LC-MS based quantification of 2'-ribosylated nucleosides Ar(p) and Gr(p) in tRNA

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Supplementary Figure



Fig. S1. Calibration curves for d_2 -Ar and d_2 -Gr compared to the respective natural nucleosides. Error bars represent +/- 1 s.d. from the mean value.

Experimental

Culture methods

S. scrofa liver samples and E. coli and HeLa cells were grown/obtained and extracted as described previously, and enzymatic digests and all LC-MS experiments were performed as previously resported.¹ 1L-cultures of S. cerevisiae (wild type, DMS No: 70449) and C. albicans (wild type, DMS No: 1386) were grown in rich medium (YPD, 2% glucose, 2% peptone, and 1% yeast extract) at 30 °C or 37 °C, respectively. Cells were grown to an OD_{600} of 0.6 - 0.7 then harvested. Mushroom (C. nebularis and F. fomentarius) samples (~5 g) were supplied by Prof. Wolfgang Steglich (LMU Munich). tRNA was extracted from yeast samples as described previously for E. coli, and from mushroom samples as described for porcine tissue.¹

Synthetic methods

9-[2-O-(5,5-deutero-\beta-D-ribofuranosyl)-\beta-D-ribofuranosyl]-adenine 6: To compound **14** (35 mg, 0.041 mmol) was added a solution of NH₃ (7 N in MeOH, 2 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred for 5 days then concentrated. The residue was suspended in H₂O (2 mL) and washed with DCM (2 mL × 3) then concentrated. The crude product was purified by reverse-phase HPLC to give 7 mg of 6 as a white solid (43%): mp 120-123 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 8.36 (s, 1H), 8.25 (s, 1H), 6.17 (d, J = 6.43 Hz, 1H, NCHCH), 5.09 (s, 1H, OCHO), 4.85-4.81 (m, 1H, NCHCH), 4.61-4.57 (m, 1H, NCHCHCH), 4.33 (d, J = 2.50 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 4.17 (d, J = 4.55 Hz, 1H,

CHCHCHCD₂), 4.03 (dd, J = 7.27, 4.66 Hz, 1H, CHCHCD₂), 3.96 (d, J = 12.88 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.92-3.82 (m, 2H, CHCD₂, CHH), ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, D₂O) δ 155.7, 152.6, 148.3, 140.6, 119.0, 105.9, 86.9 (NCHCH), 86.4 (CHCH₂), 82.5 (CHCD₂), 78.1 (NCHCH), 74.3 (CHCHCHCD₂), 70.8 (CHCHCD₂), 68.9 (NCHCHCH), 61.4 (CH₂), m/z (ES) 402.1577, calcd for C₁₅H₂₀D₂N₅O₈ (MH⁺) 402.1594.

9-[2-O-(5,5-deutero-\beta-D-ribofuranosyl)-\beta-D-ribofuranosyl]guanine 7: To **18** (76 mg, 0.073 mmol) was added TBAF (0.5 M in THF, 0.35 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred for 15 min then concentrated and co-evaporated twice with DCM. To the residue was added a solution of NH₃ (7N in MeOH, 6.5 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred for 3 days then concentrated. The residue was suspended in H₂O (2 mL) and washed with DCM (2 mL × 3) then concentrated. The crude product was purified by reverse-phase HPLC to give 9 mg of 7 as a white solid (30%). mp 120-123 °C, ¹H NMR (600 MHz, D₂O) δ 8.00 (s, 1H, NCHN), 5.99 (d, J = 6.04 Hz, 1H, NCHCH), 5.09 (s, 1H, OCHO), 4.55-4.52 (m, 1H, CHCHCH₂), 4.24 (s, 1H, CHCH₂), 4.14 (d, J = 4.11 Hz, 1H, CHCHCHD₂), 4.05 (dd, J = 6.91, 4.18 Hz, 1H, CHCHCD₂), 3.91-3.81 (m, 3H, CH₂ + CHCD₂), ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, D2O) δ 158.9, 153.8, 151.1, 138.1 (NCHN), 116.6, 106.1 (OCHO), 86.4 (NCHCH), 86.0 (CHCH₂), 82.6 (CHCD₂), 77.8 (NCHCH), 74.3 (CHCHCHCD₂), 71.0 (CHCHCD₂), 68.8 (CHCHCH₂), 61.3 (CH₂), m/z (ES) 418.1536, calcd for C₁₅H₂₀D₂N₅O₉ (MH⁺) 418.1543.

1,2,3-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-5-O-(4-methoxyphenyldiphenylmethyl)-D-ribofuranose

9: A solution of 5,5'-d₂-ribose 8 (1g, 6.6 mmol) and monomethoxytrityl chloride (2.4g, 7.8 mmol) in pyridine (13 mL) was stirred at r.t for 24 h, then cooled to 0°C and a solution of benzyl chloride (3.5 mL, 4.2 g, 30 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (10 mL) was added. The resulting solution was stirred for at r.t for 16 h, then cooled to 0°C and EtOH (3.5 mL) was added. The solution was stirred at r.t for 20 min, then concentrated. The residue was redissolved in chloroform, washed with H₂O, dried over NaSO₄, concentrated, then coevaporated twice with toluene. The crude material was partially purified by flash chromatography, eluting with 1:4 EtOAc/isohexane to give 9 (4.8g) as a mixture of the α and β anomers that was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

1,2,3-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-D-ribofuranose 10: A mixture of 9 (3.7g, 5.0 mmol) and 80% AcOH in H₂O (100 mL) was stirred for 16 h, then concentrated and coevaporated twice with toluene. The crude material was purified twice by silica column chromatography, eluting with 1:39 EtOAc/DCM to give 10ß (480 mg, 20% over two steps) as a white foam: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 7.65-7.40 (m, 7H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (s, 1H, OCHO), 5.95-5.90 (m, 2H), 4.62-4.57 (m, 1H, CHCD₂), 2.18 (s, 1H, OH). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ165.7, 165.0, 164.7, 133.8, 133.6, 133.5, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 128.9, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 98.9 (OCHO), 83.1 (CHCD₂), 75.5, 70.9, m/z (ES) 499.1125, calcd for C₂₆H₂₀D₂O₈ (MCl⁻) 499.1129, then eluting with 1:9 EtOAc/DCM to give 10a (660 mg, 28% over two steps) as a white foam: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (d, J = 8.41 Hz, 4H), 7.86 (dd, J = 8.33, 1.24 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (dd, J = 16.99, 7.59 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.46 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.15 (m, 6H), 6.95 (d, J = 4.38 Hz, 1H, OCHO), 5.84 (dd, J = 6.61, 2.28 Hz, 1H, (CHCHCD₂)), 5.65 (dd, J = 6.61, 4.40 Hz, 1H, CHCHCHCD₂), 4.65 (d, J = 2.28 Hz, 1H, CHCD₂), 2.53 (s, 1H, OH), ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ165.9, 165.3, 165.0, 133.5, 133.4, 133.4, 129.9, 129.

8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 95.0 (OCHO), 85.5 (CHCD₂), 71.8 (CHCHCHCD₂), 71.0 (CHCHCD₂), m/z (ES) 482.1787, calcd for C₂₆H₂₄D₂NO₈ (M.NH₄⁺) 482.1778.

1,2,3-*O***-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-5-***O***-phenoxyacetyl-***β***-***D***-ribofuranose 11**: To a solution of 10B (450 mg, 0.97 mmol) in pyridine (1 mL) and 1.2-dichloroethane (4 mL) was added phenoxyacetic anhydride (360 mg, 1.3 mmol) and the resulting solution was stirred at r.t for 1 h, then MeOH (0.2 mL) was added. The solution was stirred for 30 min, then diluted with DCM, washed with brine, dried over NaSO₄ and concentrated. The crude material was purified by silica column chromatography, eluting with DCM to obtain 11 (350 mg, 60%) as a white foam: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.23 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (d, J = 7.24 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (d, J = 7.26 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, J = 7.46 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (t, J= 7.47 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.41 (m, 4H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.88 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 2H), 6.95 (t, J = 7.38 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, J = 7.80 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (s, 1H, OCHO), 5.94-5.92 (m, 1H, CHCHCHCD₂), 5.89 (dd, J = 6.89, 4.88 Hz, 1H, CHCHCD₂), 4.74 (d, J = 6.89 Hz, 1H, $CHCD_2$), 4.51 (d, J = 16.04 Hz, 1H, CHH), 4.40 (d, J = 16.07 Hz, 1H, CHH), ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 168.4, 165.4, 165.0, 164.5, 157.5, 133.8, 133.7, 133.7, 129.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 121.7, 114.6, 99.0 (OCHO), 79.6 (CHCD₂), 75.0 (CHCHCHCD₂), 71.3 (CHCHCD₂), 64.9 (CH₂), m/z (ES) 616.2155, calcd for $C_{34}H_{30}D_2NO_{10}$ (M.NH₄⁺) 616.2152.

N^6 -benzoyl-9-[2-O-[2,3-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-5-O-phenoxyacetyl- β -D-

ribofuranosyl]-3,5-O-(1,1,3,3-tetraisopropyldisiloxane-1,3-diyl)-β-D-ribofuranosyl]adenine 13: A solution of 11 (100 mg, 0.17 mmol) [note: reactants 11 and 12 were each dried under vacuum (<0.5 mmHg) at 45°C for 4 h prior to reaction] in 1,2-dichloroethane (2 mL) was cooled to 0°C and SnCl₄ (30 µL, 66 mg, 0.26 mmol) was added. The resultant solution was stirred at 0°C for 10 min, then 12 (120 mg, 0.20 mmol) was added. The solution was stirred at 0°C for 16 h, then DCM (2 mL) and sat. NaHCO₃ (2 mL) were added. The mixture was stirred for 20 min, then filtered through celite, washed with H₂O, dried over NaSO₄ and concentrated. The crude material was purified by silica column chromatography, eluting with 1:99 MeOH/DCM to give 13 (160 mg, 86%) as a white foam: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.04 (s, 1H, NH), 8.75 (s, 1H), 8.29 (s, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J = 8.35, 1.22 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (dd, J = 8.43, 1.30 Hz, 2H), 7.87 (dd, J = 8.41, 1.27 Hz, 1.27 Hz)2H), 7.62-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.43 (dd, J = 8.20, 7.52 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (dd, J= 8.25, 7.53 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (dd, J = 8.75, 7.37 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.36 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd, J = 8.76, 0.99 Hz, 2H), 6.19 (s, 1H), 5.81 (dd, J = 4.98, 0.82 Hz, 1H), 5.80-5.77 (m, 100)2H), 4.97 (dd, J = 9.27, 4.64 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, J = 4.61 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 16.16 Hz, 1H, OCHHCOO), 4.61 (d, J = 16.17 Hz, 1H, OCHHCOO), 4.61 (d, J = 6.31 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (dd, J = 13.35, 1.43 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 4.16 (td, J = 9.22, 2.18 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (dd, J= 13.30, 2.62 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 1.11-0.94 (m, 28H, 4×CH(CH₃)₂), ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 168.7, 165.3, 164.9, 164.5, 157.6, 152.7, 150.8, 149.4, 141.9, 133.8, 133.49, 133.48, 132.7, 129.7, 129.5, 129.0, 128.83, 128.78, 128.5, 128.4, 127.8, 123.5, 121.7, 114.6, 105.8, 88.8, 81.4, 79.6, 78.9, 75.5, 72.3, 69.8, 65.2 (OCH₂COO), 59.8 (CHCH₂), 17.4, 17.33, 17.28, 17.26, 17.2, 17.1, 16.9, 16.8, 13.3, 12.9, 12.8, 12.6, m/z (ES) 1090.4301, calcd for $C_{56}H_{64}D_2N_5O_{14}Si_2$ (MH⁺) 1090.4270.

N^6 -benzoyl-9-[2-O-[2,3-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-5-O-phenoxyacetyl- β -D-

ribofuranosyl]- β -D-ribofuranosyl]-adenine 14: To 13 (130 mg, 0.12 mmol) was added TBAF (0.5 M in THF, 1 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred for 15 min then

concentrated. The crude material was purified twice by silica column chromatography, eluting with 1:24 MeOH/DCM to give 14 (65 mg, 64%) as a white foam: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.27 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.17 Hz, 2H), 7.89-7.84 (m, 4H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.44 Hz, 1H), 7.54-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.78 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (dt, J = 8.27, 1.88 Hz, 4H), 7.26 (t, J = 8.05 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (t, J = 7.38 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (dd, J = 7.38 Hz, 100 Hz)J = 8.75, 0.93 Hz, 2H), 6.08 (d, J = 7.42 Hz, 1H, NCHCH), 6.02 (d, J = 11.06 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 5.58 (dd, J = 5.37, 2.13 Hz, 1H, CHCHCHCD₂), 5.55 (t, J = 5.28 Hz, 1H, CHCHCD₂), 5.19 (dd, J = 7.39, 4.70 Hz, 1H, NCHCH), 5.15 (d, J = 2.11 Hz, 1H, OCHO), 4.74 (d, J = 0.85 Hz, 2H, OCH₂COO), 4.63 (d, J = 4.70 Hz, 1H, CHCHCH₂), 4.34 (d, J = 5.23 Hz, 1H, CHCD₂), 4.30 (s, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.95 (d, J = 12.97 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.73 (t, J = 11.85 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.39 (s, 1H, CHOH), ¹³C NMR (151) MHz, CDCl₃) δ168.8, 165.4, 165.3, 164.53, 157.53, 152.2, 150.5, 150.3, 144.2, 133.8, 133.7, 133.5, 132.8, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 124.3, 121.9, 114.6, 106.7 (OCHO), 89.2 (NCHCH), 87.2 (CHCH₂), 81.1 (NCHCH), 79.9 (CHCD₂), 75.7 (CHCHCHCD₂), 71.7 (CHCHCH₂), 71.6 (CHCHCD₂), 65.3 (OCH₂COO), 63.2 (CHCH₂), m/z (ES) 848.2763, calcd for C₄₄H₃₈D₂N₅O₁₃ (MH⁺) 848.2748.

1-O-methyl-2.3.5-O-benzovl-5.5-deutero-β-D-ribofuranose 15: A solution of 5.5'-d₂ribose 8 (200 mg, 1.3 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL) was cooled to 0°C and Dowex 50 W-8 100 cation exchange resin (300 mg, vacuum dried) was added. The resulting mixture was kept at 4°C for 24 h then filtered through celite and concentrated. The residue was dried by evaporation of pyridine $(3 \times 5 \text{ mL})$, then redissolved in DCM (1.1 mL) and pyridine (2.4 mL), cooled to 0°C and BzCl (1 g, 7.1 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was kept at 4°C for 24 h, then H₂O (0°C, 5 mL) was added and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was washed with DCM $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ then the organic layers were combined then co-evaporated with toluene (3 \times 10 mL). The crude material was purified by column chromatography, eluting with 1:9 to 1:14 EtOAc/isohexane to give 15 (513 mg, 82%) as a colourless oil. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (dd, J = 8.41, 1.30 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (dd, J = 8.40, 1.30 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (dd, J = 8.42, 1.29 Hz, 2H), 7.59-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.38 (m, 4H), 7.32 (dd, J = 8.32, 7.51 Hz, 2H), 5.87 (ddd, J = 7.04, 4.86, 0.35 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, J = 4.87 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 7.10 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (s, 3H, CH_3), ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.2, 165.4, 165.2, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 106.4, 78.9, 75.4, 72.4, 55.4 (CH₃), m/z (ES) 496.1933, calcd for $C_{27}H_{26}D_2NO_8$ (M.NH₄⁺) 496.1940.

1-O-acetyl-2,3,5-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero- β -**D-ribofuranose 16:** A solution of **15** (350 mg, 0.73 mmol) in AcOH (1.6 mL) and Ac₂O (3.9 mL) was cooled to 0°C and H₂SO₄ (98%, 0.55 mL) was added. The resulting solution was kept at 4°C for 26 h, then H₂O (4°C, 10 mL) was added and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was washed with DCM (3 × 20 mL) then the organic layers were combined and concentrated. The crude material was purified by column chromatography, eluting with 1:4 EtOAc/ isohexane, then further purified by recrystallisation from isopropanol to give **16** (180 mg, 49%) as a white solid. m.p. 113-116°C, ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (dd, *J* = 8.40, 1.28 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (dd, *J* = 8.41, 1.28 Hz, 2H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 8.42, 1.27 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.51 (m, 3H), 7.45-7.39 (m, 4H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 8.32, 7.51 Hz, 2H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 5.91 (dd, *J* = 7.12, 4.89 Hz, 1H), 5.79 (d, *J* = 4.89 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 7.16 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H, CH₃), ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.0, 166.0, 165.3, 165.0, 133.6, 133.5, 133.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 98.4, 79.8, 75.0, 71.3, 20.9, *m/z* (ES) 529.1436, calcd for C₂₈H₂₂D₂NaO₉ (M.Na⁺) 519.1444.

 N^2 -isobutyryl-9-[2-O-[2,3,5-O-benzoyl-5,5-deutero-β-D-ribofuranosyl]-3,5-O-(1,1,3,3tetraisopropyldisiloxane-1,3-diyl)-β-D-ribofuranosyl]guanine 18: A solution of 16 (100 mg, 0.17 mmol) [note: reactants were dried under vacuum (<0.5 mmHg) at 45°C for 4 h prior to reaction] in 1,2-dichloroethane (2 mL) was cooled to 0°C and SnCl₄ (30 µL, 66 mg, 0.26 mmol) was added. The resultant solution was stirred at 0°C for 10 min, then 17 (120 mg, 0.20 mmol) was added. The solution was stirred at 0°C for 16 h, then sat. NaHCO₃ (1 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred for 10 min, then filtered through celite, washed with H₂O, dried over NaSO₄ and concentrated. The crude material was purified by silica column chromatography, eluting with 2:98 MeOH/DCM to give 18 (93 mg, 52%) as a white foam:

¹H NMR (600 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 8.16 (s, 1H, NC*H*N), 8.00-7.96 (m, 4H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 8.31, 1.20 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.45 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.46 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.88 Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 4H), 6.13 (t, *J* = 5.47 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (d, *J* = 5.52 Hz, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 5.83 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (dd, *J* = 9.40, 3.81 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (d, *J* = 3.79 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 13.59 Hz, 1H, CHC*H*H), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 9.42, 2.05 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 13.56, 2.60 Hz, 1H, CHCH*H*), 2.89 (sept., *J* = 6.88 Hz, 1H, COC*H*CH₃CH₃), 1.35 (d, *J* = 6.86 Hz, 3H, COCHCH₃CH₃), 1.25 (d, *J* = 6.83 Hz, 3H, COCHCH₃CH₃), 1.14-0.90 (m, 28H, 4×CH(CH₃)₂), ¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.4, 167.9, 165.3, 165.0, 154.8, 148.6, 146.9, 135.7, 134.0, 133.6, 129.71, 129.68, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 120.5, 105.5, 87.5, 81.3, 79.3, 78.7, 75.8, 73.2, 69.3, 59.4 (*C*H₂), 36.1, 19.2 (COCHCH₃CH₃), 18.9 (COCHCH₃CH₃), 17.5, 17.4, 17.29, 17.27, 17.1, 17.0, 16.8, 16.7, 13.3, 13.0, 12.8, 12.6, *m/z* (ES) 1042.4273, calcd for C₅₂H₆₄D₂N₅O₁₄Si₂ (MH⁺) 1042.4270.

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