# Addgene – A Unique Nonprofit Accelerating Science Joanne Kamens, PhD Executive Director, Addgene











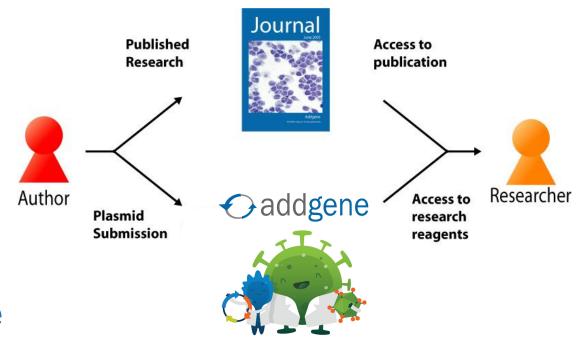






## **Addgene's Nonprofit Mission**

Accelerate research and discovery by improving access to useful research materials and information





#### The Addgene Open BioMaterials Collections



2017

7 Pooled Viral Vector Libraries (MORE COMING!)









# Centralized Materials and Reproducible Science



Wide access to large collection of open materials



Rapid distribution of materials worldwide



Data, specification and protocol sharing

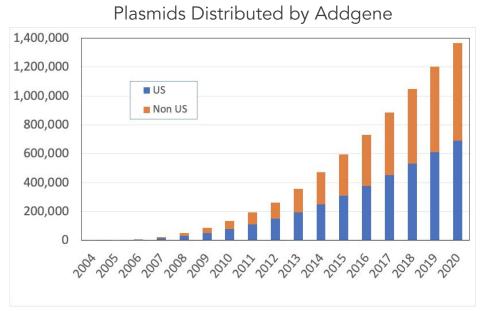


Guaranteed quality control of materials

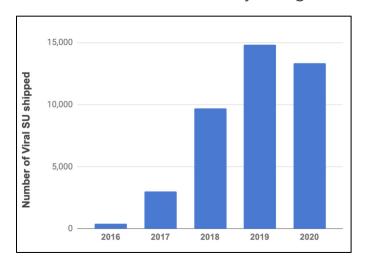


#### **Enabling Scientists for Experimental Success**

"Scaling" of a centralized resource enables better service and much more support >95,000 Materials stored >850 items distributed each day to >7,300 institutions



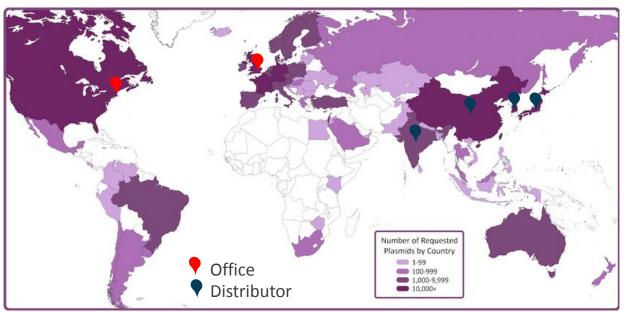
Viral Vectors Distributed by Addgene





# **Sharing Around the World**

Addgenies solve tricky import/export situations for scientists around the globe. We make it possible to easily get materials from Anchorage to Australia.





### **Joining the Sharing Community**

Depositing is Easy

Addgene PhDs help during the entire process

Start by depositing most requested plasmids

Addgene takes care of entire tech transfer process

Deposit before publication when the paper comes out, plasmid numbers are in materials and methods **Depositor Benefits** 

Plasmids get used again, not lost in freezer ice

Save time fulfilling requests

International sharing is easy

Archiving of key reagents

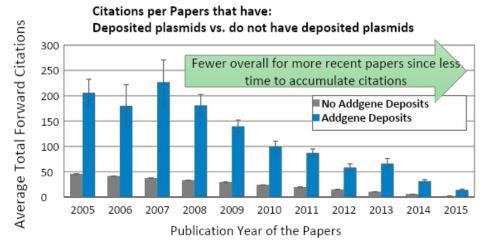
Protection against losses due to lab turnover

Records of all requests

Increased exposure for your science



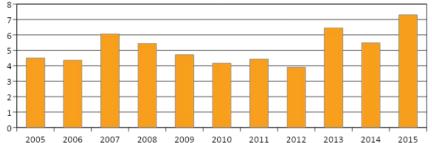
#### Impact Data—Depositing Increases Citations



- Samantha Zyontz and Neil Thompson
- MIT Sloan School of Management
  - Citations through June 2016
  - n = 1,315,420 papers with no deposits,
     2,596 papers with deposits
- Read more about this study blog.addgene.org

#### Fold Increase in Citations

Addgene plasmids/no Addgene plasmids





#### **Sharing to Optimize Research Dollars**

- Why make the same plasmid again?
- Large batches of quality controlled common reagents—valuable. Labs don't have to buy a whole batch themselves—priceless!
- Pooled libraries available, ready for screening—saves time and money
- Kits and samples:
  - Example: AAV Serotype Testing Kits AAV encoding fluorescent reporters to compare the tropism of different serotypes. 20 µL option as an economical choice that can be used to validate the performance of various serotypes before conducting large scale experiments.



#### **Bad Reagents, Poor Outcomes**

#### Correct DNA Sequence



Materials that have passed quality control at Addgene save scientists time and money, accelerating research and discovery



#### Incorrect DNA Sequence

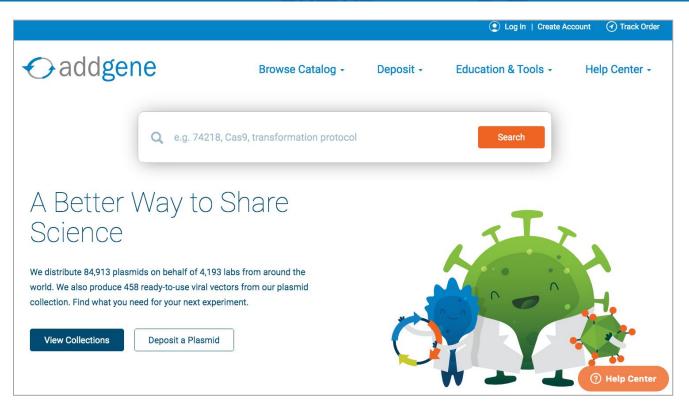


An incorrect sample sets a scientist back weeks or months.

Adds an incredible amount of frustration as to why experiments are not working.

Leads to incorrect results and interpretations

# www.addgene.org An Information and Education Portal



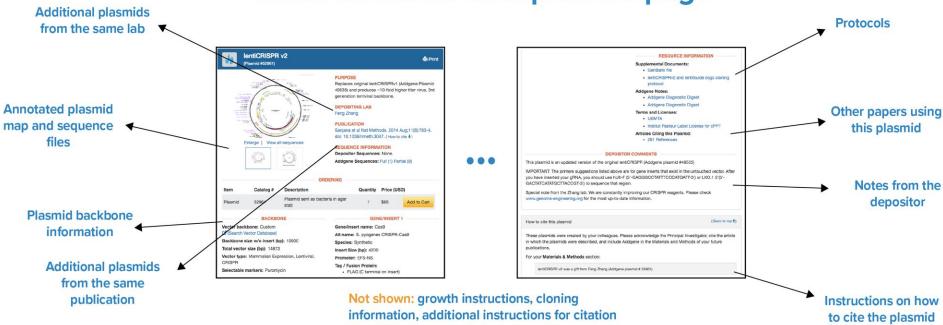
>2.5 million pageviews per month

> 200,000 unique users per month



#### **Resource and Information Portal**

# The resource and information nexus centered on a plasmid page





#### Free Educational Resources

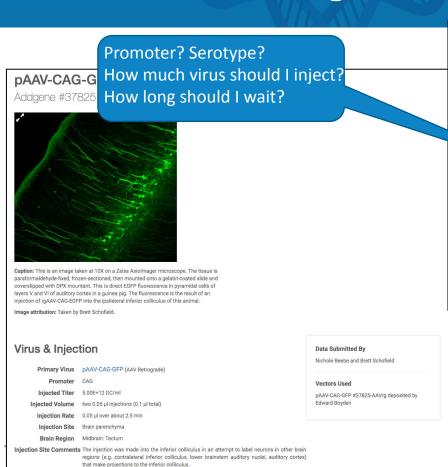
- Blog: >120,000 views per month
- Scientific protocols: ~100,000 views/month
- eBooks: >26,000 downloads 2019
  - Plasmids 101, CRISPR 101, Fluorescent Proteins 101, Viral Vectors 101 & a Science Career Guide
- Videos: >28,000 views/month on our Youtube channel of >100 videos
- Technical Service: >10,000 inquiries/year

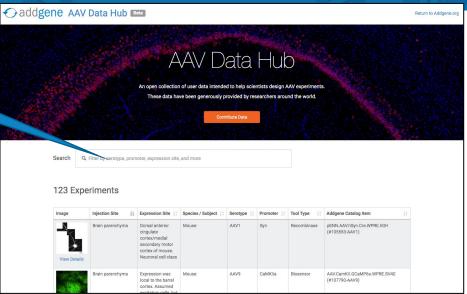
addgene.org/educational-resources





#### **Platform for Sharing AAV Data**





- Addgene collects data from requesting scientists
- Data add value to the materials because of Addgene curation and centralization!

#### Neuroscience Resources at addgene.org

- Addgene's blog <a href="https://blog.addgene.org/topic/neuroscience">https://blog.addgene.org/topic/neuroscience</a>
- AAV Data Hub <a href="https://datahub.addgene.org/aav/">https://datahub.addgene.org/aav/</a>
- Neurodegeneration Research Collection -<a href="http://www.addgene.org/collections/neurodegeneration/">http://www.addgene.org/collections/neurodegeneration/</a>
- Guide example Optogenetics Guide -<a href="http://www.addgene.org/guides/optogenetics/">http://www.addgene.org/guides/optogenetics/</a>
- Collection page example The Brain Initiative -http://www.addgene.org/collections/brain-initiative/



#### **How Can We Help?**















2016-2017-2018 2019-2020

















Finalist, 2018 Diversity Awards





Innovation Winner