



Samantha Bosco was born in Anchorage, Alaska, with a posteromedial bow of the right tibia and a calcaneal valgus foot that was corrected at the age of four by having a wedge of bone surgically removed. At the age of 11, with the dream of becoming a professional cyclist already deep set, Bosco underwent a limb lengthening surgery that would eliminate the length discrepancy. Complications and errors in the surgery had Bosco trading in her bikes for crutches and seeing her dream fade away.

After three years of enduring crutches, Bosco was left with permanent damage to her right leg – shorter, immobile ankle, smaller foot, impaired muscle strength and nerve damage. With a different sport and a few bumps along the way, Bosco found her way back to cycling in 2011. Rising through the road categories as an “able-body” cyclist, Bosco found out about paracycling from a friend and raced her first paracycling race in 2013. Later that same year, she made the national team and won her first bronze medal time trial at the Paracycling Road World Championships. Three years later, Bosco made her first Team USA Paralympic Games roster, winning two bronze medals at the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

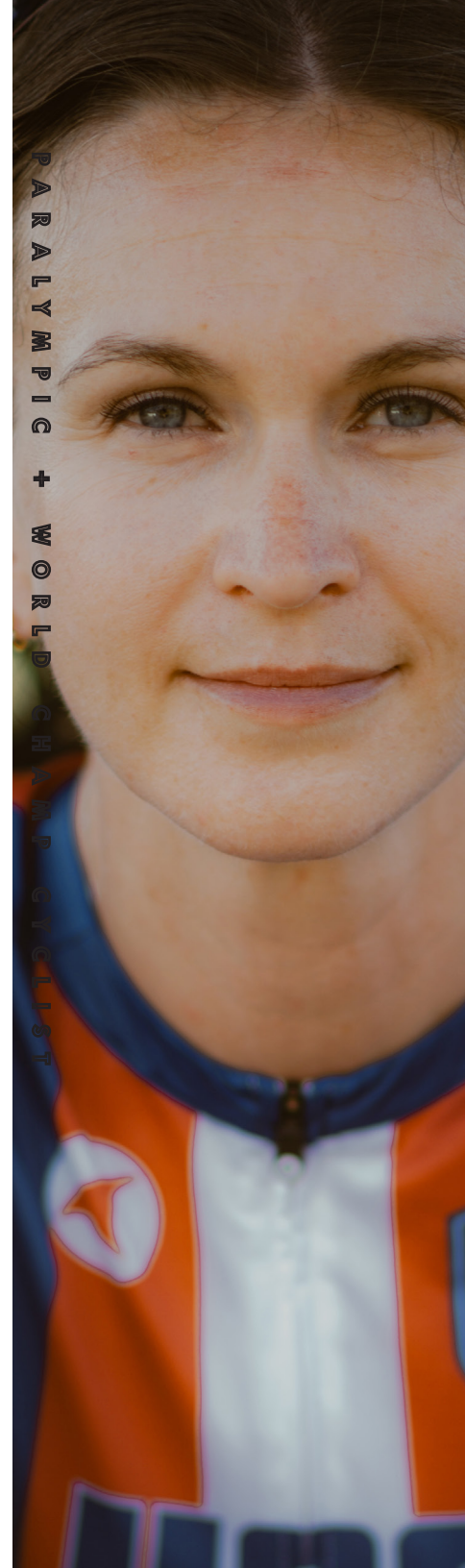
Bosco continues to live her dream of being a professional cyclist as a member of the US Paralympics Cycling national team and, despite a significant head injury sustained days after receiving an ESPY nominee for Best Female Athlete with a Disability and making the roster for her second Paralympic Games, is training to take on more Paralympic Games while pursuing entrepreneurship and mentor future astronauts, doctors, athletes, and big dreamers.

♥ SAMMIECRANKS

The moniker came about from Samantha's mom, who jokingly called her crabby Samantha for her love of Alaskan King Crab. When she started racing road bikes, Samantha's mom signed her up on USA Cycling as Cranky Sam to gift Samantha her first road cycling license. Sammiecranks became a memento to her first supporters.

SAMANTHA BOSCO

PARALYMPIC + WORLD CHAMPION CYCLIST





2 x BRONZE

Paralympic Games
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

5 x WORLD TITLES

3K Individual Pursuit, 2017
Time Trial, 2023 and 2022
Road Race, 2023 and 2022

3 x WORLD CUP SERIES

2017, 2022, 2023 Series Overall Leader
36 total world cup medals (15 gold)

21 x WORLD MEDALS

5 gold
6 silver
10 bronze

16 x NATIONAL CHAMP

12 road titles
4 track titles



Sammie Cranks