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## Synthesis of galactose-containing analogues of $(1\rightarrow 6)$ -branched $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -glucohexaose and its lauryl glycoside

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Abstract—Coupling of the trisaccharide acceptor either 2,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-5-*O*-acetyl-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucofuranose (13) or lauryl 2,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,5-di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4-di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4-di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (12) gave  $\alpha$ -linked hexasaccharides 14 and 16, respectively, while coupling of either 13 or 15 with trisaccharide donor 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4-di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate 17 did not afford any hexasaccarides. The analogues of the immuno-modulator  $\beta$ -D-Glcp- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[ $\beta$ -D-Glcp- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]- $\alpha$ -D-Glcp- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ - $\beta$ -D-Glcp- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[ $\beta$ -D-Glcp- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]- $\beta$ -D-Glcp (1) was obtained by deprotection of 14 and 16.

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### 1. Introduction

Unlike most of chemotherapeutic antitumor agents that have severe side effects due to their cytotoxicity against healthy cells, some glucans coming from fungi such as *Ganoderma lucidum*, *Schizophyllum commune*, and *Lentinus edodes*<sup>1</sup> exert their antitumor function through stimulating the host immunopotentiation, which is associated with macrophage activation, the promotion of T cell differentiation, and the augmentation of NKactivity,<sup>2</sup> rather than the direct inhibition of tumor cell growth.<sup>3</sup> Early, some physicochemical and immunopharmacological investigations showed that the antitumor activity of these glucans may be closely related to their triple-helix<sup>4</sup> structures with certain molecular weights (MW > 16,000).<sup>5</sup> However, we hypothesized that the activity of lentinan might be dependent upon its basic structure—the oligosacharide unit—rather than 

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its corresponding  $\beta$ -(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-branched  $\beta$ -D-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-linked glucohexaose isomer by a synthetic route.<sup>6</sup> Encouraged by this discovery, many analogues of **1**, such as  $\alpha$ -D-Man*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-[ $\beta$ -D-Glc*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)]- $\alpha$ -D-Glc*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- $\beta$ -D-Glc*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)]- $\beta$ -D-Glc*p* (**2**),  $\alpha$ -D-Man*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-[ $\alpha$ -D-Man*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)]- $\alpha$ -D-Glc*p*-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- $\beta$ -D-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- $\beta$ -D-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- $\beta$ -D-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3

furthering the study of structure–activity relationships of this kind of antitumor oligosaccharide, we present herein the synthesis of a galactose-containing hexasaccharide 5 and its lauryl glycoside 6.

### 2. Results and discussion

As shown in Scheme 1, coupling of acceptor  $7^{10}$  with donor  $8^{11}$  in the presence of TMSOTf as the catalyst,



Scheme 1. Reagents and conditions: (a) TMSOTf,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , rt, 3 h, 90% for 11, 30% for 14, 25% for 16; (b) 90% HOAc, 40 °C, 24 h, 81% for 10 (for two steps); (c) (i) 80% HOAc, reflux, 5 h; (ii) Ac\_2O-pyridine, rt, 3 h; (iii) THF-CH\_3OH-1.5 N NH\_3, rt, 3 h; (iv) CH\_2Cl\_2, CCl\_3CN, K\_2CO\_3, rt, 12 h, 71% (for four steps); (d) (i) 80% HOAC, reflux, 4 h; (ii) CH\_2Cl\_2-CH\_3OH satd with NH\_3, rt, 24 h, 85% (for two steps); (e) CH\_2Cl\_2-CH\_3OH sat. with NH\_3, rt, 24 h, 90%.



Scheme 1 (continued)

followed by selective 5,6-O-deacetonation, afforded 2,3,4,6tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -1,2-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-galactofuranose (10) in a high yield (81%) over two steps). Condensation of  $\beta$ -(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-linked disaccharide 10 with 8 catalyzed by TMSOTf regio- and stereoselectively gave 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-1,2-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-galactofuranose (11) in excellent yield (90%). Removal of the 1,2-O-isopropylidene group of 11 in 80% HOAc, followed by acetylation with acetic anhydride in pyridine, selective 1-O-deacetylation with PhCH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> in THF, and subsequent treatment with trichloroacetonitrile in the presence of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, afforded the 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -Dglucopyranosyl-(1→6)]-2,4-di-O-acetyl-α-D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (12) in good yield (71% over four steps).

Coupling of the trisaccharide glycosyl donor 12 with either trisaccharide glycosyl acceptor  $13^6$  or  $15^6$ , catalyzed by TMSOTf in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, didn't afford the expected  $\beta$ -linked hexasaccharides, but stereoselectively gave the  $\alpha$ -linked hexasaccharides, 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -Dglucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4-di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3, 4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-5-O-acetyl-1,2-O-isopropylidene-a-D-glucofuranose (14) and lauryl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3, 4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4-di-O-acetyl-α-D-galactopyranosyl-(1→3)-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,5-di-O-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (16) in low yields. The structures of 14 and 16 were unambiguously confirmed by <sup>13</sup>C NMR data. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **14** showed that characteristic signals at  $\delta$  95.56 with  $J_{C-1-H-1}$  175 Hz for  $\alpha$ -C-1 of Galp, and correspondingly the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **16** showed a signal ( $\delta$  93.93 ppm) in the anomeric region, which was in accordance with the  $\alpha$ -configuration at C-1. Deprotection of  $\alpha$ -linked hexasaccharides 14 and 16 gave the target compounds 5 and 6, respectively.

In order to obtain more analogues, coupling of trisaccharide glycosyl donor  $17^{12}$  with 13 or 15 was carried out. But we found that no expected coupling product was obtained, and only the decomposed byproducts of the donor were detected. A similar result also occurred in our previous work.<sup>13</sup> These results indicate that glycosidic bond formation is strongly dependent on the properties of both the glycosyl donor and acceptor.<sup>14</sup> Now in our laboratory, a number of derivatives of  $(1\rightarrow 6)$  branched  $(1\rightarrow 3)$ -linked glucohexaoses are in preparation, and interesting results about the structure–activity relationship of the newly discovered biologically active oligosaccharides will be reported in the due course.

### 3. Experimental

#### 3.1. General methods

Optical rotations were determined at 25 °C with a digital polarimeter. The NMR spectra were recorded with a Bruker ARX 400 spectrometer (400 MHz for <sup>1</sup>H, 100 MHz for  ${}^{13}$ C) for solutions in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or D<sub>2</sub>O as indicated. Mass spectra were recorded on an Autospec mass spectrometer using the ESI technique to introduce the sample. Elemental analyses were done on an elemental analyzer, model 1108 EA. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on silica gel  $HF_{254}$ , with detection by charring with 30% (v/v) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> in MeOH or in some cases by a UV detector. Column chromatography was conducted on a column  $(10 \times 240 \text{ mm}, \text{ or})$  $18 \times 300$  mm, or  $35 \times 400$  mm) of silica gel (100–200 mesh) with EtOAc-petroleum ether bp 60-90 °C as eluent. Solutions were concentrated at <60 °C under reduced pressure. Dry solvents were distilled over CaH<sub>2</sub> and stored over molecular sieves.

### 3.2. 2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-galactofuranose (10)

To a stirred solution of 1,2:5,6-di-O-isopropylidene-α-Dgalactofuranose (7) (10 g, 0.038 mol) and 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (8) (26 g, 0.035 mol) in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (600 mL) was added TMSOTf (70  $\mu$ L) at room temperature. After 3 h, Et<sub>3</sub>N was added to the solution to quench the reaction. The solution was concentrated, and the resulting residue was directly dissolved in 90% ag HOAc (500 mL). The mixture was kept at 40 °C for 24 h, and then concentrated to a residue under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was subjected to a short silica-gel column (3:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc) to give compound 10 (22.6 g, 81% for two steps):  $[\alpha]_D$  +18.5 (c 2.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.07–7.26 (m, 20H, 4BzH), 5.90 (t, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-3), 5.71–5.66 (m, 2H, H-1', H-4), 5.49 (dd, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, 9.7 Hz, H-2), 5.03 (d, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.81 (dd, 1H, J 3.7 Hz, J 11.9 Hz, H-6a), 4.45-4.40 (m, 3H, H-2', H-3', H-6b),

4.19–4.16 (m, 1H, H-5), 4.08 (dd, 1H, J 4.9 Hz, H-4'), 3.88 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.68 (m, 2H, 2H-6'), 1.47 (s, 3H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)), 1.25 (s, 3H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>42</sub>O<sub>15</sub>: C, 64.66; H, 5.30. Found: C, 64.79; H, 5.25.

### 3.3. 2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-1,2-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-galactofuranose (11)

To a stirred solution of 10 (8.0 g, 0.010 mol) and 8 (8.0 g, 0.011 mol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (400 mL) was added TMSOTf (40  $\mu$ L) at room temperature. After 3 h, Et<sub>3</sub>N was added to the solution to quench the reaction. The solution was concentrated, and the residue was subjected to column chromatography with 2:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc as the eluent to give the trisaccharide 11 (12.4 g, 90%):  $[\alpha]_{D}$  +13.3 (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.15–7.18 (m, 40H, 8BzH), 5.86 (t, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-4), 5.81 (t, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-4), 5.63 (t, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-3), 5.56 (t, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-3), 5.62 (dd, 1H, J 9.7 Hz, H-2), 5.53–5.45 (m, 2H, H-1', H-2), 5.35 (dd, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, J 9.7 Hz, H-2), 4.90 (d, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.89 (d, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.66 (dd, 1H, J 3.4 Hz, J 12.3 Hz, H-6), 4.58 (dd, 1H, J 4.9 Hz, J 12.2 Hz, H-6), 4.40 (dd, 1H, J 3.4 Hz, J 12.2 Hz, H-6), 4.34–4.30 (m, 2H, H-6, H-3'), 4.22 (d, 1H, J 4.2 Hz, H-2'), 4.11-4.07 (m, 2H, 2H-5), 3.91-3.88 (m, 2H, H-5', H-6a'), 3.65 (dd, 1H, J 6.0, 11.7 Hz, H-6b'), 1.36, 1.30 (2s, 6H, 2 CCH<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>77</sub>H<sub>68</sub>O<sub>24</sub>: C, 67.15; H, 4.98. Found: C, 67.29; H, 5.02.

### 3.4. 2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4di-O-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (12)

Compound 11 (10 g, 7.3 mmol) was added to 80% aq HOAc (50 mL), and the mixture was heated under reflux for 5 h. Then the mixture was concentrated, and the residue was acetylated with  $AC_2O$  (50 mL) in pyridine (56 mL) for 3 h at rt. The resultant trisaccharide was dissolved in a 1.5 N NH<sub>3</sub> solution of 3:1 THF-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (200 mL), and the solution was stirred at rt for 3 h. The solution was concentrated, and the residue was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (400 mL). To the solution were added  $K_2CO_3$  (20 g), CCl<sub>3</sub>CN (3.2 mL), and the mixture was stirred at rt for 12 h. Filtering the mixture, the filtration and washings were concentrated, and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (2:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc) giving the trisaccharide donor 12 (8.1 g, 71% for four steps):  $[\alpha]_{D}$  +23.6 (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.22 (s, 1H, NH), 7.90-7.26 (m, 40H, 8BzH), 6.29 (d, 1H, J 3.6 Hz, H-1'), 5.88-5.80 (m, 2H, 2H-4), 5.67-5.60 (m, 3H, 2H-3, H-4'), 5.49–5.43 (m, 2H, 2H-2), 5.11 (dd, 1H, J 3.6, 10.4 Hz, H-2'), 4.94 (dd, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.93 (dd, 1H, J 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.66–4.58 (m, 2H, 2H-6), 4.50–4.44 (m, 2H, H-6, H-5'), 4.15–4.13 (m, 4H, H-3', 2H-5, H-6a'), 3.92 (dd, 1H, J 2.8 Hz, J 11.3 Hz, H-6), 3.64 (dd, 1H, J 6.0, 11.7 Hz, H-6b'), 2.05 (s, 3H,  $CH_3CO$ ), 1.58 (s, 3H,  $CH_3CO$ ). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>80</sub>H<sub>68</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>26</sub>: C, 61.37; H, 4.38. Found: C, 61.53; H, 4.41.

3.5. 2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,4di-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-5-*O*-acetyl-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -Dglucofuranose (14)

To a stirred solution of 12 (6.7 g, 4.3 mmol) and 13 (4.5 g, 4.0 mmol) in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (80 mL) was added TMSOTf (40 µL) at rt. After 3 h, Et<sub>3</sub>N was added to the solution to quench the reaction, and the solution was concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by column chromatography (1.5:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc) to afford the hexasaccharide 14 (3.0 g, 30%):  $[\alpha]_{D}$  +23.6 (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.99 (d,1H,  $\alpha\text{-H-1},$  J 3.9 Hz), 4.96 (d, 1H,  $\beta\text{-H-1},$  J 8.0 Hz), 4.92 (β-H-1, J 8.0 Hz), 4.82 (d, 1H, α-H-1, J 3.7 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.45, 171.36, 170.20, 170.03, 170.03, 170.02 (6 COCH<sub>3</sub>), 167.01, 167.01, 166.87, 166.67, 166.65, 166.40, 166.15, 165.99, 165.97, 165.94, 165.78, 165.78 (12 COPh), 112.9 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, 105.78 (J<sub>C-1-H-1</sub> 181 Hz, α-C-1), 101.85 (J<sub>C-1-H-1</sub> 164 Hz, β-C-1), 100.60 (J<sub>C-1-H-1</sub> 165 Hz, β-C-1), 100.59 ( $J_{C-1-H-1}$  165 Hz,  $\beta$ -C-1), 98.75 ( $J_{C-1-H-1}$ 158 Hz,  $\beta$ -C-1), 95.56 ( $J_{C-1-H-1}$  175 Hz,  $\alpha$ -C-1). Anal. Calcd for C135H126O49: C, 64.03; H, 5.01. Found: C, 64.43; H, 4.97.

# 3.6. Lauryl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2, 4-di-O-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,5-di-O-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,5-di-O-acetyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]-2,5

To a stirred solution of **12** (4.5 g, 2.9 mmol) and **15** (3.5 g, 2.7 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (80 mL) was added TMSOTf (40  $\mu$ L) at rt. After 3 h, Et<sub>3</sub>N was added to the solution to quench the reaction, and the solution was concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by column chromatography (1.5:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) to afford the hexasaccharide **16** (1.8 g, 25%): [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> +23.6 (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.97 (d, 1H, *J* 9.7 Hz,  $\beta$ -H-1), 4.92 (d, 1 H, *J* 9.5 Hz,  $\beta$ -H-1), 4.86 (d, 1H, *J* 3.6 Hz,  $\alpha$ -H-1). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  170.73, 170.43, 169.98, 169.87, 169.48, 169.28, 168.72 (7 CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 166.05, 165.94, 165.66, 165.60, 165.51, 165.47, 165.14, 165.13, 165.06,

165.03, 165.02, 164.72 (12 PhCO), 101.67, 101.42, 101.21, 100.49, 100.37 (5 β-C-1), 93.93 (α-C-1). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{146}H_{148}O_{50}$ : C, 64.88; H, 5.52. Found: C, 64.56; H, 5.67.

3.7.  $\beta$ -D-Glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-[ $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)]- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-[ $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)]- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (5)

Compound **14** (1.0 g, 0.40 mmol) was dissolved in 80% aq HOAc (60 mL), and the mixture was heated under reflux for 4 h. Concentration of the mixture, followed by deacylation in a solution of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and CH<sub>3</sub>OH (90 mL) saturated with ammonia at rt for 24 h, gave **5** (333 mg, 85%):  $[\alpha]_D$  +5.7 (*c* 1.0, D<sub>2</sub>O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.65 (m, 2H, 2H-1), 4.52–4.45 (m, 4H, 4H-1). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  103.86, 102.92, 102.81, 102.74, 102.67 (5 β-C-1), 99.28 (1 α-C-1). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>62</sub>O<sub>31</sub>: C, 43.64; H, 6.30. Found: C, 43.56; H, 6.65. MALDI-TOFMS: Calcd for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>62</sub>O<sub>31</sub>, 990.86 [M]. Found: 1013.92 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>.

3.8. Lauryl  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ - $[\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)$ - $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ ]- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (6)

Compound **16** (1.0 g, 0.37 mmol) was dissolved in an ammonia-saturated solution of 1:9 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–MeOH (100 mL) at rt. After 24 h, the mixture was concentrated to about 10 mL, and then CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL) was added. The mixture was filtered and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> ( $4 \times 50$  mL) to afford **6** (386 mg, 90%) as a white solid: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> –18.6 (*c* 1.0, D<sub>2</sub>O); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  4.56 (d, 1H, *J* 4.1 Hz,  $\alpha$ -H-1), 4.39–4.20 (m, 5H, 5H-1), 1.53–1.19 (m, 23H, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>11</sub>H<sub>23</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  103.91, 103.11, 102.80, 102.69, 102.26 (5  $\beta$ -C-1), 99.28 (1  $\alpha$ -C-1). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>86</sub>O<sub>31</sub>: C, 49.74; H, 7.48. Found: C, 49.65; H, 7.60. MALDI-TOFMS: Calcd for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>86</sub>O<sub>31</sub>, 1159.18 [M]. Found: 1182.30 (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>.

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