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## Facile synthesis of a pentasaccharide repeating unit corresponding to the common *O*-antigen of *Salmonella enterica* 057 and *Escherichia coli* 051

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### ABSTRACT

A concise chemical synthetic strategy has been developed for the synthesis of a pentasaccharide present in the *O*-antigen of *Salmonella enterica* O57 and *Escherichia coli* O51 strains. A sequential glycosylation strategy has been adopted for the synthesis of the target pentasaccharide. All intermediate steps are high yielding and the glycosylation steps are stereoselective. A number of recently developed methodologies have been used in the synthesis.

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### 1. Introduction

Diarrheal infections are a leading cause of deaths of children and elderly people in developing countries where sanitation is not adequate.<sup>1,2</sup> Most of the diarrheal outbrakes spread through contaminated food and water.<sup>3,4</sup> Microorganisms associated with the gastrointestinal infections include Salmonella enterica (S. enterica), enteropathogenic Escherichia coli (E. coli), and Shigella strains.<sup>5-7</sup> Salmonella enterica is considered as a leading pathogen for the outbreaks of food-borne infections in animals and humans in many countries.<sup>8</sup> Major sources of salmonellosis in humans are *S. enterica* infected poultry products and cattle.<sup>9</sup> Diarrhea causing S. enterica strains are divided into several serovars with similar virulence features.<sup>10</sup> Virulent *E. coli* strains are also important pathogens responsible for diarrheal outbreaks.<sup>11</sup> Diarrhea causing *E. coli* strains are divided into several pathotypes, which include enteropathogenic E. coli (EPEC), enterotoxigenic E. coli (ETEC), enteroinvasive E. coli (EIEC), enterohemorrhagic E. coli (EHEC), enteroaggregative E. coli (EAEC) etc.<sup>12</sup> Perepelov et al. characterized the structure of the pentasaccharide repeating unit of the O-polysaccharide of Salmonella enterica O57, which is identical to the repeating unit of the O-antigen of the enteropathogenic *E. coli* O51 strain<sup>13</sup> (Fig. 1). The most important component of the cell wall of a Gram-negative bacterium for its virulence property is the O-antigen. The O-antigen is a polysaccharide chain of the cell wall lipopolysaccharides, which consists of a number of repeating oligosaccharides. The pathogenic potential of the virulent bacterial strain depends on the structure of the oligosaccharide repeating units of the O-antigen because of its presence in the outer layer of the cell wall. The O-antigen plays an important role in the initial stage of adhesion of the bacteria to

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the host. Due to the emergence of multi-drug resistance in bacterial strains, the development of newer approach to combat bacterial infections is an important area of medicinal chemistry research. Since cell wall oligosaccharides are directly related to the bacterial virulence and infections, several studies have appeared in the literature for the development of antimicrobial agents based on glycoconjugates of cell wall oligosaccharides.<sup>14–16</sup> Since the repeating unit of the O-antigen of S. enterica O57 and E. coli O51 is identical and the pathogenic nature of the two strains is comparable, it would be worth preparing a glycoconjugate derivative corresponding to the O-antigen oligosaccharide. However, for the preparation of glycoconjugate derivatives, it is essential to have enough oligosaccharides corresponding to the O-antigens. Since a large quantity of oligosaccharides and their analogues are not accessible from natural sources, it is pertinent to develop expedient chemical synthetic strategies for the preparation of oligosaccharides with required stereochemistry at the glycosyl linkages. Herein, we report a concise chemical synthetic strategy for the synthesis of the pentasaccharide repeating unit corresponding to the O-antigen of S. enterica O57 and E. coli O51 (Fig. 2).

### 2. Results and discussion

The target pentasaccharide **1** has been synthesized as its 2-(p-methoxyphenoxy) ethyl glycoside using a sequential glycosylation approach from suitably protected monosaccharide intermediates **2**, **3**, **4**,<sup>17</sup> **5**<sup>18</sup>, and **6**,<sup>19</sup> which were prepared from the commercially



Figure 1. Structure of the pentasaccharide repeating unit of the O-antigen of Salmonella enterica O57 and Escherichia coli O51.



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Figure 2. Structure of the synthesized pentasaccharide and its synthetic intermediates.

available reducing sugars (Fig. 2). This synthetic strategy has several notable features such as, (a) application of iodonium ion mediated general glycosylation conditions; (b) a minimum number of protection–deprotection steps; (c) the use of an ethylene glycol linker at the anomeric center; (d) application of an 'armed–disarmed' glycosylation technique;<sup>20</sup> (e) glycosylation and removal of the *p*methoxybenzyl (PMB) group in one-pot;<sup>21</sup> and (f) high yield and stereoselectivity in the glycosylations.

The *p*-methoxybenzylation of ethyl 3,4-di-O-benzyl-1-thio- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranoside **7**<sup>22</sup> using *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride and sodium hydroxide furnished ethyl 3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-O-(*p*-methoxybenzyl)-1-thio- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranoside **2** in 92% yield (Scheme 1). Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside **8**<sup>23</sup> was selectively benzoylated at the primary hydroxyl group using benzoyl cyanide and pyridine<sup>24</sup> to give phenyl 2,3,6-tri-O-benzoylated-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside **3** in 86% yield (Scheme 1).



**Scheme 1.** Reagents and conditions: (a) *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride, NaOH, DMF, room temperature, 3 h, 92%; (b) benzoyl cyanide, pyridine, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, room temperature, 1 h, 86%.

The iodonium ion mediated stereoselective 1,2-trans glycosylation of thioglycoside 2 with thioglycoside 3 in the presence of a combination of N-iodosuccinimide (NIS) and trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (TMSOTf)<sup>25</sup> furnished disaccharide thioglycoside derivative 9 in 82% yield. Compound 2 acted as an armed glycosyl donor because of the presence of a *p*-methoxybenzyl group at the C-2 position. On the contrary, the presence of a benzoyl group at the C-2 position of compound 3 made it a disarmed glycosyl acceptor. The formation of compound 9 was confirmed from its spectroscopic analysis [signals at  $\delta$  4.87 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.69 (br s, H-1<sub>C</sub>) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and  $\delta$  99.9  $(C-1_C)$ , 85.7  $(C-1_B)$  in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra]. Compound **9** was transformed into benzylated derivative 10 in 87% yield under one-pot reaction conditions<sup>26</sup> for the de-O-acetylation and O-benzylation using benzyl bromide and solid sodium hydroxide in the presence of catalytic tetrabutylammonium bromide (TBAB). The

1,2-cis glycosylation of the thioglycoside derivative 10 with compound **4** in the presence of a combination of NIS-TMSOT $f^{25}$  in dichloromethane-diethyl ether mixture at a low temperature followed by the removal of the *p*-methoxybenzyl group<sup>22</sup> in the same reaction mixture by increasing the temperature furnished the trisaccharide acceptor 11 in 78% yield. The formation of compound **11** was confirmed from its spectroscopic analysis [signals at  $\delta$  5.00 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.85 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.49 (br s, H-1<sub>c</sub>) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and  $\delta$  103.9 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 99.3 (C-1<sub>A</sub>), 96.9 (C- $1_{\rm B}$ ) in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra]. The stereoselective glycosylation of compound 11 with L-rhamnosyl thioglycoside 5 in the presence of a combination of NIS-TMSOTf in dichloromethane furnished tetrasaccharide derivative 12 in 76% yield, which upon de-O-acetylation using sodium methoxide gave tetrasaccharide acceptor 13 in 95% yield. The formation of compound 12 was confirmed from its spectroscopic analysis [signals at  $\delta$  4.99 (br s, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.95 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.83 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.46 (br s, H-1<sub>C</sub>) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and  $\delta$  103.9 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 99.0 (C-1<sub>D</sub>), 98.9 (C-1<sub>A</sub>), 96.9 (C-1<sub>B</sub>) in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra]. The 1,2-trans glycosylation of compound 13 with thioglycoside 6 in the presence of a combination of NIS-TMSOTf in dichloromethane furnished pentasaccharide 14 in 73% yield. The stereochemistry of the glycosyl linkages in compound 14 was confirmed from its spectroscopic analysis [signals at  $\delta$  5.37 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-1<sub>E</sub>), 4.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.82 (br s, 2H, H-1<sub>B</sub>, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.52 (br s, H-1<sub>C</sub>) in the  $^{1}$ H NMR and  $\delta$  103.7 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 101.1 (C-1<sub>E</sub>), 100.4 (2 C, C-1<sub>A</sub>, C-1<sub>D</sub>), 98.9 (C-1<sub>B</sub>) in the  ${}^{13}$ C NMR spectra]. The stereochemistry at the glycosyl linkages of compound 14 was further confirmed from the gated <sup>1</sup>H coupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum. The appearance of the anomeric coupling constant (*J*<sub>C1-H1</sub>) values 170 Hz, 165 Hz, 168 Hz, 155 Hz and 148 Hz indicated the presence of three alphaand two beta glycosyl linkages<sup>27</sup> in compound **14**. Compound **14** was subjected to a series of functional group transformations; (a) removal of the N-phthalimido group using ethylenediamine followed by acetylation;<sup>28</sup> (b) removal of the benzylidene acetal and O-benzyl groups and reduction of the azido group using triethylsilane and 10% palladium on charcoal (Pd-C)<sup>29</sup> followed by N-acetylation; and finally (c) saponification using sodium methoxide to give pentasaccharide **1** as its 2-(*p*-methoxyphenoxy) ethyl glycoside, which was purified over a Sephadex<sup>®</sup> LH-20 gel to give pure compound 1 in 62% yield. The formation of compound 1 was confirmed from its spectroscopic analysis [signals at  $\delta$  5.05 (br s, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.83 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.79 (br s, H-1<sub>C</sub>), 4.59 (2 d, J = 8.5 Hz each, H-1<sub>A</sub>, H-1<sub>E</sub>) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR and  $\delta$ 102.7 (2 C, C-1<sub>A</sub>, C-1<sub>E</sub>), 100.9 (C-1<sub>D</sub>), 99.1 (C-1<sub>C</sub>), 98.2 (C-1<sub>B</sub>) in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra] (Scheme 2).



**Scheme 2.** Reagents and conditions: (a) *N*-iodosuccinimide (NIS), TMSOTf, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, MS 4 Å, -35 °C, 1 h, 82% for compound **9**, 76% for compound **12** and 73% for compound **14**; (b) benzyl bromide, NaOH, TBAB, DMF, room temperature, 5 h, 87%; (c) NIS, TMSOTf, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/Et<sub>2</sub>O (1:2, v/v), MS 4 Å, -15 °C, 1 h, then 0 °C, 30 min, 78%; (d) 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>ONa, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, 2 h, room temperature, 95%; (e) ethylene diamine, <sup>*n*</sup>BuOH, 90 °C, 7 h; (f) acetic anhydride, pyridine, room temperature, 1 h; (g) Et<sub>3</sub>SiH, 10% Pd-C, CH<sub>3</sub>OH, AcOH, room temperature, 6 h, 62% in five steps.

#### 3. Conclusion

In conclusion, a concise synthetic strategy has been developed for the synthesis of pentasaccharide **1** as its 2-(p-methoxyphenoxy) ethyl glycoside, corresponding to the *O*-antigen of *E. coli* O51 and *S. enterica* O57. The synthesis of target compound **1** was achieved using the minimum number of steps. The yields of the intermediate steps of the synthesis were very good and the stereochemical outcome of the glycosylation reactions was excellent.

### 4. Experimental

All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography over silica gel-coated TLC plates. The spots on TLC were visualized by warming ceric sulfate  $[2\% \text{ Ce}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \text{ in } 2 \text{ N H}_2\text{SO}_4]$ -sprayed plates on a hot plate. Silica gel 230–400 mesh was used for column chromatography. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR, DEPT 135, 2D COSY, HSQC, and gated <sup>1</sup>H coupled <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 300 and 500 MHz spectrometers using CDCl<sub>3</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O as solvents and TMS as internal reference unless stated otherwise. Chemical shift values are expressed in  $\delta$  ppm. MALDI-MS were recorded on a Bruker Daltronics mass spectrometer. Elemental analysis was carried out on a Carlo Erba analyzer. Optical rotations were measured at 25 °C on a Jasco P-2000 polarimeter. Commercially available grades of organic solvents of adequate purity are used in all reactions.

### 4.1. Ethyl 3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-O-(p-methoxybenzyl)-1-thio- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnoside 2

To a solution of compound **7** (2.5 g, 6.43 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (10 mL) was added powdered solid NaOH (1.2 g, 30 mmol) and *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride (1.8 mL, 13.27 mmol) after which the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 3 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL). The organic layer was washed with water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/EtOAc (7:1) to give pure compound **2** (3.0 g, 92%). Colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_{25}^{D5} = -59$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 2944, 1729, 1503, 1446, 1287, 1210, 1088, 797 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz,):  $\delta$  7.35–7.28 (m, 12H, Ar-H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.24 (br s, 1H, H-1), 4.98 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.70–4.48 (m, 5H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.06–3.98 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.83 (s, 3H,

OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.82–3.76 (m, 2H, H-2, H-3), 3.63 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz each, 1H, H-4), 2.66–2.52 (m, 2H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz each, 3H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz):  $\delta$  158.9–113.4 (Ar-C), 81.6 (C-1), 80.3 (C-2), 79.9 (C-3), 75.8 (C-4), 74.9 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.6 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.4 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.0 (C-5), 54.7 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 24.9 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 17.5 (CCH<sub>3</sub>), 14.6 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); ESI-MS: 531.2 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S (508.23): C, 70.84; H, 7.13. Found: C, 70.67; H, 7.32.

#### 4.2. Phenyl 2,3,6-tri-O-benzoyl-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside 3

To a solution of compound **8** (4.0 g, mmol, 8.32) in  $CH_2Cl_2$ (20 mL) were added pyridine (4 mL) and benzoyl cyanide (1.1 g, 8.38 mmol) at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL). The organic layer was washed with satd. NaHCO3 and water, dried (Na2SO4) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/ EtOAc (9:1) as eluant to give pure compound 3 (4.2 g, 86%). White solid; mp 172–74 °C [EtOH];  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  + 56 (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (KBr): 3022, 2904, 1621, 1512, 1464, 1229, 757, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz,):  $\delta$  8.11–7.15 (m, 20H, Ar-H), 5.50 (t, J = 9.5 Hz each, 1H, H-2), 5.44 (t, J = 9.5 Hz each, 1H, H-3), 5.0 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H, H-1), 4.80-4.68 (m, 2H, H-6<sub>ab</sub>), 3.90-3.80 (m, 2H, H-4, H-5), 3.55 (br s, 1H, OH); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz):  $\delta$  166.9, 166.2, 164.6 (3 PhCO), 133.0-127.7 (Ar-C), 85.5 (C-1), 78.2 (C-5), 77.6 (C-3), 69.6 (C-4), 69.1 (C-2), 63.1 (C-6); ESI-MS: 607.1 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C33H28O8S (584.15): C, 67.79; H, 4.83. Found: C, 67.65; H, 5.0.

### 4.3. Phenyl [3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-O-(p-methoxybenzyl)- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl]-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2,3,6-tri-benzoyl-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-gluco-pyranoside 9

To a solution of compound **2** (2.2 g, 4.32 mmol) and compound **3** (2.5 g, 4.27 mmol) in anhydrous  $CH_2Cl_2$  (20 mL) was added MS-4 Å (2.0 g) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min under argon. The reaction mixture was cooled to -35 °C. To the cooled reaction mixture were added NIS (1.0 g, 4.44 mmol) and TMSOTf (20 µl) and then stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) and filtered through a Celite<sup>®</sup> bed and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layer was successively washed with

5% Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, satd. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/ EtOAc (5:1) as eluant to give pure compound 9 (3.6 g, 82%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -21$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 3013, 2932, 1731, 1513, 1453, 1267, 1216, 1088, 1028, 755, 711  $\rm cm^{-1};~^1H~NMR~(CDCl_3,$ 500 MHz): δ 8.11-7.08 (m, 32H, Ar-H), 6.75 (d, 2H, Ar-H), 5.62 (t, J = 9.5 Hz each, 1H, H-3<sub>B</sub>), 5.27 (t, J = 9.5 Hz each, 1H, H-2<sub>B</sub>), 4.87  $(d, J = 10.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{H}-1_{\text{B}}), 4.79 (d, J = 11.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{PhCH}_2), 4.69 (br)$ s, 1H, H-1<sub>C</sub>), 4.62–4.55 (m, 4H, H-6<sub>aB</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.48 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.43 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.11–4.08 (m, 1H, H- $6_{bB}$ ), 3.92 (t, J = 9.5 Hz each, 1H, H-4<sub>B</sub>), 3.78–3.75 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.68 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>C</sub>), 3.63 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, H-3<sub>C</sub>), 3.48–3.43 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>C</sub>), 3.37 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz each, 1H, H- $4_{\rm C}$ ), 0.73 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$ 165.8, 165.7, 165.0 (3 PhCO), 159.3-113.7 (Ar-C), 99.9 (C-1<sub>C</sub>), 85.7 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 80.1 (C-4<sub>C</sub>), 79.1 (C-3<sub>C</sub>), 77.7 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 75.2 (C-2<sub>C</sub>), 74.7 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 74.6 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 74.5 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 72.6 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 72.3 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 70.7 (C-2<sub>B</sub>), 69.2 (C-5<sub>C</sub>), 62.6 (C-6<sub>B</sub>), 55.0 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 17.4 (CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1053.3 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>61</sub>H<sub>58</sub>O<sub>13</sub>S (1030.35): C, 71.05; H, 5.67. Found: C, 70.88; H, 5.86.

### 4.4. Phenyl [3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-O-(p-methoxybenzyl)- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl]-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2,3,6-tri-benzyl-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside 10

To a solution of compound 9 (3.0 g, 2.91 mmol) in dry DMF (20 mL) were added powdered NaOH (1.2 g, 30 mmol), benzyl bromide (2.1 mL, 17.65 mmol), and TBAB (250 mg) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 5 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL). The organic layer was washed with water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/EtOAc (7:1) as eluant to give pure compound **10** (2.5 g, 87%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -29$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 3009, 2916, 1611, 1514, 1454, 1249, 1217, 1079, 753, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): δ 7.57–7.21 (m, 32H, Ar-H), 6.79 (d, I = 9.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.00 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>c</sub>), 4.91–4.87 (m, 3H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.76 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.70 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.62 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.60–4.52 (m, 7H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.90-3.86 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>c</sub>), 3.83-3.77 (m, 2H, H-3<sub>c</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.71 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>c</sub>), 3.63-3.61 (m, 1H, H-6<sub>a</sub>A), 3.56-3.49 (m, 4H, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-4<sub>C</sub>, H-6<sub>bB</sub>), 3.38-3.34 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 1.04 (d, I = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$ 159.2–113.7 (Ar-C), 98.6 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 87.5 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 84.9 (C-4<sub>c</sub>), 81.1 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 80.6 (C-3<sub>C</sub>), 79.6 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 79.5 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 75.5 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.2 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.1 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 74.8 (C-2<sub>B</sub>), 74.2 (C-2<sub>C</sub>), 73.59 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 72.2 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 72.0 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.8 (2 C, C-5<sub>C</sub>, C-6<sub>B</sub>), 55.1 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 17.8 (CCH<sub>3</sub>); MAL-DI-MS: 1011.3 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>61</sub>H<sub>64</sub>O<sub>10</sub>S (988.42): C, 74.06; H, 6.52. Found: C, 73.87; H, 6.73.

### 4.5. 2-(*p*-Methoxyphenoxy) ethyl (3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamno)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-(2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside 11

To a solution of compound **4** (850 mg, 1.92 mmol) and compound **10** (2.0 g, 2.02 mmol) in anhydrous  $CH_2Cl_2/Et_2O$  (15 mL; 1:2 v/v) was added MS-4 Å (2.0 g) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min under argon. The reaction mixture was cooled to -15 °C. To the cooled reaction mixture were added NIS (500 mg, 2.22 mmol) and TMSOTf (15 µl) and it was then stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. The temperature of the reaction mixture was raised and it was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) and filtered through a Celite<sup>®</sup> bed and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The com-

bined organic layer was washed successively with 5% Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, satd. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/EtOAc (6:1) as eluant to give pure compound **11** (1.8 g, 78%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -16$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 3016, 2917, 1508, 1455, 1216, 1048, 756, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.35– 7.21 (m, 30H, Ar-H), 6.84–6.79 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 5.00 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.97 (s, 1H, PhCH), 4.93 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.85 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.83 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.73-4.54 (m, 7H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.49 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>c</sub>), 4.46 (d,  $J = 11.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{PhCH}_2$ , 4.22–4.17 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>c</sub>), 4.14–4.10 (m, 2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.97-3.88 (m, 3H, H-4<sub>A</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.87-3.80 (m, 4H, H-3<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>abA</sub>), 3.77-3.72 (m, 3H, H-2<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>C</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>), 3.74 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.68-3.64 (m, 1H, H-6<sub>aB</sub>), 3.62-3.56 (m, 2H, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>bB</sub>), 3.54 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>C</sub>), 3.52–3.50 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 3.38–3.35 (m, 2H, H-4<sub>C</sub>, H-5<sub>A</sub>),0.99 (d, I = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$  155.6–114.6 (Ar-C), 103.9 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 99.3 (2 C, C-1<sub>A</sub>, PhCH), 96.9 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 80.5 (C-4<sub>C</sub>), 80.1 (C-3<sub>C</sub>), 79.8 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 79.7 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 75.5 (C-4<sub>A</sub>), 75.4 (C-2<sub>A</sub>), 75.3 (C-3<sub>A</sub>), 75.0 (3 C, C-5<sub>A</sub>, C-5<sub>B</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.6 (2 C, 2 PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.1 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.9 (2 C, C-2<sub>C</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 70.2 (C-5<sub>C</sub>), 68.6 (2 C, C-6<sub>A</sub>, C-6<sub>B</sub>), 67.9 (C-2<sub>B</sub>), 67.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 55.6 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 17.7 (CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1224.5 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>69</sub>H<sub>75</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>16</sub> (1201.51): C, 68.93; H, 6.29. Found: C, 68.76; H, 6.50.

# 4.6. 2-(*p*-Methoxyphenoxy) ethyl (2-O-acetyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-(3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-(2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside 12

To a solution of compound 5 (600 mg, 1.39 mmol) and compound 11 (1.5 g, 1.25 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added MS-4 Å (1.0 g) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min under argon. The reaction mixture was then cooled to -35 °C. To the cooled reaction mixture were added NIS (350 mg, 1.55 mmol) and TMSOTf (5 µl) and then stirred at same temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) and filtered through a Celite<sup>®</sup> bed and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layer was successively washed with 5% Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, satd. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/EtOAc (6:1) as eluant to give pure compound **12** (1.5 g, 76%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -4$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 3017, 2930, 1740, 1508, 1455, 1216, 1054, 756, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): δ 7.34–7.15 (m, 40H, Ar-H), 6.81–6.77 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 5.52 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>D</sub>), 4.99 (br s, 2H, H-1<sub>D</sub>, PhCH), 4.95 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.94–4.84 (m, 2H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.83 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.73–4.48 (m, 12H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.46 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>C</sub>), 4.18–4.08 (m, 3H, H-5<sub>C</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.95–3.86 (m, 5H, H-3<sub>A</sub>, H-4<sub>A</sub>, H-5<sub>D</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.84–3.74 (m, 7H, H-2<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>C</sub>, H-3<sub>D</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>abA</sub>), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.66-3.63 (m, 1H, H-6<sub>aB</sub>), 3.58-3.52 (m, 3H, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-2<sub>C</sub>, H-6<sub>bB</sub>), 3.51-3.47 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 3.37-3.33 (m, 3H, H-4<sub>C</sub>, H-4<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>A</sub>), 2.11 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.20, 1.00 (2 d, J = 6.0 Hz each, 6H, 2 CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$ 169.8 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.3-114.6 (Ar-C), 103.9 (C-1<sub>C</sub>), 99.3 (PhCH), 99.0 (C-1<sub>D</sub>), 98.9 (C-1<sub>A</sub>), 96.9 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 80.7 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 80.0 (2 C, C-4<sub>D</sub>, C-5<sub>A</sub>), 79.8 (C-4<sub>C</sub>), 77.7 (2 C, C-3<sub>C</sub>, C-3<sub>D</sub>), 75.4 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.3 (2 C, C-3<sub>B</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.1 (2 C, C-2<sub>A</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.0 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 74.7 (C-4<sub>A</sub>), 74.6 (C-3<sub>A</sub>), 73.4 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.0 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.9 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 71.8 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.9 (2 C, C-2<sub>C</sub>, C-5<sub>D</sub>), 68.7 (C-2<sub>D</sub>), 68.5 (C-5<sub>C</sub>), 68.3 (2 C, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>B</sub>), 67.7 (C-6<sub>A</sub>), 67.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 55.5 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 18.0, 17.8 (2 CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1592.6 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>91</sub>H<sub>99</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>21</sub> (1569.67): C, 69.58; H, 6.35. Found: C, 69.40; H, 6.50.

## 4.7. 2-(*p*-Methoxyphenoxy) ethyl (3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-(3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-(2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside 13

A solution of compound 12 (1.2 g, 0.76 mmol) in 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>ONa in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (15 mL) was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with Dowex 50 W-X8 (H<sup>+</sup>) resin, filtered and concentrated. The crude product was passed through a small pad of SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/EtOAc (1:1) as eluant to give pure compound **13** (1.1 g, 95%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -10$  (c 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 3018, 2918, 1508, 1216, 1052, 758 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): δ 7.32–7.16 (m, 40H, Ar-H), 6.81–6.78 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 5.04 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 5.00 (s, 1H, PhCH), 4.96 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.94 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.86 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>B</sub>), 4.85–4.81 (m, 2H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.72–4.50 (m, 11H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.48 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>C</sub>), 4.20–4.07 (m, 4H, H-2<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>C</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.95–3.86 (m, 4H, H-3<sub>A</sub>, H-5<sub>D</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.85–3.74 (m, 8H, H-2<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>C</sub>, H-3<sub>D</sub>, H-4<sub>A</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>abA</sub>), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.68-3.63 (m, 1H, H-6<sub>aB</sub>), 3.58-3.54 (m, 3H, H-2<sub>C</sub>, H-5<sub>B</sub>, H-6<sub>bB</sub>), 3.52-3.47 (m, 1H, H-2<sub>B</sub>), 3.44 (t, J = 9.0 Hz each, 1H, H-4<sub>C</sub>), 3.38-3.30 (m, 2H, H-4<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>A</sub>), 1.21 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>), 0.99 (d, I = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$  155.2–114.6 (Ar-C), 103.9 (C-1<sub>c</sub>), 100.7 (PhCH), 100.6 (C-1<sub>D</sub>), 98.9 (C-1<sub>A</sub>), 96.8  $(C-1_B)$ , 80.7  $(C-4_B)$ , 80.4  $(C-4_D)$ , 80.1 (2 C, C-4<sub>C</sub>, C-5<sub>A</sub>), 79.6  $(C-3_C)$ , 79.5 (C-3<sub>D</sub>), 75.4 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.3 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.2 (C-3<sub>A</sub>), 75.1 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 75.0 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 74.6 (2 C, C-4<sub>A</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.4 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.0 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 72.2 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 72.1 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.7 (2 C, C-2<sub>C</sub>, C-5<sub>D</sub>), 68.6 (C-6<sub>B</sub>), 68.5 (C-2<sub>D</sub>), 67.9 (2 C, C-2<sub>B</sub>, C-5<sub>C</sub>), 67.7 (C-6<sub>A</sub>), 67.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 66.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.6 (2 C, C-2<sub>A</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 18.0 (CCH<sub>3</sub>), 17.9 (CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1550.6 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>89</sub>H<sub>97</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>20</sub> (1527.66): C, 69.92; H, 6.40. Found: C, 69.76; H, 6.58.

### 4.8. 2-(*p*-Methoxyphenoxy) ethyl (3-O-acetyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy-2-*N*-phthalimido- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-(3,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-(3,4-di-Obenzyl- $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-(2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -Dglucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside 14

To a solution of compound 6 (380 mg, 0.78 mmol) and compound 13 (1.0 g, 0.65 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) was added MS-4 Å (500 mg) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 30 min under argon. The reaction mixture was cooled to -35 °C. To the cooled reaction mixture were added NIS (200 mg, 0.88 mmol) and TMSOTf (3 µl) and then stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) and filtered through a Celite<sup>®</sup> bed and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layer was successively washed with 5% Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, satd. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. The crude product was purified over SiO<sub>2</sub> using hexane/ EtOAc (5:1) as eluant to give pure compound 14 (925 mg, 73%). Yellow oil;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -11$  (*c* 1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat): 2922, 1718, 1438, 1388, 1261, 1216, 1092, 759, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta$  7.58–7.02 (m, 53H, Ar-H), 6.02 (t, J = 8.0 Hz each, 1H, H-3<sub>E</sub>), 5.42 (br s, 2H, 2 PhCH), 5.37 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>E</sub>), 4.88 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, H-1<sub>A</sub>), 4.86 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.82 (br s, 2H, H-1<sub>B</sub>, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.70 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.62–4.58 (m, 2H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.56–4.53 (m, 4H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.52 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>C</sub>), 4.44 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.36 (dd, J = 8.5 Hz each, 1H, H- $2_E$ ), 4.26 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.18–3.95 (m, 7H, H-2<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>C</sub>, H-5<sub>E</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.93–3.82 (m, 3H, H-5<sub>D</sub>, H-6<sub>aB</sub>, PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.81– 3.74 (m, 3H, H-6<sub>bB</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.73-3.61 (m, 7H, H-2<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>C</sub>, H-3<sub>D</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>, H-4<sub>E</sub>), 3.59–3.42 (m, 8H, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-2<sub>c</sub>, H-4<sub>A</sub>, H-5<sub>A</sub>, H-6<sub>abA</sub>, H-6<sub>abE</sub>), 3.36–3.31 (m, 1H, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 3.08–

2.98 (m, 2H, H-4<sub>C</sub>, H-4<sub>D</sub>), 1.93 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>), 0.88 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H, CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz):  $\delta$  169.9 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.3–121.4 (Ar-C), 103.7 (C-1<sub>C</sub>), 101.6 (2 C, 2 PhCH), 101.1 (C-1<sub>E</sub>), 100.4 (2 C, C-1<sub>A</sub>, C-1<sub>D</sub>), 98.9 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 85.5 (C-4<sub>A</sub>), 82.5 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 82.4 (2 C, C-3<sub>A</sub>, C-3<sub>C</sub>), 80.6 (C-5<sub>A</sub>), 80.5 (C-4<sub>C</sub>), 79.2 (2 C, C-3<sub>D</sub>, C-4<sub>D</sub>), 79.1 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 78.8 (C-4<sub>E</sub>), 77.7 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 77.1 (C-5<sub>E</sub>), 75.9 (C-3<sub>E</sub>), 75.3 (C-5<sub>D</sub>), 75.1 (2 C, 2 PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 75.0 (C-2<sub>C</sub>), 74.9 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>), 69.3 (C-2<sub>D</sub>), 68.6 (2 C, C-6<sub>A</sub>, C-6<sub>E</sub>), 68.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.3 (C-2<sub>B</sub>), 67.6 (C-6<sub>B</sub>), 65.7 (C-5<sub>C</sub>), 57.0 (2 C, C-2<sub>A</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.3 (C-2<sub>E</sub>), 20.7 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 17.8, 17.7 (2 CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1971.7 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>112</sub>H<sub>116</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>27</sub> (1948.78): C, 68.98; H, 6.00. Found: C, 68.80; H, 6.22.

## 4.9. 2-(*p*-Methoxyphenoxy) ethyl (2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-( $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-( $\alpha$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-( $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside 1

To a solution of compound **14** (800 mg, 0.41 mmol) in <sup>n</sup>BuOH (5 mL) was added ethylene diamine (0.5 mL, 7.49 mmol) and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 90 °C for 7 h. The solvents were then removed under reduced pressure. A solution of the crude product in acetic anhydride/pyridine (2 mL, 1:1 v/v) was kept at room temperature for 1 h and concentrated under reduced pressure. To the solution of the acetylated crude product in CH<sub>3</sub>OH/ AcOH (5 mL, 20:1, v/v) were added 10% Pd-C (100 mg) and Et<sub>3</sub>SiH (2 mL, 12.5 mmol) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite<sup>®</sup> bed, washed with warm CH<sub>3</sub>OH and then concentrated under reduced pressure. A solution of the crude product in acetic anhydride/pyridine (2 mL, 1:1 v/v) was kept at room temperature for 1 h and concentrated under reduced pressure. A solution of the acetylated crude product in 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>ONa in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (5 mL) was allowed to stir at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with Dowex 50 W-X8 (H<sup>+</sup>) resin, filtered and concentrated. The crude product was passed through a Sephadex<sup>®</sup> LH-20 column using CH<sub>3</sub>OH/H<sub>2</sub>O (2:1) as eluant to give pure compound **1** (260 mg, 62%). Glass;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1$  (*c* 1.2, H<sub>2</sub>O); IR (KBr): 3433, 2935, 1629, 1356, 1155, 1077, 699 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 500 MHz): δ 6.96–6.85 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 5.05 (br s, 1H, H-1<sub>D</sub>), 4.83  $(d, I = 4.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{H}-1_{\text{B}}), 4.79 \text{ (br s, 1H, H}-1_{\text{C}}), 4.59 \text{ (2d, } I = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ each, 2H, H-1<sub>A</sub>, H-1<sub>E</sub>), 4.25-4.07 (m, 1H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.02 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>D</sub>), 3.95–3.87 (m, 3H, H-4<sub>A</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.79 (br s, 1H, H-2<sub>C</sub>), 3.78– 3.71 (m, 6H, H-3<sub>A</sub>, H-3<sub>C</sub>, H-3<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>E</sub>, H-6<sub>abA</sub>), 3.70 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.67-3.53 (m, 6H, H-2<sub>A</sub>, H-2<sub>E</sub>, H-5<sub>A</sub>, H-5<sub>C</sub>, H-6<sub>abB</sub>), 3.50-3.33 (m, 8H, H-2<sub>B</sub>, H-3<sub>D</sub>, H-4<sub>B</sub>, H-4<sub>E</sub>, H-5<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>E</sub>, H-6<sub>abE</sub>), 3.25-3.20 (m, 3H, H-4<sub>C</sub>, H-4<sub>D</sub>, H-5<sub>B</sub>), 1.94 (s, 6H, 2 COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.16, 1.14 (2d, *J* = 6.0 Hz each, 6H, 2 CCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 125 MHz): δ 174.8 (2 C, 2 COCH<sub>3</sub>), 153.5–115.0 (Ar-C), 102.7 (2 C, C-1<sub>A</sub>, C-1<sub>E</sub>), 100.9 (C-1<sub>D</sub>), 99.1 (C-1<sub>C</sub>), 98.2 (C-1<sub>B</sub>), 78.7 (C-2<sub>D</sub>), 78.3 (C-2<sub>C</sub>), 76.5 (C-4<sub>B</sub>), 75.7 (2 C, C-3<sub>D</sub>, C-5<sub>E</sub>), 73.6 (2 C, C-3<sub>A</sub>, C-5<sub>A</sub>), 72.2 (C-2<sub>B</sub>), 72.0 (C-3<sub>B</sub>), 71.5 (2 C, C-4<sub>E</sub>, C-5<sub>D</sub>), 70.6 (C-5<sub>B</sub>), 70.0 (C-3<sub>C</sub>), 69.7 (2 C, C-4<sub>C</sub>, C-4<sub>D</sub>), 69.6 (C-3<sub>E</sub>), 69.1 (C-5<sub>C</sub>), 69.0 (C-4<sub>A</sub>), 67.7 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 60.6 (2 C, C-6<sub>A</sub>, C-6<sub>E</sub>), 59.7 (C-6<sub>B</sub>), 55.9 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.8 (2C, C-2<sub>A</sub>, C-2<sub>E</sub>), 22.2 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 16.6, 16.4 (2 CCH<sub>3</sub>); MALDI-MS: 1051.3 [M+Na<sup>+</sup>]; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>68</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>26</sub> (1028.40): C, 50.19; H, 6.66. Found: C, 50.0; H. 6.87.

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