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# A correlation study between hydrogen bonded network and gelation ability of three galactose derivatives

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#### 1. Synthetic scheme:



Scheme S1: Synthesis of the compounds 2 and 3. Reagents and condition: a) acetone, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-silica, rt b) Et<sub>3</sub>N, BzCN, rt

## 2. NMR Characterization:

#### **Compound 1:**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$ : 7.07-6.8 (m, 4H, ArH), 4.86 (CD<sub>3</sub>OD-H<sub>2</sub>O peak), 4.73 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 7.5 Hz, H-1), 3.89 (dd, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> = 0.5 Hz, J<sub>3,4</sub> = 1Hz, H-4), 3.79-3.75 (m, 3H, H-2, H-6a, H-6b), 3.74 (s, 3H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.63 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.56 (dd, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 3.5, J<sub>3,4</sub> 3.0 Hz, H-3), 3.31 (solvent residual peak).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$ : 156.59, 153.31(ArC-O), 119.26(2), 115.42(2) (ArC), 104.08 (C-1), 76.86, 74.87, 72.36, 70.21, 62.40 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.05 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–OCH<sub>3</sub>). [49.513-48.492 = NMR solvent signal]

#### **Compound 2:**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 7.26 (solvent residual peak), 6.99-6.80 (m, 4H, ArH), 4.70 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.20-4.16 (m, 2H, H-3, H-4), 4.01-3.93 (m, 2H, H-5, H-6a), 3.86-3.79 (m, 2H, H-6b, H-2), 3.76 (s, 3H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.70 (s, 1H, 2-OH), 2.22 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 6.0 Hz, 6-OH), 1.69 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>- H<sub>2</sub>O peak), 1.55, 1.36 (2s, 6H, 2 x isopropylidene-CH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 155.66, 151.03 (ArC-O), 118.38(2), 114.81(2) (ArC), 110.80 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 101.52 (C-1), 79.01, 73.93, 73.87, 73.54, 62.46 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.78 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–OCH<sub>3</sub>), 28.24, 26.46 (2 x isopropylidene-CH<sub>3</sub>). [77.414-76.906 = NMR solvent signal]

#### **Compound 3:**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 8.05–6.654 (m, 9H, ArH), 7.26 (solvent residual peak), 4.70 (dd, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub>, J<sub>3,4</sub> 4.0 Hz, H-6a), 4.65 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.60 (dd, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub>, J<sub>3,4</sub> 8.5 Hz, H-6b), 4.27 (dd, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub>, J<sub>3,4</sub> 2.0 Hz, H-5), 4.23-4.19 (m, 2H, H-3, H-4), 3.87-3.84 (m, 1H, H-2), 3.71 (s, 3H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.72 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> 2.5 Hz, 2-OH), 1.69 ((CDCl<sub>3</sub>- H<sub>2</sub>O peak), 1.57, 1.38 (2s, 6H, 2 x isopropylidene-CH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 166.38 (COPh), 155.64, 151.13 (ArC-O), 133.34, 130.00, 129.87(2), 128.55(2), 118.76(2), 114.56(2) (ArC), 110.98 [C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], 101.78 (C-1), 79.03, 73.53, 73.49, 71.60, 63.81 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.68 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 28.20, 26.46 (2 x isopropylidene-CH<sub>3</sub>). [77.413-76.906 = NMR solvent signal]



#### **3.** Determination of gel-sol transition temperature $(T_{gel})$ :

Figure S1: Plot of gel-sol transition temperature  $(T_{gel})$  against gelator concentration of 1,2dichlorobenzene gel of compound 1.

**4. DFT calculation:** The optimized geometry and vibrational transitions of galactoside **1** were evaluated using DFT calculations on B3LYP/6-31 G(d) level<sup>1</sup> with GAUSSIAN  $03.^2$  The starting point for the optimization process was the crystal structure of gelator molecule.



Figure S2: The calculated molecular conformation of compound 1 together with the assigned OH stretching modes  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ , and  $v_4$ .

**5.** Powder X-Ray Diffraction (PXRD): The PXRD patterns of compound 1, 2 and 3 in different states, bulk solid, xerogel and precipitate, were collected on a Rigaku SmartLab with a Cu K $\alpha$  radiation (1.540 Å). The tube voltage and amperage were set at 40 kV and 50 mA respectively. Each sample was scanned between 2° and 50° (20) with a step size of 0.02°. The instrument was previously calibrated using a silicon standard.

Formula	$C_{13}H_{18}O_{7}(1)$	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>22</sub> O <sub>7</sub> ( <b>2</b> )	$C_{23} H_{26}O_8(3)$
Crystal System	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P2(1)	P2(1)	C2
a [ Å ]	4.8576(6)	9.292(5)	20.410(4)
<i>b</i> [ Å ]	9.2069(12)	7.698(3)	5.8212(10)
c [ Å ]	14.7648(19)	12.322(5)	18.903(4)
α [0]	90	90	90
β [ <sup>0</sup> ]	95.696(8)	111.34(3)	95.216(7)
γ [ <sup>0</sup> ]	90	90	90
V [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	657.07(15)	821.0(6)	2236.6(7)
Z	2	2	4
λ[Å]	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
$\rho_{\text{calcd}} [\text{gcm}^{-3}]$	1.447	1.320	1.278
F[000]	304	348	912
μ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	0.118	0.104	0.097
θ [0]	2.61-34.20	2.35-31.43	2.16- 18.20
	$-5 \le h \le 6$	$-8 \le h \le 11$	$-23 \le h \le 9$
index range	$-11 \le k \le 11$	$-9 \le k \le 9$	$-5 \le k \le 4$
	$-18 \le l \le 18$	$-15 \le l \le 15$	$-19 \le l \le 21$
<i>T</i> [K]	298(2)	298(2)	298(2)
<i>R</i> 1	0.0550	0.0480	0.0344

 Table S1. Crystallographic Data and Structure Refinement Parameters of galactose derived

 crystals:

wR2	0.1834	0.1403	0.0649
R <sub>merge</sub>	0.0578	0.0568	0.0535
Parameters	186	213	284
GOF	1.367	1.059	1.100
reflns total	4793	6979	6471
unique reflns	2593	3420	1552
obsd reflns	2442	2995	8540
CCDC <sup>[a]</sup>	865731	865732	865730

## Hydrogen Bond Parameters:

**Table S2.** (Galactoside 1)

D HA <sup>a</sup>	D H	Н А	D A	(D—H A)/°
O4 H4O6 #1	0.820	1.980	2.785(3)	166.0
O5 H5A O6 #2	0.820	2.040	2.857(3)	172.0
O6 H6A O5	0.820	2.360	2.762(3)	111.0
O6 H6A O4 #3	0.820	2.050	2.805(3)	153.0
O7 H7 O4 #4	0.820	2.190	2.884(3)	142.0
C10 H10 O5 #5	0.980	2.2900	3.175(4)	149.0

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry transformation code: #1=1-x, 1/2+y, -z #2=2-x, 1/2+y, -z #3=2-x, -1/2+y, -z #4=x, -1+y, z #5= -1+x, y, z

### **Table S3.** (Galactoside 2)

D H A <sup>a</sup>	D H	Н А	D A	(D—H A)/°
O3 H3A O1 #	1 0.820	2.090	2.857(3)	156.0
O5 H5A O3 #	2 0.820	2.020	2.833(3)	168.0
C3 H3 O7 #	3 0.930	2.520	3.275(4)	139.0
C12 H12 O5 #	4 0.980	2.590	3.335(3)	133.0

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry transformation code: #1 = 1+x,y,z #2 = x,-1+y,z #3 = -1+x,y,z #4=-x,1/2+y,-z

 Table S4. (Galactoside 3)

D H A <sup>a</sup>	D H	Н А	D A	(D—H A )/°
O4 H5 O5 #1	0.820	2.000	2.777(5)	159.0
Сб Нб ОЗ	0.930	2.440	2.961(7)	115.0
C10 H10 O2 #2	0.980	2.560	3.525(6)	170.0
C16 H16A O8	0.970	2.290	2.712(7)	105.0
С23 Н23 О7	0.930	2.380	2.699(8)	100.0

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry transformation code:  $\#1 = 1/2-x, 1/2+y, -z \ \#2 = x, -1+y, z$ 





Figure S3: Proton NMR spectrum of compound 1 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.



Figure S4: Carbon NMR spectrum of compound 1 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.



Figure S5: Proton NMR spectrum of compound 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S6: Carbon NMR spectrum of compound 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.





Figure S7: Proton NMR spectrum of compound 3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S8: Carbon NMR spectrum of compound 3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

# 6. Mass spectra of compounds 1, 2 and 3:



Figure S9: Mass spectrum of compound 1.



Figure S10: Mass spectrum of compound 2.



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Figure S11: Mass spectrum of compound 3.

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