

## NTU launches \$30 million 3D printing research centre



Photo: Nanyang Technological University

Minister of State Lee Yi Shyan looking at various 3D-printed jewellery showcased at the launch of the NTU Additive Manufacturing Centre.

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SINGAPORE - The Nanyang Technological University (NTU) launched a \$30 million 3D printing research centre on Monday to pioneer new ways of using the technology for fields such as medicine and construction.

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**Here is the statement from Nanyang Technological University:**

In future, knee and bone implants customised to fit individual patients could be easily made using 3D printers.

Medical devices and tissue printing are among the key research areas that Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is ramping up on with the launch of its new \$30 million 3D printing centre.

The NTU Additive Manufacturing Centre (NAMC) was officially launched by Mr Lee Yi Shyan, Senior Minister of State for Trade and Industry and National Development, this morning.

At the launch, NTU also signed a \$5 million joint laboratory agreement with SLM Solutions, one of the world's leading manufacturers of 3D printers.

NTU President Professor Bertil Andersson said additive manufacturing is a revolutionary technology that is changing the face of innovation and that NTU is well placed to excel in the fast growing field.

Today's launch event for the new centre also marks the finale of the second International 3D printing competitions 2014. It also opened Singapore's 1st International Conference on Progress in Additive Manufacturing, which will see more than a hundred scientific papers from over 20 countries being shared and presented among academics and industry players.



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