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SYNTHETIC STUDIES ON SELECTIN LIGANDS/INHIBITORS: SYNTHESIS AND INHIBITORY ACTIVITY OF 2-O-FUCOSYL SULFATIDES CONTAINING 2-BRANCHED FATTY ALKYL RESIDUES IN PLACE OF CERAMIDE¹

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ABSTRACT

To investigate the biological selectin-ligand interactions, four sulfated 2-O- α -L-fucopyranosyl β -D-galactopyranosides containing 2-branched fatty-alkyl residues in place of ceramide have been systematically synthesized. The target glycolipids were assayed for their ability to block the adhesion of HL-60 cells to immobilized P-, L- and E-selectin. Among them, 2-O- α -L-fucopyranosyl sulfatide, which is anchored with 2-(tetradecyl) hexadecyl residue showed significantly more potency of the blocking adhesion to P- and L-selectins.

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INTRODUCTION

The selectins are a family of adhesion receptors implicated in the initial interaction between leukocytes and vascular endothelium leading to an inflammatory response.^{2,3} At the present time, three structurally related carbohydrate-binding proteins [E-selectin (ELAM-1), L-selectin (LECAM-1) and P-selectin (GMP-140, PADGEM)] are known to belong to the selectin family.⁴⁻⁷ There is now general agreement that all three selectins can efficiently recognize sialyl Lewis X [Neu5Ac α 2-3Gal β 1-4(Fuc α 1-3)GlcNAc](sLe^x) and sialyl Lewis A [Neu5Ac α 2- $3Gal\beta_{1-3}(Fuc\alpha_{1-4})GlcNAc](sLe^{a})$,^{8,9} and therefore, much attention has focused on sLe^x by many laboratories.⁹ On the other hand, sulfatide, one of the major acidic glycosphingolipids in mammalian tissues, is found to be a good ligand for L- and Pselectin¹⁰⁻¹² and shows highly protective effects against selectin-dependent inflammatory lung injury.¹³ In particular, it is found that the non-reducing terminal SO_3H -Gal β 1- structure is essential for the binding to L-selectin.¹² Although many mimetics 14,15 as well as analogues $^{16-18}$ of sLe^x have been designed and synthesized as potent anti-inflammatory agents, few attempts have been made to develop a selectin blocker derived from sulfatide. It is also reported that the fucose moiety is an essential component for sLe^x to be recognized by selectins¹⁹ and that fucoidan, the sulfated fucose polymer, binds to L-selectin and inhibits L-selectin mediated lymphocyte adhesion to the lymphnade endothelial venules.²⁰

In view of these facts, as a part of our continuing efforts on the chemical modification of sulfatide,²¹ and for the development of the selectin inhibitors,^{22,23} we describe herein the systematic synthesis and in vitro activity of novel sulfated 2-*O*- α -L-fucopyranosyl β -D-galactopyranosides containing 2-branched fatty alkyl residues in place of ceramide.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Synthesis. For the synthesis of the target glycolipids, we selected 2-(tetradecyl)hexadecyl β -D-galactopyranoside (1a)^{22,24} and 2-(propyl)pentyl β -D-galactopyranoside (1b) as the starting materials. Treatment of 1a and 1b with



Scheme 1. i) benzaldehyde dimethyl acetal, H₂SO₄, THF (**1a→2a**, 77%; **1b→2b**, 76%). ii) Bu₂SnO, 4-methoxybenzyl chloride, Bu₄NI, THF

(2a→3a, 74%; 2b→3b, 74%).



Scheme 2. i) Bu_2SnO , MeOH, 4-methoxybenzyl chloride, Bu_4NI , THF (5 \rightarrow 7, 59%). ii) benzyl bromide, NaH, DMF (7 \rightarrow 8, 65%).

benzaldehyde dimethyl acetal in THF containing H₂SO₄ afforded the 4,6-*O*-benzylidene derivatives **2a** and **2b** in 77 and 76% yield, respectively. Regioselective 3-*O*-4-methoxybenzylation of **2a** and **2b** was achieved by treatment of the corresponding stannylene intermediates with 4-methoxybenzyl chloride, according to a published procedure,²⁵ to give **3a** and **3b**, exclusively in 74% yield. The H-3 proton in the ¹H NMR spectra of **3a** and **3b** appeared at δ 3.47 (J_{2,3} = 9.9, J_{3,4} = 3.5 Hz in **3a**) and δ 3.50 (J_{2,3} = 9.9, J_{3,4} = 3.4 Hz in **3b**) indicating the 4-methoxybenzylated position to be *O*-3. The glycosylation of **3a** and **3b** with 6^{26} or **8** derived from 5^{26}





was performed in the presence of N-iodosuccinimide (NIS), trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (TfOH) 27,28 and molecular sieves 4A (MS-4A) in toluene for 1 h at -20 $^\circ C$ to afford the corresponding disaccharides 9a (82%), 9b (79%), 13a (78%) and 13b (71%), respectively. Significant signals in the ¹H NMR spectra of **9a,b** and **13a,b** were one-proton doublets at δ 5.68 (J_{1,2} = 2.0 Hz, H-1 of Fuc in **9a**), 5.68 (J_{1,2} = 2.4 Hz, H-1 of Fuc in **9b**), 5.68 ($J_{1,2} = 1.8$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc in **13a**) and 5.67 ($J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc in 13b), showing characteristics of the α -L-fucopyranosyl unit. Selective removal of the 4-methoxybenzyl groups at O-3 in 9a,b and 13a,b in 2,3-dichloro-5,6dichloromethane-water solution in the presence of dicyanobenzoquinone (DDQ)²⁹ for 1-3 h at room temperature gave 10a,b and 14a,b.

	% inhibition at 0.3 mM		
	P-selectin	L-selectin	E-selectin
sLe ^x	3	0	0
4a	23	27	0
4b	3	0	0
12a	100	99	0
12b	45	11	2 [.]
16a	76	69	8
16b	16	33	2

Table 1. Inhibition activity of target compounds

The sulfation of compounds 10a,b and 14a,b with a sulfur trioxide-pyridine complex in DMF for 2-4 h at room temperature afforded the corresponding sulfates 11a (93%), 11b (90%), 15a (91%) and 15b (95%), respectively. Reductive removal of the benzylidene and benzyl groups in 11a,b and 15a,b and sequential treatment by a cation exchange resin afforded the desired sulfated 2- $O-\alpha$ -L-fucopyranosyl β -D-galactopyranosides 12a (67%), 12b (73%), 16a (63%) and 16b (82%), respectively. FABMS spectra (negative ion mode) showed the base peaks at m/z (M-Na) 825.6 for 12a, 517.3 for 12b, 927.5 for 16a and 619.1 for 16b.

Biological activity. The activity of the target glycolipids in vitro was measured in adhesion assays as the inhibition of the binding of HL-60 cells (sLe^x expressing) to recombinant human selectin-IgG fusion proteins on plates.^{16,17} Several of the synthesized glycolipids were able to inhibit HL-60 cells binding to the selectin fusion proteins with greater potency than the sLe^x tetrasaccharide itself (Table 1). The results demonstrated that compounds **12a** and **16a** were each significantly more potent than sLe^x and the corresponding non-fucosylated β -D-galactopyranosides **4a** in blocking adhesion to P- and L-selectins. In addition, when the branched fatty-alkyl residue was long, there was greater potency of the blocking adhesion to the P- and L-selectins. The same trend was obtained in our previous work for the development of the selectin inhibitors.²³ These data indicated that the fucose

moiety and the attachment of a branched long fatty alkyl residue to β -D-galactopyranoside were important for binding to the P- and L-selectins.

EXPERIMENTAL

General methods. Melting points were determined with a Yanagimoto micromelting point apparatus and are uncorrected. NMR spectra were recorded on a Jeol JNM-GSX 270 spectrometer (270 MHz for ¹H and 68 MHz for ¹³C). Chemical shifts were expressed in parts per million downfield from TMS. FAB-MS spectra were recorded on a Jeol JMS-SX 120A mass spectrometer/JMA-DA7000 data system. Each sample was mixed with a glycerol or *m*-nitrobenzyl alcohol matrix on a target. The ion accelerating voltage was 8.0 kV, and the primary beam for the bombardment was 6.0 keV of xenon. Thin-layer chromatography was run on Merck Kieselgel 60 F₂₅₄ with detection by UV and spraying with 6N H₂SO₄, then heating for about 2 min at 300 °C. Preparative chromatography was performed on silica gel (Wako Chemical Co., 200 mesh) with the specified solvent systems. Concentrations were conducted *in vacuo*.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl 4,6-*O*-Benzylidene-β-D-galactopyranoside (2a) and 2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl 4,6-*O*-Benzylidene-3-*O*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-β-Dgalactopyranoside (3a). 2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl β-D-galactopyranoside^{22,23} (1a; 39.2 g, 65.2 mmol) was dissolved in THF (600 mL), and benzylaldehyde dimethyl acetal (19.9 g, 131mmol) and H₂SO₄ (2 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred for 20 h at room temperature under Ar gas after which Na₂CO₃ was added to neutralize the solution. The solvents were evaporated and the residue was chromatographed (3:2 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (400 g) to give 2a (34.6 g, 77%) as an amorphous mass: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.8 Hz, 2×*Me*CH₂), 1.25 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.64 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 2.38 (d, 1H, J_{2-H,2-OH} = 1.5 Hz, OH-2), 2.50 (d, 1H, J_{3-H,3-OH} = 7.8 Hz, OH-3), 3.33 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 6.3, J_{gem} = 9.3 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.47 (dd, 1H, J_{5.6} = 2.0, J_{5.6}⁻ = 1.0 Hz, H-5 of Gal), 3.70 (dt, 1H, J_{3.4} = 3.9 Hz, H-3), 3.76 (ddd, 1H, J_{2.3} = 3.9 Hz, H-2), 3.88 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.4 Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 4.09 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} = 12.2 Hz, H-6 of Gal), 4.21 (d, 1H, H-4), 4.24 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 7.8Hz, H-1), 4.34 (dd, 1H, H-6' of Gal), 5.56 (s, 1H, PhC*H*), 7.26-7.53 (m, 5H, Ph).

Anal. Calcd for C43H76O6: C, 74.95; H, 11.12. Found: C, 74.89; H, 11.20.

Compound **2a** (34.5 g, 50.1 mmol) and dibutyltin oxide (13.8 g, 50.1 mmol) were stirred in refluxing toluene (500 mL) for 24 h with continuous removal of water, and concentrated. To a solution of stannyl complex in THF (500 mL) were added tetra *n*-butyl ammonium iodide (23.0 g, 62.3 mmol) and 4-methoxybenzyl chloride (11.8 g, 75.1 mmol) and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at reflux, then concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (400 g) to give **3a** (30.0 g, 74%) as an amorphous mass: $R_f 0.72$ (10:1 CHCl₃-MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) $\delta 0.88$ (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.8$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.25 (s, 52H, $26 \times CH_2$), 1.63 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 2.33 (s, 1H, OH-2), 3.33 (m, 2H, H-1 of fatty alkyl and H-5), 3.47 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} = 9.9$, $J_{3,4} = 3.5$ Hz, H-3), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.85 (dd, 1H, $J_{vic} = 5.9$, $J_{gem} = 9.4$ Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.99 (m, 2H, H-2 and H-6), 4.09 (d, 1H, H-4), 4.23 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 7.9$ Hz, H-1), 4.29 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6} = 1.0$, $J_{gem} = 11.4$ Hz, H-6' of Gal), 4.70 (s, 2H, MeOPhCH₂), 5.45 (s, 1H, PhCH), 6.79-7.54 (m, 9H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) *m/z* 807.7[100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₅₁H₈₄O₇: C, 75.70; H, 10.46. Found: C, 75.93; H, 10.51.

2-(Propyl)pentyl 4,6-O-Benzylidene-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)- β -D-galactopyranoside (3b). Compound 3b was prepared via 1b and 2b by the same sequence as described for 3a: R_f 0.86 (20:1 CHCl₃-MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.91 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.8 Hz, 2×MeCH₂), 1.34 (m, 8H, 4×CH₂), 1.64 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.38 (m, 2H, H-1 of fatty alkyl and H-5), 3.50 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} = 9.9, J_{3,4} = 3.4 Hz, H-3), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.81 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.9, J_{gem} = 9.4 Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 4.00 (m, 2H, H-2 and H-6), 4.09 (d, 1H, H-4), 4.26 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.29 (dd, 1H, J_{5,6'} = 1.0, J_{gem} = 11.8 Hz, H-6' of Gal), 4.65 (s, 2H, MeOPhCH₂), 5.50 (s, 1H, PhCH), 6.82-7.52 (m, 9H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) m/z 499.3 [100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₂₉H₄₀O₇: C, 69.58; H, 8.05. Found: C, 69.55; H, 8.12.

Phenyl 3-O-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-1-thio-\beta-L-fucopyranoside (7). Phenyl 1-thio- β -L-fucopyranoside²⁶ (5; 10.0 g, 39.0 mmol) and dibutyltin oxide (9.71 g, 39.0

mmol) were stirred in refluxing dry MeOH (220 mL) for 24 h, and concentrated. To a solution of stannyl complex in THF (120 mL) were added tetra *n*-butyl ammonium iodide (21.6 g, 58.5 mmol) and 4-methoxybenzyl chloride (9.16 g, 58.5 mmol) and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at reflux, then concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (200 g) to give **7** (8.64 g, 59%) as a syrup: $R_f 0.53$ (10:1 CHCl₃-MeOH); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 1.25 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.8 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 3.38 (dd, 1H, J_{3,4} = 3.4 Hz, H-3), 3.58 (q, 1H, H-5), 3.71 (t, 1H, J_{2,3} = 9.4 Hz, H-2), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.78 (d, 1H, H-4), 4.56 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 9.4 Hz, H-1), 4.56 and 4.64 (2d, 2H, J_{gem} = 9.4 Hz, MeOPhCH₂), 6.84-7.53 (m, 9H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) *m/z* 377.1[100% (M+H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₄O₅S: C, 63.81; H, 6.43. Found: C, 63.66; H, 6.41.

Phenyl 2,4-Di-O-benzyl-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1-thio-β-L-fucopyranoside (8). To a solution of 7 (2.62 g, 6.96 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) was added NaH (1.11 g, 27.8 mmol), the mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C, and benzyl bromide (4.76 g, 27.8 mmol) was added. After 2 h, excess NaH was destroyed by addition of MeOH (5 mL), the mixture was partitioned between CHCl₃ and water, and the organic phase was washed with 4 portions of water, dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (5:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (200 g) to give **8** (2.51 g, 65%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.73 (2:1 *n*-hexane-AcOEt); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 1.24 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 3.65 (m, 2H, H-3 and H-5), 3.78 (m, 4H, H-4 and OCH₃), 3.80 (t, 1H, J_{2,3} = 9.3 Hz, H-2), 4.65 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 9.4 Hz, H-1), 4.60-4.96 (m, 6H, MeOPhCH₂ and 2×PhCH₂), 6.83-7.55 (m, 19H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) *m*/z 557.3[100% (M+H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₃₄H₅₆O₅S: C, 73.35; H, 6.52. Found: C, 73.51; H, 6.53.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1- \rightarrow 2)-4,6-O-benzylidene-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)- β -D-galactopyranoside (9a). To a solution of 3a (2.00 g, 2.47 mmol) and 6 (2.60 g, 4.94 mmol) in dry toluene (30 mL) was added powdered MS-4A (10 g), and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature, then cooled to -20 °C. N-Iodosuccinimide (NIS, 2.22 g, 9.89 mmol) and trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (TfOH, 87.5 µL, 0.989 mmol) were added to the mixture, and this was stirred for 1 h at -20 °C and neutralized with Et₃N. After dilution with toluene (100 mL), the solids were collected and washed with toluene, and the combined filtrate and washings were washed with water, dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (4:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (120 g) to give **9a** (2.50 g, 82%) as an amorphous mass: $R_f 0.64$ (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) $\delta 0.88$ (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.14 (d, 3H, $J_{5,6} = 6.4$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.25 (s, 52H, $26 \times CH_2$), 1.50 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.25 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.28 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.67 (m, 1H, H-3 of Fuc), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (m, 1H, H-3 of Gal), 3.82 (m, 1H, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.98 (m, 1H, H-2 of Fuc), 4.00 (m, 1H, H-4 of Fuc), 4.10 (m, 2H, H-6 of Gal), 4.10 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-4 of Gal), 4.21 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} = 8.9$ Hz, H-2 of Gal), 4.47 (q, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.42 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 7.9$ Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.52-4.96 (m, 8H, MeOPhCH₂ and 3 \times PhCH₂), 5.38 (s, 1H, PhCH), 5.68 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 6.74-7.51 (m, 24H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) *m*/*z* 807.7[100% (M-Fuc unit)⁺], 1223.8[25% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₇₈H₁₁₂O₁₁: C, 76.43; H, 9.21. Found: C, 76.69; H, 9.38.

2-(Propyl)pentyl *O*-(2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-α-L-fucopyranosyl)-(1→2)-4,6-*O*benzylidene-3-*O*-(4-methoxybenzyl)-β-D-galactopyranoside (9b). To a solution of 3b (2.50 g, 4.99 mmol) and 6 (5.26 g, 9.99 mmol) in dry toluene (30 mL) was added powdered MS-4A (10 g), and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature, then cooled to -20 °C. NIS (4.49 g, 20.0 mmol) and TfOH (177 µL, 2.00 mmol) were added to the mixture, and this was stirred for 1 h at -20 °C. Workup was as described for 9a. The resulting residue was chromatographed (5:2 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (200 g) to give 9b (3.60 g, 79%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.48 (2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.4 Hz, 2×MeCH₂), 1.10 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.24 (m, 8H, 4×CH₂), 1.50 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.25 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.5, J_{gem} = 9.5 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.32 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.42 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 7.9 Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.56-4.96 (m, 8H, MeOPhCH₂ and 3×PhCH₂), 5.41 (s, 1H, PhCH), 5.68 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 2.4 Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 6.75-7.54 (m, 24H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) *m/z* 499.3[100% (M-Fuc unit)^{*}], 915.5[13% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₅₆H₆₈O₁₁: C, 73.34; H, 7.47. Found: C, 73.45; H, 7.53.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1- \rightarrow 2)-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (10a). To a solution of 9a (1.50 g, 1.22 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and water (1 mL) was added 2,3-dichloro-5,6dicyanobenzoquinone (DDQ, 306 mg, 1.35 mmol), and the mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, then concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (40 g) to give 10a (628 mg, 46%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.50 (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0 Hz, 2×MeCH₂), 1.12 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.26 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.54 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.30 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.41 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 4.60-4.99 (m, 6H, 3×PhCH₂), 5.39 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 2.4 Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 5.51 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.21-7.55 (m, 20H, Ph). MS (FAB positive) *m/z* 1103.8[100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₇₀H₁₀₄O₁₀: C, 76.05; H, 9.48. Found: C, 76.12; H, 9.41.

2-(Propyl)pentyl *O*-(2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-α-L-fucopyranosyl)-(1→2)-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-β-D-galactopyranoside (10b). A solution of 9b (540 mg, 0.589 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and water (2.5 mL) was treated with DDQ (134 mg, 0.589 mmol) as described for 10a. The resulting residue was chromatographed (5:2 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (40 g) to give 10b (190 mg, 40%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.33 (2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.86 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0 Hz, 2× *Me*CH₂), 1.11 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.26 (m, 8H, 4×CH₂), 1.56 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.25 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 6.0, J_{gem} = 9.4 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.41 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.66 (d, 1H, J_{3,4} = 1.5 Hz, H-4 of Fuc), 3.82 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.8 Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.88 (m, 2H, H-2 and H-3 of Gal), 3.98 (m, 1H, H-3 of Fuc), 4.06 (m, 2H, H-6 of Gal and H-2 of Fuc), 4.20 (m, 1H, H-4 of Gal), 4.25 (m, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.34 (m, 1H, H-1 and H-6' of Gal), 4.63-4.99 (m, 6H, 3×PhCH₂), 5.40 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 3.0 Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 5.55 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.23-7.55 (m, 20H, Ph). MS (FAB positive) *m*/*z* 795.4[100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₄₈H₆₀O₁₀: C, 72.34; H, 7.59. Found: C, 72.28; H, 7.56.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-4,6-O-benzylidene-3-O-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranoside Sodium Salt (11a) and 2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(α -L-Fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-3-O-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranoside Sodium Salt (12a). To a solution of 10a (200 mg, 0.181 mmol) in DMF (1 mL) was added sulfur trioxide-pyridine complex (144 mg, 0.904 mmol) and the mixture was stirred for 4 h at room temperature. MeOH (2 mL), THF (2 mL) and NaOMe (51.4 mg, 0.904 mmol) were added, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature and then concentrated. TLC showed the disappearance of starting material and formation of a new spot (R_f origin, 2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc, 0.39, 20:1 EtOAc-MeOH). The residue was chromatographed (20:1 EtOAc-MeOH) on silica gel (40 g) to give **11a** (202 mg, 93%) as an amorphous mass: ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 0.89 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.8 Hz, 2×*Me*CH₂), 1.09 (d, 3H, J_{5.6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.26 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.62 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.45 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.4, J_{gem} = 9.4 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.57 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.87 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.8 Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 4.52-4.98 (m, 6H, 3×PhCH₂), 5.49 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} = 2.0 Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 5.54 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.17-7.51 (m, 20H, Ph).

Anal. Calcd for C₇₀H₁₀₃O₁₃SNa: C, 69.62; H, 8.60. Found: C, 69.37; H, 8.62.

Subsequently, compound 11a (193 mg, 0.160 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL) and THF (1 mL), and the mixture was treated with 10% Pd-C (200 mg) and H₂ at atmospheric pressure with stirring at room temperature until reduction was complete (24 h). The mixture was filtered (Celite) and partially concentrated, and the solution was loaded onto a cation exchange resin column (WK-10, sodium form, 1× 4 cm, MeOH), to give 12a (90.9 mg, 67%) as an amorphous mass: ¹H NMR $(CD_3OD+D_2O) \delta 0.89$ (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.9$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.20 (d, 3H, $J_{5.6} = 6.4$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.29 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.60 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.45 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.64 (t, 1H, $J_{5.6} = 6.4$ Hz, H-5 of Gal), 3.72 (m, 1H, H-4 of Fuc), 3.75 (m, 1H, H-3 of Fuc), 3.75 (m, 2H, H-6 and H-6' of Gal), 3.75 (m, 1H, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.80 (m, 1H, H-2 of Fuc), 3.70 (m, 1H, H-2 of Gal), 4.33 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-4 of Gal), 4.38 (m, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.41 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 7.7$ Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.48 (m, 1H, H-3 of Gal), 5.26 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 3.5$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD+D₂O) δ 14.7 (CH₃), 16.9 (CH₃ of Fuc), 23.6, 27.2, 27.5, 30.4, 30.6, 30.7, 30.8, 30.9, 31.7 and 32.9 (CH₂), 39.3 (CH), 61.2 (C-6 of Gal), 67.5 (C-5 of Fuc), 67.9 (C-4 of Gal), 69.7 (C-2 of Fuc), 71.3 (C-3 of Fuc), 74.2 (OCH₂), 74.4 (C-4 of Fuc), 74.6 (C-2 of Gal), 75.0 (C-5 of Gal), 82.5 (C-3 of Gal), 100.0 (C-1 of Fuc), 103.0 (C-1 of Gal). MS (FAB negative) m/z 825.6[100% (M-Na)], 847.6[8% (M-H)].

Anal. Calcd for C42H81O13SNa: C, 59.41; H, 9.61. Found: C, 59.28; H, 9.45.

2-(Propyl)pentyl O-(α -L-Fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-3-O-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranoside Sodium Salt (12b). Compound 12b was prepared via 10b and 11b by the same sequence as described for 12a: ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 0.90 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.4 Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.18 (d, 3H, $J_{5,6} = 6.4$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.32 (m, 8H, $4 \times CH_2$), 1.60 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.41 (dd, 1H, $J_{vic} = 5.4$, $J_{gem} = 9.4$ Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.54 (t, 1H, J_{5,6} = J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, H-5 of Gal), 3.62 (m, 1H, H-4 of Fuc), 3.74 (d, 2H, H-6 and H-6' of Gal), 3.76 (m, 2H, H-2 and H-3 of Fuc), 3.82 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 6.4 Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.89 (dd, 1H, J_{2.3} = 9.4 Hz, H-2 of Gal), 4.25 (d, 1H, H-4 of Gal), 4.38 (d, 1H, J_{1.2} = 7.4 Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.38 (q, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.43 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-3 of Gal), 5.35 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 3.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) § 14.8 (CH₃), 16.8 (CH₃ of Fuc), 20.9, 21.1, 34.8 and 34.9 (CH₂), 39.4 (CH), 62.3 (C-6 of Gal), 67.5 (C-5 of Fuc), 68.9 (C-4 of Gal), 70.2 (C-2 of Fuc), 71.6 (C-3 of Fuc), 73.7 (C-4 of Fuc), 73.8 (OCH2), 74.0 (C-2 of Gal), 76.2 (C-5 of Gal), 82.8 (C-3 of Gal), 100.0 (C-1 of Fuc), 103.9 (C-1 of Gal). MS (FAB negative) m/z 517.3[100% (M-Na)], 539.2[13% (M-H)].

Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₇O₁₃SNa: C, 44.44; H, 6.90. Found: C, 44.26; H, 6.97.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(2,4-Di-O-benzyl-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)- α -Lfucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-4,6-O-benzylidene-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)- β -Dgalactopyranoside (13a). To a solution of 3a (1.00 g, 1.24 mmol) and 8 (1.38 g, 2.47 mmol) in dry toluene (30 mL) was added powdered MS-4A (5 g), and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature, then cooled to -20 °C. NIS (1.11 g, 4.34 mmol) and TfOH (42.9 μ L, 0.494mmol) were added to the mixture, and this was stirred for 1 h at -20 °C. Workup was as described for 9a. The resulting residue was chromatographed (4:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (80 g) to give 13a (1.20 g, 78%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.57 (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0 Hz, 2×MeCH₂), 1.12 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.24 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.49 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.23 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.30 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.68 (m, 1H, H-3 of Fuc), 3.73 and 3.78 (2s, 6H, 2 ×OCH₃), 3.80 (m, 1H, H-3 of Gal), 3.82 (m, 1H, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.99 (m, 2H, H-2 and H-4 of Fuc), 4.00 (m, 1H, H-6 of Gal), 4.12 (d, 1H, J_{3,4} = 3.0 Hz, H-4 of Gal), 4.26 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6'} = 5.8$, $J_{gem} = 12.0$ Hz, H-6' of Gal), 4.30 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} = 8.4$ Hz, H-2 of Gal), 4.42 (m, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.43 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 7.4$ Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.45-4.95 (m, 8H, 2×MeOPhCH₂ and 2×PhCH₂), 5.40 (s, 1H, PhCH), 5.68 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 1.8$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 6.66-7.54 (m, 23H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) m/z 807.7[100% (M-Fuc unit)⁺], 1253.8[26% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₇₉H₁₁₄O₁₂: C, 75.56; H, 9.15. Found: C, 75.72; H, 9.00.

2-(Propyl)pentyl O-(2,4-Di-O-benzyl-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)-α-Lfucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -4,6-O-benzylidene-3-O-(4-methoxybenzyl)- β -Dgalactopyranoside (13b). To a solution of 3b (900 mg, 1.80 mmol) and 8 (1.20 g, 2.16 mmol) in dry toluene (8 mL) was added powdered MS-4A (5 g), and the mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature, then cooled to -20 °C. NIS (970 mg, 4.31 mmol) and TfOH (38.0 µL, 0.431 mmol) were added to the mixture which was stirred for 1 h at -20 \mathbb{C} . Workup was as described for 9b. The resulting residue was chromatographed (3:1 n-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (80 g) to give 13b (1.20 g, 71%) as an amorphous mass: $R_f 0.83$ (1:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.09 (d, 3H, $J_{5,6} = 6.8$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.25 (m, 8H, $4 \times CH_2$), 1.52 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.23 (dd, 1H, $J_{vic} = 5.8$, J_{gem} = 9.2 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.48 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.75 and 3.80 (2s, 6H, $2 \times$ OCH₃), 4.43 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ = 7.4 Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.44-4.95 (m, 8H, 2×MeOPhCH₂ and $2 \times PhCH_2$), 5.40 (s, 1H, PhCH), 5.67 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 6.74-7.53 (m, 23H, aromatic). MS (FAB positive) m/z 499.3[100% (M-Fuc unit)⁺], 945.5[21% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₅₇H₇₀O₁₂: C, 72.28; H, 7.45. Found: C, 72.31; H, 7.21.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl O-(2,4-Di-O-benzyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (14a). A solution of 13a (1.00 g, 0.796 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) and water (1 mL) was treated with DDQ (477 mg, 2.10 mmol) as described for 10a. The resulting residue was chromatographed (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (40 g) to give 14a (334 mg, 41%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.18 (3:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.90 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.4 Hz, 2×MeCH₂), 1.09 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.23 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.53 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.35 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.41 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 4.55-4.96 (m, 4H, $2 \times PhCH_2$), 5.57 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 5.59 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.20-7.58 (m, 15H, Ph). MS (FAB positive) m/z 1013.7[100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₆₃H₉₈O₁₀: C, 74.52; H, 9.73. Found: C, 74.49; H, 9.88.

2-(Propyl)pentyl *O*-(2,4-Di-*O*-benzyl-α-L-fucopyranosyl)-(1→2)-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-β-D-galactopyranoside (14b). A solution of 13b (764 mg, 0.807 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (7.5 mL) and water (0.5 mL) was treated with DDQ (439 mg, 1.93 mmol) as described for 10b. The resulting residue was chromatographed (2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc) on silica gel (40 g) to give 14b (327 mg, 57%) as an amorphous mass: R_f 0.33 (2:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.90 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.0 Hz, 2×*Me*CH₂), 1.05 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.4 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.23 (m, 8H, 4×CH₂), 1.59 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.37 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.4, J_{gern} = 9.8 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.53 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.59 (d, 1H, H-4 of Fuc), 3.81 (m, 4H, H-1' of fatty alkyl, H-2 of Fuc, H-2 and H-3 of Gal), 4.05 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} = 6.9, J_{3,4} = 3.5 Hz, H-3 of Fuc), 4.16 (m, 3H, H-4, H-6 andH-6' of Gal), 4.39 (m, 2H, H-1 of Fuc), 5.60 (s, 1H, PhC*H*), 7.22-7.58 (m, 15H, Ph). MS (FAB positive) *m*/z 705.4[100% (M-H)⁺].

Anal. Calcd for C₄₁H₅₄O₁₀: C, 69.67; H, 7.70. Found: C, 69.50; H, 7.54.

2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl *O*-(2,4-Di-*O*-benzyl-3-*O*-sulfo- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-3-*O*-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranoside Disodium Salt (15a) and 2-(Tetradecyl)hexadecyl *O*-(3-*O*-Sulfo- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)-3-*O*-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranoside Disodium Salt (16a). To a solution of 14a (150 mg, 0.148 mmol) in DMF (2 mL) was added sulfur trioxide-pyridine complex (118 mg, 0.739 mmol) and the mixture was stirred for 4 h at room temperature. MeOH (2 mL), THF (2 mL) and NaOMe (39.9 mg, 0.739 mmol) were added. Workup was as described for 11a. TLC showed the disappearance of starting material and formation of a new spot (R_f origin, 1:1 *n*-hexane-EtOAc, 0.67, 5:1 EtOAc-MeOH). The resulting residue was chromatographed (7:1 EtOAc-MeOH) on silica gel (20 g) to give 15a (163 mg, 91%) as an amorphous mass: ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 0.89 (t, 6H, J_{Me,CH2} = 6.8 Hz, 2× *Me*CH₂), 1.05 (d, 3H, J_{5,6} = 6.3 Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.27 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.62 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.47 (dd, 1H, J_{vic} = 5.4, J_{gem} = 9.3 Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 4.52-4.98

(m, 4H, $2 \times PhCH_2$), 5.56 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc), 5.58 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.19-7.51 (m, 15H, Ph).

Anal. Calcd for C₆₃H₉₆O₁₆S₂Na₂: C, 62.05; H, 7.93. Found: C, 61.79; H, 7.88. Subsequently, compound 15a (159 mg, 0.130 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL) and THF (1 mL), and the mixture was treated with 10% Pd-C (150 mg) and H₂ at atmospheric pressure with stirring at room temperature. Workup was as described for 12a gave 16a (78.0 mg, 63%) as an amorphous mass: ¹H NMR $(CD_3OD + D_2O) \delta 0.89$ (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.4$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.22 (d, 3H, $J_{5.6} = 6.4$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.29 (s, 52H, 26×CH₂), 1.64 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.45 (m, 1H, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.64 (m, 1H, H-5 of Gal), 3.65 (m, 1H, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.70 (m, 2H, H-6 and H-6' of Gal), 3.80 (m, 1H, H-2 of Gal), 3.93 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} =$ 10.4 Hz, H-2 of Fuc), 4.10 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-4 of Fuc), 4.36 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-4 of Gal), 4.38 (m, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.49 (m, 1H, H-3 of Fuc), 4.51 (m, 1H, H-1 of Gal), 4.53 (m, 1H, H-3 of Gal), 5.25 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 4.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc); ${}^{13}C$ NMR (CD₃OD + D₂O) δ 14.7 (CH₃), 16.7 (CH₃ of Fuc), 23.6, 26.9, 27.3, 30.3, 30.5, 30.6, 30.7, 31.4 and 32.9 (CH₂), 39.2 (CH), 60.9 (C-6 of Gal), 67.4 (C-5 of Fuc), 67.5 (C-2 of Fuc), 67.6 (C-4 of Gal), 71.4 (C-4 of Fuc), 74.3 (OCH2), 74.7 (C-5 of Gal), 75.4 (C-2 of Gal), 79.0 (C-3 of Fuc), 82.3 (C-3 of Gal), 100.5 (C-1 of Fuc), 103.0 (C-1 of Gal). MS (FAB negative) m/z 927.5[100% (M-Na)], 949.5[5% (M-H)[']].

Anal. Calcd for C₄₂H₈₀O₁₆S₂Na₂: C, 53.04; H, 8.48. Found: C, 52.86; H, 8.72.

2-(Propyl)pentyl *O*-(**3**-*O*-Sulfo-α-L-fucopyranosyl)-(1→2)-3-*O*-sulfo-β-Dgalactopyranoside Disodium Salt (16b). Compound 16b was prepared via 14b and 15b by the same sequence as described for 16a: ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 0.90 (t, 6H, $J_{Me,CH2} = 6.4$ Hz, $2 \times MeCH_2$), 1.19 (d, 3H, $J_{5,6} = 6.4$ Hz, CH₃ of Fuc), 1.35 (m, 8H, $4 \times CH_2$), 1.64 (m, 1H, CH of fatty alkyl), 3.45 (dd, 1H, $J_{vic} = 4.9$, $J_{gem} = 9.4$ Hz, H-1 of fatty alkyl), 3.54 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6} = 5.9$ Hz, H-5 of Gal), 3.74 (d, 2H, H-6 and H-6' of Gal), 3.80 (dd, 1H, $J_{vic} = 6.9$ Hz, H-1' of fatty alkyl), 3.93 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} = 9.9$ Hz, H-2 of Gal), 3.95 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3} = 9.9$ Hz, H-2 of Fuc), 4.05 (d, 1H, H-4 of Fuc), 4.29 (d, 1H, H-4 of Gal), 4.41 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 6.9$ Hz, H-1 of Gal), 4.45 (m, 1H, H-5 of Fuc), 4.46 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-3 of Gal), 4.49 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4} = 3.0$ Hz, H-3 of Fuc), 5.36 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2} = 4.0$ Hz, H-1 of Fuc); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) δ 14.9 (CH₃), 16.8 (CH₃) of Fuc), 20.8, 21.1, 34.7 and 34.9 (CH₂), 39.4 (CH), 62.3 (C-6 of Gal), 67.4 (C-5 of Fuc), 68.0 (C-2 of Fuc), 68.9 (C-4 of Gal), 72.0 (C-4 of Fuc), 73.9 (C-2 of Gal), 74.1 (OCH₂), 76.2 (C-5 of Gal), 79.2 (C-3 of Fuc), 82.8 (C-3 of Gal), 100.3 (C-1 of Fuc), 103.7 (C-1 of Gal). MS(FAB negative) m/z 619.1[100% (M-Na)⁻], 641.1[4% (M-H)⁻].

Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₆O₁₆S₂Na₂: C, 37.38; H, 5.65. Found: C, 37.11; H, 5.54.

In vitro biological activity. The activity of the compounds in vitro was measured in adhesion assays as the inhibition of binding of promyelocytic leukemia HL-60 cells to immobilized recombinant selectin-IgG fusion proteins.^{16,17} Briefly, Pselectin-IgG was immobilized onto microtiter plate wells (96 wells; Nunc Maxisorp) by adding 20 ng of the purified protein to each well in a final volume of $100 \,\mu$ L PBS(+) and incubated overnight at 4 $^{\circ}$ C. The excess coating solution was removed by aspirating, and non-specific binding sites were blocked by a 1 h incubation with PBS(+) containing 1% BSA (w/v) at room temperature. After aspirating the blocking solution, 100 μ L of the test compound was dissolved in RPMI 1640, and 100 μ L of HL-60 cells (10⁶ cell/mL suspended in the binding buffer) were added to each well. The plate was centrifuged at 500 rpm for 2 min at room temperature and the wells were carefully filled with the binding buffer. The plate was sealed with acetate sealing tape, being careful to displace any trapped air bubbles. Non-adherent HL-60 cells were removed by inverting the plate, centrifuging at 500 rpm for 10 min, removing the acetate film and aspirating the binding buffer. The amount of bound cells was quantified by the WST-1 assay (Dojin Chemicals, Japan).³⁰ Inhibition of Lor E-selectin binding was carried out as described above, using immobilized L- (100 ng) or E-selectin-IgG (40 ng).

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