STUDIES ON THE SYNTHESIS OF PROPYL 4-O- β -D-GALACTO-PYRANOSYL- α -D-GALACTOPYRANOSIDE

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ABSTRACT

2-O-Benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-, 4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-. and 2-O-benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride were converted into the corresponding 2,2,2-trifluoroethanesulfonates, and these were treated with allyl 2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-a-D-galactopyranoside, to give allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-[2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- β -D-galactopyranosyl]-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (26; 41% vield), allyl 4-O-(4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (27; 62% yield), and allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-(2-O-benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (28; 65% yield). All disaccharides were free from their α anomers. Disaccharides 26 and 27 were found to be base-sensitive, and were de-esterified by KCN in aqueous ethanol, and debenzylated with H₂-Pd. Attempts to produce $(1\rightarrow 4)$ - β -D-galactopyranosides from the coupling of a number of fully esterified D-galactopyranosyl sulfonates to allyl 2,3,6-tri-O-ben $zoyl-\alpha$ -D-galactopyranoside were unsuccessful.

INTRODUCTION

4-O- β -D-Galactopyranosyl-D-galactopyranose was first identified in 1958, when Gillham *et al.*¹ isolated it by partial hydrolysis of an α -cellulose prepared from white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) wood. In 1965, Curtis and Jones² reported a nonregioselective synthesis of this disaccharide as a minor product in a mixture of $(1\rightarrow 4)$ - and $(1\rightarrow 6)$ - β -D-galacto-disaccharides that was obtained from the condensation of a mixture of 2,3:4,5- and 2,3:5,6-di-O-isopropylidene-D-galactose dimethyl acetals with tetra-O-acetyl- α -D-galactosyl bromide. Later, there was³ reported a nonstereoselective synthesis of an anomeric mixture of $(1\rightarrow 4)$ -D-galactopyranosides that contained more α than β anomer. Although coupling of different sugars to O-4 of D-galactopyranosides to form a β -linkage has been accomplished by different methods⁴⁻⁸, stereoselective synthesis of the title compound (**30**) has not yet been reported. In continuation of our interest in the synthesis of β -D-galactopyranosides⁹⁻¹¹ for measurement of the binding constants of homogeneous myeloma proteins¹², we present the first stereoselective synthesis of propyl 4-*O*- β -D-galactopyranosyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (**30**).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Allyl α -D-galactopyranoside (1) was prepared by a modification¹³ of Fischer's glycosidation method. Benzoylation of 1 with 3.2 equiv. of benzoyl chloride in pyridine¹⁴ produced a crystalline compound whose ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum showed an upfield shift of the signals of both C-1 and C-4 as a result of benzoylation at O-2 and O-3. Upfield shift of that of C-5 by 2.5 p.p.m., which is about half the shift reported for that of C-5 of fully acylated methyl α -D-galactopyranoside¹⁵, indicated that the product had only one more benzoyl group, at either O-4 or O-6. Because OH-6 is known to be more reactive than OH-4, it was concluded that the product must have been allyl 2,3,6-tri-O-benzoyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (2). ¹H-N.m.r. spectroscopy of 2 confirmed the presence of three benzoyl groups, and showed the OH-4 peak at δ 3.0.

Treatment of **2** with chloroacetyl chloride¹⁶ in ether-pyridine gave allyl 2,3,6tri-O-benzoyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranoside (**3**) in 94.4% yield. The ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of **3** showed the chloroacetyl protons at δ 4.3–4.1, overlapping the OCH₂ signal of the allyl group, and a downfield shift of that of H-4. The chloroacetyl group was chosen as a temporary blocking-group that could be selectively removed from the disaccharide for further coupling at O-4'.

Compound 3 was rearranged to the corresponding propenyl glycoside 4 with tris(triphenylphosphine)rhodium(I) chloride¹⁷, and 4 was hydrolyzed to the 1-hydroxy derivative 5. The ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of 5 showed the disappearance of the allyl protons, and the ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum showed two anomeric peaks, at 96.4 (C-1, β) and 91.4 p.p.m. (C-1, α). The ratio of the α to the β anomer was 37:13, based on the relative intensities of the anomeric peaks.

Compound 5 was very stable to HCl-ether, conditions that are used for the synthesis of glycosyl chlorides. Therefore, 2,3,6-tri-O-benzoyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (6) was prepared from 5 by treatment with thionyl chloride. The structure of 6 was proved by its ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum, which showed a large, downfield shift of the single, anomeric peak to δ 6.58 as a doublet, $J_{1,2} = 4$ Hz. Formation of the α anomer only was also proved by its ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum, which showed a single, anomeric peak, at 91.8 p.p.m.

The chloride **6** was converted into the corresponding 1-O-(2,2,2-tri-fluoroethylsulfonyl) (tresyl) (7), 1-O-(trifluoromethylsulfonyl) (triflyl) (8), and 1-O-(p-tolylsulfonyl) (tosyl) (9) derivatives. Both 7 and 8 failed to react with methanol in acetonitrile at room temperature. Attempts to cause 9 to react with methanol at higher temperatures were also unsuccessful, and 9 was recovered unchanged; the ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of the recovered compound showed the respec-

TABLE I

Carbon atom	Compound											
	1°	2	5	6	10 ^c	12	13	15	16	18	20	22
C-1	100.0	96.1	91.4	91.8	100.2	96.1	96.2	96.0	96.0	92.5	96.1	92.7
C-2	69.0	68.8	69.7	68.8 ^d	70.0	67.9	68.9	67.7	67.7	68.9 ^d	67.9	67.6
C-3	70.6	69.3	68.3 ^d	68.1 ^d	71.5 ^d	72.2	68.7	75.4	73.4	72.8 ^d	73.6	73.0
C-4	70.1	68.5	71.0	69.9 ^d	71.2 ^d	73.9	70.1	69.0	69.9	72.8 ^d	68.8	71.1
C-5	71.3	68.8	66.5	69.9 ^d	71.0	70.0	70.7	71.0	68.0	70.7 ^d	68.2	70.3
C-6	62.3	64.2	62.0	61.4	69.1	69.0	69.5	68.6	68.9	67.1	68.6	67.0
C=O		166.7	167.2	166.8		166.2		166.3	167.2	166.9	170.5	170.2
		166.5	166.5	166.1					166.2	165.8	166.3	165.9
		166.3	166.0	165.9								
				165.6								
CH=	136.8	133.9			136.8	133.6	134.1	134.1	133.8		134.0	
$CH_2 =$	118.0	117.6			118.0	117.6	117.4	117.4	117.7		117.5	
CH ₂ Cl			40.6	40.4					40.8	40.7		
COCH ₃										,	20.8	20.7

¹³ C-N.M.R	SHIFTS	(PROTON-DECOUPLED) IN j	o.p.m	, FOR SC	LUTIONS	IN CD	$Cl_3^{a,i}$	þ
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^aThese assignments are tentative, based on analogies. ^bBenzyl and allyl CH₂ were partially distinguished, and the total number of carbon atoms was accounted for. 'Spectra for solution in Me₂SO- d_6 , with Me₄Si as an external indicator. ^dAssignments may have to be reversed.

tive signals of the CH₃ of the tosyl group at δ 2.1 and of the anomeric proton at δ 6.7, and no OCH₃ peak.

Because the high stability of the D-galactopyranosyl derivatives 7, 8, and 9 towards glycosidation was probably due to the electronic effects of both the benzoyl and the chloroacetyl groups, a different scheme for the synthesis of D-galactopyranosyl derivatives having fewer ester groups was examined.

Allyl 6-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (10) was prepared from 6-O-benzyl-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-galactose¹⁸ by the glycosidation method used for the synthesis of allyl α -D-galactopyranoside (1). Compound 10 was converted into allyl 6-O-benzyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- α -D-galactopyranoside (11), which was treated with benzoyl chloride in pyridine to produce the 2-benzoate 12. Formation of 12 was evident from its ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum, which showed no OH peaks, but the addition of 5 protons to the aromatic peaks. The ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum of 12, which was assigned in relation to the most recent chemical-shift values¹⁵, showed the signals for C-3 and C-4 at 72.2 and 73.9 p.p.m. Acid hydrolysis of 12 produced allyl 2-O-benzoyl-6-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (13), the ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum of which showed an upfield shift of the signals of both C-3 and C-4, to 68.7 and 70.1 p.p.m., as a result of the removal of the isopropylidene group.

Diol 13 was converted into allyl 2-*O*-benzoyl-3,6-di-*O*-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (15) by treatment of the 3,4-*O*-(dibutylstannylene) derivative 14 with benzyl bromide¹⁹. The selective benzylation at O-3 was proved from the ¹³C-n.m.r.



 $\mathbf{1} \ \mathbf{R}^{1} = \mathbf{0} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{R}^{2} = \mathbf{R}^{3} = \mathbf{R}^{4} = \mathbf{R}^{5} = \mathbf{H}$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz, R^4 = H$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = B_Z, R^4 = COCH_2CI$ $R^1 = 0$ -Pro, $R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz$, $R^4 = COCH_2CI$ $R^1 = OH, R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz, R^4 = COCH_5CI^{-1}$ $R^1 = CI_1 R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz_1 R^4 = COCH_{CI}$ $R^1 = O\text{-Tres}, R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz, R^4 = COCH_2CI$ $R^1 = 0$ -Trif, $R^2 = P^3 = R^5 = Bz$, $R^4 = COCH_{2}CI$ $R^1 = O-Ts$, $R^2 = R^3 = R^5 = Bz$, $R^4 = COCH_3CI$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = R^2 = R^4 = H, R^5 = Bn$ $R^1 = 0$ -AII, $R^2 = H R^3$, $R^4 = Me_{n}C$, $R^5 = Bn$ $R^1 = O-AH, R^2 = Br, R^3, R^4 = Me_2C, R^5 = Bn$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = B_7$, $R^3 = R^4 = H$, $R^5 = B_1$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = B_{1,R}^3$, $R^4 = (I-Bu)_2 Sn_1 R^5 = Bn_1$ $15 R^{1} = 0$ -All, $R^{2} = Bt$, $R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn$, $R^{4} = H$ $R^1 = 0$ -All, $R^2 = B_2, R^3 = R^5 = B_0, R^4 = COCH_2CI$ $R^1 = OH_1 R^2 = Bz_1 P^2 = R^5 = Bn_1 R^4 = COCH_2 CE$ $AII = CH_2CH=CH$, Bz = COPh, $Bn = CH_2Ph$ $Pro = CH = CHMe , Tres = F_3CCH_2SO_2 , Irit = F_3CSO_2 , Ts = p-H_3CC_6H_4SO_2$

18 $R^{1} = CI, R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = COCH_{2}CI$ **19** $R^{1} = O$ -Tres, $R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = COCH_{2}CI$ **20** $R^{2} = O$ -AII, $R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = Ac$ **21** $R^{2} = OH, R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = Ac$ **22** $R^{2} = CI, R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = Ac$ **23** $R^{1} = O$ -Tres, $R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{5} = Bn, R^{4} = Ac$ **24** $R^{1} = CI, R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{4} = R^{5} = Bn$ **25** $R^{1} = O$ -Tres, $R^{2} = Bz, R^{3} = R^{4} = R^{5} = Bn$

spectrum of 15, which showed a large downfield shift of the signal of C-3 (6.9 p.p.m.) and a smaller, upfield shift for C-2 and C-4 of -1.2 and -1.1 p.p.m., respectively; see Table I.

(Chloroacetyl)ation of 15 produced the 4-(chloroacetate) 16. Rearrangement of 16 to the corresponding propenyl glycoside, followed by hydrolysis, gave 2-Obenzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-D-galactopyranose (17), and treatment of 17 with thionyl chloride produced 2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (18) in 58% yield. A higher yield of 18 (70%) was obtained when 17 was treated with (chloromethylene)dimethylimminium chloride¹¹. In the ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of 18, the anomeric-proton signal appeared at δ 6.45 as a doublet ($J_{1,2}$ 3.5 Hz); the ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum showed a signal for C-1, α at 92.5 p.p.m., and only a trace of one for C-1, β , at 97.0 p.p.m.

The D-galactopyranosyl chloride derivative 18 was converted into the corresponding 1-O-tresyl-D-galactopyranose 19 by treatment with silver tresylate in dry acetonitrile under diminished pressure. Compound 19 was not isolated, but was directly filtered onto 1.2 equiv. of the 4-hydroxy derivative 15. After 48 h, the reaction was stopped, and the products were separated by ~12-MPa liquid chromatography (l.c.). Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-[2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloro-acetyl)- β -D-galactopyranosyl]-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (26) was isolated as a clear syrup in 41% yield. The structure of disaccharide derivative 26 was

TABLE II

Carbon atom	Compound							
	26	27	28	30 ^c				
 C-1	95.8	95.8	95.7	98.4				
C-2	69.7	69.8	69.8	68.8				
C-3	73.6	73.6	73.5	68.8				
C-4	76.7	76.8	76.8	78.5				
C-5	69.7	69.8	69.9	70.2				
C-6	68.6	68.6	68.5^{d}	61.1				
C-1'	101.6	101.7	101.7	104.6				
C-2′	71.8^{d}	72.4	72.5	73.0				
C-3'	74.1	74.0	74.7	75.3				
C-4′	67.7	66.6	80.4	70.2				
C-5'	71.6 ^d	73.1	73.0	75.3				
C-6′	68.6	68.2	68.9^{d}	60.9				
C=O	167.2	170.7	165.9					
	165.4	165.4	165.3					
		166.0						
CH=	134.2	132.4	134.2					
$CH_2 =$	117.3	117.3	117.2					
CH ₂ Cl	40.9							
COCH ₃		20.9						
Others				22.1(CH ₂) 9.9(CH ₃)				

¹³ C-N M.R. SHIFTS	(PROTON-DECOUPLED)	IN p.p.m., FOR	SOLUTIONS IN CDCl ₃ ^{a, b}
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^aThese assignments are tentative, based on analogies. ^bBenzyl and allyl CH₂ carbon atoms were partially identified, and the total number of carbon atoms was accounted for. ^cSpectrum of a solution in D₂O, with Me₄Si as an external reference. ^dAssignments not unequivocal.

determined by ¹³C-n.m.r. spectroscopy, which showed two anomeric peaks, at 95.8 (C-1, α) and 101.6 p.p.m. (C-1', β), and a large downfield shift (7.7 p.p.m.) for C-4 (see Table II). A side product, identified from its ¹H- and ¹³C-n.m.r. spectra as an α -D-galactopyranosyl α -D-galactopyranoside derivative (α , α -trehalose type), was also isolated.

The disaccharide **26** decomposed before *O*-de(chloroacetyl)ation¹⁶ with thiourea was complete. Difficulty in removing the chloroacetyl group from O-4 of D-galactose had been reported in other studies¹⁹. Base decomposition of **26** and related β -D-galactopyranosides was also observed in this laboratory^{10,11,20}.

Acetylation of 15 gave the 4-O-acetyl derivative 20. Rearrangement of the allyl group of 20, followed by hydrolysis with $ZnCl_2$ -ZnO in aqueous acetone, afforded the 1-hydroxy derivative 21 as a mixture of the α and β anomers in the ratio of 4:1 based on the relative integrations of the anomeric protons. Treatment of 21 with HCl-ether produced crystalline 4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (22) in 89% yield. The ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of 22 showed a signal for a single, α -anomeric peak, at δ 6.46, as a doublet, $J_{1,2}$ 3.9 Hz. Formation of the α anomer, only, was confirmed by the appearance of the signal for a single, anomeric peak, at 92.7 p.p.m., in the ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum.



Chloride 22 was treated with silver tresylate, to form the 1-O-tresyl derivative 23, which was then coupled to 15, giving allyl 4-O-(4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (27) as a solidified foam in 62% yield. The structure of 27 was determined from its ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum, which showed the presence of both the allyl and the acetyl groups; also, from its ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum, in which two anomeric peaks appeared, at 95.8 (C-1, α) and 101.7 p.p.m. (C-1', β), and a downfield shift of the C-4 resonance (7.8 p.p.m.) was observed (see Tables I and II).

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-(2-O-benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (28) was obtained in 65% yield from the reaction of 2-O-benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride²¹ (24) with silver tresylate, and of the product with D-galactoside 15. Formation of 28 was proved by its ¹³C-n.m.r. spectrum, which showed an α -anomeric peak at 95.7 p.p.m., a β -anomeric peak at 101.7 p.p.m., and a downfield shift (7.8 p.p.m.) of the C-4 signal, in addition to two carbonyl peaks, at 165.9 and 165.3 p.p.m.

Disaccharides 26 and 27 were de-esterified with 2% KCN in 95% ethanol, to give allyl 3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(3,6-di-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)- α -D-galactopyranoside²⁰ (29). Reduction of 29 with H₂-Pd produced propyl 4-O- β -D-galactopyranosyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (30). Both ¹H- and ¹³C-n.m.r. spectroscopy of 30 showed no signals for the benzyl groups; signals for C-1, α and C-1', β appeared at 98.4 and 104.6 p.p.m. Chemical shifts of all carbon atoms were comparable to those of methyl α - and β -D-galactopyranoside, except for that of C-4, which showed a large downfield shift (8.3 p.p.m.), and those of C-3 and C-5, which showed a smaller, upfield shift (see Table II).

From the foregoing results, we conclude that it is important to minimize the number of ester groups on the D-galactosyl derivative for a successful coupling at O-4 of D-galactose, and that the yield from the coupling is affected by the type of substituent on O-4 of the D-galactosyl derivative. Benzyl and acetyl groups are preferable to the chloroacetyl group.

EXPERIMENTAL

Instrumental and chromatographic procedures, as well as preparation of materials, were the same as described previously¹¹. L.c. was performed at 10.3–13.8 MPa.

Allyl α -D-galactopyranoside (1). — Dowex-50 X-8 (10 g) was heated under reflux in allyl alcohol (100 mL) for 30 min, filtered off, and washed with fresh allyl alcohol. A mixture of the treated resin, freshly distilled anhydrous allyl alcohol (200 mL), and anhydrous D-galactose (18 g) was boiled under reflux for 90 min, filtered while hot, in a warm system, and the filtrate allowed to cool to room temperature. Allyl α -D-galactopyranoside (10 g) crystallized from the filtrate as it cooled; it was collected, and the filtrate was diluted with allyl alcohol (50 mL), combined with the resin, and heated for 90 min. After filtration, another crop (3.9 g) of 1 was collected from the filtrate. The total yield was 13.9 g (62.6%); m.p. 145– 146°, $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +179.5° (c 1.6, water); lit.¹³ yield 41%, m.p. 143–145°, $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +181.3° (in H₂O); ¹H-n.m.r. (Me₂SO-d₆): δ 5.14–5.44 (m, 2 H, CH₂=), and 5.66–6.22 (m, 1 H, CH=).

Allyl 2,3,6-tri-O-benzoyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (2). — This compound was prepared from 1 by conventional benzoylation, using benzoyl chloride (3.2 equiv.) in pyridine. The product crystallized from chloroform as white crystals, yield 86%; m.p. 117–118°, $[\alpha]_{24}^{D}$ +146° (c 1.3, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.82–7.9 (m, 6 H, 3 COC₆H₅, o), 7.7–7.2 (m, 9 H, COC₆H₅, m, p), 6.2–5.7 (m, 2 H, CH=, H-2), 5.5–5.0 (m, 3 H, H-3, CH=), 4.8–4.65 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 6 Hz, H-1), 4.65–4.40 (m, 4 H, H-4,5, 2 H-6), and 4.40–4.0 (m, 2 H, CH₂CH=).

Anal. Calc. for $C_{30}H_{28}O_9 \cdot 0.5 H_2O$: C, 66.56; H, 5.35. Found: C, 66.60; H, 5.20.

Allyl 2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranoside (3). — (Chloroacetyl)ation of 2 by the method described by Bertolini and Glaudemans¹⁶ produced 3 in 94.4% yield as a yellow syrup that showed a single spot in t.l.c. For analysis and n.m.r. spectroscopy, the product was purified by passage through a column of silica gel by l.c. with 1:4 ethyl acetate-hexane; ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.3–7.95 (m, 6 H, 3 COC₆H₅, o), 7.8–7.2 (m, 9 H, 3 COC₆H₅, m, p), 6.3–5.65 (m, 3 H, CH=, H-2,4), 5.65-5.40 (d, 1 H, J_{2,3} 6 Hz, H-3), 5.40–5.05 (m, 2 H, CH₂=), 4.9–4.4 (m, 4 H, H-1,5, and 2 H-6), and 4.3–4.1 (m, 4 H, CH₂CH= and CH₂Cl).

Anal. Calc. for C₃₂H₂₉ClO₁₀: C, 63.11; H, 4.80; Cl, 5.82. Found: C, 63.36; H, 4.69; Cl, 5.55.

2,3,6-Tri-O-benzoyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-D-galactopyranose (5). — A mixture of 3 (2.3 g), 95% ethanol (40 mL), and tris(triphenylphosphine)rhodium(I) chloride (0.3 g) was boiled under reflux for 2 h, cooled, and evaporated to dryness, giving a brown syrup. The ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum of the crude product showed the CH₃ of the propenyl group at δ 1.58 as a doublet of doublets equivalent to 3 protons, indicating full rearrangement of 3 to the corresponding propenyl D-galactoside 4. Compound 4 was hydrolyzed by heating under reflux with M HCl in 95% ethanol¹⁷ for 30 min to give **5** as a dark-yellow syrup. Separation on silica gel by l.c. with 1:10 ethyl ether-toluene produced **5** as a white solid (1.5 g, 70%); m.p. 71°; ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.25–7.8 (m, 6 H, COC₆H₅, o), 7.7–7.1 (m, 9 H, COC₆H₅, m, p), 6.25–5.5 (m, 3 H, H-2,3,4), 4.2 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 8 Hz, H-1, α), and 4.6–4.0 (m, 5 H, 2 H-6, and CH₂Cl).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₂₅ClO₁₀: C, 61.24; H, 4.40. Found: C, 61.32; H, 4.65.

2,3,6-Tri-O-benzoyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (6). — A mixture of 5 (0.5 g), thionyl chloride (1.5 mL), and chloroform (30 mL) was heated under reflux for 5 h, cooled, washed with cold water, dried (magnesium sulfate), and evaporated to dryness. After chromatographic separation by l.c. on silica gel with 1:1 ethyl acetate-hexane, 6 (0.39 g; 76%) was obtained as a solid; m.p. 53-55°, $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +50.2° (c 0.1, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.15-7.80 (m, 6 H 3 COC₆H₅, o), 7.6-7.1 (m, 9 H, 3 COC₆H₅, m, p), 6.58 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 4 Hz, H-1, α), 6.05-5.6 (m, 3 H, H-2,3,4), 5.1-4.4 (m, 3 H, H-5 and 2 H-6), and 4.14 (s, 2 H, CH₂Cl).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₂₄Cl₂O₉: C, 59.32; H, 4.09. Found: C, 59.54; H, 4.07.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-6-O-benzyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- α -D-galactopyranoside (12). — Allyl 6-O-benzyl-3,4-O-isopropylidene- α -D-galactopyranoside²² (11) was benzoylated conventionally. Separation on silica gel by l.c. with 1:2 ethyl acetatehexane gave 12 as a clear, colorless syrup in 93% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +110° (*c* 3.2, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.23–8.0 (m, 3 H, COC₆H₅, *o*, *p*), 7.65–7.25 (m, 7 H, COC₆H₅, *m*, and CH₂C₆H₅), 6.19–5.62 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.5–5.03 (m, 4 H, CH₂=, H-1,2), 4.67 (s, 2 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 4.54–4.05 (m, 5 H, CH₂CH=, H-3,4,5), 4.0–3.74 (m, 2 H, 2 H-6), 1.55 (s, 3 H, CH₃), and 1.38 (s, 3 H, CH₃).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₆H₃₀O₇: C, 68.70; H, 6.65. Found: C, 68.94; H, 6.70.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-6-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (13). — Hydrolysis of 12 with 0.5M HCl in methanol¹⁸ gave a quantitative yield of 13, which crystallized from ethyl acetate-hexane; m.p. 88°, $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +113° (*c* 2.1, chloroform); lit.¹⁹ m.p. 91–92°, $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +116°; ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.2–8.0 (m, 3 H, COC₆H₅, *o*, *p*), 7.67– 7.20 (m, 7 H, COC₆H₅, *m*, and CH₂C₆H₅), 6.25–5.60 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.5–5.0 (m, 4 H, H-1,2, and CH₂=), 4.62 (s, 2 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 4.5–4.0 (m, 5 H, H-3,4,5 and CH₂CH=), and 3.1 (d, 2 H, 2 OH).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₃H₂₆O₇: C, 66.65; H, 6.32. Found: C, 66.67; H, 6.41.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (15). — A suspension of 13 (3 g) and dibutyltin oxide (1.8 g) in methanol (150 mL) was boiled under reflux for 1.5 h, cooled, and evaporated; the 3,4-di-O-(dibutylstannylene) derivative 14 was obtained as a colorless syrup which was freed of traces of water by dissolving in N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF), and evaporating to dryness under vacuum.

A solution of compound 14 in DMF (30 mL) was treated with benzyl bromide (2.7 mL), heated on a steam bath for 2 h, cooled, and evaporated under vacuum, and the products were isolated on silica gel by l.c. with 1:3 ethyl acetate-hexane. Three compounds were isolated; the fastest-moving was a non-carbohydrate di-

butyltin derivative, the second was dibenzyl ether, and the slowest was the desired derivative **15**, contaminated with some dibenzyl ether; therefore, two more fractionations, using 1:4 ethyl acetate–hexane, were required. The yield was 3 g (83%); $R_{\rm F}$ 0.37 (1:1 ethyl acetate–hexane); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{24}$ +117.2° (*c* 2.4, chloroform) (lit.¹⁹ $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25}$ +118°); ¹H-n.m.r. (360 MHz; CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (d, 2 H, COC₆H₅, $J_{o,m}$ 8.9 Hz, o), 7.57 (t, 1 H, COC₆H₅, $J_{m,p}$ 8.5, p), 7.44 (t, 2 H, COC₆H₅, m), 7.3 (m, 10 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 5.82 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.44 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2,3}$ 9.7, $J_{1,2}$ 4.8 Hz, H-2), 5.26 (m, 2 H, CH=), 5.1 (d, 1 H, H-1, α), 4.82–4.64 (m, 4 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.18 (m, 2 H, CH₂CH=), 4.07 (m, 2 H, H-5,4), 4.0 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2,3}$ 10.9, $J_{3,4}$ 6.2 Hz, H-3), 3.75 (m, 2 H, 2 H-6), and 2.69 (s, 1 H, OH, exchangeable in D₂O).

Anal. Calc. for C₃₀H₃₂O₇: C, 71.40; H, 6.39. Found: C, 70.95; H, 6.72.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-α-D-galactopyranoside (16). — Compound 15 was (chloroacetyl)ated by the procedure used for 3, to give 16 as a colorless syrup in 78% yield after l.c. with 1:3 ethyl acetate-hexane; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +80° (c 1.7, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.06 (m, 2 H, COC₆H₅, o), 7.5 (m, 3 H, COC₆H₅, m, p), 7.3 (s, 5 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 7.23 (s, 5 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 6.2–5.9 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.82 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 5.52 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 9, J_{1,2} 4.5 Hz, H-2), 5.38–5.13 (m, 2 H, CH₂=), 5.05 (1 H, H-1), 4.73–4.5 (m, 4 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.44–4.0 (m, 6 H, CH₂CH=, CH₂Cl, H-3,5), and 3.58 (d, 2 H, H-6).

Anal. Calc. for C₃₂H₃₃ClO₈: C, 66.14; H, 5.68; Cl. 6.1. Found: C, 65.86; H, 5.57; Cl. 6.8.

2-O-Benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-D-galactopyranose (17). — Rearrangement of 16 was conducted as for 5. ¹H-N.m.r. spectroscopy of the crude product showed two doublets of doublets at δ 1.7 and 1.5, equivalent to 3 protons, indicating complete rearrangement to a *cis-trans* mixture of the corresponding propenyl D-galactoside. The product was hydrolyzed with 0.5M HCl in methanol, to give, in 78% yield, compound 17 as a colorless syrup that crystallized from diethyl ether at 0°; m.p. 148–150°, $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ +177° (*c* 0.8, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.0 (m, 2 H, COC₆H₅, *o*), 7.42 (m, 3 H, COC₆H₅, *m*, *p*), 7.3 (s, 5 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 7.2 (s, 5 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 5.72 (d, 1 H, J_{3,4} 4 Hz, H-4), 5.58 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 4 Hz, H-1), 5.32 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 10, J_{3,4} 4 Hz, H-3), 4.05 (s, 2 H, CH₂Cl), and 3.9–3.3 (m, 3 H, H-5, 2 H-6).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₂₉ClO₈: C, 64.41; H, 5.36; Cl, 6.56. Found: C, 64.08; H, 5.44; Cl, 6.31.

2-O-Benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (18). — A solution of 17 (5 g) and (chloromethylene)dimethylimminium chloride²³ (3 g) in DMF (50 mL) was heated for 30 min at 60°, cooled, and evaporated under vacuum, to give a yellow syrup which was dissolved in chloroform, and the solution washed with sodium hydrogencarbonate solution, dried (anhydrous magnesium sulfate), and evaporated, and the product isolated by l.c. on silica gel with 1:3 ethyl acetate-hexane; yield 3.64 g (70.3%); $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ +182° (c 1.1, chloroform):¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.0 (m, 2 H, COC₆H₅, o), 7.68–7.39 (m, 3 H, COC₆H₅, m, p), 7.30 (s, 5 H, CH₂C₆H₅), 6.45 (d, 1 H, J_{1,2} 3.5 Hz, H-1, α), 5.84 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2,3}$ 10, $J_{2,1}$ 4 Hz, H-2), 4.75–4.45 (m, 4 H, 2 C $H_2C_6H_5$), 4.33 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3,2}$ 10, $J_{3,4}$ 3.5 Hz, H-3), 4.15-4.03 (m, 1 H, H-5), 4.07 (s, 2 H, CH₂Cl), and 3.6 (d, 2 H, 2 H-6).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₂₈Cl₂O₇: C, 62.27; H, 5.00. Found: C, 62.60; H, 5.43.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-[2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)-B-D-galactopyranosyl]-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (26). — The reaction was conducted in an apparatus consisting of a vertical, glass tube having a glass joint and stopcock at the top and three branches at the bottom. Each branch ended with a glass joint, and one branch was separated from the other two by a glass filter. Chloride 18 (600 mg, 1.07 mmol), D-galactoside 15 (650 mg, 1.28 mmol), and silver tresylate (407 mg, 1.6 mmol) were each placed, separately, in a 25-mL, round-bottomed flask containing a small magnet. The flasks were connected to the three branches, and the other end was connected to a vacuum line. After 12 h, dry acetonitrile (5 mL) was distilled under vacuum into the flasks (to dissolve the reactants), the stopcock was closed, and the apparatus was disconnected from the vacuum line. The solution of silver tresvlate was mixed with the solution of the chloride, with stirring, and kept in the dark at room temperature until precipitation of silver chloride was complete (30 min). The resulting 1-O-tresyl derivative 19 was filtered onto the 15, stirred, and the solution kept for 48 h in the dark at room temperature, diluted with dichloromethane, washed with sodium hydrogencarbonatesodium thiosulfate solution, dried (anhydrous magnesium sulfate), and evaporated; the products were isolated by l.c. on silica gel with 1:4 ethyl acetate-hexane.

The fastest-moving compound was allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-[2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranosyl]-3,6-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(chloroacetyl)- α -D-galactopyranoside; ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.14–7.77 (m, 4 H, 2 COC₆H₅, o), 7.62–7.0 (m, 26 H, 4 CH₂C₆H₅, and 2 COC₆H₅, m, p), 5.85–4.95 (m, 6 H, 2 H-2, 2 H-4, and 2 H-1), 4.83–4.40 (m, 8 H, 4 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.32–3.90 (m, 6 H, 2 H-3, 2 H-5, and CH₂Cl), and 3.91–3.40 (m, 4 H, 4 H-6). The slowest-moving compound was unreacted D-galactoside **15**.

The second compound was the desired disaccharide **26**; 452 mg (41%); $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +72° (*c* 2.0, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.15–7.77 (m, 4 H, 2 COC₆H₅, *o*), 7.61–7.05 (m, 26 H, 4 CH₂C₆H₅ and 2 COC₆H₅, *m*, *p*), 6.10–5.45 (m, 2 H, H-4 and CH=), 5.42–5.22 (m, 4 H, H-2,2'), 5.22–4.65 (m, 4 H, CH₂=, H-1,1'), 4.65–4.45 (m, 8 H, 4CH₂C₆H₅), 4.25 (dd, 1 H, J_{3,4} 2, J_{4,5} 1 Hz, H-4), 4.16–3.87 (m, 6 H, CH₂Cl, CH₂CH=, H-3,3'), and 3.82–3.35 (m, 8 H, 2 H-6, 2 H-6', H-5,5').

Anal. Calc. for C₅₉H₅₉ClO₁₄: C, 68.93; H, 5.74. Found: C, 69.39; H, 5.90.

Allyl 4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (20). — Acetylation of 15 with Ac₂O-C₅H₅N gave 20, in 96% yield, as a colorless syrup pure enough to be used in the next step; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +172° (c 1.8, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.1 (m, COC₆H₅, o), 7.62–7.15 (m, 13 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅ and COC₆H₅, m, p), 6.2–5.6 (m, 2 H, CH= and H-4), 5.45 (dd, 1 H, J_{2,3} 8, J_{2,1} 4 Hz, H-2), 5.32–4.70 (m, 3 H, CH₂= and H-1), 4.7–4.4 (m, 4 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.4–3.9 (m, 4 H, CH₂CH=, H-3,5), 3.5 (d, 2 H, 2 H-6), and 2.08 (s, 3 H, COCH₃).

Anal. Calc. for C₃₂H₃₄O₈: C, 70.31; H, 6.27. Found: C, 69.85; H, 6.28.

4-O-Acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-D-galactopyranose (21). — Rearrangement of 20 (2 g) to the corresponding propenyl D-galactoside was conducted as described for 5. The allyl D-galactoside derivative was dissolved in 10:1 acetonewater containing mercuric oxide (2 g), and mercuric chloride (2 g) in 10:1 acetonewater was added dropwise during 15 min. After 8 h, the solution was evaporated, the residue dissolved in dichloromethane, and the solution successively washed with KI solution and water, dried (anhydrous magnesium sulfate), and evaporated, to yield 1.4 g (83%) of 21 as a syrup. Compound 21 was purified by l.c. on silica gel with 1:3 ethyl acetate-hexane; $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ +126° (c 2.3, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.0 (m, 2 H, COC₆H₅, o), 7.6–6.95 (m, 13 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅ and COC₆H₅, m, p), 5.68 (d, 1 H, J_{3,4} 3 Hz, H-4), 5.5–5.05 (m, 1.8 H, H-2 and 0.8 H-1, α), 4.85– 4.39 (d, 4 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.39–3.4 (m, 5.2 H, H-3,5,6, 0.2 H-1, β , and OH), and 2.08 (s, 3 H, COCH₃).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₃₀O₈: C, 68.76; H, 5.97. Found: C, 69.12; H, 6.13.

4-O-Acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride (22).

- A solution of **21** (0.5 g) in diethyl ether (100 mL) was saturated with HCl and kept in a tightly closed flask at room temperature. After 24 h, t.l.c. showed a single spot, and no trace of the starting material. The solution was evaporated, and the product was isolated by l.c. on silica gel with 1:4 ethyl acetate-hexane. Crystallization from ethyl acetate-hexane gave **22** as white crystals; 0.45 g (89%); m.p. 95°, $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +156° (c 1.3, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (360 MHz; CDCl₃): δ 8.80 (d, 2 H, $J_{o,m}$ 7.3 Hz, COC₆H₅, o), 7.59 (t, 1 H, $J_{m,p}$ 7.2 Hz, COC₆H₅, p), 7.45 (t, 2 H, $J_{o,m} = J_{p,m} = 8.2$ Hz, COC₆H₅, m), 7.38–7.11 (m, 10 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅), 6.46 (d, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.9 Hz, H-1, α), 5.76 (d, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.4 Hz, H-4), 5.45 (dd, 1 H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.95, $J_{2,3}$ 10.28 Hz, H-2), 4.75–4.41 (m, 5 H, 2 CH₂C₆H₅, H-5), 4.13 (dd, 1 H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.9, $J_{2,3}$ 10.24 Hz, H-3), 3.61–3.35 (m, 2 H, 2 H-6), and 2.09 (s, 3 H, COCH₃).

Anal. Calc. for C₂₉H₂₉ClO₇: C, 66.34; H, 5.57; Cl, 6.75. Found: C, 66.06; H, 5.58; Cl, 6.86.

Allyl 4-O-(4-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-benzyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (27). — Compound 22 (0.2 g) was treated with silver tresylate (0.146 g), and then with 15 (0.23 g), as described for 26, to produce disaccharide 27 as a solid foam (0.235 g, 62%); $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +72° (c 1, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 8.16–7.73 (m, 4 H, 2 COC₆H₅, *o*), 7.65–6.9 (m, 26 H, 4 CH₂C₆H₅ and 2 COC₆H₅, *m*, *p*), 5.94–5.5 (m, 2 H, H-4 and CH=), 5.35 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2',1'}$ 9, $J_{2',3'}$ 10 Hz, H-2'), 5.14 (dd, 1 H, $J_{2,1}$ 3, $J_{2,3}$ 10 Hz, H-2), 5.10–4.82 (m, 3 H, CH₂= and H-1), 4.75–4.38 (m, 8 H, 4 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.38–4.10 (m, 4 H, CH₂CH=, H-3,3'), and 3.83–3.35 (m, 6 H, H-5,5', 2 H-6, and 2 H-6').

Anal. Calc. for C₅₉H₆₀O₁₄: C, 71.35; H, 6.09. Found: C, 70.98; H, 5.85.

Allyl 2-O-benzoyl-4-O-(2-O-benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-3,6-di-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside (28). — The glycosidation was conducted as described for 26. 2-O-Benzoyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl chloride²¹ (0.1 g) was treated with silver tresylate (0.055 g), and then **15** (0.105 g) was added, to produce **28** (0.118 g, 65%); $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} + 73^{\circ}$ (c 1.4, chloroform); ¹H-n.m.r. (CDCl₃): δ 7.93 (dd, 4 H, 2 COC₆H₅, o), 7.63–7.05 (m, 31 H, 5 CH₂C₆H₅ and 2 COC₆H₅, m, p), 5.77-5.11 (m, 1 H, CH=), 5.18–4.95 (m, 5 H, CH₂=, H-1,2,2'), 4.74–4.25 (m, 10 H, 5 CH₂C₆H₅), 4.13–3.96 (m, 5 H, H-1',3,3',4,4'), 3.91–3.76 (m, 2 H, H-5,5'), and 3.69–3.45 (m, 4 H, 2 H-6 and 2 H-6'). *Anal.* Calc. for C₆₄H₆₄O₁₃: C, 73.83; H, 6.96. Found: C, 73.61; H, 6.82.

Propyl 4-O-β-D-galactopyranosyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (30). — The disaccharides 26 and 27 were de-esterified with 2% KCN in 95% ethanol, to give triol 29 in 67% yield²⁰. The triol 29 (25 mg) was dissolved in 80% aqueous ethanol (5 mL), and 10% palladium-on-carbon (30 mg) was added. The mixture was stirred under a hydrogen atmosphere for 72 h. Filtration of the catalyst, followed by evaporation of the filtrate, gave a white solid (13 mg) which was dissolved in hot water, and fractionated on a column of Bio-Gel P-2. The disaccharide was collected and freeze-dried, to give 30 (11 mg, 85%); no aromatic-proton signal in the ¹H-n.m.r. spectrum; ¹³C-n.m.r. data are listed in Table II. The disaccharide was very hygroscopic, and elemental analyses were not obtained.

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