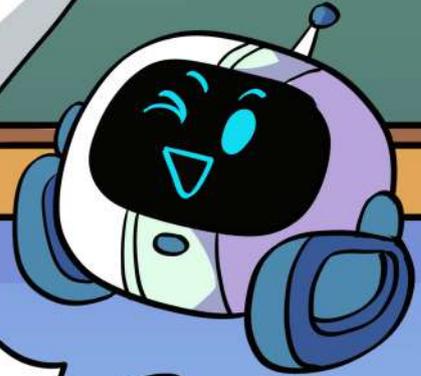
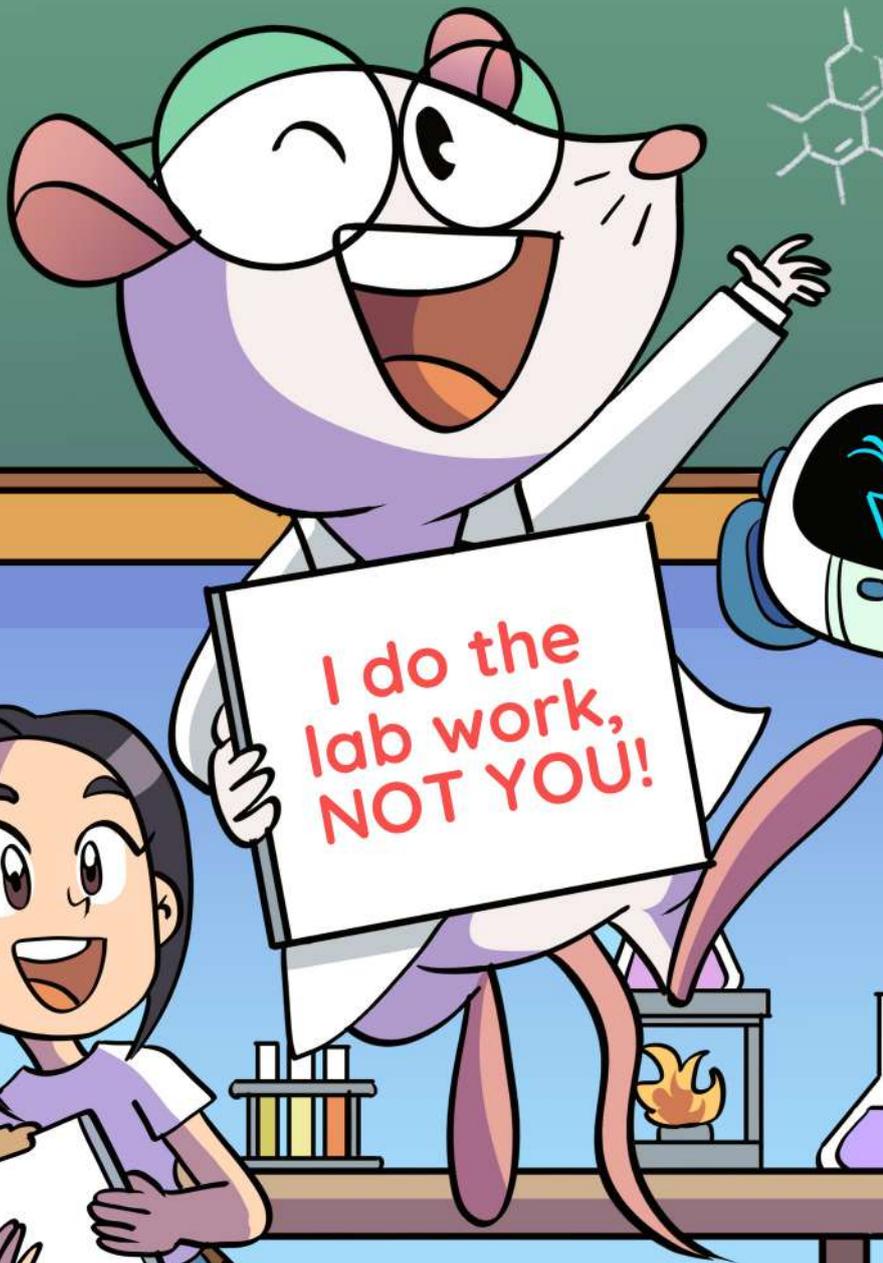
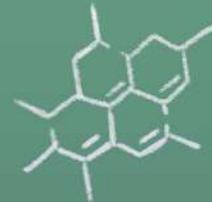
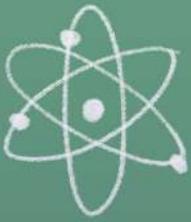
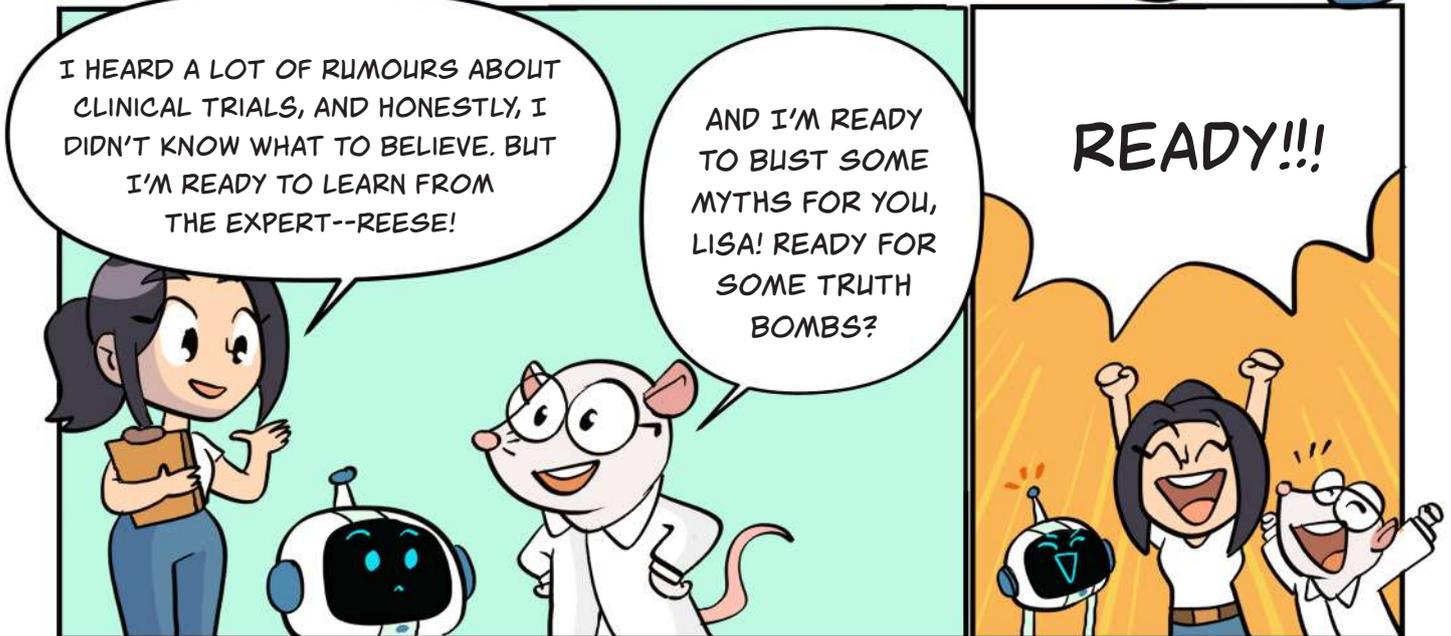
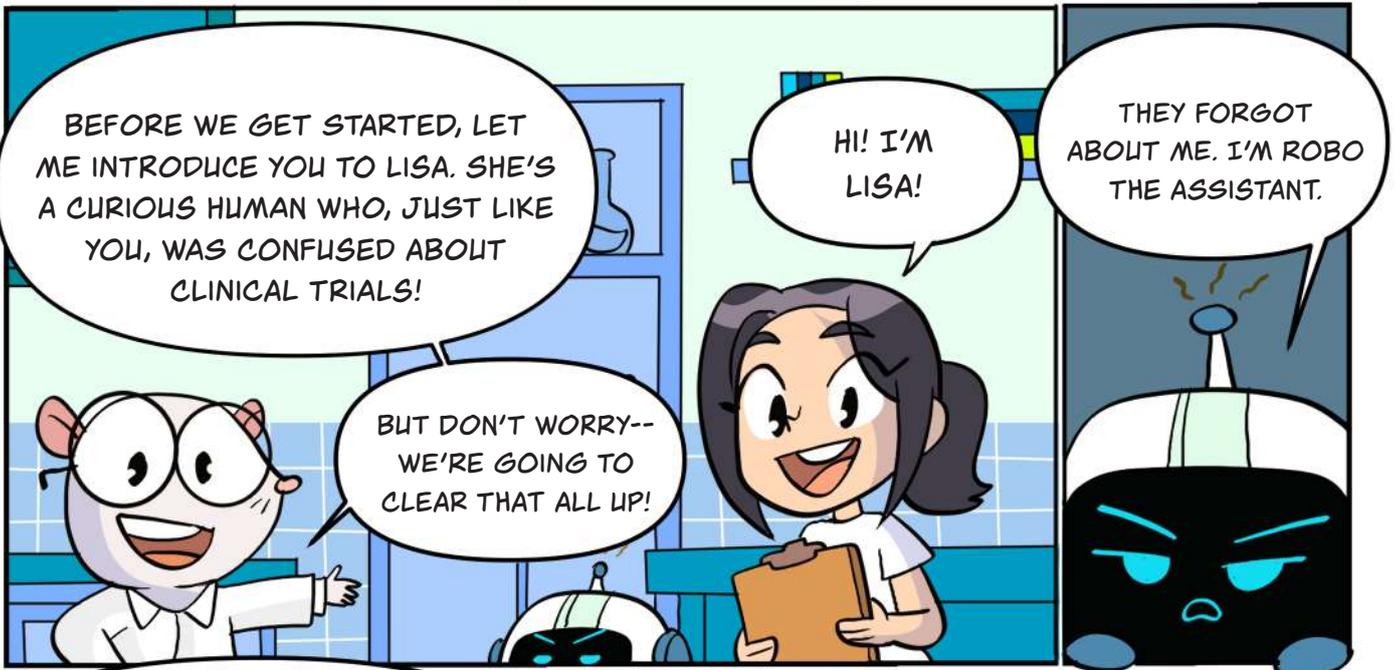
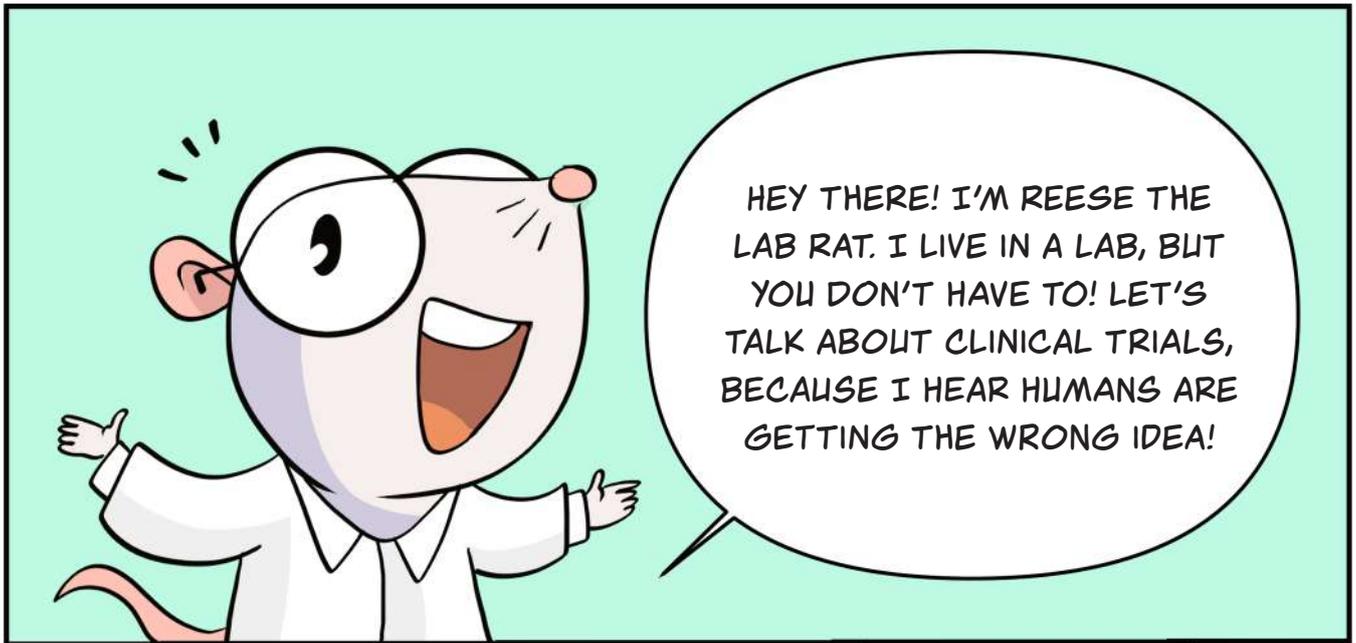


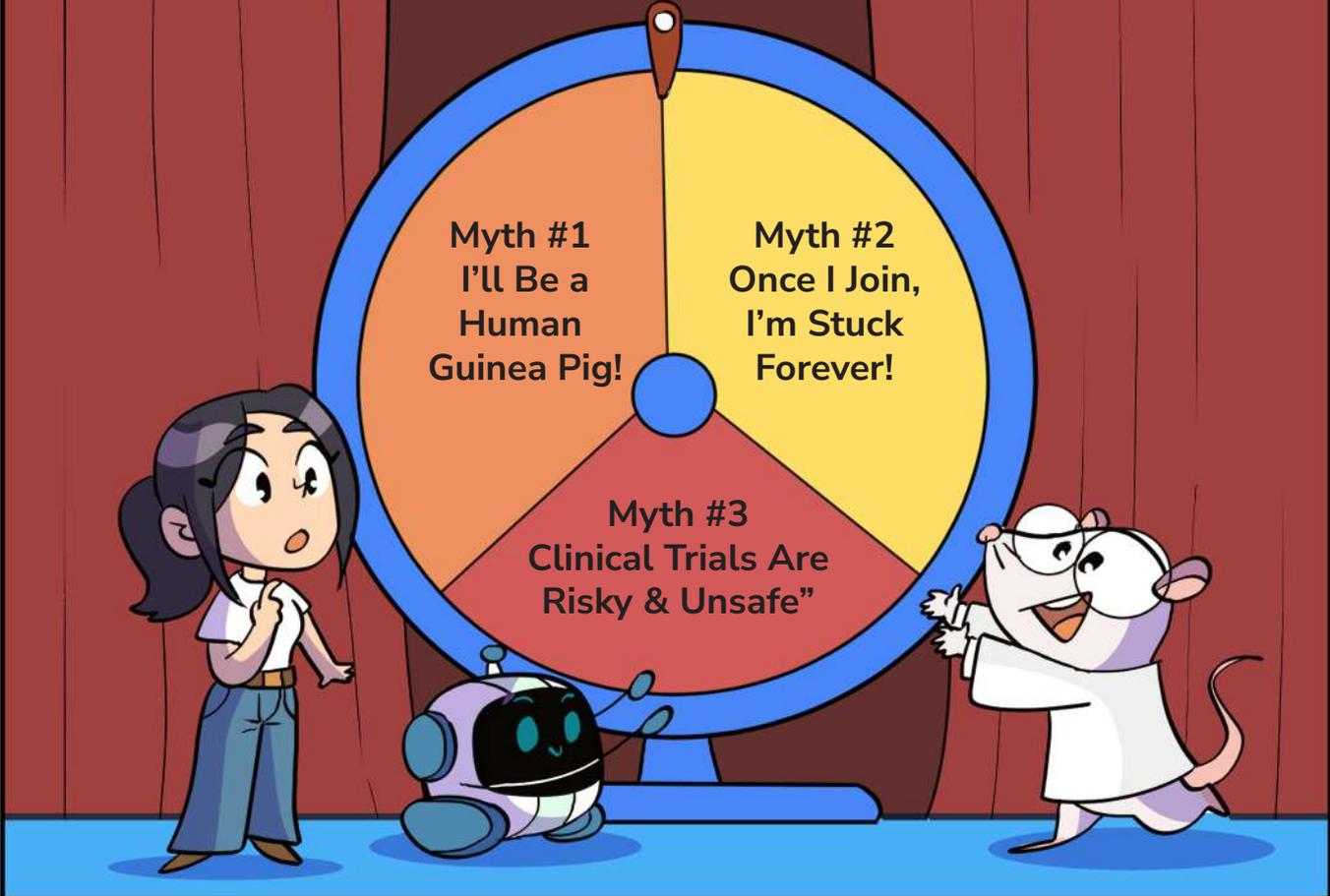
Busting Myths About Clinical Trials

(From a Rat Who Knows!)





THE WHEEL OF MYTHS



Myth #1
I'll Be a
Human
Guinea
Pig!

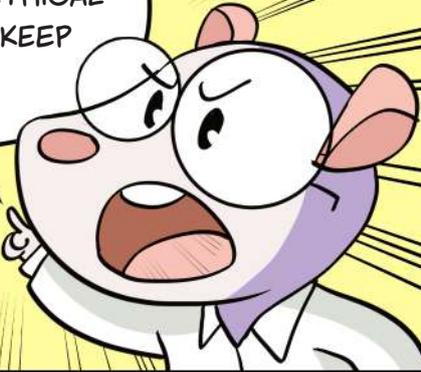
SOME PEOPLE SAY JOINING A TRIAL MEANS YOU'LL BE TREATED LIKE A LAB RAT!



HELP...

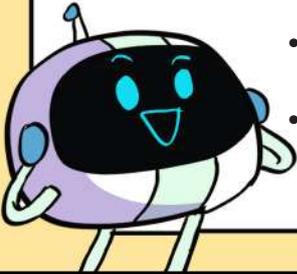


FALSE! CLINICAL TRIALS FOLLOW STRICT ETHICAL GUIDELINES TO KEEP YOU SAFE.



Fact #1

- You'll be under expert medical supervision.
- Every trial must be approved by an ethics committee.
- Your health and safety are top priorities!



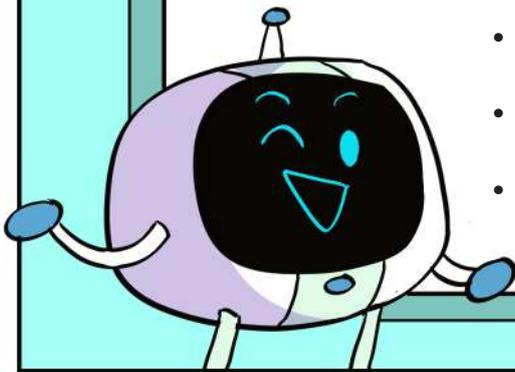
PHEW! NO RUNNING IN HAMSTER WHEELS FOR ME, THEN.



Myth # 2: Once I Join, I'm Stuck Forever!

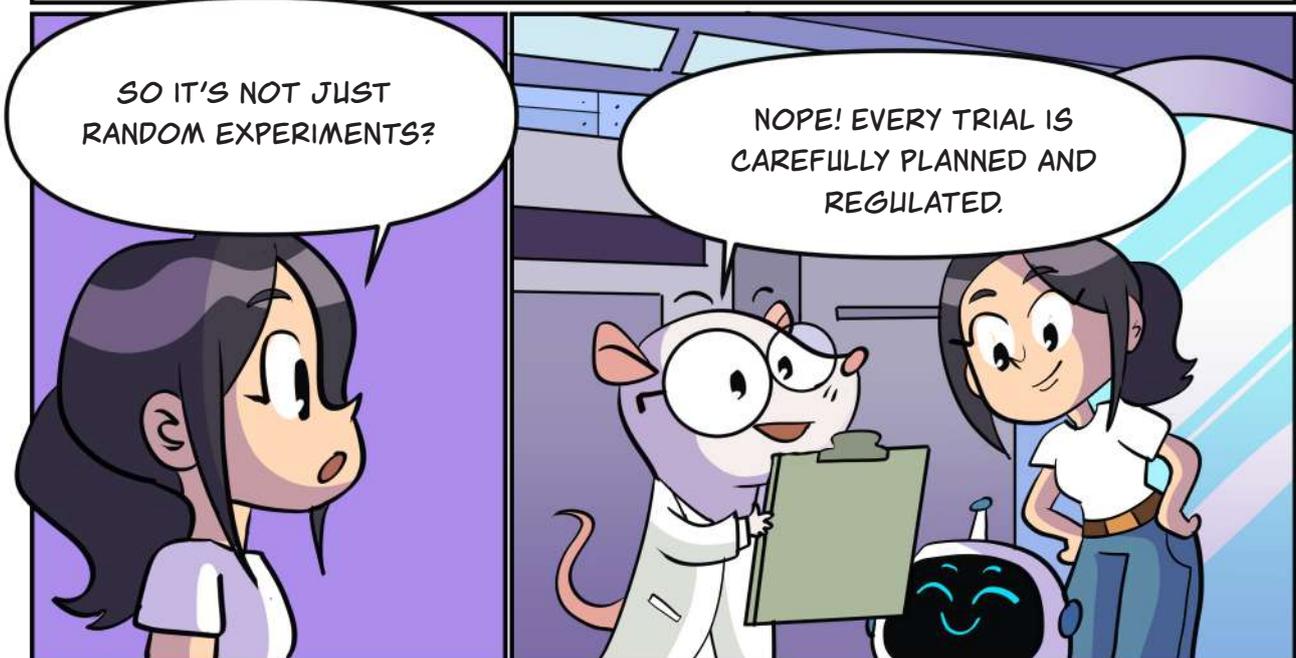
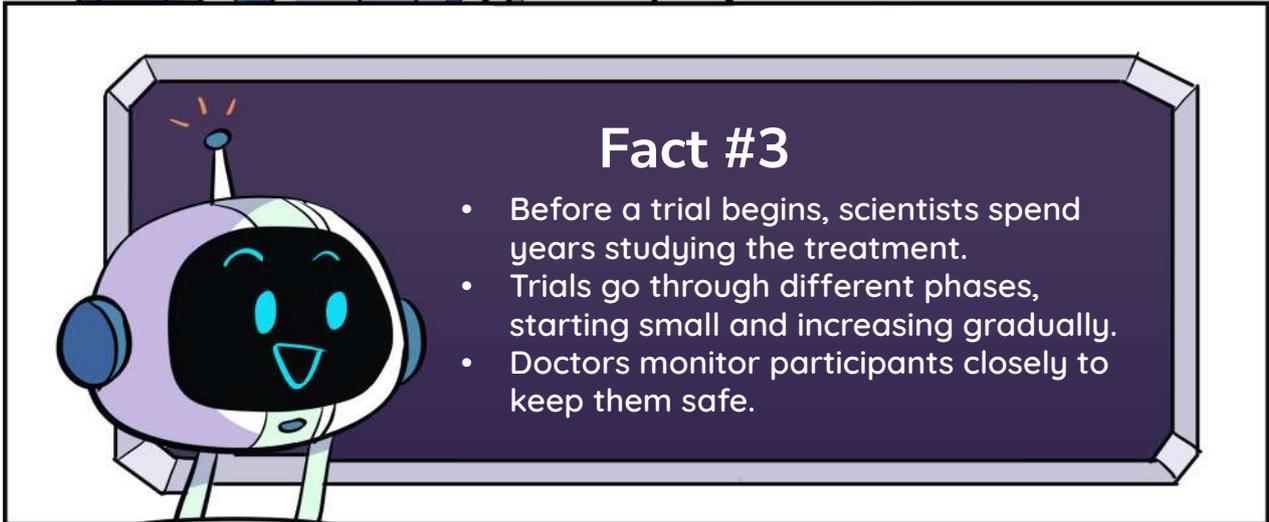


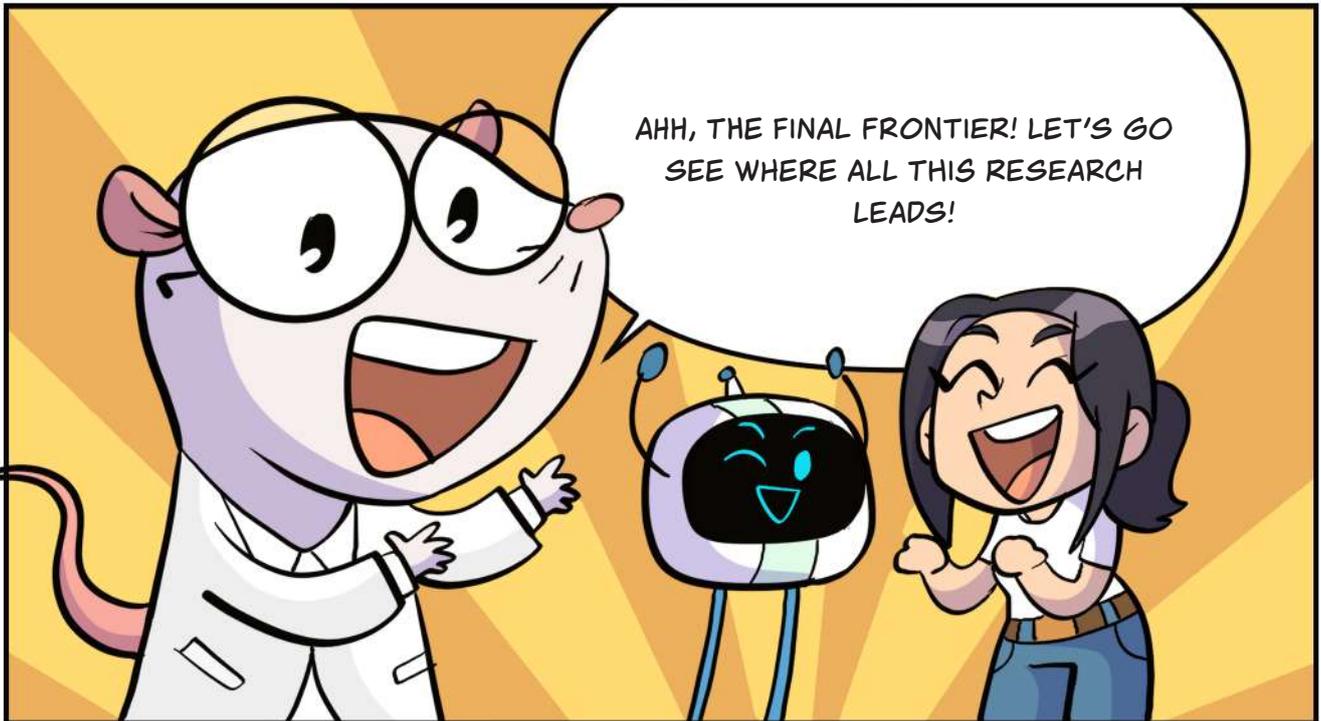
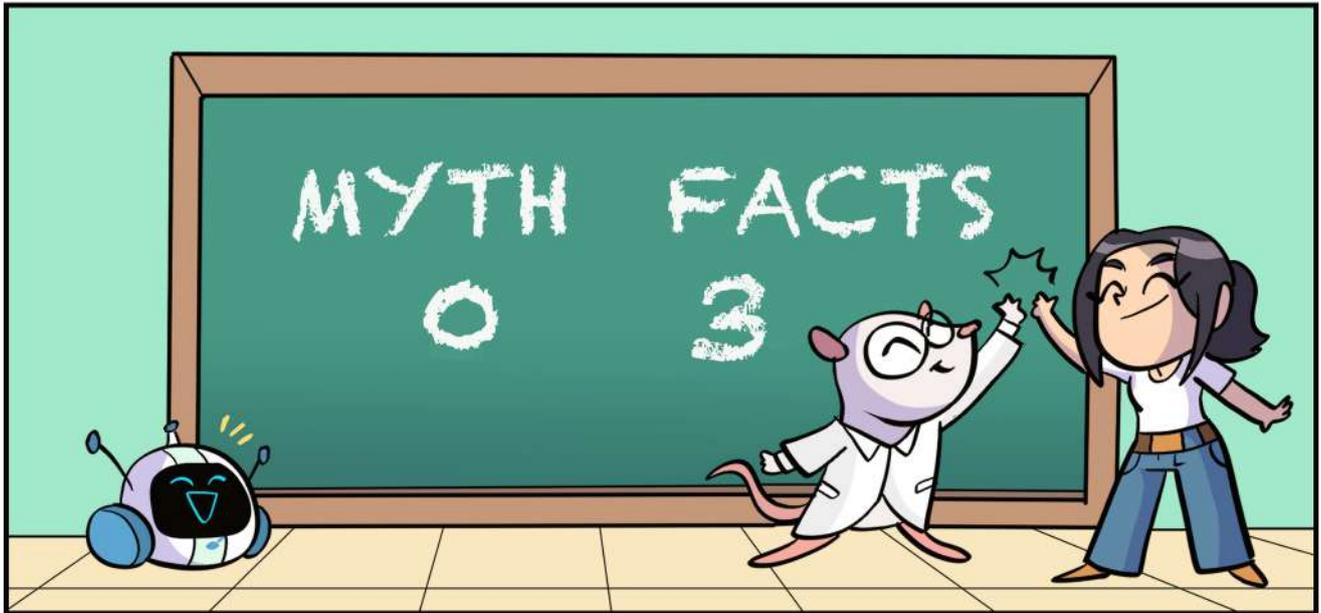
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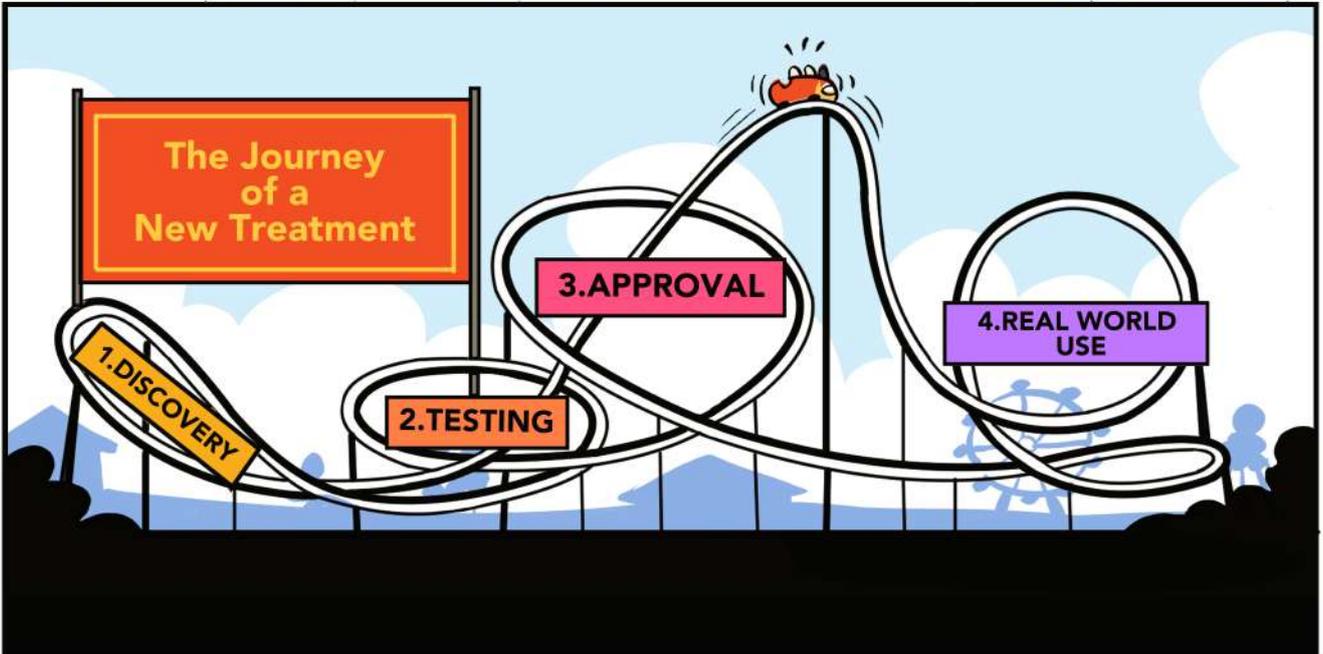


- You can withdraw at any time—no penalties, no pressure.
- Doctors will explain everything before you even sign up.
- Your safety and comfort always come first!

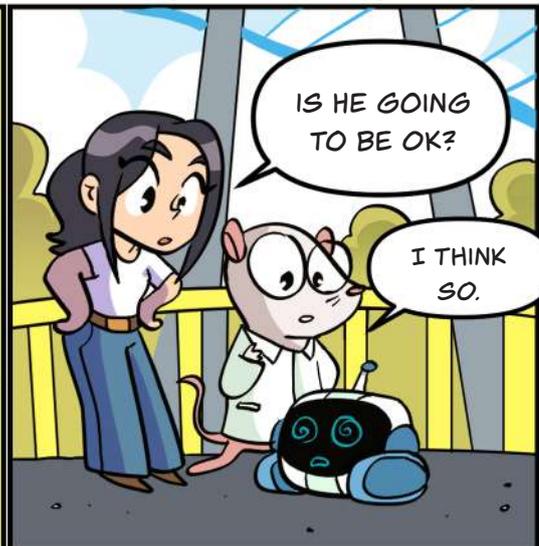
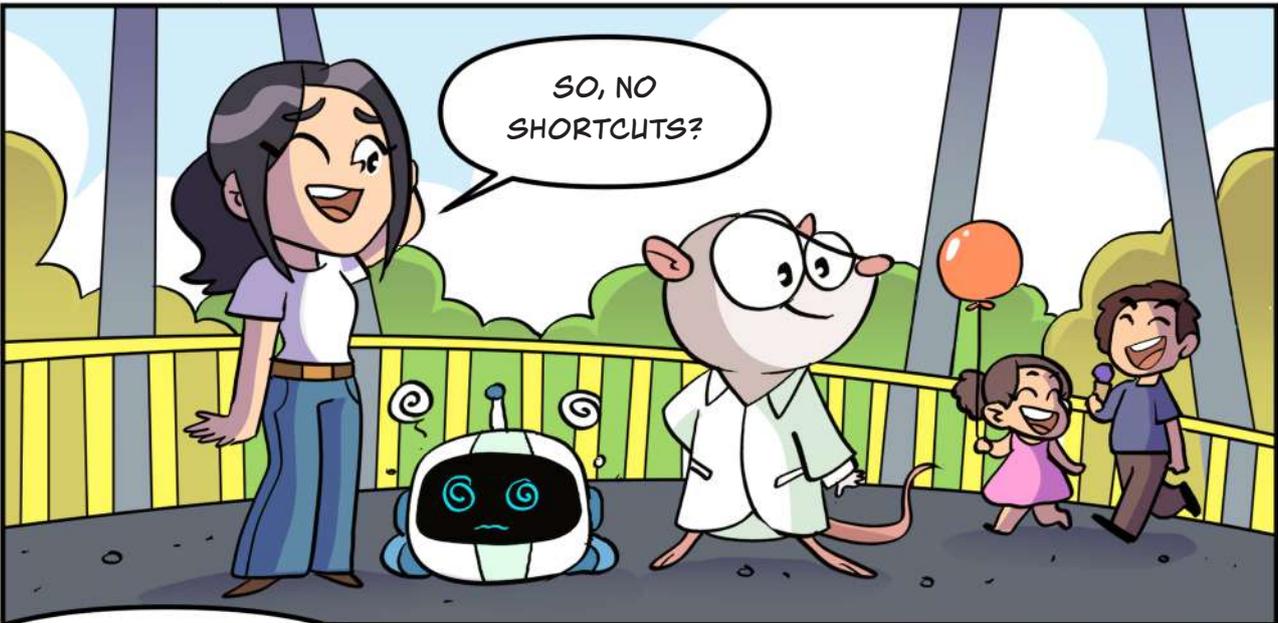
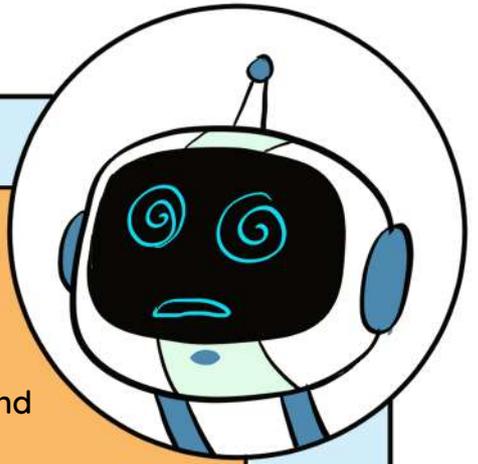








- After a trial, doctors and scientists look at the results to see if the treatment works and is safe.
- Then, health authorities* check the results and decide if it's safe and effective.
- If they approve it, the treatment becomes available to everyone!

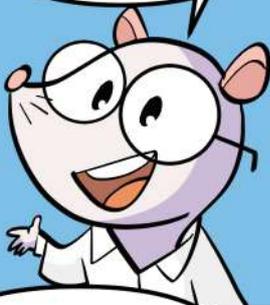


* HEALTH AUTHORITIES ARE OFFICIAL ORGANISATIONS THAT MAKE SURE MEDICINES AND TREATMENTS ARE SAFE AND WORK WELL. THIS INCLUDES THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA), THE EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY (EMA), AND THE NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL REGULATORY AGENCY (NPRA) IN MALAYSIA.

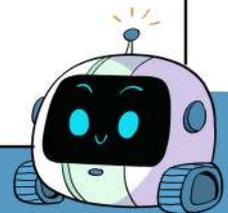
What Happens to Trial Participants?



NOT QUITE!
PARTICIPANTS MAY BE
CALLED BACK FOR
CHECK-UPS, AND THEY'LL
BE TOLD ABOUT THE
STUDY'S RESULTS!



- Participants may continue follow-up visits to monitor long-term effects.
- Participants can ask about the study's findings once it's completed.
- Some trials allow participants to continue using the new treatment if it worked well!



SO, I DON'T JUST
DISAPPEAR INTO
THE VOID?



HOW DO
YOU FEEL?



GREAT!



NOPE! YOU HELPED PUSH
MEDICINE FORWARD,
AND THAT MATTERS!





NOT AT ALL!
CLINICAL TRIAL RESULTS
ARE PUBLISHED IN MEDICAL
JOURNALS AND SHARED
WITH DOCTORS
WORLDWIDE.



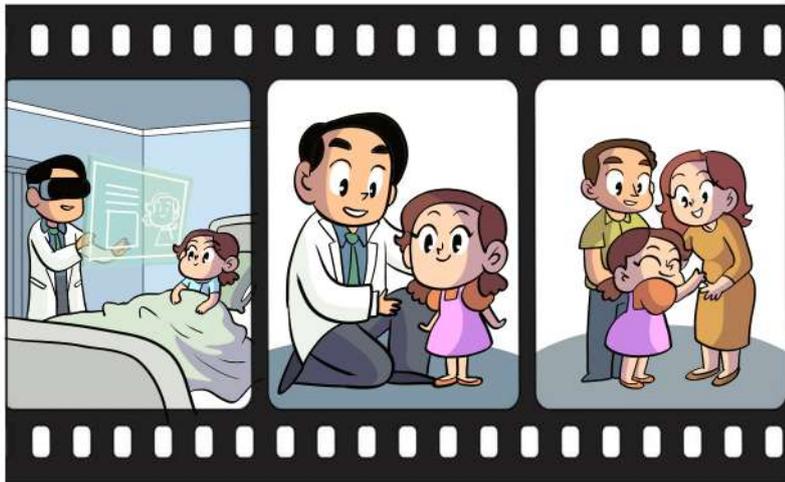
BEHIND THE SCENES

- Results are shared with doctors and scientists around the world.
- Health authorities and doctors use this information to make important decisions.
- Even if a treatment doesn't work, scientists still learn something useful!

EXACTLY! NO STUDY
IS A WASTE!



SO, NO MATTER
WHAT, EVERY TRIAL
HELPS MEDICINE MOVE
FORWARD?



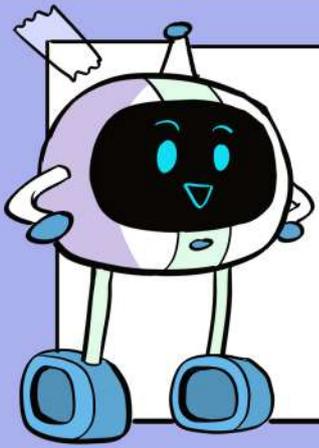
THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU,
THIS MEDICINE IS HELPING PEOPLE TODAY!

WAIT... THE TREATMENT
I HELPED TEST COULD
ACTUALLY HELP SOMEONE
GET BETTER?

ABSOLUTELY! EVERY
MEDICINE WE HAVE TODAY
STARTED AS A CLINICAL
TRIAL.



WOW... I THOUGHT I WAS
JUST SIGNING UP FOR A
STUDY, BUT I WAS MAKING
HISTORY!



- Many important medicines and treatments exist today because of past trial participants.
- Your participation helps doctors and patients worldwide.
- You're part of something bigger than yourself!



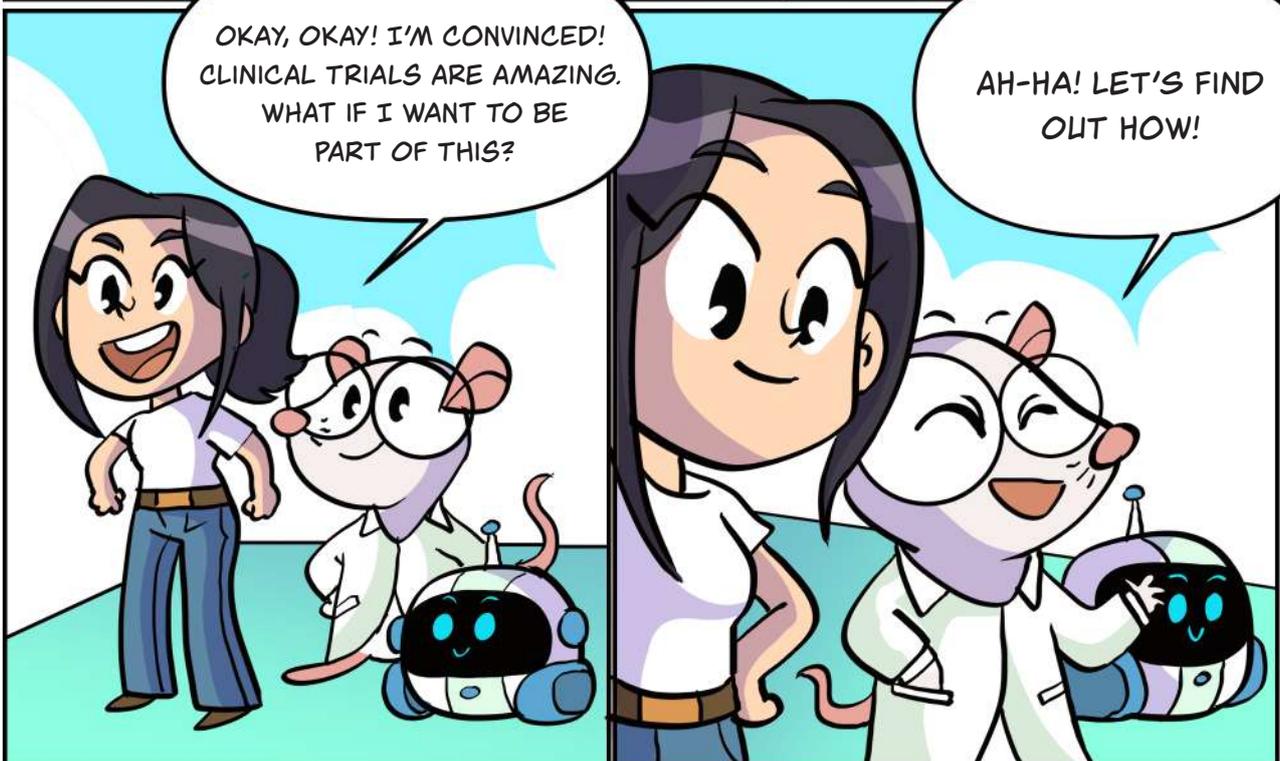
THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
READY TO LEARN
MORE?

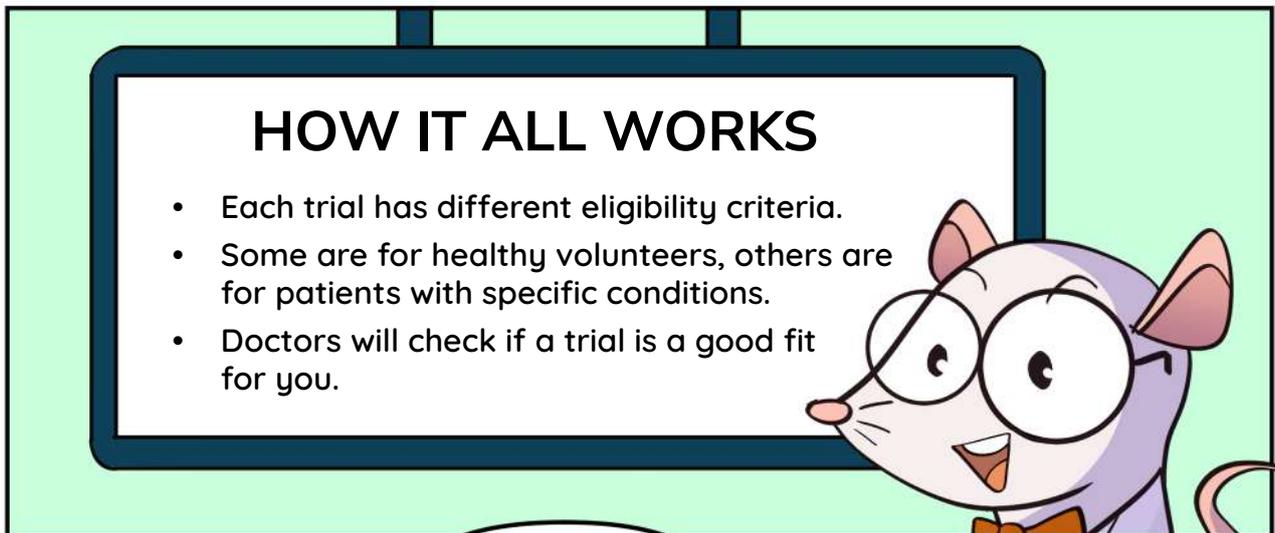
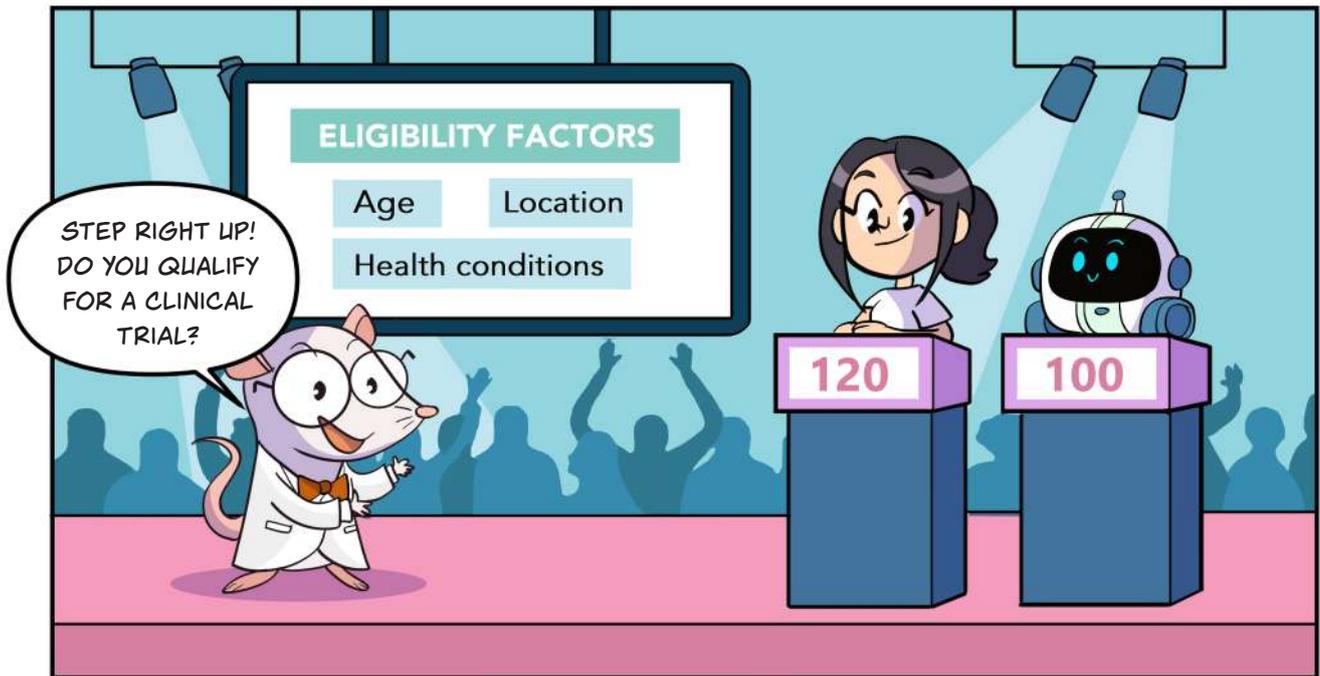


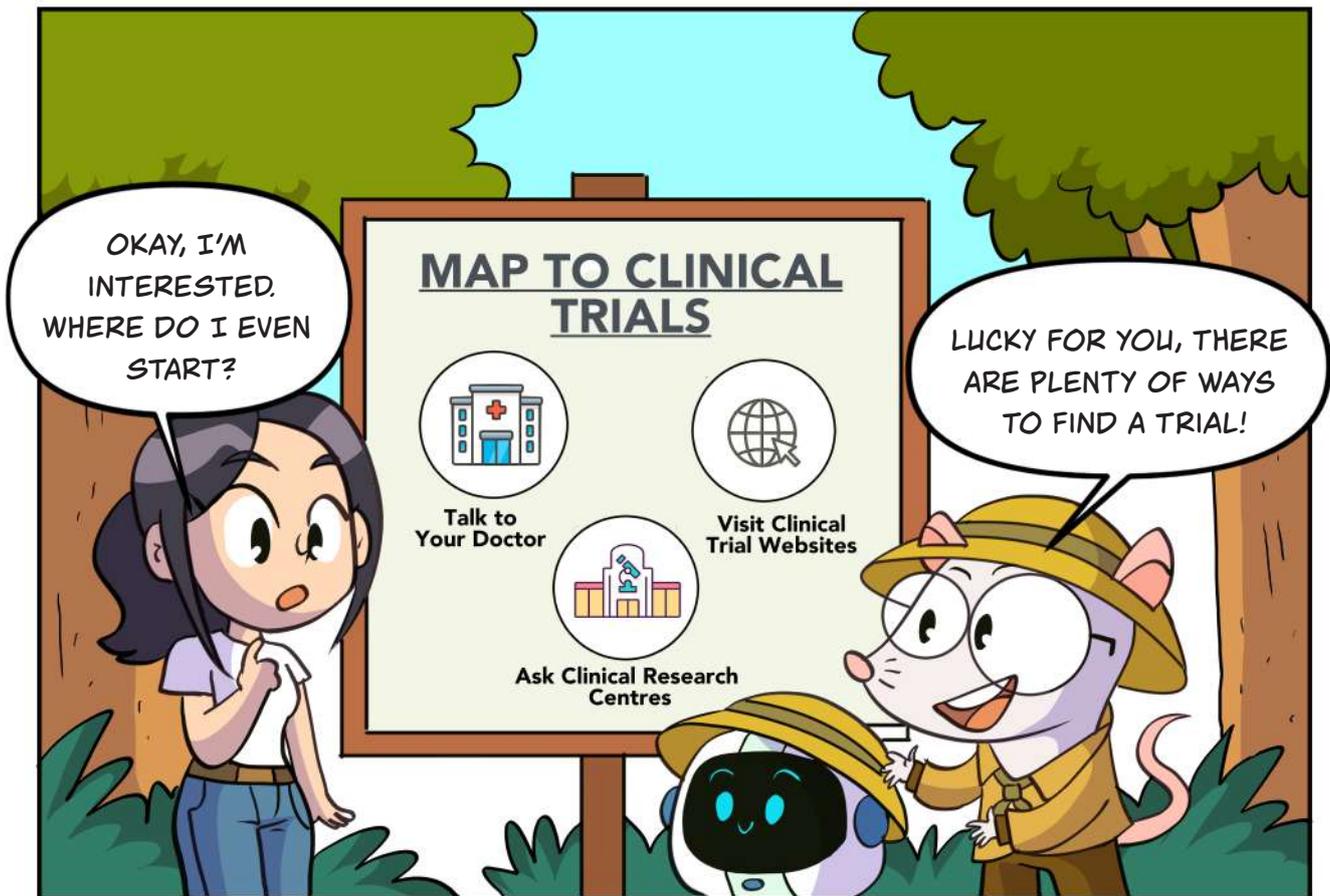


OKAY, OKAY! I'M CONVINCED!
CLINICAL TRIALS ARE AMAZING.
WHAT IF I WANT TO BE
PART OF THIS?

AH-HA! LET'S FIND
OUT HOW!



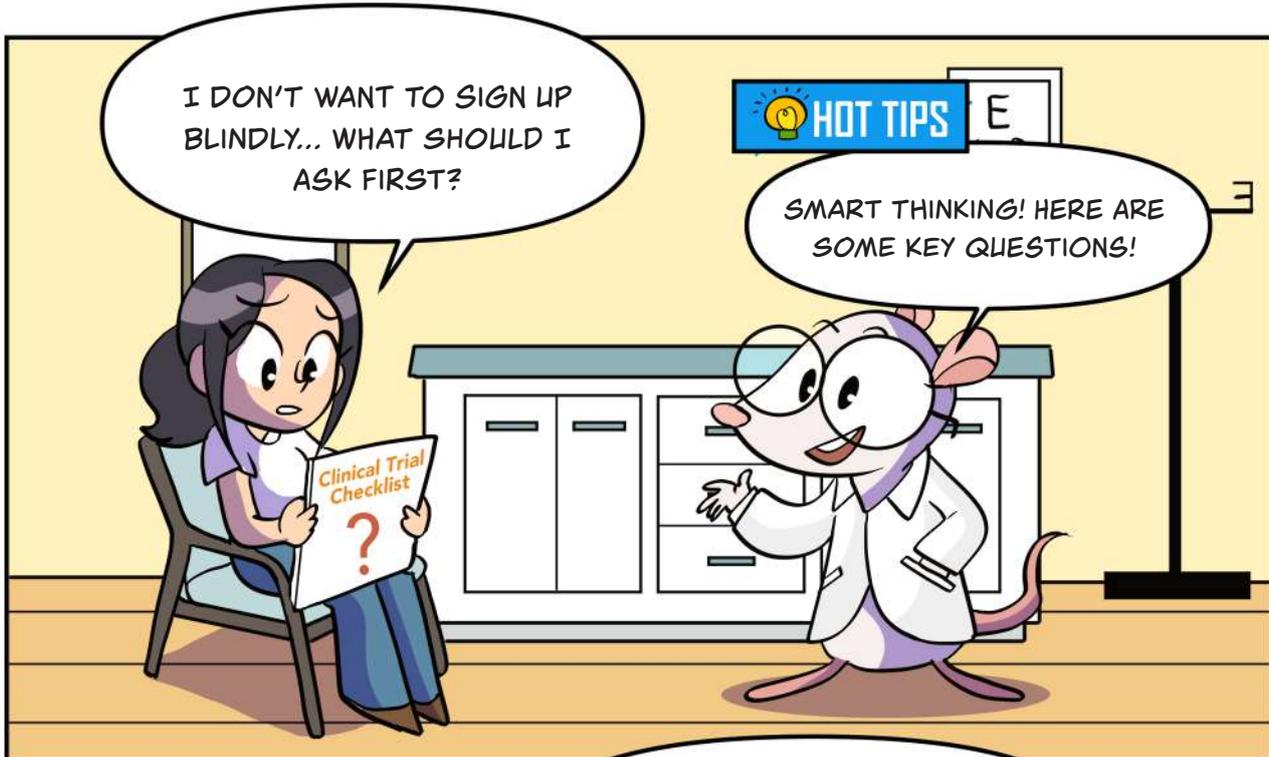




THE TRIAL JOURNEY

- Talk to your doctor—they may know about trials that fit your health condition.
- Check official websites that list clinical trials.
- Visit hospitals or clinical research centres to ask about ongoing studies.





I DON'T WANT TO SIGN UP BLINDLY... WHAT SHOULD I ASK FIRST?

HOT TIPS

SMART THINKING! HERE ARE SOME KEY QUESTIONS!

KEY QUESTIONS TO ASK:

- What is this trial about?
- What are the potential risks and benefits?
- How long will it last?
- Will I have to pay for anything?
- What happens if I want to leave?



ABSOLUTELY! THE BEST PARTICIPANTS ARE INFORMED PARTICIPANTS!

SO, IT'S OKAY TO ASK A LOT OF QUESTIONS?



IN THAT CASE, I HAVE A LONG LIST OF QUESTIONS...



I THOUGHT I'D BE DOING THIS ALONE, BUT... THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE LIKE ME!

CLINICAL TRIALS

A Community of Pioneers!

EXACTLY! YOU'RE PART OF A COMMUNITY THAT'S SHAPING THE FUTURE OF MEDICINE!

Many people worldwide participate in clinical trials every year.

Support groups exist for trial participants to share experiences.

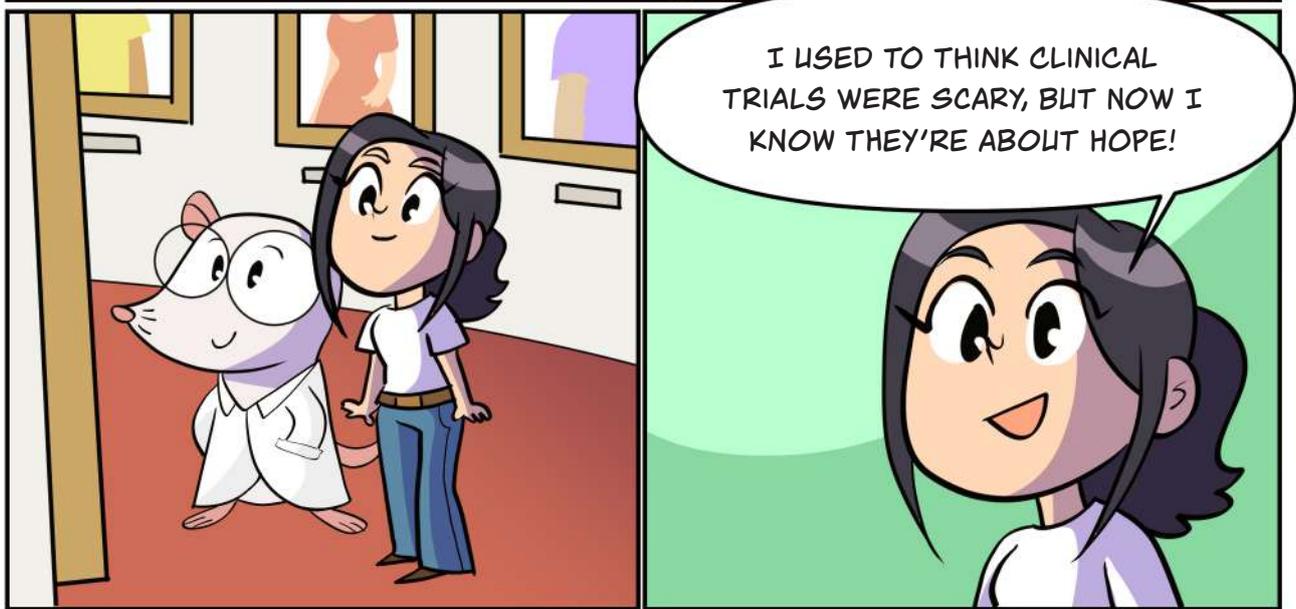
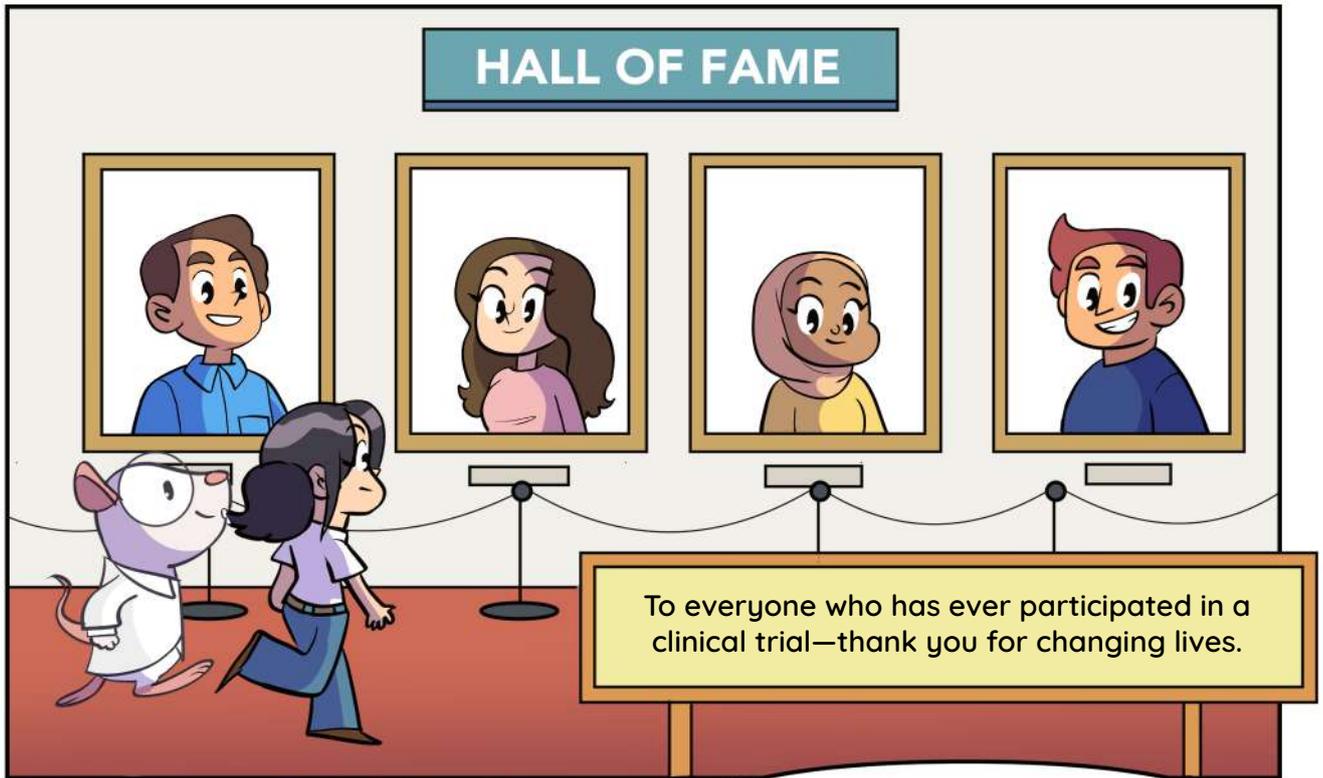
You're helping future generations-just like past volunteers helped create today's medicines!

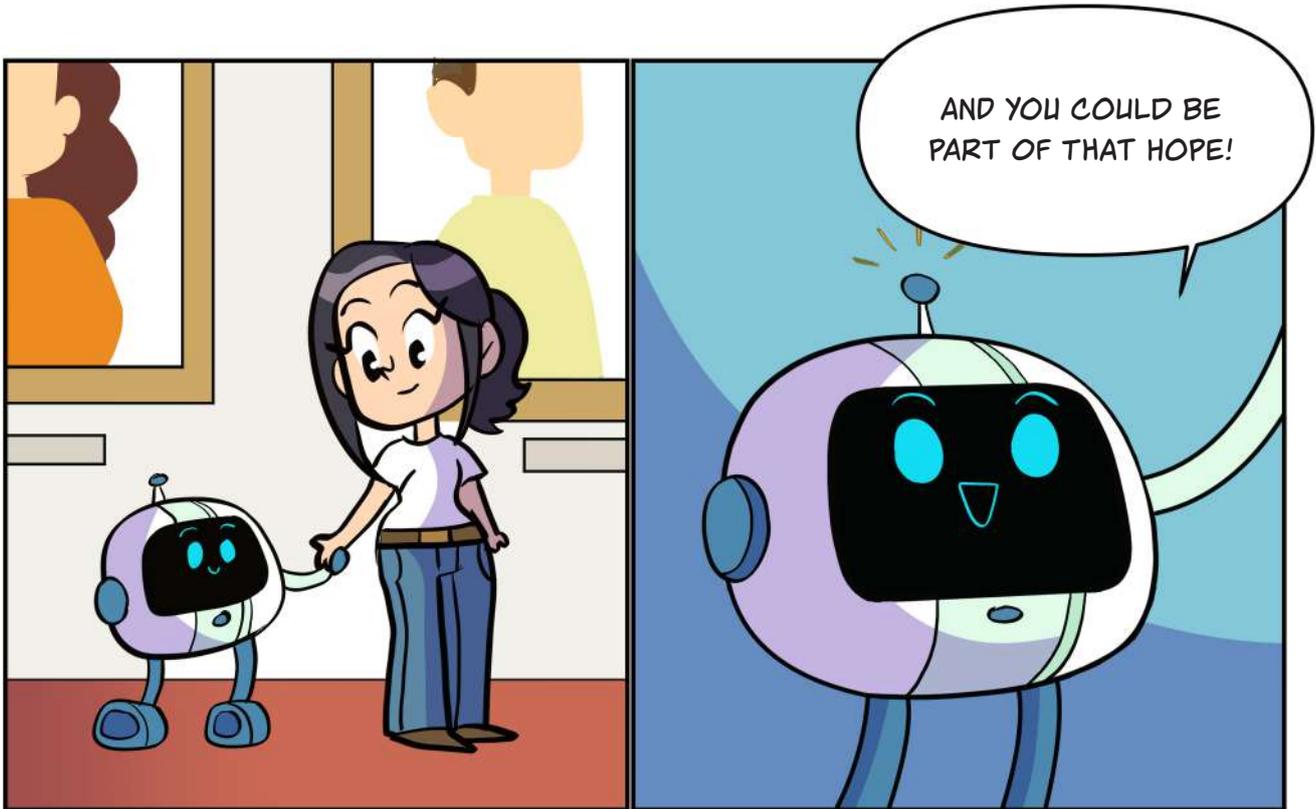


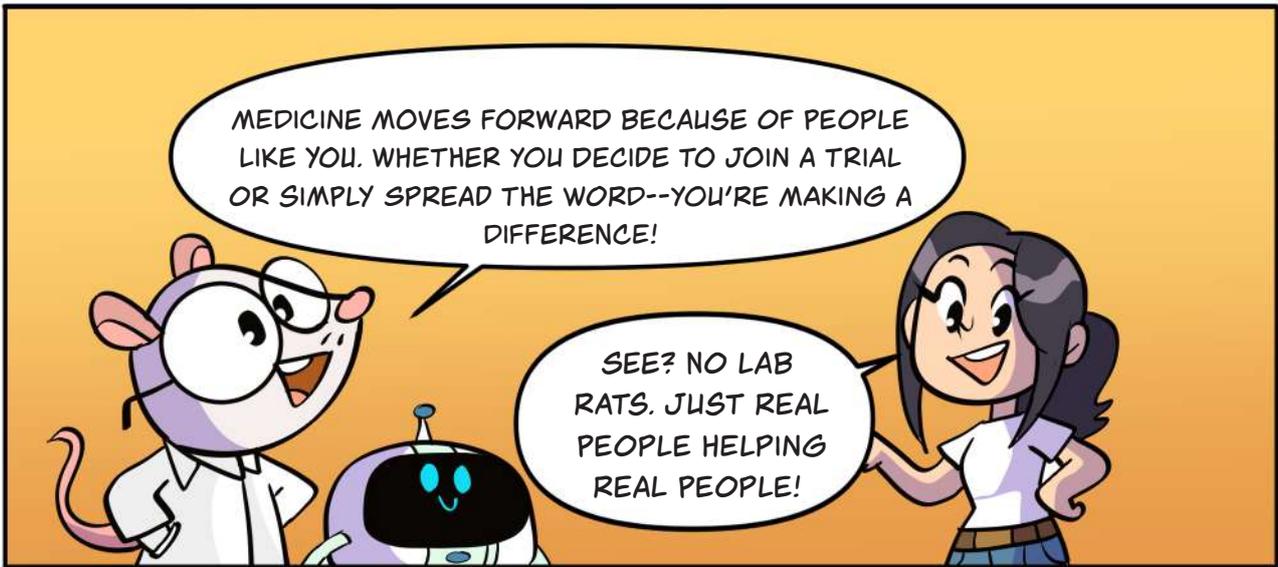
SO, I WOULDN'T JUST BE HELPING MYSELF--I'D BE MAKING A DIFFERENCE?



BINGO! YOU'D BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF!







Sunway Clinical Research Centre



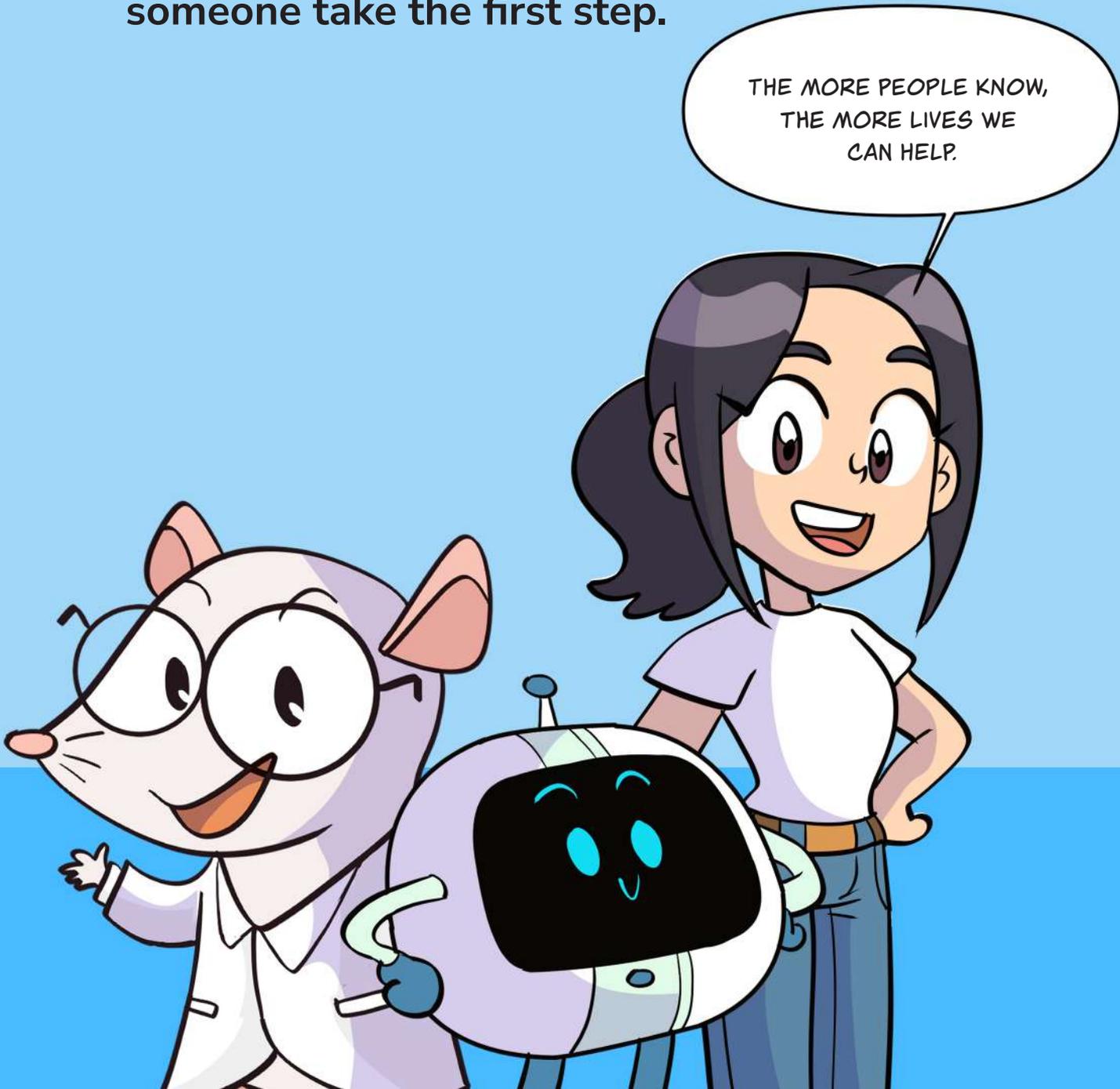
We hope this little comic helped you understand clinical trials a bit better.

Maybe someone out there needs to hear about them too.

So if you found this helpful —

pass it on.

Because sharing what you know might help someone take the first step.



THE MORE PEOPLE KNOW,
THE MORE LIVES WE
CAN HELP.