CIO Launches SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K on Kickstarter, Building on Ultra Slim 3K's Breakout Crowdfunding Success

A 5,000mAh power bank arrives on Kickstarter September 28, following Ultra Slim 3K's breakout Makuake campaign.



SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K measures just 6.83mm thin with a 5,000mAh battery, setting a new standard for thinness in its category.



CIO's SmartCoby Ultra Slim power bank features a sleek, durable stainless steel body just 0.30mm thin.

OSAKA, MORIGUCHI, JAPAN, September 29, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- CIO, a Japan based charging accessories brand, today launched its Kickstarter campaign for SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K, a 5,000mAh wireless power bank in a 6.83mm stainless steel body. The campaign is live now on Kickstarter, with Super Early Bird pledges starting at $45.74

SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K pairs a semi-solid battery cell with a stainless steel shell, making it one of the thinnest 5,000mAh wireless power banks in its category. It is built with NovaCore C3, a battery health and cycle tracking system that reports wear over time rather than leaving it to guesswork, with a rated cycle life of approximately 300 charge cycles. The power bank offers wireless charging up to 15W for EPP compatible Android phones and 7.5W for iPhone 12 through the newest models, plus a USB-C port delivering up to 20W wired, though not at the same time.

At 6.83mm, SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K is thinner than nearly every iPhone on the market, including the iPhone 17 Air, so it slides into a jacket pocket, bag pocket, or laptop sleeve without adding noticeable bulk, a fit suited to daily commuting or a work bag that already carries a

laptop and charger. Full pass through charging lets it stay plugged in overnight on a nightstand with a phone attached, charging both the phone and the power bank without extra wear on the power bank's own battery, a setup that also works well in a hotel room with limited outlets while traveling. The semi solid battery cell was chosen in part for a lower risk of fire or swelling compared to standard lithium ion cells, a consideration for anyone carrying a power bank through airport security or keeping one in a bag for long stretches. NovaCore C3 gives a running view of battery health and cycle count on the five LED display, so rather than guessing when a power bank is wearing out, a user can see it directly and plan ahead before performance drops.



Solid-state evolution, at 4.87mm.

SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K follows SmartCoby Ultra Slim 3K, CIO's MagSafe compatible power bank that funded on Makuake at 10,192 percent of its 300,000 yen goal, raising more than 30.5 million yen, roughly $200,000, from 3,856 backers. It went on to fund a second campaign on Kickstarter at 2,550 percent of its goal, adding roughly $16,000 more from 267 backers. Ultra Slim 3K recently became available on Amazon in the US for $73.99, alongside CIO's Shopify store, and remains part of CIO's current SmartCoby lineup.

The Makuake campaign drew 281 backer comments and 41 progress updates over five weeks, crossing milestones of 10 million yen raised and 1,000 backers along the way. Early pledges started at 6,980 yen, a 22 percent discount off the 8,980 yen retail price, and included a battery recycling tier that gave backers a discount for returning an old power bank. The Kickstarter campaign added another 64 comments and 7 updates across its own 39 day run.

Backers can pledge starting at $45.74 for SmartCoby Ultra Slim SS5K, with an estimated ship date of December 2026. The campaign runs through October 28th on Kickstarter. Final specifications, weight, and pricing remain preliminary and subject to change ahead of fulfillment.

CIO designs charging accessories including power banks, wall chargers, car chargers, and cable management products, sold direct to consumers in the US through Shopify and Amazon. CIO has won Japan's Good Design Award three consecutive years, 2022 through 2024. For more information, visit https://connectinternationalone-global.com/s/1e029a.

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