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Abstract: Novel one-pot reaction conditions have been developed for the preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives directly from glycosyl azides mediated by a combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide. The reaction conditions were clean, non-toxic and the products were isolated in good to excellent yield.

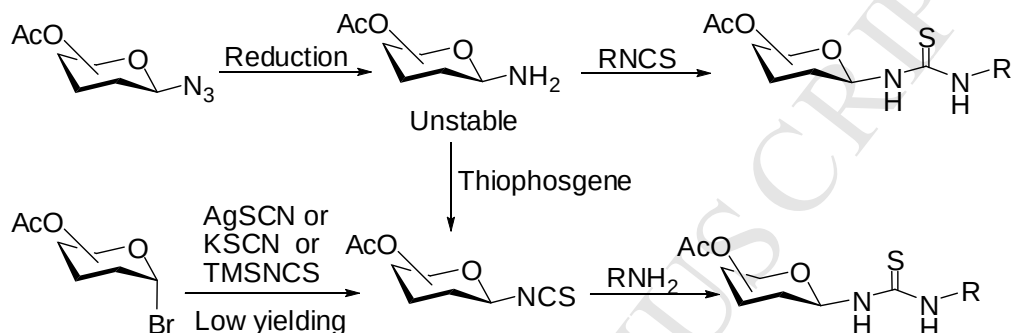
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1. Introduction

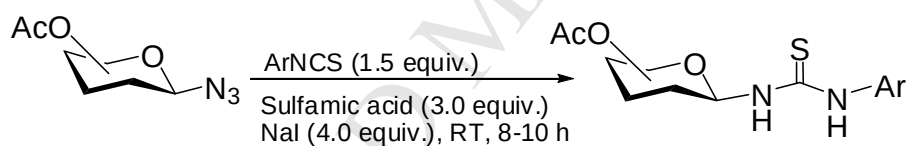
Thiourea derivatives are important class of molecules having versatile chemical and biological applications.¹ They have been used in therapeutics as antioxidant,² anti-bacterial,³ anti-inflammatory,⁴ anti-parasitic,⁵ anti-HIV,⁶ anti-tubercular,⁷ rodenticide,⁸ anti-cancer agents,⁹ anti-fungal agents¹⁰ etc. Thiourea derivatives have been used as agrochemicals such as insect growth regulator,¹¹ and herbicides.¹² They have also wide applications in the chemical synthesis of heterocycles and other organic molecules.^{13,14} In the recent past, thiourea derivatives have been applied as organocatalysts and ligands in a variety of asymmetric organic reactions.^{15,16} In addition, they have been applied as chemical sensors for the detection of heavy metals¹⁷ and in polymer synthesis.¹⁸

Glycosyl thiourea derivatives have been used for the preparation of several biologically important molecules such as glycoconjugates,¹⁹ thioureidosugar derivatives,²⁰ nucleosides,²¹ spiroglycosides,²² glycoclusters and dendrimers,²³ bridged thiourea calix sugar derivatives²⁴ etc. A number of glycosyl thiourea derivatives have been found promising as antiviral, antibacterial and antitumor agents.²⁵ Because of the increasing therapeutic importance, several glycosyl thiourea derivatives have been synthesized using the reaction of glycosyl isothiocyanates with aryl/alkyl amines or reaction of glycosyl amines with aryl/alkyl isothiocyanates (Scheme 1).²⁶⁻²⁹ However, the reported methods for the preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives suffer from several shortcomings such as, handling of unstable glycosyl halide for the preparation of glycosyl isothiocyanate derivatives, chemical and thermal instability of glycosyl amine derived from the reduction of glycosyl azides, operational complication for the preparation of glycosyl amines,^{27,29} poor yield in the thiophosgene mediated conversion of amino group into isothiocyanato group,²⁸ hazardous reaction conditions²⁹ etc. Therefore, there is a strong need to develop a high yielding, reproducible, user friendly reaction condition for the preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives. During our synthetic studies on carbohydrates we were interested to prepare a series of glycosyl thiourea derivatives. It was envisaged that development of a one-pot reaction condition for the reduction of azido group followed by reaction with an appropriate aryl/alkyl isothiocyanate could furnish satisfactory yield of the glycosyl thiourea derivative in a clean reaction condition. Prompted by a recent report of Shankaraiah et al.³⁰ for the preparation of podophyllotoxin-thiourea congeners, in which azide derivative was reacted with aryl isothiocyanates in the presence of a combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide, it was decided to prepare glycosyl thiourea derivatives directly from glycosyl azides avoiding the problems associated with the preparation of glycosyl amines or isothiocyanate derivatives. Earlier, sulfamic acid has been used in various organic transformations because of its organocatalytic property.³¹ We report herein a convenient one-pot synthesis of glycosyl thiourea

conjugates by the reaction of glycosyl azides with aryl isothiocyanates in the presence of a combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide (Scheme 2). It is presumed that on treatment with a combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide, the glycosyl azide reduced to form glycosyl amine *in situ* which immediately reacts with aryl isothiocyanate to furnish glycosyl thiourea derivatives.



Scheme 1: Conventional approaches for the preparation of glycosylthiourea derivatives.



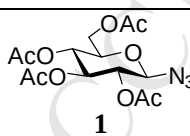
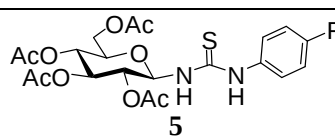
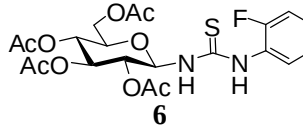
Scheme 2: Preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives directly from glycosyl azides.

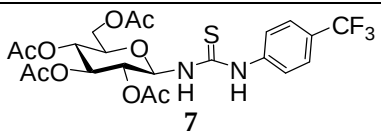
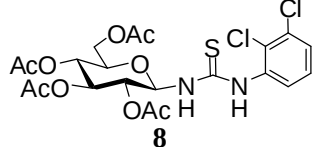
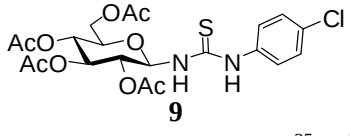
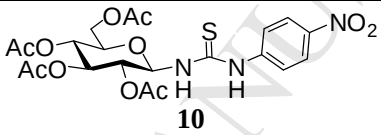
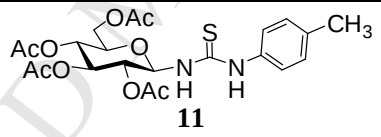
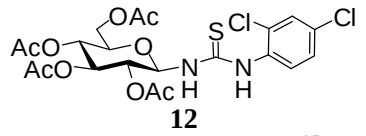
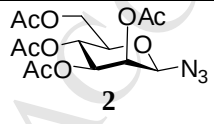
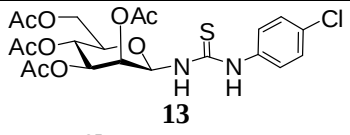
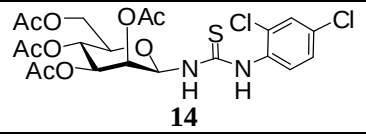
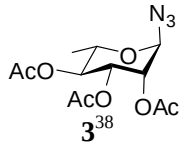
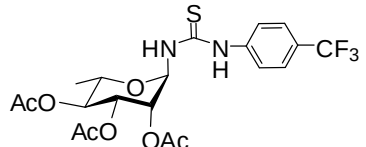
2. Results and discussion

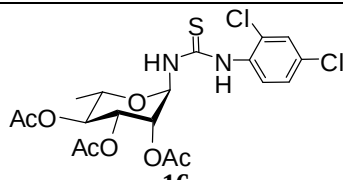
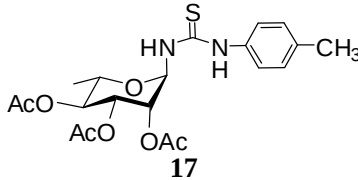
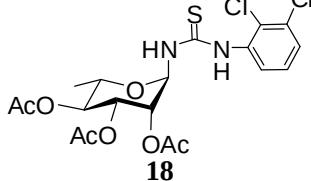
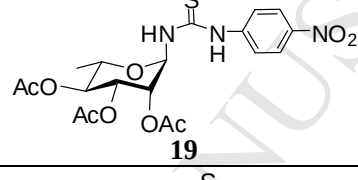
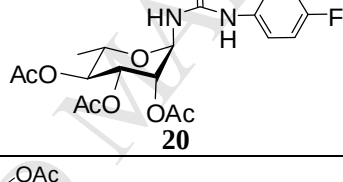
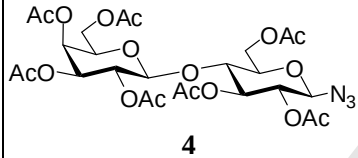
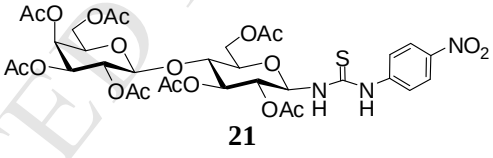
In a set of initial experiments, 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl azide (**1**) (1 mmol) was allowed to react with 4-fluoro-benzylisothiocyanate in the presence of a varied quantity of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide at room temperature in a variety of solvents such as, THF, CH₃CN, DMF etc. After a series of optimization, it was observed that use of 3.0 equiv. of sulfamic acid and 4.0 equiv. of sodium iodide in acetonitrile resulted in the formation of 4-fluorophenyl 3-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl) thiourea (**5**) in 70% yield in 8 h at room temperature. Following similar reaction condition a series of per-*O*-acetylated glycosyl azide derivatives were reacted with a series of aryl isothiocyanates to furnish a variety of per-*O*-

acetylated glycosyl aryl thiourea derivatives in very good yield (Table 1). Although in the earlier report less amount of reagents were used for this transformation, in this case reducing the quantity of sulfamic acid or sodium iodide led to incomplete conversion of the starting material even after 24 h presumably due to the fact that sodium iodide got decomposed under the reaction condition. A scaled up synthesis of compound **10** was also carried out with similar yield as in small scale preparation. All products were unambiguously characterized by their spectral analysis. In order to evaluate the medicinal potential of the compounds it is necessary to have their deprotected version. Therefore, representative thiourea derivatives (**10**, **12** and **16**) were subjected to the transesterification with dilute sodium methoxide following the reaction conditions reported by Somsak *et al.*³² Gratifyingly, quantitative yield of de-O-acetylated thiourea derivatives were achieved without formation of any by product besides the possibility of the reactivity of thiourea functionality with sodium methoxide. Presumably, the azide group was reduced to amine functionality in the presence of the combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide, which reacted with aryl isothiocyanates to give the thiourea derivatives.

Table 1: Preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives by Sulfamic acid and Sodium iodide mediated reaction of glycosyl azides with aryl isothiocyanates in acetonitrile.

Sl. No.	Glycosyl azide	Product	Time (h)	Yield (%)	Ref
1	 1	 5 m.p. 190-191 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 20$ (c 1.0, CHCl ₃); [Lit. m.p.: 191–193 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 18$ (c 0.29, CHCl ₃)].	8	70	32
2	1	 6 m.p. 187-188 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 16$ (c 1.0, CHCl ₃).	8	70	33

3	1	 7 m.p. 110-112 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 28$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); [Lit. m.p.: 112-114 °C; $[\alpha]_D + 32$ (c 0.15, CHCl₃)].	8	72	32
4	1	 8	9	66	--
5	1	 9 m.p. 127-128 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 10$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); [Lit. m.p.: 128-130 °C; $[\alpha]_D - 12.3$ (c 1.8, CHCl₃)].	8	68	34
6	1	 10 m.p. 96-98 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 16$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃)	8	74 72 (5 g scale)	33
7	1	 11 m.p. 76-78 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 4$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃)	10	56	35
8	1	 12 m.p. 176-178 °C [EtOH]; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 14$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); [Lit. m.p.: 178 °C].	8	62	36
9	 2	 13 $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 6$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃)	8	65	37
10	2	 14	8	60	--
11	 3³⁸	 15	8	68	--

12	3	 16	8	58	--
13	3	 17	10	58	--
14	3	 18	10	62	--
15	3	 19	8	76	--
16	3	 20	8	64	--
17	 4	 21	10	68	--

3. Conclusion

In summary, a straightforward convenient one-pot reaction condition has been developed for the preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives in excellent yield directly from glycosyl azides mediated by a combination of sulfamic acid and sodium iodide avoiding the use of toxic reagents. Further utilization of glycosyl thiourea derivatives in the organic transformations are in progress in our laboratory.

4. Experimental

4.1. General methods: All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography over silica gel coated TLC plates. The spots on TLC were visualized by warming ceric sulphate (2% $\text{Ce}(\text{SO}_4)_2$ in 2N H_2SO_4) sprayed plates in hot plate. Silica gel 230-400 mesh was used for column chromatography. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 500 MHz spectrometers using CDCl_3 as solvent and TMS as internal reference unless stated otherwise. Chemical shift value is expressed in δ ppm. Assignment of the protons and carbons in the carbohydrate ring was carried out using 1D ^1H , ^{13}C and ^{13}C DEPT NMR spectra and 2D COSY, HSQC NMR spectra. ESI-MS were recorded on a Micromass mass spectrometer. Commercially available grades of organic solvents of adequate purity are used in all reactions.

4.2. General experimental condition for the preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives

To a solution of glycosyl azide (1.0 mmol) and aryl isothiocyanate (1.2 mmol) in dry CH_3CN (5 mL) were added sulfamic acid (100 mg, 3.0 mmol) and sodium iodide (600 mg, 4.0 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for appropriate time mentioned in Table 1. The solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the crude reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL). The organic layer was successively washed with 5% $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (50 mL), water (50 mL), dried (Na_2SO_4) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO_2 column chromatography using hexane-EtOAc to give pure products. Spectral data of the isolated products, which are not reported earlier, are presented below.

***N*-(2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-*N'*-(2,3-dichlorophenyl)thiourea (8):** Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} - 6$ (c 1.0, CHCl_3); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 MHz): δ 7.52 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.47 - 7.30 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.78 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, NH), 5.68 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.33 (t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 5.02 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.88 (t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-2), 4.34 (dd, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 5.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6_a), 4.08 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-6_b), 3.87 - 3.80 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.06, 2.05, 2.03,

2.00 (4 s, 12 H, 4 CH₃CO); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 182.5 (CS), 171.3, 170.4, 169.6, 169.4 (4 C, 4 CH₃CO), 134.9 - 126.6 (6 C, Ar-C), 83.1 (C-1), 73.7 (C-5), 72.6 (C-3), 70.6 (C-2), 68.3 (C-4), 61.6 (C-6), 20.7, 20.6, 20.5, 20.4 (4 C, 4 CH₃CO). ESI-MS: 573.0 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₄Cl₂N₂O₉S (550.06): C, 45.74; H, 4.39%; found: C, 45.60; H, 4.56%.

***N*-(2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-mannopyranosyl)-*N'*-(2,3-Dichlorophenyl)thiourea (14):**

Yellow oil; [α]_D²⁵ - 14 (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.40 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.66 - 7.22 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, NH), 5.87 (br s, 1 H, H-1), 5.38 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 5.09 - 5.04 (m, 2 H, H-3, H-4), 4.23 - 4.21 (m, 1 H, H-6_a), 3.98 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 4.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6_b), 3.60 - 3.57 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.06, 1.98, 1.97, 1.94 (4 s, 12 H, 4 CH₃CO); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 181.7 (CS), 170.4, 170.0, 169.4, 169.3 (4 CH₃CO), 133.4 - 127.4 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.8 (C-1), 74.0 (C-2), 71.4 (C-3), 69.8 (C-4), 65.4 (C-5), 62.2 (C-6), 20.9, 20.7, 20.5, 20.4 (4 CH₃CO). ESI-MS: 573.0 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₂₄Cl₂N₂O₉S (550.06): C, 45.74; H, 4.39%; found: C, 45.57; H, 4.60%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl-α-L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)thiourea (15):**

Yellow oil; [α]_D²⁵ + 26 (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.86 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.63 - 7.45 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 6.79 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.94 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.42 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 5.07 (dd, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 3.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.91 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.70 - 3.64 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.14, 2.03, 1.97, (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.18 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 180.7 (CS), 170.0, 169.4, 169.3 (3 CH₃CO), 126.7 - 124.4 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.4 (C-1), 72.2 (C-3), 71.0 (C-4), 70.4 (C-2), 70.1 (C-5), 20.8, 20.6, 20.4, (3 CH₃CO), 17.4 (CCH₃). ESI-MS: 515.1 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₃F₃N₂O₇S (492.12): C, 48.78; H, 4.71%; found: C, 48.60; H, 4.86%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl-α-L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)thiourea (16):** Yellow

oil; [α]_D²⁵ - 9 (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.32 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.64 - 7.24

(m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.90 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.80 (br s, 1 H, H-1), 5.4 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 5.04 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.91 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.68 - 3.64 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.10, 2.02, 1.94 (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.18 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 181.4 (CS), 170.0, 169.4, 169.3 (3 CH₃CO), 133.0 - 127.7 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.7 (C-1), 72.2 (C-3), 71.3 (C-4), 70.2 (C-2), 70.0 (C-5), 20.8, 20.7, 20.4 (3 CH₃CO), 17.4 (CCH₃). ESI-MS: 515.0 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂Cl₂N₂O₇S (492.05): C, 46.26; H, 4.49%; found: C, 46.10; H, 4.66%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(4-methylphenyl)thiourea (17):** Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 3$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.25 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.21 - 7.09 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 6.37 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.95 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.37 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 5.07 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 3.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.91 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.68 - 3.63 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.38 (s, 3 H, Ar-CH₃), 2.15, 2.04, 1.95 (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.2 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 180.8 (CS), 169.2 - 169.1 (3 CH₃CO), 138.9 - 125.7 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.5 (C-1), 72.0 (C-3), 71.1 (C-4), 70.0 (C-2, C-5), 20.6, 20.4, 20.3 (3 CH₃CO), 17.5 (CCH₃), 14.2 (Ar-CH₃). ESI-MS: 461.1 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₆N₂O₇S (438.14): C, 54.78; H, 5.98%; found: C, 54.60; H, 6.20%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(2,3-dichlorophenyl)thiourea (18):** $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 7.6$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.37 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.61 - 7.35 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 6.94 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.87 (br s, 1 H, H-1), 5.44 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 5.08 (dd, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 3.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.93 (t, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.69 - 3.66 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.11, 2.04, 1.96 (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.22 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 181.2 (CS), 170.0, 169.4, 169.3 (3 CH₃CO), 136.0 - 125.4 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.7 (C-1), 72.2 (C-3), 71.3 (C-4), 70.2 (C-2), 70.0 (C-5), 20.8, 20.7, 20.5 (3 CH₃CO), 17.4 (CCH₃). ESI-MS: 515.0 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₂Cl₂N₂O₇S (492.05): C, 46.26; H, 4.49%; found: C, 46.10; H, 4.66%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(4-nitrophenyl)thiourea (19):** $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} + 6.3$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 9.09 (br s, 1 H, NH), 8.10 - 7.58 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 7.23 - 7.21 (m, 1 H, NH), 5.93(d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.45 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H, H-2), 5.06 (dd, J = 10.0 Hz, 3.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.96 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.71 - 3.66 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.16, 2.06, 1.97 (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.22 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 180.5 (CS), 170.4, 169.8, 169.5 (3 CH₃CO), 144.2 - 122.6 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.2 (C-1), 72.3 (C-3), 71.5 (C-4), 70.1 (C-2), 70.0 (C-5), 20.8, 20.7, 20.5, (3 CH₃CO), 17.5 (CCH₃). ESI-MS: 492.1 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₃N₃O₉S (469.12): C, 48.61; H, 4.94%; found: C, 48.45; H, 5.10%.

***N*-(2,3,4-Tri-O-acetyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(4-fluorophenyl)thiourea (20):** Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} - 12$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.54 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.30 - 7.05 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 6.46 (br s, 1 H, NH), 5.93 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.37 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H, H-2), 5.06 (dd, J = 10.0 Hz, 3.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.88 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 3.70 - 3.60 (m, 1 H, H-5), 2.02, 1.98, 1.95, (3 s, 9 H, 3 CH₃CO), 1.18 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H, CCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 181.0 (CS), 169.6, 169.3, 169.2 (3 CH₃CO), 132.0 - 116.7 (6 C, Ar-C), 80.5 (C-1), 72.1 (C-3), 71.2 (C-4), 70.1 (C-2), 70.0 (C-5), 20.6, 20.5, 20.4 (3 CH₃CO), 17.4 (CCH₃). ESI-MS: 465.1 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₂₃FN₂O₇S (442.12): C, 51.58; H, 5.24%; found: C, 51.40; H, 5.40%.

***N*-[2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl]-*N'*-(4-nitrophenyl)thiourea (21):** Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} + 6$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 8.90 (br s, 1 H, NH), 7.95 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.08 (s, 1 H, NH), 5.66 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H, H-1), 5.30-5.28 (m, 2 H, H-4_B, H-2_A), 5.11 (t, 1 H, H-3_A), 4.99 (dd, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 H, H-2_B), 4.71 (t, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H, H-3_B), 4.56 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-1_B), 4.18 - 4.10 (m, 4 H, H-6_{abB}, H-6_{abA}), 4.05 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H, H-

5_B), 3.88 (t, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4_A), 3.80 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5_A), 2.18, 2.14, 2.11, 2.09, 2.07, 2.04, 2.03, (7 s, 21 H, 7 COCH₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 182.1 (CS), 170.6, 170.3 (2 C), 169.9, 169.7, 169.5, 169.4 (7 COCH₃), 146.0, 143.1, 131.6, 130.0, 129.3, 126.8 (Ar-C), 100.1 (C-1_B), 81.1 (C-1_A), 76.4 (C-5_A), 73.8 (C-5_B), 73.4 (C-3_A), 71.0 (C-4_A), 70.8 (C-3_B), 70.1 (C-2_A), 69.2 (C-2_B), 67.5 (C-4_B), 62.7 (C-6_B), 61.3 (C-6_A), 22.5, 21.1, 20.9 (2 C), 20.8, 20.7 (2 C), (7 COCH₃). ESI-MS: 838.2 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₃₃H₄₁N₃O₁₉S (815.21): C, 48.59; H, 5.07%; found: C, 48.45; H, 5.25%.

General method for the de-O-acetylation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives: A solution of per-O-acetylglycosyl thiourea derivative (100 mg) in 0.05 M CH₃ONa (5 mL) was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with Dowex X8 (H⁺) resin, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was passed through a short pad of SiO₂ using EtOAc as eluant to give pure de-O-acetylated products in quantitative yield.

***N*-(β -D-Glucopyranosyl-*N'*-(4-nitrophenyl)thiourea (10a):** glassy syrup; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 5$ (c 1.0, CH₃OH); ¹H NMR (D₂O, 500 MHz): δ 8.31 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.68 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2 H, Ar-H), 5.65-5.60 (br s, 1 H, H-1), 3.95-3.91 (dd, $J = 12.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-6_a), 3.81-3.74 (dd, $J = 12.0, 5.0$ Hz, H-6_b), 3.64-3.58 (m, 2 H, H-2, H-5), 3.53 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 3.46 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1 H, H-4); ¹³C NMR (D₂O, 125 MHz): δ 181.9 (CS), 146.3-121.3 (Ar-C), 83.8 (C-1), 78.8, 77.9, 72.9, 70.1, 63.1; ESI-MS: 382.0 [M+Na]⁺; Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇N₃O₇S (359.08): C, 43.45; H, 4.77%; found: C, 43.25; H, 5.00%.

***N*-(β -D-Glucopyranosyl-*N'*-(2,3-dichlorophenyl)thiourea (12a):** glassy syrup; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 8$ (c 1.0, CH₃OH); ¹H NMR (D₂O, 500 MHz): δ 9.16 (br s, 1 H, NH), 8.46 (br s, 1 H, NH), 8.02-7.80 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 5.82-5.78 (m, 1 H, H-1), 4.27-4.11 (m, 2 H, H-6_{ab}), 3.95-3.73 (m, 4 H, H-2, H-3, H-4, H-5); ¹³C NMR (D₂O, 125 MHz): δ 183.8 (CS), 133.9-128.1 (Ar-C), 84.1 (C-1), 77.7,

76.8, 72.3, 69.7, 61.0; ESI-MS: 405.0 $[M+Na]^+$; Anal. Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{16}Cl_2N_2O_5S$ (382.02): C, 40.74; H, 4.21%; found: C, 42.53; H, 4.45%.

***N*-(α -L-Rhamnopyranosyl)-*N'*-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)thiourea (16a):** glassy syrup; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 9$ (c 1.0, CH_3OH); 1H NMR (D_2O , 500 MHz): δ 8.03-7.80 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 5.96 (br s, 1 H, H-1), 4.40 (br s, 1 H, H-2), 4.06 (dd, $J = 9.5, 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 3.92-3.85 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.77 (t, $J = 10.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 1.69 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3 H, CCH_3); ^{13}C NMR (D_2O , 125 MHz): δ 182.6 (CS), 133.9-128.1 (Ar-C), 82.0 (C-1), 73.9, 73.4, 72.0, 70.1, 17.0 (CCH_3); ESI-MS: 389.0 $[M+Na]^+$; Anal. Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{16}Cl_2N_2O_4S$ (366.02): C, 42.52; H, 4.39%; found: C, 42.33; H, 4.60%.

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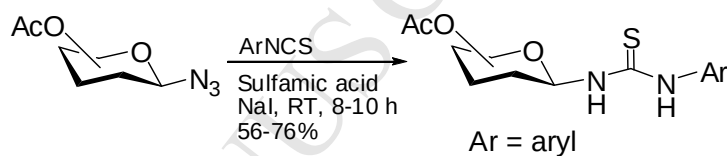
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Graphical abstract

Preparation of glycosyl thiourea derivatives from glycosyl azides using sulfamic acid and sodium iodide in one-pot

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Research Highlights

- Glycosyl thiourea derivatives were prepared directly from glycosyl azides.
- Sulfamic acid and sodium iodide has been used for the reduction of azide group.
- Non-metallic and non-hazardous reaction condition.
- Aryl isothiocyanates reacted with *in situ* generated glycosyl amine derivatives.