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Global table tennis body establishes test lab in Singapore with NTU

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The International Table Tennis Federation sets up a joint lab with Nanyang Technological University, which will focus on testing of table tennis balls and racket coverings, among other projects.

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File photo of Feng Tianwei (C) and Yu Mengyu (R) during the Commonwealth Games women's doubles final. The ITTF Lab@ISR will offer services such as testing table tennis balls and racket coverings. (Photo: Commonwealth Games Singapore)

SINGAPORE: The International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) and Nanyang Technological University (NTU) on Thursday (Oct 2) announced the establishment of a joint laboratory.




ITTF said the ITTF Lab@ISR, which is hosted by the varsity's Institute of Sports Research (ISR), will provide services such as testing of table tennis balls and racket coverings. It will also regulate the establishment and conduct of projects related to the sport, it added.

"This collaboration with NTU will provide a platform for the ITTF to have access to the university's research facilities, to explore and evaluate possible new testing methods that will be of potential to both parties, and to the development of the sport," the press release said.




ISR will provide the technical personnel, lab space, testing equipment and the technical expertise to carry out the scope of work in the joint lab.

"Table tennis is one of the most emblematic, Asia-centric sport and NTU will be able to support ITTF in engineering new testing protocols to sustain the development of the sport for fair competition," said NTU Provost Professor Freddy Boey.

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