#### **Supplementary Information**

#### **Tunable Acid-Sensitive Ester Protecting Groups in Oligosaccharide Synthesis**

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General Information. All chemicals used were reagent grade and used as supplied except where noted. All reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware under an inert atmosphere (nitrogen) unless noted otherwise. Reagent grade dichloromethane (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) and dimethylformamide (DMF) were passed through activated neutral alumina column prior to use. HPLC grade toluene (Sigma-Aldrich, cat# 34866) and trifluoroacetic acid (Sigma-Aldrich, cat#T6508) were used as received. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> plates (0.25mm). Compounds were visualized by UV irradiation or dipping the plate in a cerium sulfate-ammonium molybdate solution. Flash column chromatography (FC) was carried out using Biotage Isolera One Flash Purification System over Silicycle P60 (230-400 mesh) silica gel. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX400 (400 MHz), Bruker DRX500 (500 MHz), or a Bruker AV600 (600 MHz) spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> with chemical shifts referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and 77.0 ppm for <sup>13</sup>C NMR). Splitting patterns are indicated as s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; g, quartet; brs, broad singlet for <sup>1</sup>H NMR data. High-resolution mass spectral (HRMS) analyses were performed by the MS-service at the Department of Chemistry at University of Pittsburgh. HRMS-ESI were run on a Water® Q-TOF instrument. Optical rotations were measured using a Perkin-Elmer 241 polarimeter.

General Procedure 1 - Preparation of PMB- or NAP-modified acetic and benzonic acid analogues 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b: Lactone 3 or 4 (30.0 mmol), 2-(bromomethyl)naphthalene (NAPBr) or PMBCl (75 mmol) and KOH (120 mmol) were weighed into a 250 mL round bottle flask. Toluene (100 mL) was added and the mixture was heated to reflux for 2 d before cooling down to room temperature. The mixture was then diluted with ethyl acetate and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O three times. The combined water phase was carefully acidified with 1 N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> three times. The combined organic layer was concentrated *in vacuo* to give the target molecule in pure form.

General Procedure 2 – Protection of alcohol with PMB- or NAP-modified acetic and benzonic acid analogues 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b: Alcohol (0.36 mmol), PMB- or NAP-modified acetic and benzonic acid analogues (3a or 3b or 4a or 4b) (0.43 mmol), *N*, *N*-dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC) (0.54 mmol) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (0.07 mmol) were dissolved in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL).

The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h before being concentrated *in vacuo* to remove the solvent. The crude residue was purified by FC to give the target molecule in pure form.

**General Procedure 3 – Removal of PMBAc, PMBBz, NAPAc, NAPBz esters by acid:** Ester (0.1 mmol) was dissolved in a premixed solvent of TFA and toluene (1.5 mL, v/v=1/10 for PMBAc and PMBBz, v/v=10/1 for NAPAc, NAPBz) at 0 °C and was stirred at room temperature for 5-60 min (for PMBAc and PMBBz) or 2-8 h (for NAPAc, NAPBz). The mixture was further diluted with toluene and concentrated *in vacuo* to remove the solvents at room temperature. The crude residue was purified by FC to give the target molecule in pure form. For water-soluble substrates, refer to work-up procedure for **12a** and **12b**.

**TFA-mediated deprotection of NAP ethers as global protecting groups:** Per-NAPylated dodecyl maltose **1** was obtained by treatment of commercially available dodecyl maltose **2** with excess NAPBr, NaH in DMF. Analytical data for **1:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.80–7.20 (m, 48 H), 7.05 (d, 1 H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 5.80 (d, 1 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 5.26–4.49 (m, 14 H), 4.28 (d, 1 H, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 4.22 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 4.06–3.83 (m, 3H), 3.75–3.55 (m, 6 H), 3.46 (m, 1 H). 1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.41 (m, 2 H), 1.22 (m, 18 H), 0.87 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  136.4, 136.3, 133.3, 133.2(2C), 133.1, 132.9(2C), 132.8, 132.7, 128.1, 128.0(2C), 127.9(4C), 127.8, 127.6(4C), 127.5(2C), 126.8, 126.4, 126.3(2C), 126.2, 126.1, 126.0(2C), 125.9, 125.8(3C), 125.7, 125.6, 77.2, 31.9, 29.7, 29.6(2C), 29.5, 29.3, 26.3, 22.7, 14.1. HRMS ES+: *m/z* C<sub>101</sub>H<sub>102</sub>O<sub>11</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 1698.7213, found 1698.7258. To remove all the NAP ether protecting groups in **1**, general procedure **3** was followed and final purification was achieved by filtration through a pad of silica gel to give **2** in quantitative yield.

**4-(4-methoxybenzyloxy)butanoic acid (PMBAcOH) (3a):** General procedure 1 using γ-butyrolactone **3** and PMBCl, KOH gave **3a** (68%) as light yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.04 (d, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.26 (m, 1 H), 6.94 (d, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 6.87 (m, 1 H), 4.44 (s, 2 H), 3.87 (s, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.50 (t, 2 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.48 (t, 2 H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.94 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  164.1, 159.2, 132.4, 130.3, 129.3, 113.8(2C), 72.6, 68.7, 55.5, 55.3, 31.0, 24.8. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M]<sup>-</sup> calcd 223.0970, found 223.1003.

**4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)butanoic acid (NAPAcOH) (3b):** General procedure 1 using γ-butyrolactone **3** and NAPBr, KOH gave **3b** (74%) as white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.83–7.42 (m, 7 H), 4.67 (s, 2 H), 3.56 (t, 2 H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.50 (t, 2 H, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 1.98 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  179.8, 125.7, 133.2, 132.9, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 126.2, 126.0, 125.8, 125.6, 72.9, 68.9, 30.9, 24.7. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M]<sup>-</sup> calcd 243.1021, found 243.1033.

**2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoic acid (PMBBzOH) (4a):** General procedure 1 using phthalide **4** and PMBCl, KOH gave **4a** (69%) as white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.10 (m, 1 H), 7.75 (d, 1 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.60 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.40 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.35 (d, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 6.91 (d, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 5.00 (s, 2 H), 4.62 (s, 2 H), 3.81 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  159.2, 141.2, 133.1, 131.5, 130.1, 129.4, 128.1, 127.6, 127.2, 113.8, 72.5, 70.2, 55.2. HRMS ESI: *m/z* C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>4</sub>[M]<sup>-</sup> calcd 271.0970, found 271.0973.

**2-((naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)methyl)benzoic acid (NAPBzOH) (4b):** General procedure 1 using phthalide **4** and NAPBr, KOH gave **4b** (77%) as white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.09 (m, 1 H), 7.86–7.73 (m, 5 H), 7.60 (m, 1 H), 7.53–7.40 (m, 4 H), 5.03 (s, 2 H), 4.83 (s, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  172.2, 141.2, 135.5, 133.3, 133.0, 131.6, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.4, 127.3, 126.4, 126.1, 125.9, 125.7, 73.0, 70.5. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M]<sup>-</sup> calcd 291.1021, found 291.1010.

Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl-6-(4-(4-methoxybenzyloxy)butanoyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside (6a): General procedure 2 using 3a and 5, DCC gave 6a (93%) as colorless foam.  $[α]_D^{18} = 47.3$  (*c* 0.97, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.00–7.85 (m, 6 H), 7.51–7.22 (m, 11 H), 6.89 (m, 2 H), 6.18 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.62 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 5.29 (m, 2 H), 4.42 (s, 2 H), 4.30 (m, 3 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 3.46 (m, 5 H), 2.48 (m, 2 H), 1.94 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  172.9, 165.6(2C), 165.1, 159.0, 133.3(2C), 133.0, 130.4, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 128.1, 113.6, 96.9, 77.2, 72.4, 71.9, 70.3, 69.1, 68.7, 67.4, 62.2, 55.5, 55.1, 30.7, 24.8. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>12</sub> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> calcd 730.2864, found 730.2886.

Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl-6-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside (6b): General procedure 2 using 4a and 5, DCC gave 6b (97%) as colorless foam.  $[α]_D^{18} = 59.1$  (*c* 0.23, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.06–7.42 (m, 7 H), 7.73 (m, 1 H), 7.52–7.28 (m, 13 H), 6.89 (d, 1 H, *J* = 10.5 Hz), 6.19 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 5.67 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 5.27 (m, 2 H), 4.96 (s, 2 H), 4.58 (s, 2 H), 4.57–4.38 (m, 3 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.48 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.5, 165.8(2C), 165.3, 159.1, 141.4, 133.4(2C), 133.1, 132.5, 130.5(2C), 130.4, 129.9(2C), 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.5, 127.4, 126.9, 113.8(2C), 97.0, 72.5, 72.0, 70.3, 69.9, 69.5, 67.6, 62.9, 55.7, 55.3. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>44</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>12</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 783.2417, found 783.2385.

Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl-6-(4-4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)butanoyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside (6c): General procedure 2 using 3b and 5, DCC gave 6c (95%) as colorless foam.  $[α]_D^{18} = 50.5$  (*c* 0.50, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.00–7.85 (m, 6 H), 7.50–7.21 (m, 12 H), 6.89 (m, 2 H), 6.15 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.59 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.25 (m, 2 H), 4.43 (s, 2 H), 4.26 (m, 3 H),

3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.47 (m, 5 H), 2.47 (m, 2 H), 1.92 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  173.1, 165.8, 165.7, 165.2, 159.1, 133.4(2C), 133.1, 130.5, 129.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 113.7, 97.0, 72.5, 72.0, 69.2, 68.8, 67.5, 62.3, 55.6, 55.2, 30.8, 24.9. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>43</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>11</sub> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> calcd 750.2914, found 750.2925.

Methyl 6-*O*-(2-((naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)methyl)benzoyl)-2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzoyl-α-D-gluco pyranoside (6d): General procedure 2 using 4b and 5, DCC gave 6d (97%) as colorless foam.  $[α]_D^{18}$ = 66.9 (*c* 0.97, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.04–7.76 (m, 12 H), 7.58–7.26 (m, 14 H), 6.20 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.67 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.29 (m, 1 H), 5.23 (m, 1 H), 5.05 (s, 2 H), 4.82 (s, 2 H), 4.56–4.37 (m, 3 H), 3.45 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.5, 165.8(2C), 165.3, 141.2, 135.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.6, 130.6, 129.9(2C), 129.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 126.3, 126.0, 125.8, 125.7, 97.0, 72.9, 72.0, 70.4, 70.3, 69.5, 67.6, 62.9, 55.7. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>40</sub>O<sub>11</sub> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> calcd 798.2914, found 798.2946.



Methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzoyl-4-*O*-levulinyl-6-*O*-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-α-Dglucopyranoside (7): Compound 7a (189 mg, 0.29 mmol) (prepared via S1<sup>11</sup> in one step, SI-Scheme 1), DCC (101 mg, 0.49 mmmol) and DMAP (4 mg, 0.3 mmol) were dissolved in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL). Levulinic acid (44 uL, 0.43 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. After being diluted with ethyl acetate, the mixture was filtered, concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by FC to provide 7 (206 mg, 95%).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 104.3$  (*c* 1.06, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.04–7.32 (m, 16 H), 6.90 (d, 1 H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 6.01 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 5.42 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.41 (m, 2 H), 5.00 (m, 2 H), 4.60 (s, 3 H), 4.50 (m, 2 H), 4.27 (m, 1 H), 3.81 (s, 3 H), 3.43 (s, 3 H), 2.65–2.35 (m, 4 H), 2.00 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 205.7, 171.5, 166.4, 165.8, 159.1, 141.3, 133.4, 133.2, 132.5, 130.5(2C), 129.9, 129.8, 129.4, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9, 113.8, 113.7, 96.9, 72.5, 71.9, 70.4, 70.0, 68.9, 67.5, 62.5, 55.6, 55.2, 37.8, 29.4, 27.9. HRMS-ESI: *m*/z C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>42</sub>O<sub>13</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 777.2523, found 777.2540. Methyl 6-O-acetyl-2,3-di-*O*-benzoyl-4-(2-((naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)methyl)benzoyl)-α-Dglucopyranoside (8): Compound 8b (360 mg, 0.36 mmol) (prepared via S1<sup>[1]</sup> in one step, SI-Scheme 1), DMAP (20 mg, 0.16 mmol), 4b (126 mg, 0.43 mmol) and DCC (307 mg, 1.05 mmol) were dissolved in 3 mL dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. And the mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h. Then diluted with ethyl acetate, filtered and concentrated and purified to provide 6 (553 mg, 95%).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 65.2$  (*c* 1.26, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.00–7.58 (m, 10 H), 7.55–7.21 (m, 12 H), 6.14 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 5.59 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.24 (m, 2 H), 4.90 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.4 Hz), 4.74 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.4 Hz), 4.63 (m, 2 H), 4.35 (m, 1 H), 4.21 (m, 2 H), 3.45 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.6, 165.8, 165.7, 165.4, 141.3, 135.8, 133.4, 133.3, 133.2, 132.9, 132.8, 130.4, 129.9, 129.7, 129.1, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 127.0, 126.8, 126.2, 126.0, 125.8, 97.0, 72.7, 72.0, 70.4, 69.9, 68.8, 67.5, 62.2, 55.6, 20.7. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>11</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 741.2312, found 741.2366.

Methyl 2, 3-di-*O*-benzoyl-6-*O*-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside (7a) via selective deprotection in 7: Compound 7 (36 mg, 0.048 mmol) was dissolved in 4.4 mL THF/MeOH (v : v = 10 : 1). Hydrazine acetate (23 mg, 0.24 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 1.5 h at room temperature. Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue was dissolved in ethyl acetate and washed with aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and filtered. Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue was purified by FC on silica gel to give 7a (30.3 mg, 96%).  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{18}$  = 96.0 (*c* 1.24, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.99 (m, 5 H), 7.70 (m, 1 H), 7.50 (m, 3 H), 7.32 (m, 8 H), 6.87 (d, 1 H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 5.78 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.26 (m, 1 H), 5.13 (d, 1 H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 4.97 (ab, 2 H, *J* = 18.5, 4.5 Hz), 4.74 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 12.0, 4.5 Hz), 4.58 (m, 3 H), 4.09 (m, 1 H), 3.88 (m, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.43 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 167.4, 167.2, 165.9, 159.2, 141.0, 133.4, 132.5, 130.6, 130.3, 129.9, 129.8, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.1, 113.8, 113.7, 97.1, 73.8, 72.6, 72.4, 71.4, 70.0, 69.9, 69.7, 69.4, 63.5, 55.5, 55.2. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>11</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 679.2155, found 679.2145.

Methyl 2, 3-di-*O*-benzoyl-4-*O*-levulinyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (7b): General procedure 3 using TFA/Toluene (v : v = 1 : 10) and stirred at room temperature for 5 min gave 7b (96%) as colorless foam.  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 212.9$  (*c* 0.17, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.95 (m, 4 H), 7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.37 (m, 4 H), 6.02 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 12.0, 10.0 Hz), 5.30 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.19 (m, 2 H), 3.92 (m, 1 H), 3.79 (m, 2 H), 3.44 (s, 3 H), 2.67 (m, 1 H), 2.56 (m, 2 H), 2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.08 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 206.1, 172.5, 165.8(2C), 133.3, 133.2, 129.9, 129.7, 128.4, 97.1, 72.1, 70.3, 69.6, 69.1, 61.0, 55.6, 37.8, 29.5, 27.9. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>10</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd 501.1761, found 501.1765.

Methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzoyl-4-(2-((naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)methyl)benzoyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside (8a): Compound 8 (72 mg, 0.1 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH (v:v=1:1) and AcCl (0.1 mL) was added at 0 °C. After stirred at room temperature for 2 h, the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* to directly provide 8a in pure form (68 mg, 100%). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>18</sup> = 72.4 (*c* 1.46, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.00–7.21 (m, 22 H), 6.21 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 5.52 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.25 (m, 2 H), 4.97 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.4 Hz), 4.77 (d, 1 H, *J* = 14.0 Hz), 4.67 (ab, 2 H, *J* = 18.0, 12.0 Hz), 3.97 (d, 1 H, *J* = 11.6 Hz), 3.70 (m, 2 H), 3.42 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  166.5, 165.8, 141.1, 135.6, 133.3, 133.2(2C), 132.9, 130.6, 129.9, 129.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.3, 126.8, 126.3, 126.0, 125.8, 125.7, 97.0, 72.7, 72.1, 70.2, 70.1, 69.6, 69.2, 60.9, 55.6. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>10</sub> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> calcd 694.2652, found 694.2708.

Methyl 6-*O*-acetyl-2,3-di-*O*-benzoyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (8b): General procedure 3 using 8 (72 mg, 0.1 mmol), 2.0 mL TFA/Toluene (v : v = 10 : 1), room temperature for 2 h to provide 8b (43 mg, 97%) as colorless foam.  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 137.1$  (*c* 3.42, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.97 (m, 4 H), 7.49 (m, 2 H), 7.35 (m, 4 H), 5.77 (t, 1 H, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 5.24 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 9.2, 3.6 Hz), 5.13 (d, 1 H, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 4.50 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 12.0, 4.8 Hz), 4.40 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 12.0, 2.0 Hz), 3.43 (m, 4 H), 2.14 (s, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  171.4, 167.1, 165.9, 133.3, 129.8(2C), 129.1, 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 97.0, 73.7, 71.3, 69.7, 69.4, 62.9, 55.3, 20.8. HRMS-ESI: *m*/*z* C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 467.1318, found 467.1305.



**2-Azidoethyl 2-***O*-(**2**-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-**2**,**3**-di-*O*-(**2**-methylnaphthyl)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (9a): Prepared from S2<sup>[2]</sup> in seven steps (SI-Scheme 2).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = -33.3$  (*c* 0.48, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.00 (m, 1 H), 7.78–7.30 (m, 24 H), 5.63 (m, 1 H), 5.10–4.62 (m, 9 H), 4.20 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 9.2, 3.2 Hz), 4.02 (t, 1 H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 3.87–3.63 (m, 4 H), 3.48 (m, 1 H), 3.22 (m, 2 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  166.2, 140.8, 135.8, 135.5, 135.3, 133.2, 133.1(2C), 132.9, 132.8, 132.6, 130.7, 128.0(2C), 127.8(2C), 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.1, 126.6, 126.1, 126.0, 125.9(2C), 125.8, 125.7(2C), 125.5, 97.8, 77.8, 75.1, 73.9, 72.5, 72.1, 71.6, 70.3, 69.0, 66.7, 61.9, 50.2. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>58</sub>H<sub>65</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Si [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 982.4439, found 982.4482.

**Dibutyl** 6-*O*-triisopropylsilyl-2-*O*-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-2,3-di-*O*-(2-methylnaphthyl)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside phosphate (10): Prepared from S2<sup>[2]</sup> in six steps (SI-Scheme 2).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = -29.7$  (*c* 2.48, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.08 (m, 1 H), 7.85–7.26 (m, 24 H), 5.80 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 6.3, 1.8 Hz), 5.69 (t, 1 H, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 5.14–4.63 (m, 8 H), 4.24–3.87 (m, 9 H), 1.61 (m, 4 H), 1.38 (m, 4 H), 1.08 (m, 21 H), 0.91 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.2 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  165.6, 141.6, 136.0, 135.9, 135.3, 133.3, 133.2, 133.0, 132.7, 130.8, 128.0(2C), 127.9, 127.6(3C), 127.4, 126.8, 126.7, 126.4, 126.1, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8(2C), 125.7, 125.6, 74.5, 72.8, 70.4, 67.9, 67.8, 67.7, 32.2(3C), 32.1, 18.6, 18.0, 17.9, 13.5, 12.0.

# 2-Azidoethyl 6-O-triisopropylsilyl-2-O-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-2,3-di-O-(2-methylnaphthyl)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyransyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2-O-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)

**benzoyl)-2, 3-di-***O***-(2-methylnaphthyl)**-*α***-D-mannopyranoside (11a):** Mannosyl dibutylphosphate **10** (39 mg, 0.036 mmol), mannoside **9** (24 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 4Å molecular sieves (100 mg) were weighed into a 10 mL round bottom flask under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. Dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h before cooled to -30 °C and TBSOTf (8.3 uL, 0.036 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred between -30°C to -20°C for 1 h and quenched with drops of Et<sub>3</sub>N. The mixture was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, washed with brine and the organic layer was dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Solvents were evaporated *in vacuo* and the crude residue was purified by FC to provide **11a** (34 mg, 97%).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = -13.3$  (*c* 2.15, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.10 (m, 2 H), 7.8–7.15 (m, 48 H), 5.74 (s, 1 H), 5.69 (s, 1 H), 5.11–4.55 (m, 18 H), 4.20–3.65 (m, 11 H), 3.40 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (m, 1 H), 0.95 (m, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.3, 166.0, 141.2, 141.0, 136.2, 135.9(2C), 135.7, 135.4, 135.3, 133.2(3C), 133.1, 132.9(2C), 132.8, 130.9, 130.7, 128.0, 127.9(2C), 127.8(2C), 127.6(2C), 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 126.3, 126.1(2C), 126.0(2C), 125.9(2C), 125.8, 125.7, 125.6(3C), 125.4, 97.8(2C), 78.3, 78.0, 77.2, 75.2, 75.0, 74.2, 72.7, 72.6, 71.7, 71.3, 70.4, 68.9, 66.6, 66.0, 50.2, 17.9(2C), 11.9. HRMS-ESI: *m/z* C<sub>49</sub>H<sub>45</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 826.3104, found 826.3140.

**2-Azidoethyl**  $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (12a): Compound 11a (22mg, 0.024 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of TFA/toluene (3.3 mL, v/v = 10 : 1) at 0 °C and was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h, warmed to room temperature and stirred for additional 2 h. The mixture was then diluted with toluene (10 mL), concentrated *in vacuo* at room temperature. The crude residue was then treated with MeOH (5 mL) and sodium methoxide (1 mg) (to remove trace amount of trifluoroacetates that are present on the carbohydrate backbone) and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Solvent was then evaporated *in vacuo*. The crude residue was dissolved with H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O three times. The water phase was concentrated to provide compound **10a** (quant).  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 35.5$  (*c* 0.48, MeOH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$  4.86 (d, 1 H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 4.82 (d, 1 H, *J* = 1.5

Hz), 3.97–3.83 (m, 5 H), 3.80-3.64 (m, 9 H), 3.46 (t, 2 H, J = 5.0 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  100.5, 99.9, 72.9, 72.0, 71.2, 70.7, 70.6, 67.1, 67.0, 66.4, 66.0, 61.3, 50.4. HRMS-ESI: m/z C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>11</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 434.1387, found 434.1387.

2-Azidoethyl 6-O-triisopropylsilyl-2-O-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)benzoyl)-2, 3-di-O-(2-methylnaphthyl)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyransyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2-O-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl) benzovl)-2,3-di-O-(2-methylnaphthyl)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyransyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2-O-(2-((4-methoxybenzylox y)methyl)benzoyl)-2,3-di-O-(2-methylnaphthyl)-\alpha-D-mannopyranoside (11b): The synthesis of trimmannoside 11b was carried our in an analogous manner as described for 11a, except the corresponding glycosyl acceptor is dimmanoside **9b**.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{18} = -1.6$  (c 1.75, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.37–8.09 (m, 3 H), 7.87–7.13 (m, 72 H), 5.86 (t, 1 H, J = 2.0 Hz), 5.81 (s, 1 H), 5.76 (t, 1 H, J = 1.5 Hz), 5.20–4.51 (m, 26 H), 4.17 (d, 1 H, J = 1.5 Hz), 4.21–3.88 (m, 10 H), 3.78 (m, 3 H), 3.66 (m, 3 H), 3.48 (m, 1 H), 3.23 (m, 2 H), 1.06–0.83 (m, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz. CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 166.3, 166.1, 165.9, 141.3, 141.1(2C), 136.3, 135.9 (3C), 135.6, 135.4, 135.3, 135.1, 133.3, 133.2, 133.1(2C), 133.0, 132.9, 132.8(2C), 132.7, 132.6, 130.9, 130.8, 130.7, 128.1, 128.0(2C), 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6(2C), 127.5(3C), 127.3, 127.0, 126.8, 126.7, 126.3, 126.2, 126.1(2C), 126.0(2C), 125.9(2C), 125.8(2C), 125.7, 125.6(3C), 125.5(2C), 125.3, 98.2, 98.1, 97.9, 78.3, 78.0, 75.1, 74.1(2C), 72.7, 72.6(2C), 71.8, 71.2, 71.0, 70.5, 68.9, 68.6, 66.7, 66.2, 50.2, 25.8, 17.9(2C), 11.9. HRMS-ESI:  $m/z C_{152}H_{149}N_4O_{22}Si [M+Na]^+$  calcd 2410.0433, found 2410.0239.

**2-Azidoethyl**  $\alpha$ -D-mannopyransyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyransyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (12b): Removal of all protecting groups by TFA treatment in trimannoside 11b (11 mg, 0.0045 mmol) was carried out in an identical fashion as described for 12a.  $[\alpha]_D^{18} = 18.9$  (*c* 0.29, MeOH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$  4.89 (d, 1 H, J = 2.4 Hz), 4.84 (d, 1 H, J = 1.5 Hz), 4.82 (d, 1 H, J = 1.8 Hz), 3.96–3.61 (m, 20 H), 3.46 (t, 2 H, J = 5.1 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  110.8, 110.1, 110.9, 74.4, 73.4, 72.8, 72.6, 72.5, 72.4, 72.0(2C), 68.6(2C), 68.5, 67.8, 67.3, 67.2, 62.7, 51.8. HRMS-ESI: m/z C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>16</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd 596.1915, found 596.1921.

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