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1,4-Dithiothreitol Mediated Cleavage of Acetal and Ketal Type of Diol Protecting Groups

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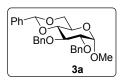
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1. General Comments

All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography over silica-gel-coated TLC plates (Yantai Chemical Industry Research Institute). The spots on TLC were visualized by warming 10% H₂SO₄ (10% H₂SO₄ in ethanol) sprayed plates on a hot plate. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (Qingdao Marine Chemical Inc., China), and Sephadex LH-20 (GE Healthcare Bio-Sciences AB, Sweden). 1,4-Dithiothreitol (DTT), (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA), Tf₂O, TMSOTf, 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP), 4-allyl-1,2-dimethoxbenzene (ADMB), 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylpyridine (DTBMP) and all other commercially available chemicals were purchased from Adamas and used without further purification. Molecular sieves (4Å, powder < 50 µm) for reactions were flame dried immediately before use. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-400 (400 MHz, ¹H; 100 MHz, ¹³C) spectrometer, and the ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts were referenced to the solvent or solvent impurity peaks for CDCl₃ at δ H 7.24 and δ C 77.23. Optical rotations were measured on a Rudolph Autopol IV automatic polarimeter using a quartz cell with 2 mL capacity and a 1 dm path length. Concentrations (c) are given in g/100 mL. High resolution mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker micrOTOF II spectrometer using electrospray ionization (ESI).

2. Preparation of Starting Materials

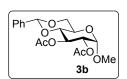
Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4,6-di-O-benzylidene-α-D-glucopyranoside (3a)



Compound **S1**¹ (6.2 g, 21.30 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (42.4 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (3.4 g, 85.02 mmol) was added slowly, followed by benzyl bromide (10.0 mL, 85.02 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and

stirred for 3 h. MeOH (10.0 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 1 h. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by chromatography to give **3a** (8.0 g, 83%) as white solid. R_f = 0.33 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 8:1). [α]_D²⁰ -31.2 (c, 5.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 93.0-94.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49-7.26 (15H, m, Ar-H), 5.54 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 4.90 (1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.85 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.82 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.69 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.58 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.25 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.03 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3), 3.81 (1H, m, H-5), 3.69 (1H, t, J = 10.0 Hz, H-6b), 3.61-3.53 (2H, m, H-2, H-4), 3.39 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for **3a** were essentially the same as reported in the literature ²

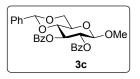
Methyl 2,3-di-O-acetyl-4,6-di-O-benzylidene-α-D-glucopyranoside (3b)



Compound **S1** (100.0 mg, 0.35 mmol), pyridine (1.2 mL), and acetic anhydride (0.2 mL, 1.42 mmol) were combined in a round-bottom flask and stirred at room temperature for 50 minutes until starting material was completely consumed. The reaction mixture

was diluted with ice-water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with 1 M HCl, water, saturated aqueous NaHCO3 and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give **3b** (103.0 mg, 82%) as white solid. R_f = 0.35 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1). [α]_D²⁰ +75.5 (c, 2.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 108.0-109.0 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.32 (5H, m, Ar-H), 5.56 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3), 5.49 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 4.92 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, H-1), 4.89 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 3.6 Hz, H-2), 4.29 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.0 Hz, H-6a), 3.91 (1H, m, H-5), 3.75 (1H, t, J = 10.4 Hz, H-6b), 3.63 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-4), 3.39 (3H, s, OMe), 2.08 (3H, s, OAc), 2.03 (3H, s, OAc). Analytical data for **3b** were essentially the same as reported in the literature ³

Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-β-D-glucopyranoside (3c)



Compound $S2^4$ (83.0 mg, 0.29 mmol) and 4-dimethylamino-pyridine (DMAP, 3.6 mg, 0.029 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM (1.5 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. BzCl (82.0 μ L, 0.71 mmol) was added slowly followed by Et₃N (0.2 mL,

0.88 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 2.5 h until starting material was completely consumed. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. And the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give 3c (137.0 mg, 95%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1). [α]_D²⁵ -10.8 (c, 1.2 in CHCl₃). m.p. 187.4-188.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.29 (15H, m, Ar-H), 5.78 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3), 5.54 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.45 (1H, dd, J = 9.2, 8.0 Hz, H-2), 4.70 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.44 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 3.90 (2H, m, H-6b, H-4), 3.69 (1H, m, H-5), 3.52 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for 3c were essentially the same as reported in the literature ⁵

Methyl 2,3-di-*O-p*-methoxybenzyl-4,6-di-*O*-benzylidene-α-D-glucopyranoside (3d)



Compound **S1** (200.0 mg, 0.71 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (2.8 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (113.4 mg, 2.83 mmol) was added slowly, followed by p-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.29 ml, 2.13 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room

temperature and stirred for 20 h. MeOH (1.0 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 10 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with water and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. And the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give **3d** (282.6 mg, 76%) as white solid. R_f = 0.53 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1). [α]_D²⁰ -39.4 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 97.1-98.3 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48-7.46 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.39-7.34 (3H, m, Ar-H), 7.29-7.25 (4H, m, Ar-H), 6.83 (4H, dd, J= 11.2, 8.8 Hz, Ar-H), 5.52 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 4.80 (1H, d, J= 11.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.75 (2H, t, J= 12.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.61 (1H, d, J= 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.51 (1H, d, J= 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.23 (1H, dd, J= 10.0, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.98 (1H, t, J= 9.2 Hz), 3.79 (3H, s, OMe), 3.77 (3H, s, OMe), 3.68 (1H, t, J= 10.0 Hz), 3.55 (1H, t, J= 9.2 Hz), 3.49 (1H, dd, J= 9.6, 4.0

Hz, H-6b), 3.37 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for **3d** were essentially the same as reported in the literature ⁶

2-(3-(Benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranoside (S7)

A solution of the glycosyl donor **S3**⁷ (2.0 g, 4.06 mmol), glycosyl acceptor 2-(3-(benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-ol **S4** ⁸ (2.1 g, 8.12 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (13.5 mL) in the presence of 4 Å MS

(100 wt%) was stirred for 10 min at -40 °C. After addition of TMSOTf (0.2 mL, 0.97 mmol), the solution was stirred at -40 °C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N, then filtered through Celite and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated to give **S5** as yellow oil. R_f = 0.33 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 2:1).

To a solution of the above product in MeOH (5.0 mL) was added K_2CO_3 (102.0 mg, 0.8 mmol) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, then filtered off and evaporated to dryness to give the deacetylated compound **S6** as white foam. R_f = 0.35 (CH₂Cl₂-MeOH 10:1).

To a solution of the above deprotect product (1.2 g, 2.85 mmol) in dry MeCN (19.0 mL) was added benzaldehyde dimethylacetal (0.7 mL, 4.28 mmol) followed by CSA (134.0 mg, 0.57 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h until TLC revealed complete consumption of the starting material. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N and then evaporated to remove the solvents. The residue was diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. And the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give benzylidene-protected compound \$7 (1.0 g, 56%, three steps) as white solid. R_f = 0.32 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). [α]_D²⁰ -26.1 (c, 1.05 in CHCl₃). m.p. 152.2-153.4 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.52-7.48 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.41-7.30 (6H, m, Ar-H), 7.04 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, Ar-H), 6.89 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 6.82 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, Ar-H), 5.58 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.11 (2H, s, PhCH₂O), 4.54(1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.39 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz), 4.24

(1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.02-3.96 (1H, m), 3.79 (3H, s, OMe), 3.77-3.71 (2H, m), 3.69-3.64 (1H, m), 3.49-3.40 (2H,m), 3.36-3.31 (1H, m), 2.83 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃COCD₃) δ 149.3, 149.2, 139.2, 138.7, 132.4, 129.5, 129.2, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 127.3, 127.3, 122.3, 116.1, 113.2 (Ar-C), 104.7 (PhCHO₂), 102.1 (C-1), 82.0, 75.8, 74.4, 71.4, 71.3, 69.3, 67.2, 56.2 (OMe), 36.3 (ArCH₂CH₂O). HRMS calc. for C₃₁H₃₄NaO₉ [M+Na]⁺: 531.1995, found: 531.1982.

2-(3-(Benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl-2-O-acetyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranoside (3e)

A solution of compound S7 (193.0 mg, 0.38 mmol), TBAOAc (69.0 mg, 0.23 mmol) and Ac_2O (39.0 μ L, 0.42 mmol) was dissolved in MeCN (1.9 mL) and the mixture was stirred for 11 h at 40 °C. The

reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with water, saturated NaHCO3 solution and brine sequentially, dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. And the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give 3e (100.3 mg, 48%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.35$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 2:1). $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -39.4 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 128.6-131.1 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53-7.31 (10H, m, Ar-H), 6.96 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, Ar-H), 6.89 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 6.78 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, Ar-H), 5.61 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.14 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 5.09 (1H, d, J = 12.0Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.87 (1H, t, J = 8.4 Hz, H-2), 4.78 (1H, d, J = 4.4 Hz), 4.61 (1H, d, J =8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.26 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.03-3.97 (1H, m), 3.86-3.76 (5H, m), 3.69-3.63 (1H, m), 3.57 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz), 3.49 (1H, m, H-5), 2.77 (2H, t, J = 6.8Hz), 1.94 (3H, s, CH₃). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4 (C=O), 148.5, 148.2, 137.4, 137.0, 131.2, 129.6, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.7, 126.5, 126.5, 121.7, 115.4, 112.1 (Ar-C), 102.1 (PhCHO₂), 101.5 (C-1), 81.1, 74.1, 72.4, 71.2, 71.1, 68.8, 66.3, 56.3 (OMe), 35.7 (ArCH₂CH₂O), 21.0 (CH₃CO). HRMS calc. for C₃₁H₃₄NaO₉ [M+Na]⁺: 573.2091, found: 573.2095.

2-(3-(Benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl-2,3-di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranoside (3f)

A solution of the glycosyl donor **S8**⁹ (20.0 mg, 0.03 mmol), glycosyl acceptor 2-(3-(benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-ol **S4**⁸ (6.4 mg, 0.03 mmol) and DTBMP (10.4 mg, 0.06 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂

(0.5 mL) in the presence of 4 Å MS (100 wt%) was stirred for 10 min at 0 °C. After addition of Tf₂O (5.0 μ L, 0.30 mmol), the solution was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N, then filtered through Celite and extracted

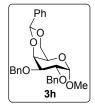
with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give **3f** (15.9 mg, 90%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.30$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 4:1). $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +7.32 (c, 0.71 in CHCl₃). m.p. 145.3-147.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.89 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.51-7.45 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.42-7.39 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.37-7.29 (10H, m, Ar-H), 6.66 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 6.62 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 6.49 (1H, d, J =8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 5.74 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz), 5.51 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.46 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.07 (2H, t, J = 13.2 Hz), 4.74 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.40 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.07-4.01 (1H, m), 3.90 (1H, t, J = 9.2 Hz), 3.84 (1H, t, J = 10.4 Hz), 3.72 (3H, s, OMe), 3.69-3.60 (2H, m), 2.73-2.69 (2H, m). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8 (C=O), 165.3 (C=O), 148.2, 148.0, 137.4, 136.9, 133.2, 133.2, 130.8, 129.9, 129.9, 129.9, 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.5, 127.5, 126.2, 126.2, 121.6, 115.0, 111.7 (Ar-C), 101.7 (PhCHO₂), 101.6 (C-1), 78.9, 72.5, 72.2, 71.2, 71.0, 68.8, 66.7, 56.0 (OMe), 35.6 (ArCH₂CH₂O). HRMS calc. for $C_{43}H_{40}NaO_{10}$ [M+Na]⁺: 739.2514, found: 739.2503.

Methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-4,6-di-*O*-(*p*-methoxybenzylidene)-α-D-glucopyranoside (3g)

Compound **S9** ¹⁰ (70.0 mg, 0.23 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (2.2 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (35.9 mg, 0.90 mmol) was added slowly followed by benzyl bromide (0.1 mL, 0.90 mmol). The mixture was

then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 3 h for complete conversion of the starting material. MeOH (1.0 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 10 minutes. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give $3\mathbf{g}$ as white solid (101.0 mg, 92%). R_f = 0.36 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1). [α]_D²⁰ +104.8 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 193.0-195.0 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.25 (12H, m, Ar-H), 6.88 (2H, d, J = 8.3 Hz, Ar-H from PMB), 5.49 (1H, s, ArCHO₂), 4.89 (1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.83 (2H, t, J = 10.8 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.68 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.57 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.23 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.02 (1H, t, J = 9.2 Hz, H-3), 3.83-3.77 (4H, m, OCH₃, H-5), 3.67 (1H, t, J = 10.4 Hz, H-6b), 3.54 (2H, m, H-2, H-4), 3.38 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for $3\mathbf{g}$ were essentially the same as reported in the literature ¹¹

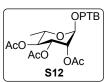
Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4,6-di-O-benzylidene-α-D-galactopyranoside (3h)



Compound **S10**¹² (0.6 g, 2.13 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (4.2 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (0.3 g, 8.50 mmol) was added slowly, followed by benzyl bromide (1.0 mL, 8.50 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 3 h. MeOH (1.0 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture

was stirred for a further 0.5 h. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give **3h** (8.4 g, 87%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 3:1). [α]_D²⁰ +144.0 (c, 0.57 in CHCl₃). m.p. 171.3-172.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43-7.41 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.32-7.15 (13H, m, Ar-H), 5.38 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 4.78 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.73 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.66 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, H-1), 4.64 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.58 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.12-4.06 (2H, m) , 3.96 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 3.2 Hz, H-6a), 3.91-3.86 (2H, m) , 3.48 (1H, s) , 3.28 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for **3h** were essentially the same as reported in the literature. ¹³

2-[(Propan-2-yl)sulfanyl]benzyl 2,3,4-tri-O-acetyl-α-L-rhamnose (S12)

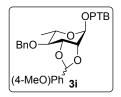


A solution of the glycosyl donor **S11**¹⁴ (7.9 g, 18.18 mmol) and acceptor PTB-OH ⁹ (5.0 g, 27.26 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (90.0 mL) in the presence of 4 Å MS (100 wt%) was stirred for 10 min at room temperature under argon. Then the mixture was stirred for 10

min at -40 °C. After addition of TMSOTf (0.7 mL, 3.60 mmol), the solution was stirred at -40 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N, then filtered through Celite and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with water and brine, dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel column chromatography give **S12** (6.8 g, 82%) as white syrup. $R_f = 0.50$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 2:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -55.5 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.39 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.26-7.22 (2H, m, Ar-H), 5.32 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 3.6 Hz, H-3), 5.28 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 1.6 Hz, H-2), 5.05 (1H, t, J = 10.0 Hz, H-4), 4.87 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.84 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-1), 4.65 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 3.98-3.91 (1H, m, H-5), 3.36-3.26 [1H, m, (CH₃)₂CH], 2.12 (3H, s, COCH₃), 2.01 (3H, s, COCH₃), 1.95 (3H, s, COCH₃), 1.25 [6H, dd, J = 2.4 Hz, (CH₃)₂CH], 1.19 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 170.2, 170.1 (C=O), 138.5, 134.8, 133.0, 129.0, 128.5, 127.3 (Ar-C), 97.3 (C-1), 71.3, 70.1, 69.4, 68.0, 66.7, 39.0 [SC(CH₃)₂], 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 21.1 (CH₃CO),

21.0 (<u>C</u>H₃CO), 20.9 (<u>C</u>H₃CO), 17.5 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₂₂H₃₀NaO₈S [M+Na]⁺: 477.1559 found: 477.1585.

2-[(Propan-2-yl)sulfanyl]benzyl 4-benzyl-2,3-di-O-(p-methoxybenzylidene)- α -L-rhamnose (3i)

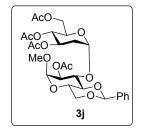


Compound **S12** (7.7 g, 17.09 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (34.0 mL). After addition of K_2CO_3 (164.0 mg, 5.13 mmol) the mixture was stirred for 1 h at 40 °C, then filtered off and evaporated to dryness to give the deacetylated compound as white syrup.

To a solution of the above deprotect product (150.0 mg, 0.77 mmol) in dry DMF (7.7 ml) was added benzaldehyde dimethylacetal (0.2 ml, 0.93 mmol) followed by CSA (19.6 mg, 0.08 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 85 °C under reduced pressure for 11 h until TLC revealed complete consumption of the starting material. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N and then evaporated to remove the solvents. The residue was diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layers were combined and washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine sequentially, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo. And the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to give *p*-methoxybenzylidene protected compound (171.0 mg, 71%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.40$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1).

The above protected compound (100.0 mg, 0.23 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (0.2 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (18.0 mg, 0.45 mmol) was added slowly followed by benzyl bromide (43.0 µL, 0.33 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 3 h for complete conversion of the starting material. MeOH was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 10 minutes. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by chromatography to give 3i (103.0 mg, 86%) as white syrup. $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 16:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -50.8 (c, 0.16 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45-6.88 (23.7H, m, Ar-H), 5.99 (1H, s, ArCHO₂), 5.85 (0.85H, s, ArCHO₂), 5.20 (0.85H, s, H-1), 5.10 (1H, s, H-1), 4.93 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.86 (0.85 H, d, J = 5.6 Hz), 4.84 (0.85 H, d, J = 3.2 Hz), 4.81 (1H, d, J =9.2 Hz), 4.70 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.66 (1H, d, J = 13.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.62-4.61 (1.85H, m), 4.54 (0.85H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.40 (0.85H, t, J = 6.4Hz, H-3), 4.25 (0.85H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 4.18 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz), 3.90-3.84 (1.85H, m, H-5), 3.81 (2.55H, s, OMe), 3.80 (3H, s, OMe), 3.39-3.26 [3.77H, m, SC(CH₃)₂], 1.33 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6), 1.29-1.25 [13.65H, m, SC(CH₃)₂, H-6]. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 160.7, 160.6, 138.7, 138.4, 138.3, 135.5, 135.3, 132.6, 131.0, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1, 114.1, 114.1, 114.0, 114.0 (Ar-C), 104.2, 103.0, 96.8, 96.6, 81.6, 80.0, 78.6, 78.4, 75.8, 75.8, 73.1, 72.8, 67.8, 67.8, 64.9, 64.9, 55.6 (OMe), 55.5 (OMe), 38.9 [SC(CH₃)₂], 38.9 [SC(CH₃)₂], 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.3 (isopropylidene CH₃), 18.1 (C-6), 18.0 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₃₁H₃₆NaO₆S [M+Na]+: 559.2130 found: 559.2146.

Methyl 3-*O*-(3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-α-D-arabino-hexopyranosyl)-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-*O*-acetyl-α-D-arabinopyranose (3j)



Compound **3j** was prepared according to the literature¹⁵ as colorless oil. $R_f = 0.56$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +91.2 (c, 0.3 in CHCl₃). ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40-7.32 (5H, m, Ar-H), 5.50 (1H, s, PhCH), 5.40 (1H, d, J=2.8Hz, H-1'), 5.21-5.15 (1H, m, H-3'), 4.97-4.92 (m, 2H, H-1, H-4'), 4.76 (1H, dd, J=3.2 Hz, 10.0 Hz, H-2), 4.30-4.20 (3H, m), 4.07 (1H, dd, J=12.0, 2.4 Hz Hz, H-6a), 3.90 (1H, ddd, J=10.0, 5.6,

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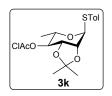
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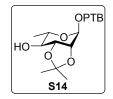
p-Tolyl 4-O-chloroacetyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene-1-thio-α-L-rhamnopyranoside (3k)



Compound **S13** 16 (100.0 mg, 0.32 mmol), chloroacetic anhydride (82.5 mg, 0.48 mmol) and DMAP (4.0 mg, 0.03 mmol) were dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1.6 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C. To the solution was added Et₃N (90.0 μ L, 0.64 mmol) under argon. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and

stirred for 1 h until the starting material was consumed. The mixture was diluted with water, extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with water, saturated NaHCO₃ and NaCl, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the residue was concentrated in vacuo. And purified by silica gel column chromatography to afford the compound **3k** (140.0 mg, 94%) as white solid. R_f = 0.45 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1). [α]_D²⁵ -146.1 (c, 2.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 74.0-78.3 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 7.11 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 5.68 (1H, s, H-1), 4.95 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 8.0 Hz, H-4), 4.35 (1H, d, J = 5.2 Hz, H-2), 4.25-4.20 (2H, m, H-3, H-5), 4.10 (2H, s, COCH₂Cl), 2.32 (3H, s, SC₆H₄CH₃), 1.55 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.34 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.12 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8 (ClCH₂CO), 138.4, 132.8, 132.8, 130.1, 130.1, 129.3 (Ar-C), 110.4 [C(CH₃)₂], 84.2 (C-1), 76.9 (C-3), 76.7 (C-2), 75.4 (C-4), 65.2 (C-5), 41.0 (COCH₂Cl), 27.9 (isopropylidene CH₃), 26.7 (isopropylidene CH₃), 21.4 (S-C₆H₄-CH₃), 17.0 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₁₈H₂₃ClNaO₆S [M+Na]⁺: 425.0796 found: 425.0775.

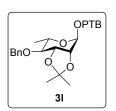
2-[(Propan-2-yl)sulfanyl]benzyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (S14)



Compound **S12** (7.7 g, 17.09 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (34.0 mL). After addition of K₂CO₃ (164.0 mg, 5.13 mmol) the mixture was stirred for 1 h at 40 °C, then filtered off and evaporated to dryness to give the deacetylated compound as white syrup. The above coarse products (53.0 mg, 0.16 mmol) was dissolved in 2,2-

dimethoxyl propane (2,2-DMP, 0.6 mL). To the solution was added CSA (3.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) and stirred for 0.5 h at room temperature for complete conversion of the starting material. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N, then concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give **S14** (58.8 mg, 99%) as yellow syrup. [α]_D²⁰ -26.0 (c, 0.1 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.39 (1H, dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.25 (1H, m, Ar-H), 7.21 (1H, m, Ar-H), 5.07 (1H, s, H-1), 4.87 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.63 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.17 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz H-2), 4.09 (1H, dd, J = 6.8, 6.0 Hz, H-4), 3.77 (1H, m, H-3),3.40 (1H, m, H-5), 3.35 [1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂], 2.33(1H, 4-OH), 1.51 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.33 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.29 (3H, d, J = 5.6 Hz, H-6), 1.28 (3H, d, J = 2.4 Hz, CH₃), 1.26 (3H, d, J = 2.4 Hz, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.6, 135.5, 132.6, 129.5, 128.6, 127.1 (Ar-H), 109.7, 96.9, 78.6, 76.1, 74.8, 67.9, 66.3, 38.9 [SC(CH₃)₂], 28.2 (isopropylidene CH₃), 26.4 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.4 [SC(CH₃)₂], 23.3 [SC(CH₃)₂], 17.6 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₁₉H₂₈NaO₅S [M+Na]⁺: 391.1555 found: 391.1557.

2-[(Propan-2-yl)sulfanyl]benzyl-4-O-benzyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (3l)

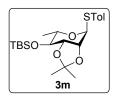


The isopropylidene protected compound S14 (58.8 mg, 0.16 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (0.80 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (19.2 mg, 0.48 mmol) was added slowly followed by benzyl bromide (38.0 μ L, 0.32 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h for complete

conversion of the starting material. MeOH was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 10 minutes. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by chromatography to give **3l** (67.0 mg, 92%) as colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.42$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 20:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -47.4 (c, 1.3 in CHCl₃). 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.19 (9H, m, Ar-H), 5.07 (1H, s, H-1), 4.88 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.84 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.64 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.61 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.28 (1H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, H-3), 4.18 (1H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-2), 3.79 (1H, m, H-5), 3.34 [1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂], 3.22 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 7.2 Hz, H-4), 1.49 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.35 (3H, s,

isopropylidene CH₃), 1.27 (9H, m, S(CH₃)₂, H-6). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.8, 138.6, 135.3, 132.7, 129.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.2, 128.2, 127.8, 127.1 (Ar-C), 109.4, 96.7, 81.4, 78.9, 76.4, 73.2, 67.7, 65.0, 38.9 [SC(CH₃)₂], 28.2 (isopropylidene CH₃), 26.6 (isopropylidene CH₃), 23.4 [SC(CH₃)₂], 23.3 [SC(CH₃)₂], 18.0 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₂₆H₃₄NaO₅S [M+Na]⁺: 481.2025 found: 481.2037.

p-Tolyl 4-*O*-tert-butyl-dimethylsilyl-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-1-thio-α-L-rhamnopyr-anoside (3m)



Compound **S13** ¹⁶ (100.0 mg, 0.32 mmol) and imidazole (87.7 mg, 1.29 mmol) were dissolved in dry MeCN (3.2 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. To the solution was added TBDMSCl (146.0 mg, 0.97 mmol) under argon. The reaction mixture was warmed to 40 °C and stirred for 12 h until the starting material was consumed.

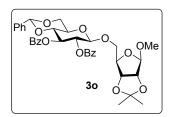
The mixture was diluted with water, extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with water and saturated NaCl, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and the residue was concentrated in vacuo. And purified by silica gel column chromatography to afford the compound **3m** (132.0 mg, 96%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.80$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 10:1). [α]_D²⁵ -175.0 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 69.4-71.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.10 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 5.63 (1H, s, H-1), 4.29 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz, H-2), 4.01 (2H, m, H-3, H-5), 3.28 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 7.2 Hz, H-4), 2.31 (3H, s, S-C₆H₄-CH₃), 1.50 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.33 (3H, s, isopropylidene CH₃), 1.16 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6), 0.89 (9H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.13 (3H, s, CSiCH₃), 0.067 (3H, s, CSiCH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 132.7, 132.7, 130.0, 130.0, 129.3 (Ar-H), 109,4 [(CH₃)₂ CO₂], 84.5 (C-1), 79.1 (C-3), 77.4 (C-2), 76.4 (C-4), 67.7 (C-5), 28.4 (isopropylidene CH₃), 26.8 (isopropylidene CH₃), 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 21.4 (S-C₆H₄-CH₃), 18.3 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 17.8 (C-6), -3.7 (SiCH₃), -4.7 (SiCH₃). HRMS calc. for C₂₂H₃₆NaO₄SSi [M+Na]⁺: 447.1996 found: 447.2019.

Diosgenyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-β-D-glucopyranoside (3n)

A solution of the glycosyl donor **S8** ⁹ (89.6 mg, 0.13 mmol), 4-allyl-1,2-dimethoxbenzene (ADMB, 57.2 μL, 0.33

mmol) and 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylpyri-dine (DTBMP, 27.4 mg, 0.13 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (2.0 mL) in the presence of 4 Å MS (100 wt%) was stirred for 15 min at 0 °C. After addition of Tf₂O (22.5 µL, 0.13 mmol), the solution was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and then the glycosyl acceptor diosgenin (46.0 mg, 0.11 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (0.7 mL) was added. The solution was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. The reaction mixture was quenched with Et₃N, then filtered through Celite and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give 3n (83.5 mg, 72%) as white solid. R_f = 0.43 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1). [α]_D²² +8.5 (c, 1.2 in CHCl₃). m.p. 75.8-80.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (4H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 7.52-7.28 (11H, m, Ar-H), 5.74 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3), 5.52 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.42 (1H, dd, J= 9.2, 8.0 Hz, H-2), 5.21 (1H, d, J = 4.8 Hz, H-6), 4.88 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.38(2H, m), 3.90 (1H, t, J = 9.2 Hz, H-4), 3.87 (1H, t, J = 10.4 Hz), 3.66 (1H, dt, J = 10.0, dt)5.2 Hz), 3.55-3.43 (2H, m), 3.35 (1H, t, J = 10.8 Hz), 0.94 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 0.89 (3H, s), 0.76 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 0.73 (3H, s), 2.20-0.83 (24H, m). Analytical data for 3n were essentially the same as reported in the literature 8

Methyl 2,3-O-methylethylidene-5-O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- β -D-ribofuranoside (30)

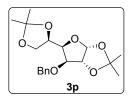


Glycosyl donor $S15^{17}$ (18.7 mg, 0.036 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and acceptor $S16^{18}$ (8.8 mg, 0.043 mmol, 1.2 equiv) were azeotroped with toluene and dissolved in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (0.72 mL, C = 0.05 mol/L). Freshly activated 4 Å molecµLar sieves (40.0 mg), NIS (9.7 mg, 0.043 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and AgOTf (3.5 mg, 0.0015 mmol, 0.4 equiv) were

added successively. The mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1.5 h under argon, then was treated with NaHCO₃/Na₂S₂O₃ (sat. aq.), diluted with EtOAc and filtered through a pad of celite. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, concentrated in vacuo, and purified by s silica gel column chromatograph (petroleum-acetone 8:1) to give **3o** (16.6 mg, 70%) as white solid. R_f = 0.41 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 3:1). [α]_D²⁵ -19.5 (c, 0.87 in CHCl₃). m.p. 176.1-177.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-7.93 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.50-7.28 (11H, m, Ar-H), 5.76 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3'), 5.53 (1H, s, PhCHO₂), 5.47 (1H, dd, J = 9.2, 8.0 Hz, H-2'), 4.85 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-1, H-1'), 4.56 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz, H-2), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-3), 4.43 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 5.2 Hz, H-6a'), 4.23 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 3.86 (3H, m), 3.66 (2H, m), 3.20 (3H, s, OCH₃), 1.35 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.15 (3H, s, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8 (C=O), 165.3 (C=O), 136.9, 133.4, 133.3, 130.1, 130.1, 130.0, 130.0, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 126.3, 126.3 (Ar-C), 112.5,

109.5, 101.7, 101.5, 85.1, 84.8, 82.0, 78.9, 72.4, 72.2, 70.3, 68.3, 66.9, 50.0 (OMe), 26.5 [($\underline{C}H_3$)₂CO₂], 24.9 [($\underline{C}H_3$)₂CO₂]. HRMS calc. for $C_{36}H_{38}NaO_{12}$ [M+Na]⁺: 685.2255, found: 685.2252.

1,2:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-benzyl-α-D-glucofuranose (3p)

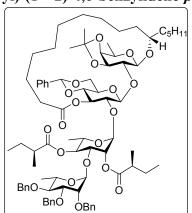


Add D-glucose (1.0 g, 5.55 mmol) to a solution of iodine (0.3 g, 1.18 mmol) in acetone (50.0 mL) and stir the suspension at room temperature for 4 h. After this time the sugar will have dissolved completely and the reaction will have gone to completion by TLC analysis. Quench the reaction by the addition of dilute sodium

thiosulfate solution to render the reaction mixture colourless, then remove the acetone in vacuo. Transfer the aqueous solution to a separatory funnel and extract with EtOAc, then wash the combined organic layers with distilled water, dry Na₂SO₄ and remove solvents in vacuo to afford the crude product. Recrystallization from petroleum ether gave S17 (1.1 g, 76%) of white crystals. The crystals are not processed directly for the next step. The di-isopropylidene protected compound S17 (250.0 mg, 0.96 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (4.8 mL), and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. NaH (115.0 mg, 2.88 mmol) was added slowly followed by benzyl bromide (0.3 mL, 2.88 mmol). The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 3 h for complete conversion of the starting material. MeOH was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was stirred for a further 10 minutes. The mixture was then concentrated under diminished pressure and purified by chromatography to give 3p (101.0 mg, 99%) as colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.35$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -21.5 (c, 1.34 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.27 (5H, m, Ar-H), 5.88 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.67 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.62 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.57 (1H,J = 4.0 Hz, H-2, 4.35 (1H, m, H-5),4.11 (2H, m, H-3, H-4), 3.99 (2H, m), 1.47 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.41 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.36 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.29 (3H, s, CH₃). Analytical data for **3p** were essentially the same as reported in the literature ¹⁹

1,3(B)-Lactone of (S)-1-(Hydroxycarbonyl)pentadec-10-yl O-(2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-2,4-di-O-(2S-methylbutyryl)- α -L-rhamnopyranos-

yl)- $(1\rightarrow 2)$ -4,6-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 2)$ -3,4-O-isopropylidene- β -D-



5b

fucopyranoside (5b)

Compound **5b** was prepared according to the literature²⁰ as white solid. $R_f = 0.55$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1). m.p. 55-60 °C. $[\alpha]_D^{19}$ -13.0 (c, 1.1 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44-7.22 (20H,

m, Ar-H), 5.51 (1H, s), 5,31 (1H, dd, J = 7.2 H_Z, J = 9.2 Hz), 5.18 (1H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 5.11 (1H, t, J = 2.8 Hz), 5.07 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz), 5.03 (1H, t, J = 10.0 Hz), 4.96 (1H, d, J = 1.2 Hz), 4.86 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.72 (1H, d, J = 12.8 Hz), 4.68 (1H, d, J = 12.8 Hz), 4.58 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.52 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.39-4.24 (2H, m), 4.12-4.08 (2H, m), 3.99 (1H, m), 3.90-3.44 (12H, m), 2.44 (3H, m), 2.18 (1H, m), 1.47 (3H, s), 1.36 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 1.29 (3H, s), 1.23 (6H, m), 1.13 (3H, m), 1.04 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 0.87 (6H, m), 0.81 (3H, m).

3. DTT Mediated Cleavage of Acetal and Ketal Protecting Groups

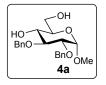
3.1 General Procedures

General Procedure A: To a stirred solution of the acetal protected subtrates 3 or 5 (1.0 equiv) and DL-1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT, 2.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (c = 0.1 M) was added (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solution was extracted with EtOAc, washed with aqueous NaCl, dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and the solvent removed under vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the pure product 4 or 6. If the acid-sensitive functional groups exist, it is necessary to quench the reaction with Et_3N after completion of the reaction.

General Procedure B: To a stirred solution of the ketal protected subtrates **3** (1.0 equiv) and DL-1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT, 2.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (c = 0.3 M) was added (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solution was extracted with EtOAc, washed with aqueous NaCl, dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and the solvent removed under vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the pure product **4**. If the acid-sensitive functional groups exist, it is necessary to quench the reaction with Et_3N after completion of the reaction.

3.2 Product Characterization Data

Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (4a)



Deprotected from **3a** (26.0 mg, 0.056 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4a** (19.7 mg, 94%) as white solid. R_f =

0.26 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +17.4 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 75.1-76.2 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.15 (10H, m, Ar-H), 4.91 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.66 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.54 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 3.71-3.59 (3H, m, H-3, H-6a, H-6b), 3.52-3.48 (1H, m, H-5), 3.42-3.36 (2H, m, H-2, H-4), 3.26 (3H, s, OMe), 2.28 (1H, br s, OH), 1.88 (1H, br s, OH). Analytical data for **4a** were essentially the same as reported in the literature. ²¹

Gram scale: To a stirred solution of the acetal protected subtrates 3a (1.5 g, 3.24 mmol) and DL-1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT, 1.0 g, 6.48 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (16.2 ml) was added (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA, 75.3 mg, 0.32 mmol) at room temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solution was extracted with EtOAc, washed with aqueous NaCl, dried with anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed under vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the pure product 4a (1.1 g, 92%).

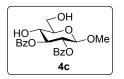
Methyl 2,3-di-O-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranoside (4b)



Deprotected from **3b** (20.5 mg, 0.057 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4b** (15.6 mg, 98%) as white solid. R_f = 0.31 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). [α]_D²⁰ +137.8 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). m.p. 116.0-117.0 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.27 (1H, m, H-3),

4.88 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.80 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 3.6 Hz, H-2), 3.85 (2H, m, H-5, H-6a), 3.68 (2H, m, H-4, H-6b), 3.38 (3H, s, OMe), 2.08 (3H, s, OAc), 2.06 (3H, s, OAc). Analytical data for **4b** were essentially the same as reported in the literature.

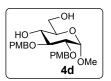
Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzoyl-β-D-glucopyranoside (4c)



Deprotected from **3c** (21.0 mg, 0.043 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4c** (15.9 mg, 93%) as white syrup. R_f = 0.21 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). [α]_D²⁰ +92.8 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-7.92 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.

50-7.46 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.37-7.32 (4H, m, Ar-H), 5.42 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 8.8 Hz, H-3), 5.37 (1H, dd, J = 9.2, 7.2 Hz, H-2), 4.63 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.01-3.89 (3H, m, H-4, H-6a, H-6b), 3.57 (1H, ddd, J = 9.6, 7.6 4.0 Hz, H-5), 3.50 (3H, s, OMe), 3.45 (1H, br s, OH), 2.36 (1H, br s, OH). Analytical data for **4c** were essentially the same as reported in the literature. ²³

Methyl 2,3-di-*O-p*-methoxybenzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (4d)



Deprotected from **3d** (14.8 mg, 0.028 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4d** (10.2 mg, 83%) as colorless oil. R_f =0.47 (petroleum ether-EdetOAc 1:2). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.27 (4H, m, Ar-H), 6.88-6.85 (4H, m, Ar-H), 4.92

(1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.70 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.58 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.52 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 3.79 (3H, s, OMe), 3.78 (3H, s, OMe), 3.75 (1H, m), 3.72-3.68 (2H, m), 3.60-3.55 (1H, m, H-5), 3.47-3.42 (2H, m, H-2, H-4), 3.35 (3H, s, OMe). Analytical data for **4d**

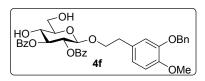
were essentially the same as reported in the literature 24

2-(3-(Benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl-2-O-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranoside (4e)

Deprotected from **3e** (33.1 mg, 0.060 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4e** (23.9 mg, 86%) as white solid. R_f =0.20 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -21.7 (c, 1.20 in CHCl₃). m.p.

117.8-119.0 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43-7.26 (5H, m, Ar-H), 6.78-6.68 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.11 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz, PhCH₂O), 5.07 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.73 (1H, dd, J = 8.8, 8.0 Hz), 4.49 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz), 4.33 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 4.18 (1H, d, J = 5.2 Hz), 4.00 (1H, m), 3.83 (2H, br s), 3.80 (3H, s, OMe), 3.64 (1H, td, J = 9.6, 4.0 Hz), 3.55-3.49 (2H, m), 3.34-3.30 (1H, m), 3.24 (1H, dt, J = 9.2, 2.8 Hz), 2.71 (2H, m), 1.93 (3H, s, OAc). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1 (C=O), 149.4, 149.1, 137.4, 131.2, 128.7, 128.7, 128.0, 127.6, 127.6, 121.7, 115.3, 112.0 (Ar-C), 101.1 (C-1), 75.6, 75.3, 73.8, 71.2, 71.1, 70.2, 61.7, 56.2 (OMe), 35.6 (ArCH₂CH₂O), 21.1 (CH₃CO). HRMS calc. for C₂₄H₃₀NaO₉ [M+Na]⁺: 485.1782, found: 485.1783.

2-(3-(Benzyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl-2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranoside (4f)



Deprotected from **3f** (23.5 mg, 0.033 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4f** (19.0 mg, 93%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $\lceil \alpha \rceil_D^{24} + 48.4$ (c, 1.1 in CHCl₃). m.p. 46.8-

49.1 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.88 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.51-7.28 (11H, m, Ar-H), 6.65 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 6.61 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 6.48 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 5.37 (2H, m,), 5.06 (2H, s), 4.67 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, H-1), 4.06-3.83 (4H, m), 3.71 (3H, s, OMe), 3.65-3.59 (1H, m), 3.56-3.52 (1H, m), 2.74-2.67 (2H, m). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7 (C=O), 165.4 (C=O), 148.2, 148.0, 137.4, 133.7, 133.3, 130.9, 130.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.8, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 127.5, 121.6, 115.1, 111.8 (Ar-C), 101.1 (C-1), 77.4, 75.9, 71.5, 71.1, 71.0, 70.2, 62.4 (C-6), 56.0 (OMe), 35.6 (ArCH₂CH₂O). HRMS calc. for C₃₆H₃₆NaO₁₀ [M+Na]⁺: 651.2200, found: 651.2212.

Methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (4h)

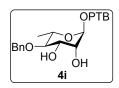


Deprotected from **3h** (26.7 mg, 0.058 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4h** (20.8 mg, 96%) as colourless oil. R_f = 0.38 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). [α]_D²⁵ +43.0 (c, 0.74 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.17 (10H, m, Ar-H), 4.91 (1H, d, J

= 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.66 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.55 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 3.69-3.59 (3H, m, H-3, H-6a, H-6b), 3.52-3.48 (1H, m, H-5), 3.42-3.36 (2H, m, H-2, H-4), 3.26 (3H, s, OMe), 2.22 (1H, br s, OH), 1.82 (1H, br s, OH). Analytical data for **4h**

were essentially the same as reported in the literature 25

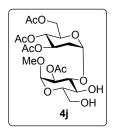
2-[(Propan-2-yl)sulfanyl]benzyl 4-O-benzyl-α-L-rhamnose (4i)



Deprotected from **3i** (22.0 mg, 0.043 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4i** (17.3 mg, 96%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.54$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -50.2 (c, 1.29 in CHCl₃). m.p. 50.5-52.9 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34-

7.09 (9H, m, Ar-H), 4.80 (1H, s, H-1), 4.73 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.63 (2H, t, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.54 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 3.87-3.83 (2H, m, H-2, H-3), 3.76-3.69 (1H, m, H-5), 3.28-3.21 [2H, m, H-4, CH(CH₃)₂], 2.34 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, OH), 2.26 (1H, d, J = 4.8 Hz, OH), 1.25 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-6), 1.16 (6H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.8, 138.4, 135.0, 132.6, 129.0, 128.8, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 128.2, 128.2, 127.1 (Ar-C), 99.1 (C-1), 81.9 (C-4), 75.2 (C-2), 71.7 (C-3), 71.4 (C-5), 67.8 (PhCH₂O), 67.7 (PhCH₂O), 38.8[SCH(CH₃)₂], 23.3 [SCH(CH₃)₂], 18.2 (C-6). HRMS calc. for C₂₃H₃₀NaO₅S [M+Na]⁺: 441.1706, found: 441.1717.

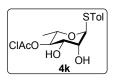
Methyl3-O-(3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- α -D-arabino-hexopyranosyl)-2-O-acetyl- α -D-arabinopyranose (4j)



Deprotected from **3j** (11.8 mg, 0.020 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4j** (9.5 mg, 95%) as colorless oil. R_f = 0.18 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:2). [α]_D²⁰ +127.3 (c, 0.88 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.39 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-1'), 5.23-5.17 (1H, m, H-3'), 4.98 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz,H-4'), 4.85 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1), 4.72 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 3.6 Hz, H-2), 4.20 (1H,

dd, J = 12.0, 4.4 Hz, H-6a'), 4.14-4.08 (2H, m), 4.00 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz), 3.83 (2H, d, J = 3.6 Hz), 3.77 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz), 3.62-3.58 (1H, m, H-5), 3.40 (1H, brs, OH), 3.34 (3H, s, OMe), 2.28 (1H, m), 2.10, 2.08, 2.01, 1.99 (12H, 4s, 4 COCH₃), 1.75 (2H, td, J = 12.4, 3.2 Hz). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 170.8, 170.7, 170.1 (\underline{C} =O), 97.6, 97.3, 72.0, 71.1, 70.9, 69.4, 69.2, 68.9, 62.5, 62.2, 55.4 (OCH₃), 35.3 (C-2'), 21.2 (CH₃), 21.1 (CH₃), 20.9 (CH₃), 20.9 (CH₃). HRMS calc. for C₂₁H₃₂NaO₁₄ [M+Na]⁺: 531.1690, found: 531.1693.

S-p-Tolyl 4-chloroacetyl-1-thio-α-L-rhamnose (4k)

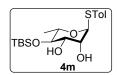


Deprotected from **3k** (24.2 mg, 0.062 mmol) according to the General Procedure **B** to give product **4k** (20.2 mg, 93%) as white solid. R_f = 0.22 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 2:1). [α]_D²⁵ -211.8 (c, 0.51 in CHCl₃). m.p. 145.5-146.9 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

7.34-7.32 (2H, d, Ar-H), 7.12-7.10 (2H, d, Ar-H), 5.41 (1H, s, H-1), 4.94 (1H, t, J = 9.6 Hz, H-4), 4.34 (1H, m, H-5), 4.21 (1H, s, H-2), 4.13 (2H, s, CH₂),3.91 (1H, m, H-3), 2.75 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, OH), 2.66 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, OH), 2.32 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.22 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.1 (C=O), 138.3, 132.4, 132.4, 130.2, 130.2, 129.8 (Ar-C), 88.1 (C-1), 77.4 (C-3), 72.7 (C-2), 70.5 (C-4), 67.0 (C-5), 41.0 (ClCH₂CO), 21.3 (S-C₆H₄-CH₃), 17.5 (C-6). HRMS calc. for

C₁₅H₂₀ClNaO₆S [M+Na]⁺: 369.0539, found: 369.0526.

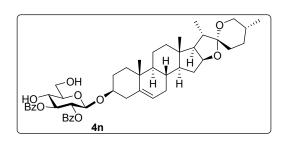
S-p-Tolyl 4-tert-butyldimethylsilyl-1-thio-α-L-rhamnose (4m)



Deprotected from **3m** (24.0 mg, 0.057 mmol) according to the General Procedure **B** to give product **4m** (16.0 mg, 75%) as white syrup. R_f = 0.20 (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1). [α]_D²⁵ -182.5 (c, 1.25 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.09 (4H, m, Ar-H),

5.37 (1H, d, J = 0.8 Hz, H-1), 4.15 (1H, s, H-2), 4.10 (1H, m, H-3), 3.75 (1H, m, H-5), 3.51 (1H, t, J = 8.8 Hz, H-4), 2.56 (1H, brs, OH), 2.31 (3H, s, CH₃), 2.28 (1H, brs, OH), 1.25 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6), 0.90 [9H, s, C(CH)₃], 0.13 [3H, s, Si(CH₃)₂], 0.10 [3H, s, Si(CH₃)₂]. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 132.4, 132.4, 130.4, 130.1, 130.1 (Ar-C), 88.1 (C-1), 75.2 (C-3), 72.9 (C-2), 72.8 (C-4), 69.9 (C-5), 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 26.1 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 21.3 (ArCH₃), 18.4 [SiC(CH₃)₃], 18.1 (C-6), -3.6 [Si(CH₃)₂], -4.2 [Si(CH₃)₂], HRMS calc. for C₁₉H₃₂NaO₅SSi [M+Na]⁺: 407.1688, found: 407.1690.

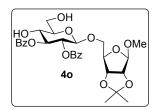
Diosgenyl 2,3-Di-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-glucopyranoside (4n)



Deprotected from **3n** (26.0 mg, 0.030 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4n** (19.6 mg, 85%) as white syrup. $R_f = 0.47$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +92.8 (c, 1.0 in CHCl₃). 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.96-7.93 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.49 (2H, td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, Ar-

H), 7.36 (4H, t, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 5.40-5.33 (2H, m, H-2, H-3), 5.21 (2H, d, J = 5.2 Hz), 4.81 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.37 (1H, q, J = 7.6 Hz), 3.95 (2H, m), 3.87 (1H, dd, J = 12.0, 4.8 Hz), 3.58-3.43 (3H, m), 3.34 (1H, t, J = 10.8 Hz), 2.18-1.00 (26H, m), 0.94 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, Me), 0.89 (3H, s, Me), 0.76 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, Me), 0.73 (3H, s, Me). Analytical data for **4n** were essentially the same as reported in the literature. ²⁶

Methyl 2,3-O-methylethylidene-5-O-(2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- β -D-ribofuranoside (40)

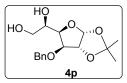


Deprotected from **3o** (13.2 mg, 0.020 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4o** (10.2 mg, 90%) as white solid. $R_f = 0.22$ (petroleum ether-EtOAc 1:1). $[\alpha]_D^{24} +26.3$ (c, 0.3 in CHCl₃). m.p. 175.0-180.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.95-7.93 (4H, m, Ar-H), 7.52-7.46 (2H, m,

Ar-H), 7.38-7.33 (4H, m, Ar-H),5.40 (2H, m), 4.86 (1H, s, H-1), 4.77 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1'), 4.62 (1H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-2), 4.49 (1H, d, J = 5.6 Hz, H-3), 4.26 (1H, t, J = 6.8 Hz), 4.00 (1H, dd, J = 12.0, 2.8 Hz), 3.89 (2H, m), 3.72 (2H, m), 3.59 (1H, m), 3.24(3H, s, OCH₃), 1.37 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.18 (3H, s, CH₃). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

 δ 167.9 (C=O), 165.3 (C=O), 133.8, 133.4, 130.2, 130.2, 130.0, 130.0, 129.5, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5 (Ar-C), 112.6, 109.2, 101.3, 85.4, 85.1, 82.3, 77.4, 76.5, 71.3, 70.2, 62.4, 55.0 (OMe), 26.5 [CH(CH₃)], 24.9 [CH(CH₃)]. HRMS calc. for C₂₉H₃₄NaO₁₂ [M+Na]⁺: 597.1942, found: 597.1955.

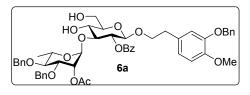
3-O-Benzyl-1,2-O-isopropylidene-α-D-glucofuranose (4p)



Deprotected from **3p** (22.5 mg, 0.064 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give product **4p** (18.5 mg, 93%) as colourless oil. R_f = 0.20 (petroleum - EtOAc 1:1). [α]_D²⁰ -49.5 (c, 1.05 in CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.15 (5H, m,

Ar-H), 5.83 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, H-1), 4.63 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.52 (1H, d, J = 3.6 Hz, H-2), 4.44 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, PhCH₂O), 4.01 (2H, m, H-3, H-4), 3.92 (1H, m, H-5), 3.70 (1H, dd, J = 11.6, 3.6 Hz, H-6a), 3.58 (1H, dd, J = 11.6, 5.6 Hz, H-6b), 2.91 (2H, brs, OH), 1.38 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.21 (3H, s, CH₃). Analytical data for **4p** were essentially the same as reported in the literature.

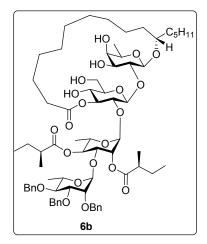
2-(4-(Benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)ethyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-(2-O-acetyl-3,4-di-O-benzyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)- β -D-glucopyranoside (6a)



Deprotected from **5a** (20.0 mg, 0.020 mmol) according to the General Procedure **A** to give **6a** (16.4 mg, 90%). Altertively, increase the amount of CSA to 1.0 equiv shortened the reaction to 10 h and gave **6a** (17.9 mg, 98%) as

white solid, $R_f = 0.24$ (petroleum - EtOAc 1:1). [α] $\frac{20}{1}$ +19.8 (c, 0.41 in CHCl₃). m.p. 110.9-112.8 °C ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03-8.01 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 7.58-7.11 (18H, m, Ar-H), 6.66 (1H, brs, H-2), 6.63 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-6), 6.50 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 5.14 (1H, t, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2_{Glu}), 5.06 (2H, s, PhC H_2 O), 4.95 (1H, appar. s, H-2_{Rham}), 4.84-4.82 (2H, m), 4.54 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-1_{Glu}), 4.52 (1H, d, J = 11.2 Hz, PhC H_2), 4.21 (2H, s, PhC H_2), 4.04-4.00 (2H, m), 3.98-3.90 (2H, m), 3.84-3.77 (2H, m), 3.71 (3H, s, OMe), 3.68-3.56 (3H, m), 3.41-3.34 (2H, m), 2.70 (2H, m, ArC H_2 CH₂O), 2.12 (1H, brs. OH), 1.97 (3H, s, OAc), 1.30 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-6_{Rham}). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0 (\underline{C} =O), 165.3 (\underline{C} =O), 148.2, 148.0, 138.3, 137.7, 137.4, 133.4, 130.9, 129.9, 129.9, 129.8, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.5, 121.6, 115.1, 111.8 (Ar-C), 101.0 (C-1'), 99.8 (C-1''), 86.6, 79.4, 77.0, 75.4, 75.3, 72.1, 71.5, 71.0, 70.9, 70.4, 69.6, 68.8, 62.6, 56.0 (OMe), 35.6 (Ar \underline{C} H₂CH₂O), 21.0 (\underline{C} H₃CO), 18.2 (C-6_{Rham}). HRMS calc. for C₅₁H₅₆NaO₁₄ [M+Na]⁺: 915.3562, found: 915.3549.

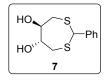
1,3(B)-Lactone of (S)-1-(Hydroxycarbonyl)pentadec-10-yl O-(2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-2,4-di-O-(2S-methylbutyryl)- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-fucopyranoside (6b)



Deprotected from **5b** (22.0 mg, 0.015 mmol) to give **6b** (18.3 mg, 90%) as white solid with 4.0 equiv DTT and 1.0 equiv CSA. $R_f = 0.51$ (DCM-MeOH 10:1). [α] $\frac{20}{9} + 0.39$ (c, 1.8 in CHCl₃). m.p. 56.0-64.0 °C. 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.21 (15H, m, Ar-H), 5.10 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 5.04-4.98 (4H, m), 4.92 (1H, s), 4.86 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.71 (1H, d, J = 12.8 Hz), 4.66 (1H, d, J = 12.8 Hz), 4.58-4.49 (3H, m), 4.17-4.12 (2H, m), 4.07 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 2.4 Hz), 3.97 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 3.89 (2H, m), 3.71-3.47 (14H, m), 2.73 (1H, m), 2.45-2.35 (2H, m), 2.19 (1H, m), 1.71-1.53 (6H, m), 1.45-1.19 (29H, m), 1.13 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz),

1.11 (3H, d, J = 7.2 H_Z), 1.03 (3H, d, J = 6.8 H_Z), 0.88-0.84 (6H, m), 0.79 (3H, t, J = 7.2 H_Z). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.1, 175.5, 175.3, 139.1, 138.6, 138.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 127.8, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.6, 127.5, 102.2, 101.1, 98.9, 97.2, 81.9, 80.7, 80.2, 80.2, 79.0, 75.8, 75.5, 75.3, 75.0, 74.6, 72.8, 72.8, 72.5, 72.2, 72.0, 71.2, 70.7, 69.1, 67.2, 62.2, 41.4, 34.6, 34.3, 32.0, 31.5, 29.5, 27.9, 27.7, 26.8, 26.6, 26.4, 25.5, 24.3, 23.5, 22.8, 18.0, 17.0, 17.0, 16.7, 14.3, 12.0, 11.9. HRMS calc. for C₇₁H₁₀₄NaO₂₁ [M+Na]⁺: 1315.6962, found: 1315.7015.

1,3-Dithiepane (7)



Separated from the deprotection of **3a** to **4a** according to the General Procedure **A**. 67%. White solid. $R_f = 0.44$ (petroleum-EtOAc 1:1). m.p. 102.3-104.4 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.34-7.26 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.21 (1H, s, PhCHS₂), 3.95

(1H, t, J = 6.4 Hz, CHOH), 3.88 (1H, t, J = 6.0 Hz, CHOH), 3.29 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 2.0 Hz, CH₂SR), 3.16 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 6.8 Hz, CH₂SR), 3.01 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 1.6 Hz, CH₂SR), 2.92 (1H, dd, J = 15.6, 8.8 Hz, CH₂SR), 2.74 (2H, brs, OH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃COCD₃) δ 141.3, 128.5, 128.5, 128.0, 127.5, 127.5 (Ar-C), 77.6 (CHOH), 77.5 (CHOH), 54.9 (PhCHS₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 34.2 (CH₂). HRMS calc. for C₁₁H₁₄NaO₂S₂ [M+Na]⁺: 265.0333, found: 265.0302.

2-Phenyl-1,3-dithiolane (8)



Separated from the deprotection of **3a** to **4a** according to the General Procedure **A** with 1,2-ethanedithiol instead of DTT. 80%. White solid. R_f = 0.50 (petroleum-EtOAc 100:1). m.p. 68.3-70.5 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.31-7.26 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.62 (1H,

s, PhCHS₂), 3.52-3.46 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.38-3.32 (2H, m, CH₂). Analytical data for $\bf 8$ were essentially the same as reported in the literature. ²⁸

2-Phenyl-1,3-dithiane (9)



Separated from the deprotection of **3a** to **4a** according to the General Procedure **A** with 1,3-propanedithiol instead of DTT. 87%. White solid.

 $R_f = 0.30$ (petroleum-EtOAc 100:1). m.p. 74.3-75.4 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.34-7.28 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.15 (1H, s, PhCHS₂), 3.09-3.02 (2H, m, CH₂), 2.90 (2H, dt, J = 14.0, 4.0 Hz, CH₂), 2.19-2.13 (1H, m, CH₂), 1.96-1.88 (1H, m, CH₂). Analytical data for 9 were essentially the same as reported in the literature ²⁸

2-Phenyl-1,3-dithiepane (10)



Separated from the deprotection of 3a to 4a according to the General Procedure A with 1,4-butanedithiol instead of DTT. 91%. White solid. R_f = 0.40 (petroleum-EtOAc 100:1). m.p. 58.0-59.7 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.32-7.26 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.28 (1H, s, PhCHS₂), 3.13-3.08 (2H, m, SCH₂), 2.85-2.79 (2H, m, SCH₂), 2.13-2.02 (4H, m, 2×CH₂). Analytical data for 10 were essentially the same as reported in the literature ²⁹

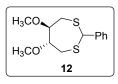
2-Phenyl-1,3-oxathiolane (11)



Separated from the deprotection of 3a to 4a according to the General Procedure A with 2-mercaptoethanol instead of DTT. 84%. Colourless oil. R_f = 0.52 (petroleum-EtOAc 100:1). [α] 2 3 2 3 4 3 4 5 (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H), 7.36-7.28 (3H, m, Ar-H) H), 6.04 (1H, s, PhCHOS), 4.54-4.50 (1H, m, CH₂), 3.98-3.92 (1H, m, CH₂), 3.30-3.23 (1H, m, CH₂), 3.21-3.16 (1H, m, CH₂). Analytical data for 11 were essentially the same as reported in the literature ³⁰

5,6-Dimethoxy-2-phenyl-1,3-dithiepane (12)

C₁₃H₁₈NaO₂S₂ [M+Na]⁺: 293.0640, found: 293.0621.



General Procedure A with 2,3-dimethoxybutane-1,4-dithiol instead of DTT. White solid. $R_f = 0.55$ (petroleum-EtOAc 3:1). m.p. 84.7-87.0 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (2H, d, J =7.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.32-7.25 (3H, m, Ar-H), 5.22 (1H, s, PhCHS₂), 3.72 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz, $CHOCH_3$), 3.50 (1H, td, J = 5.6, 2.0 Hz, $CHOCH_3$), 3.46 (3H, s, OCH_3), 3.44 (3H, s, OCH₃), 3.20 (1H, dd, J = 15.6, 6.0 Hz, CH₂SR), 3.10 (1H, d, J = 15.2 Hz, CH₂SR), 2.94-2.92 (1H, m, CH₂SR), 2.90-2.88 (1H, m, CH₂SR). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 140.4, 128.9, 128.9, 128.5, 127.6, 127.6 (Ar-C), 85.4 (CHOCH₃), 84.8 (CHOCH₃), 58.1 (OCH₃), 57.9 (OCH₃), 56.1 (PhCHS₂), 32.1 (CH₂), 31.1 (CH₂). HRMS calc. for

Separated from the deprotection of 3a to 4a according to the

3.3 Thiols mediated cleavage of the benzylidene acetal.

Entry	R-SH	Yield of	Recovery of	Yield of 7-
		4a	3a	12
1	/	23%	72%	/
2	DTT	94%	/	7 : 67%
3	1,2-Ethanedithiol	82%	16%	8 : 80%
4	1,3-Propanedithiol	67%	25%	9 : 87%
5	1,4-Butanedithiol	72%	26%	10 : 91%
6	2-Mercaptoethanol	80%	16%	11: 84%
7	2,3-dimethoxybutane-1,4-dithiol	58%	36%	12 : 78%

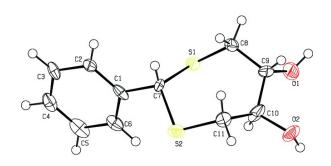
3.4 The competitive reactions of different thiols.

Procedure of the equations (2): To a stirred solution of the acetal protected subtrates $\bf 3a$ (1.0 equiv), DL-1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT, I, 2.0 equiv) and 1,2-ethanedithiol (III, 2.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (c = 0.1 M) was added (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the solvent was removed under vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the pure product $\bf 4$ (92%). At the same time, we isolated the closed loop compound $\bf 7$ (46%) as white solid and $\bf 8$ as white solid (22%).

Procedure of the equations (3): To a stirred solution of the acetal protected subtrates **3a** (1.0 equiv), DL-1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT, I, 2.0 equiv) and 1,3-propanedithiol (IV, 2.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (c = 0.1 M) was added (+)-camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA, 0.1 equiv) at room temperature. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC), the

solvent was removed under vacuo and the residue was purified by column chromatography to afford the pure product 4 (91%). At the same time, we isolated the closed loop compound 7 (45%) as white solid and 9 as white solid (24%).

4. ORTEP Representation of compound 7



 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Empirical formula} & & C_{11}H_{14}O_2S2 \\ \text{Formula weight} & 242.34 \\ \text{Temperature} & 100(2) \text{ K} \\ \text{Wavelength} & 0.71073 \text{ Å} \\ \text{Crystal system} & \text{Triclinic} \\ \end{array}$

Space group P1

Unit cell dimensions a = 27.169(18) Å $a = 90^{\circ}$.

b = 5.157(4) Å $b = 121.19(3)^{\circ}.$

c = 18.764(9) Å $g = 90^{\circ}$.

Volume 2249(3) Å³

Z 8

Density (calculated) 1.431 Mg/m³

Absorption coefficient 0.450 mm⁻¹

F(000) 1024

Crystal size $0.050 \times 0.030 \times 0.020 \text{ mm}^3$

Crystal color and habit colourless block
Diffractometer Bruker Apex II
Theta range for data collection 1.54 to 26.50°.

Index ranges -33 <= h <= 34, -6 <= k <= 6, -23 <= l <= 23

Reflections collected 11352

Independent reflections 4598 [R(int) = 0.2046]

Observed reflections (I > 2sigma(I)) 1957 Completeness to theta = 26.50° 99.7 % Absorption correction None

Max. and min. transmission 0.9911 and 0.9779

Solution method SHEL XS -97 (Sheldrick, 1990) Refinement method SHELXL-97 (Sheldrick, 1997)

Data / restraints / parameters 4598 / 1 / 275

Goodness-of-fit on F^2 0.927

Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)] $RI = 0.0758, wR_2 = 0.0911$ R indices (all data) R1 = 0.2056, wR2 = 0.1239

Absolute structure parameter -0.11(16)

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6. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR Spectra

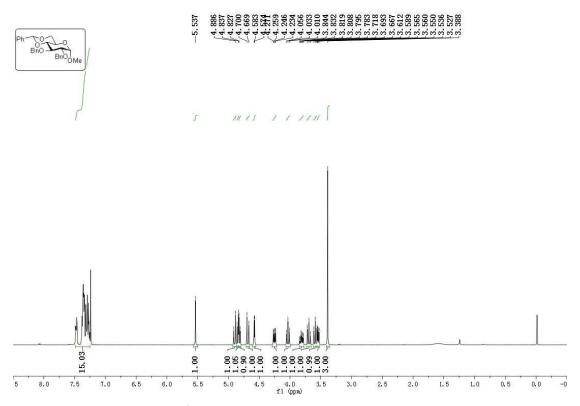


Figure S1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 3a

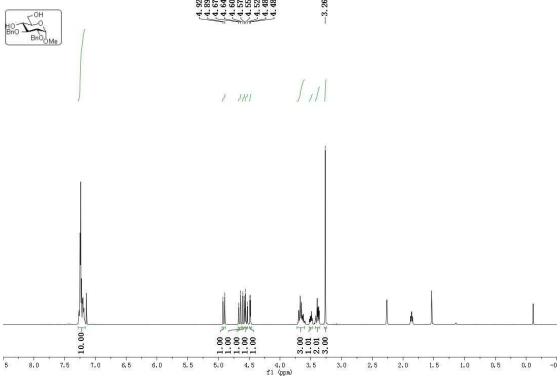


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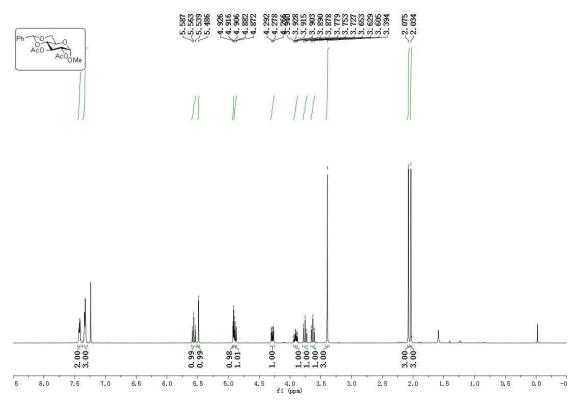


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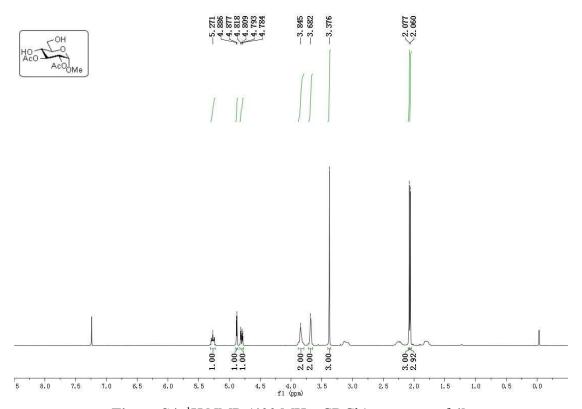


Figure S4. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 4b

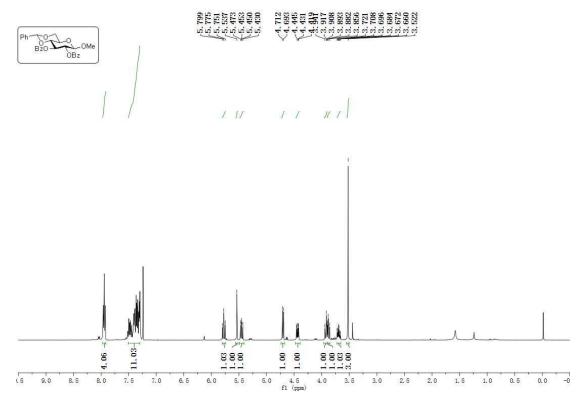


Figure S5. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 3c

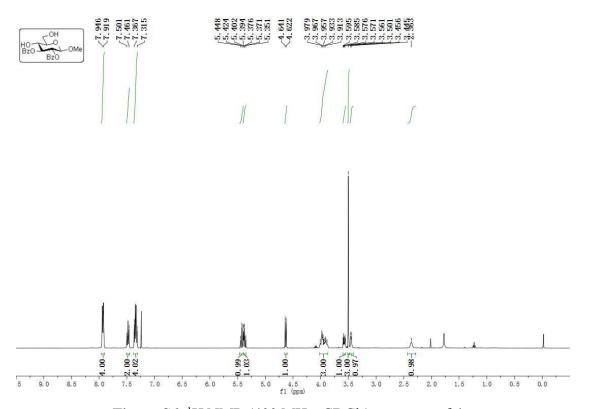


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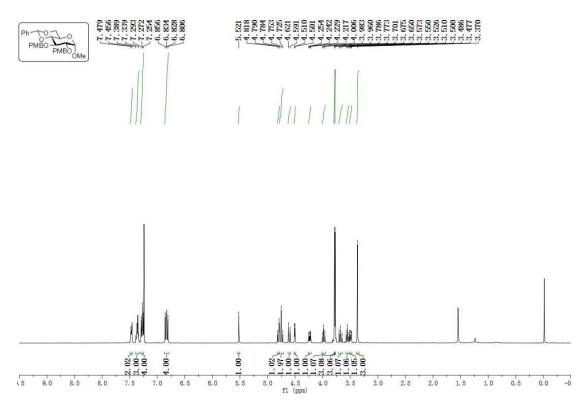


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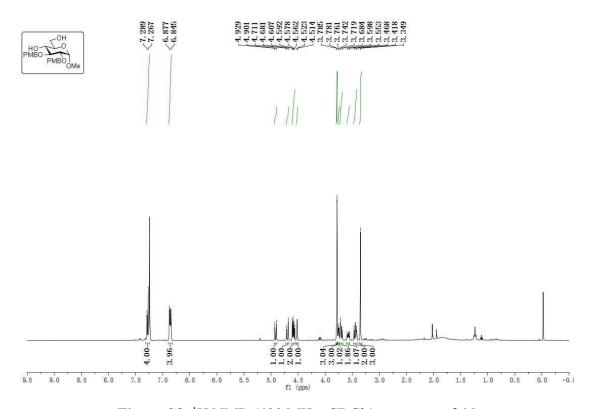


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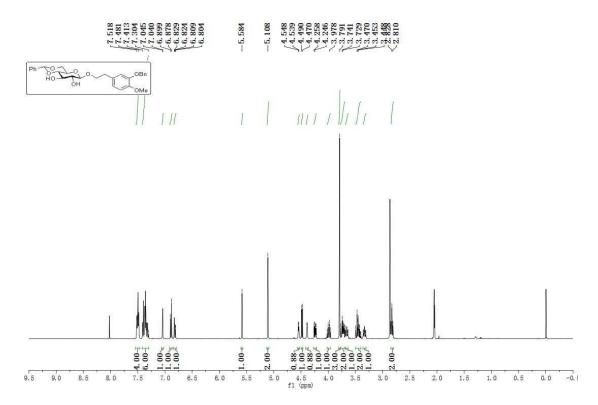


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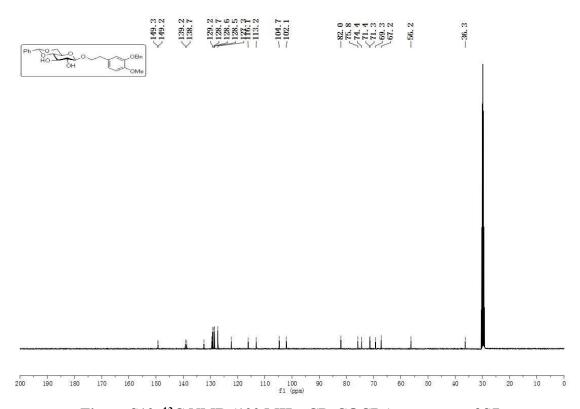


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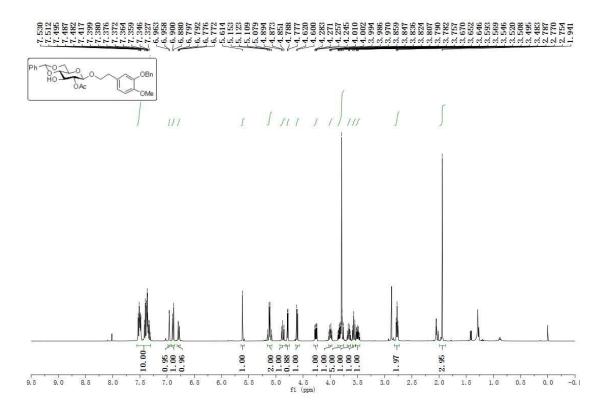


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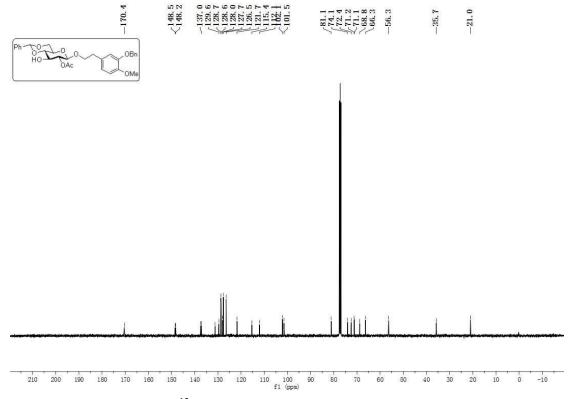


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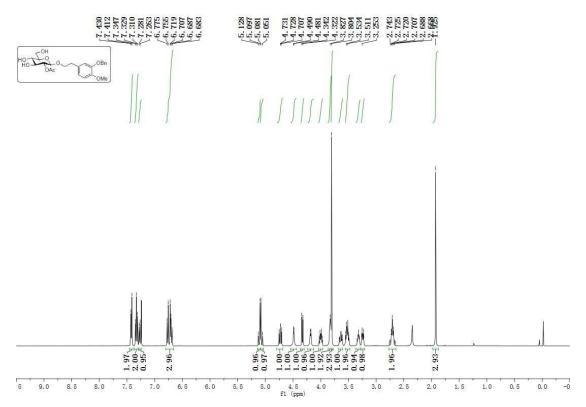


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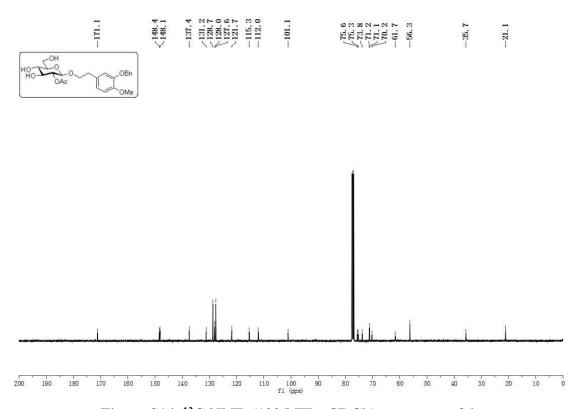


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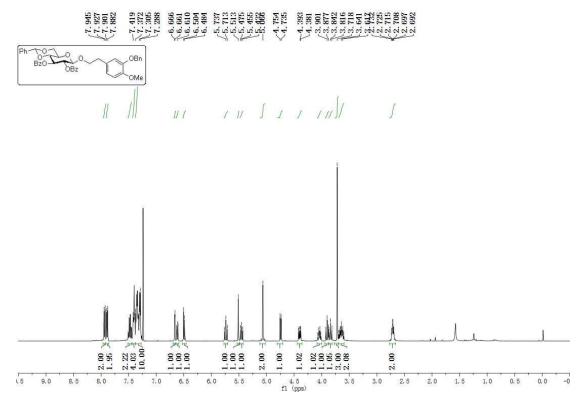


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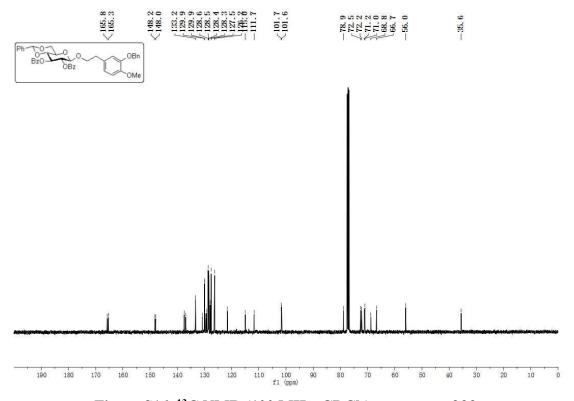


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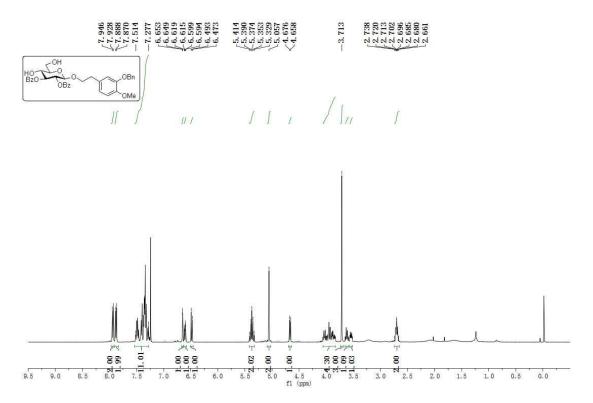


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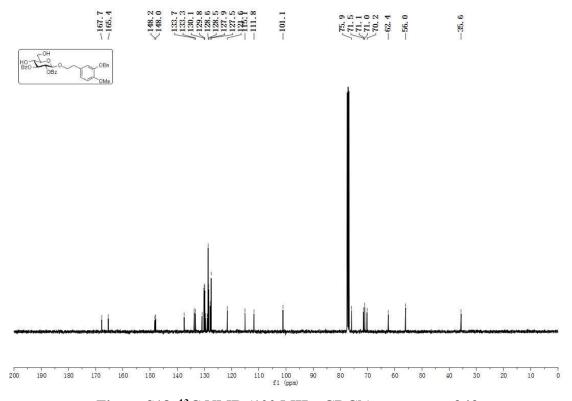


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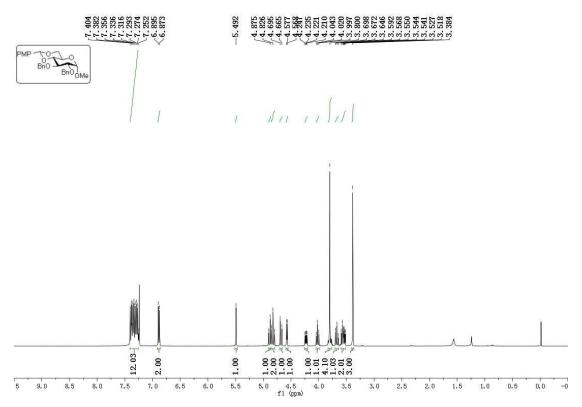


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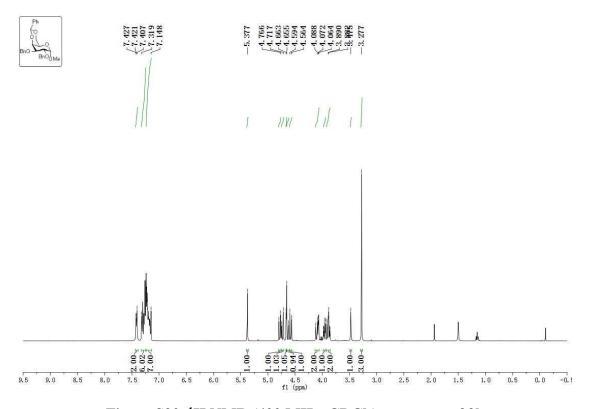


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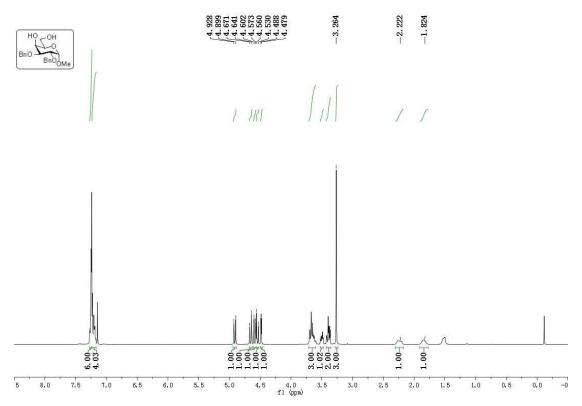


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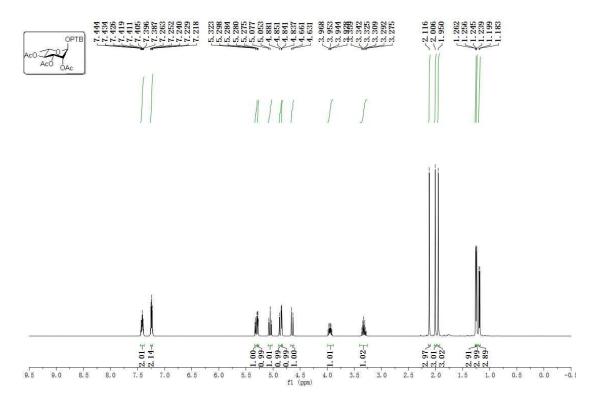


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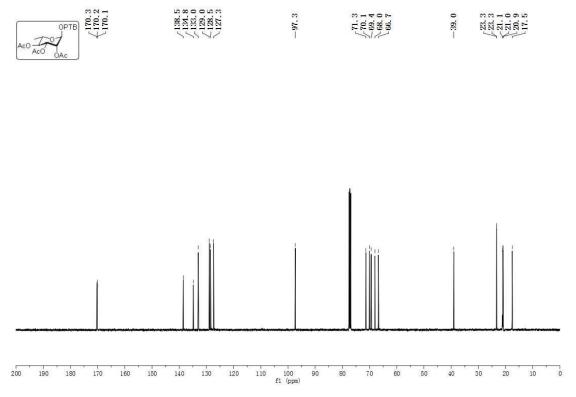


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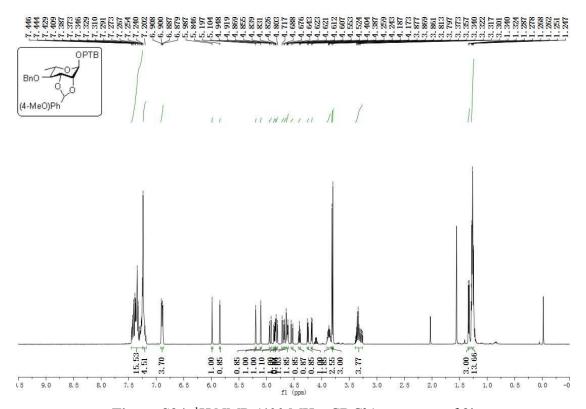


Figure S24. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 3i

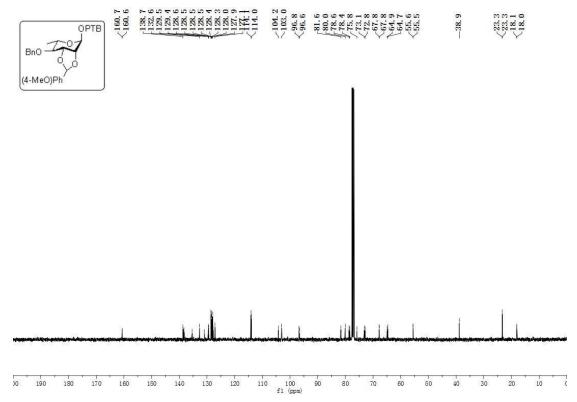


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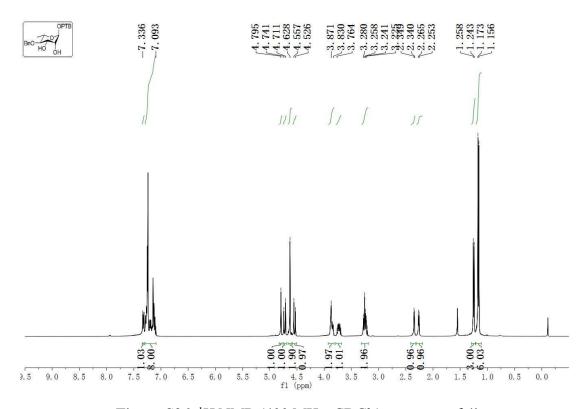


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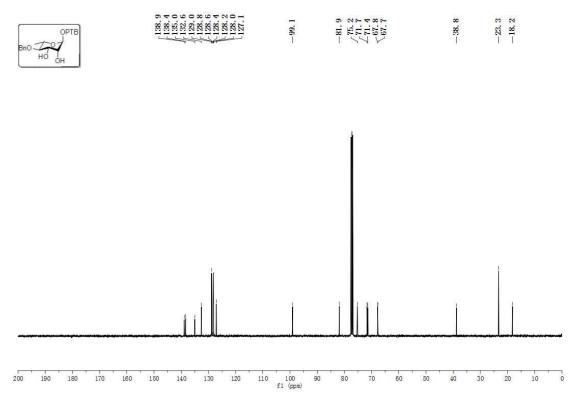


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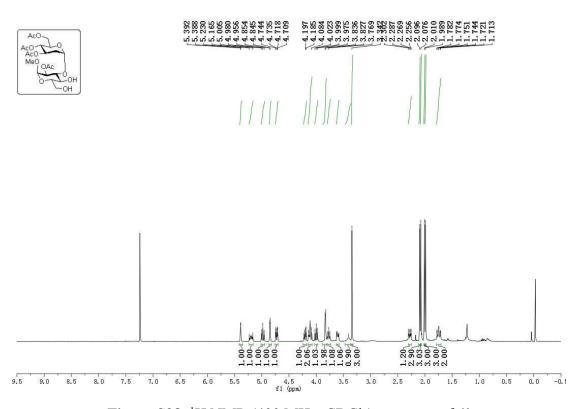


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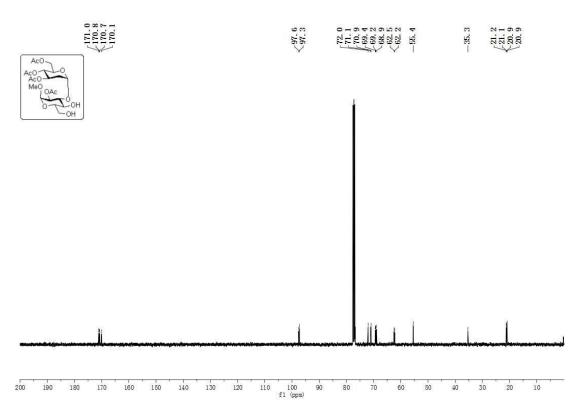


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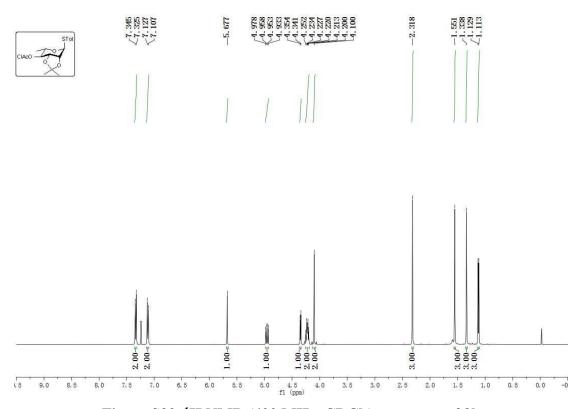


Figure S30. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 3k

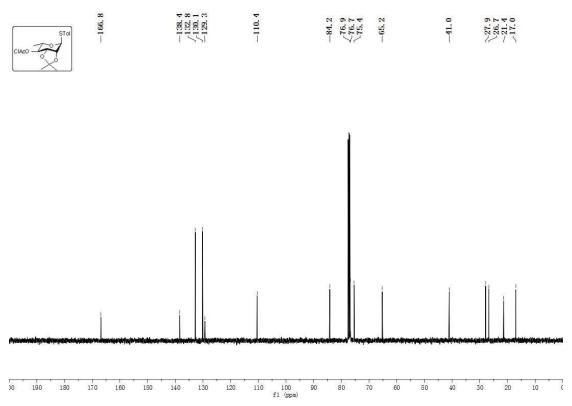


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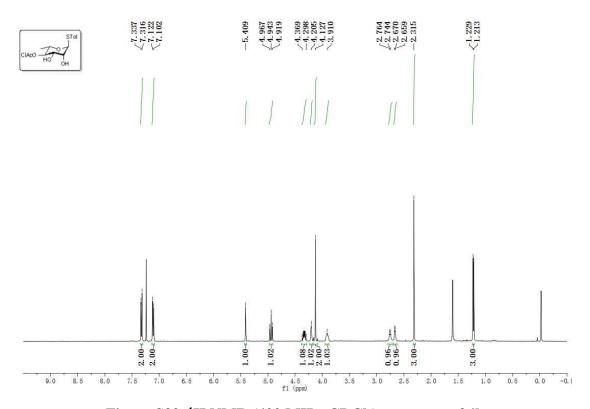


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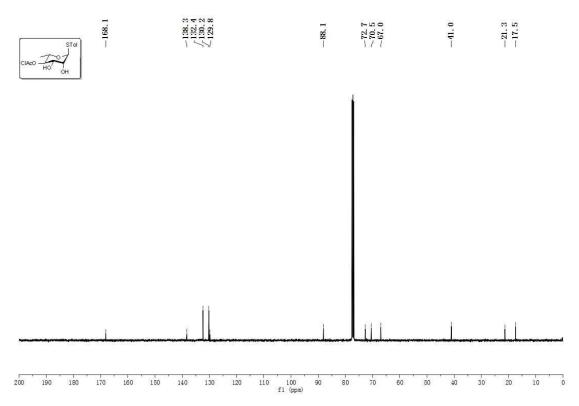


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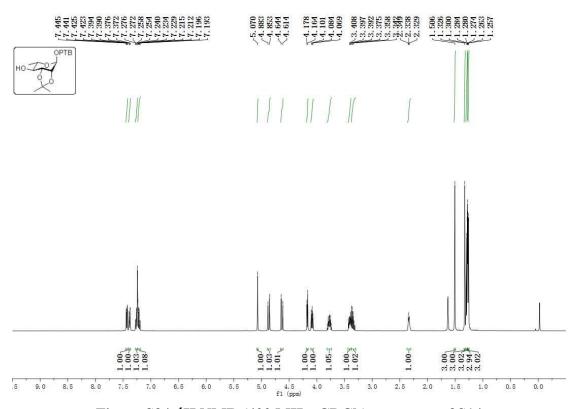


Figure S34. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of S14

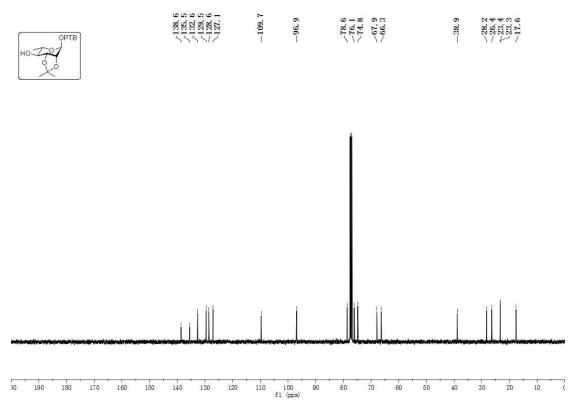


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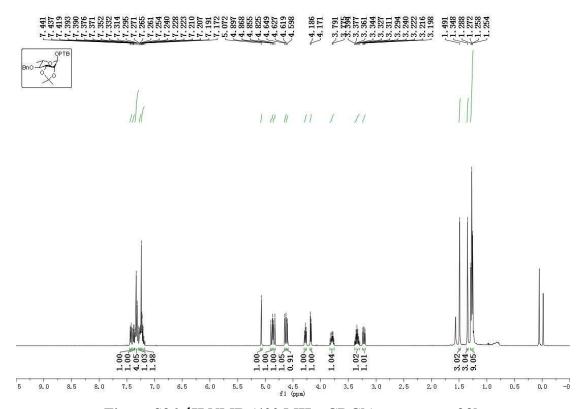


Figure S36. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 3l

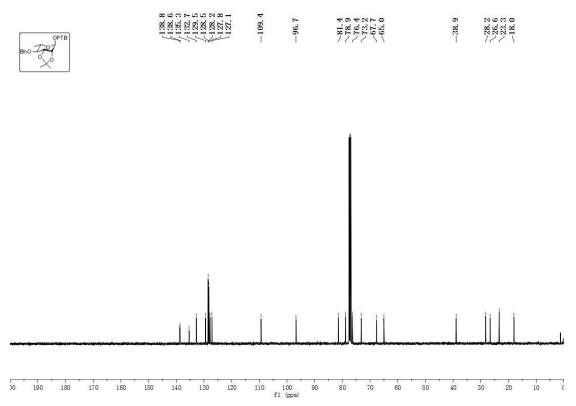


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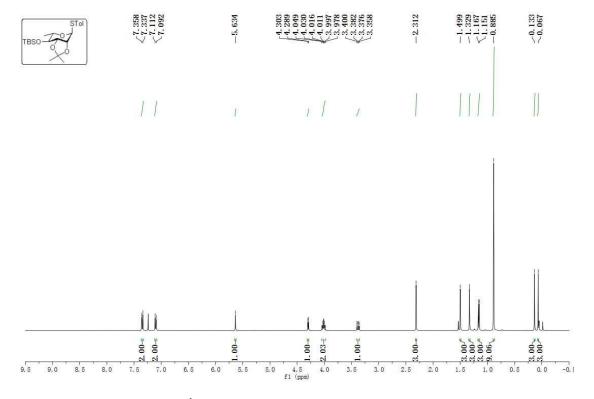


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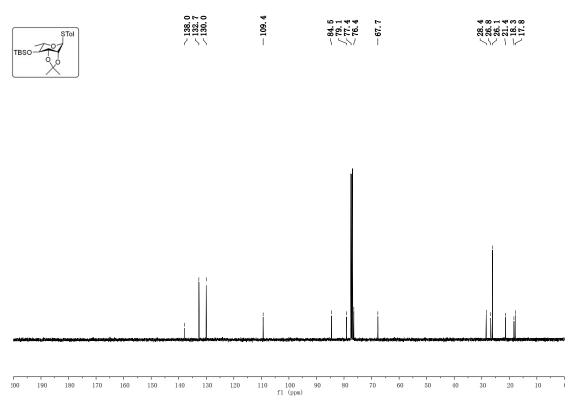


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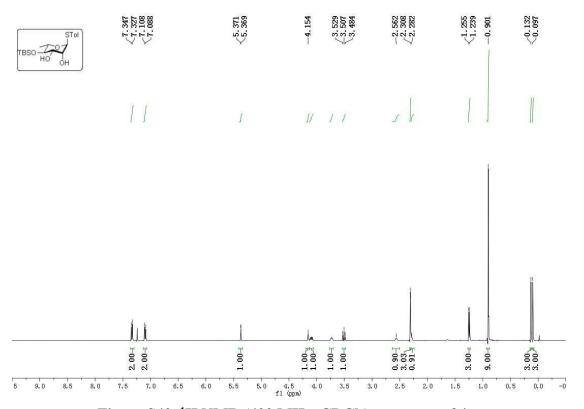


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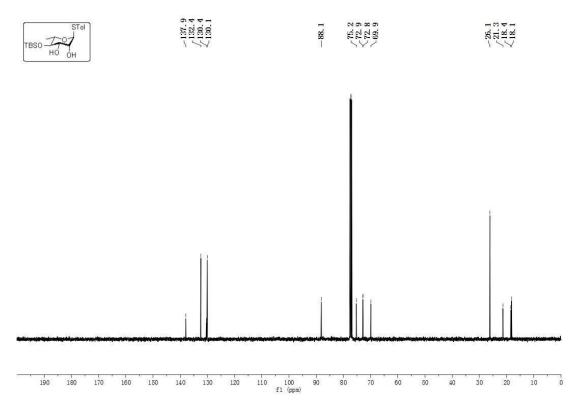


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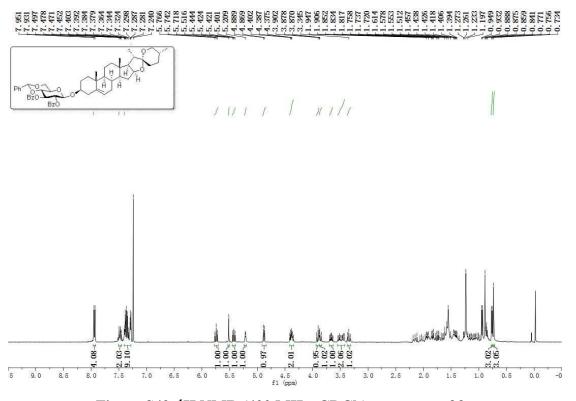


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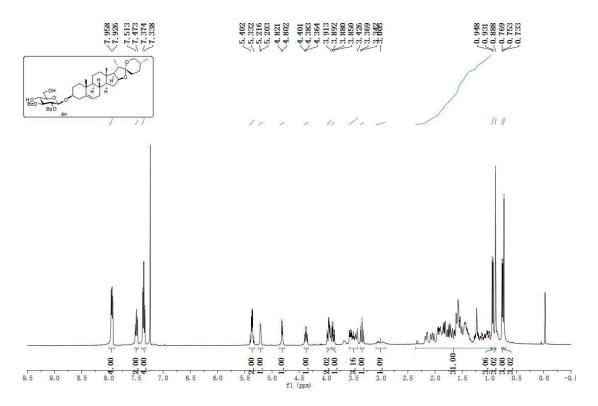


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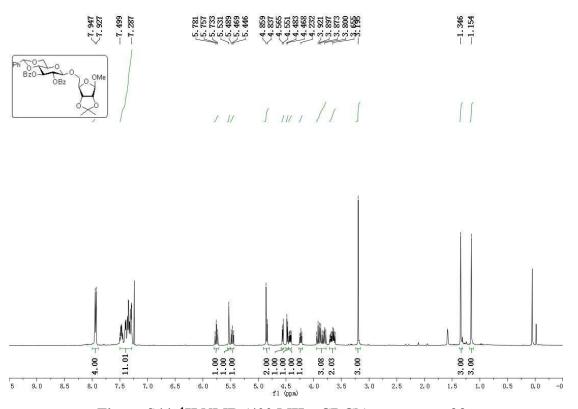


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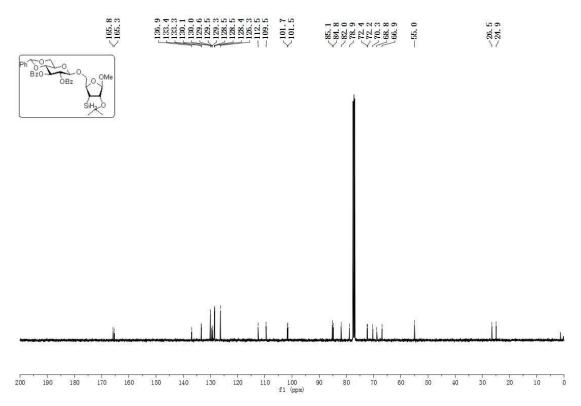


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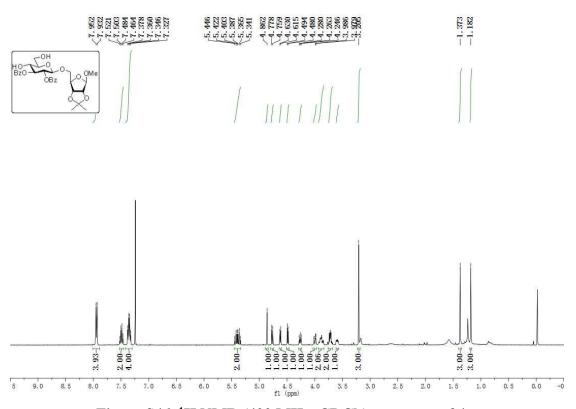


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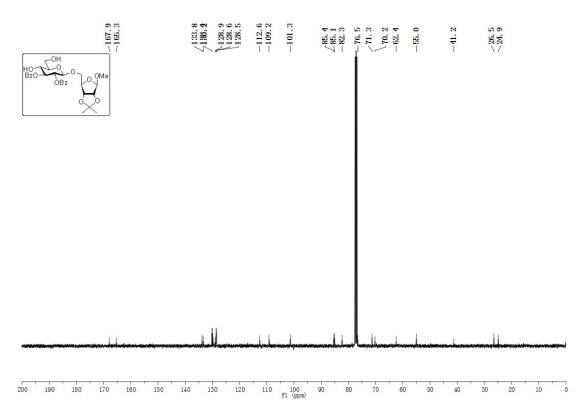


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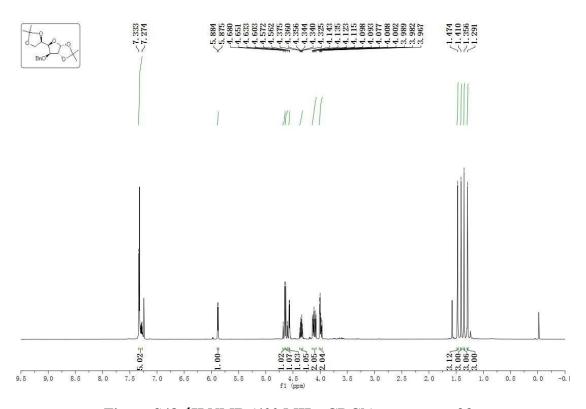


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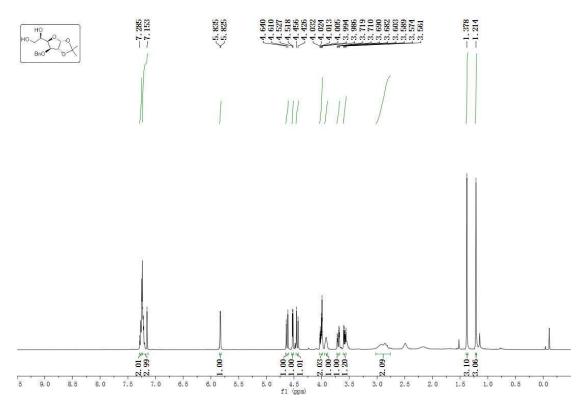


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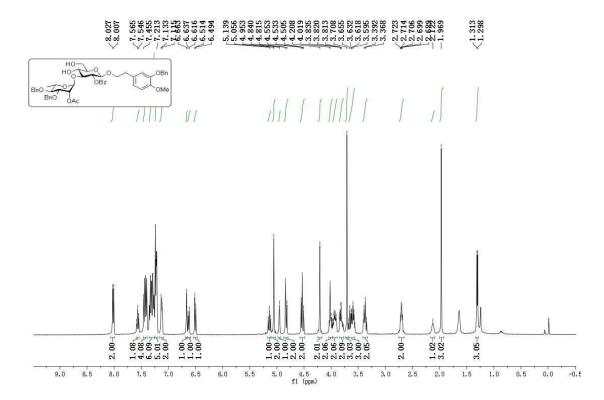


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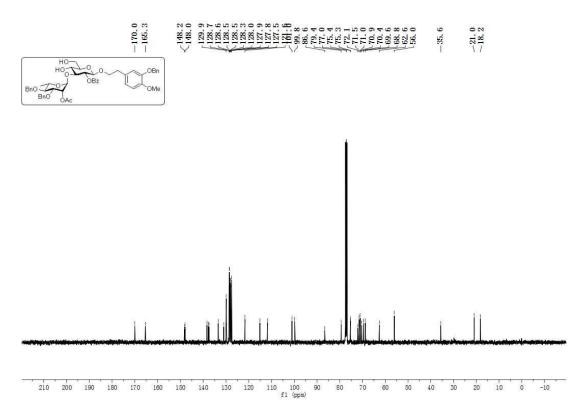


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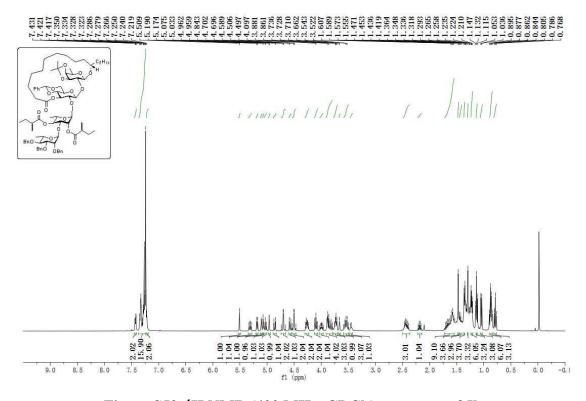


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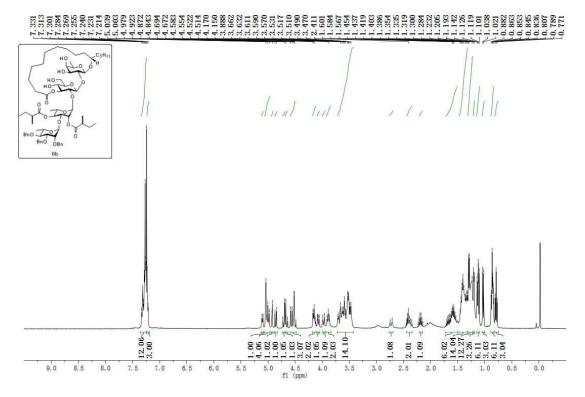


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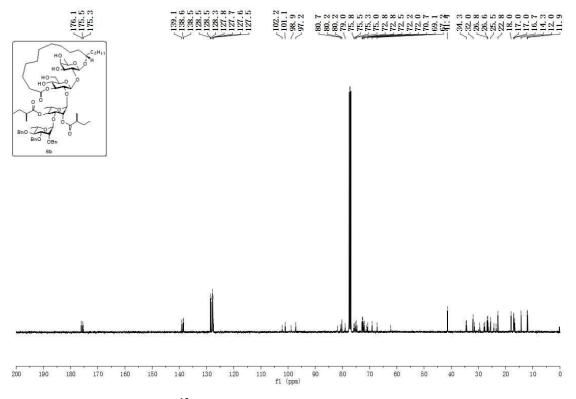


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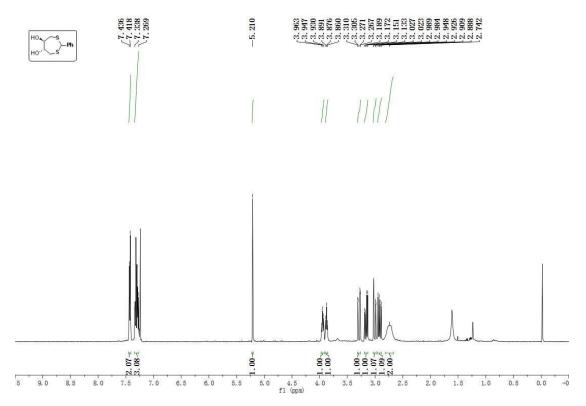


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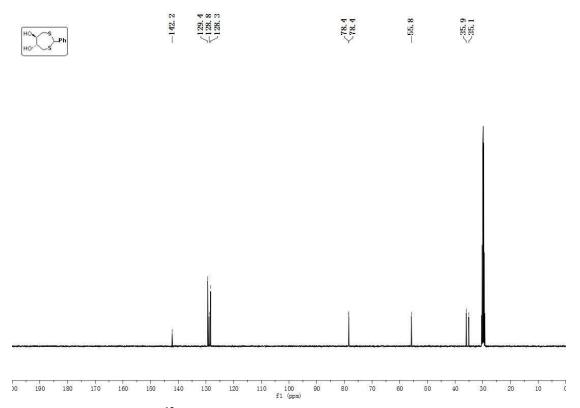


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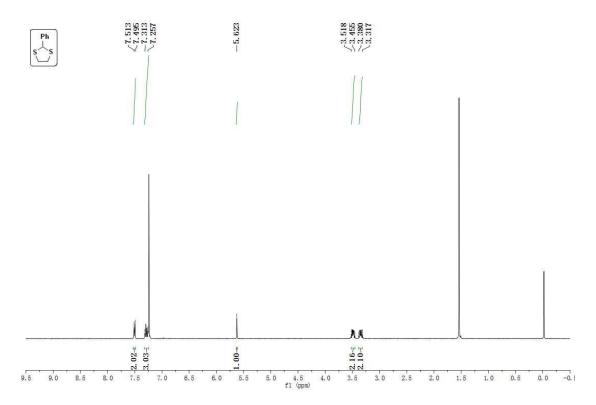


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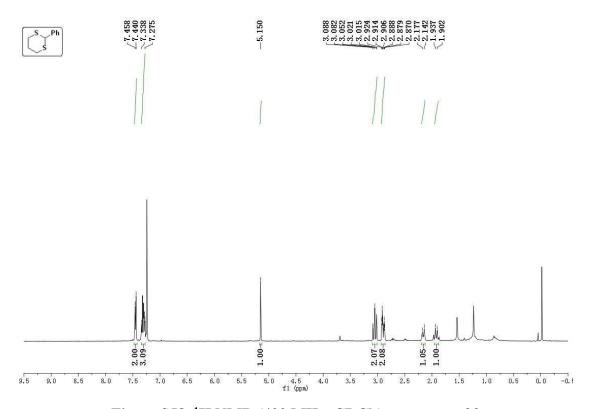


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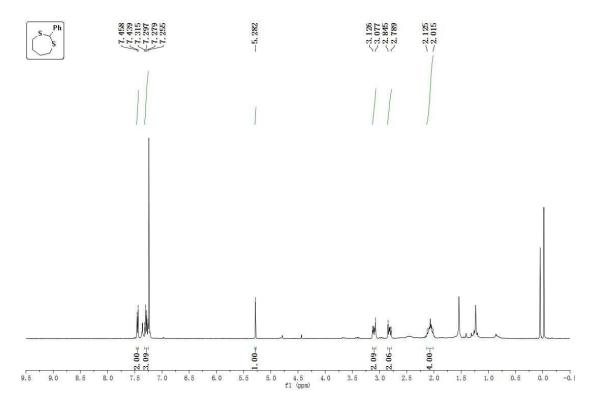


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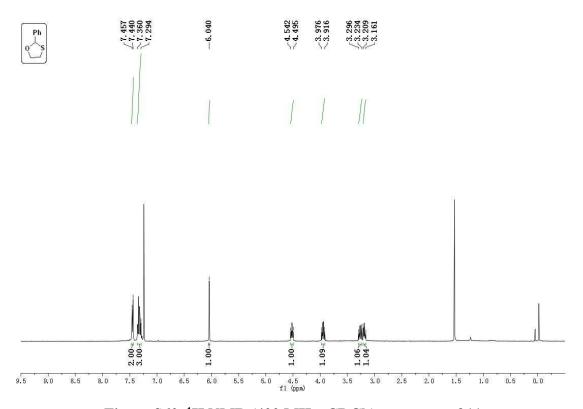


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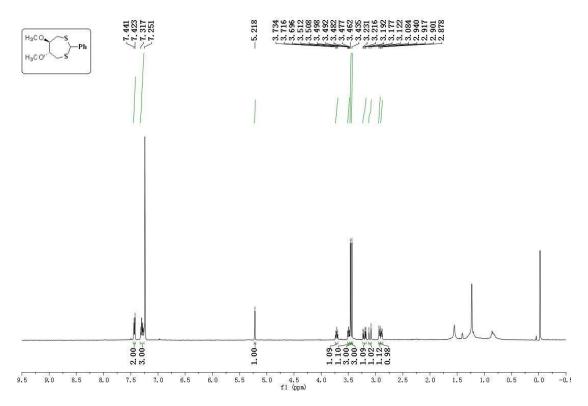


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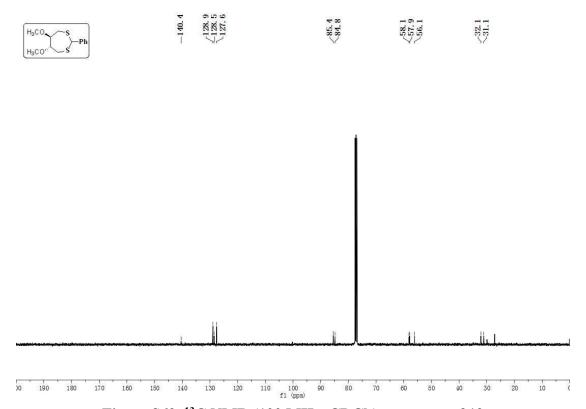


Figure S62. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of 12