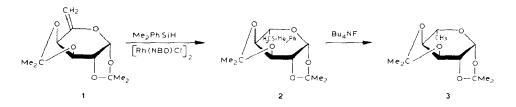
## Note

## 6-Deoxy-6-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -L-altropyranose: Synthesis *via* hydrosilation, and reactivity

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Hydrosilation of 5,6-unsaturated sugars is attractive as a method by which to prepare 6-C-silylated sugars. Such silylated sugars could serve as intermediates in reactions that exploit the unique reactivity of organosilanes, such as Petersen elimination<sup>1</sup> which we hoped would open the pyranose ring, providing a substrate suitable for chiral synthesis. We now report the hydrosilation of 6-deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-*O*-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -L-*arabino*-hex-5-enopyranose (1), which is readily prepared from the corresponding 6-iodo-D-galactose derivative<sup>2</sup>, to give 6-deoxy-6-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-1,2:3,4-di-*O*-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -L-altropyranose (2). Compound 2 was formed in 70% yield when 1 was treated with dimethylphenylsilane and a catalytic amount of rhodium norbornadiene chloride. Some other catalysts, namely, oxygenobistriphenylphosphineplatinum(II), bistriethylphosphinediethylplatinum(II)<sup>3</sup>, and norbornadienebistriphenylphosphinerhodium(I) hexafluorophosphate<sup>4</sup>, resulted in formation of very little or no silylated product.



A preliminary investigation into the chemistry of **2** involved its treatment with tetrabutylammonium fluoride in hexamethylphosphoramide (HMPA) which resulted in a 94% yield of **3**, the result of protiodesilylation. The <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. spectrum of **3** differs significantly, in chemical shifts and coupling constants, from that of 6-deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranose, which has now been reported twice<sup>5</sup>. However, the spectra of **3** and **2** are similar to that of 6bromo-6-deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -L-altropyranose, which Hall and coworkers<sup>6</sup> obtained, along with the isomeric  $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranose derivative, by bromination of the hydroboration product from 1, and it is on this basis that the configuration of 3, and thus of 2, are assigned. The *altro* configuration of 2 and 3 can be rationalized as the result of addition of H-Si to the side of 1 *anti* to O-1, which would be axial in a chair conformation, whereas addition to the other side, giving the *galacto* configuration, would be hindered by a *syn*-1,3-diaxial interaction with O-1.

## EXPERIMENTAL

6-Deoxy-6-(dimethylphenylsilyl)-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-β-L-altropyranose (2). — 6-Deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-β-L-arabino-hex-5-enopyranose (1; 52 mg, 0.22 mmol), dimethylphenylsilane (0.65 mL, 4.3 mmol), and (norbornadiene)rhodium chloride dimer (1 mg, 4 µmol) were placed in a 5-mL round-bottomed flask equipped for reflux and having a dry nitrogen atmosphere. Preparation of **1** was achieved in 65% yield by treatment of commercial 6-deoxy-6-iodo-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-galactopyranose in Me<sub>2</sub>SO with potassium *tert*-butoxide<sup>2</sup>. The reaction mixture was heated for 24 h at 80°, cooled, and evaporated under high vacuum (to remove volatile compounds), and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (230–400 mesh) by eluting with 1:9 ether-pentane, to yield 56 mg (70%) of oily product; <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. data:  $\delta$  0.32 (s, 3 H, SiCH<sub>3</sub>), 0.36 (s, 3 H, SiCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.0 (m, 2 H, H-6), 1.31 (s, 3 H), 1.32 (s, 3 H), 1.37 (s, 3 H), 1.51 (s, 3 H), 3.13 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.81 (dd, 1 H, J<sub>4,5</sub> 9.3, J<sub>3,4</sub> 5.4 Hz, H-4), 4.18 (d, 1 H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 2.0 Hz, H-2), 4.47 (d, 1 H, J<sub>3,4</sub> 5.4 Hz, H-3), 5.05 (d, 1 H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 2.4 Hz, H-1), 7.3–7.4 (m, 3 H, Ph), and 7.5–7.6 (m, 2 H, Ph).

Anal. Calc. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Si: C, 63.46; H, 7.99. Found: C, 63.41; H, 8.13.

6-Deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-β-L-altropyranose (**3**). — A dry 5-mL round-bottomed flask fitted with a stirring bar, and maintained with a dry nitrogen atmosphere was first charged with 1.5 mL of M Bu<sub>4</sub>NF in tetrahydrofuran (THF). The THF was removed under vacuum, 0.75 mL of HMPA was added, and then 63 mg (0.17 mmol) of **2** was added. The mixture was heated for 2 h at 75°, cooled, poured into ether (20 mL), successively washed with water (three times), 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, and brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), evaporated, and the residue chromatographed on silica gel (230–400 mesh) by eluting with 1:9 ether-pentane, to give an oily product (40 mg, 94%); <sup>1</sup>H-n.m.r. data: δ 1.25 (d, 3 H,  $J_{5,6}$  6.3 Hz, H-6s), 1.33 (s, 3 H), 1.36 (s, 3 H), 1.42 (s, 3 H), 1.51 (s, 3 H), 3.27 (m, 1 H, H-5), 3.78 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  9.6,  $J_{3,4}$  5.4 Hz, H-4), 4.21 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  2.1 Hz, H-2), 4.48 (d, 1 H,  $J_{3,4}$  5.4 Hz, H-3), and 5.21 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  2.4 Hz, H-1); m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) Calc.: 244.13095: Found: 244.1301.

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