

## Czechs present bicycle that can fly

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Is it a bike? Is it a plane?

Three Czech companies have teamed up to make a prototype of an [electric bicycle](#) that successfully took off Wednesday inside an exhibition hall in Prague and landed safely after a remote-controlled, five-minute flight.

Looking like a heavy mountain bike, it weighs 95 kilograms (209 pounds). It has two battery-power [propellers](#) in the front, two in the back and one each on the sides.



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A dummy rode in the saddle.



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Milan Duchek, technical director of Duratec, a bicycle frames maker, says more powerful batteries will be needed before a human takes a two-wheeled flight.



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