exo-Glycals: Intermediates in the Synthesis of 1,1-Disubstituted C-Glycosides

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Abstract: The synthesis of 1,1-disubstituted C-glycosides containing amino and ester containing moieties at what is formally the anomeric site is described. Petasis olefination of pyranosyl lactones provided exo-glycals which underwent regioselective azidoselenation and subsequent radical-mediated C-glycoside formation.

Key words: C-glycosides, azidoselenation, Petasis olefination

The synthesis of C-glycosides as carbohydrate mimetics has been the subject of considerable interest due to the improved stability of this class of carbohydrate derivative towards acidic and enzymatic hydrolysis while still retaining in many cases the desirable biological profile of the 'parent' O-glycoside.¹ Consequently, a number of methods have been developed for the preparation of C-glycoanalogues of complex carbohydrates.² Our side contributions³ in this area have been focused on defining methods for generating α -C-glycosides based on gluco, galacto, and manno 2-acetamido sugars, given the biological importance of amino sugars associated in particular with O-linked glycopeptides. We have also extended this chemistry to a wider range of C-glycosides and this is illustrated in Scheme 1 for a C1-methylated galacto variant 1 (R = Me). Azidoselenation⁴ of *endo*-glycal 1 (R = Me) provided anomeric selenide 2 and C-Se homolysis (and the associated anomeric radical reactivity) was harnessed to provide the β -C-glycoside series **3** (by reduction) and by trapping the anomeric radical derived from 2 with a reactive alkene, the 1,1-disubstituted C-glycoside $4.^{3c}$

However, this chemistry was limited to the use of the C1unsubstituted or C1-methyl variants (i.e., 1, R = H or Me) and attempts to extend this chemistry to include other C1 substituents (1, R = alkyl or aryl) were unsuccessful. The issue here was that the azidoselenation step (i.e., $1 \rightarrow 2$) failed when $R \neq H$ or Me.⁵ In order to solve this issue and extend this methodology to a wider range of C1 substitution patterns, we have explored the use of exo-cyclic glycals (e.g., 8-10) as a more general starting point for Cglycoside synthesis.

Our strategy has involved use of O-protected exo-glycals 8-10, which were readily available via Petasis olefination⁶ (using Cp₂TiMe₂ under microwave-mediated conditions⁷) from the corresponding galacto, gluco and

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Scheme 1 β-C-Glycosides and 1,1-disubstituted C-glycosides

manno lactones 5–7, respectively (Scheme 2).⁸ The olefination process showed only modest levels of selectivity for the lactone carbonyl in the presence of competing Oacetate residues (e.g., 5a) but a higher and synthetically useful level of discrimination was observed when the corresponding O-pivaloyl (Piv)-protected carbohydrates (e.g., **5b**) were employed.

Our objective was to evaluate exo-glycals 8-10 as substrates for a series of addition processes, and these included use of organometallic nucleophiles as well as



Scheme 2 Petasis olefination of galacto, gluco, and manno carbohydrate lactones

azidoselenation to provide a more general entry to C1-substituted glycals.

While a variety of methods were examined, we were unable to achieve Pd(0)-mediated allylic displacements involving **8–10**. Substrates **8b** and **9** were unreactive towards Pd(0) under a variety of conditions, and this was demonstrated using a series of control experiments.⁹ In the case of the manno derivative **10**, in which the allylic leaving group is positioned in a stereoelectronically more favorable arrangement for displacement,¹⁰ evidence for the intermediacy of the π -allyl Pd(II) species **11** was obtained. However, this species was unreactive towards a malonate nucleophile, and the desired adduct **12** was not observed (Scheme 3).^{9,11}



Scheme 3

Azidoselenation does, however, provide an alternative means of functionalizing *exo*-glycals **8b**, **9**, and **10**. In the case of the galacto derivative **8b**, azidoselenation gave the selenoglycoside adduct **13** in 46% yield.¹²

One-pot azide reduction (using a dithiol) and protection provided the N-acetylated amine **14** in 94% yield. The re-

giochemistry of the azidoselenation step was confirmed by ¹H NMR: acetamide **14** clearly showed CH*H*NHAc as a doublet of doublets (J = 14.5, 3.5 Hz) where coupling (J = 3.5 Hz) to the amide NH was apparent. *C*-Glycoside formation was achieved by homolysis of the C–Se bond in **14** and trapping of the resulting anomeric (and tertiary) radical species with *tert*-butyl acrylate to give the 1,1-disubstituted *C*-glycoside **15** as a single isomer (see below). Similar sequences were achieved in the gluco series ($9 \rightarrow$ **16** \rightarrow **17**) and in the manno series ($10 \rightarrow 19 \rightarrow 20$) to provide 1,1-disubstituted *C*-glycosides **18** and **21**, respectively.

Regiochemical assignments of **15**, **18**, and **21** were based on ¹H NMR analysis (following from the assignment of the acetamide **14**) but it was not possible to assign 'anomeric' stereochemistry unambiguously. For this reason, the structure of azidoselenide **16**¹³ was determined by Xray crystallography, which demonstrated the expected preference of the anomeric radical to undergo axial attack, with the trapping agent being Ph₂Se₂. We have assumed that the galacto and manno adducts and the corresponding *C*-glycosides **15**, **18**, and **21** display the same stereochemical preference, and this is indicated as the outcomes shown in Scheme 4.

It is also pertinent to note that selenoglycosides function as glycosyl donors in more conventional O-glycosylation processes.¹⁴ Using the manno adduct **19**, activation using NIS/TMSOTf and employing benzyl alcohol as the acceptor, gave *O*-glycoside **22** which underwent dithiol-mediated azide reduction and in situ acetylation to give *O*glycoside **23** in 60% overall yield (Scheme 5).¹⁵

The α -stereochemistry of *O*-glycosides **22** and **23** is assumed (based on an expected preference for an α -manno-



Scheme 4 Generation of 1,1-disubstituted C-glycosides via C1-substituted selenide intermediates; R = Piv throughout

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Scheme 5

side) as ¹H NMR did not allow for an unambiguous assignment of anomeric stereochemistry.

In summary, radical-mediated azidoselenation, which is well established for conventional endocyclic glycals, is also effective with *exo*-glycals. The resulting adducts function as intermediates for the synthesis of 1,1-disubstituted *C*-glycosides which constitute an unusual class of carbohydrate-based amino acids derivatives **15**, **18**, and **21**, and also *O*-glycosides, such as **22** and **23**.

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sition) is too efficient. When the C1 substituent carried a pendent alkenyl residue (e.g., allyl), only addition to this less electron-rich alkene was observed (Gallagher, T.; Wang, J.-W. *unpublished work*).

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 Conventional carbohydrate numbering (cf. sialic acids) is

used. Compound **8b**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.13, 1.20, 1.23, 1.28 [36 H, 4 × s, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 3.99–4.10 (2 H, m, H7a + H7b), 4.25 (1 H, m, H6), 4.50 (1 H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, =CHH, H1a), 4.77 (1 H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, =CHH, H1b), 5.15 (1 H, dd, J = 10.5, 3.0 Hz, H4), 5.53 (1 H, dd, J = 3.0, 1.0 Hz, H5), 5.76 (1 H, dt, J = 10.5, 1.5 Hz, H3). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 27.0, 27.1, 38.7, 38.8, 61.2, 66.6, 67.2, 71.5, 75.8, 95.3, 154.6, 176.7, 176.8, 177.8. ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd for C₂₇H₄₄O₉ [M + Na]⁺: 535.2878; found: 535.2868. Compound 9: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.14–1.24 [36 H, m, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 3.77–3.78 (1 H, m, H6), 4.06–4.26 (2 H, m, H7a + H7b), 4.49 (1 H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, H1a), 4.80 (1 H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, H1b), 5.26 (2 H, dd, J = 7.0, 2.5 Hz, H4 + H5), 5.47 (1 H, m, H3). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 27.1, 27.2, 38.8, 38.9, 61.7, 67.6, 69.0, 72.8, 76.6, 96.2, 154.0, 176.4, 176.5, 177.1, 178.1. ESI-HRMS: m/ z calcd for C₂₇H₄₄O₉ [M + Na]⁺: 535.2878; found: 535.2902. Compound **10**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.13 - 1.25$ $[36 \text{ H}, \text{m}, 4 \times \text{COC}(\text{CH}_3)_3], 3.87 (1 \text{ H}, \text{m}, \text{H6}), 4.23-4.25 (2 \text{ H})$ H, m, H7a + H7b), 4.71 (1 H, d, J = 1.0 Hz, H1a), 4.83 (1 H, d, J = 1.0 Hz, H1a), $4.83 (1 \text{$ d, J = 1.0 Hz, H1b), 5.15 (1 H, dd, J = 10.0, 3.5 Hz, H4), 5.62 (1 H, app t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, H5), 5.69 (1 H, d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, H3). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 27.0, 27.1, 27.1, 38.7,$ 38.8, 38.9, 61.4, 64.5, 68.9, 71.0, 77.0, 101.4, 152.9, 176.6, 176.9, 177.3, 178.1. ESI-HRMS: *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₄₄O₉ [M + Na]⁺: 535.2877; found: 535.2890.

- (9) To determine whether the carbohydrate substrates were reactive towards Pd(0), a series of control experiments were carried using cinnamyl acetate as a standard. Exposure of cinnamyl acetate and *exo*-glycal **8b** (or **9** or **10**) to sodio-diethyl malonate in the presence of a catalytic quantity of Pd(0) (Pd₂dba₃/dppe) led to the expected substituted cinnamyl adduct as the only product observed and galacto **8b** was recovered unchanged. With the gluco substrates **9** essentially the same outcome was observed: cinnamyl acetate reacted but *exo*-glycal **9** did not. In the case of the manno variant **10**, and under the same reaction conditions, none of the cinnamyl substitution product was detected, suggesting that coordination of Pd(0) to **10** occurred [to sequester Pd(0)] but any resulting complex (e.g., **11**) was then unreactive towards the external malonate nucleophile.
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- (12) Spectroscopic data are provided for the galacto series shown in Scheme 4. Compound **13**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.12-1.28$ [36 H, m, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 3.12 (1 H, d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1 × CH₂N₃), 3.62 (1 H, d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1 × CH₂N₃), 3.94 (1

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H, dd, J = 11.0, 9.0 Hz, H6a), 4.03 (1 H, dd, J = 11.0, 6.0 Hz, H6b), 4.71 (1 H, m, H5), 5.48 (1 H, dd, J = 10.5, 3.0 Hz, H3), 5.59 (1 H, dd, J = 3.0, 1.0 Hz, H4), 5.87 (1 H, d, J = 10.5 Hz, H2), 7.35–7.44 (3 H, m, ArCH), 7.58–7.61 (2 H, m, ArCH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 26.9$, 27.0, 27.1, 38.7, 38.8, 38.9, 39.0, 56.1, 60.3, 66.5, 66.7, 70.5, 70.5, 91.9, 124.5, 129.3, 137.6, 176.3, 177.9, 180.4, 180.5. ESI-HRMS: *m*/z calcd for C₃₃H₄₉N₃O₉Se [M + Na]⁺: 734.2526; found: 734.2556.

Compound 14: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.11 - 1.27$ [36 H, m, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 2.09 (3 H, s, NHCOCH₃), 3.36 $(1 \text{ H}, \text{ dd}, J = 14.5, 3.5 \text{ Hz}, 1 \times CH_2\text{NHCOCH}_3), 3.97 (1 \text{ H}, 3.97 \text{ m})$ m, H6a), 4.06–4.15 (2 H, m, H6b + 1 × CH₂NHCOCH₃), 4.85 (1 H, m, H5), 5.50-5.53 (2 H, m, H2 + H4), 5.61 (1 H, m, H3), 6.03 (1 H, m, NH), 7.31-7.38 (3 H, m, ArCH), 7.59-7.64 (2 H, m, ArCH). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 20.7, 26.9, 27.0, 27.1, 27.2, 27.2, 38.7, 38.8, 39.0, 45.0, 60.4, 66.4, 67.1, 70.2, 71.1, 91.6, 124.7, 129.1, 129.2, 129.2, 137.4, 169.3, 176.4, 177.2, 177.9, 178.1. ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd for C₃₅H₅₃NO₁₀Se [M + Ma]⁺: 750.2727; found: 750.2712. Compound **15**: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.11 - 10^{-1}$ 1.30 [36 H, m, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 1.40–1.55 [2 H, m, CH₂CH₂CO₂C(CH₃)₃], 2.06 (3 H, s, NHCOCH₃), 2.17-2.32 [2 H, m, CH₂CH₂CO₂C(CH₃)₃], 3.38-3.44 (2 H, m, CH₂NHCOCH₃), 3.62 (1 H, m, H5), 3.97–4.04 (2 H, m, H6a + H6b), 5.08 (1 H, dd, J = 10.5, 3.0 Hz, H4), 5.20 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, H2), 5.48 (1 H, dd, *J* = 10.0, 3.0 Hz, H3), 6.05 (1 H, d, J = 5.0 Hz, NH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, acetone- d_6): $\delta = 20.2, 23.5, 26.5, 26.6, 26.7, 26.8, 27.1, 27.5, 27.5, 27.6,$ 27.6, 38.4, 38.8, 39.5, 42.5, 61.3, 66.5, 67.8, 72.5, 77.0, 106.9, 172.1, 172.9. ESI-HRMS: *m/z* calcd for C₃₆H₆₁NO₁₂ [M + Na]⁺: 722.4086; found: 722.4098. Compound **18**: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, acetone- d_6): $\delta = 1.09$ – 1.22 [36 H, m, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 1.44–1.49 [2 H, m, CH₂CH₂CO₂C(CH₃)₃], 2.01 (3 H, s, NHCOCH₃), 2.40-2.42 $(2 \text{ H}, \text{m}, \text{C}H_2\text{C}H_2\text{C}O_2\text{C}(\text{C}H_3)_3), 3.26 (1 \text{ H}, \text{dd}, J = 14.5, 4.5,$ $1 \times CH_2$ NHCOCH₃), 3.43 (1 H, dd, J = 14.5, 7.5,1 × CH₂NHCOCH₃), 4.02 (1 H, m, H5), 4.09–4.11 (2 H, m, H6a + H6b), 5.00 (1 H, app t, J = 10.0 Hz, H4), 5.17 (1 H, d,J = 10.0 Hz, H2), 5.49 (1 H, app t, J = 10.0 Hz, H3), 6.42 (1 H, br s, NH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, acetone- d_6): $\delta = 20.2$, 23.3, 26.5, 26.6, 26.7, 27.5, 27.0, 27.6, 29.5, 29.3, 42.4, 62.7, 68.6, 70.1, 71.2, 104.1, 169.2, 172.0, 176.8, 177.3, 177.3. ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd for $C_{36}H_{61}NO_{12}$ [M + Na]⁺: 722.4086; found: 722.4109. Compound 21: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone- d_6): $\delta = 1.10$ –

$$\begin{split} &1.29~[36~\text{H},\text{ m},4\times\text{COC}(\text{CH}_3)_3], 1.44\text{--}1.50~[2~\text{H},\text{ m},\\ &\text{CH}_2\text{C} \text{C}_2\text{C}(\text{C}\text{C}\text{H}_3)_3], 2.12~(3~\text{H},\text{s},\text{NHCOC}\text{H}_3), 2.29\text{-}\\ &2.32~[2~\text{H},\text{ m},\text{C}\text{H}_2\text{C}\text{H}_2\text{C}\text{O}_2\text{C}(\text{C}\text{H}_3)_3], 3.22~(1~\text{H},\text{ m},\\ &1\times\text{C}\text{H}_2\text{NHCOC}\text{H}_3), 3.40~(1~\text{H},\text{ m},1\times\text{C}\text{H}_2\text{NHCOC}\text{H}_3),\\ &3.90~(1~\text{H},\text{ m},\text{H5}), 4.12~(1~\text{H},\text{dd},J=12.0, 4.5~\text{Hz},\text{H6a}), 4.24\\ &(1~\text{H},\text{d},J=12.0, 2.0~\text{Hz},\text{H6b}), 5.14~(1~\text{H},\text{dd},J=10.0, 3.5\\ &\text{Hz},\text{H3}), 5.36~(1~\text{H},\text{d},J=10.0~\text{Hz},\text{H2}), 5.41~(1~\text{H},\text{dd},\text{dd},\text{H}_3) \end{split}$$

 $J = 3.5, 1.0 \text{ Hz}, \text{H4}). {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (100 \text{ MHz}, \text{acetone-}d_6): \delta = 20.0, 26.4, 26.5, 26.6, 26.7, 27.0, 27.5, 27.6, 27.7, 38.3, 38.5, 39.0, 42.0, 42.3, 61.9, 65.6, 68.1, 72.4, 76.2, 100.0, 173.2, 176.9, 177.1, 179.8. ESI-HRMS:$ *m/z*calcd for C₃₆H₆₁NO₁₂ [M + Na]⁺: 722.4086; found: 722.4087.

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(15) Compound 22: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, acetone- d_6): $\delta = 1.06$, 1.10, 1.16, 1.26 [36 H, 4 × s, 4 × COC(CH₃)₃], 1.97 (NHCOC H_3), 3.53 (1 H, dd, J = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1 × CH_2 NHCOCH₃), 3.74 (1 H, dd, J = 15.0, 8.0 Hz, 1 × CH₂NHCOCH₃), 4.09 (1 H, m, H5), 4.16 (1 H, dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.5 Hz, H6a), 4.32 (1 H, dd, J = 12.0, 2.0 Hz, H6b), 4.67 (1 H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, $1 \times CH_2Ph$), 4.90 (1 H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, $1 \times CH_2Ph$), 5.37 (1 H, app t, J = 2.0 Hz, H2), 5.44–5.46 (2 H, m, H3 + H4), 6.16 (1 H, app t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, NH), 7.35 (1 H, m, ArCH), 7.40-7.48 (4 H, m, ArCH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 20.3, 26.5, 26.5, 26.6, 26.8, 37.7, 38.3, 38.5, 38.6, 38.7, 59.7, 61.6, 62.7, 65.0, 68.1, 70.1, 101.4, 127.7, 127.8, 128.7, 138.0, 170.0, 176.3, 176.6, 177.1, 177.3. ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd for $C_{36}H_{55}NO_{11}$ [M + Na]⁺: 700.3667; found: 700.3679 Compound **23**: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.12, 1.14, 1.25, 1.30 [36 H, $4 \times s$, $4 \times COC(CH_3)_3$], 3.26 (1 H, d, J = 13.5 Hz, $1 \times CH_2N_3$), 3.70 (1 H, d, J = 13.5 Hz, $1 \times$ CH₂N₃), 3.92 (1 H, app dq, *J* = 10.0, 2.0 Hz, H5), 4.12 (1 H, app d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, H6a), 4.14 (1 H, app d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, H6b), 4.62 (2 H, ABq, J = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 5.41–5.52 (2 H, m, H3 + H4), 5.58 (1 H, d, J = 3.0 Hz, H2), 7.35–7.45 (5 H, m, ArCH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 27.0, 27.1, 38.3, 38.8, 49.5, 61.8, 63.3, 64.7, 68.4, 70.1, 70.6, 100.8, 127.2, 128.7, 131.5, 136.4, 176.7, 177.1, 178.0. ESI-HRMS: m/z calcd for C₃₄H₅₁N₃O₁₁ [M + Na]⁺: 684.3467; found: 684.3478.

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