

Synthesis of Enantiopure C-Glycosides and Pseudo C-Glycosides. Lewis Acid Mediated Cleavage of [3.3.1] Oxabicyclic Lactones

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Abstract: Lewis acid mediated cleavage of substituted 2,9-dioxabicyclo[3.3.1]nonan-3-ones affords enantiopure 2,6-*trans*-C-glycosides in excellent yield. Variation of nucleophile, solvent and Lewis acid were investigated.

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C-Glycosides and structurally simplified pseudo C-glycosides have been of major interest in carbohydrate, enzymatic and metabolic chemistry as well as in organic synthesis and natural product synthesis.¹ Along with the discovery and structure elucidation of biologically active natural products (e.g. palytoxin,² the phorboxazoles³) containing carbon-linked substituted tetrahydropyrans, the development of methodology for their synthesis has accelerated especially in the last two decades.

A variety of approaches have been described to generate carbon-linked carbohydrate patterns, i.e. *cis*- and *trans*-C-glycosides. Most of these start from anomeric halides, acetates,⁴ benzoates, aryl thioethers⁵ and also from sulfones.⁶ A challenging task is the synthesis of substituted deoxy C-glycosides. Several routes have been reported, including the use of glycals,⁷ defunctionalization of sugar derived C-glycosides,⁸ intramolecular C-glycosidation⁵ and anomeric oxygen-to-carbon rearrangements.⁹ All these approaches take advantage of the availability of natural products. This is, of course, also a limiting factor. Stereo- and regioselective defunctionalization and/or alkylation are necessary to prepare deoxy- or alkylated sugar derivatives.

We herein report the *de novo* synthesis of deoxy, dideoxy and alkylated deoxy C-glycosides. Our strategy is based on a ring-opening of oxabicyclic lactones **1** to **8** (Figure 1).

Our lactones can be regarded as tethered anomeric acetates serving as intramolecular leaving groups (Figure 2). Unlike conventional glycosidations where the leaving group is lost, the carboxylate is incorporated convergently into the glycosidic framework with useful chemodifferentiation of the side chains attached to C2 and C6.

Starting from substituted 8-oxabicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-en-3-ones, which are readily available by our [4+3] cycloaddition methodology, we have prepared a wide variety of [3.3.1] oxabicyclic lactones in five steps in high chemical and optical yield.^{3h,10-12} Treatment with trimethylsilyl tri-

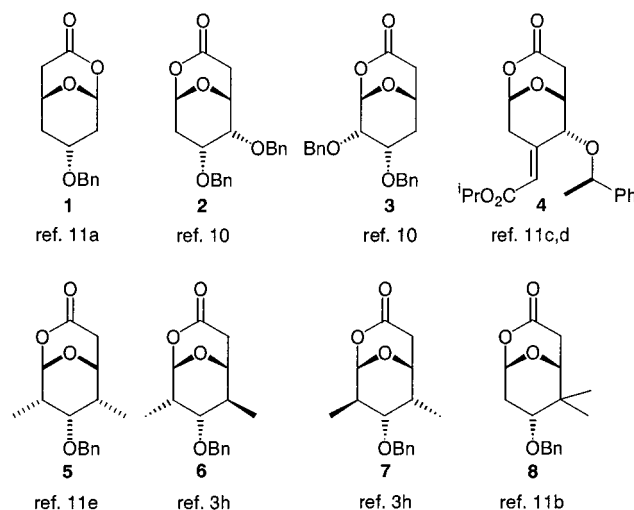


Figure 1

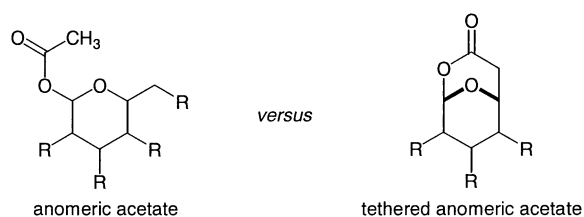
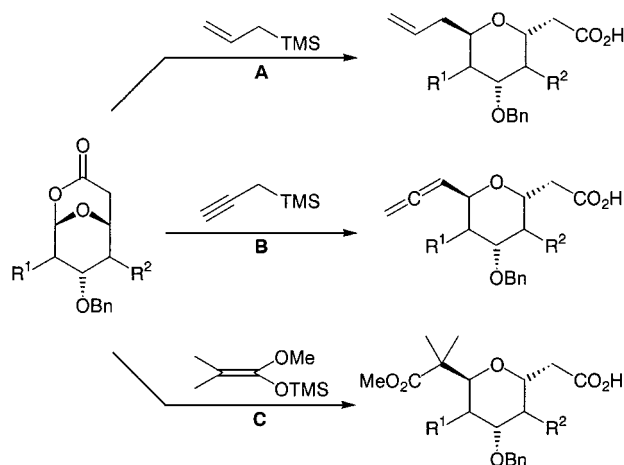


Figure 2



Scheme 1

Table 1 Results of C-glycosidation reactions

entry	lactone	solvent	conditions	product	Yield [%]	entry	lactone	solvent	conditions	product	Yield [%]
a)	1	DCM	i)		95	j)	2	DCM	i)		95
b)	2	DCM	i)		95	k)	3	MeCN	iii)		95
c)	3	DCM	ii)		0	l)	1	DCM	i)		92
d)	3	MeCN	iii)		95	m)	2	DCM	i)		79
e)	4	MeCN	iii)		98	n)	3	MeCN	iii)		90
f)	5	MeCN	iii)		83	o)	4	MeCN	iii)		96
g)	6	MeCN	iii)		95	p)	5	MeCN	iii)		98
h)	7	MeCN	iii)		86	q)	6	MeCN	iii)		76
i)	8	MeCN	iii)		80	r)	7	MeCN	iii)		95

Conditions: i) 1 eq. TMSOTf, DCM, -78°C (30 min), Nu; → -20°C

ii) 1 eq. TMSOTf, DCM, -78°C (30 min), Nu; → RT

iii) Nu; 1 eq. TMSOTf, MeCN, -40°C → -20°C

flate at low temperatures and addition of the silylated nucleophile furnished the desired C-glycosides (Scheme 1). The results are summarized in Table 1.¹³

Lactones **1** and **2** gave excellent yields of the derived 2,6-*trans*-C-glycosides in dichloromethane under mild conditions and short reaction times (Table 1, entry *a, b, j, l, m*).¹⁴ Lactone **3** could not be transformed into the required

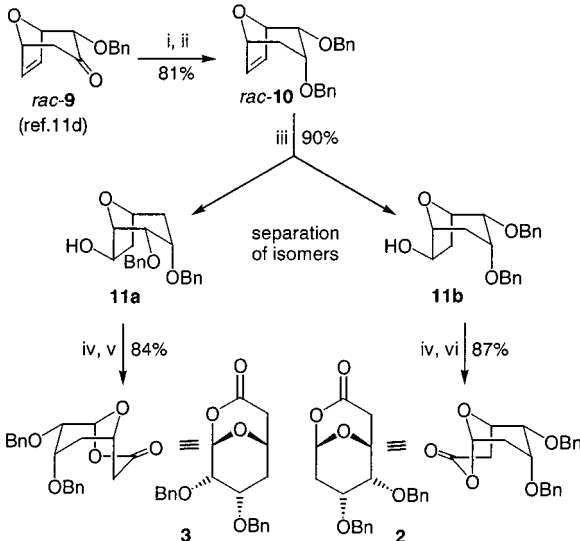
glycosides under these conditions (entry c). However, employing acetonitrile as the solvent in case of lactone **3** led to significant improvement (entry d). In general, by changing the solvent from dichloromethane to acetonitrile, all reactions gave excellent chemical yields. Nitromethane also served well in some cases, but provided no major advantage over acetonitrile. Other Lewis acids, such as $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ or ZnCl_2 , were used, but gave mainly elimination products or decomposition under similar conditions. In nearly all cases the 2,6-*trans*-C-glycoside stereochemistry was established exclusively, which is a result of the anomeric effect and shielding by the carboxylate leaving group. Examples are reactions of lactones **3** to **6**. Even lactones unsubstituted in 3-position gave exclusively the 2,6-*trans* product. In contrast, steric hindrance of the *axial* methyl group of lactone **7** furnished a mixture of epimers where 2,6-*cis* configuration is favored when bulky silyl ketene acetal was used (entry r). The less hindered allylsilane gave only the 2,6-*trans*-C-glycoside (entry h). Considering lactone **4**, the selectivity of silyl ketene acetal addition is reduced, perhaps caused by conformational flexibility of the tetrahydropyran ring due to the exocyclic double bond (entry o).

In summary, we have shown that 2,6-*trans*-C-glycosides are easily and selectively prepared in high yield from oxabicyclic lactones. Thanks to Lewis acid the lactone moiety serves as an efficient leaving group and the stereochemistry of nucleophilic attack at the anomeric centre is predetermined. In our opinion the methodology is of high utility for the synthesis of carbon linked pyran rings. The diversity of our anomeric oxabicyclic [3.3.1] lactones provides high flexibility of this synthetic approach. The C-glycosides prepared are useful precursors for the synthesis of a variety of biologically important natural products.^{3g}

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Conditions: i) L-Selectride®, THF, -78°C, 2 h; ii) NaH, THF, BnBr, reflux, 16 h; iii) a) (-)-(Ipc)₂BH, THF; b) NaOH, H₂O₂; iv) PCC, NaOAc, 4Å molecular sieves, DCM, rt, 1 h; v) *m*-CPBA, F₃CCO₂H, DCM, rt, 15 h; vi) *m*-CPBA, NaHCO₃, DCM, rt, 15 h.

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- (14) Selected spectroscopic data for (2*S*,4*S*,5*S*,6*R*)-(6-allyl-4,5-bisbenzyloxytetrahydropyran-2-yl) acetic acid **3A**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): 7.33 (m, 10 H, Ph); 5.74 (dddd, 1 H, J=15.0, 7.1, 6.8, 0.3 Hz, =CH-); 5.03 (m, 2 H, H₂C=); 4.69, 4.57 (2×d, 2 H, ²J=11.9 Hz, PhCH₂-O); 4.65 (dd, 2 H, ²J=12.2 Hz, PhCH₂-O); 4.36 (ddd, 1 H, J=4.3, 4.6, 9.3 Hz, -CHOR); 4.02 (dddd, 1 H, J=3.1, 3.5, 7.5, 14.3 Hz, allyl-CHOR); 3.88 (ddd, 1 H, J=2.8, 3.3, 6.6 Hz, -CHOCH₂Ph); 3.67 (dd, 1 H, J=3.0, 4.3 Hz, -CHOCH₂Ph); 3.06 (dd, 1 H, J=9.3, 16.1 Hz, -CH₂-CO₂H); 2.80 (dd, 1 H, J=4.4, 16.1 Hz, -CH₂-CO₂H); 2.30+2.15 (dm, 2 H, =CH-CH₂-CHO-); 2.03 (ddd, 1 H, J=3.4, 6.6, 13.5 Hz, -CH₂); 1.50 (ddd, 1 H, J=3.0, 7.9, 13.5 Hz, -CH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): 177.4 (-CO₂H), 138.5, 138.1 (Ph); 134.45 (=CH-), 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3 (Ph); 116.9 (CH₂=); 75.2, 73.3 (-CHOCH₂Ph); 73.0, 71.9 (Ph-CH₂); 71.5 (-CHOR); 70.4 (allyl-CHOR); 38.2 (=CH-CH₂-CHO); 34.6 (-CH₂CO₂H); 26.9 (-CH₂); IR (CHCl₃, rt): ν = 3680, 3512, 3168, 3068, 1744, 1708, 1640, 1600, 1496, 1364, 1264, 1232, 1076 cm⁻¹; MS (110 °C): m/z (%): M⁺ = 396 (1.9); 395 (3.5); 305 (25.1); 247 (17.1); 181 (100); 139 (38.6); 107 (30.4); HRMS: calcd. 396.1916, found 396.1937; [α]_D²²+20.9°, c = 1.1, CHCl₃. The *trans* geometry of **3A** was confirmed by 500 MHz NOESY experiments.

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