His story starts when his first child was born and he was unable to hold her, due to constant sweating. His weight had bloated to almost 17 stone over a number of years previous, which his doctor was unable to help him. But after being seen by a junior doctor who had just studied the condition, Jordy's life was about to change dramatically.

Over the next 10 years Jordy would have to go through numerous brain operations and two adrenal removal procedures. One through keyhole surgery, the second the more painful full rib removal and open adrenal attack. Along the way there would be more complications including a huge brain leak that would lead him to pneumonia, life support, meningitis and even cardiac arrest. If that wasn't bad enough he then faced plastic surgery to remove large areas of fat from his chest to prevent heart attacks. Rhinoplasty to rebuild the inside of his nose that had decayed from the brain operations, which has now left him reliant on a cocktail of drugs for the rest of his life.

But this is where he really started to get fearless!

During a visit to Disneyland Paris in 2012 to help celebrate the end of his treatment, Jordy was about to encounter a strange reaction to all his medical problems. He boarded one of the many rollercoasters, but found that he had no form of enjoyment or reaction to the speeding ride.

Then in 2013 Jordy was starting to get his life back together, so he thought he would take on some challenges to help raise money for a national children's charity. Up first was a zip wire but as he sat 84ft above the water on the edge with his legs dangling off the Tyne Bridge, he felt no fear. At this point he knew something was wrong, but he also knew his next challenge would definitely give him an answer. He boarded the small twin-engine plane that would take him to 17,000 feet and a natural fearful leap of faith, but he soon realised he was feeling no emotion towards what he was about to do. Even at the point where his legs dangled from the aeroplane with the wind banging off his face, he still felt nothing. It was very clear from this moment, that Jordy did not have a normal reaction to what we know as fear.

With no true explanation from any of his doctors, Jordy agreed to take part in the 2016 BBC2 science program Dr Weston's casebook. He also agreed to take on any challenge that the producers felt necessary to get a true reading. So with the help of Dr Garfinkel (a specialist on fear from the University of Sussex), Jordy was monitored and tested while he descended a 400 foot tower and the results were astonishing. Jordy's reaction flatlined, this meant that he had no reaction at all to any form of fear or stress that normal human beings would have had. The data collected and hopefully future endeavours will help scientists to understand more about his strange reaction and in time hopefully may find solutions for people that are constantly under attack from the own fear perceptions.

Jordy is now on a mission to help promote Cushing's syndrome and hopefully clinch a deal to make a number of programs for both TV and radio using this unique and inhuman response.

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