

e.g. O refers to carb on cell wall, H is flagellar protein - provide unique strain of ID for bacterial cells

Flagella Arrangement - differ on different bacteria

- if change location, get a different name
- usually either bacilli or spirilla on bacterial cells

Axial filaments. - flagella w/in cell, wrapped around body of cell beneath plasma membrane

- Endoflagella
- in spirochetes
- anchored at one end of a cell
- rotation causes cell to move

Fimbriae and Pili.

- outside of bacteria
- Fimb. Allow attachment
 - Gliding motility
 - Twitching motility
- Pili - used to transfer DNA from one cell to another

2.4 Cell wall. — UNIQUE TO PROKARYOTIC CELLS

- Prevents osmotic lysis
 - made of peptidoglycan (in bacteria) - around plasma membrane
 - Peptid. Is a polymer of disaccharide (2 sugar rings) N-acetylglucosamine (NAG) and N-acetylmuramic acid (NAM)
 - Linked by polypeptides
 - Gram pos. Cell wall
 - thick peptidoglycan layer (located on exterior surface of the cell)
 - teichoic acids
 - Gram neg. cell wall — -flagellar protein/H antigen used for distinguishing
 - 2 plasma membranes
 - thin peptidoglycan layer in the periplasmic space (space between membranes)
 - this is contained w/in the outer membrane called LPS (Lipopolysaccharide)
- layer

Gram stain mechanism

- 1) crystal violet iodine crystals form in cell. — all cells take up crystal violet stain and become purple
- 2) add alcohol
 - Gram pos. — PURPLE
 - Alcohol dehydrates peptidoglycan
 - CV-I crystals do not leave (due to thicker layer and look purple)
 - Gram Neg. — PINK OR RED
 - Alcohol dissolves outer membrane and leaves holes in peptidoglycan
 - CV-I, washes out (bc degrades LPS layer and purple color leaves so cells are clear, then colored red or pink by stain saccharin)

Atypical cell walls

- Acid fast cell walls
 - Like gram pos cell walls
 - Waxy lipid (mycolic acid) bound to peptidoglycan

- conjugative plasmid - carries genes for sex pili and transfer of the plasmid
- Dissimilation plasmids - encode enzymes for catabolism [break down carbs/nutrients] of unusual compounds
- R factors - encode antibiotic resistance
- Flow of genetic info options:
 - Vertical gene transfer - how genetic info/dna transferred parent to offspring
 - pairs up w/process of replication previously discussed
 - horizontal gene transfer - transfer dna to unrelated organisms that exist in the same generation [Recombination- exchange of DNA and incorporation of that DNA into the host genome/chromosome]
 - cell reading coded message in own genes and make expected products

-DNA is transcribed to make RNA (mRNA, tRNA, rRNA). — RNA polymerases synthesizes strand of RNA from 1 strand of DNA [synthesized from nucleotides: A,T,C,G]; RNA synthesized also in 5'→3' direction

-mRNA is translated in codons (3 nucleotides) by ribosome. [ribosome attach to mRNA at specific sequences] to create protein

- one such sequence is shine dalgarno sequence
- Each codon corresponds to one amino acid
- Amino acids form long chain to make protein

*prokaryotes = no nucleus in bacterial cells SO can have transcription and translation occurring in tandem w/one another; nearly no processing of mRNA molecule

Regulation of bacterial gene expression

- constitutive enzymes/proteins are expressed at a fixed rate
- other enzymes are expressed ONLY as needed
 - Repressible enzymes
 - Inducible enzymes — lac operon {lactose operon} - genes transcribed here required for lactose breakdown and lactose binds repressor/operator (trigger conformational change; protein no longer binds to operator so... start transcription again at promoter region and move across operator)
 - Able to do these by : packaging lots of genes that function together in small regions of DNA : control region (promoter- where enzyme assembly that transcribe genes occur and operator - binding site for regulatory protein) & structural genes = Operon [regulated by product of the regulatory gene]
- Regulatory gene - > operator -bound or not, if is, don't need promoter/enzyme assembly -> promoter

4.4 genetic Mutations

- change in the genetic material
- DNA polymerase fidelity - the ability to make an exact copy of the chromosome
- Mutations can be neutral, beneficial or harmful
- Mutagen - agent that causes mutations
- Spontaneous mutations - occur in absence of a mutagen
- spontaneous mutation rate: 1 in 10⁹ replicated base pairs of 1 in 10⁶ replicated genes
 - Mutagens increase this rate to 1 in 10⁵ or 1 in 10³ per replicated gene
- STOP codons: UAA, UGA, UAG
 - redundancy built into system but product/protein could be changed
 - change codon but still get same amino acid
- START codon: AUG (a.a.=Met)
- Mutation — point mutations:
 - Base substitution (point mutation) - change in 1 nitrogenous base/nucleotide
 - Silent mutation - no amino acid change
 - Missense mutation - change codon such that result in change in amino acid

- Sulfonamides – target metabolic pathway that leads to creation of floase [unique to prokaryotic cells]—ultimately kill cell
- Synthesis
 - Rifampin – similar to macrolide in strcure, inhibits mRNA synthesis –stops RNA polymerase
 - ciprofloxacin – broad spectrum – target gram pos and gram neg, inhibit en- zymes assoc w/ replication process & therefore, cell divison process
- penicillin – target synthesis of peptidoglycan (gram pos more so bc have more than gram neg) – weaken cell wall for bacterial cell and may undergo lysis – impact growing cells NOT those already grown
 - natural penicillins -- narrow spectrum against gram-pos bacteria ; had to be injected (penicillin G) → penicillin E more stable and could take orally
 - semi-synthetic penicillins ex. Ampicillin – changes structure enough to affect gram pos and gram neg bacteria
 - penicillinase (Beta-lactamase)
 - penicillin and related drugs are Beta-lactams (beta lactam rings -CH/-CH/-C/-
- N)
 - clavulanic acid – non-competitive inhibitor of beta-lactamase/penicillinase
 - added to some beta-lactams (augmentin)
 - use penicillin derivative to kill cell/cell wall creation while @ same time stop defensive enzyme of bacteria
 - *amoxicillin w/clavulanic acid = augmentin

5.6 antibiotic use

- kirby bauer disk-diffusion test -- how select concentration for given antibiotic ; if organism sensitive to given drug (zone of inhibition – where bacteria inhibited/killed)
 - drawback: disc can contain only one concentration
 - be followed up with more detailed testing
 - so do broth dilution test
 - MIC – min inhibitory concentration
 - if no growth then concentration not effective ; minimize issue of toxicity bc can find lowest dose need
 - MBC - minimal bactericidal concentration
 - **find out which is which
 - transplant to new broth
 - if no growth then microbe killed
 - if is growth then show microbes ONLY inhibited
- by antibiotic

-Effects of combo of drugs:

- Synergism – effect of 2 drugs together greater than effect of either alone
- Antagonism – effect of 2 drugs together is less than the effect of either alone

-Antibiotic Resistance

- variety of mutations can lead to antibiotic resistance
- mechanisms of antibiotic resistance:
 - enzymatic destruction of drug (beta-lacatam)
 - prevention of penetration of drug
 - alteration of drug's target site – change to protein or enzymes

- animal control measures
 - lyme disease
- public health failure – ppl not get vaccinated or not get booster shots etc

CDC

- collects and analyzes epidemiological info in the US
- published morbidity and mortality weekly report
- morbidity – incidence of a specific notifiable disease
 - notifiable disease – doctors must reports these to US public health authority
- mortality – deaths from notifiable diseases
- morbidity rate - # of ppl affected/total population in a given time period
- mortality rate - # of deaths from a disease/total population in a given time

6.4 – pathogenicity

- pathogenicity – ability to cause disease
- virulence – extent of pathogenicity (avirulent- does not cause disease)

-portals of entry: - many microbes have preferred portal of entry and will not cause disease if they enter some other way

- mucous membranes
 - GI tract
 - Respiratory tract
 - Genitourinary tract
 - conjunctiva of eye
- skin
 - hair follicles , sweat glands, pores, cuts
- parenteral route (under skin)
 - punctures, bites, injections, surgery etc

-portal of exit: microbes usually enter the same way exit

- respiratory tract
 - coughing , sneezing
- GI tract
 - feces, saliva
- genitourinary tract
 - urine, vaginal secretions
- skin
- blood
 - biting arthropods, needles/syringes

-#s of invading microbes

- ID50: infectious dose for 50% of the test population (required to cause disease)
- LD50 – lethal dose for 50% of test population
 - EX) bacillus anthracis

-Adherence – adhesions / ligands bind to receptors on host cells (long enough to cause damage)

- glycocalyx (slimy layer outside of cell -> biofilm)
- fimbriae [allow cell to move around] -ex) E.coli; endocytosis may occur in some cases
- M protein -----mycolic acid
- Opa protein
- Tapered end [use own cellular shape to adhere – in spirochete]