

## Note

### Synthesis of some valienamine epoxides: on the structure of the alpha-amylase inhibitor NS-504\*†

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The complex NS-504 (**1**), isolated<sup>2</sup> from culture broths of *Streptomyces flavocromogenus*, is an inhibitor of alpha-amylase and is a member of the pseudo-oligosaccharidic class of glucosidase inhibitor<sup>3</sup>. The structures **1** have been established<sup>2</sup>, except for the configuration of the epoxide group, by conventional methods<sup>3,4</sup>.

We now describe a synthesis of two stereoisomers of valienamine epoxide, in order to confirm the configuration of the epoxide group in the inhibitor-complex, and their transformation into three branched-chain aminocyclitols of biological interest.

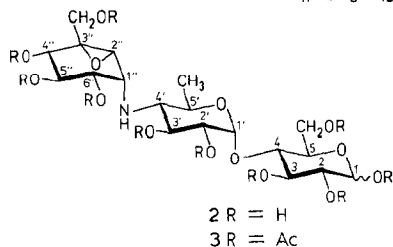
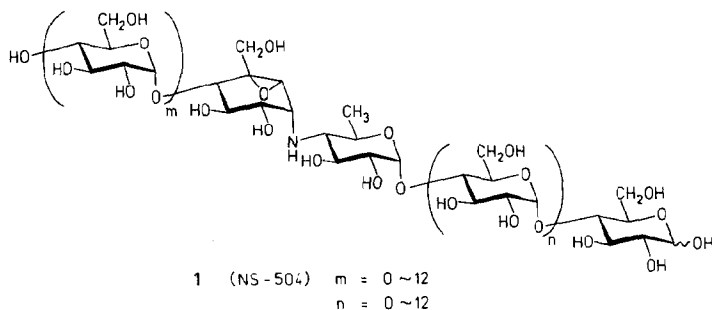
First, the <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the deca-acetate (**3**) of the lowest homologue<sup>2</sup> (**2**) of **1** could be interpreted by comparison with the data<sup>5</sup> for the corresponding amylostatin XG deca-acetate<sup>6</sup>. The signal of the epoxide proton (H-2'') at  $\delta$  3.40 (d, *J* 5.1 Hz) strongly suggested<sup>7</sup> the epoxide and imino functions to be *cis*.

Epoxidation of DL-(1,3/2,6)-4-*C*-acetoxyethyl-1,2,3-tri-*O*-acetyl-6-azido-4-cyclohexene-1,2,3-triol<sup>8</sup> (**4**) and its 6-acetamido derivative<sup>8</sup> (**6**) with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (MCPBA) in 1,2-dichloroethane in the presence of phosphate buffer (pH 8) gave the crystalline epoxides **9** (26%) and **10** (60%), respectively, the <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. spectra of which contained singlets ( $\delta$  3.49 and 3.48) due to the epoxide proton which indicated both the azido and acetamido, and epoxide groups to be *trans*. In contrast, under similar conditions, the corresponding 6-epimer<sup>8</sup> (**5**) was

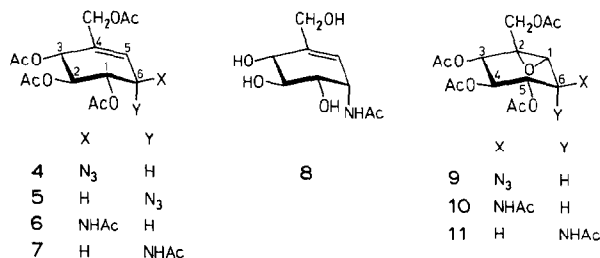
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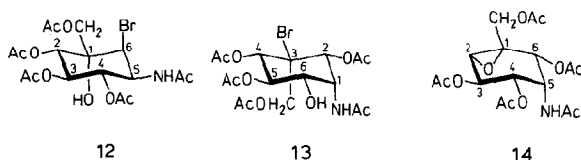
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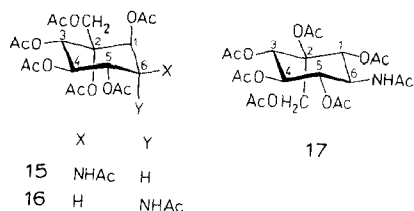


recovered unchanged, and penta-*N,O*-acetyl-DL-valienamine<sup>8</sup> (**7**) gave 37% of the epoxide **11**. In order to take advantage of the *cis*-directing effect<sup>9</sup> of HO-3, **7** was first converted into the *N*-acetyl derivative **8** by treatment with methanolic sodium methoxide and then treated with MCPBA in acetic acid, affording, after acetylation, 56% of the epoxide **11**. The <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. spectrum of **11** contained a doublet ( $\delta$  3.49, *J* 4 Hz) due to the epoxide proton, indicating that the acetamido and epoxide groups are *cis*, and the other resonances accord with the corresponding data of the cyclohexene moiety of **3**.



All synthetic compounds described in this paper are racemic, but, for convenience, only single enantiomers are depicted.





Attempts were made also to introduce the epoxide function *via* a bromohydrin. Treatment of **6** with a slight excess of *N*-bromosuccinimide in aqueous *N,N*-dimethylformamide at room temperature gave 36% of the bromohydrin **12**, the structure of which was evident from its  $^1\text{H}$ -n.m.r. spectrum. The intermediate bromonium ion seemed to be cleaved by participation of  $\text{AcO}-3$ . On the other hand, 51% of a crystalline bromide **13** was derived similarly from **7**. The structure was tentatively assigned on the basis of the  $^1\text{H}$ -n.m.r. spectrum (in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ), which contained signals at  $\delta$  3.31 (d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 3.98 (dt,  $J$  5, 7.5, 7.5 Hz), 4.93 (dt,  $J$  5, 5, 10 Hz), 5.24 (t,  $J$  7.5 Hz), 5.60 (d,  $J$  7.5 Hz), and 5.62 (d,  $J$  5 Hz), which were attributed to HO, H-6, H-1, H-5, H-4, and H-2, respectively. When  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  was added, the signals due to H-1 and H-6 collapsed to a triplet ( $J$  5 Hz) and a doublet of doublets ( $J$  5.5, 9 Hz), respectively. Cleavage of the intermediate bromonium ion involved the participation of  $\text{AcNH}-6$  followed by the O-1 $\rightarrow$ N acetyl migration.

Treatment of **12** with potassium carbonate in methanol at room temperature, followed by acetylation, afforded 84% of **10**. Similar treatment of **13** gave two epoxides **11** and **14**, which were expected to be formed *via* intramolecular attack of HO-2 and HO-4. The  $^1\text{H}$ -n.m.r. spectrum of **14** contained signals at  $\delta$  3.29 (s), 4.88 (dd,  $J$  3.4, 5.6 Hz), 4.98 (dd,  $J$  3.4, 9.3 Hz), 5.20 (d,  $J$  9.3 Hz), and 5.61 (d,  $J$  5.6 Hz), which were ascribable to H-2, H-5, H-4, and H-6, respectively, indicative of the structure assigned, thereby confirming the structures of **11** and **13**. Therefore, the proposed structure of **2** was established.

When **10** was treated with 2 equiv. of sodium acetate in aqueous 10% 2-methoxyethanol at  $80^\circ$ , reaction proceeded through participation of  $\text{AcNH}-6$  and  $\text{AcO}-7$  to afford, after acetylation, the acetylated branched-chain aminocyclitols **15** (42%) and **17** (11%), respectively, the  $^1\text{H}$ -n.m.r. spectra of which contained a signal at  $\delta$  4.57 (ddd,  $J$  3, 6, 9 Hz) and 4.85 (dt,  $J$  10.5, 11.5, 11.5 Hz), due to H-6. Compound **15** was also obtained by opening of the epoxide group by an intramolecular attack of an acetate ion *via* diaxial cleavage. Under similar conditions, **11** reacted preferentially through the latter mechanism to give 44% of **16**, the hydroxyl derivative of valioline<sup>10</sup>. The signal due to H-6 appeared at  $\delta$  4.70 (ddd,  $J$  4, 5, 9 Hz).

#### EXPERIMENTAL

*General methods.* — Melting points were determined with a MEL-TEMP capillary melting-point apparatus and are uncorrected.  $^1\text{H}$ -N.m.r. spectra were

recorded for solutions in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (internal  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ) with Varian EM-390 (90 MHz), Jeol FX-200 (200 MHz), and Jeol GX-400 (400 MHz) instruments. T.l.c. was performed on Silica Gel 60 GF (Merck) with detection by charring with sulfuric acid. Column chromatography was conducted on Wakogel C-300 (300 Mesh, Wako Co., Osaka). Organic solutions were dried over anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated at  $<50^\circ$  under diminished pressure.

*1,2,3,6,2',3'-Hexa-O-acetyl-4',6'-dideoxy-4'-[(1R)-(1,2,3,4,6/5)-4,5,6-tri-acetoxy-3-C-acetoxymethyl-2,3-epoxycyclohexylamino]maltose (3).* — 4',6'-Dideoxy-4'-[(1R)-(1,2,3,4,6/5)-2,3-epoxy-4,5,6-trihydroxy-3-C-hydroxymethylcyclohexyl-amino]maltose<sup>8</sup> (**2**) was acetylated with acetic anhydride and pyridine in the usual way to give **3** as an amorphous powder, m.p. 185–185.5°.  $^1\text{H-N.m.r.}$  data ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 200 MHz):  $\delta$  5.74 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  8.2 Hz, H-1 $\beta$ ), 5.49 (d, 1 H,  $J_{4'',5''}$  8.3 Hz, H-4''), 5.29 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5'',6''}$  9.3 Hz, H-5''), 5.21 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1',2'}$  3.8 Hz, H-1'), 5.18 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2',3'}$  10.7,  $J_{3',4'}$  7.8 Hz, H-3'), 5.15 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2,3}$  9.5,  $J_{3,4}$  8.5 Hz, H-3), 4.98 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 4.76 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 4.74 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{1'',6''}$  5.8 Hz, H-6''), 4.50 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6a}$  2,  $J_{6,6}$  12.3 Hz, H-6a), 4.30 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7'',7''}$  12.2 Hz, H-7''a), 4.20 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6b}$  4.4 Hz, H-6b), 4.00 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  9.8 Hz, H-4), 3.83 (d, 1 H, H-7''b), 3.83 (bd, 1 H, H-5), 3.70 (bt, H-1'), 3.60 (dq,  $J_{4',5'}$  9.8,  $J_{5',\text{CH}_3}$  6.4 Hz, H-5'), 3.40 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1'',2''}$  5.1 Hz, H-2''), 2.58 (bdd, 1 H, H-4'), 2.13, 2.11, 2.105, 2.10, 2.08, 2.03, 2.01, and 1.98 (8 s, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 6, 6, and 3 H, 10 OAc), 1.37 (d, 3 H, Me).

*Anal.* Calc. for  $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{53}\text{NO}_{24}$ : C, 50.93; H, 5.81; N, 1.52. Found: C, 50.43; H, 5.86; N, 1.71.

*DL-(1,2,3,5/4,6)-2-C-Acetoxymethyl-3,4,5-tri-O-acetyl-1,2-anhydro-6-azido-1,2,3,4,5-cyclohexanepentol (9).* — A stirred mixture of DL-(1,3/2,6)-4-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2,3-tri-O-acetyl-6-azido-4-cyclohexene-1,2,3-triol<sup>8</sup> (**4**; 113 mg, 0.31 mmol), *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (115 mg,  $\sim 0.47$  mmol), 1,2-dichloroethane (3 mL), and a phosphate buffer (pH 8, 3 mL) was heated overnight at reflux. More peroxy acid (115 mg) was added, heating was continued overnight, and the mixture was then diluted with 1,2-dichloroethane (20 mL), successively washed with aqueous 10% sodium thiosulfate, aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate, and water, dried, and concentrated. The residue (103 mg) was eluted from a column of silica gel (15 g) with 2-butanone–toluene (1:10) to give **4** (60 mg) and **9** (14 mg, 26% based on **4** consumed) as needles, m.p. 99.5–100.5° (from ethanol).  $^1\text{H-N.m.r.}$  data ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 90 MHz):  $\delta$  5.50–4.95 (m, 3 H, H-3,4,5), 4.62 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12 Hz, H-7), 3.90 (d, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  9 Hz, H-6), 3.75 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.49 (s, 1 H,  $J_{1,6} \sim 0$  Hz, H-1), 2.10 and 2.00 (2 s, 9 and 3 H, 4 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_3\text{O}_9$ : C, 46.76; H, 4.97; N, 10.90. Found: C, 46.63; H, 5.03; N, 11.01.

*DL-(1,2,3,5/4,6)-6-Acetamido-2-C-acetoxymethyl-3,4,5-tri-O-acetyl-1,2-anhydro-1,2,3,4,5-cyclohexanepentol (10).* — A mixture of DL-(1,3/2,6)-6-acetamido-4-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2,3-tri-O-acetyl-4-cyclohexene-1,2,3-triol<sup>8</sup> (**6**; 350 mg, 0.91 mmol), *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (340 mg,  $\sim 1.3$  mmol), 1,2-dichloroethane (8 mL), and a phosphate buffer (pH 8, 8 mL) was heated overnight at reflux. The reaction

mixture was processed as described in the preparation of **9**, and the product was crystallised from ethanol to give **10** (220 mg, 60%) as needles, m.p. 176–177.5°. <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): δ 6.25 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>6,NH</sub> 9 Hz, NH), 5.44 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>3,4</sub> 8 Hz, H-3), 5.16 (dd, 1 H, *J*<sub>4,5</sub> Hz, H-4), 5.04 (t, 1 H, *J*<sub>5,6</sub> 9 Hz, H-5), 4.85 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>7,7'</sub> 12 Hz, H-7), 4.68 (t, 1 H, H-6), 3.83 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.48 (s, 1 H, *J*<sub>1,6</sub> ~0 Hz, H-1), 2.06–1.99 (cluster of singlets, 15 H, NAc and 4 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>10</sub>: C, 50.87; H, 5.78; N, 3.49. Found: C, 50.71; H, 5.73; N, 3.33.

DL-(1,2,3,5,6/4)-6-Acetamido-2-C-acetoxymethyl-3,4,5-tri-O-acetyl-1,2-anhydro-1,2,3,4,5-cyclohexanepentol (**11**). — (a) DL-(1,3,6/2)-6-Acetamido-4-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2,3-tri-O-acetyl-4-cyclohexene-1,2,3-triol (penta-*N*,*O*-acetyl-DL-valienamine)<sup>8</sup> (**7**; 61 mg, 0.16 mmol) was stirred with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (59 mg, 1.5 equiv.) in chloroform (2 mL), 1,2-dichloroethane (2 mL), and a phosphate buffer (pH 8, 4 mL) overnight at 50°. Column chromatography (benzene–ethanol, 12:1) of the product gave **7** (25 mg) and **11** (14 mg, 37% based on **7** consumed) as needles, m.p. 161–163° (from ethanol). <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): δ 5.90 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>6,NH</sub> 8 Hz, NH), 5.58 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>3,4</sub> 8 Hz, H-3), 5.18 (dd, 1 H, *J*<sub>4,5</sub> 10.5 Hz, H-4), 5.07–4.95 (m, 1 H, H-6), 4.93 (dd, 1 H, *J*<sub>5,6</sub> 6 Hz, H-5), 4.26 and 3.85 (2 d, each 1 H, *J*<sub>7,7'</sub> 12 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>OAc), 3.49 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>1,6</sub> 4 Hz, H-1), 2.11, 2.09, 2.05, 2.00, and 1.97 (5 s, each 3 H, NAc and 4 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>10</sub>: C, 50.87; H, 5.78; N, 3.49. Found: C, 50.85; H, 5.72; N, 3.20.

(b) Compound **7** (100 mg, 0.26 mmol) was treated with methanolic *M* sodium methoxide (0.1 mL) in methanol (4 mL) for 0.5 h at room temperature. The mixture was neutralised with Amberlite 120B (H<sup>+</sup>) resin and concentrated to give **8** (54 mg, 96%) as a white solid. Without purification, this compound was treated with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (93 mg, ~1.5 equiv.) in acetic acid (6 mL) for 2 days at room temperature. The mixture was concentrated, the residue was acetylated in the usual way, and elution of the product from a column of silica gel (10 g) with benzene–ethanol (12:1) gave **7** (50 mg) and **11** (29 mg, 56% based on **7** consumed) as needles, m.p. 161–163° (from ethanol).

DL-(1,2,4/3,5,6)-5-Acetamido-1-C-acetoxymethyl-2,3,4-tri-O-acetyl-6-bromo-1,2,3,4-cyclohexanetetrol (**12**). — A mixture of **6** (270 mg, 0.70 mmol), *N*-bromosuccinimide (160 mg, 1.2 mol), and aqueous 99% *N,N*-dimethylformamide (7.1 mL) was stirred for 2 days at room temperature. T.l.c. (benzene–ethanol, 10:1) then indicated the formation of new component (*R*<sub>F</sub> 0.28), together with **6** (*R*<sub>F</sub> 0.32). The mixture was concentrated, and the residue was eluted from a column of silica gel (20 g) with benzene–ethanol (12:1) to give **6** (80 mg) and **12** (84 mg, 36% based on **6** consumed) as needles, m.p. 195–196.5° (from ethanol). <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): δ 6.35 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>5,NH</sub> 10.5 Hz, NH), 5.65 (t, 1 H, *J*<sub>2,3</sub> = *J*<sub>3,4</sub> = 10 Hz, H-3), 5.41 (d, 1 H, H-2), 5.26 (t, 1 H, *J*<sub>4,5</sub> 10 Hz, H-4), 4.92 (btd, 1 H, *J*<sub>5,6</sub> 5 Hz, H-5), 4.92 (d, 1 H, *J*<sub>7,7'</sub> 12.5 Hz, H-7), 4.61 (d, 1 H, H-6), 3.95 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.90 (bs, OH), 2.17, 2.10, 2.02, and 1.99 (4 s, 3, 3, 6, and 3 H, NAc and 4 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for  $C_{17}H_{24}BrNO_{10}$ : C, 42.34; H, 5.02; N, 2.90. Found: C, 42.30; H, 4.96; N, 2.72.

Compound **12** (40 mg, 0.08 mmol) was treated with anhydrous potassium carbonate (14 mg, 1.2 mol) in methanol (4 mL) for 6 h at room temperature. After neutralisation with M hydrochloric acid, the mixture was concentrated and the residue was acetylated in the usual way. The product was recrystallised from ethanol to give **10** (28 mg, 84%), m.p. 175.5–177°.

DL-(1,2,4,6/3,5)-1-Acetamido-3-C-acetoxymethyl-2,4,5-tri-O-acetyl-3-bromo-2,4,5,6-cyclohexanetetrol (**13**). — Compound **7** (200 mg, 0.52 mmol) was treated with an equimolar amount of *N*-bromosuccinimide in aqueous *N,N*-dimethylformamide at 40° as described in the preparation of **12**. Column chromatography (benzene–ethanol, 12:1) of the products gave **7** (59 mg) and **13** (89 mg, 51% based on **7** consumed) as needles, m.p. 189–191° (from ethanol).  $^1\text{H-N.m.r.}$  data ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 200 MHz):  $\delta$  6.56 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,\text{NH}}$  10 Hz, NH), 5.62 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  5 Hz, H-2), 5.60 (d, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  7.5 Hz, H-4), 5.24 (t, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  7.5 Hz, H-5), 4.93 (dt,  $J_{1,6}$  5 Hz, H-1), 4.82 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12.5 Hz, H-7), 4.25 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.98 (dt, 1 H,  $J_{6,\text{OH}}$  7.5 Hz, H-6), 3.31 (d, 1 H, OH), 2.22, 2.15, 2.13, 2.11, and 2.04 (5 s, each 3 H, 5 OAc); [ $\text{CDCl}_3$ – $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  (5:1)]  $\delta$  5.55 (d, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  9 Hz, H-4), 5.49 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  5.5 Hz, H-2), 5.29 (t, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  9 Hz, H-5), 4.85 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12.5 Hz, H-7), 4.82 (t, 1 H,  $J_{1,6}$  5.5 Hz, H-1), 4.35 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.98 (dd, 1 H, H-6), 2.25, 2.15, 2.13, 2.10, and 2.05 (5 s, each 3 H, 5 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for  $C_{17}H_{24}BrNO_{10}$ : C, 42.34; H, 5.02; N, 2.90. Found: C, 42.23; H, 4.90; N, 2.76.

DL-(1,2,4,5,6/3)-5-Acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2-anhydro-1,2,3,4,6-cyclohexanepentol (**14**). — Compound **13** (46 mg, 0.09 mmol) was treated with anhydrous potassium carbonate as described in the preparation of **10** from **12**. The products were acetylated in the usual way and column chromatography (benzene–ethanol, 15:1) then gave, first, **14** (8 mg, 22%) as a syrup.  $^1\text{H-N.m.r.}$  data ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  6.09 (d, 1 H,  $J_{5,\text{NH}}$  9.7 Hz, NH), 5.61 (d, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  5.6 Hz, H-6), 5.20 (d, 1 H,  $J_{2,3}$  0,  $J_{3,4}$  9.3 Hz, H-3), 4.98 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  3.4 Hz, H-4), 4.88 (ddd, 1 H, H-5), 4.35 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12.2 Hz, H-7), 3.96 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 3.29 (s, 1 H, H-2), 2.14, 2.10, and 2.02 (3 s, 3, 6, and 6 H, 5 OAc). Mass spectrum:  $m/z$  402 ( $\text{M}^+ + \text{H}$ ).

Eluted second was **11** (10 mg, 28%), isolated as needles, m.p. 161–163° (from ethanol).

DL-(1,6/2,3,4,5)- (**15**) and DL-(1,3,5/2,4,6)-6-Acetamido-2-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2,3,4,5-penta-O-acetyl-1,2,3,4,5-cyclohexanepentol (**17**). — A mixture of **10** (110 mg, 0.27 mmol), anhydrous sodium acetate (45 mg, 0.54 mmol), and aqueous 10% 2-methoxyethanol (3.3 mL) was heated for 8 h at 80°, and for a further 12 h after the addition of sodium acetate (45 mg). The mixture was concentrated and the residue was treated with acetic anhydride (3 mL) and pyridine (3 mL) for 3 days at 70°. The products were eluted from a column of silica gel (15 g) with benzene–ethanol (10:1) to give, first, **15** (57 mg, 42%) as needles, m.p. 208–210° (from ethanol).  $^1\text{H-N.m.r.}$

data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  6.04 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,6}$  3 Hz, H-1), 5.60 (d, 1 H,  $J_{6,NH}$  9 Hz, NH), 5.55–5.45 (m, 2 H, H-3,4), 5.21 (ddd, 1 H,  $J_{3,5}$  4,  $J_{4,5}$  6,  $J_{5,6}$  11.2 Hz, H-5), 4.70 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12.5 Hz, H-7), 4.57 (ddd, 1 H, H-6), 4.52 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 2.24, 2.20, 2.05, 2.04, 2.01, 1.98, and 1.90 (7 s, each 3 H, NAc and 6 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>13</sub>: C, 50.10; H, 5.80; N, 2.78. Found: C, 50.04; H, 5.83; N, 2.70.

Eluted second was **17** (15 mg, 11%), obtained as needles, m.p. 188–189° (from ethanol). <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  6.26 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,6}$  11.5 Hz, H-1), 6.24 (d,  $J_{3,4}$  10.5 Hz, H-3), 5.72 (d, 1 H,  $J_{6,NH}$  10.5 Hz, NH), 5.65 (t, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  10.5 Hz, H-4), 5.17 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  11.5 Hz, H-5), 4.85 (dt, 1 H, H-6), 4.38 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>OAc), 2.32, 2.09, 2.07, 2.04, 2.00, 1.96, and 1.90 (7 s, each 3 H, NAc and 6 OAc).

*Anal.* Found: C, 50.13; H, 5.73; N, 2.57.

DL-(1,4/2,3,5,6)-6-Acetamido-2-C-acetoxymethyl-1,2,3,4,5-penta-O-acetyl-1,2,3,4,5-cyclohexanepentol (**16**). — A mixture of **11** (52 mg, 0.13 mmol), anhydrous sodium acetate (23 mg, 0.26 mmol), and aqueous 10% 2-methoxyethanol (3.3 mL) was heated for 6 h at 80° and then concentrated. The residue was acetylated as described in the preparation of **15** and **17**, and the product was crystallised from ethanol to give **16** (29 mg, 44%) as needles, m.p. 189.5–190.5°. <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz):  $\delta$  5.94 (d, 1 H,  $J_{6,NH}$  9 Hz, NH), 5.66 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,6}$  4 Hz, H-1), 5.52 (d, 1 H,  $J_{3,4}$  8.5 Hz, H-3), 5.45 (t, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  8.5 Hz, H-4), 5.25 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  5 Hz, H-5), 4.78 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,7'}$  12.5 Hz, H-7), 4.70 (ddd, 1 H, H-6), 4.52 (d, 1 H, H-7'), 2.19, 2.16, 2.05, 2.04, 2.02, and 2.01 (6 s, 3, 3, 3, 3, 6, and 3 H, NAc and 6 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>13</sub>: C, 50.10; H, 5.80; N, 2.78. Found: C, 49.80; H, 5.73; N, 2.56.

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