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Dear Editor,

Many thanks for handling our manuscript and for considering our manuscript for publication at *JoVE*. We are grateful for the comments made by the referees, all of which has contributed much to the current version of our manuscript.

An important aspect of the referees' comments was about the generality of our protocol. We thus modified the introduction and discussion in regards to employ our methods for natural resistance plasmids and other mobile genetic elements.

In what follows, we answer the referees' comments and suggestions point by point. Please note that the line numbers in our reply refer to the version with marked changes.

Looking forward to hearing from you, also in the name of my coauthors,

Yours sincerely,

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