Efficient Synthesis of Glycosylated Matijin-Su Derivatives via **Ultrasonic Irradiation**

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Matijin-Su (1) is a phenylalanine dipeptide compound with anti-hepatitis B virus (HBV) activity. Previous reports suggest that the synthesis of glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives needs at least 10 steps. To simplify the synthetic procedure, we have developed a shorter and more efficient method for the preparation via ultrasound irradiation. Two galactopyranosylated (2) and two glucopyranosylated (3) derivatives were synthesized in 6 or 7 steps. The overall yields for the total synthesis of galactopyranosylated derivatives were markedly increased to 39% (2a) or 22% (2b). And the yields for glucopyranosylated derivatives also reached 29% (3a) or 16% (3b).

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Introduction

Matijin-Su (N-(N-benzoyl-L-phenylalanyl)-Oacetyl-L-phenylalanol, Figure 1), a dipeptide derivative with anti-HBV activity, was isolated from Dichondra repens Forst.^[1] The anti-HBV activity of Matijin-Su and its dipeptide derivatives had been reported in our previous studies.^[2] In addition, one compound was also developed into a new drug for treatment of Hepatitis B and entered phase II clinical trial in China.^[3]



Figure 1 The structures of Matijin-Su and its glycosylated derivatives 2 and 3.

To date, Matijin-Su derivatives, including heterocyclic derivatives,^[4] isosteres,^[5] nitric oxide-releasing de-rivatives^[6] and general derivatives^[7] have been obtained. For glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives, only several galactopyranosylated derivatives have been described in

the literature.^[8] And it was difficult to be synthesized via the traditional classical methods, such as Koenigs-Knorr-Methode or thioglycosides as glycosyl donors, by using desacetyl Matijin-Su as the starting material. These glycosylated derivatives could only be prepared by using L-phenylalanol (4) as the starting material (Scheme 1). The synthesis needs 10-11 steps and involves several protection and deprotection steps which increase the cost and the time to synthesize them. And the overall yields of synthesis of target compounds 2a-2b and 13a-13c were only 5.4%-7.3%, which affect the study of activities for glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives.

Herein, we report a more effective method for synthesis of glycosylated derivatives 2 and 3. Scheme 2 shows the synthetic route for compounds 2 and 3. This approach was based on the ultrasound-promoted glycosylation reaction as a key step. All target compounds could be prepared using L-phenylalanine (14a) or L-tyrosine (14b) as starting material. After the amino group was benzoylated with benzoyl chloride in 2 mol/L KOH to give compounds 11a - 11b, the hydroxyl group of compound 11b was protected with Ac₂O in pyridine to afford 15. Then, compound 11a or 15 reacted with L-phenylalanol in the presence of isobutyl chloroformate (IBCF) and N-methylmorpholine (NMM) to give intermediates 16a and 16b. Glycosylation of intermediates 16 with tetra-O-acetyl-D-galactopyranosyl bromide (19a) or tetra-O-acetyl-D-glucopyranosyl bromide (19b) was achieved in the presence of silver trifluoromethane sulfonate (AgOTf) under ultrasonic irradiation in dark

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Scheme 1 Synthetic procedure for galactopyranosylated Matijin-Su derivatives reported by literature

NH₂ 11a - 11e 52% - 61% 26% (four steps) (two steps or three steps) **IBCF-NMM** 0 °C to r.t. ,OAc AcO 0 ′NΗ NH AcC MeONa ÒAc 0^ 0^{//} MeOH 0 NH 0. ŇΗ R^2 \dot{R}^2 **2a**: R¹ = H, R² = phenyl, 78% (two steps); 12a - 12e **2b**: $R^1 = OH$, $R^2 = phenyl$, 69% (two steps); **13a**: R¹ =OH, R² = 2-furyl, 64% (two steps);

13b: $R^1 = n-OC_6H_{13}$, $R^2 = phenyl, 68\%$ (two steps);

13c: $R^1 = n-OC_4H_9$, $R^2 = 4$ -Chlorophenyl, 65% (two steps)

room to provide the key intermediates 20 and 21. After that, the acetyl groups were deprotected with MeONa in MeOH to provide glycosylated target derivatives 2 and 3.

Results and Discussion

As shown in Scheme 2, compared with the previous synthetic route, four glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives 2 and 3 were synthesized in higher yields and fewer steps. Subsequently, the potential factors affecting the ultrasound-promoted glycosylation reaction of 16a and 19a, such as ultrasonic frequency and promoters, were discussed.

We found that the glycosylation reaction was performed under ultrasonic irradiation (Table 1). With the frequency increasing, the reaction time was shortened. But, the yield also decreased when the frequency reached 4.0×10^4 Hz by using different promoters (Table 1, Entries 3, 7 and 11). And the yield of some reactions was decreased by more than 15%, such as the glycosylation by using Ag₂CO₃ as promoter at 2.5×10^4 Hz and 4.0×10^4 Hz (Table 1, Entries 2 and 3). It means that a higher frequency might reduce the stability of the sugar donor. In addition, compared with the use of Ag₂CO₃ or Ag₂O as promoter in other equal conditions, AgOTf has better yield and shorter reaction time.

After that, the relation between yield and acceptor/donor ratio under the frequency 2.5×10^4 Hz and using AgOTf as promoter was also studied (Table 2). The reaction time for glycosylation of **16a** and **19a** was shortened by increase of acceptor/donor ratio. In the initial experiment, acceptor **16a** was allowed to react with donor **19a** (1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ for 15 min lead-





Table 1 The influence of different ultrasonic wave and promoters for glycosylation of 16a and $19a^a$



Entry	Frequency ^b /Hz	Time ^d	Promoter	Yield/%	Entry	Frequency ^b /Hz	Time ^d	Promoter	Yield/%
1	1.6×10^{4}	17 min	Ag ₂ CO ₃	74 ^e	7	4.0×10^{4}	7 min	AgOTf	58
2	2.5×10^{4}	13 min	Ag_2CO_3	81	8	_	45 h	AgOTf	_
3	4.0×10^{4}	9 min	Ag ₂ CO ₃	62	9	1.6×10^{4}	15 min	Ag ₂ O	71
4	<i>c</i>	48 h	Ag ₂ CO ₃	f	10	2.5×10^{4}	11 min	Ag ₂ O	79%
5	1.6×10^{4}	14 min	AgOTf	77	11	4.0×10^{4}	10 min	Ag ₂ O	64
6	2.5×10^{4}	10 min	AgOTf	86	12	—	46 h	Ag ₂ O	_

^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: acceptor (20 mg), donor (31 mg, 1.5 equiv.), anhydrous CH₂Cl₂, 4 Å molecular sieves (50 mg), promoter (Table 1, 1.2 equiv. for donor), argon atmosphere, room temperature. ^{*b*} The frequency of ultrasonic wave in the chemical reaction. ^{*c*} General chemical reaction without ultrasonic wave. ^{*d*} Time for acceptor to be completely consumed by TLC. ^{*e*} Purification by silica gel column chromatography. ^{*f*} Traces observed by TLC.

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ing to poor yield of **21a** (54% yield) (Table 2, Entry 1). Gratifyingly, the use of 2 equiv. **19a** as the donor led to the best yield of **21a** (88% yield) (Table 2, Entries 4). However, when the reaction was carried out with three times **19a**, the yield of target compound was lower than that of 2 equiv. (Table 2, Entries 4 and 5). This result may have been caused by instantaneous excess bromine ion from the process of formation of carbocation and the donor **19a** was degraded by ultrasonic in the reaction system with AgOTf (1.2 equiv. for acceptor).

Table 2 The influence of acceptor/donor molar ratio for glycosylation of 16a and $19a^a$

Entry	Acceptor/donormol ratio	Time ^b /min	Yield/%
1	1:1.0	15	54
2	1:1.2	16	66
3	1:1.5	11	85
4	1:2.0	9	88
5	1:3.0	8	81

^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: acceptor (10 mg), donor (Table 2), anhydrous CH₂Cl₂, 4 Å molecular sieves (30 mg), AgOTf (8 mg, 1.2 equiv. for acceptor), argon atmosphere, room temperature and 2.5×10^4 Hz. ^{*b*} Time for acceptor to be completely consumed by TLC.

According to the results, we also envisaged that the quantity of promoter can also affect the rate and amount of the formation process of carbocation. A preliminary set of experiments employing different equivalent of AgOTf as promoter with **16a** and **19a** at 2.5×10^4 Hz confirmed the validity of our hypothesis, as the corresponding 21a derived from 19a was obtained in variable yields depending on the amount of promoter (Table 3). Acceptor 16a was allowed to react with donor 19a in CH₂Cl₂ and promoter AgOTf (0.5 equiv.) for 21 min leading to poor yield of 21a (57% yield) (Table 3, Entry 1). Fortunately, the use of AgOTf (1.2 equiv. for acceptor) led to the best yield of 21a (83% yield) (Table 3, Entry 3). Moreover, when the reaction was carried out with the promoter of 1.5 or 2.0 equiv., the yield of target compound 21a was lower than that of 1.2 equiv. (Table 3, Entry 3-5).

Table 3 The influence of acceptor/promoter molratio for glycosylation of 16a and $19a^a$

Entry	Acceptor/promotermolratio	Time ^b /min	Yield/%
1	1:0.5	21	57
2	1:1.0	14	78
3	1:1.2	12	83
4	1:1.5	12	74
5	1:2.0	9	70

^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: acceptor (10 mg), donor (31 mg, 1.5 equiv.), anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 , 4 Å molecular sieves (30 mg), AgOTf (Table 3), argon atmosphere, room temperature and 2.5×10^4 Hz. ^{*b*} Time for acceptor was completely consumed by TLC.

From the results shown in Tables 1-3, the optimal conditions for ultrasound-promoted glycosylation reaction could be defined as acceptor 16a, glycosyl donor 19a (1.5 equiv.), anhydrous CH₂Cl₂, 4 Å molecular sieves (twice the mass of the acceptor), AgOTf (1.2 equiv.), argon atmosphere, room temperature and ultrasonic frequency $(2.5 \times 10^4 \text{ Hz})$. Then, target compounds 2b, 3a and 3b were also synthesized under the optimal conditions. In comparison with the reported method (Scheme 1), the new synthetic route of galactopyranosylated compounds can be reduced to six steps (2a) or seven steps (2b) by using ultrasound irradiation to perform glycosylation introduced in this paper and the overall yields were also increased to 39% (2a) or 22% (2b). Furthermore, the total yields of glucopyranosylated target compounds 3 also reached 29% (3a) or 16% (3b).

In addition, as described in Scheme 3, the glycosylation of 16a with 22 in the presence of trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (TMSOTf) and N-iodosuccinimide (NIS) under ultrasonic irradiationor using 18 as adonor in the presence of BF₃•Et₂O under ultrasonic irradiation according to the equivalent of substrates from references^[9] was also explored. Using thioglycosides 22 as glycosyl donor, the target intermediates 20a and 21a could be obtained except that the yield (30% for 20a, 35% for 21a) was lower than those using compound 19 as a donor (86% for 20a, 83% for 21a) in CH₂Cl₂. But, the target compound was not formed by using the same donor in the presence of TMSOTf-NIS without ultrasonic. As for 18a or 18b employed as adonor, the reactions did not proceed in the presence of BF₃•Et₂O under ultrasonic irradiation for 40 min, and the acceptor 16a was untouched (TLC analysis). We firstly guessed that this result may have been caused by BF₃•Et₂O volatilization (room temperature) in ultrasonic and its too few equivalent according to the literature. Therefore, excess BF₃•Et₂O has been used for this reaction in subsequent experiments. But, the target compounds were still not formed. And they were not achieved under BF₃•Et₂O in the presence of CH₂Cl₂ without ultrasonic, either. Thus, we thought that BF₃•Et₂O did not make the donor 18a or 18b form carbocation, it just formed a coordination bond with this donor. These results could be attributed to the type of glycosyl donor and the rate of molecular motion.

Conclusions

In summary, an efficient procedure for synthesis of glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives with substituted *L*-phenylalanine and *D*-glucose or *D*-galactose under ultrasonic irradiation is presented in detail. And the condition of ultrasonic reaction was also optimized. The present work is superior to the previously reported methods^[8] as follows: (i) mild reaction conditions, (ii) higher yields, (iii) simpler experimental procedure. Additionally, the glycosylation can be scaled up to 100 mg





scale in good yields. Now, more glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives can be synthesized via the developed chemical approaches in this paper. And the studies of synthesis for other glycosylated Matijin-Su derivatives will be reported elsewhere.

Experimental

General methods

All NMR data were collected on a Varian INOVA 400-MHz spectrometer in CDCl₃ or DMSO- d_6 . Chemical shifts are given using TMS as internal reference and coupling constants (J) are given in Hz. High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) data were recorded on an Agilent 1100 LC/MS and an STAR Pulsar I system spectrometer, and LRMS data were acquired on a Micromass Quatro-LC Electrospray spectrometer using electrospray ionization (ESI). Optical rotations were measured using a JASCO P-2000 polarimeter at 22 to 24 °C in the specified solvents. The 200-300 and 300-400 mesh silica gel (Qingdao Ocean Chemical Factory, P. R. China) was used for TLC and column chromatography, respectively. All air- or moisture-sensitive reactions were operated using dry solvents under argon atmosphere. Chemicals were purchased from Acros, Fluka, or Aladdin and used without further purification.

All compounds were prepared as described in Scheme 2. Benzoyl chloride was treated with substituted *L*-phenylalanine or *L*-tyrosine in 2 mol/L KOH solution to give compound **11a** (86%) and **11b** (78%) according to the standard procedure.^[10] Then, the hydroxyl group of compound **11b** was protected by esterification with Ac₂O in pyridine to prepare **15**. Finally, compounds **11a** and **15** reacted with *L*-phenylalanol in the presence of IBCF and NMM to afford intermediates **16a** (79%) and **16b** (68%) based on the reference.^[11] All spectral data of intermediates **11** and **16** were consistent with those of a previous study.^[12]

N-Benzoyl-O-acetyl-L-tyrosine (15) Acetic anhydride (0.41 g, 4.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of 11b (0.57 g, 2.0 mmol) in pyridine (5 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction solution was poured into cold water, and the mixture was adjusted to pH 5 to 6 before being extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and brine, dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford **15**. White solid, yield 81%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ : 12.51 (s, 1H), 8.76 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J*=7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J*=7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J*=8.3 Hz, 2H), 4.69 (m, 1H), 3.22 (dd, *J*=13.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J*=13.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ : 173.2, 169.8, 166.5, 149.2, 136.0, 133.9, 131.5, 130.2 (C×2), 128.4 (C×2), 127.1 (C×2), 120.8 (C×2), 54.3, 35.7, 19.9. ESI-MS *m/z*: 350.2 [M +Na]⁺. Anal. calcd for C₁₈H₁₇NO₅: C 66.05, H 5.23, N, 4.28; found C 66.07, H 5.22, N 4.29.

Compounds 18a - 18b, 19a - 19b and 22a - 22b were synthesized according to literature.^[9,13] And the all spectral data were in agreement with literature.

General synthetic protocol for glycosylation with 16 and 19 in the presence of AgOTf under ultrasonic irradiation

A solution of compound **16** (50 mg, 1.0 equiv.) and **19** (1.5 equiv.) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) and activated 4 Å molecular sieves (100 mg) was stirred for 0.5 h under argon atmosphere and dark at ambient temperature. Then, AgOTf (1.2 equiv.) was added. The mixture was sonicated at ambient temperature until intermediate **16** was completely consumed by TLC monitor. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 and filtered with Celite. The resulted filtrate was concentrated and purified to afford compounds **20** and **21**. (Caution: Because too long ultrasound reaction (≥ 10 min) may raise the temperature inside the reaction vessel, the system should be cooled after 10 min before the next run if the reaction needs to continue.)

N-(*N*-Benzoyl-*L*-phenylalanyl)-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -*D*-galactopyranosyl)-*L*-phenylalanol (20a) Colorless oil, 78.3 mg, yield 86%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.75–7.72 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 5H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 3H), 7.11–7.09 (m, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J*=7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (dd, *J*=3.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, J=10.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, J=10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.80–4.75 (m, 1H), 4.33 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.11 (m, 3H), 3.83–3.78 (m, 1H), 3.63 (dd, J=10.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (dd, J=10.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (dd, J=13.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd, J=13.6, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.81–2.74 (m, 2H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 170.4, 170.2, 170.1, 169.5 (C×2), 166.9, 137.2, 136.6, 133.7, 131.8, 129.4 (C×2), 129.1 (C×2), 128.7 (C×2), 128.5 (C×4), 127.1, 127.0 (C×2), 126.6, 101.1, 70.6 (C×2), 69.0, 68.8, 66.9, 61.3, 54.8, 50.2, 38.6, 36.6, 20.9, 20.7, 20.6 (C×2). ESI-MS *m/z*: 733.6 [M+H]⁺. Anal. calcd for C₃₉H₄₄N₂O₁₂: C 63.92, H 6.05, N 3.82; found C 63.91, H 6.06, N 3.83.

N-[N-Benzoyl-O-acetyl]-L-tyrosyl]-O-(2,3,4,6tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (20b) Colorless oil, 79.0 mg, yield 92%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.76 (d, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, J=7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J=7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24-7.10 (m, 7H), 6.79 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.56 (d, J=10.2 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (dd, J=3.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (dd, J=10.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (dd, J=10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.74–4.67 (m, 1H), 4.29–4.20 (m, 2H), 4.19 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (dd, J=11.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75(t, J=6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (dd, J=10.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd, J=10.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, J=13.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dd, J=13.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.82-2.70 (m, 2H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 170.9, 170.4, 170.3 (C×2), 169.6, 167.3, 166.8, 155.3, 137.2, 133.7, 131.8, 130.6 (C×2), 129.1 (C×2), 128.6 (C×2), 128.5 (C×2), 128.1, 127.0 (C×2), 126.6, 115.8 (C×2), 101.2, 70.7, 70.5, 69.6, 68.9, 67.0, 61.6, 55.4, 50.2, 38.3, 36.5, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6 (C \times 2), 20.5. ESI-LRMS m/z: 791.7 $[M+H]^+$. Anal. calcd for $C_{41}H_{46}N_2O_{14}$: C 62.27, H 5.86, N 3.54; found C 62.27, H 5.85, N 3.55.

N-(N-Benzoyl-L-phenylalanyl)-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-Oacetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (21a) Colorless oil, 75.6 mg, yield 83%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) *b*: 7.80-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.42 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 5H), 7.22-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.11 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (dd, J=3.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (dd, J=10.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, J=8.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.84 - 4.77 (m, 1H), 4.30 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.22-4.09 (m, 3H), 3.85-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J=9.9, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (dd, J=10.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (dd, J=13.6, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (dd, J=11.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.71 (m, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 171.2, 170.4, 170.2, 170.1, 169.7, 167.0, 137.5, 136.8, 133.6, 131.5, 129.5 (C×2), 128.9 (C×2), 128.6 (C×2), 128.5 $(C \times 2)$, 128.4 $(C \times 2)$, 127.0, 126.8 $(C \times 2)$, 126.5, 102.4, 70.7 (C×2), 69.1, 68.9, 66.7, 61.2, 55.0, 50.1, 38.5, 36.7, 21.1, 20.8, 20.6 (C×2). ESI-MS *m/z*: 733.3 $[M+H]^+$. Anal. calcd for C₃₉H₄₄N₂O₁₂: C 63.92, H 6.05, N 3.82; found C 63.90, H 6.08, N 3.81.

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tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (21b) Colorless oil, 68.7 mg, yield 80%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 7.77 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J=5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.10 (m, 7H), 6.94 (d, J=7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, J=4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, J=10.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, J=10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72–4.66 (m, 1H), 4.28–4.21 (m, 2H), 4.19 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (dd, J=10.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77(t, J=6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, J=10.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, J=10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, J=10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.04–2.96 (m, 1H), 2.80–2.75 (m, 2H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.99 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 171.3, 170.5, 170.2 (C ×2), 169.8, 167.1, 166.5, 155.6, 137.1, 133.6, 131.9, 130.7 (C×2), 129.0 (C×2), 128.5 (C×2), 128.4 (C× 2), 127.9, 127.1 (C×2), 126.5, 116.0 (C×2), 102.3, 71.1, 70.7, 69.5, 69.1, 66.8, 61.7, 55.6, 50.3, 38.2, 36.4, 21.1, 20.8, 20.5 (C×2), 19.9. ESI-LRMS m/z: 791.5 $[M+H]^+$. Anal. calcd for $C_{41}H_{46}N_2O_{14}$: C, 62.27, H 5.86, N 3.54; found C 62.29, H 5.83, N 3.56.

General procedure for target compounds 2 and 3

The methanol solution of MeONa (4.0 equiv.) was dropwise added to a methanol solution of glycoside **20** or **21** (30 mg, 1.0 equiv.) at room temperature. After being stirred for 1.0 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with MeOH and neutralized with dowex H^+ resin to pH 5 to 6. The resin was filtered off and washed with MeOH. The resulted filtrate was concentrated and purified to give compounds **2** or **3**.

N-(N-Benzoyl-L-phenylalanyl)-O-(β -D-galactopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (2a) White powder, 21.5 mg, yield 93%. m.p. 229–231 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 7.70-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.42 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.29-7.14 (m, 9H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 4.84 (dd, J=9.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25-4.19 (m, 1H), 4.07 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81-3.76 (m, 2H), 3.71 - 3.65 (m, 2H), 3.62 - 3.54 (m, 2H), 3.44 (dd, J =9.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.38–3.32 (m, 1H), 3.15 (dd, *J*=13.8, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.01-2.94 (m, 2H), 2.82 (dd, J=13.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 173.3, 169.9, 139.7, 138.7, 135.3, 132.9, 130.5 (C×2), 130.4 $(C \times 2)$, 129.5 $(C \times 4)$, 129.3 $(C \times 2)$, 128.5 $(C \times 2)$, 127.8, 127.3, 105.5, 76.6, 74.8, 72.5, 71.9, 70.2, 62.6, 56.7, 52.6, 39.0, 38.0; HRMS-ESI m/z: 587.2368 [M+ Na]⁻; calcd for C₃₁H₃₆N₂O₈Na 587.2364.

N-(N-Benzoyl-L-tyrosyl)-O-(\beta-D-galactopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (2b) White powder, 17.0 mg, yield 77%. m.p. 227–229 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 9.11 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.80–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.11 (m, 5H), 7.07 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.85 (d, J= 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, J=5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (t, J=5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.59–4.52 (m, 1H), 4.36 (d, J=4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.09 –4.04 (m, 2H), 3.61–3.41 (m, 5H), 3.36–3.27 (m, 3H), 2.95 (dd, J=13.7, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.91–2.77 (m, 2H), 2.69 (dd, J=13.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 171.2, 166.1, 155.6, 138.7, 134.1, 131.2, 130.1 (C×2), 129.3 (C×2), 128.4, 128.2 (C×2), 128.0 (C×2), 127.4 (C×2), 125.9, 114.8 (C×2), 103.7, 75.2, 73.4, 70.6, 69.6, 68.1, 60.5, 55.2, 50.3, 36.4, 36.3. HRMS-ESI *m/z*: 603.2315 [M + Na]⁺; calcd for C₃₁H₃₆N₂O₉Na 603.2313.

N-(N-Benzoyl-L-phenylalanyl)-O-(β-D-glucopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (3a) White powder, 19.7 mg, yield 85%. m.p. 213-216 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 7.77-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.55-7.50 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.31-7.15 (m, 9H), 7.12-7.08 (m, 1H), 4.64 (dd, J=8.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.24-4.18 (m, 1H), 4.08 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.72 (m, 2H), 3.68 -3.54 (m, 4H), 3.42 (dd, J=9.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, J=6.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (dd, J=13.2, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.99-2.93 (m, 2H), 2.81 (dd, J=13.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 172.9, 168.7, 140.1, 139.3, 135.5, 133.0, 130.7 (C×2), 130.5 (C×2), 129.6 $(C \times 2)$, 129.4 $(C \times 2)$, 129.3 $(C \times 2)$, 128.5 $(C \times 2)$, 127.9, 127.3, 106.5, 76.7, 75.8, 72.4, 71.8, 69.8, 62.5, 56.5, 52.6, 39.1, 37.9; HRMS-ESI m/z: 587.2353 [M+ Na]⁺; calcd for $C_{31}H_{36}N_2O_8Na$ 587.2364.

N-(N-Benzoyl-L-tyrosyl)-O-(β-D-glucopyranosyl)-L-phenylalanol (3b) White powder, 16.5 mg, yield 75%. m.p. 211−214 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ : 8.92 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d, J=7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J=6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.56-7.51 (m, 2H)1H), 7.49-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.06 (5H, m), 6.61 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.80 (d, J=4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J=5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (t, J=5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.60-4.54 (m, 1H), 4.37 (d, J=4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.09-4.04 (2H, m), 3.61-3.41 (m, 5H), 3.35-3.27 (m, 3H), 2.94-2.79 (m, 3H), 2.71 (dd, J=13.6, 8.0 Hz, 1H): ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 172.1, 166.5, 155.3, 139.0, 134.2, 131.4, 129.8 (C×2), 129.2 (C×2), 128.3, 128.2 (C×2), 127.9 (C×2), 127.5 (C×2), 126.0, 115.1 (C×2), 104.2, 75.3, 73.5, 70.8, 70.2, 68.5, 61.1, 55.6, 50.2, 36.5, 36.4. HRMS-ESI *m/z*: 603.2318 [M+

Na]⁺; calcd for $C_{31}H_{36}N_2O_9Na$ 603.2313.

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