

## Hong Kong promotes development of advanced eye and vision research

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## Centre for Eye and Vision Research and Aier Eye Hospital Group collaborate to drive translational vision research



The Centre for Eye and Vision Research (CEVR) and Aier Eye Hospital Group (Aier) have announced a strategic collaboration. With mutual and complementary benefits, CEVR and Aier will jointly promote development of advanced eye and vision research, conduct collaborative research and commercialise the technology and research outputs, provide advice and support to startups, nurture research talents, and promote a common vision of disseminating cutting-edge research innovations to both the Mainland China and international eyecare markets.

A signing ceremony was held on The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) campus. Prof. Wing-tak Wong, Chairman of the CEVR Board of Directors cum Deputy President and Provost of PolyU, and Elaine Zhang, Global Strategy and Business Development Director of Aier signed the memorandum of understanding.

The collaboration between CEVR and Aier marks a milestone in translational vision research in Hong Kong and beyond. By harnessing the strengths of CEVR and Aier, this partnership will create an impactful research culture and a vision research power-house that can generate groundbreaking technologies for solving intractable vision problems in the real world.

Prof. Wong said, "The PolyU School of Optometry has been collaborating with Aier since 2022, providing clinical training for student optometrists in Mainland China and overseas. The collaboration provides a strategic synergy between research and application, leveraging CEVR's innovative research and Aier's extensive eyecare network of over 800 clinics and hospitals.