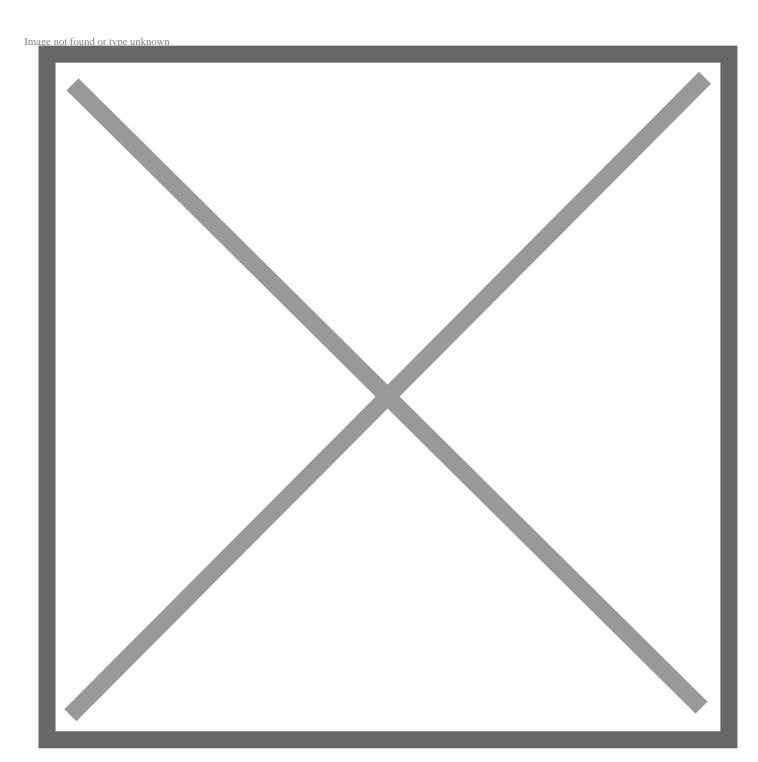
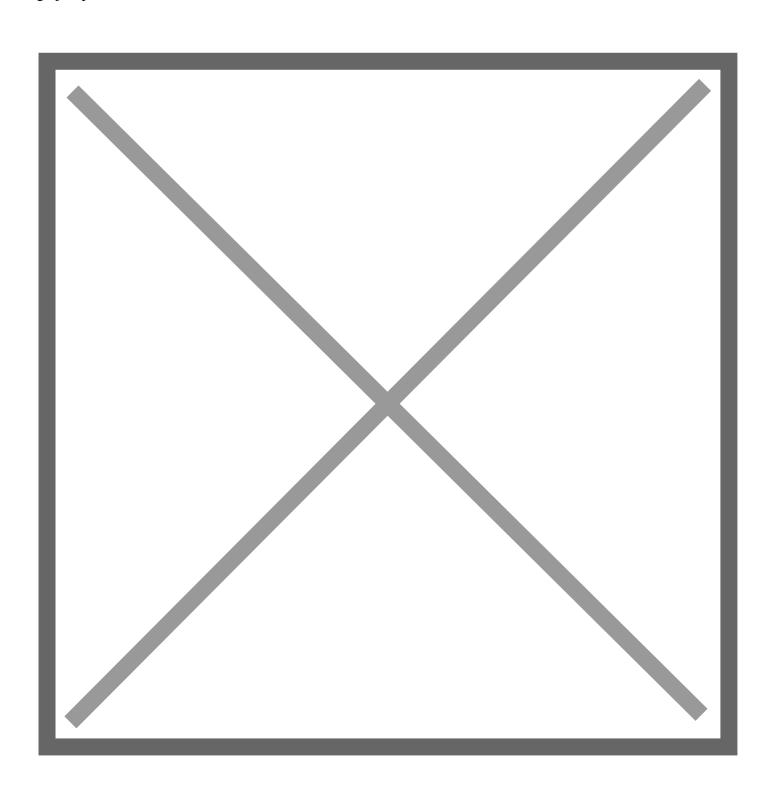
Team USA and Team Toyota's Ezra Frech Wins First Paralympic Medal at Paris 2024

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PARIS (**Sept. 2, 2024**) – For the first time in his Paralympic career, Ezra Frech is a Paralympic medalist, capturing the gold medal in the Men's Track 100m T63 event at the Paralympic Games Paris 2024. Frech posted his personal best time of 12.06 seconds in the final round on Monday.

"I'm quite shocked," Frech said. "I'm still taking it in right now. I was definitely not expecting to go out there and win. I knew I could, but I have high jump tomorrow and that's where my focus has been. I was treating this as a warm-up for high jump, to get the blood flowing and have a good race, then come back tomorrow and win high jump."



Frech made his Paralympic Games debut in Tokyo 2020 and arrived in Paris hungry to add a Paralympic medal to his name and bring home hardware for Team USA. The 19-year-old freshman at the University of Southern California set the world record for the T63 high jump on his way to qualifying for the Paris Games and finished fourth in the finals of the event on Sunday. He also set the world record of 1.95m in last year's World Para Athletics Championships, and won the long jump and high jump, along with placing second at the 2023 Paralympics Track & Field National Championships.

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