Two teams with staff and students from our department just won prizes from the Fifth Annual HKUST One Million Dollar Entrepreneurship Competition. They are:

NanoPrint, the 2nd Place winner of HKD150K + HKD50K with HKUST TECH
By Di ZHANG, Sze Kee TAM, Khak Ho LIM, Zhi AN, Ka Yip FUNG. They are from Prof. Ka Ming Ng’s group.
(To lead a new era of printed electronics with NanoPrint’s various metal pastes and metal inks)

NovaMatrix, the 3rd Place winner of HKD100K + HKD25K with HKUST TECH
By Yu YU, Feng Carter SHI, Junli ZHOU. They are from Prof. Ying Chau’s group.
(To develop the world’s first Injectable Hydrogel Formulation that achieves longtime (from months to years) sustained release of protein therapeutics)
In addition, NanoPrint was also judged as the Winner of Elevator Pitch, with HKD50K award. NovaMatrix also received the Innovation Prize of HKD75K. The team of DreamHigh from Prof. Furong Gao’s Centre at Nansha was judged as the Trade Show Winner of HKD50K.

For this year’s competition, there were over 100 entries. Sixteen teams were shortlisted for trade show and presentation. Five out of the sixteen teams are affiliated with our department. Three teams made it to the Final Round of Presentation (eight teams in total) – NanoPrint, NovaMatrix and DreamHigh.

The First Place, also called President’s Prize, went to Parle, a team made of MBA’s “to pin discussions on website, enabling people to discover and share insights with others more conveniently and more easily”. More information will be released at http://onemilliondollar.ust.hk

Congratulations to the winning teams and also thanks to the participating teams of CBME!