

## **Appendix**

### **About clinical trials**

Phase 1 clinical trials involve administering a new medication to human beings for the first time after extensive laboratory testing. They primarily assess their safety and tolerability, as well as how our bodies handle a new treatment (pharmacokinetics), in a small group of healthy volunteers or patients. Phase 2 and 3 studies evaluate the effectiveness of the new treatment compared to existing therapies or a placebo.