Supporting information

Synthesis of a fluorescently tagged sialic acid analogue useful for live-cell imaging

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Experimental Procedures

General Procedures

Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck Art. 5715, Kieselgel 60 $F_{254}/0.25$ mm thickness plates. Preparative TLC was performed on Merck Art. 5745, Kieselgel 60 $F_{254}/0.50$ mm thickness plates. Visualization was accomplished with UV light and 1% Ce(SO₄)₂–1.5% (NH₄)₆MoO₂₄·4H₂O–10% H₂SO₄ solution or 0.5% ninhydrin *n*BuOH solution followed by heating. Silicagel column chromatography was conducted on Wakogel C–300 (Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd., Osaka). Gel permeation chromatography was performed using Sephadex LH-20 or G-25 (Pharmacia Fine Chemicals). Optical rotation was measured in a 1.0 dm tube with a Horiba SPEA-200 polarimeter. Melting points were measured with Yanaco MP-S3 micro melting point apparatus. ¹H NMR (500 MHz) spectra were recorded with an AVANCE 500 spectrometer (Bruker Biospin Inc., Ettlingen) in deuterated solvent using (CH₃)Si (0.00 ppm) or the solvent peak (HDO: 4.79 ppm or CD₃OD: 3.31 ppm) as the internal standard. ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) spectra were recorded with an AVANCE 500 spectrometer (Bruker Biospin Inc.) in deuterated solvent using Me₄Si (0.00 ppm) or the solvent peak (CDCl₃; 77.0 ppm or CD₃OD; 49.0 ppm) as the internal standard. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a LCMS–QIT–TOF coupled with ESI interface (quadrupole ion-trap TOF mass spectrometer with reflectron) (Shimadzu Corp., Kyoto) using sodium trifluoroacetate as an external standard for instrument adjustment. Fmoc-dPEG₆TM Acid was purchased from Quanta BioDesign, Ltd. (OH). BODIPY-FL SETM was purchased from Invitrogen (CA).

Antibodies

The following antibodies were used: Rabbit anti-TGN38 polyclonal antibody (Abnova Corp., Taipei City); Mouse anti-GM130 monoclonal antibody (BD Biosciences, CA); goat anti-mouse IgG conjugated with Alexa Fluor 488 (Invitrogen, CA); and donkey anti-rabbit IgG conjugated with Cy3 (Millipore Corp., MA).

Methyl (5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-benzyl-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos)onate (**3**) and methyl (5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-benzyl-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-D-erythro-L-gluco-2-nonulopyranos)onate (**4**) Compound **3**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃); δ 7.37–7.21 (m, 20H, Ph), 4.88 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.1 Hz, $J_{3,F}$ 50.0 Hz, H-3), 4.73 (d, 1H, J 11.8 Hz, benzyl), 4.64 (d, 1H, J 11.8 Hz, benzyl), 4.64 (s, 2H, benzyl), 4.59 (s, 2H, benzyl), 4.55 (d, 1H, J 11.8 Hz, benzyl), 4.51 (d, 1H, J 10.9 Hz, H-6), 4.43 (d, 1H, J 11.8Hz, benzyl), 4.40 (ddd, 1H, $J_{4,5}$ 10.7 Hz, $J_{4,F}$ 28.9 Hz, H-4), 4.00 (dd, 1H, $J_{8,9a}$ 2.2 Hz, $J_{9a,9b}$ 10.8 Hz, H-9a), 3.93 (ddd, 1H, $J_{7,8}$ 6.6 Hz, $J_{8,9b}$ 4.5 Hz, H-8), 3.85-3.79 (m, 2H, H-5,7), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.72 (dd, 1H, H-9b), 2.04 (s, 3H, NHAc); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃); δ 171.29, 170.55, 168.47, 138.61, 138.30, 138.08, 137.87, 129.38, 128.53, 128.46, 128.44, 128.24, 127.99, 127.97, 127.90, 127.76, 94.23 (d, J 24.7 Hz, C-2), 86.07 (d, J 184.1 Hz, C-3), 78.47 (C-8), 73.76 (C-7), 73.47 (d, J 17.5 Hz, C-4), 73.46, 72.70, 72.37, 71.69, 70.09 (C-6), 69.48 (C-9), 53.26 (OCH₃), 48.66 (C-5), 23.60 (COCH₃); ESIMS *m/z* calcd for [C₄₀H₄₄FNO₉+Na]⁺; 724.3, found 724.3. Compound **4**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃); δ 7.38–7.27 (m, 20H, Ph), 4.89 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 9.0 Hz, $J_{3,F}$ 49.7 Hz, H-3), 4.86 (d, 1H, J 11.8 Hz, benzyl), 4.77 (d, 1H, $J_{5,NH}$ 9.5Hz, N*H*), 4.67 (d, 1H, J 10.6 Hz, benzyl), 4.65 (d, 1H, J 11.3, Hz, benzyl), 4.58 (d, 1H, J 12.0 Hz, benzyl), 4.55 (d, 2H, J 11.4Hz, benzyl), 4.44 (d, 2H, J 11.0 Hz, benzyl), 4.32 (d, 1H, $J_{5,6}$ 10.9 Hz, H-6), 4.18 (q, 1H, $J_{4,5}$ 10.1 Hz, H-5), 3.96 (dt, 1H, $J_{4,F}$ 11.9 Hz, H-4), 3.85 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.78–3.69 (m, 3H, H-7, 8,9a), 3.64 (dd, 1H, $J_{8,9b}$ 3.0 Hz, $J_{9a,9b}$ 10.6 Hz, H-9b), 2.05 (s, 3H, NHAc); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 169.92, 168.76, 138.11, 138.05, 138.03, 137.91, 129.04, 128.86,

128.58, 128.51, 128.44, 128.38, 128.35, 128.33, 128.29, 128.23, 128.17, 128.11, 128.02, 127.92, 127.82, 127.79, 127.74, 93.52 (d, J 21.3 Hz, C-2), 91.37 (d, J 191.94, C-3), 76.71, 74.38, 74.32, 74.19, 74.16, 73.44, 72.34, 70.15, 67.77, 54.04, 50.30 (d, J 7.5 Hz, C-5), 23.74; ESIMS m/z calcd for $[C_{40}H_{44}FNO_9+Na]^+$; 724.3, found 724.4.

Methyl (5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-β-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos)onate (5)

m.p. $131-133 \,^{\circ}$ C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{26}-14.5^{\circ}$ (*c* 1.02, H₂O); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD); δ 4.83 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.2 Hz, $J_{3,F}$ 49.7 Hz, H-3), 4.23 (t, 1H, $J_{4,5} = J_{5,6}$ 10.6 Hz, H-5), 4.15–4.05 (m, 2H, H-4,6), 3.85–3.79 (m, 2H, H-8,9a), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.67 (dd, 1H, $J_{8,9b}$ 3.8 Hz, $J_{9,9,9b}$ 11.3 Hz, H-9b), 3.51 (d, 1H, $J_{7,8}$ 9.3 Hz, H-7), 2.03 (s, 3H, NHAc); (data in agreement with ref. 12)

Methyl (2,4,7,8,9-penta-O-acetyl-5-azido-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-β-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos)onate (7) $[\alpha]_D^{26}$ –42.1° (*c* 0.63, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.51 (dd, 1H, *J*_{6,7} 1.2 Hz, *J*_{7,8} 6.7 Hz, H-7), 6.26–5.23 (m, 1H, H-8), 5.21 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.5 Hz, *J*_{4,5} 9.5 Hz, *J*_{4,F} 27.3 Hz, H-4), 4.97 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3,F} 48.9 Hz, H-3), 4.47 (dd, 1H, *J*_{8,9a} 2.3 Hz, *J*_{9a,9b} 12.6 Hz, H-9a), 4.23 (dd, 1H, *J*_{8,9b} 5.5 Hz, H-9b), 3.83 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.73-3.66 (m, 2H, H-5,6), 2.21, 2.21, 2.16, 2.06, 2.05 (each s, 15H, OAc); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for $[C_{20}H_{26}FN_3O_{13}+Na]^+$; 558.1342, found 558.1333.

Methyl (4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-5-azido-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-β-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos)onate (**8**) $[\alpha]_D^{26}$ +13.2° (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 5.52 (dd, 1H, *J*_{6,7} 1.2 Hz, *J*_{7,8} 7.2 Hz, H-7), 5.38 (ddd, 1H, *J*_{8,9a} 2.0 Hz, *J*_{8,9b} 5.7 Hz, H-8), 5.27 (ddd, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.3 Hz, *J*_{4,5} 10.1 Hz, *J*_{4,F} 27.6 Hz, H-4), 4.97 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3,F} 49.8 Hz, H-3), 4.72 (br s, 1H, OH), 4.57 (dd, 1H, *J*_{9a,9b} 12.6 Hz, H-9a), 4.19 (dd, 1H, H-9b), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.85 (d, 1H, *J*_{5,6} 10.4 Hz, H-6), 3.64 (t, 1H, H-5), 2.20, 2.19, 2.11, 2.07 (each s, 12H, OAc); HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for [C₁₈H₂₄FN₃O₁₂+Na]⁺; 516.1236, found 516.1227.

Methyl (5-amino-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-β-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos)onate (9) ¹H NMR (CDCl₃); δ 5.51–5.46 (m, 2H, H-7,8), 5.09 (ddd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.3 Hz, $J_{4,5}$ 10.6 Hz, $J_{4,F}$ 27.9 Hz, H-4), 4.92 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,F}$ 49.9 Hz, H-3), 4.56 (dd, 1H, $J_{8,9a}$ 1.6 Hz, $J_{9a,9b}$ 12.5 Hz, H-9a), 4.24 (dd, 1H, $J_{8,9b}$ 4.9 Hz, H-9b), 3.87 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.98 (t, 1H, H-5), 2.17, 2.11, 2.06 (each s, 12H, OAc).

Methyl

 $(5-(2-(2-(2-Azido-ethoxy)-ethoxy)-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-\beta-D-erythro-L-manno-2-non ulopyranos) on ate (11)$

 $\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \end{bmatrix}_{D}^{26} + 22.1^{\circ} (c \ 1.05, \ CHCl_3); \ ^1H \ NMR \ (CDCl_3); \ \delta \ 7.20 \ (d, \ 1H, \ J_{5,NH} \ 10.1 \ Hz, \ NH), \ 5.42 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ J_{6,7} \ 2.0 \ Hz, \ J_{7,8} \ 4.4 \ Hz, \ H-7), \ 5.34 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ J_{3,4} \ 2.2 \ Hz, \ J_{4,5} \ 10.9 \ Hz, \ J_{4,F} \ 27.4 \ Hz, \ H-4), \ 5.28 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ J_{8,9a} \ 2.3 \ Hz, \ J_{8,9b} \ 8.0 \ Hz, \ H-8), \ 4.99 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ J_{3,F} \ 49.7 \ Hz, \ H-3), \ 4.84 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ J_{9a,9b} \ 12.4 \ Hz, \ H-9a), \ 4.50 \ (q, \ 1H, \ J_{5,6} \ 10.3 \ Hz, \ H-5), \ 4.39 \ (br \ d, \ 1H, \ H-6), \ 4.11 \ (dd, \ 1H, \ H-9b), \ 3.91 \ \{q, \ 2H, \ J \ 16.3 \ Hz, \ OCH_2C(=O)\}, \ 3.86 \ (s, \ 3H, \ OCH_3), \ 3.76 \ -3.65 \ (m, \ 10H, \ OCH_2), \ 3.51 \ -3.42 \ (m, \ 2H, \ CH_2N_3), \ 2.16, \ 2.08, \ 2.06, \ 2.04 \ (each \ s, \ 12H, \ OAc); \ HRMS \ (ESI) \ m/z \ calcd \ for \ [C_{26}H_{39}FN_4O_{16} \ +Na]^+; \ 705.2237, \ found \ 705.2235. \ \$

Methyl

 $(5-(2-(2-Azido-ethoxy)-ethoxy)-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-2-(N-acetyl-2',3'-di-O-acetyl-cytidin-5'-O-cyamo ethylphosphoryl)-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-\beta-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranos) on ate (13)$

¹H NMR (CDCl₃); δ 9.16 (s, 1H, NHAc), 7.82 {d, 1H, $J_{5",NH}$ 9.9 Hz, C(=O)NH}, 7.68 (d, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 7.6 Hz, H-2), 7.46 (d, 1H, H-3), 5.73 (dd, 1H, J 6.3 Hz, J 3.9 Hz, H-2'), 5.69–5.65 (m, 2H, H-1',3'), 5.64 (br t, 1H, J 2.5 Hz, H-7"), 5.41 (ddd, 1H, $J_{3",4"}$ 1.8 Hz, $J_{4",5"}$ 11.1 Hz, $J_{4",F}$ 27.2 Hz, H-4"), 5.28–5.26 (m, 1H, H-8"), 5.09 (dd, 1H, $J_{3",F}$ 48.8 Hz, H-3"), 4.77–4.75 (m, 2H, H-6",9"a), 4.67 (q, 1H, $J_{5",6"}$ 10.5 Hz, H-5"), 4.55–4.45 (m, 2H, H-5'), 4.40–4.30 (m, 3H, H-4', CH₂CH₂CN), 4.22 (dd, 1H, $J_{8",9"b}$ 8.4 Hz, $J_{9"a,9"b}$ 12.2 Hz, H-9"b), 3.98 {d, 2H, J 3.6 Hz, CH₂C(=O)NH}, 3.92 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.70–3.60 (m, 10H, OCH₂), 3.39 (q, 2H, J 5.0 Hz, CH₂N₃), 2.79 (t, 2H, J 6.0 Hz, CH₂CH₂CN), 2.23, 2.17, 2.13, 2.12, 2.07, 1.99, 1.92 (each s, 21H, OAc).

 $5-(2-(2-Azido-ethoxy)-ethoxy)-acetamido-2-(cytidin-5'-O-phosphoryl)-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-\beta-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranosonic acid bis sodium salt (14)$

Extensive NMR analysis was carried out for compound 14 in order to determine the anomeric configuration of the newly introduced phosphoryl linkage.

¹H-NMR (D₂O); δ 7.95 (d, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 7.6 Hz, H-2), 6.10 (d, 1H, H-3), 5.96 (d, 1H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.4 Hz, H-1'), 4.89 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3",4"} 2.2 Hz, *J*_{3",F} 48.4 Hz, H-3"), 4.38 (t, 1H, *J*_{4",5"} = *J*_{5",6"} 10.6 Hz, H-5"), 4.31-4.17 (m, 7H, H-2',3',4',5'a,5'b,4",6"), 4.13 {s, 2H, CH₂C(=O)NH}, 3.96 (dd, 1H, *J*_{7",8"} 9.7 Hz, *J*_{8",9"a} 2.4 Hz, *J*_{8",9"b} 6.6 Hz, H-8"), 3.87 (dd, 1H, *J*_{9",9"b} 11.9 Hz, H-9"a), 3.74-3.69 (m, 10H, OCH₂), 3.60 (dd, 1H, H-9"b), 3.47 (t, 2H, *J* 4.9 Hz, CH₂N₃), 3.42 (d, 1H, H-7"). ¹³C-NMR (D₂O); δ 173.15, 171.29, 166.12, 157.74, 141.53, 97.99 (dd, ²*J*_{2",F} 32.2 Hz, ²*J*_{2",P} 6.6 Hz, C-2"), 96.52 (C-3), 90.40 (dd, *J*_{3",F} 176.2 Hz, ³*J*_{3",P} 13.7 Hz, C-3"), 88.95 (C-1'), 82.78 (d, ³*J*_{4",P} 8.1 Hz, C-4'), 74.24 (C-2'), 71.42 (C-6"), 70.17, 69.63, 69.55, 69.47, 69.43, 69.26, 69.18, 68.70, 67.62 (d, ²*J*_{4",F} 17.5 Hz, C-4"), 65.07 (d, ²*J*_{5",P} 5.4 Hz, C-5'), 62.83 (C-9"), 50.06 (*C*H₂N₃), 46.59 (C-5"). HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for [C₂₆H₃₉FN₇O₁₉PNa₃]⁺; 872.1710, found 872.1702.

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 $5-(2-(2-Aminoethoxy)-ethoxy)-acetamido-2-(cytidin-5'-O-phosphoryl)-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-\beta-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranosonic acid bis sodium salt (15)$

¹H NMR (D₂O); δ 7.93 (d, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 7.6 Hz, H-2), 6.09 (d, 1H, H-3), 5.81 (d, 1H, *J*_{1',2'} 4.3 Hz, H-1'), 4.89 (br d, 1H, *J*_{3",F} 48.7 Hz, H-3"), 4.38 (t, 1H, *J*_{4",5"} = *J*_{5",6"} 10.7 Hz, H-5"), 4.30–4.12 {m, 9H, H-2',3',4',5'a,5'b,4",6", *CH*₂C(=O)NH}, 3.96 (ddd, 1H, *J*_{7",8"} 9.5 Hz, *J*_{8",9"a} 2.6 Hz, *J*_{8",9"b} 6.6 Hz, H-8"), 3.86 (dd, 1H, *J*_{9"a,9"b} 11.9 Hz, H-9"a), 3.74-3.69 (m, 10H, OCH₂), 3.61 (dd, 1H, H-9"b), 3.43 (d, 1H, H-7"), 3.11 (t, 2H, *J* 4.7 Hz, *CH*₂NH₂).

Succinimidyl

 $\label{eq:2.1} 3-\{15-[2-(4,4-Difluoro-5,7-dimethyl-4-bora-3a,4a-diaza-s-indacene-3-propionyl)-aminoethoxy]-pentaethyleneglycoloxy\}-propionate (BODIPY-dPEG_6 succinimide ester) (16)$

¹H NMR (CDCl₃); δ 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.02 (d, 1H, *J* 4.0 Hz), 6.34 (d, 1H, *J* 4.0 Hz), 6.22 (s, 1H), 3.81 (t, 2H, *J* 6.1 Hz), 3.62–3.58 (m, 12H), 3.53 (t, 2H, *J* 5.4 Hz), 3.37 (t, 2H, *J* 5.4 Hz), 3.22 (t, 2H, *J* 7.7 Hz), 2.89 (t, 2H, *J* 6.1 Hz), 2.82 (s, 4H), 2.63 (t, 2H, *J* 7.6 Hz), 2.51 (t, 2H, *J* 6.4 Hz), 2.29 (s, 3H).

 $5-(2-(2-BODIPY-dPEG_6-amidoethoxy)-ethoxy)-acetamido-2-(cytidin-5'-O-phosphoryl)-3,5-dideoxy-3-fluoro-\beta-D-erythro-L-manno-2-nonulopyranosonic acid bis sodium salt (1)$

¹H-NMR (D₂O); 7.90 (d, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 7.6 Hz, H-2), 7.50, 6.31 (each s, 2H, BODIPY), 7.07, 6.37 (each d, 2H, J 3.9 Hz, BODIPY), 6.05 (d, 1H, H-3), 5.93 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$, 4.4 Hz, H-1'), 4.89 (dd, 1H, $J_{3^{\circ},4^{\circ}}$ 2.2 Hz, $J_{3^{\circ},F}$ 48.4 Hz, H-3"), 4.37 (t, 1H, $J_{4^{\circ},5^{\circ}} = J_{5^{\circ},6^{\circ}}$ 10.6 Hz, H-5"), 4.31-4.05 {m, 9H, H-2',3',4',5'a,5'b,4",6", CH₂C(=O)NH}, 3.96 (ddd, 1H, $J_{7^{\circ},8^{\circ}}$ 9.6 Hz, $J_{8^{\circ},9^{\circ}a}$ 2.2 Hz, $J_{8^{\circ},9^{\circ}b}$ 7.0 Hz, H-8"), 3.87 (dd, 1H, $J_{9^{\circ}a,9^{\circ}b}$ 11.9 Hz, H-9"a), 3.74-3.50 (m, 35H, H-9"b, OCH₂), 3.42 (d, 1H, H-7"), 3.34 (t, 2H, J 5.9 Hz, CH₂NH), 3.18 (t, 2H, J 6.9 Hz, BODIPY-CH₂CH₂), 2.67 (t, 2H, J 7.2 Hz, BODIPY-CH₂CH₂), 2.50, 2.26 (each s, 6H, BODIPY), 2.47 {t, 2H, J 6.2 Hz, CH₂C(=O)NH}. ¹³C-NMR (D₂O); δ 90.4 (C-3"), 82.8 (C-4'), 74.1 (C-2'), 71.3 (C-6"), 67.5 (C-4"), 65.1 (C-5"), 62.8 (C-9"), 46.7 (C-5"). HRMS: [M+3Na]³⁺ calcd for 500.4874, found 500.4864, [M-2H]²⁻ calcd for 693.2581, found 693.2556.



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Confocal Microscopy

Laser-scanning confocal microscopy was performed using an Olympus FluoView 1000 confocal inverted microscope with an UPlanSApo oil-immersion objective lens ($100 \times$, NA = 1.40; Olympus). Laser lines from an argon laser with a wavelength of 488 nm and Helium-Neon laser with a wavelength of 543 nm were used for excitation. The excitation laser beams were passed through a dichroic mirror (DM488/543/633), and the fluorescence emission was separated with beam splitters (SDM560). The laser unit, confocal microscope, and detection units were connected to a computer and controlled using Olympus FluoView software (version 1.5).

Cell

PC-12D cells were maintained in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) supplemented with 10% horse serum, 5% fetal bovine serum, penicillin G (100 U/mL), streptomycin sulfate (100 μ g/mL), and glutamine at 37 °C with 5% CO₂.

Stamporation

PC-12D cells (ca 2.0×10^4 cells/dish) were grown to 10-20% confluence on collagen-coated tissue culture dish (30 mm in diameter) at 37°C for ca 48h with 5% CO₂. A medium consisted of 25 mM HEPES, and N-2 Supplement (Invitrogen, CA) in DMEM (1.5 mL). To this culture dish, a solution of compound 1 (2.7 µmol) in Hanks' Balanced Salt Solution (HBSS) (0.09 mL) was added. On an inverted microscope (IX71, Olympus Corp., Tokyo) equipped with stamporation unit (SU100, Olympus Corp., Tokyo), compound 1 was introduced into a lumen at the edge of cells by stamporation. Cells were incubated at 37°C with 5% CO₂ for 5 h and observed by fluorescent microscopy (FluoView 1000; Olympus Corp., Tokyo).

Antibody Internalization

PC-12D cells (ca 2.0×10^4 cells/dish) were grown to 10-20% confluence on collagen-coated tissue culture chambers (Chamber Slide, Nunc Inc., Naperville) at 37°C for ca 48h with 5% CO₂. The cells were incubated with 4% PFA (paraformaldehyde) at room temperature for 15 min and washed in PBS (phosphate buffered saline) (5 min × 3). The fixed cells were then treated with primary antibodies (anti-TGN38 and anti-GM130 antibodies (1/200)) in the presence of 0.05 % (w/v) saponin (NACALAI TESQUE INC., Kyoto) and 5% FBS (Fetal Bovine Serum) for 5 min at room temperature. After washing with PBS (5 min × 3), secondary antibodies (1/200) were introduced in PBS over 45 min, and the cells were washed with PBS (5 min × 3). Experiments were performed in duplicate.

Preparation of Golgi vesicles.

Golgi-enriched membranes were isolated from rat liver (Sprague-Dawley rats) using a modification of the protocol of Leelavathi *et al.* [as described in *Cell Biology:* A Laboratory Handbook 3rd Edition, p33-39. Edited by Julio Celis. Elsevier Science (USA), San Diego, 2006.] Protein concentration of the obtained Golgi fraction was 209µg/mL.

Observation of extracted Golgi vesicles from rat liver.

To a Golgi vesicles solution 10 μ L (prepared as above) were added CMP-3"F-Sia-BODIPY (1) 5 μ L (1 μ M in TKM buffer: pH 7.5, 10 mM Tris, 0.15M KCl, 1 mM MgCl₂) and an additive 5 μ L (in TKM buffer solution). The mixture was observed by fluorescent microscopy (FluoView 1000; Olympus Corp., Tokyo). To compare the images, Triton X-100 (1%) and CMP-Sia (1 mM) were used as the additive compound. Dextran-BODIPYTM (1 μ M, mw: ~10,000) was used for a negative control.

Internalization of compound 1 into extracted Golgi vesicles.

The Golgi-enriched membranes were observed by the differential interference contrast (DIC) image. (Figure 1S) The observed Golgi vesicles were disappeared when the extracts were treated by a detergent, Triton X-100. (Figure 2S) Under these conditions, accumulation of compound 1 was not observed. Accumulation of compound 1 into Golgi vesicles was observed. (Figure 3S) A series of fluorescent vesicles were due to the thermal liquid movement during the microscopic experiment using confocal microscopy. The same experiment was carried out in the presence of a native substrate of CST, CMP-sialic acid. (Figure 4S) The image clearly indicated the incorporation of 1 into Golgi vesicles was inhibited by CMP-Sia indicating that compound 1 was accepted as a substrate by CST and transported into Golgi vesicles. A control experiment was performed using BODIPY-tagged dextran, which is known not to interfere with cellular events. (Figure 5S) The image suggested that there was no interaction of BODIPY-based nonspecific accumulations.



Figure 1S. The differential interference contrast (DIC) image of the vesicles. Area: 211 µm².



Figure 2S. The DIC image of the vesicles mixed with Triton X-100. (After 10 min).



Figure 3S. Fluorescence image of the vesicles mixed with compound **1** and incubated for 5 h. Confocal surfaces (300 layers) were overlaid for depth of 0.12 mm.



Figure 4S. Fluorescence image of the vesicles mixed with 1 and CMP-Sia. (After 5 h, depth 0.12 mm overlaid).



Figure 5S. Fluorescence image of the vesicles mixed with Dextran-BODIPYTM. (After 5 h, depth 0.12 mm overlaid).