KEY WORDS AND PHRASES FOR BACTERIAL FLAGELLA CONCEPT MAP

- 1. A single flagellum, usually at one pole
- 2. A rigid, helical structure that extends from the bacterial surface and composed of the protein flagellin
- 3. A motile response to an environmental stimulus
- 4. A motile response to light
- 5. A motile response to oxygen
- 6. Acts as a rotary molecular motor, enabling the flagellum to rotate and propel the bacterium through the surrounding fluid; powered by proton motive force
- 7. Bacterial flagellin functions as a pathogen-associated molecular pattern or PAMP that binds to pattern-recognition receptors or PRRs on a variety of defense cells of the body and triggers innate immune defenses.
- 8. Clockwise rotation pushes the bacterium forward. Every time the bacterium stops, brownian motion and fluid currents cause the bacterium to reorient in a new direction.
- 9. Clockwise rotation results in a tumbling motion and changes the direction of bacterial movement.
- 10. Counterclockwise rotation leads to long, straight or curved runs without a change in direction.
- 11. Flagella over the entire surface
- 12. If the flagellum is rotating counterclockwise, it pushes the bacterium forward.
- 13. Internal flagella found only in the spirochetes
- 14. Motility serves to keep bacteria in an optimum environment via taxis.