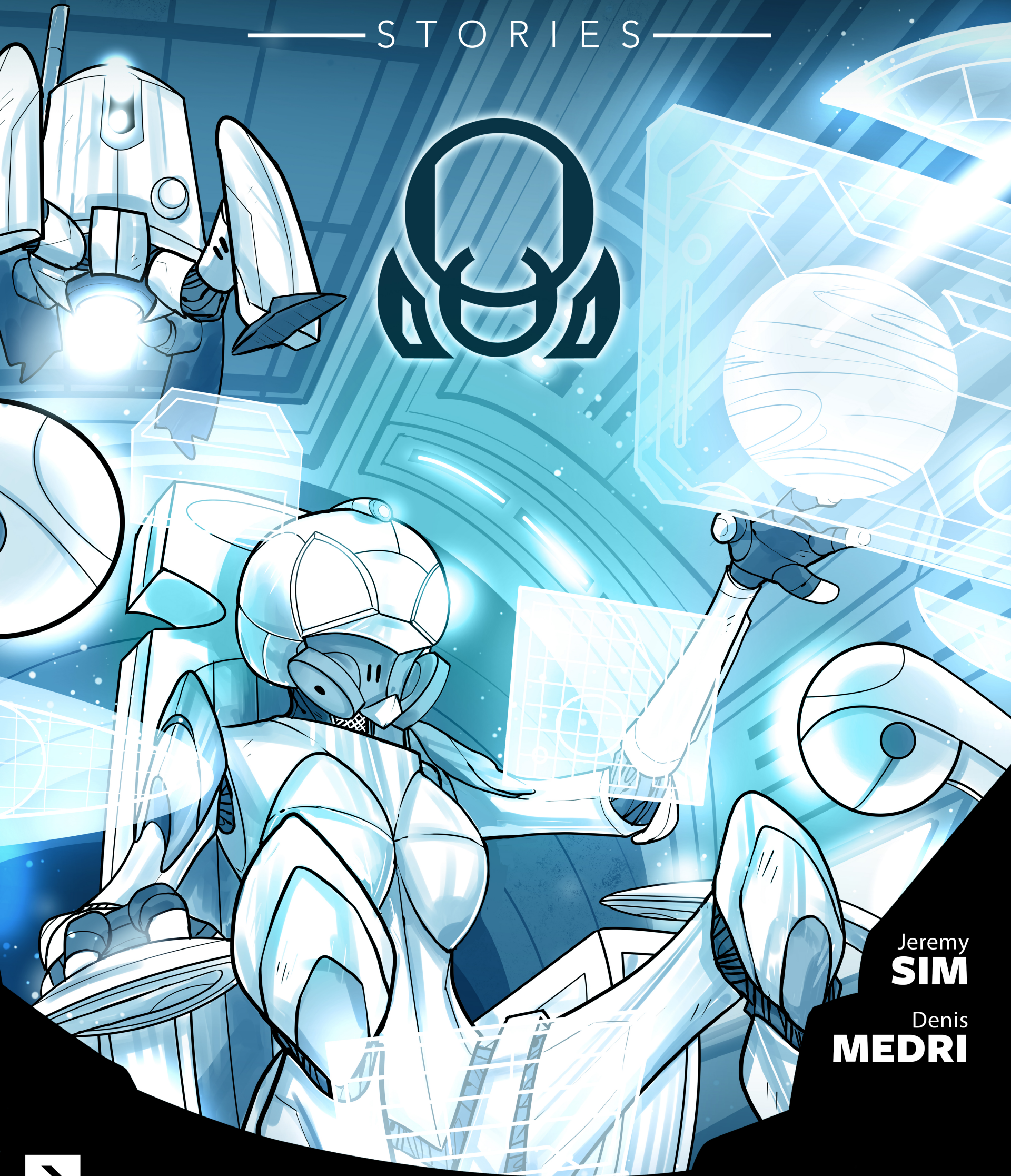


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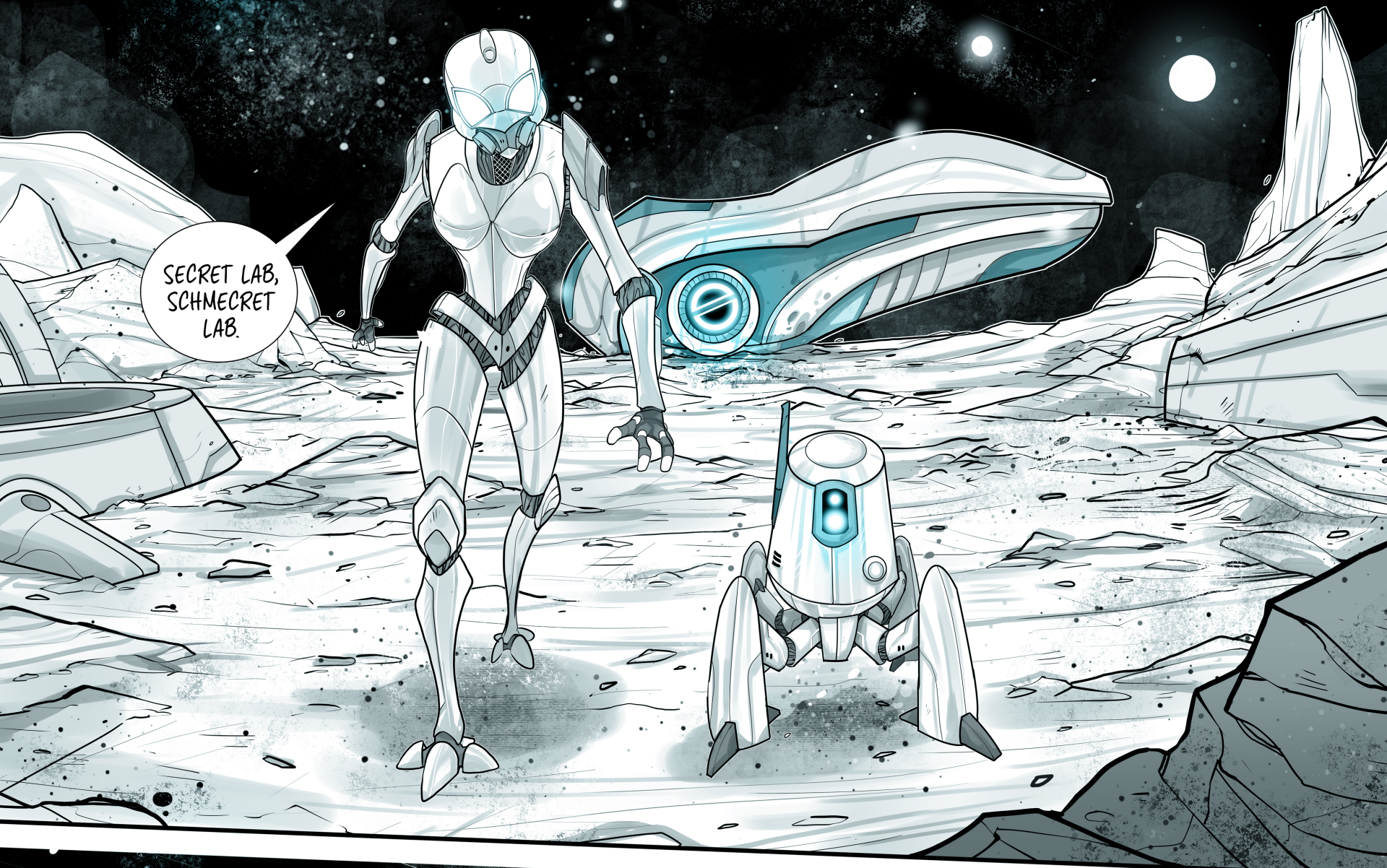
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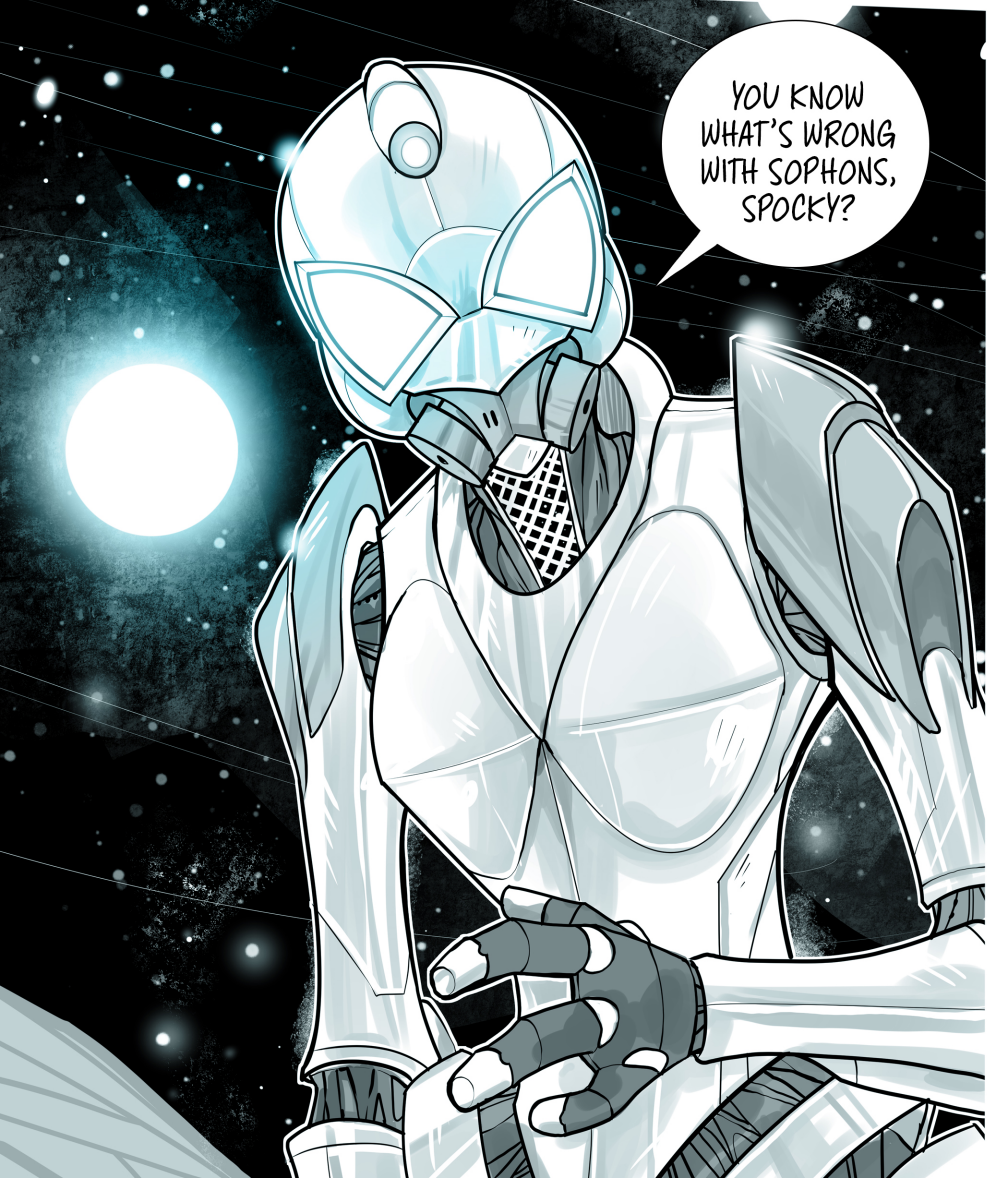
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42 MINUTES TO MELTDOWN.

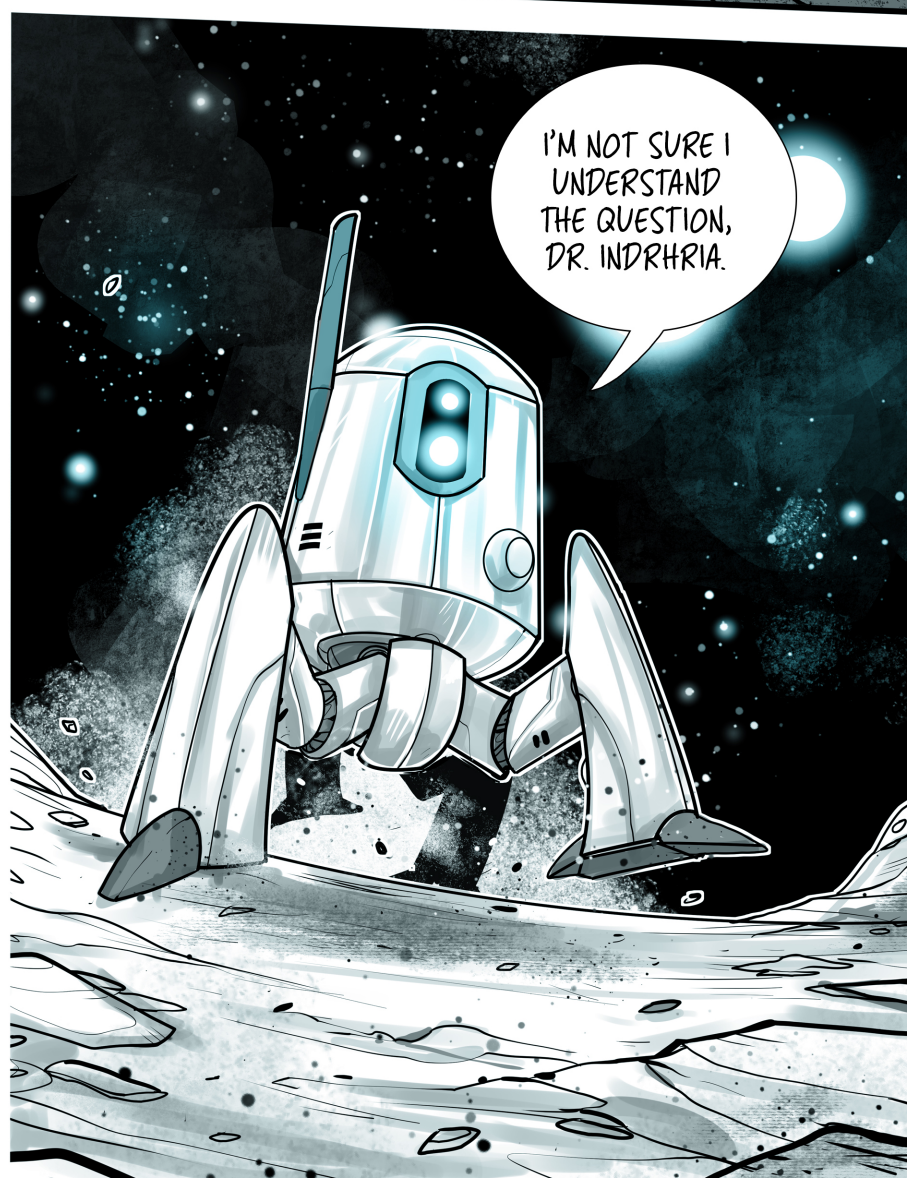
SECRET LAB,
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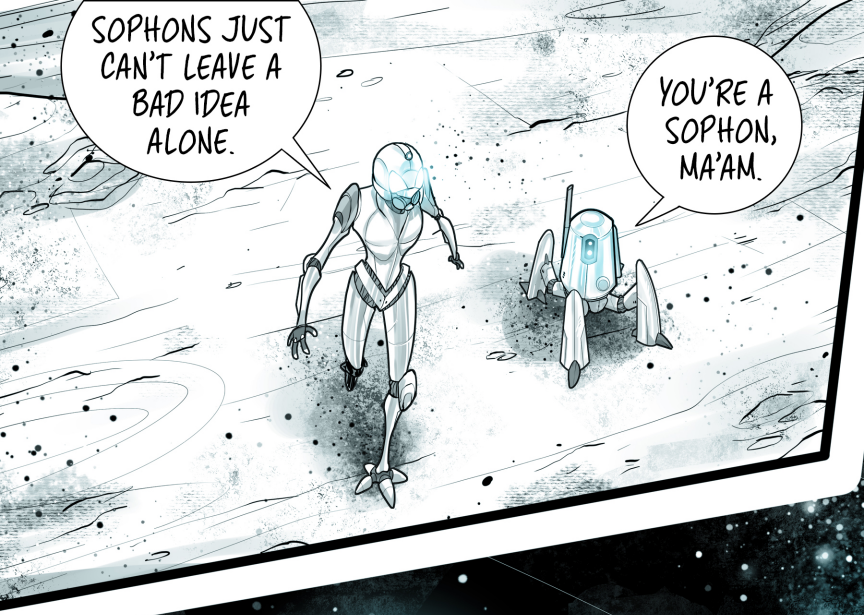


YOU KNOW
WHAT'S WRONG
WITH SOPHONS,
SPOCKY?



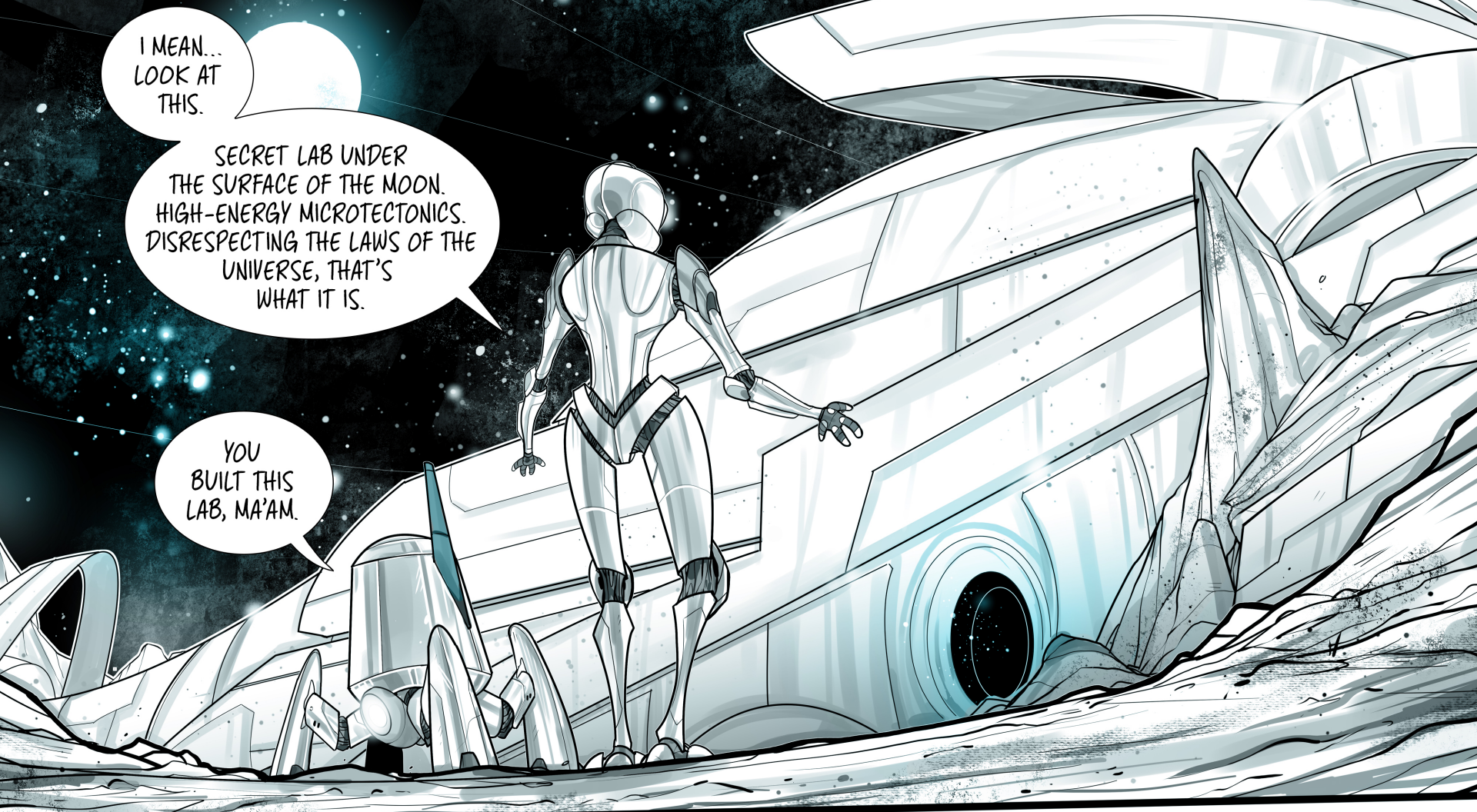
I'M NOT SURE I
UNDERSTAND
THE QUESTION,
DR. INDRHRIA.





SOPHONS JUST CAN'T LEAVE A BAD IDEA ALONE.

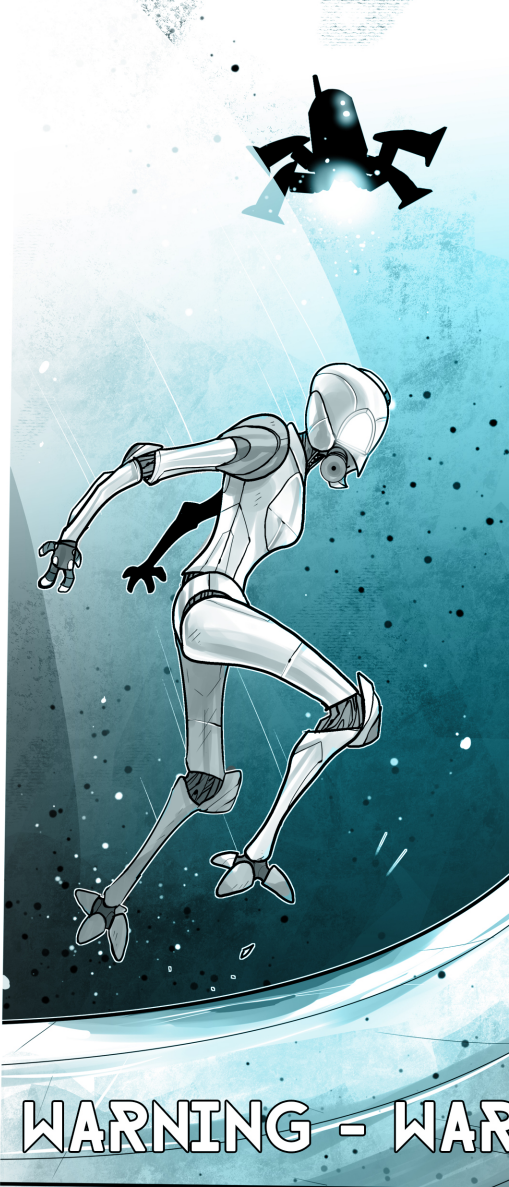
YOU'RE A SOPHON, MA'AM.



I MEAN... LOOK AT THIS.

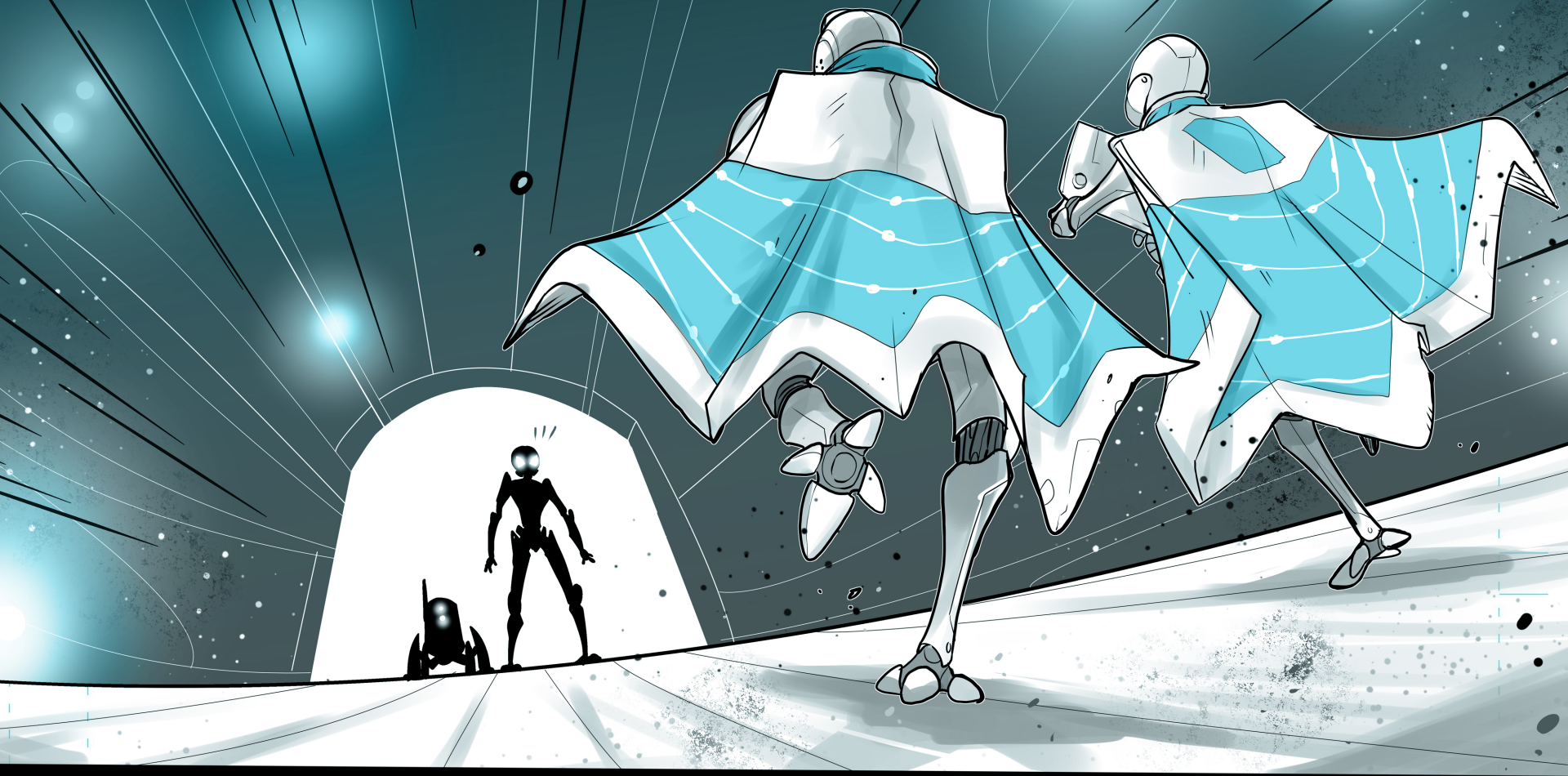
SECRET LAB UNDER THE SURFACE OF THE MOON. HIGH-ENERGY MICROTECTONICS. DISRESPECTING THE LAWS OF THE UNIVERSE, THAT'S WHAT IT IS.

YOU BUILT THIS LAB, MA'AM.

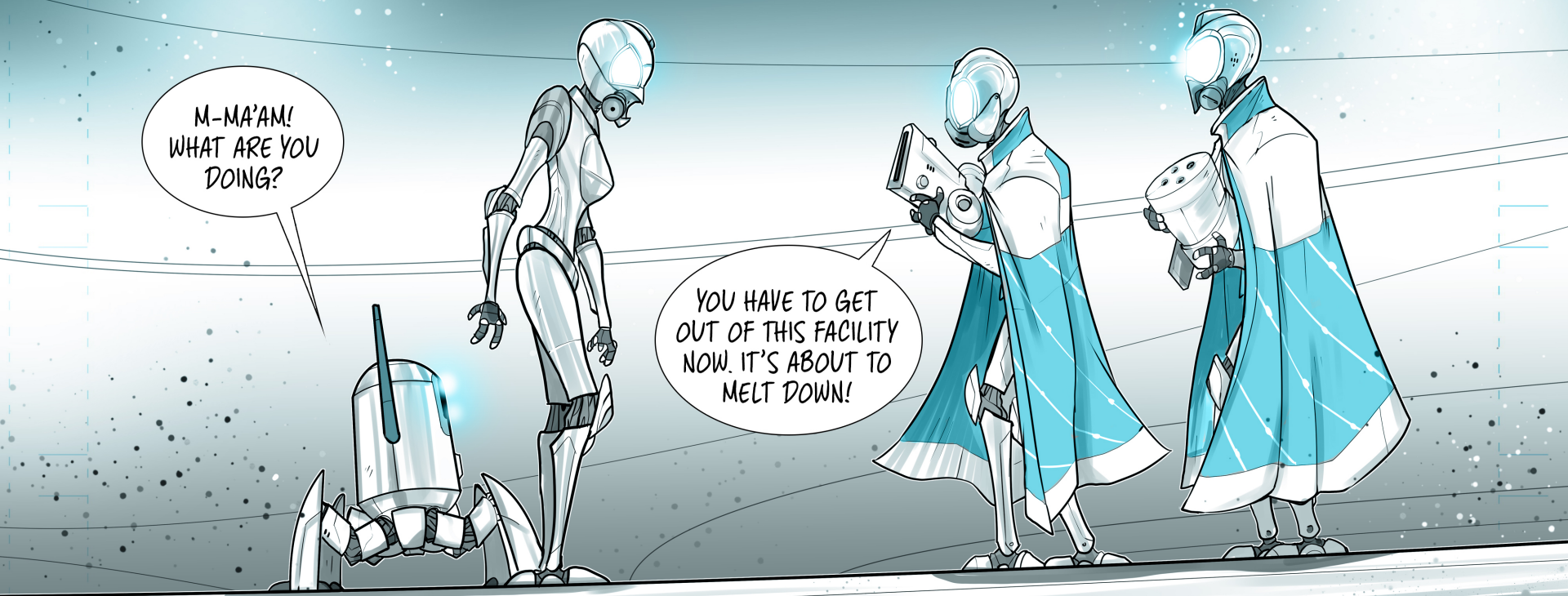


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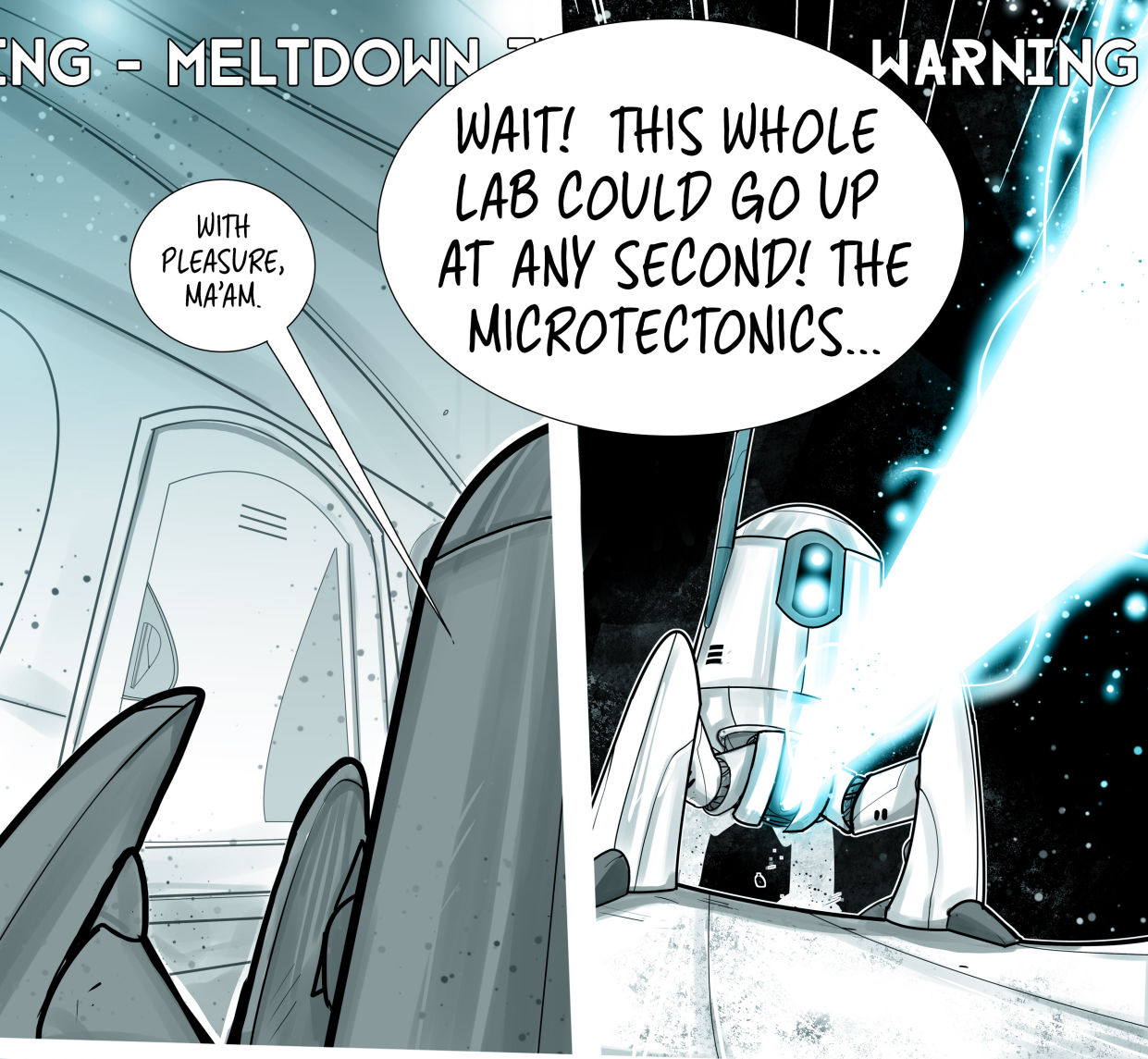


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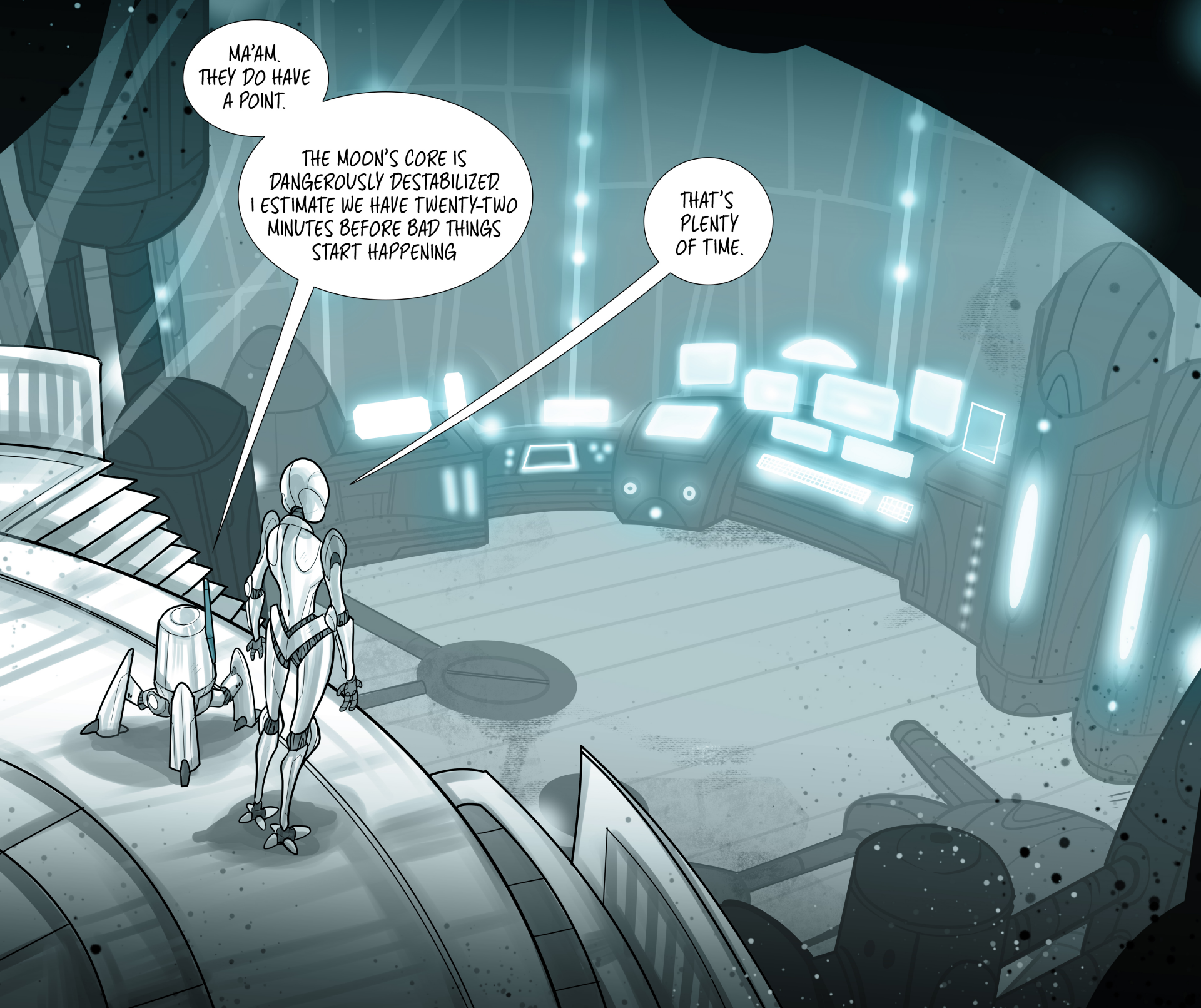
WITH PLEASURE, MA'AM.

WAIT! THIS WHOLE LAB COULD GO UP AT ANY SECOND! THE MICROTECTONICS...



I WROTE THE BOOK ON MICROTECTONICS, YOU KNOW.

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MA'AM. THEY DO HAVE A POINT.

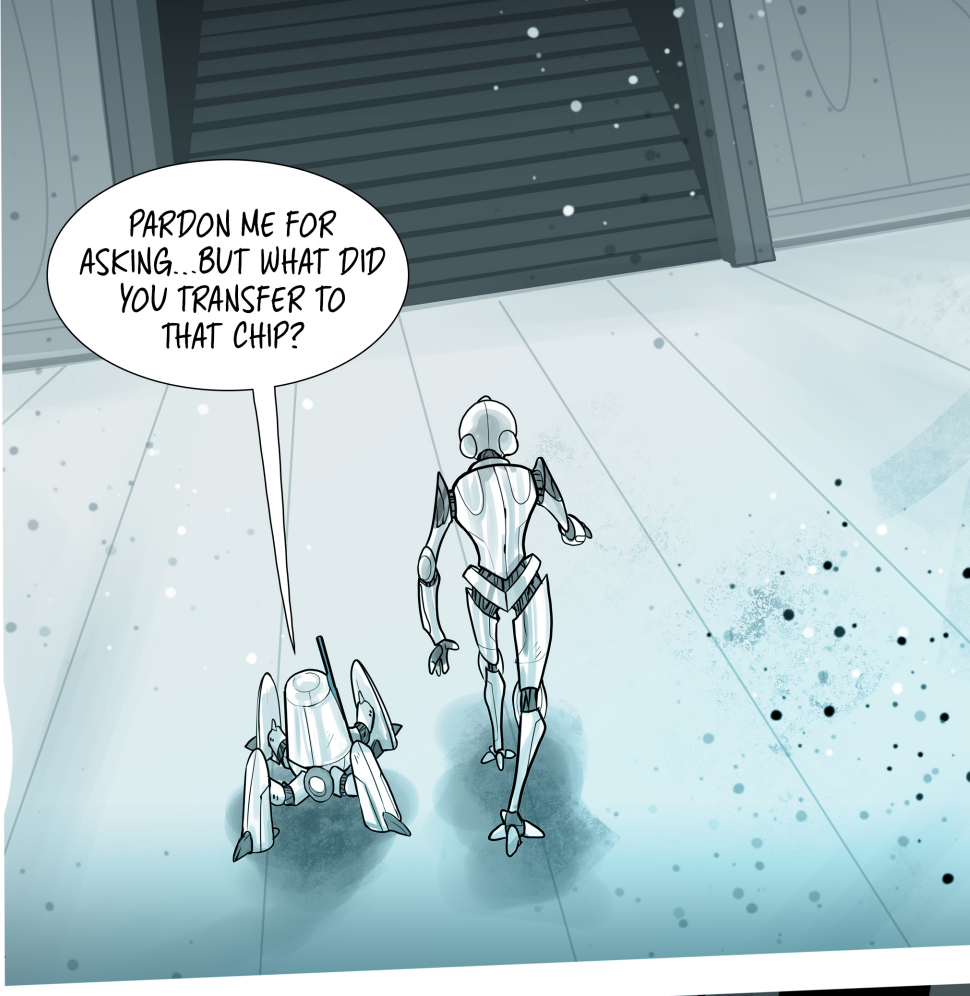
THE MOON'S CORE IS DANGEROUSLY DESTABILIZED. I ESTIMATE WE HAVE TWENTY-TWO MINUTES BEFORE BAD THINGS START HAPPENING

THAT'S PLENTY OF TIME.



OKAY, SPOCKY. LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.

I'D LIKE THAT, MA'AM.

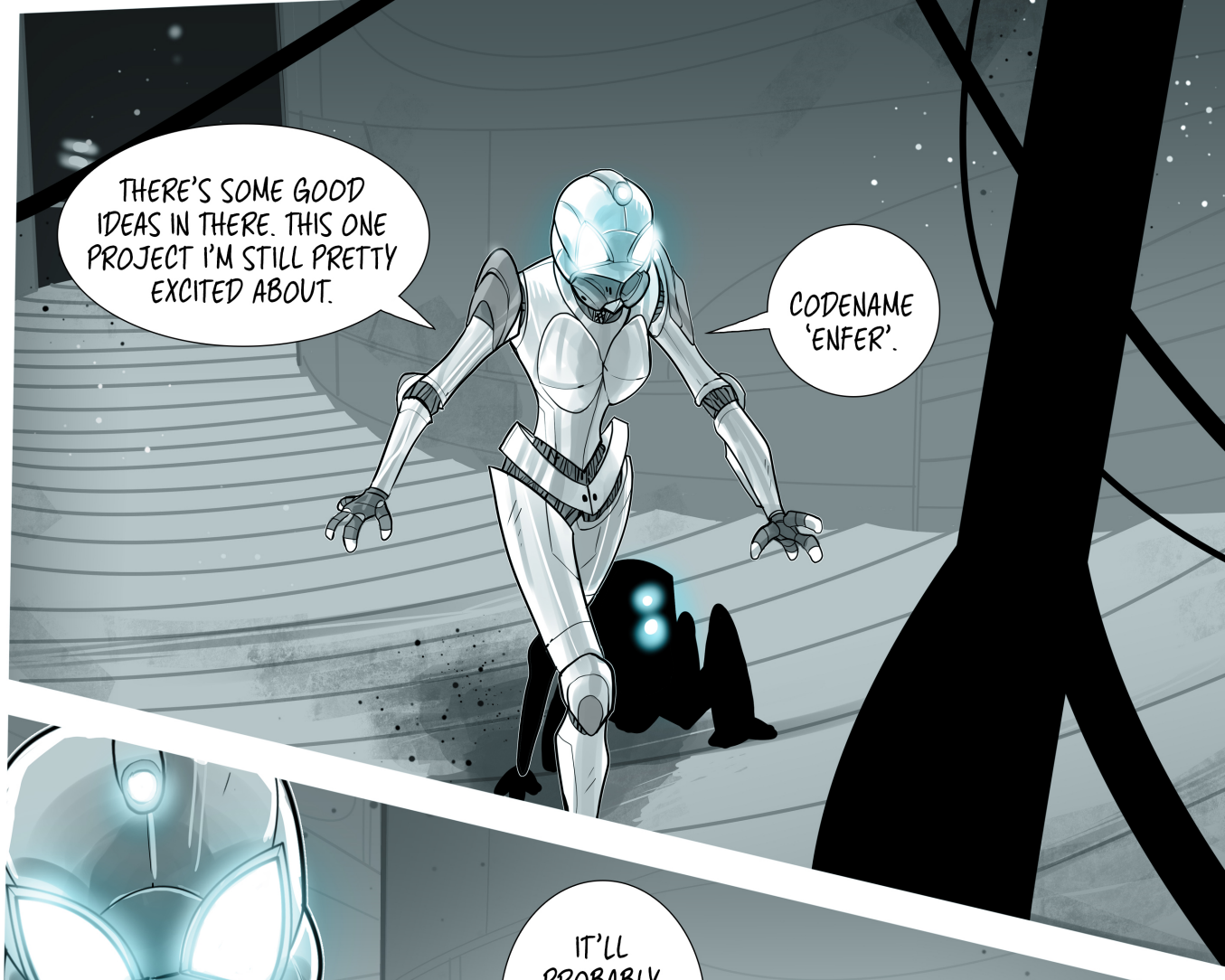


PARDON ME FOR ASKING... BUT WHAT DID YOU TRANSFER TO THAT CHIP?



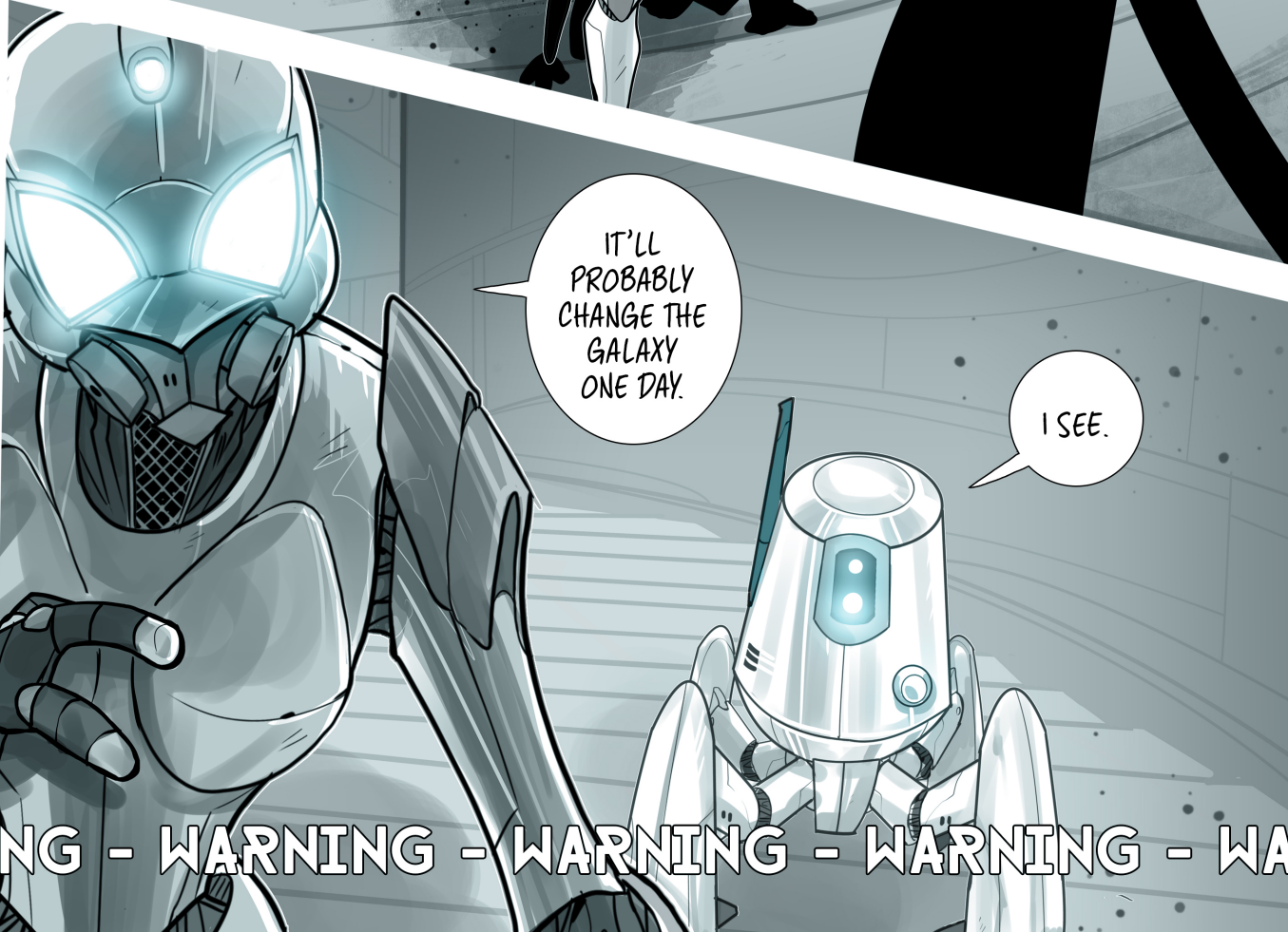
OH... YOU KNOW.

MY LIFE'S WORK. STUFF LIKE THAT. STUFF THEY DIDN'T LET ME TAKE WITH ME WHEN I LEFT..



THERE'S SOME GOOD IDEAS IN THERE. THIS ONE PROJECT I'M STILL PRETTY EXCITED ABOUT.

CODENAME 'ENFER'.



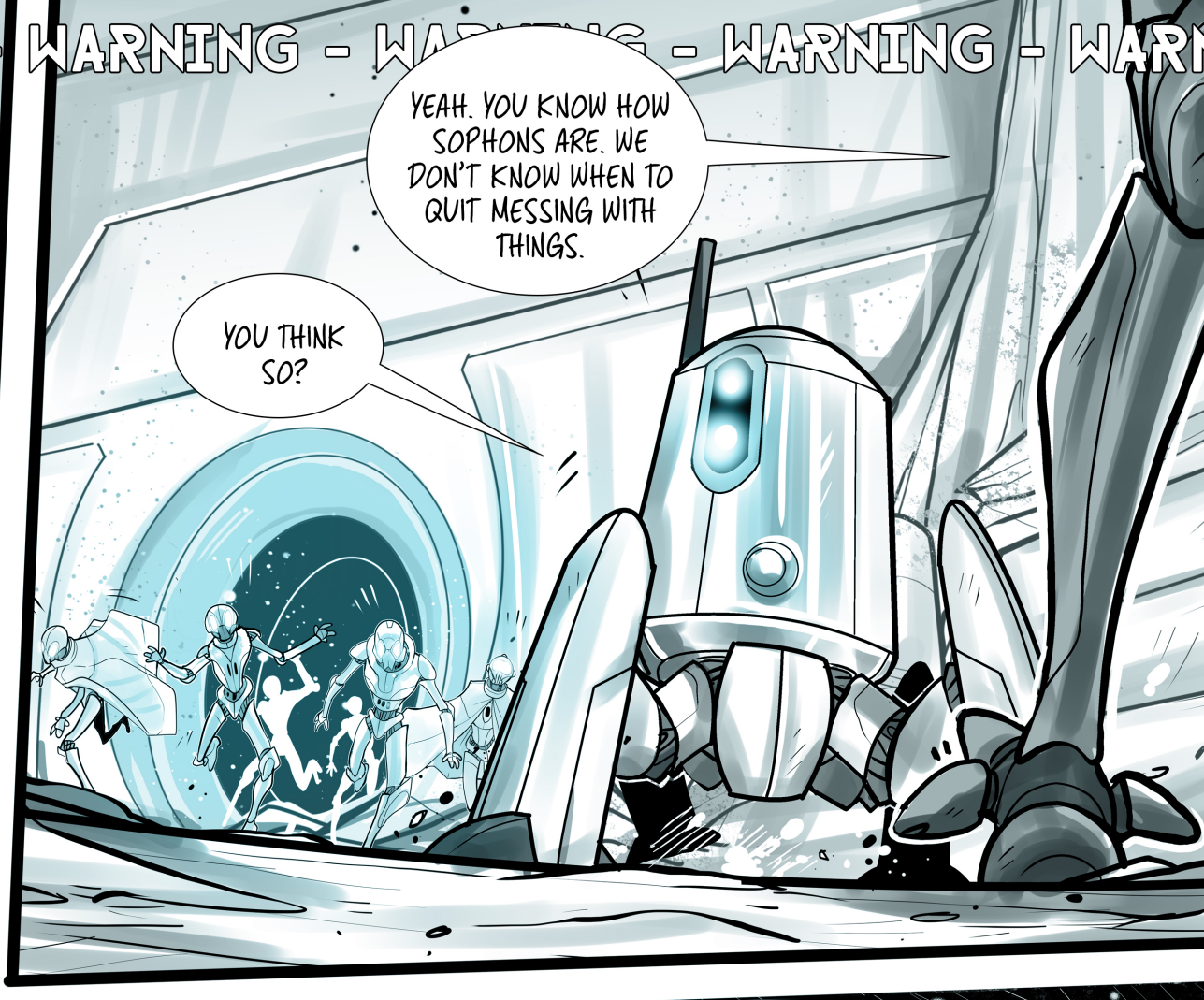
IT'LL PROBABLY CHANGE THE GALAXY ONE DAY.

I SEE.



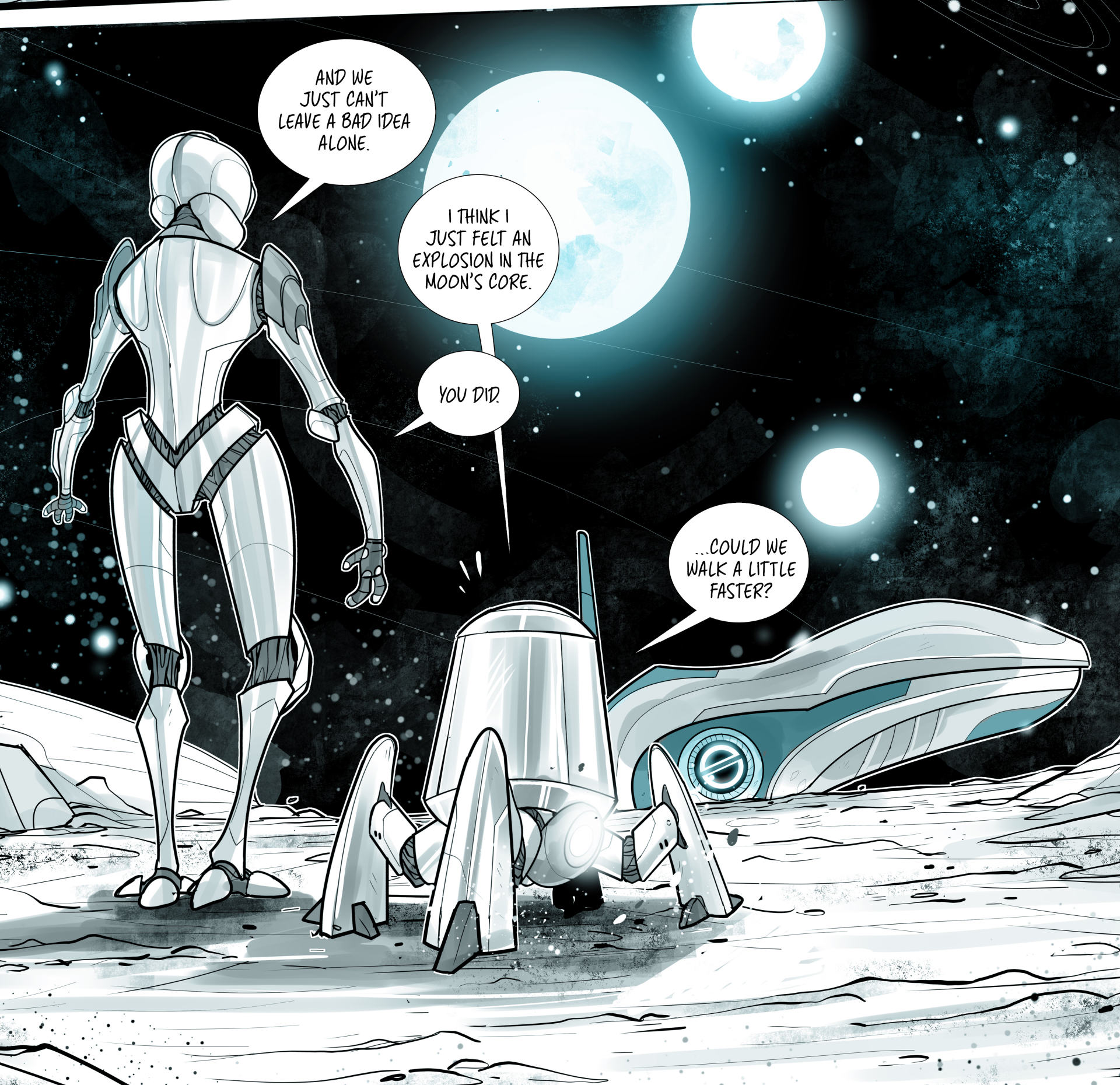
SHAME ABOUT THIS LAB, THOUGH.

AH, GIVE THEM A COUPLE YEARS. THEY'LL BUILD A NEW ONE. EVEN BIGGER AND MORE DANGEROUS.



YEAH. YOU KNOW HOW SOPHONS ARE. WE DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT MESSING WITH THINGS.

YOU THINK SO?



AND WE JUST CAN'T LEAVE A BAD IDEA ALONE.

I THINK I JUST FELT AN EXPLOSION IN THE MOON'S CORE.

YOU DID.

...COULD WE WALK A LITTLE FASTER?

