

Hi, I'm VICTOR VIRUS!
But the Grown-ups call me
an AAV!

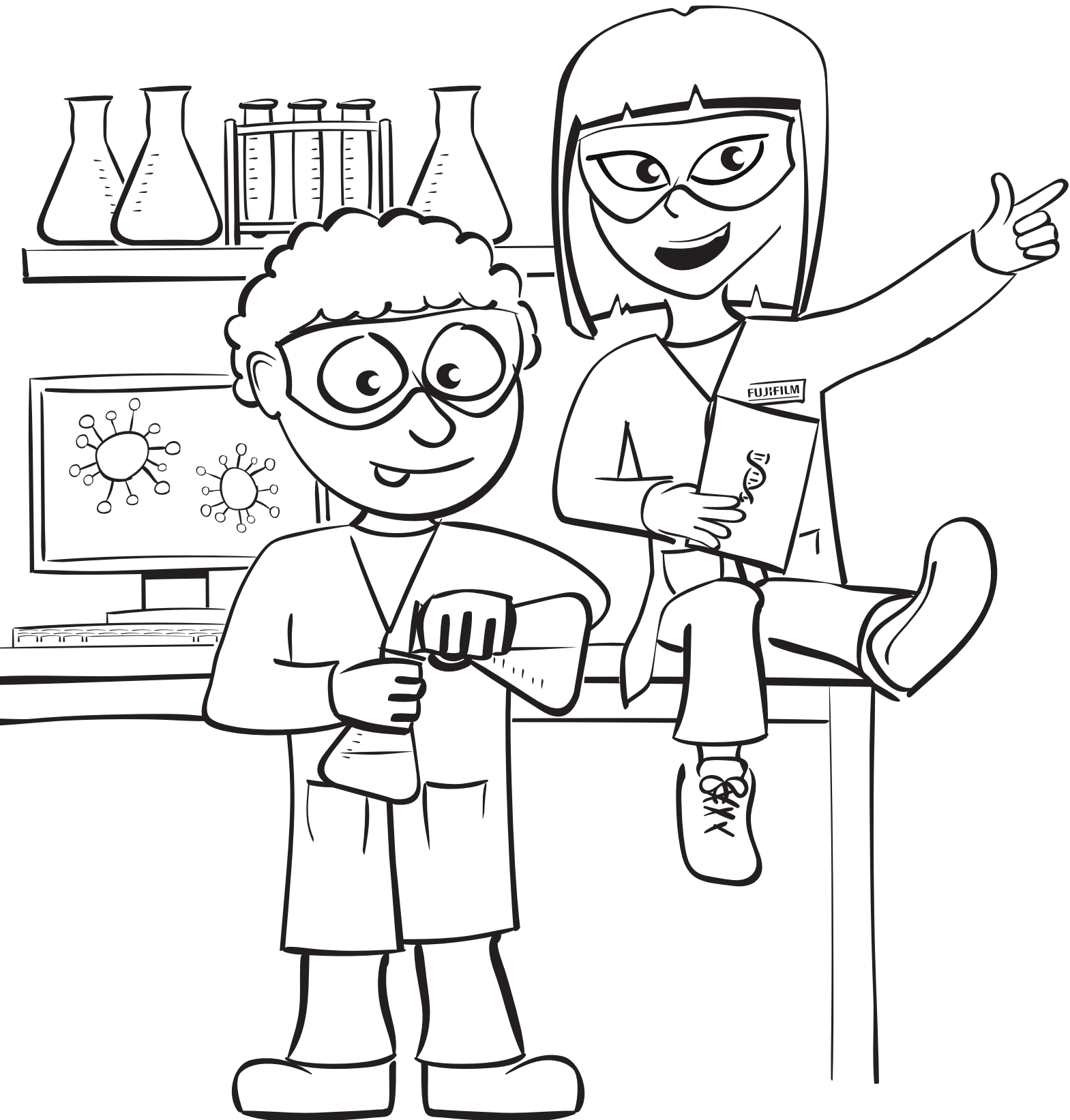
AAV is short for an Adeno Associated Virus – what a mouth-
full! What it means is that I can infect people, but I'm not
too dangerous – I don't make people really sick.



Viruses like me make people scared,
they think we're all **BAD**.

BUT I CAN BE REALLY USEFULL!

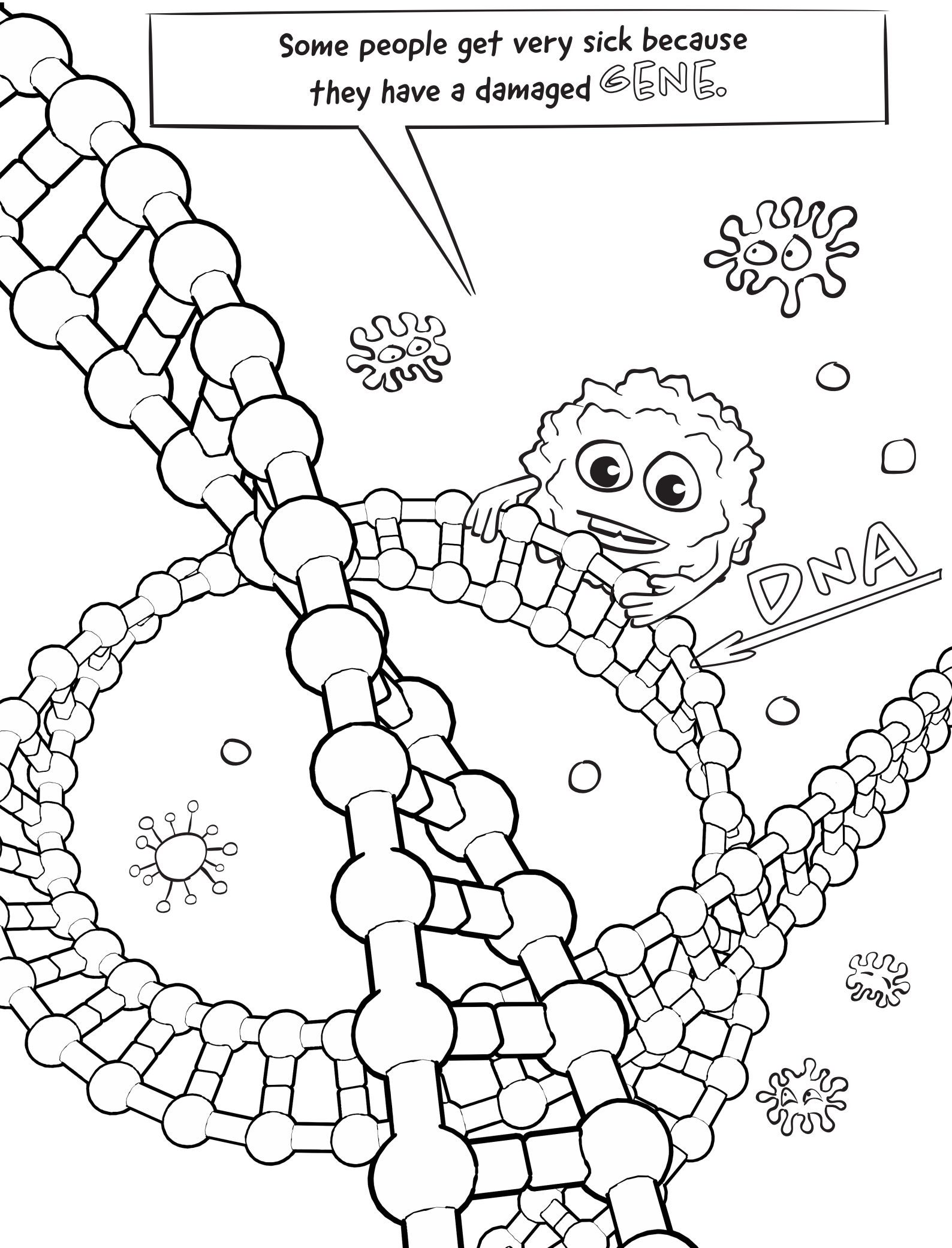
It's all thanks to my friends the SCIENTISTS.

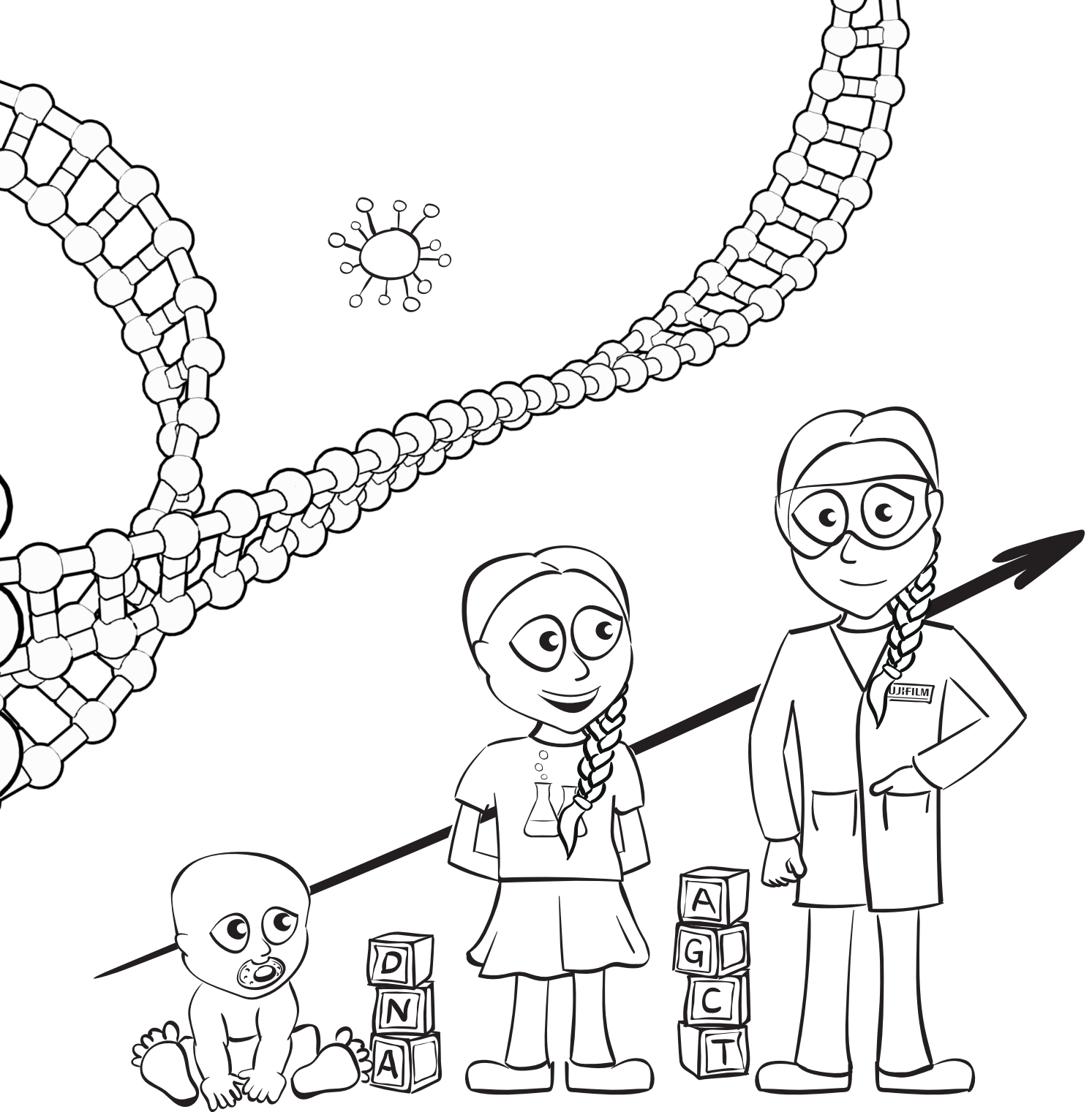


They're very clever! They can use viruses like me to help sick people get **BETTER**.



Some people get very sick because
they have a damaged **GENE**.

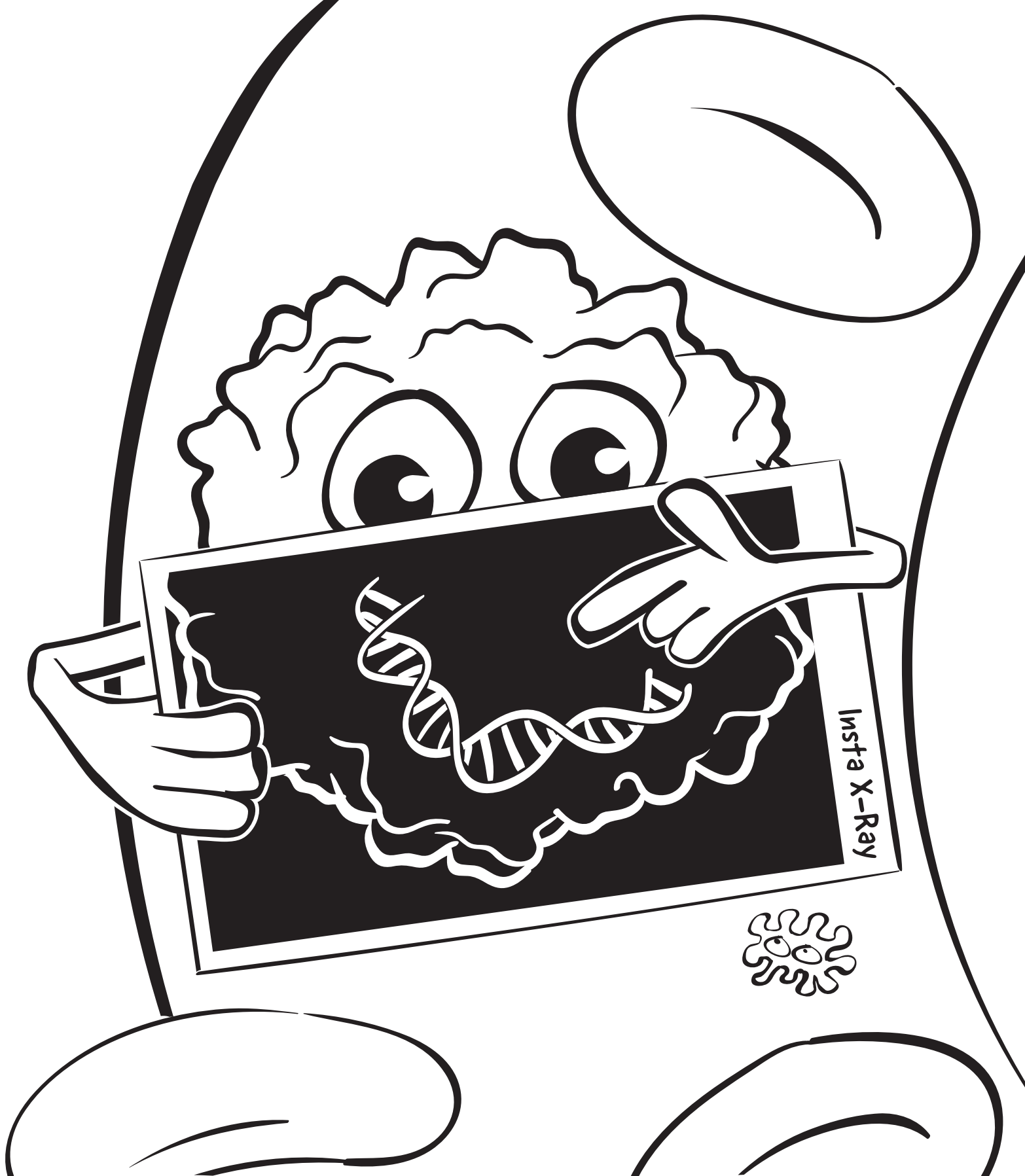




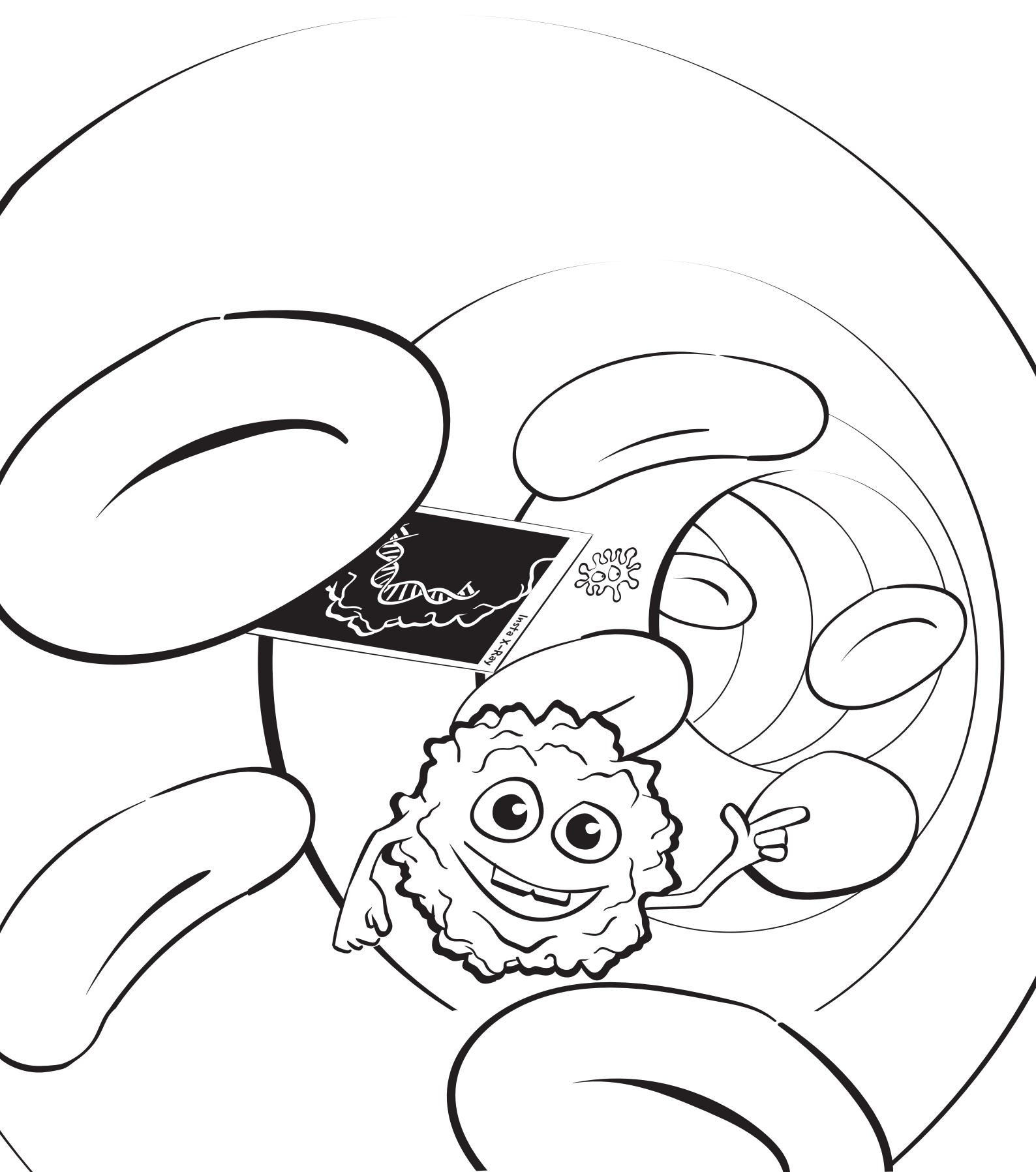
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A **GENE** is a very small part of the body – but it's very important! It tells your body how to grow, and how it is supposed to work.

The scientists call this information **DNA** and you can get very sick if it's wrong or damaged.

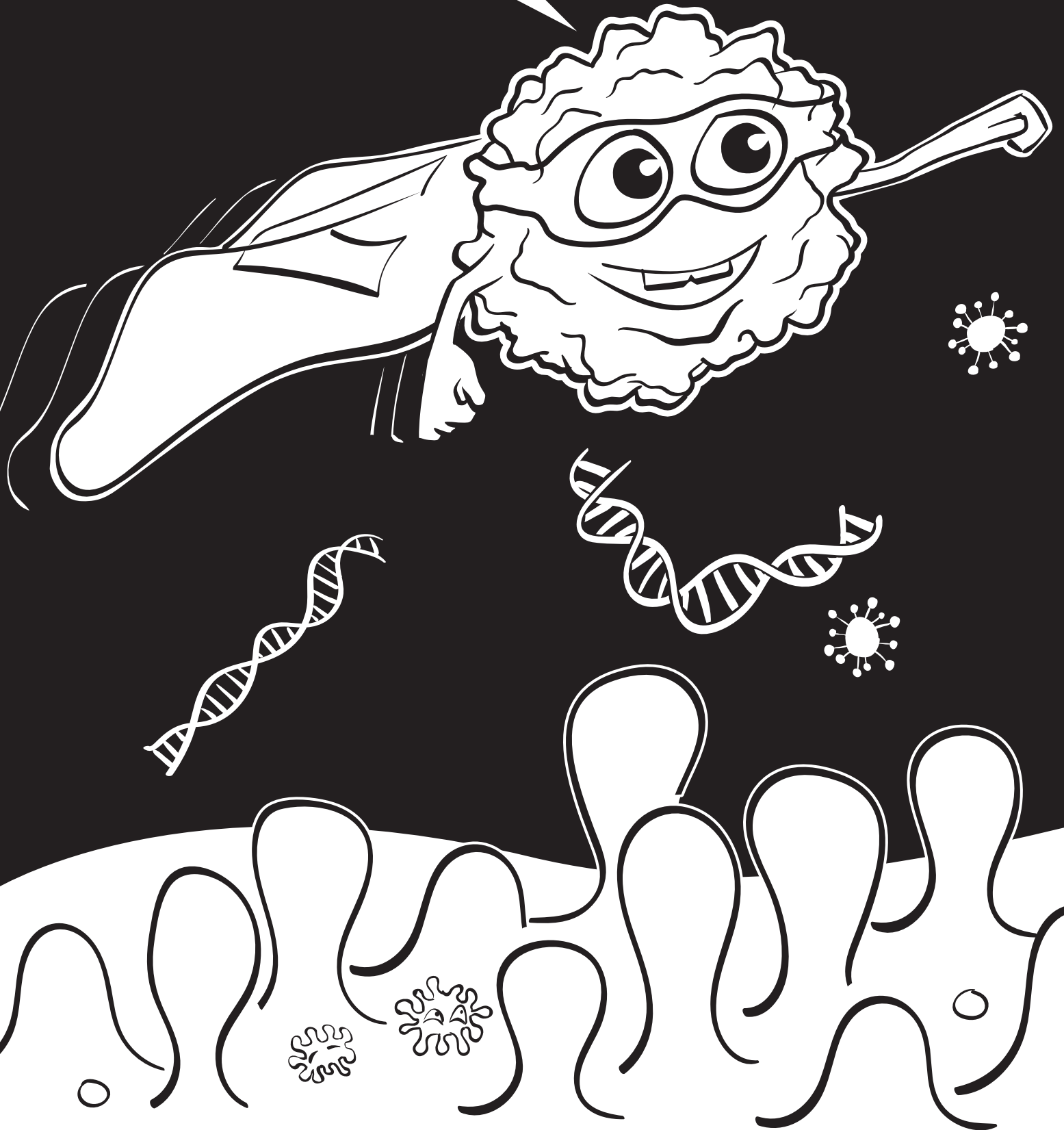


Those clever scientists have worked out how to package up the right DNA information and put it inside of me...



...it's then my job to get inside the sick person, and deliver the right DNA information to the sick person's body – which will make them all better.

I can deliver hope for some sick people to get better.
I guess I really am...





VICTOR VIRUS
GENE THERAPIES

...A DNA SUPERHERO!