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Homologation of methyl 2-azido- and 2-acetamido-3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-hexopyranosides with allyloxymethylmagnesium chloride

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Abstract

Methyl 2-azido-2-deoxy-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranosides of the α -, β -D-gluco and α -D-manno configuration as well as methyl 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranosides of the α - and β -D-gluco configuration, protected at positions 3 and 4 with *O*-benzyl groups were reacted with an excess of allyloxymethylmagnesium or (phenyldimethylsi-lyl)methylmagnesium chlorides to afford mixtures of C-6 stereoisomeric heptopyranosides. Configuration of the products separated by column chromatography was assigned by ¹H NMR data. © 2001 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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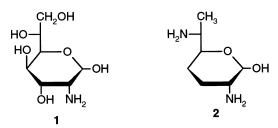
A convenient route to higher homologs of hexoses consists in reaction of properly protected dialdo-1,5-pyranosides with C_1 Grignard reagents of the type ROCH₂MgCl or R_3SiCH_2MgCl followed by chromatographic separation of the resulting stereoisomeric heptosides.¹⁻⁴ The homologation reaction is compatible with a variety of protecting groups including ethers, acetals¹⁻³ and esters.⁴ In this paper, we present our results on chain-elongation reactions of methyl hexopyranosides containing 2-azido- or 2-acetamido-2-deoxy groupings.

Natural 2-amino-2-deoxy-heptoses are only scarcely known. G. Weise et al.⁵ found, among the sugars of *Anacystis nidulans* cell wall LPS, a minor component to which was assigned the structure of a 2-amino-2-deoxyheptose with the D-glycero-D-gulo(ido?) (1) configuration. 2,6-Diamino-2,3,4,6,7-pentadeoxy-D-ribo-heptopyranose (purpurosamine B, 2) was found as a component of the aminoglycoside antibiotic gentamycin C_2 .⁶ D-⁷ and LD-⁸ forms of this sugar have been obtained by synthesis.

Methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxyhexopyranosides of α - and β -D-gluco (3 and

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4), and α -D-manno (**5**) configuration have been selected for the homologation experiments. For conversion to the corresponding dialdo-1,5-pyranosides (6-8), the Dess-Martin⁹ oxidant proved to be the most efficient. Reaction of the freshly prepared aldehydes (6-8) with allyloxymethylmagnesium chloride occurred smoothly at low temperature and afforded mixtures of diastereoisomeric methyl heptosides in 58–60% overall yield. Both mixtures (9, 10 and 11, 12) stemming from the α - and β -D-gluco substrates (6 and 7) could be separated by simple-column chromatography. The mixture obtained from the *α-D-manno* aldehyde 8 resisted separation. However, after acetylation both 6-O-acetyl derivatives (13, 14) were separated and characterized (Scheme 1).

From methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- α - and β -D-glucopyranosides (15 and 16) the corresponding hexodialdo-1,5-pyranosides (17 and 18) were prepared and reacted allyloxymethylmagnesium with chloride. From both reaction mixtures of diastereoisomeric heptosides, 19 (59%) and 20 (52%) were obtained. Their separation into components — directly after the reaction, as 6-Oacetyl derivatives, after de-allylation, and as 6,7-di-O-acetyl derivatives — was unsuccessful. Their NMR spectral and MS data characterized these mixtures only in part. Both aldehydes, 17 and 18, were also reacted with (phenyldimethyl)silylmethylmagnesium chloride to furnish single heptosides (21 and 22, respectively) of L-glycero-D-gluco configuration in good yields. Oxidation of 21 and 22 (peroxyacetic acid, 0 °C) resulted in removal of the silvl group and formation of methyl heptosides 23 and 24, respectively. However, when 21 was oxidized with the same reagent at -10 °C, a 'dimeric' product 25 was obtained.¹⁰ The configuration of **23** and **24** was confirmed as LD on the basis of the CD spectra which showed a negative E band at

318.5 nm indicator of the LD configuration for the *glycero* moiety (Fig. 1).¹¹ 6,7-Diols **23** and **24** were next acetylated to yield 6,7-di-O-acetyl derivatives **26** and **27**, respectively. The results of chain elongation of aldehydes **6**–**8**, **17** and **18** are collected in Table 1.

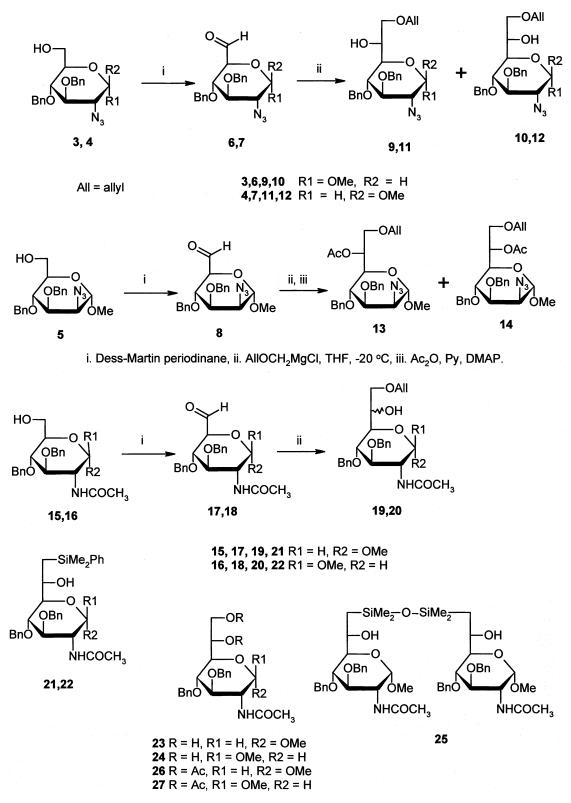
The configuration of the methyl heptosides obtained was assigned on the basis of similarity of coupling constants $J_{5,6}$, $J_{6,7a}$, and $J_{6,7b}$ in the ¹H NMR spectra with the analogous data of heptosides of established configuration obtained earlier or with the CD spectra (Fig. 1). For compounds **11** and **12**, the configurational assignments are tentative, based on the observation of predominance of the DD stereoisomer over the LD counterpart in reactions of methyl hexodialdo-1,5-pyranosides with alkoxymethylmagnesium chloride.³

In summary, chain-elongation reactions with allyloxymethylmagnesium chloride led to the expected heptosides in moderate yields. Although the separation of diastereoisomers formed could be effected by simple chromatography, in some cases difficulties were encountered. Also, the stereoselectivities of these reactions were rather low, furnishing the DD stereoisomer in a light predominance over the LD form. Only in the case of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy aldehyde (17), the LD stereoisomer dominated over the DD partner. The chainelongation reactions with the silyl reagent were superior, affording single diastereoisomeric (LD) heptosides in good yields.

The ¹H NMR spectrum of the aldehyde **18** deserves a short comment. The ${}^{3}J$ coupling constants recorded are not typical for a compound of the β -D-gluco configuration: $J_{1,2}$ 3.2, $J_{2,3}$ 4.3, and $J_{3,4}$ 4.2 Hz point at an equilibrium of both chair forms, ${}^{4}C_{1}$ and ${}^{1}C_{4}$. Epimerization of the formyl group at C-5 was excluded by reduction of 18 back to the substrate 16. MM calculations (SYBYL, MMFF-94¹²) indicated a small strain energy difference between both chair forms with a small preference for the ${}^{1}C_{4}$ conformer. The ${}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum of the aldehyde 18 has been recorded earlier in literature and all coupling constants were found in agreement.¹³ It is possible that the hydrated form of the aldehyde 18 is responsible for these abnormalities. The elemental analysis values point at a hemihydrate. Nevertheless, in the ¹H NMR spectrum of **18** a peak of the aldehyde proton is present at δ 9.80. Non-typical ³J values were also noted by Paulsen¹⁴ for the β anomer of the aldehyde **8**.

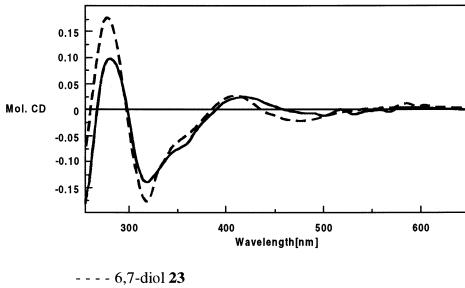
1. Experimental

Optical rotations were measured with a JASCO DIP 360 automatic polarimeter at



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Scheme 1.



----- 6,7-diol **24**

Fig. 1. CD spectra for compounds 23 and 24.

Table	1

The results of chain-elongation reactions of methyl 2-azido- (6-8) and 2-acetamido- (17, 18) -3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranosides

Aldehyde no.	AllOCH ₂ MgCl				PhMe ₂ SiCH ₂ MgCl	
	Compound no.	DD (%)	Compound no.	ld (%)	Compound no.	LD (%)
6	9	34.4	10	24.4		
7	11	34.7	12	22.7		
8	13 ^a	37.8	14 ^a	11.1		
17		19 (59%) ^b			21	70
18		20 (51.7%) ^b			22	63

^a 6-*O*-Acetyl derivatives.

^b Unresolved mixture of stereoisomers.

 20 ± 2 °C. NMR spectra were recorded with Varian Gemini AC-200 (200 MHz) or Bruker AM-500 (500 MHz) spectrometers in CDCl₃ solutions with Me₄Si as an internal standard unless otherwise noted. ¹H signals of aromatic groups occurred at the expected chemical shifts and are omitted in the description of spectra. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded in the DEPT 135 mode. TLC was performed on Silica Gel HF-254 ready plates and column chromatography on Silica Gel 230-400 or 70-230 mesh (E. Merck). Mass spectra (LSIMS, positive mode) were recorded on an AMD-604 mass spectrometer and on a Per Septive Biosystems Mariner[™] mass spectrometer (ESI/TOF, positive mode). HPLC was

carried out on a Shimadzu instrument: central unit C-R4A, pump unit LC-8A, UV-detector STD 250-6A on a column LiChroCART[®] 250-10 with ChiraSpher[®] NT (5 μ m) (E. Merck). CD spectra were measured with JASCO 715 CD spectrometer for solutions of heptose 6,7-diols **23** and **24** in Me₂SO which the (CH₃COO)₄Mo₂ complex was added (molar ratio 1.25:1).

Methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy- α and - β -D-glucopyranosides (**3** and **4**),^{14,15} and methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy- α -Dmannopyranoside (**5**)¹⁶ were obtained by azidonitration of 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-1,5-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-*arabino*-hex-1-enitol and the subsequent conventional steps.¹⁴ Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy- α - and - β -D-glucopyranosides (**15** and **16**) were prepared according to literature.^{17,18}

Methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- α -D-gluco-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranoside (**6**).—To a solution of **3** (0.297 g) in CHCl₂ (15 mL), the Dess-Martin periodinane reagent⁹ (0.379 g) was added and the solution was stirred 17 min at rt. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and saturated aq solutions of Na₂S₂O₃ (20 mL) and NaHCO₃ (25 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred for 15 min, the organic layer was separated, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue (0.350 g) was purified by chromatography in 1:1 \rightarrow 1:2 hexane-EtOAc to yield **6** (0.279 g, 95%). ¹H NMR (200 MHz): δ 9.66 (d, 1 H, J_{6,5} 0.4 Hz, CHO).

Methyl 7-O-allyl-2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-D- and -L-glycero- α -D-gluco-heptopyranosides (9 and 10).—To dry magnesium turnings (0.097 g, 4.06 mmol) under freshly distilled THF (0.1 mL), sublimed HgCl₂ (50 mg) was added and a few drops of neat pure allyloxymethyl chloride, freshly distilled before the reaction, were added while lowering the temperature to ca. -10 to -15 °C. When formation of the Grignard reagent has started, the rest of allyloxymethyl chloride (0.433 g, 4.06 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added at -18 to -20 °C, and stirring was continued for 2 h. The temperature was then lowered to -30 °C and a solution of aldehyde 6 (0.233 g, 0.59 mmol) in abs THF (3 mL) was dropped in. The mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 1.5 h and slowly brought to rt while stirring for another 12 h. A cold (0 °C) aq satd solution of NH₄Cl (20 mL) was added and the products were extracted with ether. Ether extract was dried, concentrated to dryness and the residue was chromatographed with 3:2 hexane–EtOAc to give a mixture of 9 and 10 (0.162 g, 59%). Proportion of diastereoisomers 9 and 10 was determined to be 1.4:1 on the basis of ¹H NMR spectral OMe signals. The mixture was separated by HPLC using 4:1 hexane-EtOAc as eluent.

The configuration of stereoisomeric methyl heptosides 9, 10 was determined by comparison of coupling constants ${}^{3}J$ of protons at C-6, -7A, and -7B. For D-glycero-D-gluco

stereoisomers $J_{6,5}$ 3.5–4.2, $J_{6,7A} \sim 7.0$, $J_{6,7B}$ 3.5–4.0 Hz, and for L-glycero-D-gluco stereoisomers $J_{6,5} < 1.5$, $J_{6,7A} \sim 8.0$, $J_{6,7B}$ 4.9– 5.3 Hz.³ The values of analogous coupling constants were used also for configurational determination of the D- and L-glycero-Dmanno stereoisomers **13** and **14**.¹⁹

Compound 9: Yield (34.4%), colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{D}$ + 68° (c 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.91– 5.81 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.25–5.12 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.95–4.69 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH₂Ph), 4.78 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.05 (ddd, 1 H, H-6), 3.99 (dd, 1 H, J_{3,4} 8.8, J_{3,2} 10.2 Hz, H-3), 3.96-3.93 (m, 2 H. CH₂-CH=CH₂), 3.82 (dd, 1 H, J_{5.6} 3.6, J_{5.4} 10.0 Hz, H-5), 3.64 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 3.52 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7A,6}$ 6.8, $J_{7A,7B}$ 9.9 Hz, H-7A), 3.50 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7B,6}$ 4.0 Hz, H-7B), 3.43 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.38 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.68 (d, 1 H, J_{OH.6} 3.5 Hz, OH); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.47 (CH₂=CH), 117.34 (CH₂=CH), 98.45 (C-1), 81.02, 79.23, 72.35, 70.59 (C-3, 4, 5, 6), 75.51, 74.72 (2 × CH₂Ph), 72.35 (CH₂=CH-CH₂O), 70.62 (C-7), 63.80 (C-2), 55.25 (OCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{25}H_{31}N_{3}O_{6} + Na^{+}$ $([M + Na]^+)$ Calcd: 492.21106. Found: 492.21145.

Compound 10: Yield (24.2%), colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ + 61° (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.94– 5.85 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.31–5.16 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.91–4.73 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH₂Ph), 4.79 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 3.5 Hz, H-1), 4.13– 4.09 (m, 1 H, H-6), 4.06-4.00 (m, 2 H, CH_2 -CH=CH₂), 3.97 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 9.0, $J_{3,2}$ 10.1 Hz, H-3), 3.79 (dd, 1 H, J_{4,5} 9.9 Hz, H-4), 3.72 (bd, 1 H, $J_{5.6} < 1$, H-5), 3.60 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A.6} 7.9, J_{7A.7B} 9.4 Hz, H-7A), 3.50 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B.6} 5.4 Hz, H-7B), 3.39 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 3.37 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 2.04 (d, 1 H, J_{OH,6} 6.6 Hz, OH); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.38 (CH₂=CH), 117.33 (CH₂=CH), 98.77 (C-1), 80.46, 77.73, 69.96, $67.37 (C-3, 4, 5, 6), 75.45, 75.09 (2 \times CH_2Ph),$ 72.30 (CH₂=CH-CH₂O), 71.19 (C-7), 63.56 (C-2), 55.11 (OCH_3) ; LSIMS HRMS for $C_{25}H_{31}N_{3}O_{6} + Na^{+}$ $([M + Na]^+)$ Calcd: 492.21106. Found: 492.20958.

Methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- β -D-gluco-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranoside (7).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for **6**. Alcohol **4** (0.353 g) was converted to **7** (0.324 g, 92%), ¹H NMR: δ 9.68 (d, 1 H, $J_{5,6}$ 0.9 Hz, CHO).

Methyl 7-O-allyl-2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-glycero- and -L-glycero- β -D-glucoheptopyranosides (11 and 12).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for 9 and 10. Starting from aldehyde 7 (0.264 g), 11 (0.108 g, 34.7%), and 12 (0.071 g, 22.7%) were obtained.

Compound 11: White solid, mp 40-41 °C, $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ – 11.3° (*c* 1.3, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.91–5.82 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.26–5.13 (m, 2 H, CH₂=CH), 4.93–4.69 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.18 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.09–4.04 (m, 1 H, H-6), 3.97–3.93 (m, 2 H, CH₂-CH=CH₂), 3.63 (dd, 1 H, J_{4.3} 8.8, J_{4.5} 9.6 Hz, H-4), 3.56–3.42 (m, 4 H, H-3, -5, -7A, -7B), 3.55 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.36 (dd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 9.8 Hz, H-2); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.5 (CH₂=CH), 117.3 (CH₂=CH), 103.05 (C-1), 83.60, 78.74, 74.77, 71.44 (C-3, 4, 5, 6), 75.56, 74.77 (2 \times CH₂Ph), 72.33 (CH₂=CH-CH₂O), 70.62 (C-7), 66.43 (C-2), 57.10 (OCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{25}H_{31}N_3O_6 + Na^+$ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 492.21106. Found 492.21054. Anal. Calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}N_{3}O_{6}$: C, 63.95; H, 6.66; N, 8.95. Found: C, 63.95; H, 6.62; N, 8.81.

Stereoisomer 11 was also characterized as the 6-O-acetyl derivative **11Ac** obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 33^\circ$ (c 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.88–5.79 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.41 (ddd, 1 H, $J_{6.5}$ 1.9 Hz, H-6), 5.24–5.11 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.90–4.71 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH₂Ph), 4.15 (d, 1 H, J₁, 8.0 Hz, H-1), 3.97– 3.88 (m, 2 H, CH_2 – $CH=CH_2$), 3.65 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3}$ 9.8, J_{4.5} 8.9 Hz, H-4), 3.65 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A.6} 6.1, J_{7A.7B} 10.2 Hz, H-7A), 3.57 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.54 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B.6} 6.3 Hz, H-7B), 3.45 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 3.43 (t, 1 H, J_{3,2} 9.9 Hz, H-3), 2.05 (s, 3 H, $COCH_3$); ^{13}C NMR: δ 134.38 (CH₂=CH), 117.16 (CH₂=CH), 102.87 (C-1), 83.53, 78.06, 74.70, 71.25, 66.25 (C-2, -3, -4, -5, -6), 67.50 (C-7), 75.67, 74.67, 72.07 (2 \times CH_2Ph , $CH_2=CH-CH_2O$), 56.99 (O CH_3), 21.06 (COCH₃); ESI HRMS for $C_{27}H_{33}$ - $N_3O_7 + Na^+$ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 534.2216. Found 534.2198.

Compound **12**: Colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D + 34^\circ$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.94–5.83 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.30–5.14 (m, 2 H, CH₂=CH), 4.89–4.73 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH₂Ph), 4.17 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.1 Hz, H-1), 4.14–3.95 (m, 3 H, H-6, CH₂–CH=CH₂), 3.59 (t, 1 H, $J_{3,2}$ 7.2 Hz,

H-3), 3.53 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.46 (t, 1 H, J_{4.3} 9.1 Hz, H-4), 3.37 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 3.34 (dd, 1 H, $J_{5.6}$ 1.5, $J_{5.4}$ 9.7 Hz, H-5); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.47 (CH₂=CH), 117.33 (CH₂=CH), 103.06 (C-1), 83.12, 77.14, 74.00, 67.55, 66.24 (C-2, 3, 4, 5, 6), 75.52, 75.36 ($2 \times CH_2Ph$), 72.32 (CH₂= CH–CH₂O), 70.92 (C-7), 57.03 (OCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{25}H_{31}N_{3}O_{6} + Na^{+}$ $([M + Na]^+)$ Calcd: 492.21106. Found 492.21023.

Stereoisomer 12 was characterized also as the 6-O-acetyl derivative 12Ac obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 65^\circ$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.90–5.81 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.46 (ddd, 1 H, J_{6.5} 1.5 Hz, H-6), 5.28–5.15 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.94–4.41 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH_2Ph), 4.16 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.04– 3.95 (m, 2 H, CH₂-CH=CH₂), 3.64 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7A,6}$ 7.5, $J_{7A,7B}$ 9.5 Hz, H-7A), 3.62 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B.6} 6.6 Hz, H-7B), 3.57 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.57 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 3.52 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3}$ 8.2, $J_{4,5}$ 9.3 Hz, H-4), 3.48 (t, 1 H, $J_{3,2}$ 9.6 Hz, H-3), 3.40 (t, 1 H, H-2), 2.09 (s, 3 H, COCH₃); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.35 $(CH_2=CH),$ 117.22 (CH₂=CH), 103.26 (C-1), 83.67, 76.77, 72.37, 68.46, 66.31 (C-2, -3, -4, -5, -6), 66.92 (C-7), 75.64, 75.14, 72.14 $(2 \times CH_2Ph, CH_2=CH CH_2O),$ 57.17 (OCH₃), 21.01 (COCH₃); LSIMS HRMS $C_{27}H_{33}N_{3}O_{7} + Na^{+}$ for $([M + Na]^+)$ Calcd: 534.22162. Found 534.22292.

Methyl 2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- α -D-manno-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranoside (**8**).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for **6**. Alcohol **5** (0.513 g) was converted to **8** (0.497 g, 96%), ¹H NMR δ : 9.72 (d, 1 H, $J_{5.6}$ 1.1 Hz, CHO).

Methyl 6-O-acetyl-7-O-allyl-2-azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-glycero- and -L-glycero- α -D-manno-heptopyranosides (13 and 14). — The procedure was analogous to the one described for 9 and 10. Starting from aldehyde 8 (0.436 g), an inseparable diastereomeric mixture of methyl heptosides (0.308 g, 60%) was obtained. This mixture was acetylated in the conventional manner (Ac₂O-Py) and the 6-O acetyl derivatives 13 and 14 were separated by column chromatography using 2:1 hexane– EtOAc as eluent.

Compound **13**: Colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 38.2^\circ$ (*c* 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.90–5.80 (m, 1 H,

CH₂=CH), 5.44 (ddd, 1 H, J_{6.5} 2.0 Hz, H-6), 5.26–5.12 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.96–4.65 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.33 (d, 1 H, $J_{1.2}$ 1.2 Hz, H-1), 3.99–3.89 (m, 2 H, CH₂–CH=CH₂), 3.88 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 3.86 (t, 1 H, H-4), 3.68 (dd,1 H, J_{7A.6} 5.4, J_{7A.7B} 10.4 Hz, H-7A), 3.64 (dd, 1 H, J_{3,4} 9.6, J_{3,2} 3.6 Hz, H-3), 3.61 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7B.6}$ 6.7 Hz, H-7B) 3.47 (dd, 1 H, $J_{5,4}$ 9.9 Hz, H-5), 3.51 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 2.04 (s, 3 H, COC H_3); ¹³C NMR: δ 134.52 (CH₂=CH), 117.02 (CH₂=CH), 100.46 (C-1), 81.57, 75.22, 74.48, 71.58 (C-3, 4, 5, 6), 74.99, 72.29, 72.03 $(2 \times CH_2Ph, CH_2=CH-CH_2O), 67.70 (C-7),$ 61.49 (C-2), 56.97 (OCH₃); 21.09 (COCH₃); for $C_{27}H_{33}N_{3}O_{7} + Na^{+}$ HRMS LSIMS 534.22162. $([M + Na]^+)$ Calcd: Found: 534.22315

Compound 14: Colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 71.2^\circ$ (c 1.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.89–5.80 (m, 1 H, CH₂=CH), 5.50 (ddd, 1 H, H-6), 5.27-5.12 (m, 2 H, CH_2 =CH), 4.87–4.45 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.35 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 1.1 Hz, H-1), 4.03-3.93 (m, 2 H, CH₂-CH=CH₂), 3.90 (dd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 3.1 Hz, H-2), 3.72 (t, 1 H, J_{4.5} 8.7 Hz, H-4), 3.69 (dd, 1 H, J_{3.4} 8.6 Hz, H-3), 3.67 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7A,6}$ 7.6, $J_{7A,7B}$ 9.5 Hz, H-7A), 3.62 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7B,6}$ 6.5 Hz, H-7B), 3.52 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.50 (dd, 1 H, J_{5,6} 1.5 Hz, H-5), 2.18 (s, 3 H, COCH₃); ${}^{13}C$ NMR: δ 134.64 (CH₂=CH), 117.32 (CH₂=CH), 101.16 (C-1), 81.83, 73.51, 73.17, 68.70 (C-3, 4, 5, 6), 75.64, 72.47, 72.34 ($2 \times CH_2Ph$, $CH_2=CH-CH_2O$), 67.25 (C-7), 61.84 (C-2), 57.26 (OCH₃), 21.26 (COCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{27}H_{33}N_3O_7 +$ Na^+ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 534.22162. Found: 534.22051.

Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy - α - D - gluco - hexodialdo - 1,5 - pyranoside (17).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for **6**. Alcohol **15** (0.831 g) was converted to the aldehyde **17** (0.800 g, 97%). ¹H NMR: δ 9.66 (d, 1 H, $J_{6,5}$ 1.2 Hz, CHO).

Methyl 2-acetamido-7-O-allyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-glycero- and -L-glycero- α -Dgluco-heptopyranoside (19).—To dry magnesium turnings (0.111 g 4.64 mmol) under freshly distilled THF (0.1 mL) sublimed HgCl₂ (50 mg) was added and a few drops of neat pure allyloxymethyl chloride (freshly distilled before the reaction) were added while lower-

ing the temperature -10 to -15 °C. When the formation of the Grignard reagent had started, the rest of allyloxymethyl chloride (0.494 g, 4.64 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added at -18 to -20 °C, and stirring was continued for 2 h. The temperature was then lowered to -30 °C and a solution of aldehyde 17 (0.340 g, 0.77 mmol) in abs THF (10 mL) was dropped in. The mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 2 h. A cold (0 °C) ag satd solution of NH₄Cl (20 mL) was added and the products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic extract was dried, concentrated to residue dryness, and the was chromatographed with 1:1 hexane-acetone to give a mixture of diastereoisomers 19 (0.235 g, approximate proportion 59%). The of diastereoisomeric heptosides in 19 was determined to be 1:1.5 on the basis of ¹H NMR spectrum. Some selected data from the spectrum of 19 are listed below: inter alia δ 4.61 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.6 Hz) and 4.67 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.7 Hz): two H-1, 4.07 (ddd, 1 H, $J_{6.5}$ 3.9 Hz) and 4.11 (ddd, 1 H, J_{6.5} 0.9, J_{6.7A} 7.2, J_{6.7B} 6.2 Hz): two H-6, 3.54 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A,6} 6.6, J_{7A,7B} 9.9 Hz, H-7A), 3.50 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7B,6}$ 3.7 Hz, H-7B) and 3.58 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7A,7B}$ 9.4 Hz, H-7A), 3.50 (dd, 1 H, H-7B): two pairs of H-7, 3.38 (s, 3 H) and 3.28 (s, 3 H): two OCH₃; ¹³C NMR: inter alia δ 98.61 and 98.87 (two C-1).

Other signals 5.94–5.83 (m, 2 H, 2× CH₂=CH), 5.29–5.13 (m, 4 H, 2×CH₂=CH), 4.94–4.60 (4×ABq, 8 H, 4×CH₂Ph), 4.05– 3.95 (m, 4 H, 2×CH₂–CH=CH₂), 3.74–3.63 (m, 4 H, H-3, 2×H-4, H-5); LSIMS HRMS for C₂₇H₃₅NO₇ + Na⁺ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd 508.23112. Found 508.23022.

Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2,7dideoxy-7-(phenyldimethylsilyl)-L-glycero- α -Dgluco-heptopyranoside (21).—To dry magnesium turnings (0.105 g 4.36 mmol) and sublimed HgCl₂ (50 mg) in freshly distilled dry (7 mL) was added dropwise THF (chloromethyl)dimethylphenylsilane (0.805 g, 4.36 mmol). The mixture was heated until the reaction started. The remaining solution of (chloromethyl)dimethylphenylsilane in THF was now added dropwise at such rate as to maintain a gentle reflux. After the Grignard reagent formation was complete the temperature was lowered to -20 °C and a solution of aldehyde 17 (0.300 g, 0.726 mmol) in abs THF (15 mL) was added dropwise and stirring was continued for 2 h. A cold (0 °C) aq satd solution of NH₄Cl (20 mL) was added and the products were extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic extract was dried, concentrated to dryness, and the residue was purified by column chromatography with 1:1 hexane-acetone to give 21 (0.287 g, 70%) as a white solid, mp 113–114 °C, $[\alpha]_{D}$ + 78.2° (*c* 0.8, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ :5.23 (d, 1 H, $J_{NH,2}$ 9.2 Hz, NH), 4.88–4.59 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × C H_2 Ph), 4.66 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.14 (ddd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 10.4 Hz, H-2), 4.05 (dt, 1 H, J_{6.7A} 10.7, J_{6.7B} 3.5, $J_{6.5} < 1.0$ Hz, H-6), 3.70 (t, 1 H, $J_{4.5}$ 9.5, J_{4.3} 9.2 Hz, H-4), 3.63 (dd, 1 H, H-3), 3.35 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 3.27 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 1.82 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 1.36 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A,7B} 14.9 Hz, H-7A), 0.90 (dd, 1 H, H-7B); 13 C NMR: δ 98.69 (C-1), 80.04, 78.71, 74.69, 66.70 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 75.29, 74.67 (2 × CH₂Ph), 55.00(OCH₃), 52.52 (C-2), 23.39 (COCH₃), 21.47 (C-7); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{32}H_{41}NO_6Si +$ Na^+ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 586.26009. Found: 586.26243. Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₄₁NO₆Si: C, 68.17; H, 7.52; N, 2.19. Found: C, 68.10; H, 7.54; N, 2.29.

Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-de $oxy - L - glycero - \alpha - D - gluco - heptopyranoside$ (23).—To a solution of 21 (100 mg, 0.98 mmol) in AcOH (1.5 mL) were added KBr (0.025 g) and CH₃COONa (0.184 g). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred with exclusion of light. AcOH (0.97 mL of a 30% solution in AcOH) was added to the mixture. After stirring for 2 h at 0 °C the mixture was brought to rt. An aq 15% solution of $Na_2S_2O_5$ was added to reduce the remaining peroxyacetic acid. The product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 and the organic extract was washed with water, aq 10% NaHCO₃ and water again, dried, and concentrated. The residue was chromatographed with 1:2 hexane-EtOAc to yield **23** (73 mg, 96%) as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{D}$ $+105^{\circ}$ (c 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.23 (d, 1 H, $J_{\rm NH 2}$ 9.2 Hz, NH), 4.87–4.66 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.67 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.17 (ddd, 1 H, J₂, 10.6 Hz, H-2), 3.97 (bt, 1 H, H-6), 3.83 (t, 1 H, J_{3,4} 9.4 Hz, H-3), 3.54 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A,6} 6.3, J_{7A,7B} 11.3 Hz, H-7A), 3.69 (t, 1 H, H-4), 3.65 (dd, 1 H, J_{5.6} 1.5, J_{5.4} 10.0

Hz, H-5), 3.68 (dd, 1 H, $J_{7B,6}$ 4.7 Hz, H-7B), 3.30 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 1.82 (s, 3 H, COCH₃); ¹³C NMR: δ 98.77 (C-1), 79.71, 78.01, 71.78, 68.83 (C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6), 75.15, 74.73 (2 × CH₂Ph), 64.80 (C-7), 55.09 (OCH₃), 52.42 (C-2), 23.35 (COCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for C₂₄H₃₁NO₇ + H⁺ ([M + H]⁺) Calcd: 446.21788. Found: 446.21798.

Methyl 2-acetamido-6,7-di-O-acetyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-L-glycero-α-D-gluco-heptopyranoside (26).—Compound 23 was acetylated in the conventional manner (Ac_2O-Py) to give **26** as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\rm D} + 48^{\circ}$ (c 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.59 (ddd, 1 H, $J_{6.5}$ 1.3, $J_{6,7A}$ 6.7, $J_{6,7B}$ 8.1 Hz, H-6), 5.29 (d, 1 H, $J_{\rm NH,2}$ 9.4 Hz, NH, 4.87–4.44 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × CH₂Ph), 4.67 (d, 1 H, H-1), 4.27 (ddd, 1 H, J₂₁ 3.6, J₂₃ 10.5 Hz, H-2), 4.28–4.25 (m, 2 H, H-7A, H-7B), 3.82 (t, 1 H, J_{5.4} 10.0 Hz, H-5), 3.72 (dd, 1 H, J_{3.4} 8.8 Hz, H-3), 3.55 (dd,1 H, H-4), 3.31 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 2.15, 2.04, 1.84 $(3 \times s, 9 \text{ H}, 3 \times \text{COCH}_3)$; ¹³C NMR: δ 98.77 (C-1), 80.59, 77.41, 69.01, 67.88 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 75.23, 75.13 $(2 \times CH_2Ph)$, 62.16 (C-7), 55.05 (OCH₃), 52.25 (C-2), 23.37, 20.87, 20.68 $(3 \times COCH_3)$; LSIMS HRMS for $C_{28}H_{35}$ - $NO_9 + Na^+$ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 552.22095. Found: 552.22173.

Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-de $oxy - \beta - D$ - gluco - hexodialdo - 1,5 - pyranoside (18).—To a solution of alcohol 16 (0.603 g) in CH_2Cl_2 (40 mL), the Dess–Martin periodinane reagent (0.738 g) was added and the solution was stirred 5 days at 32 °C. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL), a saturated aq solution of Na₂S₂O₃ (20 mL) and a saturated aq solution of NaHCO₃ (25 mL) were added. After the mixture was stirred for 15 min, the organic layer was separated, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue (0.621 g) was purified by chromatography with 1:1 hexane-acetone to yield 18 (0.415 g, 69%); mp 197–198 °C, $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ – 22.3° (c 0.4, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 9.80 (d, 1 H, $J_{6.5}$ 0.3 Hz, CHO), 6.45 (d, 1 H, J_{NH,2} 8.9 Hz, NH), 4.71 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.2 Hz, H-1), 4.70–4.53 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.28 (d, 1 H, $J_{5,4}$ 3.4 Hz, H-5), 4.19 (ddd, 1 H, J₂, 4.3 Hz, H-2), 3.98 (t, 1 H, J_{4.3} 4.2 Hz, H-4), 3.76 (t, 1 H, H-3), 3.53 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 1.82 (s, 3 H, COCH₃); ^{13}C NMR: δ 101.5 (C-1), 79.03, 75.46, 73.42 (C-3, -4, -5), 73.05, 71.96 ($2 \times CH_2Ph$), 57.08 (OCH₃), 49.17 (C-2), 23.53 (COCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for C₂₃H₂₇NO₆ + H⁺ ([M + H]⁺) Calcd: 414.19166. Found: 414.19263. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₇NO₆·1/2 H₂O: C, 65.39; H, 6.68; N, 3.32. Found: C, 65.08; H, 6.81; N, 3.61.

Methyl 2-acetamido-7-O-allyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-glycero- and -L-glycero- β -Dgluco-heptopyranosides (20).—Starting from g), an inseparable aldehyde 18 (0.327 diastereomeric mixture of heptosides (20, 0.199 g, 52%) was obtained in the form of a colorless oil. The proportion of stereoisomers in 20 was close to 1:1 on the basis of ¹H NMR data. Selected data from the ¹H NMR spectrum are given below: inter alia δ 4.74 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.1 Hz) and 4.64 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.4 Hz): two H-1, 3.45 (s, 3 H) and 3.44 (s, 3 H): two OCH₃; ¹³C NMR: δ 101.31, 101.06 (2 × C-1); LSIMS HRMS for $C_{27}H_{35}NO_7 + Na^+$ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 508.23112. Found 508.23075.

2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2,7-Methyl dideoxy-7-(phenyldimethylsilyl)-L-glycero- β -Dgluco-heptopyranoside (22).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for 21. Starting from aldehyde 18 (0.495 g), 22 (0.426 g, 63%) was obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\rm D} = -10.6^{\circ} (c \ 1.01, \text{CHCl}_3); {}^{1}\text{H NMR}: \delta \ 5.43$ (d, 1 H, $J_{\rm NH,2}$ 7.8 Hz, NH), 4.87–4.60 (2 × ABq, 4 H, $2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 4.58 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.2 Hz, H-1), 4.10–4.02 (m, 1 H, H-6), 4.00 (t, 1 H, J_{3,4} 9.3 Hz, H-3), 3.67 (t, 1 H, J_{4,5} 9.1 Hz, H-4), 3.45 (s, 3 H, OC H_3), 3.31 (ddd, 1 H, $J_{2,3}$ 9.9 Hz, H-2), 3.12 (d, 1 H, $J_{5.6} < 1.0$ Hz, H-5), 1.85 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 1.35 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A.6} 9.2, J_{7A.7B} 14.7 Hz, H-7A), 1.10 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B.6} 5.6 Hz, H-7B), 0.36, 0.34 (2s, 6 H, $(CH_3)_2Si$); ¹³C NMR: δ 101.09 (C-1), 80.48, 78.97, 77.90, 67.01 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 74.91, 74.67 $(2 \times$ CH₂Ph), 57.22, 55.89 (OCH₃, C-2), 23.59 (COCH₃), 22.04 (C-7), -2.05,-2.56 $(CH_3)_2Si$; LSIMS HRMS for $C_{32}H_{41}NO_6Si +$ Na^+ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 586.26009 Found: 586.26274.

Methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-L-glycero- β -D-gluco-heptopyranoside (24).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for 23. From 22 (107 mg), 24 (50 mg, 59%) was obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D$ -42.8° (c 0.8, CH₃OH); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): δ 4.83–4.34 (m, 6 H, H-1, N*H*, 2 × C*H*₂Ph), 3.96 (ddd, *J*_{5,6} 1.4, *J*_{6,7A} 6.9, *J*_{6,7B} 8.2 Hz, H-6), 3.81 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{4,3} 8.6, *J*_{4,5} 8.5 Hz, H-4), 3.78 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{3,4} 9.0, *J*_{3,2} 9.6 Hz, H-3), 3.62–3.71 (m, 3 H, H-5, H-7A, H-7B), 3.45 (s, 3 H, OC*H*₃), 1.88 (s, 3 H, COC*H*₃); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): δ 102.15 (C-1), 82.97, 77.92, 73.52, 68.97 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 74.64, 74.48 (2 × CH₂Ph), 62.42 (C-7), 55.53, 55.25 (OCH₃, C-2), 21.62 (COCH₃); LSIMS HRMS for C₂₄H₃₁NO₇ + Na⁺ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 468.19982. Found: 468.20018.

Methyl 2-acetamido-6,7-di-O-acetyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-L-glycero- β -D-gluco-heptopyranoside (27).-Compound 24 was acetylated in the conventional manner (Ac_2O/Py) to give 27 as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ + 13.0° (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.58–5.47 (m, 2 H, NH, H-6), 4.89–4.42 (2 × ABq, 4 H, 2 × C H_2 Ph), 4.74 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.9 Hz, H-1), 4.38 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A.6} 6.0, J_{7A.7B} 11.1 Hz, H-7A), 4.21 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B.6} 7.1 Hz, H-7B), 4.18 (t, 1 H, H-3), 3.59 (bd, 1 H, J_{5.4} 9.8 Hz, H-5), 3.53 (t, 1 H, J_{4.3} 8.7 Hz, H-4), 3.47 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.34 (ddd, 1 H, J_{2.NH} 8.2, J_{2.3} 9.1 Hz, H-2), 1.87 (s, 3 H, $COCH_3$; ¹³C NMR: δ 101.99 (C-1), 81.08, 77.68, 72.68, 68.15 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 74.94, 74.92 ($2 \times CH_2$ Ph), 62.09 (C-7), 57.43, 56.86 (OCH₃, C-2), 23.58 (COCH₃), 20.95, 20.74 $(COCH_3)$; LSIMS HRMS for $C_{28}H_{35}NO_9 +$ Na^+ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 552.22095. Found: 552.22372

1,3-Di-[methyl 2-acetamido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2,7-dideoxy-L-glycero-α-D-gluco-heptopyranos - 7 - yl] - 1,1,3,3 - tetramethyl - disiloxane (25).—The procedure used was analogous to the one described for 23 except for the temperature (-10 °C). From **21** (93 mg) **25** (80 mg, 50%) was obtained as a white solid; mp 212-214 °C, $[\alpha]_{D}$ + 63° (*c* 0.7, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR: δ 5.27 (d, 1 H, $J_{\rm NH,2}$ 9.1 Hz, NH), 4.92–4.64 $(2 \times ABq, 4 H, 2 \times CH_2Ph), 4.69 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2})$ 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.17 (ddd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 10.1 Hz, H-2), 3.73 (t, 1 H, J_{4.5} 9.4, J_{4.3} 9.1 Hz, H-4), 3.67 (dd, 1 H, H-3), 3.40 (dd, 1 H, J_{5.6} 1.0 Hz, H-5), 3.31 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 1.83 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 0.89 (dd, 1 H, J_{7A,6} 7.5 Hz, H-7A), 0.69 (dd, 1 H, J_{7B,6} 3.6, J_{7B,7A} 14.8 Hz, H-7B), 0.19, 0.17 (2 s, 6 H, [(CH₃)₂Si]); ¹³C NMR: δ 98.89 (C-1), 80.38, 78.84, 774.72, 62.01 (C-3, -4, -5, -6), 75.46, 75.39 ($2 \times CH_2Ph$), 55.24, 55.21 (2 × OCH₃), 52.86, 52.82 (2 × C-2), 2 × 23.59 (2 × COCH₃), 22 99 (C-7), 0.73, 0.42 [(CH₃)₂Si]; ESI HRMS for $C_{52}H_{72}N_2O_{13}Si_2 +$ Na⁺ ([M + Na]⁺) Calcd: 1011.4474. Found: 1011.4465. Anal. Calcd for $C_{52}H_{72}N_2O_{13}Si_2$: C, 63.13; H, 7.34; N, 2.83. Found: C, 63.07; H, 7.51; N, 2.72.

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