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Synthesis of building blocks of human milk oligosaccharides. Fucosylated derivatives of the lacto- and neolacto-series

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Abstract

The synthesis of protected fucosylated derivatives of a Gal $\beta(1 \rightarrow 3)$ GlcNAc and of lactosamine Gal $\beta(1 \rightarrow 4)$ GlcNAc building blocks contained in human milk oligosaccharides is described. Both chemical and enzymatic methods have been exploited for selective protection of the disaccharide. Fucosylation of the appropriate derivatives allowed an easy and relatively short access to different products from common precursors. © 2002 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

Human milk is extremely rich in oligosaccharides, more than 130 different compounds having been isolated and identified so far.^{1,2} The biological significance of these compounds has largely been unappreciated, as they were thought to be nutritionally irrelevant and merely by-products due to the presence of large amounts of glycosyl transferases in the milk synthetic pathway.

Recently the great importance of these compounds has been demonstrated for breast-fed infants; during the lactation period, the oligosaccharides, among their other biological roles, inhibit bacterial adhesion to the epithelial cells' surface, which has been recognized as a crucial initial step in the infectious process.^{3–9} However, it is still not clear which of the many oligosaccharides exert this function. In a project devoted to the identification of such compounds, after the synthesis of trisaccharides containing the lactose unit,¹⁰ we focussed on the synthesis of oligosaccharide derivatives of the lactoand neolacto-series contained in human milk.

Careful examination of the structures of the complex oligosaccharides of human milk revealed that a great number of these contain the disaccharidic units $Gal\beta(1 \rightarrow 3)GlcNAc$ and lactosamine $Gal\beta(1 \rightarrow$ 4)GlcNAc, the first bearing one/two α -fucose unit(s) linked to position 2 of Gal and/or position 4 of Glc-NAc (structures 1, 2, 3 of Fig. 1), while the second is fucosylated in position 3 of GlcNAc and/or 2 of Gal (structures 4, 5 of Fig. 1). Among the fucosylated derivatives of N-acetyl lactosamine, trisaccharides Lewis^x and H-antigen and the tetrasaccharide Lewis^y, three of the most important blood group antigens, have been extensively studied both from the biological, as well as a chemical point of view. Syntheses of Lewis^x, Lewis^y and H-antigens have employed various strategies, building blocks and protecting groups.^{11–21} Lewis^x is present as such and as a core structure of many complex oligosaccharides of human milk.

Thus in order to prepare an array of the more complex oligosaccharides, we planned an efficient strategy to synthesize these units as common building blocks to which the proper peripheric unit(s) can be linked.

Moreover, we intended to exploit the enzymatic manipulation of the hydroxyl groups by regioselective introduction of acyl protecting groups, so demonstrating that such a strategy can be a useful alternative to more classical chemical methods.

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In the present paper, we describe the synthesis of the protected fucosylated derivatives of the lacto-series, corresponding to compounds 1, 2 and 3 (Fig. 1), to-gether with that of the neolacto-series, corresponding to compounds 4 and 5. All these protected structures are useful building blocks for the preparation of more complex oligosaccharides contained in human milk.

2. Results and discussion

The lacto series.—The synthetic strategy adopted for the easy preparation of the target molecules was based on the fucosylation of a common disaccharidic building block precursor 8. This compound was obtained from two easily available monosaccharides (6 and 7, Scheme 1), according to a procedure already described by Toepfer and Schmidt,²² and was further elaborated to obtain the single target molecules.

The synthetic strategy planned the manipulation of compound $\mathbf{8}$ to introduce, both by chemical and enzymatic methods, the appropriate protecting groups in order to obtain the different glycosyl acceptors for the fucosylation reactions.

Compound 12, the protected derivative of 1, was synthesized in a straightforward manner. Removal of the benzylidene group from 8 followed by a selective acetylation of the primary position at low temperature with acetyl chloride afforded acceptor 10 in 80% yield, which was fucosylated using the efficient donor 11^{23} and TMSOTf as promoter, in excellent yield (99%). The partially acetylated fucosyl donor 11 is much more stable and easy to use with respect to the corresponding







Scheme 1.

extremely reactive totally benzylated derivative (Scheme 2).

Compound 16, the protected derivative of 2, was obtained according to the pathway described in Scheme 3. The acetates were removed from the galactose unit of 8 and the free primary position was efficiently silylated by the introduction of a *t*-butyldiphenylsilyl group. Position 3' and 4' of the obtained compound 14 were then protected with an isopropylidene group affording acceptor 15, useful for the achievement of the desired trisaccharide 16. In fact, compound 15 was glycosylated with the same fucosyl donor 11 in the presence of TMSOTf to give compound 16 in 66% yield.

Finally, difucosylated compound **20**, corresponding to deprotected tetrasaccharide **3** (Scheme 4), was obtained exploiting the result of a recently reported study²⁴ on selective enzymatic protection of compound



Scheme 2.







Scheme 4.

17, which can be easily obtained by deacetylation of 9. Using lipase from *Candida antarctica* (CAL) and vinylacetate^{25–27} in MeCN as solvent, it was possible to protect selectively the two primary positions of compound 17. The 3' and 4' hydroxyl groups of the obtained compound 18 were then protected by the introduction of an isopropylidene group affording diol 19. Such compound was used as acceptor for the synthesis of the desired tetrasaccharide, employing again donor 11 and TMSOTf as Lewis acid. Difucosylated compound 20 was obtained in an excellent 91% yield.

The neolacto-series.—Searching for an efficient synthetic strategy for the trisaccharide **30** and the tetrasaccharide **34**, we projected two differently protected disaccharidic precursors **27** and **28** (Scheme 5), easily available from a common monosaccharidic moiety, azido glucose **21**.²⁸ This was converted into two glycosyl acceptors differently protected at C-3, compounds **24** and **25**, that were reacted with donor **26**²⁸ affording protected azidolactoses **27** and **28** in 56% and 95% yield, respectively.

Compound 28, containing a benzyl group at C-3, allowed to have selective access to position 3. In fact,



Scheme 7.

the benzyl group was removed²⁹ with $SnCl_4$ and the obtained compound **29** was readily fucosylated with donor **11**, using TMSOTf as promoter, affording the trisaccharide **30**, the protected form of **4**, in 90% yield (Scheme 6).

Finally, disaccharide 27 was used for the synthesis of the protected form of tetrasaccharide 5. Compound 27 (Scheme 7) was fully deacetylated with sodium methoxide to compound 31, then 3',4' positions were protected as isopropylidene acetal. The reaction conditions (acetone, CSA and Sikkon) were chosen in order to induce the formation of the 3',4'- (thermodynamic control) versus the 4',6'-acetonide. In fact, the 3',4' product **32** is obtained in 85% yield, while the 4',6' protected compound is obtained only in 15% yield. Compound 32 was selectively acetylated on the two primary positions with acetylchloride at low temperature affording acceptor 33 in 71% vield, which was finally fucosylated. Due to the unexpected lability of the acceptor during the glycosylation, many attempts were done both adopting the inverse and the direct fucosylation procedure, changing the Lewis acid (TMSOTf, BF₃·Et₂O) and the temperature. The best conditions were found in the direct procedure using TMSOTf (0.01 equiv) at -20 °C. Under these conditions, tetrasaccharide 34 was obtained in 55% vield.

In conclusion, the use of a common precursor and an appropriate choice of the protecting groups and method for their introduction (either chemical or enzymatic) allowed the easy preparation of two families of fucosylated derivatives of the lacto- and neolacto-series in protected form. These compounds represent useful building blocks which can be exploited, through selective manipulation of the protective groups, to prepare a wide array of complex oligosaccharides of human milk.

3. Experimental

General methods.—¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AC 300 and Varian Gemini 200 spectrometers for solution. Melting points were determined with Büchi apparatus and are not corrected. Optical rotations were measured at rt with a Perkin– Elmer 241 polarimeter. TLC was carried out on E. Merck Silica-Gel 60 F_{245} plates (0.25 mm thickness), and spots were visualized by spraying with solution containing H_2SO_4 (31 mL) ammonium molybdate (21 g) and Ce(SO₄)₂ (1 g) in 500 mL water, followed by heating at 110 °C for 5 min. Column chromatography was performed by the flash procedure using E. Merck Silica-gel 60 (230–400 mesh). Elemental analyses were performed using the Carlo–Erba elemental analyzer 1108.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal-actopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-de-

 $oxy-\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (8).—Compounds 7 (429 mg, 0.98 mmol) and 6 (1200 mg, 2.45 mmol) were mixed in a flask under inert atmosphere and dissolved in dry CH_2Cl_2 (5 ml). Then $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ (490 µL of a 0.1 M solution, 0.05 equiv) was added. After 15 min, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (7:3 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 707 mg (94% yield) of pure compound 8. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_{D} = -21.6^{\circ}$ (c 2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.51-7.23 (m, 5 H, H-Ar), 5.54 (s, 1 H, CHPh), 5.33 (d, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.1 Hz, H-4'), 5.26 (dd, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 8.0, $J_{2',3'}$ 10.4 Hz, H-2'), 5.00 (d, 1 H, H-3'), 4.74 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.60 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.27 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5} 4.8, J_{6b,6a} 10.4 Hz, H-6b), 4.09 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'b,5'} 7.8, J_{6b',6a'} 11.1 Hz, H-6'b) 3.89 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'a,5'} 5.8 Hz, H-6'a), 3.78 (t, 1 H, J_{6a.5} 10.4 Hz, H-6a), 3.58–3.75 (m, 3 H, H-3, 4, 5'), 3.29–3.41 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.32 (dd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 8.5 Hz, H-2), 2,12, 2.08, 1.98, 1.94 (4s, 12 H, CH₃CO), 1.60-1.80 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.96–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.22, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.7, 170.6, 170.6, 170.0 (4 s, CO), 137.4 (s), 129.6, 128.6, 126.4 (3 d, CHAr), 101.9, 101.7, 97.95, 80.14, 79.81, 71.44, 71.09, 69.70, 69.10, 67.32, 66.85 (11 d, C-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1', 2', 3', 4', 5', CHPh), 68.92, 61.38 (2t, C-6, 6'), 34.28 (d, CH-TDS), 25.19 (s, C_q-TDS), 21.10, 21.01, 20.94, 20.94, 20.32, 20.19, 18.87, 18.75, -1.744,-2.826 (10q, 4 CH₃CO, 6 CH₃-TDS). Anal. Calcd for C₃₅H₅₁N₃O₁₄Si: C, 54.88; H, 6.71; N, 5.49. Found: C, 55.00; H, 6.78; N, 5.41.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal $actopyranosyl - (1 \rightarrow 3) - 2 - azido - 2 - deoxy - \beta - D - glucopy$ ranoside (9).—Compound 8 was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL) and 70% CF₃COOH (3 mL) was added. After 10 min, a saturated solution of Na₂CO₃ was added until basic pH was reached. After phase separation, the water layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with water, dried with anhyd NaSO₄, filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (1:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 548 mg (87%) yield) of pure 9. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_{\rm D} + 3.9^{\circ}$ (c 1.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.39 (d, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.4 Hz, H-4'), 5.26 (dd, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.9, J_{2',3'} 10.5 Hz, H-2'), 5.05 (dd, 1 H, H-3'), 4.58 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.57 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.2 Hz, H-1), 4.19–4.06 (m, 2 H, H-6'a, 6'b), 4.00 (bt, 1 H, H-5'), 3.88 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5} 3.7, J_{6b,6a} 11.8 Hz, H-6b), 3.73 (dd, 1 H, J_{6a,5} 5.3 Hz, H-6a), 3.53 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.34-3.21 (m, 3 H, H-2, 3, 4), 2.18, 2.11, 2.07, 2.00 (4 s, 12 H, CH₃CO), 1.60–1.80 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.22, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.4, 170.1, 170.1, 169.5 (5s, CH₃CO), 102.4, 97.05 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 86.25, 75.28, 71.23, 70.65, 69.72, 68.56, 67.29, 66.89 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 62.84, 61.69 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.85 (d, CH-TDS), 24.77 (s, Cq-TDS), 20.45-18.31, -2.085,

-3.231 (CH₃CO, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₈H₄₇N₃O₁₄Si: C, 49.61; H, 6.99; N, 6.20. Found: C, 49.58; H, 6.96; N, 6.17.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal $actopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2- $deoxy-\beta$ -Dglucopyranoside (10).—Compound 9 (474 mg, 0.70 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) under inert atmosphere and the temperature was lowered to -78 °C; then Py (452 µL, 5.6 mmol) and AcCl (223 µL, 3.5 mmol) were added in the order. After 1 h, MeOH was added (1 mL) and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (1:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 400 mg (80% yield) of pure 10. $[\alpha]_D$ + 10.2° (c 1.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.39 (d, 1 H, J_{3',4'} 3.3 Hz, H-4'), 5.26 (dd, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 7.8, $J_{2',3'}$ 10.4 Hz, H-2'), 5.05 (dd, 1 H, H-3'), 4.58 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.52 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.0 Hz, H-1), 4.43 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5} 2.0, J_{6b,6a} 12.0 Hz, H-6b), 4.17 (dd, 1 H, J_{6a,5} 7.5 Hz, H-6a), 4.20–4.00 (m, 2 H, H-6'a, 6'b), 3.99 (bt, 1 H, H-5'), 3.82, (s, 1 H, OH), 3.48 (dd, 1 H, J_{4.3} 7.1, J_{4,5} 9.7 Hz, H-4), 3.41 (ddd, 1 H, H-5), 3.25 (dd, 1 H, J_{3,2} 9.8 Hz, H-3), 3.17 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2,15, 2.10, 2.04, 2.04, 1.97 (5 s, 15 H, CH₃CO), 1.60–1.80 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94–0.86 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.22, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.6, 170.4, 170.0, 169.9, 169.5 (5 s, CH₃CO), 102.5, 97.05 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 86.36, 73.42, 71.28, 70.63, 69.20, 68.51, 67.09, 66.86 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 63.36, 61.63 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.86 (d, CH-TDS), 24.78 (s, Cq-TDS), 20.73-18.31, -2.257, -3.344 (CH₃CO, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₄₉N₃O₁₅Si: C, 50.05; H, 6.86; N, 5.84. Found: C, 49.98; H, 6.79; N, 5.81.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal $actopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzyl- α -Lfucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$]-6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (12).—Compound 10 (98 mg, 0.136 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). The temperature was lowered to 0 °C and TMSOTf (27 µL of a 0.1 M solution, 0.02 equiv) was added. Then compound 11 (131 mg, 0.273 mmol) dissolved in dry CH_2Cl_2 (1.5 mL) was slowly added at rt. After 1 h, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (3:2 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 140 mg (99% yield) of pure 12. $[\alpha]_D - 55.1^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.35–7.23 (m, 5 H, H-Ar), 5.38 (d, 1 H, $J_{3'4'}$ 2.9 Hz, H-4'), 5.31 (d, 1 H, J_{3",4"} 2.9 Hz, H-4"), 5.17 (dd, 1 H, J_{2" 3"} 10.6 Hz, H-3"), 5.10–4.99 (m, 4 H, H-1', 2', 3', 5"), 4.82 (d, 1 H, $J_{1",2"}$ 3.6 Hz, H-1"), 4.64 (d, 1 H, J 11.6 Hz, CHPh), 4.59 (d, 1 H, CHPh), 4.49 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.3 Hz, H-1), 4.49–4.44 (m, 1 H, H-6b), 4.40 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'b,5'} 6.0, J_{6'b,6'a} 11.6 Hz, H-6'b), 4.23 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6'a,5'}$ 7.9 Hz, H-6'a), 4.15 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6a,5}$ 4.2, $J_{6a,6b}$ 12.0 Hz, H-6a), 3.89-3.82 (m, 2 H, H-5', 2"), 3.69 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5}$ 9.3 Hz, H-4), 3.59 (t, 1 H, $J_{3,2}$ 9.3 Hz, H-3), 3.44-3.41 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3. 20 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.15, 2.11, 2.10, 2.04, 2.04, 1.98, 1.94 (7 s, 21 H,

CH₃CO), 1.60–1.80 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.20 (d, 3 H, $J_{5'',6''}$ 5.3 Hz, H-6''), 0.96–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.22, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.5, 170.2, 170.2, 170.2, 169.9, 169.5, 169.4 (7s, CO), 137.5 (s), 128.4–128.0 (CHAr), 100.8, 97.74, 96.93 (3 d, C-1, 1', 1''), 77.05, 73.41, 73.17, 72.49, 72.03, 71.05, 70.59, 69.84, 68.87, 66.96, 64.69 (12 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5', 2'', 3'', 4'', 5''), 74.29, 61.74, 60.88 (3 t, C-6, 6', CH₂Ph), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 24.78 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.73–15.73, -2.304, -3.310 (CH₃CO, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₄₇H₆₉N₃O₂₁Si: C, 54.26; H, 6.69; N, 4.04. Found: C, 54.30; H, 6.72; N, 4.07.

Texyldimethylsilyl β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2azido - 4, 6-O-benzylidene - 2- deoxy - β -D-glucopyranoside (13).—Compound 8 (330 mg, 0.43 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeOH (5 mL) under inert atmosphere, and MeNaO (43 µL of a 1 M solution in MeOH, 0.043 mmol) was added. After 30 min, the reaction was neutralized with IR 120 resin H⁺ form. The resin was then filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. 249 mg (97% yield) of pure 13 were obtained. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_{\rm D} = -17.0^{\circ}$ (c 1.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): *δ* 5.60 (s, 1 H, CHPh), 4.73 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.59 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.3 Hz, H-1'), 4.24 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b.5} 4.9, J_{6b.6a} 10.3 Hz, H-6b), 3.79 (t, 1 H, $J_{6a,5} = J_{6a,6b}$ 10.3 Hz, H-6a), 3.55 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2',3'}$ 10.3 Hz, H-2'), 3.85–3.40 (m, 9 H, H-2, 3, 4, 5, 3', 4', 5', 6'a, 6'b), 1.74-1.63 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94-0.90 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.23, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 136.9 (s), 129.4–126.1 (CHAr), 103.2, 101.5, 97.49 (3 d, C-1, 1', CHPh), 78.86, 78.57, 74.07, 73.01, 71.18, 69.70, 68.56, 66.41 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 68.39, 61.36 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 24.74 (s, C_{q} -TDS), 19.98–18.33, –2.185, –3.222 (CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₄₃N₃O₁₀Si: C, 54.25; H, 7.25; N, 7.03. Found: C, 54.30; H, 7.22; N, 6.98.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 6-O-tert-*butyldiphenylsilyl*- β -Dgalactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (14).—Compound 13 (519 mg, 0.87 mmol) was dissolved in dry DMF (10 mL) under inert atmosphere, and imidazole (118 mg, 1.74 mmol) and tBuDPSCl (266 µL, 1.04 mmol) were added. After 3 h, DMF was removed under reduced pressure, the crude was dissolved in EtAcO and washed with a saturated solution of NH₄Cl then with water. The organic layer was dried over anhyd NaSO₄, filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (1:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 509 mg (70% yield) of pure 14. White solid; $[\alpha]_{D} = -3.1^{\circ}$ (c 1, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.78-7.12 (m, 15 H, H-Ar), 5.42 (s, 1 H, CHPh), 4.60 (d, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 7.6 Hz, H-1'), 4.40 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.26 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6b,5'}$ 4.9, $J_{6b,6a}$ 10.5 Hz, H-6b), 4.18–3.29 (m, 11 H, H-2, 3, 4, 5, 6a, 2', 3', 4', 5', 6'a, 6'b), 3.09 (d, 1 H, J 2.1 Hz, OH), 2.67 (d, 1 H, J 5.5 Hz,

OH), 2.59 (d, 1 H, J 3.7 Hz, OH), 1.80–1.60 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.12–0.88 (m, 21 H, CH₃-TDS, CH₃-*t*Bu), 0.21, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 132.8–132.9 (m, CqPh), 135.6–127.8 (m, CHAr), 104.3, 97.46, 96.94 (3 d, C-1, 1', CHPh), 85.89, 75.42, 75.42, 73.25, 71.93, 70.01, 68.56, 67.30 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 63.14, 62.90 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 26.80 (q, CH₃*t*Bu), 24.85, 19.12 (2 s, C_q-TDS, *t*Bu), 19.98–18.38, –2.062, –3.134 (m, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₄₃H₆₁N₃O₁₀Si₂: C, 61.76; H, 7.35; N, 5.03. Found: C, 61.71; H, 7.38; N, 4.99.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 6-O-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-3,4-Oisopropylidene - β - D - galactopyranosyl - $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ - 2 - azido -4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (15).— Compound 14 (392 mg, 0.47 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeCN (12 mL), and DMP (178 μ L, 1.45 mmol) and a catalytic amount of CSA were added; after 10 min, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (4:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 391 mg (95% yield) of pure 15. Amorphous solid; $[\alpha]_D - 3.1^\circ$ (*c* 0.55, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.72-7.12 (m, 15 H, H-Ar), 5.50 (s, 1 H, CHPh), 4.61 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.4 Hz, H-1'), 4.39 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 8.4 Hz, H-1), 4.24 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5'} 4.9, J_{6b,6a} 10.6 Hz, H-6b), 4.15-4.03 (m, 2 H, H-3', 4'), 4.03-3.54 (m, 7 H, H-3, 4, 5, 6a, 2', 6'a, 6'b), 3.36 (bt, 1 H, H-2), 3.35-3.28 (m, 1 H, H-5'), 2.99 (bs, 1 H, OH), 1.74–1.60 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.53, 1.36 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 1.03 (s, 9 H, (CH₃)₃C), 0.91–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 136.8–133.4 (m, CqPh), 135.6–125.7 (m, CHAr), 109.7 (s), 102.8, 101.1, 97.55 (3 d, C-1, 1', CHPh), 79.56, 78.79, 78.44, 74.35, 73.44, 72.70, 68.15, 66.44 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 68.38, 62.12 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.81 (d, CH-TDS), 28.17, 26.22 (2 q, CH₃*i*Pr), 26.71 (q, CH₃*t*Bu), 24.79, 19.14 (2 s, C_a-TDS, tBu), 19.85–19.37, -2.231, -3.211 (CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₄₆H₆₅N₃O₁₀Si₂: C, 63.05; H, 7.48; N, 4.80. Found: C, 63.01; H, 7.51; N, 4.83.

Texyldimethylsilyl 3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzyl- α -Lfucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -6-O-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2-azido-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (16).-Compound 15 (56 mg, 0.064 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). The temperature was lowered to 0 °C and TMSOTf (7 µL of a 0.1 M solution, 0.01 equiv) was added. Then, donor 11 (63 mg, 0.131 mmol) dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) was slowly added. After 1 h, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (4:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 50 mg (66% yield) of pure 16. Glassy solid; $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ – 46.1° (*c* 2.3, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.75-7.18 (m, 20 H, H-Ar), 5.54 (d, 1 H, J_{1",2"} 3.7 Hz, H-1"), 5.40 (dd, 1 H, J_{3",4"} 3.3, J_{3",2"} 10.5 Hz, H-3"), 5.38 (s, 1 H, CHPh), 5.26 (d, 1 H, H-4"), 4.73 (d, 1 H,

J_{1',2'} 7.9 Hz, H-1'), 4.71 (d, 1 H, J 12.2 Hz, CHPh), 4.65 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.63 (d, 1 H, J 12.2 Hz, CHPh), 4.51 (bq, 1 H, J_{6",5"} 6.6 Hz, H-5"), 4.11–4.27 (m, 3 H, H-4, 3', 4'), 3.96 (t, 1 H, $J_{6b,5} = J_{6b,6a}$ 8.8 Hz, H-6b), 3.84 (dd, 1 H, H-2"), 3.66-3.82 (m, 5 H, H-3, 6a, 2', 6'a, 6'b), 3.63–3.61 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.37–3.30 (m, 1 H, H-5'), 3.33 (dd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 9.6 Hz, H-2), 2,10, 1.99 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃CO), 1.60–1.73 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.49, 1.30 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 1.09 (d, 3 H, H-6"), 1.05 (s, 9 H, $(CH_3)_3C$, 0.92–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH_3 -TDS), 0.22, 0.20 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.5, 169.7 (2 s, CO), 138.2, 137.0, 133.4, 133.1 (4 s, CqPh), 135.7-126.1 (m, CHAr), 109.8 (s), 101.4, 99.53, 97.51, 95.14 (4d, C-1, 1', 1", CHPh), 80.01, 79.72, 77.01, 76.31, 73.54, 73.07, 72.38, 72.02, 69.78, 68.44, 66.37, 64.64, (12 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5', 2", 3", 4", 5"), 72.50, 68.56, 62.33 (3 t, C-6, 6', CH₂Ph), 33.85 (d, CH-TDS), 27.96, 26.81, 26.40 (3 q, 2 CH₃*i*Pr, CH₃*t*Bu), 24.78, 19.19 (2 s, C_a-TDS, tBu), 20.84, 20.68, 19.92, 19.81, 18.48, 18.37, 16.11, -2.254, -3.065 (9 q, 2 CH₃CO, 6 CH₃-TDS, C-6"). Anal. Calcd for C₆₃H₈₅N₃O₁₆Si₂: C, 63.23; H, 7.16; N, 3.51. Found: C, 63.21; H, 7.21; N, 3.46.

Thexyldimethylsilyl β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -2*azido-2-deoxy-* β -D-*glucopyranoside* (17).—Compound 9 (130 mg, 0.19 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeOH (3 mL) under inert atmosphere, and MeONa (20 µL of a 1 M solution in MeOH, 0.020 mmol) was added. After 30 min, the reaction was neutralized with IR 120 resin H^+ form. The resin was then filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Pure compound 17 (97 mg, quant.) was obtained. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_{D} = -11.5^{\circ}$ (c 1.4, CH₃OH); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): δ 4.58 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.5 Hz, H-1), 4.48 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.1 Hz, H-1'), 3.88–3.24 (m, 12 H, H-2, 3, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 2', 3', 4', 5', 6'a, 6'b), 1.77-1.59 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.97–0.90 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.21 (s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): δ 105.1, 98.41 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 84.02, 77.68, 76.98, 74.73, 72.65, 70.34, 70.00, 69.82 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 62.60, 62.60 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 35.28 (d, CH-TDS), 25.87 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.60-18.96, -1.729, -3.094 (CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₉N₃O₁₀Si: C, 47.12; H, 7.72; N, 8.25. Found: C, 47.15; H, 7.68; N, 8.30.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 6-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (18).—Compound 17 was dissolved in MeCN (7 mL), vinylacetate (1 mL) was added and the supported CAL was suspended. The suspension was stirred mechanically with a thermostatic shaking apparatus at 40 °C for 24 h, and the reaction was monitored by TLC (9:1 EtAcO-MeOH). The enzyme was filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (EtAcO) afforded 112 mg (70% yield) of pure compound 18 and 10 mg (8%) of the 6'-monoacetylated and 24 mg (16%) of the 6,2',6'triacetylated compounds. Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D + 4.7^\circ$ (c 1.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): δ 4.59 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.1 Hz, H-1), 4.44 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.1 Hz, H-1'), 4.40 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6'b,5'}$ 1.4, $J_{6'b,6'a}$ 11.4 Hz, H-6'b), 4.31 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6'a,5'}$ 8.4 Hz, H-6'a), 4.23 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6b,5}$ 4.2, $J_{6b,6a}$ 11.7 Hz, H-6b), 4.17 (dd, 1 H, J_{6a,5} 7.2 Hz, H-6a), 3.88–3.78 (m, 2 H, H-4', 5'), 3.58 (bt, 1 H, H-2'), 3.52 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.6, $J_{3',2'}$ 10.3 Hz, H-3'), 3.54–3.46 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.44-3.28 (m, 3 H, H-2, 3, 4), 2.05 (s, 6 H, CH₃CO), 1.75-1.60 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.95-0.86 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.21, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): δ 173.0, 172.8 (2 s, CO), 105.6, 98.58 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 85.52, 75.19, 74.72, 74.43, 72.58, 70.67, 70.39, 69.63 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 65.13, 65.02 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 35.61 (d, CH-TDS), 26.19 (s, C_q-TDS), 21.09-19.29, -1.535, -2.692 (CH₃CO, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for $C_{24}H_{43}N_3O_{12}Si$: C, 48.54; H, 7.30; N, 7.08. Found: C, 48.49; H, 7.31; N, 7.07.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 6-O-acetyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-galactopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2 $deoxy-\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (19).—Compound 18 (260 mg, 0.437 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeCN (7 mL) and DMP (170 µL, 1.38 mmol) and a catalytic amount of CSA was added; after 30 min, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (3:2 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 213 mg (77% yield) of pure **19**. $[\alpha]_D$ + 34.3° (*c* 1.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 4.54 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.2 Hz, H-1), 4.48-4.04 (m, 8 H, H-6a, 6b, 1', 2', 3', 4', 6'a, 6'b), 3.68-3.60 (m, 1 H, H-5'), 3.48-3.43 (m, 2 H, H-4, 5), 3.33 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 10.1 Hz, H-2), 3.22 (dd, 1 H, J_{3,4} 7.5 Hz, H-3), 2.10, 2.08 (2 d, 6 H, CH₃CO), 1.75–1.50 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.56, 1.38 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 0.96-0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.21 (s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 170.3 (2 s, CO), 110.7 (s), 104.1, 96.88 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 87.18, 78.63, 73.54, 73.37, 72.95, 71.59, 69.44, 66.86 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 63.37, 63.14 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.87 (d, CH-TDS), 27.87, 26.12 (2 q, CH₃*i*Pr), 25.19 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.63–18.36, -2.299, -3.332 (CH₃CO, CH₃-TDS, CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₄₇N₃O₁₂Si: C, 51.16; H, 7.48; N, 6.63. Found: C, 51.13; H, 7.51; N, 6.68.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzyl- α -Lfucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -6-O-acetyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -[3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-Obenzyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$]-6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (20).—Compound 19 (73 mg, 0.115 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). The temperature was lowered to 0 °C and TMSOTf (12 μ L of a 0.1 M solution, 0.01 equiv) was added. Then donor 11 (222 mg, 0.461 mmol) dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was slowly (1 h) added. After 1 h, another equivalent of 11 (55 mg, 0.11 mmol) dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added. After 20 min, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (4:1 petroleum ether–acetone) afforded 133 mg (91% yield) of pure **20**. $[\alpha]_D - 52.4^\circ$ (*c* 1.1, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.49–7.22 (m, 10 H, H-Ar), 5.48 (d, 1 H, J_{1",2"} 3.6 Hz, H-1"), 5.36–5.31 (m, 2 H, H-3", 4"), 5.28 (dd, 1 H, *J*_{3",4"} 3.4, *J*_{3",2"} 10.6 Hz, H-3"), 5.21 (d, 1 H, H-4""), 4.95 (bq, 1 H, J_{5",6"} 6.6 Hz, H-5"), 4.92 (d, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 8.5 Hz, H-1'), 4.84 (d, 1 H, $J_{1'',2''}$ 3.7 Hz, H-1"), 4.73 (d, 1 H, J 12.1 Hz, CHPh), 4.63 (d, 1 H, J 12.1 Hz, CHPh), 4.62 (s, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 4.52 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.48 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b.5} 1.8, J_{6b.6a} 12.7 Hz, H-6b), 4.49-4.42 (m, 3 H, H-6'a, 6'b, 5""), 4.29 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6a,5}$ 4.6 Hz, H-6a), 4.24 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 5.7, $J_{3',2'}$ 6.9 Hz, H-3'), 4.09 (dd, 1 H, J_{4',5'} 2.3 Hz, H-4'), 3.92 (dt, 1 H, $J_{5',6'a} = J_{5',6'b}$ 6.4 Hz, H-5'), 3.88–3.82 (m, 2 H, H-2", 2""), 3.63 (bt, 2 H, H-3, 2'), 3.56 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3}$ 4.5 Hz, H-4), 3.50-3.42 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.23 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 9.4 Hz, H-2), 2.12, 2,10, 2.08, 2.04, 1.99, 1.92 (6 s, 18 H, CH₃CO), 1.71–1.58 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.48, 1.32 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 1.17–1.10 (m, 6 H, H-6", 6"), 0.92–0.87 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.19 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 170.5, 170.3, 173.3, 169.4, 169.4 (6 s, CO), 138.4, 137.5 (2 s, CqPh), 128.4-127.6 (m, CHAr), 110.0 (s), 100.2, 98.56, 97.16, 96.81 (4 d, C-1, 1', 1", 1"), 79.77, 77.12, 76.76, 74.60, 73.77, 73.59, 73.40, 73.04, 72.29, 71.90, 71.12, 70.42, 69.83, 69.07, 64.80, 64.58 (16 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5', 2", 3", 4", 5", 2", 3", 4", 5"), 74.29, 72.09, 62.90, 62.04 (4 t, C-6, 6', 2 CH₂Ph), 33.84 (d, CH-TDS), 28.01, 26.05 (2 q, 2CH₃*i*Pr), 24.89 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.90–15.72 (m, 6 $CH_{3}CO, 4 CH_{3}$ -TDS, C-6", C-6"), -2.197, -3.234 (2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₆₁H₈₇N₃O₂₄Si: C, 57.48; H, 6.88; N, 3.30. Found: C, 57.51; H, 6.91; N, 3.27.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal $actopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -3,6-di-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (27).—Compounds 24 (719 mg, 1.67 mmol) and 26 (1.23 g, 2.50 mmol) were mixed in a flask under inert atmosphere and dissolved in dry CH_2Cl_2 (8 mL). Then TMSOTf (333 µL of a 0.1 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.02 equiv) was added. After 40 min the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (3:2 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 707 mg (56% yield) of pure 27. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D + 2.5^\circ$ (c 1.1, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.33 (d, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.3 Hz, H-4'), 5.10 (dd, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 7.6, $J_{2',3'}$ 10.3 Hz, H-2'), 4.97 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 8.6, J_{3,2} 10.3 Hz, H-3), 4.96 (d, 1 H, H-3'), 4.58 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.7 Hz, H-1), 4.46 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.46 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5} 2.0, J_{6b,6a} 11.7 Hz, H-6b), 4.21–4.05 (m, 3 H, H-6a, 6'a, 6'b), 3.87 (bt, 1 H, J 6.6 Hz, H-5'), 3.67 (t, 1 H, J_{4.5} 8.6 Hz, H-4), 3.62–3.51 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.32 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.16, 2.09, 2.08, 2.07, 2.04, 1.98 (6 s, 18 H, CH₃CO), 1.78-1.57 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94-0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.2, 170.2, 170.2, 170.0, 169.4, 168.8 (6 s, CO), 100.8, 96.67 (2d, C-1, 1'), 76.45, 71.79, 70.87, 70.66, 70.37, 69.08, 66.66, 66.43 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3',

4', 5'), 62.10, 60.94 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.80 (d, CH-TDS), 24.73 (s, C_q -TDS), 20.74–18.30, –2.440, –3.442 (6 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, 2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for $C_{32}H_{51}N_3O_{16}Si$: C, 50.44; H, 6.75; N, 5.52. Found: C, 50.39; H, 6.78; N, 5.47.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -6-O -acetyl-2-azido-3-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (28).—Compounds 25 (258 mg, 0.54 mmol) and 26 (344 mg, 0.70 mmol) were mixed in a flask under inert atmosphere and dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL). Then TMSOTf (54 µL of a 0.1 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.01 equiv) was added. After 3 h, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (7:3 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 413 mg (95% yield) of pure 28. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D = -2.3^\circ$ (c 0.66, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.40–7.21 (m, 5 H, HAr), 5.30 (d, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.0 Hz, H-4'), 5.18 (dd, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 7.9, $J_{2',3'}$ 10.5 Hz, H-2'), 4.95 (dd, 1 H, H-3'), 4.92 (d, 1 H, J 10.9 Hz, CHPh), 4.82 (d, 1 H, J 10.9 Hz, CHPh), 4.62 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.47 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.43 (dd, 1 H, J_{6b,5} 1.8, $J_{6b,6a}$ 11.7 Hz, H-6b), 4.05 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6'b,5'}$ 6.7, J_{6'b.6'a} 11.0 Hz, H-6'b), 3.69 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'a.5'} 8.0 Hz, H-6'a), 3.84 (dd, 1 H, J_{6a.5} 6.2 Hz, H-6a), 3.73-3.67 (m, 2 H, H-3, 5'), 3.46 (ddd, 1 H, J_{5.4} 8.0 Hz, H-5), 3.37 (bt, 1 H, H-4), 3.29 (dd, 1 H, J_{2.3} 9.3 Hz, H-2), 2.16. 2.11, 2.06, 1.97 (4 s, 15 H, CH₃CO), 1.78–1.57 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.3, 170.0, 170.0, 170.0, 169.3 (5 s, CO), 138.2 (s), 128.3-127.3 (CHAr), 100.8, 96.69 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 80.83, 77.93, 72.73, 70.93, 70.70, 69.55, 68.45, 66.78 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 74.69, 62.43, 60.65 (3 t, C-6, 6', CH₂Ph), 33.86 (d, CH-TDS), 24.73 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.52–18.27, –2.353, - 3.392 (5 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, 2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₃₇H₅₅N₃O₁₅Si: C, 54.86; H, 6.85; N, 5.19. Found: C, 54.91; H, 6.88; N, 5.22.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-gal $actopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2- $deoxy-\beta$ -Dglucopyranoside (29).—Compound 28 (400 mg, 0.493 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) under inert atmosphere. Then SnCl₄ (0.115 µL, 0.986 mmol) was added. After 24 h, another 2 equiv (0.115 μ L) of SnCl₄ were added and the reaction was left stirring for 12 h. Then, the reaction mixture was poured in an ice cold saturated solution of NaHCO3 and a solution of sodium and potassium tartrate was added. The organic layer was washed with HCl 5% and water, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (7:3 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 170 mg (48% yield) of pure 29. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D + 18.2^\circ$ (c 0.60, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.37 (d, 1 H, $J_{3',4'}$ 3.2 Hz, H-4'), 5.21 (dd, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 8.1, J_{2',3'} 10.4 Hz, H-2'), 4.99 (dd, 1 H, H-3'), 4.53 (d, 1 H, H-1'), 4.45 (d,

1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.26 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6b,5}$ 1.5, $J_{6b,6a}$ 11.7 Hz, H-6b), 4.22–4.10 (m, 3 H, H-5', 6'a, 6'b), 3.98 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6a,5}$ 6.5 Hz, H-6a), 3.54 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 8.1, $J_{3,2}$ 9.6 Hz, H-3), 3.50–3.46 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.40 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,5}$ 8.1 Hz, H-4), 3.22 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.18, 2.11, 2.09, 2.00 (4 s, 15 H, CH₃CO), 1.72–1.57 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.92– 0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.19, 0.16 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.4, 170.4, 169.8, 169.8, 169.4 (CO), 102.0, 96.35 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 82.82, 73.70, 71.68, 71.48, 70.75, 68.71, 67.68, 66.83 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 62.68, 61.79 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 24.83 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.98–11.37, –2.341, –3.374 (5 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, 2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₄₉N₃O₁₅Si: C, 50.05; H, 6.86; N, 5.84. Found: C, 50.00; H, 6.88; N, 5.79.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-gal $actopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -[3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzyl- α -Lfucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$]-6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (30).—Compound 29 (100 mg, 0.139 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL), the solution was cooled to 0 °C and TMSOTf (28 μL of a 0.1 M solution in CH_2Cl_2) was added. The ice bath was then removed and donor 11 (100 mg, 0.208 mmol) dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL), was added in 30 min. The reaction was neutralized with Et₃N, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (3:2 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 130 mg (90% yield) of pure **30**. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D$ -48.3° (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.48-7.21 (m, 5 H, HAr), 5.58 (d, 1 H, J_{1",2"} 3.7 Hz, H-1"), 5.40 (d, 1 H, J_{3',4'} 3.2 Hz, H-4'), 5.33 (d, 1 H, J_{3'',4''} 3.1 Hz, H-4"), 5.18 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3",2"}$ 10.5 Hz, H-3"), 5.06 (bt, 1 H, H-2'), 4.95 (dd, 1 H, J_{2',3'} 10.5 Hz, H-3'), 4.90 (bq, 1 H, H-5"), 4.77 (d, 1 H, J 12.3 Hz, CHPh), 4.62 77 (d, 1 H, CHPh), 4.61 (bd, 1 H, H-6b), 4.54 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.5 Hz, H-1), 4.46 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'b,5'} 6.2, J_{6'b,6'a} 11.5 Hz, H-6'b), 4.45 (d, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 7.6 Hz, H-1'), 4.30 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6'\rm{a.5'}}$ 7.7 Hz, H-6'a), 3.99 (dd, 1 H, $J_{6\rm{a,5}}$ 5.8, $J_{6\rm{b,6a}}$ 11.8 Hz, H-6a), 3.89-3.85 (m, 1 H, H-2"), 3.82-3.79 (m, 1 H, H-5'), 3.80 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5}$ 9.7 Hz, H-4), 3.56 (t, 1 H, J_{3,2} 9.7 Hz, H-3), 3.46–3.39 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.40 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.15, 2.07, 2.06, 2.01, 2.00, 1.93 (6 s, 21 H, CH₃CO), 1.70–1.57 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.16 (d, 3 H, $J_{6'',5''}$ 6.5 Hz, H-6''), 0.87–0.84 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.15, 0.14 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.6, 170.5, 170.4, 170.0, 169.8, 169.7, 168.9 (7 s, CO), 138.0 (s), 128.2–127.7 (CHAr), 100.7, 97.16, 96.81 (3 d, C-1, 1', 1''), 74.69, 74.23, 73.30, 72.90, 71.97, 71.17, 70.94, 70.19, 69.03, 68.86, 66.72, 64.17 (12 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5', 2", 3", 4", 5"), 72.55, 61.75, 60.83 (3 t, C-6, 6', CH₂Ph), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 24.78 (s, C_a-TDS), 20.73-15.77, -2.371, -3.169 (C-6", 7 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, 2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₄₇H₆₉N₃O₂₁Si: C, 54.26; H, 6.69; N, 4.04. Found: C, 54.30; H, 6.73; N, 3.99.

Thexyldimethylsilyl β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2 $azido-2-deoxy-\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (31).—Compound 27 (500 mg, 0.656 mmol) was dissolved under inert atmosphere in dry MeOH (10 mL). Then NaOMe (65 µL of a 1 M solution in MeOH, 0.1 equiv) was added. After 15 min, the reaction was neutralized with IR 120 resin (H⁺ form), filtered, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Compound 31 was recovered in quantitative yield (334 mg). Amorphous glassy solid; $[\alpha]_{\rm D} = -10.7^{\circ}$ (c 2.6, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): δ 4.56 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.38 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 7.4 Hz, H-1'), 3.85–3.30 (m, 11 H, H-3, 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 2', 3', 4', 5', 6'a, 6'b), 3.10 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 9.7 Hz, H-2), 1.71–1.67 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 0.94–0.91 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.22, 0.21 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): δ 107.2, 99.88 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 82.79, (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 62.10, 60.94 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.80 (d, CH-TDS), 24.73 (s, C_{q} -TDS), 20.74–18.30, -2.440, -3.442 (6 CH₃CO, 6 CH₃-TDS). Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{39}N_3O_{10}Si$: C, 47.14; H, 7.71; N, 8.25. Found: C, 46.98; H, 7.69; N, 8.27.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 3,4-O-isopropylidene-β-D-gal $actopyranosyl - (1 \rightarrow 4) - 2 - azido - 2 - deoxy - \beta - D - glucopyra$ noside (32).—Compound 31 (110 mg, 0.216 mmol) was dissolved in dry acetone (3 mL) under inert atmosphere; then Sikkon (200 mg) and a catalytic amount of CSA were added and the reaction was heated to reflux. After 1 h, the reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (10:1 EtAcO-MeOH) afforded 99 mg (84%) of pure 32 (thermodynamic product), and 20 mg (16%) of the 4',6'-isopropylidene regioisomer. Amorphous solid; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 4.56 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 7.7 Hz, H-1), 4.35 (d, 1 H, J_{1'.2'} 8.4 Hz, H-1'), 4.16 (dd, 1 H, J_{4',5'} 1.5, J_{4',3'} 6.0 Hz, H-4'), 4.10 (t, 1 H, $J_{3',2'}$ 6.0 Hz, H-3'), 4.02–3.85 (m, 5 H, H-6a, 6b, 2', 6'a, 6'b), 3.64 (t, 1 H, J_{3.2} 9.4 Hz, H-3), 3.61 (t, 1 H, J 8.6 Hz, H-5'), 3.49 (t, 1 H, J 9.4 Hz, H-4), 3.37 (dt, 1 H, J 3.6 Hz, H-5), 3.22 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 1.76-1.58 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.52, 1.55 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 0.94–0.88 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.21, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 110.6(s), 102.9, 96.91 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 81.39, 79.28, 74.15, 73.99, 73.70, 73.15, 73.15, 67.95 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 62.30, 61.93 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.90 (d, CH-TDS), 27.96, 26.12 (2 q, CH₃*i*Pr), 24.74 (s, C_{a} -TDS), 19.87–18.35, -2.128, -3.276 (4 CH₃-TDS, 2CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₄₃N₃O₁₀Si: C, 50.26; H, 7.88; N, 7.64. Found: C, 50.31; H, 7.85; N, 7.67.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 6-O-acetyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -6-O-acetyl-2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (33).—Compound 32 (196 mg, 0.356 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) under inert atmosphere and the solution was cooled to -78 °C. Then Py (230 µL) and AcCl (152 µL) were added. After 6 h, MeOH (1 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the temperature raised to rt; then a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ was added, the organic layer was washed with HCl 5%, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and the solvent was removed under diminished pressure. Chromatographic purification (1:1 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 159 mg (71% yield) of pure compound 33. Yellow oil; $[\alpha]_D + 29^\circ$ (c 0.9, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 4.49 (bd, 1 H, J 12.2 Hz, H-6b), 4.45 (d, 1 H, J_{1.2} 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.40 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'b.5'} 2.5, J_{6'b.6'a} 12.0 Hz, H-6'b), 4.27 (dd, 1 H, J_{6'a.5} 9.3 Hz, H-6'a), 4.20 (d, 1 H, J_{1',2'} 8.2 Hz, H-1'), 4.14 (dd, 1 H, J_{6a,5} 6.1 Hz, H-6a), 4.12–4.07 (m, 2 H, H-3', 4'), 3.57 (bt, 1 H, H-5'), 3.51 (t, 1 H, J 9.6 Hz, H-3), 3.48–3.43 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.30 (bt, 1 H, H-4), 3.19 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.11, 2.05 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃CO), 1.70–1.57 (m, 1 H, CH-TDS), 1.49, 1.31 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 0.88–0.86 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.18 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 170.9 (2 s, CO), 110.7 (s), 103.5, 96.33 (2 d, C-1, 1'), 82.65, 79.08, 73.95, 73.19, 73.01, 72.55, 71.22, 67.66 (8 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5'), 63.52, 63.25 (2 t, C-6, 6'), 33.96 (d, CH-TDS), 27.96, 26.17 (2 q, CH₃*i*Pr), 24.89 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.79–18.37, -2.204, -3.296 (2 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, 2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₂₇H₄₇N₃O₁₂Si: C, 51.17; H, 7.47; N, 6.63. Found: C, 51.22; H, 7.44; N, 6.62.

Thexyldimethylsilyl 3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzyl- α -Lfucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -6-O-acetyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -[3,4-di-O-acetyl-2-O $benzyl-\alpha-L-fucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)]-6-O-acetyl-2-azido-$ 2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (34).—Compound 33 (64 mg, 0.101 mmol) and donor 11 (146 mg, 0.30 mmol) were mixed in a flask under inert atmosphere and dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL). At -20 °C TMSOTf (20 µL of a 0.05 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.01 equiv) was added. After 5 min, 3 equiv (146 mg) of donor were added slowly and after 10 min 2 more equiv. The reaction was neutralized with Et₃N and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatographic purification (3:2 petroleum ether-EtAcO) afforded 70 mg (55% yield) of pure **34**. Amorphous white solid; $[\alpha]_D$ - 64.9° (c 0.9, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.45-7.22 (m, 10 H, H-Ar), 5.58 (d, 1 H, $J_{1'',2''}$ 3.5 Hz, H-1'''), 5.48 (d, 1 H, J_{1",2"} 3.6 Hz, H-1"), 5.32 (dd, 1 H, J_{3",4"} 3.2, $J_{3'',2''}$ 10.7 Hz, H-3'''), 5.29 (d, 1 H, $J_{4'',3''}$ 3.4 Hz, H-4"), 5.23 (d, 1 H, H-4""), 5.14 (dd, 1 H, J_{3",2"} 10.6 Hz, H-3"), 4.93 (bq, 1 H, J_{5",6"} H-5""), 4.81 (d, 1 H, J 12.5 Hz, CHPh), 4.67 (d, 1 H, J 10.0 Hz, CHPh), 4.63 (d, 1 H, J 10.0 Hz, CHPh), 4.60 (d, 1 H, J 12.5 Hz, CHPh), 4.62-4.57 (m, 1 H, H-6b), 4.59 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 7.1 Hz, H-1), 4.53–4.45 (m, 2 H, H-6'a, 6'b), 4.30 (d, 1 H, $J_{1',2'}$ 8.2 Hz, H-1'), 4.33-4.24 (m, 2 H, H-6a, 5"), 4.12 (bt, 1 H, H-3'), 4.09 (dd, 1 H, J_{4',5'} 1.6 Hz, H-4'), 3.89-3.84 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.84 (dd, 1 H, H-2"), 3.82 (dd, 1 H, H-2"), 3.76 (t, 1 H, $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5}$ 9.0 Hz, H-4), 3.58 (dd, 1 H, J_{2',3'} 6.9 Hz, H-2'), 3.55-3.48 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.48 (t, 1 H, J_{2,3} 9.0 Hz, H-3), 3.43 (dd, 1 H, H-2), 2.10, 2.07, 2.05, 1.96, 1.93 (5 s, 18 H, CH₃CO), 1.71–1.58 (m, 1 H,

CH-TDS), 1.45, 1.32 (2 s, 6 H, (CH₃)₂C), 1.11 (d, 3 H, $J_{6'',5''}$ 6.6 Hz, H-6''), 1.07 (d, 3 H, $J_{6'',5''}$ 6.5 Hz, H-6'''), 0.89–0.87 (m, 12 H, CH₃-TDS), 0.20, 0.19 (2 s, 6 H, CH₃Si); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 170.6–169.6 (CO), 138.1 (CqPh), 128.3–127.7 (m, CHAr), 110.3 (s), 100.7, 97.17, 97.17, 95.77 (4 d, C-1, 1', 1'', 1'''), 79.43, 76.31, 75.85, 75.38, 73.58, 73.58, 73.01, 72.90, 72.14, 71.68, 71.46, 69.95, 69.49, 69.03, 64.75, 64.12 (16 d, C-2, 3, 4, 5, 2', 3', 4', 5', 2'', 3'', 4'', 5'', 2''', 3''', 4''', 5'''), 72.61, 72.14, 62.85, 62.16 (4 t, C-6, 6', 2 CH₂Ph), 33.91 (d, CH-TDS), 28.01, 26.11 (2 q, 2 CH₃iPr), 24.72 (s, C_q-TDS), 20.96–15.78 (m, 6 CH₃CO, 4 CH₃-TDS, C-6'', C-6'''), – 2.253, – 3.224 (2 CH₃Si). Anal. Calcd for C₆₁H₈₇N₃O₂₄Si: C, 57.48; H, 6.88; N, 3.30. Found: C, 57.53; H, 6.90; N, 3.32.

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