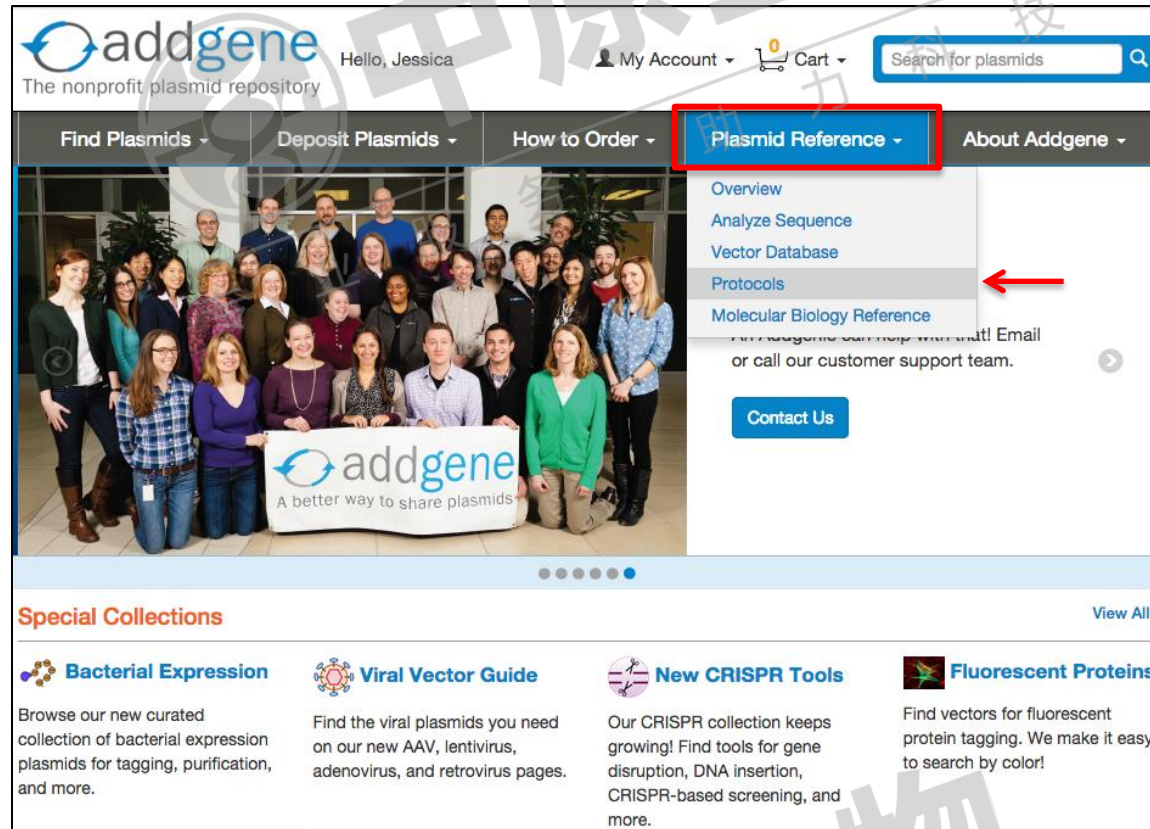


For instructions on what to do with your new Addgene plasmids, please go to our website and follow these links.

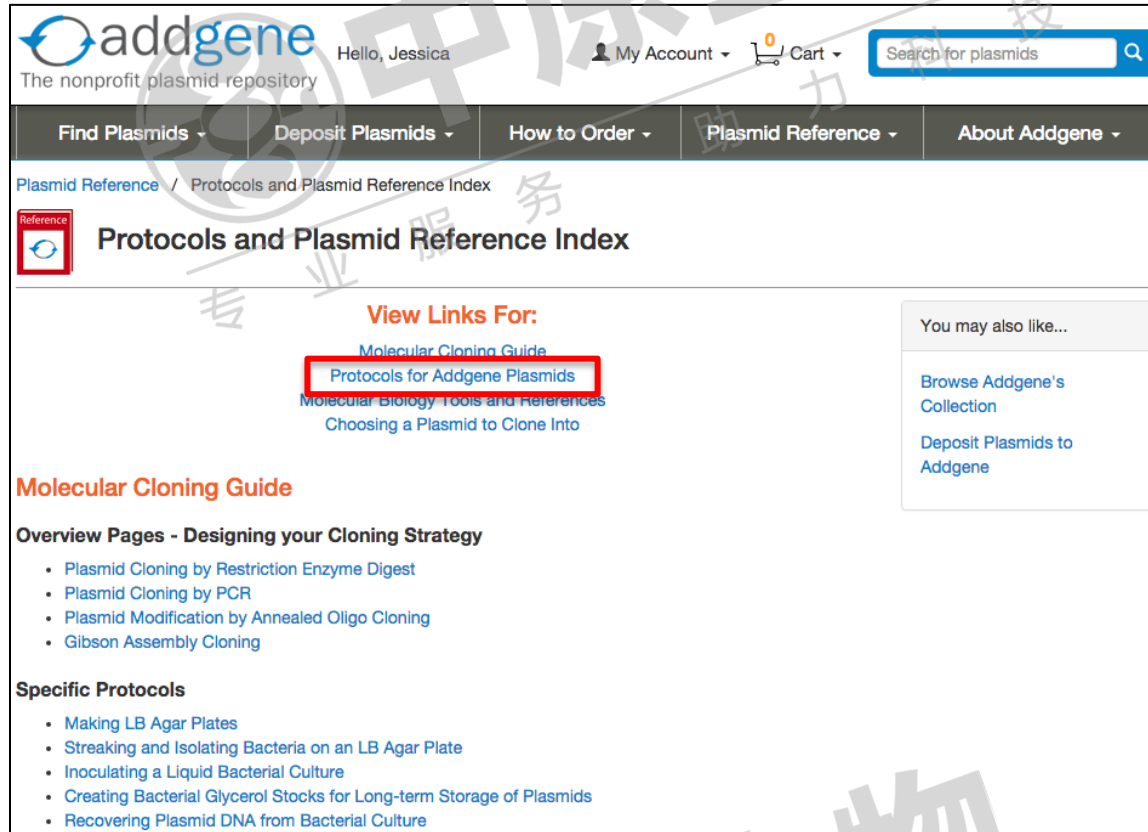
Under the Plasmid Reference tab at [www.addgene.org](http://www.addgene.org), select Protocols:



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Once you are on our Protocols and Plasmid Reference Index page, click the 'Protocols for Addgene Plasmids' link:



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[www.addgene.org/plasmid-reference/index/](http://www.addgene.org/plasmid-reference/index/)

Then select either plasmids or kits for more information!

### Overview Page

- You have just received your plasmids from Addgene. Now what?
- You have just received your kit from Addgene. Now what?

### Specific Protocols

- [Streaking a Plate from an Addgene Stab Culture](#)
- [Inoculating an Overnight Liquid Culture of your Addgene Plasmid](#)
- [Creating a Glycerol Stock of your Addgene Plasmid](#)
- [Isolating your Addgene Plasmid DNA from Bacteria](#)
- [Diagnostic Restriction Digest of your Addgene Plasmid](#)
- [Sequence Analysis of your Addgene Plasmid](#)

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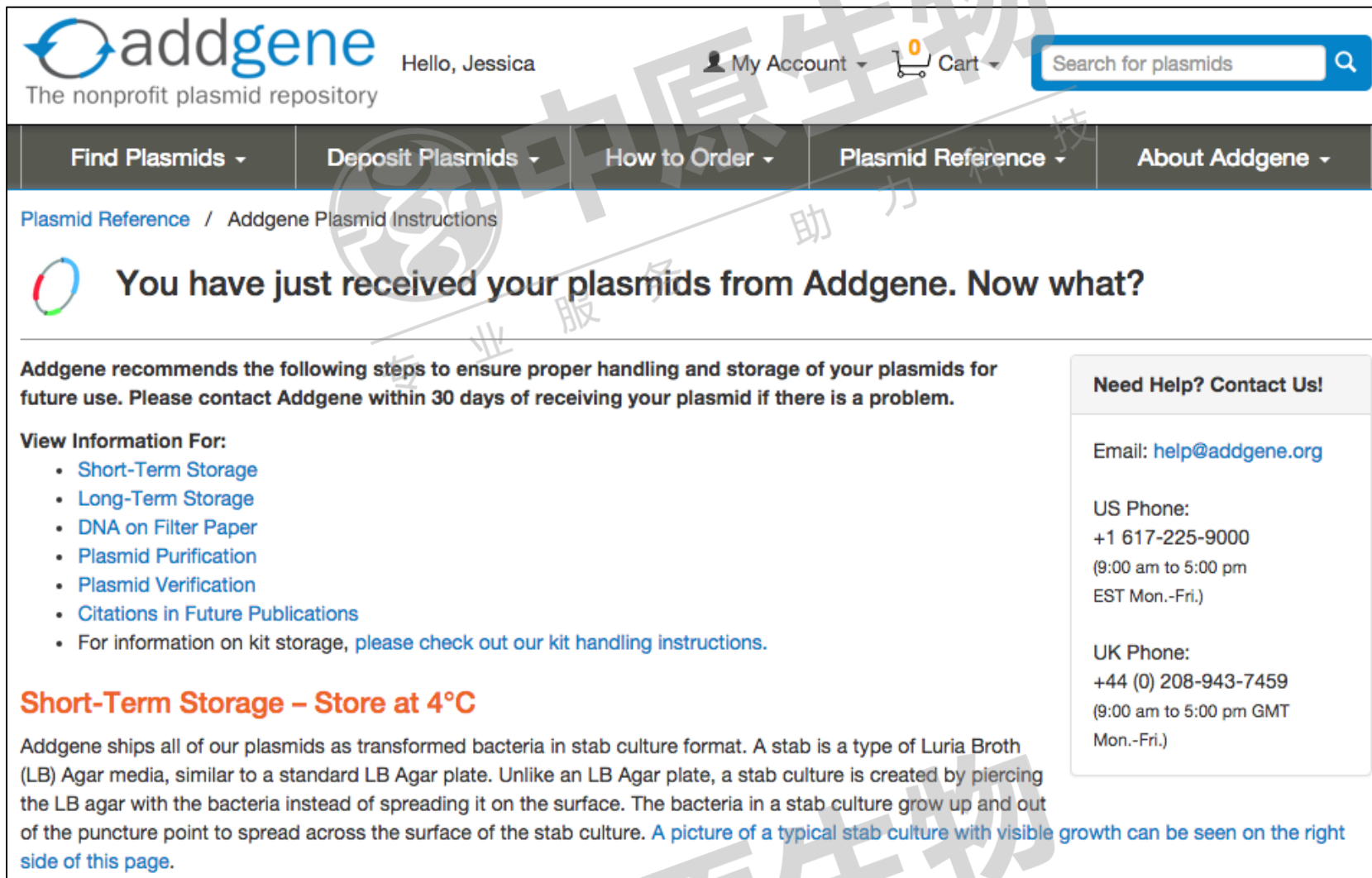
### Molecular Biology Tools and References

#### Tools

- [Sequence Analyzer](#)
- [Vector Database](#)

[www.addgene.org/plasmid-reference/index/#protocols](http://www.addgene.org/plasmid-reference/index/#protocols)

# Instructions for receiving various plasmid formats from Addgene:



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Plasmid Reference / Addgene Plasmid Instructions

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**View Information For:**

- [Short-Term Storage](#)
- [Long-Term Storage](#)
- [DNA on Filter Paper](#)
- [Plasmid Purification](#)
- [Plasmid Verification](#)
- [Citations in Future Publications](#)
- For information on kit storage, [please check out our kit handling instructions.](#)

**Short-Term Storage – Store at 4°C**

Addgene ships all of our plasmids as transformed bacteria in stab culture format. A stab is a type of Luria Broth (LB) Agar media, similar to a standard LB Agar plate. Unlike an LB Agar plate, a stab culture is created by piercing the LB agar with the bacteria instead of spreading it on the surface. The bacteria in a stab culture grow up and out of the puncture point to spread across the surface of the stab culture. [A picture of a typical stab culture with visible growth can be seen on the right side of this page.](#)

**Need Help? Contact Us!**

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(9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
EST Mon.-Fri.)

UK Phone:  
+44 (0) 208-943-7459  
(9:00 am to 5:00 pm GMT  
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[www.addgene.org/recipient-instructions/](http://www.addgene.org/recipient-instructions/)

Instructions for receiving a kit at room temperature are highlighted below:

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[www.addgene.org/recipient-instructions/mykit/](http://www.addgene.org/recipient-instructions/mykit/)