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Response to Reviewers' comments

Reviewer 1:

Comment 1. In the "Whole cell ELISA" section, "the Clinical strains of *A.baumannii* were cultured overnight in LB broth. Cells were harvested and resuspended in PBS and diluted to an OD620 of 0.3" please cite the reference.
Response: Reference # 17 added.

Comment 2.How did you get the doses of the recombinant Bap and recombinant N Flagellin?
Response: Reference # 19 cited for the answer to this comment.

Comment 3. In the western blot result, the Marker line in figure 1 is terrible.
Response: We tried to improve the lines. However the picture can not be altered any more. The reviewer # 2 has also suggested adding SDS-PAGE analysis pictures. These pictures are also added under Fig. 1 C and D which could help the readers understand the presentation better.

Comment 4. The animal challenge is an important part in this research, but the result was not well described.
Response: The results are described both in the text under "**Animal challenge with *A.baumannii and P. aeruginosa***". We elaborated the results by adding more description to the issue (highlighted yellow). The results are further illustrated in Figures 4 & 5.

Comment 5. It's just a suggestion, the N Flagellin and recombinant Bap could be fused to express.

Response: Thanks a lot for the suggestion. This is a very good suggestion. We shall keep in mind for further works on this subject.

Reviewer 2: Sefidi et al. investigated immunogenic role of N terminal Flagellin of Pseudomonas aeruginosa as an adjuvant for Biofilm associated protein (Bap), a specific cell surface protein against Acinetobacter baumannii. The authors present the extent which Pseudomonas Flagellin can play a role as an adjuvant for Bap A. baumannii and the model could be useful to evaluate new vaccine regimens against *A. baumannii*., thus, This manuscript is interesting. However, much of the results section needs some detail data. In addition, the manuscript would also benefit by being checked carefully by a native English speaker.

Comment 1. The grammar, word spacing, format of reference in text and punctuation needs to be improved throughout the Manuscript.
Response: Done accordingly.

Comment 2. Fig1. The figure quantity is very poor, and the SDS –PAGE should be provided.
Response: We tried to improve the lines. However the picture can not be altered any more. SDS–PAGE pictures are also added under Fig. 1 C and D.