

Regioselective synthesis of C-nucleosides by 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of aryl nitrile oxides to 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-hex-5-enofuranose

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ABSTRACT

The synthesis of 3-aryl-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrafurans-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3**) from aryl nitrile oxides and 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-hex-5-enofuranose (**1**) is described. The 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions give mainly anti-adducts ($\geq 95\%$ π -facial stereoselectivity).

INTRODUCTION

Naturally occurring C-nucleosides, such as formycin, formycin B, showdomycin, and pyrazomycin, are antibiotics and many also exhibit anticancer and antiviral activities. These properties have stimulated interest in the synthesis of analogues¹. 2-Isioxazolines (4,5-dihydroisoxazoles) are versatile sources of the functionality present in natural products² and there is renewed interest in their synthesis via 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of nitrile oxides to alkenes, particularly on the factors that influence stereo- and regio-selectivity³.

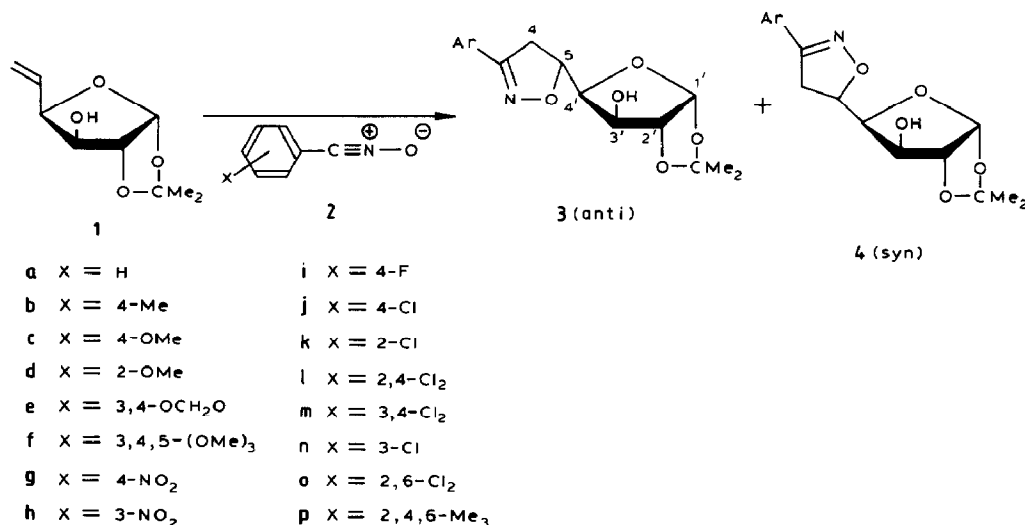
In a continuation of our effort^{4–8} to utilise heterocyclic compounds as dipolarophiles in 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions, we have investigated 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-hex-5-enofuranose (**1**). Although the formation⁹ of **1** and some aspects of its chemistry have been investigated, only the cycloadditions of benzonitrile oxide (**2a**) and 2,4,6-trimethylbenzonitrile (mesitonitrile) oxide¹⁰ (**2p**) to **1** and its 3-*O*-benzyl derivative¹¹ have been described. The stereoselectivity of the cycloaddition of nitrile oxides to 3-*O*-substituted derivatives of **1** has been discussed by De Micheli and co-workers¹⁰. We now report that **1** undergoes highly stereoselective cycloaddition reactions with numerous aryl nitrile oxides.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Cycloadditions of **1** with the substituted benzonitrile oxides **2a–2o**, generated *in situ*, were conducted under standard conditions by the Huisgen method³, using a molar

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excess of the 1,3-dipole, whereas the stable mesitronitrile oxide (**2p**) was used as such³. The major products were the anti-cycloadducts **3** together with small proportions of the syn-cycloadducts (**4**) and the diarylfuroxans that resulted from dimerisation of the nitrile oxide. The formation of furoxans indicated **1** to be less reactive than other terminal alkenes.

The combined yields of the cycloaddition products were good, but only the preponderant anti-adducts **3a–3p** were isolated pure after column chromatography. The structures of the diastereomers were assigned by correlation of the n.m.r. data (¹H and ¹³C, and n.O.e. effects) with those of **3a**, the anti-structure of which has been established¹⁰ by X-ray crystallography. The assignment of the relative stereochemistry at C-4,5 in the products of the cycloaddition of nitrile oxide to olefins, based only on ¹H- and ¹³C-n.m.r. analysis data, is not straightforward^{12,13}. Comparison of the n.m.r. data for **3b–3o** with those of **3a** and known¹⁰ **3p** indicated that the cycloadditions are anti-selective and give **3** as the major product. As reported by others^{14–16}, the chemical shifts of the resonances for C-5,6 decreased and those of the resonances for H-4,5 increased on passing from the anti to the syn products.

The diastereoselectivity of the above cycloaddition reactions was high and virtually independent of the nature of the nitrile oxide. This finding supports the results of Houk *et al.*^{17,18} who found that the anti/syn ratio in the cycloadditions of nitrile oxides to alkenes having a chiral centre in the allylic position varied little with steric or electronic changes in the nitrile oxide moiety. The preponderance of the anti-isomers **3a–3p** is as expected on the basis of experimental^{12–16} and theoretical^{17–18} results obtained for related reactions. Thus, De Micheli and co-workers¹⁰ found that benzonitrile oxide (**2a**) and mesitronitrile oxide (**2p**) cycloadded to **1** to give the anti-adducts **3a** (86.6%) and **3p** (78.2%), respectively, with π -facial stereoselectivity. The anti/syn ratio for **3** and **4** was $\geq 95:5$. Our results accord with observations on related systems reported by others^{10–19}.

The stereochemical outcome of the cycloaddition has been rationalised¹⁸ in terms of the "inside alkoxy effect".

The mass spectra of **3a**, **3b**, and **3j** contained, in addition to peaks for the molecular ion, peaks for fragments that corresponded to retro-1,3-dipolar cycloadditions, which is characteristic of many cycloaddition products.

EXPERIMENTAL

General methods. — Melting points were determined on a Kofler hot-plate apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were measured at 20° with a Perkin–Elmer 141 polarimeter. Reactions were monitored by t.l.c. on Silica Gel F₂₅₄ (Lachema) with methanol–benzene (1:4), with detection by u.v. light and/or by exposure to iodine vapour. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Lachema, 230–400 mesh). All solvents were distilled from the appropriate drying agents. The ¹H- and ¹³C-n.m.r. spectra were recorded for solutions in CDCl₃ (internal Me₄Si) with a Varian VXR 300 spectrometer. U.v. spectra were obtained with a M-40 spectrometer (Zeiss) on solutions in methanol. Mass spectra were obtained with an A.E.I. MS 902 S apparatus with a direct inlet system.

Chlorides of benzenehydroxamic acids were prepared by chlorination²⁰ of the corresponding benzaldoximes in chloroform, chlorides of methoxybenzenehydroxamic acid were obtained by treatment of the oximes with nitrosyl chloride²¹, and 2,4,6-trimethylbenzonitrile oxide²² and **1**⁹ were prepared as described.

Standard procedures for the preparation of the isoxazolines 3 and 4. — A solution of dry triethylamine (22 mmol) in ether (30 mL) was added dropwise at –5 to 0° to a stirred, cooled solution of the corresponding benzenehydroxamic acid chloride (20 mmol) and **1** (1.86 g, 10 mmol) in dry ether (30 mL) over 2 h. Each mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature, filtered from triethylammonium chloride, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Column chromatography (methanol–benzene, 1:4) of each residue on silica gel and crystallisation from methanol then gave **3**. The cycloaddition of 2,4,6-trimethylbenzonitrile oxide involved heating a mixture of the nitrile oxide (20 mmol) and **1** (1.86 g, 10 mmol) in dry benzene (30 mL) at 80° for 4 h. The mixture was then cooled and worked-up as described above.

The following compounds were prepared in this manner.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrafurans-4-yl)-3-phenyl-2-isoxazoline (**3a**, 51%), m.p. 191–192°, [α]_D –157° (chloroform); lit.¹⁰ m.p. 195–196°, [α]_D –136° (c 0.9, methanol), *R*_F 0.58 (methanol–benzene, 1:4). N.m.r. data: ¹H, δ 7.40–7.70 (m, 5 H, Ph), 5.97 (d, 1 H, *J*_{1,2} 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.03 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{4,5} = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 4.43 (d, 1 H, *J*_{3,4} 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.18 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.51 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.35 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 157.23 (s, C-3), 130.35, 129.13, 129.03, 126.88 (aromatic C), 111.95 (s, CMe₂), 105.19 (d, C-1'), 85.48 (d, C-5), 81.24 (d, C-4'), 77.59 (d, C-2'), 74.56 (d, C-3'), 38.76 (t, C-4), 26.82 and 26.17 (2 q, CMe₂). Mass spectrum: *m/z* 3.05 (M⁺).

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrafurans-4-yl)-3-(4-methylphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3b**, 65%), m.p. 170°, [α]_D –108° (c 0.9, methanol), *R*_F 0.44 (methanol–

benzene, 1:4); $\lambda_{\max}$ 261 nm (log ϵ 3.08). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.18 and 7.54 (2 d, each 2 H, aromatic), 5.98 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.06 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.61 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.42 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.25 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.50 (d, 2 H, H-4), 2.36 (s, 3 H, Me), 1.32 and 1.49 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.16 (s, C-3), 140.34, 129.95, 128.41, 126.24 (aromatic), 111.64 (s, CMe_2), 105.02 (s, C-1'), 85.41 (d, C-5), 90.95 (d, C-4'), 77.46 (d, C-2'), 74.0 (d, C-3'), 38.16 (t, C-4), 26.69 and 26.03 (2 q, CMe_2), 21.35 (q, Me). Mass spectrum: m/z 319 (M^+).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$: C, 63.9; H, 6.6; N, 4.4. Found: C, 64.1; H, 6.6; N, 4.8.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3c**, 55%), m.p. 175°, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -73^\circ$ (c 0.8, methanol), R_{F} 0.58 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); $\lambda_{\max}$ 272 nm (log ϵ 3.25). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 6.95 and 7.62 (2 d, each 2 H, aromatic), 5.98 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.9 Hz, H-1), 5.02 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.58 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.42 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.18 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.85 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.50 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.31 and 1.48 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 156.85 (s, C-3), 161.18, 132.03, 128.41, 114.12 (aromatic), 111.84 (s, CMe_2), 105.11 (d, C-1'), 85.49 (d, C-5), 81.15 (d, C-4'), 77.23 (d, C-2'), 74.25 (d, C-3'), 55.33 (q, OMe), 38.76 (t, C-4), 26.77 and 26.12 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6$: C, 60.8; H, 6.3; N, 4.2. Found: C, 60.5; H, 6.5; N, 4.6.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3d**, 51%), m.p. 151–152°, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -30^\circ$ (c 0.8, methanol) R_{F} 0.6 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); $\lambda_{\max}$ 252 (log ϵ 2.79) and 297 nm (log ϵ 2.49). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 6.90–7.75 (m, 4 H, aromatic), 5.90 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 4.93 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 7.9$ Hz, H-5), 4.52 (d, 1 H, H-2), 4.33 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.15 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.79 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.55 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.30 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.43 (s, C-3), 156.69, 135.96, 131.27, 129.22, 128.22, 120.42 (aromatic), 111.27 (s, CMe_2), 104.95 (d, C-1'), 85.33 (d, C-5), 80.92 (d, C-4'), 77.24 (d, C-2'), 73.84 (d, C-3'), 55.28 (q, OMe), 40.74 (t, C-4), 26.64 and 25.99 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6$: C, 60.8; H, 6.3; N, 4.2. Found: C, 61.0; H, 5.9; N, 4.3.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3e**, 45%), m.p. 166–167°, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} +1^\circ$ (c 0.8, methanol), R_{F} 0.66 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); $\lambda_{\max}$ 283 nm (log ϵ 2.92). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 6.85–7.45 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 6.06 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 6.00 (s, 2 H, OCH_2O), 5.03 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.60 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.40 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.1 Hz, H-3'), 4.25 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.60 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.30 and 1.48 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.05 (s, C-3), 149.48, 146.78, 128.75, 128.15, 125.72, 121.54 (aromatic), 110.57 (s, CMe_2), 105.06 (d, C-1'), 102.32 (t, OCH_2O), 85.35 (d, C-5), 80.69 (d, C-4'), 78.20 (d, C-2'), 74.10 (d, C-3'), 40.67 (t, C-4), 26.75 and 26.11 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_7$: C, 58.4; H, 5.4; N, 4.0. Found: C, 58.1; H, 5.8; N, 3.8.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3f**, 54%), m.p. 162–163°, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} +28^\circ$ (c 0.9, methanol), R_{F} 0.46 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); $\lambda_{\max}$ 278 nm (log ϵ 2.71). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.79 (s, 2 H, aromatic), 5.85 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.8 Hz, H-1'), 4.95 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 7.9$ Hz, H-5), 4.45 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.28 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.15 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.80, 3.75, and 3.70 (3 s,

each 3 H, 3 OMe), 3.65 (d, 2H, H-4), 1.20 and 1.38 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 156.82 (s, C-3), 153.31, 152.95, 139.42, 124.53 (aromatic), 111.49 (s, CMe₂), 103.84 (d, C-1'), 85.32 (d, C-5'), 80.69 (d, C-4'), 77.64 (d, C-2'), 73.75 (d, C-3'), 60.57 (q, OMe), 55.91 (q, OMe), 37.76 (t, C-4), 26.53 and 25.86 (2 q, CMe₂).

Anal. Calc. for C₁₉H₂₅NO₈: C, 57.7; H, 6.3; N, 3.5. Found: C, 57.3; H, 6.7; N, 3.2.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene-α-D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3g**, 58%), m.p. 156–157°, [α]_D –111° (c 0.8, methanol), *R*_F 0.51 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); λ_{max} 224 (log ε 2.79) and 306 nm (log ε 2.85). N.m.r. data: ¹H, δ 7.80 and 8.18 (2 d, each 2 H, aromatic), 5.90 (d, 1 H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.10 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{4,5} = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 4.55 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 4.31 (d, 1 H, *J*_{3',4'} 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.20 (dd, 2 H, H-4'), 3.45 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.30 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 156.00 (s, C-3), 148.50, 131.54, 127.47, 119.23 (aromatic), 111.49 (s, CMe₂), 104.50 (d, C-1'), 84.99 (d, C-5), 81.20 (d, C-4'), 75.73 (d, C-2'), 73.91 (d, C-3'), 37.12 (t, C-4), 26.60 and 26.05 (2 q, CMe₂).

Anal. Calc. for C₁₆H₁₈N₂O₇: C, 54.8; H, 5.1; N, 8.0. Found: C, 54.4; H, 4.7; N, 7.7.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene-α-D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(3-nitrophenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3h**, 65%), m.p. 163–165°, [α]_D –125° (c 0.9, methanol), *R*_F 0.45 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); λ_{max} 259 nm (log ε 3.18). N.m.r. data: ¹H, δ 7.55–8.40 (m, 4 H, aromatic), 5.90 (d, 1 H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.10 (m, 1 H, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{4,5} = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 4.65 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.35 (d, 1 H, *J*_{3',4'} 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.20 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.5 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.31 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 155.68 (s, C-3), 148.25, 132.34, 131.42, 129.79, 121.48, 119.34 (aromatic), 111.54 (s, CMe₂), 104.48 (d, C-1'), 84.39 (d, C-5), 81.12 (d, C-4'), 75.73 (d, C-2'), 74.00 (d, C-3'), 37.35 (t, C-4), 26.70 and 26.06 (2 q, CMe₂).

Anal. Calc. for C₁₆H₁₈N₂O₇: C, 54.8; H, 4.5; N, 8.0. Found: C, 54.7; H, 4.9; N, 7.9.

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-α-D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3i**, 65%), m.p. 170–171°, [α]_D –139° (c 0.9, methanol), *R*_F 0.6 (methanol–benzene, 1:4); λ_{max} 265 nm (log ε 3.10). N.m.r. data: ¹H, δ 7.40 and 7.61 (2 d, each 2 H, aromatic), 5.95 (d, 1 H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.05 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{4,5} = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 4.59 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.40 (d, 1 H, *J*_{3',4'} 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.17 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.47 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.30 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 156.44 (s, C-3), 136.28, 129.03, 128.11, 127.68 (aromatic), 111.95 (s, CMe₂), 105.16 (d, C-1'), 85.52 (d, C-5), 81.04 (d, C-4'), 77.94 (d, C-2'), 74.30 (d, C-3'), 38.28 (t, C-4), 26.83 and 26.17 (2 q, CMe₂).

Anal. Calc. for C₁₆H₁₈FNO₅: C, 54.4; H, 4.3; N, 5.5. Found: C, 54.2; H, 4.5; N, 5.1.

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-α-D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3j**, 52%), m.p. 180–181°, [α]_D –17° (c 0.9, methanol), *R*_F 0.52 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); λ_{max} 266 nm (log ε 3.14). N.m.r. data: ¹H, δ 7.40 and 7.65 (2 d, each 2 H, aromatic), 5.98 (d, 1 H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.1 Hz, H-1'), 5.05 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{4,5} = *J*_{4,5} = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 4.60 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.42 (d, 1 H, *J*_{3',4'} 2.5 Hz, H-3'), 4.23 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.45 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.30 and 1.45 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe₂); ¹³C, δ 156.85 (s, C-3), 136.53, 129.79, 128.76, 127.95 (aromatic), 112.24 (s, CMe₂), 105.47 (d, C-1'), 85.85 (d, C-5), 81.38 (d, C-4'), 78.28 (d, C-2'), 74.67 (d, C-3'), 38.70 (t, C-4), 27.26 and 26.60 (2 q, CMe₂). Mass spectrum: *m/z* 341.339 (M⁺).

Anal. Calc. for C₁₆H₁₈ClNO₅: C, 56.5; H, 5.3; N, 4.1. Found: C, 56.6; H, 5.3; N, 4.2.

3-(2-Chlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3k**, 44%), m.p. 177–178°, $[\alpha]_D -10^\circ$ (*c* 0.8, methanol), R_F 0.58 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); $\lambda_{\max}$ 244 nm (log ϵ 2.81). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.15–7.40 (m, 4 H, aromatic), 5.81 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 4.92 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.45 (d, 1 H, H-2), 4.21 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.15 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.45 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.15 and 1.32 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 156.82 (s, C-3), 132.27, 130.47, 130.11, 128.50, 126.64, 126.59 (aromatic), 111.22 (s, CMe_2), 104.76 (d, C-1'), 85.06 (d, C-5), 80.24 (d, C-4'), 78.31 (d, C-2'), 73.46 (d, C-3'), 39.56 (t, C-4), 26.50 and 25.86 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClNO}_5$: C, 56.5; H, 5.3; N, 4.1. Found: C, 56.3; H, 5.0; N, 3.8.

3-(2,4-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3l**, 62%), $[\alpha]_D +1^\circ$ (*c* 0.8, methanol), R_F 0.56 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); $\lambda_{\max}$ 263 nm (log ϵ 2.92). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.17–7.66 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 5.95 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.9 Hz, H-1'), 5.0 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.58 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.39 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.10 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.48 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.32 and 1.43 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.28 (s, C-3), 140.58, 130.29, 129.04, 128.96, 128.72, 126.86 (aromatic), 111.87 (s, CMe_2), 105.17 (d, C-1'), 85.52 (d, C-5), 81.18 (d, C-4'), 77.67 (d, C-2'), 74.35 (d, C-3'), 38.48 (t, C-4), 26.82 and 26.17 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_5$: C, 51.3; H, 4.5; N, 3.7. Found: C, 51.1; H, 4.7; N, 3.6.

3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3m**, 59%), m.p. 175–176°, $[\alpha]_D -1^\circ$ (*c* 0.9, methanol), R_F 0.55 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); $\lambda_{\max}$ 269 nm (log ϵ 2.61). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.30–7.85 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 5.98 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.09 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.60 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.42 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.20 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.48 (d, 2 H, H-4), 1.35 and 1.55 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.00 (s, C-3), 131.26, 130.80, 128.62, 125.92, 119.61 (aromatic), 111.73 (s, CMe_2), 104.64 (d, C-1'), 84.94 (d, C-5), 80.96 (d, C-4'), 75.73 (s, C-2'), 73.40 (d, C-3'), 38.10 (t, C-4), 26.74 and 26.20 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_5$: C, 51.3; H, 4.5; N, 3.7. Found: C, 50.9; H, 4.4; N, 3.4.

3-(3-Chlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3n**, 61%), syrup, $[\alpha]_D -23^\circ$ (*c* 0.9, methanol), R_F 0.58 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); $\lambda_{\max}$ 256 nm (log ϵ 3.11). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.29–7.60 (m, 4 H, aromatic), 5.87 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 4.92 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 7.9$ Hz, H-5), 4.49 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.34 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.07 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.42 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.21 and 1.37 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.22 (s, C-3), 130.65, 130.37, 129.37, 129.09, 129.04, 128.76 (aromatic), 111.97 (s, CMe_2), 105.19 (d, C-1'), 85.45 (d, C-5), 81.25 (d, C-4'), 77.55 (d, C-2'), 74.62 (d, C-3'), 38.82 (t, C-4), 26.81 and 26.16 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClNO}_5$: C, 56.5; H, 5.3; N, 4.1. Found: C, 56.8; H, 5.5; N, 3.9.

3-(2,6-Dichlorophenyl)-5-(1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-2-isoxazoline (**3o**, 60%), syrup, $[\alpha]_D -66^\circ$ (*c* 0.8, methanol), R_F 0.50 (methanol–benzene, 4:1); $\lambda_{\max}$ 266 nm (log ϵ 2.91). N.m.r. data: ^1H , δ 7.12–8.06 (m, 3 H, aromatic), 5.87 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 4.93 (dd, 1 H, $J_{4,5} = J_{4,5} = 8.0$ Hz, H-5), 4.49 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.33

(d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.08 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.40 (dd, 2 H, H-4), 1.27 and 1.36 (2 s, each 3 H, CMe_2); ^{13}C , δ 157.22 (s, C-3), 130.34, 129.63, 129.03, 126.07 (aromatic), 111.93 (s, CMe_2), 105.19 (d, C-1'), 85.47 (d, C-5), 81.22 (d, C-4'), 77.60 (d, C-2'), 74.53 (d, C-3'), 38.71 (t, C-4), 26.82 and 26.17 (2 q, CMe_2).

Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_5$: C, 51.3; H, 4.5; N, 3.7. Found: C, 51.6; 4.5; N, 3.4.

5-(1,2-*O*-Isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetrofuranos-4-yl)-3-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)-2-isoxazoline (**3p**, 51%), m.p. 119–120° (lit.¹⁰ m.p. 120–121°), $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -161^\circ$ (c 1.0, chloroform), R_{F} 0.58 (methanol–benzene, 4:1).

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