Prof Dennis Lo (Director, Li Ka Shing Institute of Health Sciences, Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong) said, "My group has developed a technology called Non-invasive Pre-natal Testing (NIPT). The two medical schools in Hong Kong have very close association with the Hospital Authority. And through this association, my group is able to obtain many clinical materials and clinical data. And so we can actually translate this scientific discovery into a clinical test, which is used by millions of pregnant women around the world."

Prof Vic Law (Dr Tai-chin Lo Associate Professor of Science, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) said, "The Government is willing to invest heavily in both applicational and fundamental research. For young researchers, with the funding, they can build their own internationally competitive research groups."

Dr Stephanie Ma (Associate Professor, School of Biomedical Sciences Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, The University of Hong Kong) said, "So this has fostered more multi-disciplinary research allowing researchers to expand their research into different perspectives."

Prof Nancy Ip (Vice-President for Research and Development, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) said, "The new InnoHK initiative promises to accelerate the development of innovation and technology in Hong Kong by attracting world-renowned research institutions and talent to collaborate with our local academics."

Jordan Fung (Founder and CEO, Pedosa Group; Student, Cheung Sha Wan Catholic Secondary School) said, "It is very important to start training innovation and technology talent from a very young age to build their problem solving skills. We can instill a mindset in our next generation, so that they could understand that with their own abilities, with technology, they are able to create positive impact within the community."

Prof Tony Mok (Chairman, Department of Clinical Oncology, Li Shu Fan Professor of Clinical Oncology, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong) said, "Hong Kong universities, 11 of them, actually produce high quality graduates. They are all young dynamic people. So overall, I do have 100% confidence on the development of innovation and technology in Hong

## Kong."

Tomas Holub (Founder and CEO, Covergo) said, "Hong Kong is a global financial hub. So it is easier to expand across the whole Southeast Asia, and even in Mainland China. It is easy to incorporate your company and taxes are very low. And for me personally, I really like running my business in Hong Kong. Because it is very efficient, so you can do lots of work here within one day, that maybe you would not be able to do even in one week in other countries."

Simon Loong (Founder and CEO, WeLab) said, "I think another advantage of Hong Kong is Science Park and Cyberport. When the company is at its earlier stage, they are able to provide affordable working space, build the ecosystem and also introduce quality investors to us so that we can scale up the company."

Nisa Leung (Managing Partner, Qiming Venture Partners) said, "In the last few years, Hong Kong has really propelled itself into a very important city in the tech ecosystem. Not only were there very successful AI and healthcare companies started in Hong Kong, but the Hong Kong Stock Exchange has also introduced new policies to encourage biotech companies to list here."

Prof Tsui Lap-chee (President and Founding Member, Hong Kong Academy of Sciences)

Dr Sunny Chai (Chairman, Board of Directors, Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation)

Dr George Lam (Chairman, Board of Directors, Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited)

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