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The first synthesis of 7-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triols from D-(-)-quinic acid

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ABSTRACT

Seven thiepanes, the seven-membered-ring thiosugars, were first synthesized in 11–12 steps starting from D-(-)-quinic acid. Each thiepane is unique for its flexible conformation with a hydroxymethyl group at its C7 position. The key step was the deprotection of ether groups in compounds **7**, **8**, and **18–21** by 1.0 M BCl₃ of CH₂Cl₂ solution at -78 °C to lead to the corresponding thiepanes. These target molecules all exhibited the twisted chair conformation that fully agreed with our previous report.

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1. Introduction

Glycosidases are important enzymes that are involved in the hydrolysis of complex carbohydrates.¹ Glycosidase inhibitors are widely used in treatment of diseases, such as diabetes,² anti-virus infections,³ and cancers.⁴ Presently, many potent glycosidase inhibitors are either pyrrole- or piperidine-like azasugars. The most notable agents are nojirimycin,⁵ 1-deoxynojirimycin (DNJ),⁵ and miglitol.⁶

as salacinol,^{12,13} kotalanol,¹³ and other analogues,^{14,15} have attracted interests to synthetic communities due to their intriguing structures and biological activities (Fig. 1).^{13–17} In addition to the five-membered-ring thiosugar moiety, the thiopyrans and thiepanes could also be incorporated with different sulfate side chains, such as **1**, **2** (Fig. 1).¹⁸ Thiepanes are seemingly as flexible as azepanes (seven-membered-ring azasugars).^{19,20} To the best of our knowledge, only few synthetic thiepanes were reported and their syntheses were mainly based on chiral-pool approaches.^{21–27}



Fig. 1. Structures of salacinol, kotalanol, and analogues 1 and 2.

Beside the above-mentioned azasugars, the thiosugars were also considered as potential glycosidase inhibitors as well as sugar mimics of nucleoside analogues.^{7–11} Recently, five-membered ring thiosugars with various forms of sulfate side chains, such





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We have experienced in the synthesis of thiepanes starting from D-(-)-quinic acid.²⁸ In that report, we obtained not only the required thiepanes but also thiopyrans during the reaction course. Obviously, the intramolecular sulfur displacement of an adjacent hydroxyl group of thiepanes led to the thiopyran formation. Such ring contractions in the formation of thiophenes and thiopyrans from the corresponding either seven- or eight-membered-ring thiosugar derivatives were not unusual as have been

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reported.^{27,30} In order to synthesize thiepanes in higher yields as well as minimize the possibility of ring contraction, we reported herein a straightforward method to synthesize new and unique thiepanes **22**, **23**, and **25–29** from D-(-)-quinic acid.

2. Results and discussion

A common intermediate 3^{29} was used for the syntheses of 7 and 8 (Scheme 1). Compound 3 was first subjected to dihydroxylation by KMnO₄/MgSO₄ method³¹ to afford a diol derivative, which was oxidatively cleaved by NaIO₄ to give **4**. The resulting syrup was subsequently reduced by NaBH₄ to receive the separable diastereomers 5 (32%, three steps) and 6 (13%, three steps) (vide infra). While OsO₄ and NMO were used as oxidants, the higher yields of **5** (46%) and **6** (11%) were isolated. The absolute stereochemistry at C6 of 5 and 6 was not easily to be confirmed at this stage. Fortunately, their configurations were later determined after methanesulfonation and thiocyclization of compounds 5 and 6 to provide 7 (84%) and 8 (59%), respectively. Many reports have demonstrated that these kinds of thiocyclizations underwent an S_N2 mechanism.^{9,12,23,32–34} Therefore, the newly generated stereochemistry at C7 of 7 and 8 were determined by comparison with their cross-coupling patterns between H5 and H7 of NOESY spectra. Compound 7 exhibits space correlation between H5 and H7 but compound **8** does not. Thus we could deduce the C6 configurations of **5** and **6** as shown in Scheme 1.

experiments. The NOE signals were clearly observed between H5 and H7 in **19** and **21** but not in **18** and **20**. These results allowed us to conclude the stereochemistry at C6 of compounds **14–17** according to the S_N2 mechanism.

Compound 7, 18, and 19 were deprotected by 1.0 M BCl₃ in CH_2Cl_2 at $-78 \ ^{\circ}C^9$ to give thiepanes **22** (50%), **25** (45%), and **26** (42%), respectively (Scheme 3). The same procedure was also applied on 8. however, it afforded a mixture that contained two inseparable compounds 23 and 24 in a ratio of 70:30 that determined by NMR spectroscopy in a 59% combined yield. Obviously, compound 24 was derived from the ring contraction of 23 to give 23a as an intermediate and followed by the nucleophilic attack by H₂O to afford **24** as indicated (path a).^{27,30} Also compound 23 was recovered from 23a via path b. A very interesting phenomenon was observed in deprotection of compounds 20 and 21. The benzyl group at C3 of **20** resisted to be cleaved and give **27** (55%) after the other protecting groups were cleaved. Deprotection of **21** also gave the C3 benzyl protected **28** (40%) as well as a fully deprotected 29 (10%) as a minor product. Further attempts to remove the benzyl groups of 27 and 28 by excess equivalents of BCl₃ (10 equiv, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂) from -78 °C to ambient temperature were not successful. Compounds 27 and 28 were fully recovered. We attempted to remove the benzyl groups in compounds 7, 8, and 18-21 by 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4benzoquinone (DDQ (5 equiv)/K2CO3) in CH2Cl2 under reflux condition. However, only the C8 benzyl groups were removed and the



Scheme 1. Synthesis of thiocyclic compounds 7 and 8.

The same strategy was applied to synthesize **18–21** (Scheme 2). Compound 9 was reduced by diisobutylaluminium hydride and then protected by benzyl groups to give an inseparable mixture of 10 and 11 (\sim 1:1) in 68% combined yield (two steps).^{35,36} Fortunately, the mixture was dihydroxylated to afford the separable stereoisomers 12 (38%) and 13 (37%). The stereochemistry at C3 of 12 and 13 was easily determined according to the comparison of NOESY spectra between H3 and H5 in **12** but not in **13**. When the double bond of compounds 12 was oxidatively cleaved and reduced, two diastereomers 14 (46%) and 15 (25%) were isolated. While compound **13** was treated with the same procedure as above, compounds 16 (54%) and 17 (26%) were obtained (vide infra). Again, their respective stereochemistry could be indirectly deduced after cyclizations of 14-17, which were conducted under the same condition shown in Scheme 1 to afford compounds 18 (81%), 19 (50%), 20 (78%), and 21 (81%), respectively. The resulting stereochemistry at C7 of 18-21 was again determined by NMR C3 benzyl groups were remained intact in all cases. It is noteworthy that thioadducts **7**, **8**, and **18–21** were decomposed when boron tribromide (BBr₃, 3 equiv) was used in CH_2Cl_2 at -78 °C. We found that compounds **7**, **8**, and **18–21** might be slightly labile under deprotecting steps to give target molecules in relatively lower yields along with various amounts of complex mixtures in each reaction.

Structural optimizations of compounds **22**, **23**, and **25–29** all exhibited the twisted chair conformers. These results were consistent with azepane cases we reported earlier.³⁷

3. Conclusion

In conclusion, we have first synthesized a series of 7-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triols **22**, **23**, **25**–**29** in 11–12 steps starting from D-(–)-quinic acid. These molecules are not only flexible in structures but also unique with an external hydroxymethyl group



Scheme 3. Syntheses of thiepanes 22, 23, 25-29, and thiopyran 24.

at C7 of thiepane. The most suitable deprotecting agent is boron trichloride that gave the corresponding thiepanes and minimized the possibilities of ring contraction to thiopyrans, except **24**. We find that the fully deprotecting step occurs for compounds **7**, **8**, **18**, and **19** but **20** and **21**. The biological activities of thiepanes will be reported in due course.

4. Experimental section

4.1. General

All chemicals were purchased from commercial providers and used without purification except otherwise mentioned. CH₂Cl₂ was distilled from CaH₂. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 600 spectrometer, respectively. Chemical shifts were measured in parts per million (ppm) and referenced to the residual C_6D_6 (7.16 ppm for ¹H and 128.0 ppm for ¹³C) and D₂O (4.63 ppm for ¹H). Optical rotations were measured by Horiba Sepa-300 instrument. HRMS (ESI/FAB) were carried out on model Finnigan MAT 95S.

4.2. General procedures for dihydroxylation, oxidative cleavage, and reduction

- (1) Compound 3 (0.11 g, 0.262 mmol) in 95% EtOH was treated with an aqueous solution of KMnO₄ (0.169 g, 1.07 mmol)/ MgSO₄ (0.125 g, 1.04 mmol) (EtOH/H₂O=9:1, v/v, 0.1-0.3 M) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. At the end of reaction time, the mixture was passed through a pad of Celite and washed with EtOH. The solution was concentrated, extracted with EtOAc, and dried (MgSO₄). This resulting pale yellow syrup in MeOH was treated with NaIO₄ (0.96 g, 4.49 mmol) and stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. At the end of time, the mixture was passed through a pad of Celite and washed with MeOH. The solution was concentrated, diluted with H₂O, extracted with EtOAc, and dried (MgSO₄). The resulting syrup **4** was dissolved in MeOH and NaBH₄ (4 equiv) was added at 0 °C. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction was quenched by addition of H₂O, concentrated, extracted with EtOAc, and dried over MgSO₄. Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc=20:1 \rightarrow 15:1 \rightarrow 10:1) provided compounds **5** (32%, three steps) and **6** (13%, three steps), respectively.
- (2) Compound **3** (1.970 g, 4.684 mmol) was dissolved in *t*-BuOH/ pyridine/H₂O (40.0:4.0:10.0 mL). To this mixture were added 4- methylmorpholine *N*-oxide (1.646 g, 14.051 mmol) and osmium tetroxide (0.1 M solution in THF, 0.94 mL, 2 mol %) and heated at 100 °C for 19 h. At the end of reaction time, to the mixture was added Na₂S₂O₃ (saturated) and stirred for 1 h. OsO₄ was removed by filtration through a pad of silica gel and washed with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with NaHCO₃ (saturated), dried with MgSO₄, and purified by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, Hex/EtOAc=3:1→2:1) to provide a white solid. The rest steps included oxidative cleavage and reduction were the same as previous to afford **5** (46%, three steps) and **6** (11%, three steps), respectively.

4.3. General procedure for thiocyclization

To compound **5** (0.0965 g, 0.199 mmol) in pyridine (3 mL) was added methanesulfonyl chloride (0.062 mL, 0.794 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for 30 min before this mixture was quenched by slow addition of saturated NaHCO₃ solution and EtOAc. The organic layer was separated, washed by CuSO₄ saturated solution, and dried (MgSO₄) to provide a yellow syrup. To this syrup were added 95% EtOH, Na₂S (0.093 g, 1.194 mmol), 15-crown-6 (*cat*) and heated under reflux condition (110–130 °C, oil bath) for 2 h. At the end of reaction time, the solvent was removed and the resulting mixture was washed with saturated Na₂S₂O₃ solution and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, Hex/EtOAc=20:1) to afford **7** (59%) in three steps. The same procedure was also accessible for synthesis of **8** (84%).

4.4. General procedure of debenzylation

Compound **7** (0.0286 g, 0.0586 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂, for example, was treated with BCl₃ (1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 3 equiv) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for 4 h followed by

addition of MeOH. This mixture was gradually warmed up to ambient temperature and the resulting mixture was concentrated. To this syrup was added MeOH for coevaporation, and this step was repeated for several times. Purification by flash chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:10 \rightarrow 1:8, 1% NH₄OH) provided **22** (50%) as a clear to pale yellow syrup. The same procedure was also applied in preparation of **23**–**29**.

4.5. (2*S*,3*R*,4*R*,6*R*)-2,7-O-Bisbenzyl-3,4-O-cyclohexylidene-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-pentanol (5)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂=1:20 \rightarrow 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10 \rightarrow 1:5) afforded a clear syrup. Yield=46%. [α]_D²⁶ +18.8 (*c* 0.41, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.21 (t, *J*=7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.14–7.00 (m, 6H), 4.62 (ddd, *J*=9.5, 5.6, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, *J*=11.5 Hz, 1H), 4.30–4.22 (m, 2H), 4.20 (d, *J*=11.5 Hz, 1H), 4.30–4.22 (m, 2H), 4.20 (d, *J*=11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (dd, *J*=9.3, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, *J*=9.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, *J*=4.9 Hz, -OH), 2.00–1.95 (m, -OH), 1.88 (ddd, *J*=13.1, 9.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (ddd, *J*=13.1, 10.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.65–1.46 (m, 8H), 1.27–1.16 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.2, 138.8, 130.0–125.0 (*Ar*–), 109.0, 78.1, 77.5, 75.5, 75.0, 73.7, 71.6, 68.6, 62.3, 38.8, 35.6, 34.1, 25.8, 24.9, 24.5. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆ ([M]⁺) 456.2512. Found: 456.2504.

4.6. (25,3R,4R,6S)-2,7-O-Bisbenzyl-3,4-O-cyclohexylidene-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-pentanol (6)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂=1:20 \rightarrow 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10 \rightarrow 1:5) afforded a clear syrup. Yield=11%. [α]₀²⁶ +46.4 (*c* 0.25, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.24 (d, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.05 (m, 6H), 4.37–4.28 (m, 4H), 4.18 (dd, *J*=9.2, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.15–4.11 (m, 2H), 3.85–3.82 (m, 2H), 3.51 (dd, *J*=9.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd, *J*=9.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.84–1.78 (m, 2H), 1.60–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.53–1.41 (m, 6H), 1.20–1.15 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.4, 138.8, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 109.5, 78.1, 77.3, 77.2, 74.9, 73.8, 71.6, 70.7, 62.0, 38.5, 35.5, 34.3, 25.7, 24.8, 24.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆ ([M]⁺) 456.2512. Found: 456.2519.

4.7. (3R,4R,5R,7S)-3,7-O-Bisbenzyl-4,5-O-cyclohexylidene-7-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (7)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:20 \rightarrow 1:18 \rightarrow 1:15) afforded a pale yellow syrup. Yield=59%. [α]_D²⁶ -6.95 (*c* 1.81, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.37 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.10 (m, 4H), 7.08 (td, *J*=7.6, 0.8 Hz, 2H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.27 (dd, *J*=7.1, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J*=1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.23–4.18 (m, 1H), 3.85 (ddd, *J*=5.3, 5.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J*=9.1, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (dd, *J*=9.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J*=15.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J*=13.2, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 2.76–2.73 (m, 1H), 2.53 (ddd, *J*=13.4, 3.8, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (dd, *J*=15.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.92–1.86 (m, 2H), 1.71–1.58 (m, 6H), 1.32–1.28 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.7, 139.3, 129.0–127.0 (*Ar*–), 108.8, 80.4, 78.3, 77.0, 74.4, 73.5, 73.0, 40.3, 37.4, 35.3, 34.7, 29.7, 26.1, 24.8, 24.6. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₄NaO₄S ([M+Na]⁺) 477.2075. Found: 477.2062.

4.8. (3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,7*R*)-3,7-O-Bisbenzyl-4,5-O-cyclohexylidene-7-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (8)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:20 \rightarrow 1:18 \rightarrow 1:15) afforded a pale yellow syrup. Yield=84%. [α]_D²⁵ -36.5 (*c* 1.83, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.29 (d, *J*=7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.18–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.10–7.06 (m, 2H), 4.45–4.41 (m, 1H), 4.42 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d,

J=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (ddd, *J*=8.0, 5.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (dt, *J*=8.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.57–3.52 (m, 2H), 3.45 (dd, *J*=9.5, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, *J*=9.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62–2.57 (m, 2H), 1.79–1.74 (m, 3H), 1.64–1.52 (m, 6H), 1.24–1.20 (m, 2H). 13 C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.4, 139.2, 130.0–128.0 (*A*r–), 108.5, 83.1, 80.2, 73.9, 73.8, 73.2, 71.5, 40.0, 39.9, 36.7, 33.9, 28.8, 26.0, 24.7, 24.3. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₇H₃₄NaO₄S ([M+Na]⁺) 477.2075. Found: 477.2062.

4.9. (1*S*,2*S*,3*R*,4*S*,5*S*)-3,7-*O*-Bisbenzyl-1,2-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-cyclohexane-4,5-diol (12)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:4 \rightarrow 1:3 \rightarrow 1:2) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=44%. [α]_D²⁵ +94.2 (*c* 0.73, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.35 (d, *J*=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J*=7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.16–7.06 (m, 6H), 5.09 (d, *J*=11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (ddd, *J*=14.4, 9.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 2H), 3.84 (t, *J*=9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (t, *J*=9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (d, *J*=9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (m, 4H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 2.55 (s, -OH), 2.09 (dd, *J*=13.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.86 (t, *J*=12.6 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 140.2, 138.9, 128.9–128.0 (*Ar*–), 100.1, 99.8, 80.6, 75.5, 75.4, 74.5, 73.9, 73.4, 65.7, 47.9, 35.4, 18.5 (×2). HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₇O₈ [M+H]⁺ 489.2488. Found: 489.2489.

4.10. (1*S*,2*S*,3*S*,4*R*,5*R*)-3,7-*O*-Bisbenzyl-1,2-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-cyclohexane-4,5-diol (13)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:4 \rightarrow 1:3 \rightarrow 1:2) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=27%. [α]_D²⁵ +69.1 (*c* 0.57, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.36 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.06 (m, 6H), 4.94 (d, *J*=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, *J*=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (dd, *J*=10.3, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.22–4.16 (m, 2H), 4.12 (t, *J*=3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (d, *J*=2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, *J*=9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.61 (d, *J*=9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 2.92 (s, -OH), 2.77 (s, -OH), 2.18 (t, *J*=12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (dd, *J*=12.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 140.0, 138.9, 129–127.9 (*Ar*–), 100.4, 99.9, 79.1, 74.9, 74.7, 74.6, 73.8, 72.5, 71.7, 63.9, 48.0, 47.9, 35.3, 18.5 (×2). HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₇O₈ [M+H]⁺ 489.2488. Found: 489.2489.

4.11. (2*S*,3*S*,4*R*,6*R*)-2,7-0-Bisbenzyl-3,4-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexaol (14)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:4 \rightarrow 1:3 \rightarrow 1:2) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=46%. [α]_D²⁵ +110.7 (*c* 0.38, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.31 (d, *J*=7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.16–7.12 (m, 4H), 7.11–7.05 (m, 2H), 4.59 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (ddd, *J*=10.1, 10.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (ddd, *J*=13.0, 6.8, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (s, 2H), 3.94 (dt, *J*=11.5, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, *J*=10.0, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.84–3.80 (m, 1H), 3.47 (ddd, *J*=5.0, 5.0, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (dd, *J*=9.2, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.22–3.18 (m, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 2.50 (d, *J*=3.8 Hz, -OH), 2.12 (t, *J*=6.4 Hz, -OH), 1.83 (ddd, *J*=14.1, 10.0, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 1.47 (ddd, *J*=14.0, 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.3, 139.2, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.7, 99.2, 78.4, 75.8, 73.7, 73.3, 72.3, 67.1, 65.7, 62.2, 48.1, 48.0, 34.8, 18.3, 18.2. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₈O₈ [M⁺] 490.2567. Found: 490.2568.

4.12. (2*S*,3*S*,4*R*,6*S*)-2,7-O-Bisbenzyl-3,4-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexaol (15)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:4 \rightarrow 1:3 \rightarrow 1:2) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=46%. [α]₂^D +122.5 (*c* 0.31, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.26 (dd, *J*=6.8, 4.8 Hz, 4H), 7.14–7.02 (m, 6H), 4.58 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (td, *J*=9.9, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (s, 2H), 4.36 (d, *J*=10.5 Hz, 1H),

4.30–4.25 (m, 1H), 3.89–3.84 (m, 2H), 3.74 (ddd, *J*=11.7, 8.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (ddd, *J*=9.4, 5.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.44–3.40 (m, 2H), 3.32 (d, *J*=1.7 Hz, -OH), 3.03 (s, 6H), 2.06 (t, *J*=4.1 Hz, -OH), 1.96 (dt, *J*=14.5, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.69 (dt, *J*=14.5, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.18 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.4, 139.2, 130.0–127.0 (*Ar*–), 99.7, 99.3, 77.8, 75.1, 73.8, 73.3, 72.1, 70.2, 69.3, 62.0, 48.1, 48.0, 35.0, 18.2 (×2). HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₈O₈ [M⁺] 490.2567. Found: 490.2566.

4.13. (2*R*,3*S*,4*R*,6*R*)-2,7-O-Bisbenzyl-3,4-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexaol (16)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂=1:8 \rightarrow 1:7 \rightarrow 1:6 \rightarrow 1:4 \rightarrow 1:3) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=54%. [α]_D⁵ +119.4 (*c* 0.58, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.27 (d, *J*=7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 4H), 7.12–7.05 (m, 2H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 4.39–4.30 (m, 2H), 4.24 (s, 2H), 4.02 (dd, *J*=10.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J*=11.4, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dd, *J*=11.4, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (ddd, *J*=9.5, 4.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, *J*=9.2, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 3.15 (d, *J*=9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (d, *J*=12.3, 10.2, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.2, 139.1, 130.0–127.0 (*Ar*–), 99.2, 99.1, 80.0, 75.7, 73.7, 72.8, 72.2, 67.3, 67.0, 61.7, 48.3, 48.2, 35.4, 18.2, 18.1. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₈O₈ [M⁺] 490.2567. Found: 490.2570.

4.14. (2*R*,3*S*,4*R*,6*S*)-2,7-0-Bisbenzyl-3,4-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-heptane-1,2,3,4,6,7-hexaol (17)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂=1:8 \rightarrow 1:7 \rightarrow 1:6 \rightarrow 1:4 \rightarrow 1:3) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=26%. [α] $_{D}^{25}$ +98.0 (*c* 0.54, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.27 (dd, *J*=7.0, 0.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (dd, *J*=7.6, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 6H), 4.42 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.28–4.23 (m, 1H), 4.12 (dd, *J*=9.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (dd, *J*=10.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (dt, *J*=11.5, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (dt, *J*=11.5, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J*=9.2, 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (dd, *J*=9.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (d, *J*=16 Hz, -OH), 3.14 (s, 3H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.27 (t, *J*=6.1 Hz, -OH), 1.98 (dt, *J*=14.3, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (dt, *J*=15.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.4, 139.1, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.2, 99.1, 79.8, 75.2, 73.8, 72.3, 72.2, 70.3, 69.8, 61.8, 48.2, 35.7, 18.1, 18.0. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₈O₈ [M⁺] 490.2567. Found: 490.2563.

4.15. (3*R*,4*S*,5*R*,7*S*)-3-*O*-Benzyl-4,5-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-7-benzyloxymethyl-thiepane-3,4,5-triol (18)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=81%. [α] $_{D}^{25}$ +87.2 (*c* 0.28, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.33 (d, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.00 (m, 6H), 4.55 (d, *J*=11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (d, *J*=11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (d, *J*=12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, *J*=12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J*=12.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (dd, *J*=9.6, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (td, *J*=8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.46–3.41 (m, 1H), 3.35–3.30 (m, 2H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 2.48 (dt, *J*=15.2, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.21 (d, *J*=15.3 Hz, 1H), 1.89 (ddd, *J*=15.3, 9.2, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 140.0, 139.0, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.6, 98.9, 83.6, 78.7, 73.6, 73.5, 72.9, 65.3, 48.1, 47.9, 39.2, 32.8, 28.4, 18.3, 18.1. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆S [M⁺] 488.2233. Found: 488.2234.

4.16. (3*R*,4*S*,5*R*,7*R*)-3-*O*-Benzyl-4,5-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-7-benzyloxymethyl-thiepane-3,4,5-triol (19)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:18 \rightarrow 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=50%. [α]_D²⁵ +63.8 (*c* 0.24, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.31 (d, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (dd, *J*=7.5, 0.5 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.06 (m, 6H), 4.55 (d,

J=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, *J*=12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J*=12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (t, *J*=9.7 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (t, *J*=8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (ddd, *J*=11.3, 8.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (dd, *J*=9.2, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.17 (t, *J*=8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 2.92 (ddd, *J*=12.7, 7.1, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, *J*=15.4, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (dd, *J*=15.4, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (dt, *J*=15.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (ddd, *J*=15.2, 12.3, 9.7 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H). 13 C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 140.0, 139.2, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.5, 99.0, 84.0, 79.0, 76.1, 73.6, 73.5, 68.5, 48.1, 48.0, 40.7, 34.4, 26.5, 18.2, 18.1. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆S [M⁺] 488.2233. Found: 488.2232.

4.17. (3*S*,4*S*,5*R*,7*S*)-3-O-Benzyl-4,5-[(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-7-benzyloxymethyl-thiepane-3,4,5-triol (20)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:18 \rightarrow 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=81%. [α]_D²⁵ +62.5 (*c* 0.29, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.45 (dd, *J*=7.6, 0.5 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.20 (d, *J*=7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15–7.10 (m, 3H), 7.07 (t, *J*=7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J*=11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (dt, *J*=9.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J*=1.0 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (dd, *J*=9.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (ddd, *J*=7.7, 5.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.48–3.45 (m, 1H), 3.42 (d, *J*=9.1, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (dd, *J*=9.1, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.73 (dd, *J*=15.2, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (dd, *J*=15.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (ddd, *J*=14.9, 9.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (ddd, *J*=14.9, 4.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 140.1, 139.3, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.6, 99.5, 78.2, 75.1, 74.9, 73.4, 73.3, 65.8, 47.9, 39.2, 34.2, 31.5, 18.4, 18.3. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆S [M⁺] 488.2233. Found: 488.2232.

4.18. (35,45,5*R*,7*R*)-3-*O*-Benzyl-3,4-[(25,35)-2,3-dimethoxybutan-2,3-dioxy]-7-benzyloxymethyl-thiepane-3,4,5-triol (21)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, EtOAc/Hex=1:18 \rightarrow 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=78%. [α]_D²⁵ -5.1 (*c* 0.36, EtOAc). ¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ 7.47 (d, *J*=7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, *J*=7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J*=7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.13–7.05 (m, 4H), 4.78 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J*=12.1 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (ddd, *J*=10.6, 10.6, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (s, 2H), 3.93 (td, *J*=4.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (dd, *J*=9.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.63–3.58 (m, 1H), 3.42 (dd, *J*=9.3, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (dd, *J*=9.3, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (s, 6H), 2.86 (dd, *J*=16.6, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (ddd, *J*=14.3, 3.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (dd, *J*=14.4, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (dt, *J*=14.3, 10.9 Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (C₆D₆) δ 139.8, 139.3, 130.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 99.3, 99.0, 78.9, 76.7, 74.9, 73.5, 73.0, 68.2, 48.0, 47.9, 40.3, 39.1, 31.4, 18.3. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₃₆O₆S [M⁺] 488.2233. Found: 488.2237.

4.19. (3R,4R,5R,7R)-7-(Hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (22)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:6 \rightarrow 1:4, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a pale yellow syrup. Yield=50%. [α]_D²⁵ –147.7 (*c* 0.11, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 3.97 (d, *J*=9.8 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (d, *J*=1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (dt, *J*=10.6, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (dd, *J*=11.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd, *J*=11.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd, *J*=12.1, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J*=14.8, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (dt, *J*=16.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (dd, *J*=14.8, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (dd, *J*=14.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 75.9, 74.6, 70.7, 66.6, 42.9, 30.7, 26.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺] 194.0613. Found: 194.0617.

4.20. (3R,4R,5R,7S)-7-(Hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (23)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:6 \rightarrow 1:4, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a pale yellow syrup. Major isomer: ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 4.14 (dd, *J*=9.5, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (s, 1H), 3.81 (ddd, *J*=11.2, 4.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J*=11.6, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (dd, *J*=11.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (ddd, *J*=11.5, 6.6, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, *J*=14.2, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (dd, *J*=14.2, 4.2 Hz,

1H), 1.95 (dt, *J*=13.8, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.74 (ddd, *J*=13.8, 10.6, 5.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 79.9, 74.2, 70.5, 65.3, 46.2, 34.6, 32.9. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺–H] 193.0535. Found: 193.0534.

4.21. (2*R*,3*R*,4*R*,65)-Tetrahydro-2,6-bis(hydroxymethyl)-2*H*-thiopyran-3,4-diol (24)

Minor isomer, structure determination was based on the subtraction of the signals from the mixture spectra with **23**. ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 3.88 (t, *J*=2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, *J*=11.5, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dt, *J*=11.1, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (d, *J*=7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.53 (dd, *J*=11.6, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 3.12 (td, *J*=7.9, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (ddd, *J*=11.9, 7.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.95–1.91 (m, 1H), 1.84 (dt, *J*=13.7, 4.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 69.0, 67.9, 63.1, 62.2, 45.1, 40.4, 30.4. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺–H] 193.0535. Found: 193.0534.

4.22. (3R,4S,5R,7S)-7-(Hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (25)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:8 \rightarrow 1:6, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=45%. [α]_D²⁵ –15.0 (*c* 0.13, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 3.71 (ddd, *J*=10.1, 5.9, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dt, *J*=11.9, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J*=11.3, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (dd, *J*=11.3, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (t, *J*=8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (dt, *J*=12.9, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (dd, *J*=15.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (dd, *J*=15.5, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 1.96–1.92 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 78.9, 74.3, 68.4, 64.8, 40.6, 33.7, 30.4. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺] 194.0613. Found: 194.0616.

4.23. (3R,4S,5R,7R)-7-(Hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (26)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:8 \rightarrow 1:6, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=42%. [α]_D²⁵ –78.0 (*c* 0.31, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 3.63 (t, *J*=9.1 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (td, *J*=8.2, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J*=11.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J*=11.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (td, *J*=12.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dd, *J*=15.4, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (dd, *J*=15.4, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (dd, *J*=14.9, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.66 (ddd, *J*=14.9, 12.3, 10.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 81.1, 76.6, 70.6, 66.3, 43.1, 35.6, 28.7. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺] 194.0613. Found: 194.0611.

4.24. (2*S*,4*R*,5*S*,6*S*)-6-(Benzyloxy)-2-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-4,5-diol (27)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:30 \rightarrow 1:20, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=55%. [α]_D²⁵ +29.0 (*c* 0.2, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 7.34–7.24 (m, 5H), 4.54 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (td, *J*=7.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.89–3.85 (m, 2H), 3.49 (dd, *J*=11.3, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J*=11.3, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (ddd, *J*=16.4, 6.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (dd, *J*=15.0, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J*=15.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (ddd, *J*=15.5, 10.3, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (ddd, *J*=15.5, 6.4, 3.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 137.5, 129.0–128.0 (*Ar*–), 79.2, 74.7, 71.6, 68.6, 65.6, 40.1, 32.8, 27.2. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₄H₂₁O₄S [M+H]⁺ 285.1161. Found: 285.1161.

4.25. (2*R*,4*R*,5*S*,6*S*)-6-(Benzyloxy)-2-(hydroxymethyl)thiepane-4,5-diol (28)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:30 \rightarrow 1:20, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=40%. [α]_D²⁵ -85.7 (*c* 0.22, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 7.35–7.22 (m, 5H), 4.56 (d, *J*=11.5 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J*=11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (br s, 1H), 3.69 (t, *J*=9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.47–3.35 (m, 3H), 3.05–2.97 (m, 1H), 2.80–2.70 (m, 2H), 2.03 (d, *J*=14.9 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (dd, *J*=14.9, 11.1 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 137.5, 128.7–128.3 (*Ar*–), 77.8, 76.6,

71.5, 70.6, 65.8, 42.0, 36.1, 26.3. HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{14}H_{21}O_4S$ $[M\!+\!H]^+$ 285.1161. Found: 285.1163.

4.26. (3S,4S,5R,7R)-7-(Hydroxymethyl)thiepane-3,4,5-triol (29)

Purification by flash column chromatography (230–400 mesh SiO₂, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂=1:8 \rightarrow 1:6, 1% NH₄OH) afforded a colorless syrup. Yield=10%. [α]_D²² –223.8 (*c* 0.16, MeOH). ¹H NMR (D₂O) δ 4.07 (ddd, *J*=7.4, 3.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (td, *J*=9.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (dd, *J*=11.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd, *J*=11.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, *J*=9.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.95–2.88 (m, 1H), 2.89 (dd, *J*=15.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, *J*=15.6, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (ddd, *J*=14.9, 4.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (ddd, *J*=14.9, 11.8, 9.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (D₂O) δ 78.5, 69.8, 69.0, 66.5, 42.4, 36.4, 29.4. HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₇H₁₄O₄S [M⁺] 194.0613. Found: 194.0615.

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