

## Synthesis and biological properties of 2-substituted *myo*-inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate analogues directed toward affinity chromatography and photoaffinity labeling

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### ABSTRACT

A series of *myo*-inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate analogues with the 2-acyl substituents *p*-aminobenzoyl (**7**), *p*-azidobenzoyl (**8**), 4-[5-[2-(benzamido)ethyl]-2-hydroxyphenylazo]benzoyl (**9**), and *cis,trans*-4-aminocyclohexylcarbonyl (**10**) were synthesised and examined for their effects on the 5-phosphatase, the 3-kinase, the tritiated trisphosphate-binding activity, and the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-releasing activity. Each analogue inhibited the hydrolysis of D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> and the phosphorylation of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>, catalysed by erythrocyte ghosts and brain cytosol, respectively. The analogues acted as full agonists in releasing Ca<sup>2+</sup> from permeabilised cells and also inhibited the binding of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> to cerebellum microsomes. The analogues **7** and **10** were utilised for immobilisation of the trisphosphate on Sepharose<sup>TM</sup> and the subsequent affinity chromatography effected purification of the above proteins. A photoaffinity probe, the appendage of which acted as the photoaffinity probe as well as a non-radioactive molecular marker, was also derived from the analogue **7**.

### INTRODUCTION

1D-*myo*-Inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate [D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>] is an intracellular messenger that mediates the release of Ca<sup>2+</sup> from non-mitochondrial intracellular stores of calcium in stimulated cells<sup>1</sup>. D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> is metabolised by an ATP-dependent phosphorylation<sup>2</sup> to give D-Ins(1,3,4,5)P<sub>4</sub> and by a 5-phosphatase-catalysed dephosphorylation<sup>3</sup> to give D-Ins(1,4)P<sub>2</sub>. In order to elucidate the mechanism of the release of Ca<sup>2+</sup> and metabolism at the molecular level, it is crucial to investigate

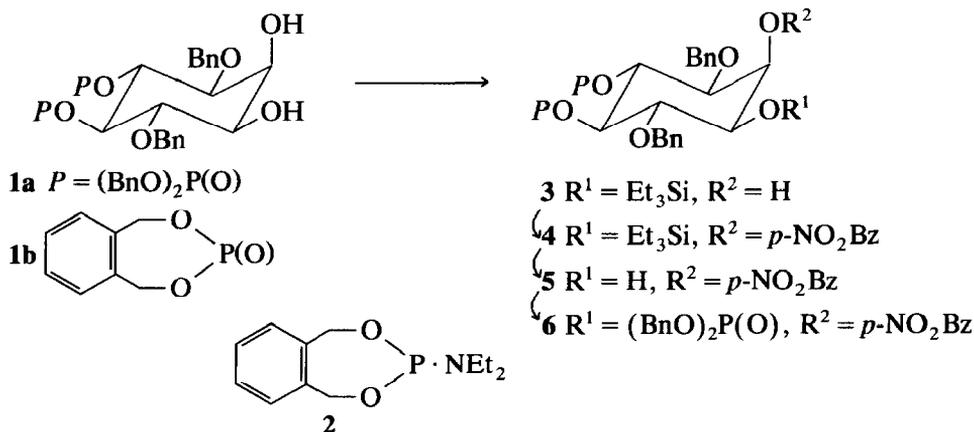
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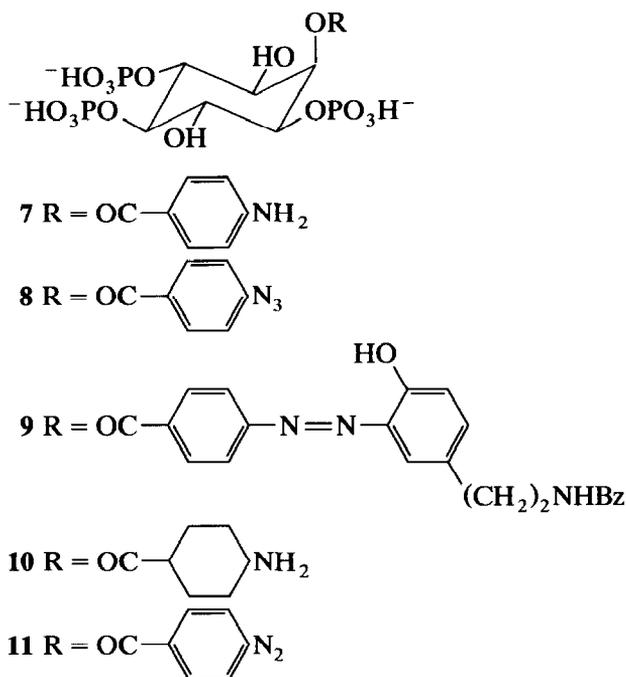
how Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> interacts with the receptor protein and the metabolic enzymes, 5-phosphatase and 3-kinase.

In this context, the 2-azidobenzoyl derivative of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> was reported<sup>4</sup> for photoaffinity labeling and found to cause irreversible inactivation of the receptor protein for the release of Ca<sup>2+</sup> under photolysis. On the basis of these findings and reports<sup>5</sup> that the biological activities of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> can be attributed to the 4,5-phosphate groups, whereas the 1-phosphate group increases the affinity for its recognition by the receptor site, further chemical modification of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> at position 2 has been carried out. We now describe the synthesis and biological properties of some 2-acyl derivatives and their utilisation for photoaffinity labeling and affinity chromatography.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

*Synthesis of 2-acyl-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> analogues (7–10).*—3,6-Di-*O*-benzyl-*myo*-inositol 4,5-bis(dibenzyl phosphate) (**1a**), derived from *myo*-inositol in 5 steps, is a versatile intermediate for syntheses of *myo*-inositol polyphosphates such as the 1,2-cyclic-4,5-, and the 2,4,5- and 1,4,5-tris-phosphate<sup>6</sup>. Compound **1a** can also be utilised for the preparation of 2-substituted derivatives of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>. The 4,5-phosphate groups are now introduced preferably by the phosphoramidite method<sup>7</sup> using the phosphitylating agent **2** to give **1b** instead of the method<sup>8</sup> employing tetrabenzyl pyrophosphate–butyl-lithium for the synthesis of **1a**. Compound **1a** was triethylsilylated selectively at HO-1 followed by nitrobenzoylation of HO-2 to afford **4**. Desilylation of **4** gave **5**, HO-1 of which was phosphorylated by successive treatment with phosphorus trichloride, benzyl alcohol, and *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide<sup>9</sup> to give the trisphosphate derivative **6**. Hydrogenolysis of **6** accompanied by reduction of the nitro group afforded 2-*O*-(4-aminobenzoyl)-*myo*-inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (**7**).





Diazotisation of **7** followed by treatment with sodium azide and *p*-hydroxyphenylethylamine afforded the 4-azidobenzoyl derivative **8** and the diazo coupling product, benzoylation of which gave **9**. Furthermore, **7** was transformed into the cyclohexyl derivative **10** by hydrogenation at 80 atm in the presence of ruthenium(IV) oxide.

Naturally occurring  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  is D, and the L form is believed to have neither physiological activity nor to interfere in the various assay systems. However, modification of the structure of D- $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  may change the biological profile; hence, the enantiomers of **7** and **10** were prepared from D-**1a** and L-**1a** which were separated by chiral column chromatography using Chiralcel OD<sup>TM</sup>. The analogues **7**–**10** of D- $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  thus obtained were examined for their effects on the  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -phosphatase,  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -kinase, D-[<sup>3</sup>H] $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -binding activity, and Ca<sup>2+</sup>-releasing activity.

*Effects on D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase.*—Fig. 1 shows the dose dependence of the D- $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  analogues in inhibiting the hydrolysis of D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P] $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  by the phosphatase of human erythrocyte ghosts. Each of the racemic 2-substituted analogues **7**–**10** and the positional and cyclic isomers of  $\text{InsP}_3$  dose-dependently inhibited the hydrolysis of D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P] $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  and was a substrate for the phosphatase, although the extents of the hydrolysis were low compared to that<sup>10</sup> of D- $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ , indicating that the analogues competed with the radioactive substrate for the active site of the phosphatase. The analogues, except for **10**, were more potent than D- $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ , thereby indicating that the presence of substituents or a deoxy group increased the affinity for the enzyme. Transformation of the benzene ring of **7** to the cyclohexane ring in **10** decreased the activity.

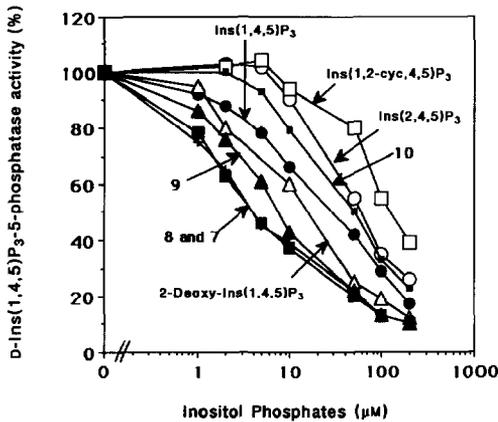


Fig. 1. Inhibition of D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase activity by InsP<sub>3</sub> analogues. Erythrocyte ghosts were incubated with 10 μM D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> in the presence of each InsP<sub>3</sub> analogue at the concentrations indicated at 37° for 10 min.

In seeking to evaluate the properties of the enantiomers<sup>11</sup>, it was found (Fig. 2) that L-7 and L-10 inhibited the hydrolysis of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> by the ghosts, whereas the D forms were inactive up to 100 μM. Moreover, L-7 was more potent than L-10 and D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>. Polokoff et al.<sup>12</sup> reported that there was no marked difference between D- and L-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> in inhibiting the phosphatase of aortic smooth muscle cells, i.e., L-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> is recognised by the active site of the phosphatase. Thus, 2-substitution of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> markedly reduces the affinity for the active site of the enzyme, which indicates that HO-2 is important in the recognition by the phosphatase. On the other hand, 2-substitution of L-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> increases the affinity, especially for the 4-aminobenzoyl group.

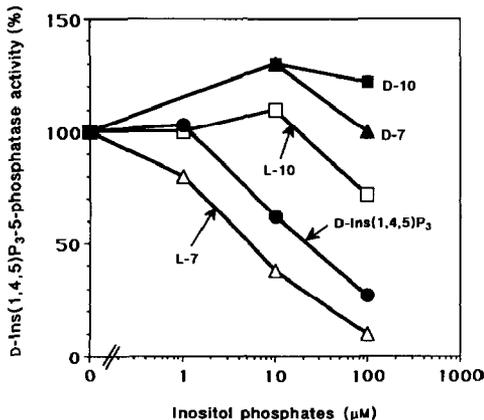


Fig. 2. Inhibition of D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase activity by the enantiomers of the InsP<sub>3</sub> analogues 7 and 10. Experimental procedures were as described in Fig. 1.

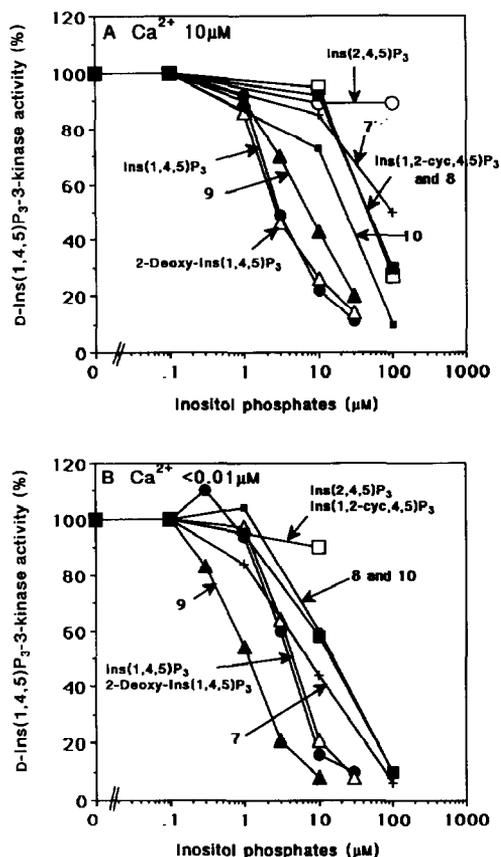


Fig. 3. Inhibition of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-3-kinase activity by InsP<sub>3</sub> analogues. Rat-brain cytosol was incubated with μM D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> in the presence of each InsP<sub>3</sub> analogue at the concentrations indicated at 37° for 5 min and at Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentrations of A, 10 μM; and B, <0.01 μM.

**Effects on D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-3-kinase.**—A rat-brain cytosol fraction was assayed for D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-3-kinase in the presence of 10 mM pyrophosphate as an inhibitor of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase. As shown in Fig. 3A, DL-2-deoxy-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> was equipotent to D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> in inhibiting the 3-kinase in the presence of 10 μM Ca<sup>2+</sup>. The other compounds, except for DL-Ins(2,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>, were also inhibitors, although the concentrations required for half-maximal inhibition were 2–30-fold higher. At [Ca<sup>2+</sup>] < 0.01 μM, however, the potency of these inhibitors was more striking, whereas those of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> and its 2-deoxy derivative remained unchanged (Fig. 3B).

The *K<sub>m</sub>* value for D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> for the 3-kinase was 0.8 μM, regardless of the concentration of Ca<sup>2+</sup>. The *K<sub>i</sub>* values, as determined by Lineweaver–Burk plots of the inhibition of the phosphorylation of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> by the analogues, are shown in Table 1. Only 10 was a substrate for the kinase<sup>11</sup>. In contrast to the results with D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase, the inhibition of the 3-kinase was specific for the D isomers and the results for D-7 and D-10 are shown in Fig. 4. The

TABLE I

 $K_i$  values<sup>a</sup> for InsP<sub>3</sub> analogues in inhibiting the phosphorylation of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>

Compound	$K_i$	
	< 0.01 $\mu\text{M Ca}^{2+}$	10 $\mu\text{M Ca}^{2+}$
D-Ins(1,4,5)P <sub>3</sub>	1.0	0.99
2-Deoxy-InsP <sub>3</sub>	1.6	1.9
<b>9</b>	0.36	2.0
<b>7</b>	2.4	33.9

<sup>a</sup> The apparent  $K_i$  was determined from Lineweaver–Burk plots.

changes in the  $K_i$  values depending on  $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$  were much the same as seen with the racemates. Thus, HO-2 of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> is not essential for recognition by the active site of the 3-kinase and, furthermore, the changes in conformation in or near the active site may be caused by the changes in concentration of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ .

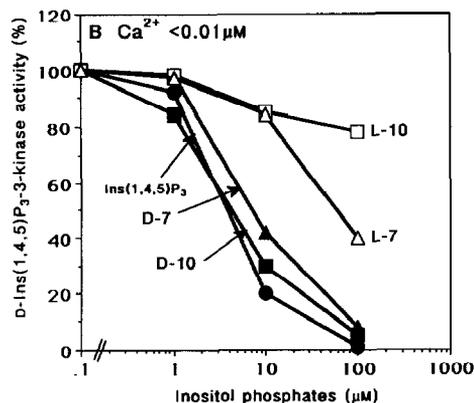
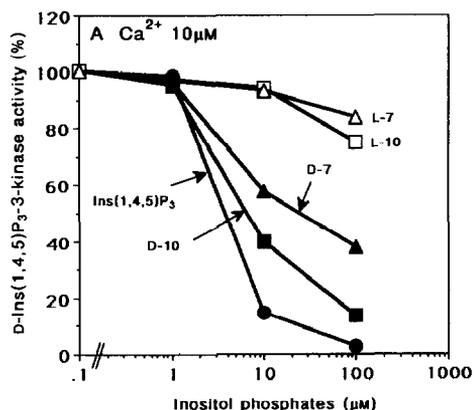


Fig. 4. Inhibition of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-3-kinase activity by the enantiomers of the InsP<sub>3</sub> analogues **7** and **10**. Experimental procedures were as described in Fig. 3.

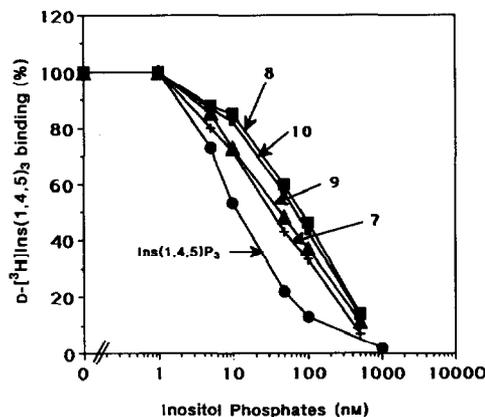
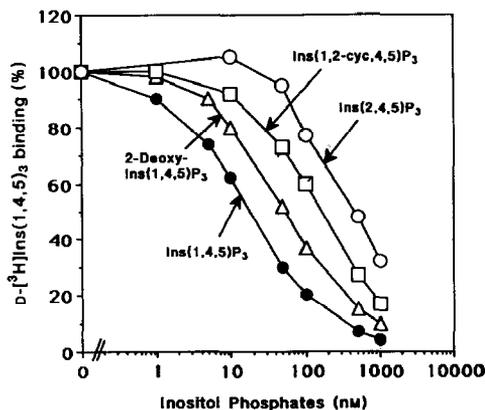


Fig. 5. Displacement of  $D$ - $[^3\text{H}]\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  from the cerebellum microsomes by  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogues. Rat-cerebellum microsome was incubated with  $0.6 \text{ nM } D$ - $[^3\text{H}]\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  in the presence of various concentrations of each unlabeled  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogue at  $0^\circ$  for 15 min.

*Effects on  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  binding and  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -releasing activity.*—In order to determine the extent of competition with  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  for the receptor site, a rat-cerebellum microsomal fraction was used. As shown in Fig. 5, each of the compounds examined could induce the dose-dependent displacement of  $D$ - $[^3\text{H}]\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  from its binding site, but with a potency less than that of  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ . The receptor for  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  also tolerated 2-substituents, i.e., *p*-aminobenzoyl (as in 7), *p*-azidobenzoyl (8), or 4-aminocyclohexylcarbonyl (10). These compounds were several times less potent than  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ , but the potencies of  $D$ -7 and  $D$ -10 were almost equal to that of  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  and the *L* isomers were inactive. Thus, HO-2 of  $D$ - $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  is not involved in the recognition by the receptor site.

The  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  analogues 7–10 were examined for the ability to evoke the release of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  from saponin-permeabilised macrophages (Fig. 6). Of the accumulated  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  at a free  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration of  $0.14 \mu\text{M}$ , 40–60% was released within

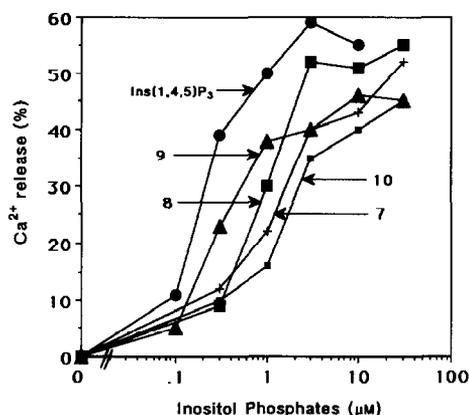
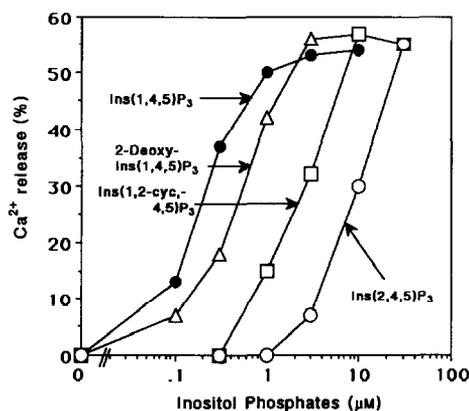
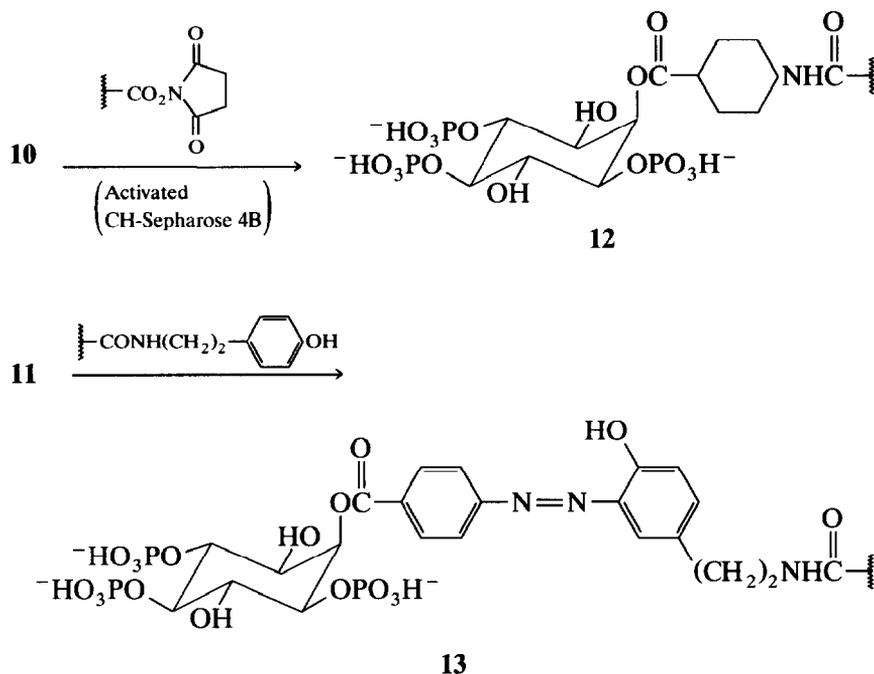


Fig. 6. Release of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  from permeabilised macrophages by  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogues. Saponin-permeabilised macrophages were allowed to accumulate  $^{45}\text{Ca}^{2+}$  in the presence of 10 mM  $\text{NaN}_3$  at  $37^\circ$  for 10 min. After the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  accumulation reached a plateau, each  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogue was added to evoke the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  release, and the amount of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  released after 1 min relative to that of  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  accumulation was plotted against the concentration of the  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogues.

1 min after adding the maximal dose. Each of the compounds tested was a full agonist and the order of potency was much the same as seen in the binding assay.

*Preparation of  $\text{InsP}_3$ -affinity resins for chromatography and their evaluation*<sup>13</sup>.— Affinity chromatography is a useful technique for the purification of bio-molecules. As noted above, 2-substitution of  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  (to give 7–10) did not affect significantly the biological potency, and the analogues were full agonists. Matrices for affinity chromatography were prepared from the analogues 7 and 10. Thus, the 2-aminocyclohexylcarbonyl derivative 10 was linked to Activated CH-Sepharose 4B<sup>TM</sup>. The same gel was treated with tyramine to form the amide linkages and the resulting polymer was reacted with the diazonium salt 11. Although the structures of these functionalised resins were not characterised fully, the analogous reactions

in solution and no recovery of each analogue in the immobilisation procedure suggest the structures **12** and **13**.



When the  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -metabolising enzymes and the receptors present in the soluble and particulate fractions in rat brain were adsorbed onto the above columns and eluted by increasing salt concentrations, increased specific activities were obtained. Furthermore, novel  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -binding proteins have been purified<sup>14</sup> from rat brain, using **13**. Thus, the  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  affinity columns, especially **13**, are promising tools for purifying  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -binding proteins.

Other  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$ -affinity matrices have been reported<sup>15,16</sup>. Prestwich et al.<sup>16</sup> attached  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  to Affi-Gel 10<sup>TM</sup> via the 1-phosphate group, and the resulting affinity resin was effective in the purification of  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  receptor proteins.

*Synthesis and biological properties of a photoaffinity probe*<sup>17</sup>.—A photoaffinity labeling technique was used to investigate the active site of enzymes. If the photoaffinity probe also has a molecular marker, then detection of the covalently bound protein is facilitated. Hirate et al.<sup>4</sup>, Schäfer et al.<sup>18</sup>, and Prestwich et al.<sup>16</sup> have prepared radioactive  $\text{InsP}_3$  analogues for photoaffinity labeling, which reacted specifically with the proteins that may be involved in  $\text{InsP}_3$ -induced  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  release. As a non-radioactive marker for safe handling, the  $\text{Ins}(1,4,5)\text{P}_3$  analogue **15** was selected because it possesses a photo-sensitive azido group, and the biotinyl residue at C-2 serves as a marker based on the strong interaction with avidin and visualisation of the resulting complex<sup>19</sup>. Thus, *N*<sup>α</sup>-4-azidobenzoyl-*N*<sup>ε</sup>-biotinyl-L-lysine *N*-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethylamide (**14**) was linked with the diazonium salt **11** generated in situ from **7** to afford the diazo coupling product **15**.

Compound **15** was shown to act as a photoaffinity probe by the following experiments. Incubation of **15** with the 5-phosphatase-rich fraction, obtained by passing red-blood-cell ghosts through a column of the Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-immobilised gel **13**, followed by photolysis resulted in the specific affinity labeling of a 66-kDa protein. Moreover, addition of excess of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> to the incubation medium reduced the labeling markedly. These results indicate that **15** was photolysed at the Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-recognising domain of the protein and the covalent linkage around the active site was formed. The properties of **15** are being investigated further.

## EXPERIMENTAL

*General methods.*—When D<sub>2</sub>O was used as a solvent for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, the signal of HOD (δ 4.64) was utilised as the reference, dioxane (δ 67.4) in a D<sub>2</sub>O solution was used as an external reference for the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, and 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> was used as the external reference for the <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra (positive chemical shifts are downfield from the reference). The <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were <sup>1</sup>H decoupled. IR spectra were recorded with a Hitachi EPI-G3 spectrometer. TLC was performed on Silica Gel 60 F254 (Merck) and cellulose (SF-2020, Funakoshi). Flash-column chromatography was performed on Wakogel C-300 and column chromatography on microgranular cellulose powder CC-31 (Whatman BioSystems). Extracts obtained after work-up were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> or Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Experimental procedures for the preparation of the affinity resins **12** and **13** and biological experiments were reported in the articles indicated in the text.

(±)-1,4-Di-O-benzyl-2,3-O-cyclohexylidene-myo-inositol 5,6-bis(dibenzyl phosphate).—To a solution of (±)-1,4-di-O-benzyl-2,3-O-cyclohexylidene-myo-inositol<sup>20</sup> (1.86 g, 4.22 mmol) in THF (80 mL) at –78° was added butyl-lithium (5.4 mL of a 3.44 M solution in hexane, 18.57 mmol). The mixture was stirred for an additional 5 min, a solution of tetrabenzyl pyrophosphate (5.0 g, 9.29 mmol) in THF (30 mL) was added at –78°, and the mixture was stirred at 0° for 1.5 h, then filtered, and concentrated. A solution of the oily residue in ether was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, then dried, and the solvent was evaporated. Column chromatography (EtOAc–hexane, 1:3) of the residue on silica gel gave the title compound (3.9 g, 96%), R<sub>F</sub> 0.7 (EtOAc–hexane, 1:1); ν<sub>max</sub> 1250, 1000 cm<sup>-1</sup>. NMR data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): <sup>1</sup>H (270 MHz), δ 1.29–1.80 (c, 10 H), 3.91 (dd, 1 H, J 7.9 and 3.7 Hz), 4.05 (dd, 1 H, J 7.3 and 6.1 Hz), 4.23 (t, 1 H, J 7.3 Hz), 4.33 (dd, 1 H, J 7.3 and 3.7 Hz), 4.62 (ddd, 1 H, J 12.8, 8.6, and 6.1 Hz), 4.67 (s, 2 H), 4.68 and 4.76 (ABq, 2 H, J 11.6 Hz), 4.80–5.10 (c, 9 H), 7.10–7.40 (c, 30 H); <sup>13</sup>C (67.8 MHz), δ 23.56, 23.88, 24.98, 33.86, 36.10, 69.07 (d, J 6.1 Hz), 69.21 (d, 2 C, J 6.1 Hz), 69.34 (d, J 6.1 Hz), 72.53, 72.60, 72.80 (C-2), 75.04 (C-3), 76.86 (C-1), 78.24 (t, J 6.1 Hz, C-4), 78.60 (C-6), 79.71 (t, J 6.1 Hz, C-5), 110.73, 127.37, 127.51, 127.60, 127.66, 127.73, 127.78, 127.84, 127.99, 128.05, 128.09, 128.16, 128.23, 128.27, 128.37, 135.81, 135.90, 135.94, 137.84.

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>58</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>2</sub>: C, 67.49; H, 6.08. Found: C, 67.82, H, 6.13.

(±)-1,4-Di-O-benzyl-myo-inositol 5,6-bis(dibenzyl phosphate) (**1a**).—A solution of the above derivative (1.74 g, 1.81 mmol) in trifluoroacetic acid (20 mL) and



MeOH (19 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, then diluted with ether (100 mL). The organic solution was washed successively with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 × 50 mL), aq KHSO<sub>4</sub> (50 mL), and brine (2 × 50 mL), dried, and concentrated. Recrystallisation of the residue from CHCl<sub>3</sub> and light petroleum (bp 30–70°) gave **1a** (1.29 g, 83%), mp 128°, *R*<sub>F</sub> 0.2 (EtOAc–hexane, 1:1);  $\nu_{\max}$  3450, 1236, 1120, 980 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  3.47 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.53 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.88 (t, 1 H, *J* 9.1 Hz), 4.08 (t, 1 H, *J* 2.7 Hz), 4.52 (d, 1 H, *J* 11.1 Hz), 4.50 (q, 1 H, *J* 9.1 Hz), 4.61 (d, 1 H, *J* 11.1 Hz), 4.74 (d, 1 H, *J* 11.1 Hz), 4.85 (d, 1 H, *J* 11.1 Hz), 4.71–5.08 (c, 9 H including H-4), 7.03–7.35 (m, 30 H).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>2</sub>: C, 65.44; H, 5.75. Found: C, 65.39; H, 5.73.

*Resolution of 1a using chiral column chromatography.*—A solution of racemic **1a** (200 mg) in hexane and <sup>1</sup>PrOH (5:1) was divided into six fractions, each of which was added to a column (2 × 25 cm) of Chiralcel OD and eluted with hexane–<sup>1</sup>PrOH (5:1) at 10 mL/min and 18 atm to give, first, *L*-**1a** (74 mg, 37%), [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>23</sup> –21° (*c* 1.10, CHCl<sub>3</sub>), and then *D*-**1a** (70 mg, 35%), [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>23</sup> +21° (*c* 1.05, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Spectral data and chromatographic properties of each enantiomer were identical with those of the racemic diol.

(±)-*1,4-Di-O-benzyl-3-O-triethylsilyl-myo-inositol 5,6-bis(dibenzyl phosphate)* (**3**).—To a solution of **1a** (0.50 g, 0.57 mmol) in pyridine (10 mL) at 0° was added chlorotriethylsilane (0.13 g, 0.86 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h and then concentrated in vacuo. A solution of the residue in EtOAc was washed successively with H<sub>2</sub>O (×3), satd aq KHSO<sub>4</sub> (×2), H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine, and concentrated. Column chromatography (EtOAc–hexane, 1:3) of the residue gave **3** (0.54 g, 95%), mp 210° (from CHCl<sub>3</sub>–ether), *R*<sub>F</sub> 0.6 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–ether, 1:1);  $\nu_{\max}$  3400, 1229, 1082 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.46–0.57 (m, 6 H), 0.83 (t, 9 H, *J* 8.2 Hz), 2.40 (bs, 1 H), 3.42 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.53 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.70 (t, 1 H, *J* 2.7 Hz), 3.80 (t, 1 H, *J* 9.1 Hz), 4.4–5.1 (c, 14 H), 7.0–7.2 (c, 30 H).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>64</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Si: C, 68.51; H, 10.82. Found: C, 68.17; H, 10.50.

(±)-*1,4-Di-O-benzyl-2-O-p-nitrobenzoyl-3-O-triethylsilyl-myo-inositol 5,6-bis(dibenzyl phosphate)* (**4**).—To a solution of **3** (1.40 g, 1.41 mmol) in pyridine (30 mL) were added *p*-nitrobenzoyl chloride (5.22 g, 28.13 mmol) and a catalytic amount of 4-dimethylaminopyridine at 0°. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 h, then concentrated in vacuo, EtOAc and H<sub>2</sub>O were added to the residue, and the organic solution was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, satd aq KHSO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, satd aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine, dried, and concentrated. Flash-column chromatography (EtOAc–hexane, 2:3) of the residue gave **4** (1.42 g, 88%), *R*<sub>F</sub> 0.6 (EtOAc–hexane, 1:1);  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$  1700, 1580, 1360 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.42 (m, 6 H), 0.83 (t, 9 H, *J* 8.2 Hz), 3.67 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.83 (dd, 1 H, *J* 9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.93 (t, 1 H, *J* 9.1 Hz), 4.5–5.1 (c, 14 H), 5.75 (t, 1 H, *J* 2.7 Hz), 7.03–7.38 (c, 30 H), 8.10 (d, 2 H, *J* 8.5 Hz), 8.25 (d, 2 H, *J* 8.5 Hz).

(±)-*1,4-Di-O-benzyl-2-O-p-nitrobenzoyl-myo-inositol 5,6-bis(dibenzyl phosphate)*

(5).—To a solution of **4** (1.4 g, 1.22 mmol) in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (3 mL) and aq 80% acetic acid (10 mL) was added *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (0.7 g, 3.5 mmol). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, EtOAc and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  were added, and the organic layer was washed with aq  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , dried, and concentrated. Column chromatography (EtOAc–hexane, 2:1) of the residue on silica gel gave **5** (1.05 g, 84%),  $R_F$  0.5 (EtOAc–hexane, 2:1);  $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{Nujol}}$  3350, 1720, 1590, 1370  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data (270 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  3.70 (dd, 1 H,  $J$  9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.80 (dd, 1 H,  $J$  9.1 and 2.7 Hz), 3.90 (t, 1 H,  $J$  9.1 Hz), 4.5–5.1 (c, 14 H), 5.75 (t, 1 H,  $J$  2.7 Hz), 7.03–7.38 (c, 30 H), 8.10 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz), 8.25 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz).

( $\pm$ )-3,6-Di-O-benzyl-2-O-*p*-nitrobenzoyl-myoinositol 1,4,5-tris(dibenzyl phosphate) (**6**).—Phosphorus trichloride (248 mg, 1.8 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of **5** (930 mg, 0.903 mmol) in THF (10 mL) and pyridine (2.5 mL) at  $-78^\circ$ . Benzyl alcohol (584 mg, 5.4 mmol) was then added at the same temperature after 1 h, and, after stirring for 1 h, 70% *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide (464 mg, 3.6 mmol) was added. The cooling bath was removed, the mixture was stirred for 2 h, EtOAc and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  were added, and the organic layer was washed with aq  $\text{KHSO}_4$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , aq  $\text{NaHCO}_3$ , and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , dried, and concentrated. Flash-column chromatography (EtOAc–hexane, 1:1) of the residue gave **6** (978 mg, 83%),  $R_F$  0.5 (EtOAc–hexane, 1:1).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data (270 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  3.70 (dd, 1 H,  $J$  9.8 and 2.4 Hz), 4.12 (t, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 Hz), 4.4–5.3 (c, 19 H), 6.19 (t, 1 H,  $J$  2.4 Hz), 7.0–7.4 (c, 40 H), 8.10 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 8.25 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz).

( $\pm$ )-2-O-*p*-Aminobenzoyl-myoinositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (**7**).—A mixture of **6** (0.9 g, 0.69 mmol), 5% Pd/C (1.0 g), and aq 20% MeOH (25 mL) was stirred under  $\text{H}_2$  at room temperature for 12 h, then filtered, and concentrated. Column chromatography (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ – $n$ PrOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4:5:1), with the application of pressure, gave **7** (0.44 g, presumably the triammonium salt) which was converted into the trisodium salt by passing sequentially through columns of cation-exchange resins (pyridinium form and then the  $\text{Na}^+$  form), mp  $> 280^\circ$ ,  $R_F$  0.35 (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ – $n$ PrOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4:5:1);  $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$  3400, 1680, 1280, 1170, 1040  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . NMR data:  $^1\text{H}$  (270 MHz, 21 mg in 0.73 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , neutral),  $\delta$  3.84 (dd, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 and 2.8 Hz), 3.92 (t, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 Hz), 4.00 (q, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 Hz), 4.08 (dt, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 and 2.8 Hz), 4.29 (q, 1 H,  $J$  9.5 Hz), 5.65 (t, 1 H,  $J$  2.8 Hz), 6.68 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz), 7.75 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  (67.8 MHz,  $\sim 70$  mg in 0.75 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , neutral),  $\delta$  70.61 (s, C-3), 72.54 (m, C-6), 73.35 (s, C-2), 73.39 (d,  $J$  5.5 Hz, C-1), 77.04 (m, C-4), 78.57 (m, C-5), 115.14, 118.23, 132.44, 153.14, 168.28;  $^{31}\text{P}$  (109 MHz, 21 mg in 2.5 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , pD 6.8),  $\delta$  2.11, 2.49, 3.80. FAB-mass spectrum:  $m/z$  606 [ $\text{M}^+$  (trisodium salt) + 1].

Each enantiomer was prepared in a similar manner from the corresponding optically active diol **1a** and showed identical chromatographic and spectroscopic properties: *D*-**7** (ammonium salt),  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{23} -3.6^\circ$  (c 2.2,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , neutral), *L*-**7** (ammonium salt),  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{23} +4.2^\circ$  (c 2.1,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , neutral).

( $\pm$ )-2-O-*p*-Azidobenzoyl-myoinositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (**8**).—To a solution of **7** (ammonium salt, 30 mg, 0.051 mmol) in concd. HCl (0.1 mL) and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (3 mL) at  $0^\circ$

was added a solution of  $\text{NaNO}_2$  (10 mg) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mL). The mixture was stirred for 1 h,  $\text{NaN}_3$  (7 mg, 0.102 mmol) was added, stirring was continued for 1 h, and the mixture was concentrated under high vacuum. Column chromatography (cellulose, aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^i\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4:5:1) of the residue gave **8** (30 mg, 95%, as the triammonium salt),  $R_F$  0.40 (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^i\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4:5:1);  $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$  3200, 2100, 1260, 1100  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . NMR data:  $^1\text{H}$  (270 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , 20 mg in 0.76 mL, neutral),  $\delta$  3.72 (bdd, 1 H,  $J$  9.1 and  $\sim$  2.5 Hz), 3.82 (c, 2 H), 3.90 (m, 1 H), 4.20 (m, 1 H), 5.60 (bt, 1 H,  $J$   $\sim$  2.5 Hz), 7.00 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.90 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  (67.8 MHz, 20.6 mg in 0.71 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , pD 6.24),  $\delta$  70.80 (s, C-3), 72.77 (m, C-6), 73.76 (d,  $J$  4.9 Hz, C-1), 74.26 (C-2), 77.44 (m, C-4), 78.90 (m, C-5), 119.84, 126.10, 132.56, 146.33, 167.79;  $^{31}\text{P}$  (109 MHz, 20.6 mg in 2.6 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , pD 6.6),  $\delta$  1.76, 2.55, 3.57.

( $\pm$ )-2-O-(4-{5-[2-(Benzamido)ethyl]-2-hydroxyphenylazo}benzoyl)-myo-inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (**9**).—A solution of the diazonium salt **11**, prepared from **7** (30 mg, 0.051 mmol) as described above, was made alkaline to litmus with 0.1 M  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and treated with 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethylammonium chloride (13.2 mg, 0.077 mmol) for 2 h. After extraction of the excess of the starting amine with  $\text{CHCl}_3$ , the aqueous solution was concentrated under high vacuum, and the residue was passed through a column of cellulose (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^i\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 3:7:1). A solution of the product in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and DMF ( $\sim$  2:1, 2 mL) was then reacted with *N*-benzoyloxysuccinimide (26 mg, 0.117 mmol) for 2 h at room temperature. Column chromatography (cellulose, aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^i\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 1:5:1) of the concentrated mixture gave **9** (7 mg, 16%),  $R_F$  0.65 (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^i\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 1:5:1).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data (270 MHz, 7.0 mg in 0.75 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , neutral):  $\delta$  2.79 (bt, 2 H,  $J$  unreadable), 3.50 (bt, 2 H,  $J$  unreadable), 3.89–4.71 (c, 5 H), 5.78 (bt,  $J$  unreadable, 1 H), 6.85 (d, 1 H,  $J$  7.9 Hz), 7.25 (m, 2 H), 7.26 (d, 1 H,  $J$  7.9 Hz), 7.32 (t, 1 H,  $J$  7.3 Hz), 7.44 (d, 2 H,  $J$  7.3 Hz), 7.54 (s, 1 H), 7.71 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 8.07 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz).

( $\pm$ )-2-O-4-Aminocyclohexylcarbonyl-myo-inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (**10**).—A mixture of **7** (ammonium salt, 20 mg, 0.033 mmol),  $\text{RuO}_2$  (20 mg), and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (5 mL) was heated at 60° under  $\text{H}_2$  (80 atm) for 3 h, then filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was neutralised by passing through a column of cation-exchange ( $\text{H}^+$ ) resin, and the eluate was concentrated after the addition of pyridine and passed through a column of Dowex 50W-X2 ( $\text{Na}^+$ ) resin to afford **10** (18 mg, 90%, as the trisodium salt),  $R_F$  0.37 (aq 28%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ - $^n\text{PrOH}$ - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 4:5:1);  $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$  3150, 1710, 1120, 1050  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . NMR data:  $^1\text{H}$  (270 MHz,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , 18 mg in 0.73 mL, neutral),  $\delta$  1.50 (b, 4 H), 1.78 (b, 2 H), 2.10 (b, 2 H), 2.75 (b, 1 H), 3.10 (b, 1 H), 3.8–4.2 (c, 5 H), 5.54 (t, 1 H,  $J$  2.8 Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  (67.8 MHz, 38.6 mg in 0.73 mL of  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ , pD 6.1),  $\delta$  27.51, 27.64, 29.13, 31.28, 39.13, 49.94, 70.58 (C-3, cis), 71.46 (C-3, trans), 71.59 (C-2, trans), 72.27 (m, C-6, trans), 72.96 (m, C-6, cis), 73.38 (d,  $J$  5.49 Hz, C-1, cis), 73.64 (C-2, cis), 75.38 (d,  $J$  5.49 Hz, C-1, trans), 76.90 (C-4), 78.61 (m, C-5, cis), 78.85 (m, C-5, trans), 176.73 (cis), 185.49 (trans);  $^{31}\text{P}$  (109 MHz, 38.6 mg

in 2.7 mL of D<sub>2</sub>O, pD 6.5), cis derivative;  $\delta$  1.22, 2.24, 3.69; trans derivative;  $\delta$  1.49, 2.39, 3.37. FAB mass spectrum:  $m/z$  612 [ $M^+$ (trisodium salt) + 1].

Each enantiomer was prepared in a similar manner from the corresponding optically active 7: D-10 (sodium salt) had  $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 4.9^\circ$  ( $c$  0.92, H<sub>2</sub>O, neutral); L-10 (sodium salt) had  $[\alpha]_D^{23} + 5.6^\circ$  ( $c$  0.53, H<sub>2</sub>O, neutral).

*Synthesis of N $^\alpha$ -4-azidobenzoyl-N $^\epsilon$ -biotinyl-L-lysine N-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethylamide (14).*—A mixture of *N* $^\epsilon$ -*tert*-butoxycarbonyl-L-lysine (170 mg, 0.69 mmol) and *N*-4-azidobenzoyloxysuccinimide (180 mg, 0.69 mmol) in DMF (2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 6 h and the solvent was removed in vacuo. A solution of the residue in CHCl<sub>3</sub> was treated with aq 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and the aqueous layer was acidified with M HCl and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The combined CHCl<sub>3</sub> solutions were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, dried, and concentrated. Column chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–MeOH, 10:1) of the residue on silica gel gave the carboxylic acid (250 mg, 93%),  $R_F$  0.3 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 5:1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.20–1.62 (c, 4 H), 1.38 (s, 9 H), 1.87 (b, 2 H), 3.08 (b, 2 H), 4.70 (b, 1 H), 6.90 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.55 (b, 1 H), 7.80 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.80 (b, 1 H).

A solution of the acid (114 mg, 0.29 mmol) in DMF (2 mL) was treated with *N*-hydroxysuccinimide (37 mg, 0.32 mmol) and dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (62 mg, 0.30 mmol) at room temperature for 4 h. The usual work-up procedure gave the corresponding succinimido ester (140 mg, 0.29 mmol). A mixture of the ester, 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethylammonium chloride (50 mg, 0.29 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (35 mg, 34 mmol), and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, then diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, aq 10% oxalic acid, H<sub>2</sub>O, aq 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>O, dried, and concentrated. Column chromatography (acetone–CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–ether, 1:5:1) of the residue on silica gel afforded the amide (85 mg, 60%) as an amorphous solid,  $R_F$  0.3 (acetone–CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–ether, 1:5:1);  $[\alpha]_D^{20} - 4.4^\circ$  ( $c$  1.13, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$  3300, 2100, 1680, 1630 cm<sup>-1</sup>. NMR data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): <sup>1</sup>H (270 MHz),  $\delta$  1.00–1.80 (c, 6 H), 1.36 (s, 9 H), 2.66 (b, 1 H), 2.75 (b, 1 H), 2.95 (b, 2 H), 3.35 (b, 1 H), 3.64 (b, 1 H), 4.53 (td, 1 H,  $J$  7.3 and 6.4 Hz), 6.76 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz), 6.76 (b, 1 H), 6.98 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz), 7.02 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz), 7.32 (d, 1 H,  $J$  7.6 Hz), 7.79 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.5 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C (67.9 MHz),  $\delta$  22.34, 28.39, 29.82, 32.50, 34.28, 40.27, 40.61, 53.51, 79.64, 115.68, 118.93, 128.98, 129.55, 129.65, 129.96, 143.65, 155.25, 156.53, 166.31, 171.67. DI-mass spectrum:  $m/z$  510 ( $M^+$ ).

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>5</sub> · 0.33 H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 60.46; H, 6.76; N, 16.26. Found: C, 60.31; H, 6.81; N, 16.30.

A solution of the amide (126 mg, 0.25 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.5 mL) at 0° was treated with methyl phenyl sulfide (0.5 mL) and a 20% solution (0.3 mL) of trifluoroacetic acid in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, then concentrated under high vacuum. To a solution of the residue in DMF (2 mL) were added the succinimido ester of biotin (85 mg, 0.25 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.3 mL). After 12 h at room temperature, the volatile materials were distilled off in vacuo. The residue was washed successively with CHCl<sub>3</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O, and then recrystallised from MeOH and H<sub>2</sub>O to give 14 (113 mg, 71%), mp 111–113° (dec),

$R_F$  0.35 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 7:1), [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +24° (c 1.0, MeOH);  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{Nujol}}$  3270, 2100, 1680, 1610 cm<sup>-1</sup>. NMR data (270 MHz): <sup>1</sup>H (CDCl<sub>3</sub>),  $\delta$  1.25–1.80 (c, 12 H), 2.16 (t, 2 H,  $J$  7.2 Hz), 2.69 (c, 3 H), 2.90 (dd, 1 H,  $J$  5.2 and 4.6 Hz), 3.16–3.36 (c, 3 H), 4.27 (b, 1 H), 4.44 (c, 2 H), 6.65 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.01 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.15 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz), 7.89 (d, 2 H,  $J$  8.6 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C (67.9 MHz),  $\delta$  25.03, 27.64, 30.18, 30.51, 30.84, 33.56, 36.36, 37.57, 40.74, 41.83, 42.95, 56.26, 57.76, 62.36, 64.10, 117.04, 120.76, 131.31, 131.61, 131.85, 132.44, 145.84, 157.63, 168.35, 169.94, 175.12, 176.79. FAB-mass spectrum:  $m/z$  637 [ $M^+ + 1$ ].

*Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S · 2 H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 55.34; H, 6.59; N, 16.65. Found: C, 55.77; H, 6.39; N, 16.22.

The preparation of **15**, by diazocoupling of **14** with **12**, and its physical data have been described<sup>17</sup>. FAB-mass spectrum (negative):  $m/z$  1253 [( $M^- - 1$ ) + 2].

*Biological assays of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> analogues (7–10).*—Biological assays of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> analogues 7–10 were performed as described previously<sup>10,11</sup>. Briefly, erythrocyte ghosts were prepared from human blood and assayed for Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase. The enzyme activity was measured, using 50  $\mu$ M D-[5-<sup>32</sup>P]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> as a substrate, by determining the production of <sup>32</sup>Pi radioactivity in the upper phase following phase separation by adding ammonium molybdate and organic solvent. Rat-brain cytosol fraction was assayed for D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-kinase in the presence of 10 mM pyrophosphate as an inhibitor of D-Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase. The enzyme activity was determined by measuring the production of D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,3,4,5)P<sub>4</sub> from  $\mu$ M D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>, which could be separated from each other by HPLC on a SAX column. Synthetic analogues 7–10 were examined as inhibitors of the kinase activity. D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> binding to rat cerebellar microsomes was assayed in the presence or absence of various doses of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> analogues at 0.6 nM D-[<sup>3</sup>H]Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> by the filtration method. The Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub> analogues 7–10 were also examined for the ability to evoke the release of Ca<sup>2+</sup> from saponin-permeabilised macrophages. Saponin-permeabilised cells accumulated <sup>45</sup>Ca<sup>2+</sup> at a free <sup>45</sup>Ca<sup>2+</sup> concentration of 0.14  $\mu$ M. When the <sup>45</sup>Ca<sup>2+</sup> accumulation reached a plateau level, various doses of the analogues were added to release the <sup>45</sup>Ca<sup>2+</sup>.

*Preparation of affinity resins (12, 13) and their evaluation in biological systems.*—Affinity resins **12** and **13** were prepared according to the method described<sup>13</sup>. The rat-brain cytosol or detergent extract of the membrane fraction was applied to the affinity column equilibrated with 0.05 M KCl solution, and the adsorbed proteins were eluted by a stepwise increase in salt concentration (0.2, 0.5, and 2 M KCl). The 3 fractions were assayed for Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-5-phosphatase and the 3-kinase in the cytosol fraction or the phosphatase and Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-binding in the detergent extract, respectively. For example, Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-phosphatase activities in both cytosol and detergent-extract fractions were eluted from the column of **13** by a 0.5 M KCl solution, providing a 3 to 5-fold increase in the specific activity; in the case of the column of **12**, the activities were eluted by 0.05 M KCl and did not change before and after the chromatography. Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-3-kinase or Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>-binding

activity was eluted from each column by 2 M KCl, giving a 20-fold or 100-fold increased specific activity, respectively.

**Photoaffinity labeling with 15.**—The protein sample (~0.5 mg; a 5-phosphatase-rich fraction obtained by affinity chromatography of erythrocyte ghosts, using the column mentioned above) was incubated in 30  $\mu$ L of a solution containing 50 mM Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.3), 30 mM NaCl, mM EDTA, and various concentrations of 15, with or without a 100-fold excess of Ins(1,4,5)P<sub>3</sub>, on ice for 5 min, and the mixture was photolysed on ice under a Toshiba FL-20E lamp at a distance of 5 cm for 10 min. Following SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis and transfer to a nitrocellulose sheet, the sheet was immersed in a solution containing 5% (w/v) of dry milk in Tris-buffered saline (TBS: 0.15 M NaCl and 10 mM Tris-HCl buffer, pH 7.5) for 30 min. After washing twice with TBS, the sheet was incubated for 30 min with the streptavidin-alkaline phosphatase conjugate diluted 3000-fold with TBS. Finally, a mixture of 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl phosphate *p*-toluidine salt and Nitro Blue Tetrazolium in DMF was added to observe the labeling.

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