

Supporting Information

Glycosylation with Ulosonates under Mitsunobu Conditions: Scope and Limitations

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Experimental

General methods

Reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers (Sigma-Aldrich, TCI, Alfa Aesar) and used without further purification. TLC was carried out on precoated plates (DC-Alurolle Kieselgel 60, F254, Merck), and the spots were visualized under UV light and by gentle heating after treating it with 5% H₂SO₄ and 1% *p*-anisaldehyde solution in ethanol. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (Kieselgel 60, 63-200 μm, Molar Chemicals). ¹H, ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance DRX 360 and Bruker Avance I 400 spectrometers, ROE and HSQMBC studies were carried out on Bruker Avance II 500 spectrometer. Me₄Si (¹H) or the residual solvent signal (¹³C) was used as reference. Mass spectra were recorded using a maXis II UHR ESI-TOF MS (Brucker) spectrometer. Optical rotations were determined with a Perkin-Elmer 241 polarimeter at 20°C.

General procedure A for the Mitsunobu glycosylations with methyl 3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- α -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranosonate **1**

Heptulopyranosonic ester **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (3 mL) in a round bottom flask, triphenylphosphine (PPh₃, 120 mg, 3 eq) and the corresponding nucleophile (HNu, 3 eq) were added and the solution was stirred at rt until all materials dissolved. Then, diethylazodicarboxylate (DEAD, 72 μL, 3 eq) was added, and the solution turned dark red. After stirring at rt for 3 h-1 d (specified with the particular compounds), TLC (toluene : EtOAc = 8:1) showed completion of the reactions. The solvent was evaporated under diminished pressure, and the crude mixture was purified by column chromatography (slow gradient elution with toluene : EtOAc from 100 : 0 to 100 : 10).

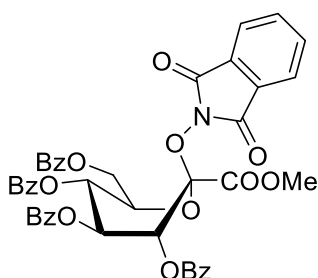
General procedure B for the Mitsunobu glycosylations with methyl 5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosonate **33**

Neuraminic acid ester **33** (200 mg, 0.407 mmol) was dissolved in dry CH₃CN (3 mL) under Ar atmosphere. The solution was cooled to -30 °C and 4Å molecular sieves (100 mg), triphenylphosphine (PPh₃, 320 mg, 3 eq), and a nucleophile (HNu, 3 eq) were added. Diethylazodicarboxylate (DEAD, 190 μL, 3 eq) was added dropwise to this solution, which turned dark orange-red. After 8 hours of stirring at -30 °C, TLC (hexane : acetone = 2 : 1)

showed completion of the reaction. The solvent was evaporated under diminished pressure, and the residue was purified with column chromatography (slow gradient elution with hexane : acetone = 2.5 : 1 to 1.5 : 1).

Characterization of the new compounds

N-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyloxy)onate]-phthalimide (**9**)



Prepared according to General procedure A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and *N*-hydroxyphthalimide (**5**, 76 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 6 h.

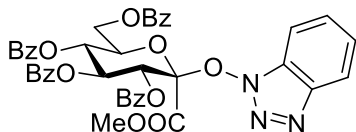
Yield: 72 mg (59%), $R_f=0.52$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-23$ ($c=1.02$, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03-7.89 (3 \times d, 8H, ArH), 7.75-7.69 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.60 (t, $J=7.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.51-7.25 (m, 12H, ArH), 6.64 (dd, $J=10.8, 7.8$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 6.13 (d, $J=4.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.97 (dd, $J=7.8, 4.2$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 4.89 (dt, $J=10.7, 4.2$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.81 (dd, $J=12.2, 3.9$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.61 (dd, $J=12.2, 4.6$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.89 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.04, 165.36, 165.16, 164.71, 163.90 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 163.66 (2) (NCO), 134.80, 133.86, 133.48, 133.40, 132.97, 130.23, 130.09, 130.05, 129.80, 129.59, 129.03, 128.99, 128.95, 128.73, 128.45, 128.38, 128.25, 124.00 (ArC), 102.68 (C-2), 72.99 (2), 71.91, 69.53 (C-3 – C-6), 63.42 (C-7), 53.66 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{33}\text{NO}_{14}\text{Na}$: 822.1793, found: 822.1795 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

1-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-*gluco*-hept-2-uloypyranosyloxy)onate]-benzotriazole (10)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and *N*-hydroxybenzotriazole (**6**, 63 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 8 h. This reaction never reached full conversion, even after heating and one week of reaction time. R_f values of **10** and **1** proved to be similar in all attempted eluents, therefore TLC monitoring and column chromatography was difficult and a complete separation could not be achieved.

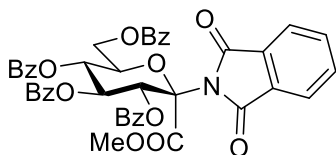
Yield: 40 mg (42%, corrected value for 80% conversion of **1** based on $^1\text{H-NMR}$). $R_f=0.50$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1).

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05-7.78 (3 \times d+m, 10H, ArH), 7.65 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.59-7.28 (m, 14H, ArH), 7.13 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.31 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.14 (pt, $J=8.3, 8.3$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.89 (pt, $J=9.9, 8.5$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.96 (pdt, $J=9.9, 3.2, 3.2$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.64 (dd, $J=12.5, 2.5$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.43 (dd, $J=12.5, 4.0$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.99 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 165.80, 165.40, 164.91, 164.88, 164.08 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 143.04, 133.89, 133.70, 133.57, 133.26, 130.38, 130.10, 130.01, 129.93, 129.63, 129.26, 128.67, 128.56, 128.47, 124.76, 119.96, 110.29 (ArC), 105.02 (C-2), 73.73, 71.24, 69.95, 67.95 (C-3 – C-6), 62.34 (C-7), 53.91 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_3\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$: 794.1925, found: 794.1922 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

***N*-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-*gluco*-hept-2-uloypyranosyl)onate]-phthalimide (12)**



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and phthalimide (**11**, 68 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 16 h.

Yield: 36 mg (30%), $R_f=0.34$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-17$ ($c=1.06$, CHCl_3)

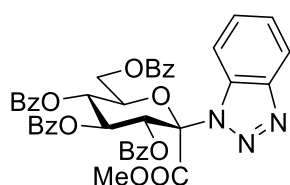
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.09-7.69 (m, 13H, ArH), 7.56-7.23 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.88 (d, $J=10.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.28 (pt, $J=10.0, 9.7$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.93 (pt, $J=9.7, 10.0$ Hz, 1H, H-5), , 4.74 (ddd, $J=10.1,$

4.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.61 (dd, $J=12.3, 2.8$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.49 (dd, $J=12.4, 4.7$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.98 (s, 3H, COOCH₃).

¹³C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.44, 166.27, 165.59 (3), 165.24, 165.20 (4 \times OCOPh, 2 \times N-CO, COOMe), 134.68, 133.58, 133.48, 133.27, 133.16, 131.36, 130.08, 129.99, 129.93, 129.77, 128.92, 128.82, 128.72, 128.52, 128.48, 128.44, 128.34, 123.96 (Ar-C), 86.19 (C-2), 73.04, 71.38, 69.30, 69.11 (C-3 – C-6), 63.07 (C-7), 53.51 (COOCH₃).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for C₄₄H₃₃NO₁₃Na: 806.1844, found: 806.1846 (M+Na⁺).

1-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-benzotriazole (21)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and benzotriazole (**13**, 55 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 24 h.

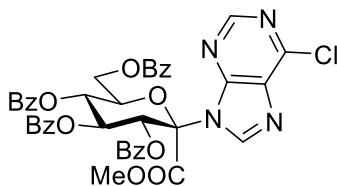
Yield: 34 mg (32%), $R_f=0.35$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-19$ ($c=1.01$, CHCl₃)

¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06-7.71 (3 \times d, 2 \times m, 10H, ArH), 7.59-7.21 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.74 (d, $J=8.4$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.37 (pt, $J=8.3, 7.7$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.91 (dd, $J=9.8, 7.7$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.98 (ddd, $J=9.7, 4.5, 2.8$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.86 (dd, $J=12.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.58 (dd, $J=12.4, 4.8$ Hz, 1H, H-7') 3.87 (s, 3H, COOCH₃).

¹³C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.07, 165.53, 165.28, 165.16, 164.22 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 146.26, 133.76, 133.72, 133.44, 133.41, 132.28, 130.08, 129.92, 129.86, 129.59, 128.75, 128.62, 128.58, 128.44, 124.73, 120.36, 112.21 (ArC), 91.21 (C-2), 73.76, 71.02, 70.54, 68.77 (C-3 – C-6), 62.85 (C-7), 54.01 (COOCH₃).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for C₄₂H₃₃N₃O₁₁Na: 778.2007, found: 778.2005 (M+Na⁺).

**6-chloro-9-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-*gluco*-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-
purine (22)**



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and 6-chloropurine (**14**, 71 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 24 h. The product **22**, still containing significant amounts of DEAD after purification, was re-purified with another column chromatography using toluene:acetonitrile=4:1.

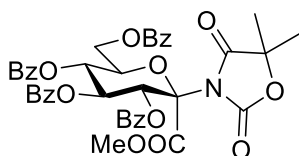
Yield: 38 mg (31%, corrected value based on the integrals from the $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of **22** after the first column.), $R_f=0.32$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-30$ ($c=1.02$, CHCl_3)

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.56 (s, 1H, purine-*H*), 8.27 (s, 1H, purine-*H*), 8.08-7.61 (4xd, 8H, Ar*H*), 7.62-7.22 (m, 12H, Ar*H*), 6.52 (pt, $J=8.4$, 8.4 Hz, H-4), 6.40 (d, $J=8.8$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.92 (t, $J=9.2$, 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.86-4.78 (m, 2H, H-6, H-7), 4.60 (dd, $J=12.3$, 4.3 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.86 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (91 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.11, 165.14 (2) , 164.87, 164.57 (4xOCOPh, COOMe), 151.92, 151.50, 151.34, 142.25 (4xpurine-C), 134.00, 133.89, 133.62, 131.93 (purine-C), 130.09, 129.88, 129.64, 129.37, 128.72, 128.64, 128.46, 128.03 (ArC), 88.36 (C-2), 73.96, 71.99, 70.93, 68.62 (C-3 – C-6), 62.33 (C-7), 54.08 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{31}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_{11}\text{Na}$:813.1570, found: 813.1572($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

**5,5-Dimethyl-3-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-*gluco*-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-
oxazolidin-2,4-dione (23)**



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and 5,5-dimethyloxazolidin-2,4-dione (**15**, 59 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 18 h. The product **23**, still containing traces of unknown impurities, was re-purified with another column chromatography using chloroform:acetonitrile=6:1.

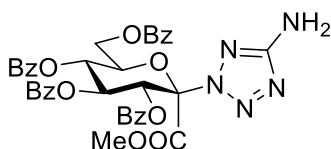
Yield: 39 mg (33%), $R_f=0.48$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-22$ ($c=0.98$, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.10-7.83 (3 \times d 8H ArH), 7.57-7.23 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.54 (d, $J=10.1$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.36 (t, $J=9.8$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.89 (t, $J=9.5$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.64 (d, $J=9.6$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.51 (d+m, $J=9.3$ Hz, 2H, H-6, H-7'), 3.92 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 1.56 (s, 3H, CH_3), 1.46 (s, 3H, CH_3).

^{13}C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 174.09, 166.14, 165.77, 165.43, 165.09, 164.04, 151.09 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe, 2 \times N-CO), 133.80, 133.61, 133.34, 133.22, 130.08, 129.98, 129.91, 129.83, 129.62, 128.75, 128.63, 128.58, 128.47, 128.35, 128.28 (Ar-C), 86.78 (C-2), 82.98 [$\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2$], 73.13, 70.85, 69.40, 68.77 (C-3 – C-6), 62.55 (C-7), 53.65 (COOCH_3), 23.36, 23.24 (2 \times CH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{41}\text{H}_{35}\text{NO}_{14}\text{Na}$: 788.1950, found: 788.1960 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

5-Amino-2-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulo-pyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (24)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and 5-aminotetrazole (**16**, 39 mg, 0.459 mmol). Instead of THF, 3 mL DMF was used as solvent. Reaction time: 8 h.

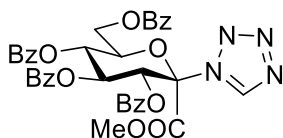
Yield: 35 mg (32%), $R_f=0.21$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-25$ ($c=1.02$, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.04-7.83 (3 \times d, 8H, ArH), 7.57-7.16 (m, 12H, ArH), 6.79 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.04 (pt, $J=8.1, 7.2$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.85 (dd, $J=9.7, 7.1$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 5.09 (ddd, $J=9.6, 4.90, 3.0$ Hz, 1H, H-6) 4.73 (dd, $J=12.4, 2.90$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.55 (dd, $J=12.40, 5.0$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 4.37 (s, 2H, NH_2), 3.91 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.20, 165.87, 165.27, 165.07, 164.59, 163.86 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe, Tetrazole-C), 133.87, 133.69, 133.52, 133.26, 130.05, 130.00, 129.94, 129.65, 128.82, 128.69, 128.49 (ArC), 91.10 (C-2), 73.84, 70.88, 69.62, 68.58 (C-3 – C-6), 63.19 (C-7), 54.16 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_5\text{O}_{11}\text{Na}$: 744.1912, found: 744.1911 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

1-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (25a)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and tetrazole (**17**, 32 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 4 h.

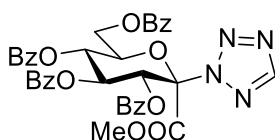
Yield: 32 mg (30%), $R_f=0.25$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-27$ (c=0.99, CHCl₃)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.99 (s, 1H, tetrazole-CH), 8.07, 8.05, 7.93, 7.91, 7.74, 7.72 (3 \times d, 8H, ArH) 7.60-7.26 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.44 (pt, $J=8.6$, 8.6 Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.30 (d, $J=8.8$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.87 (pt, $J=9.4$, 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.95 (ddd, $J=9.8$, 4.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.90 (dd, $J=12.4$, 4.2 Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.55 (dd, $J=12.4$ Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.91 (s, 3H, COOCH₃).

¹³C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.18, 165.27, 165.03, 164.31, 164.28 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 141.36 (Tetrazole-C) 133.95, 133.87, 133.64, 133.60, 131.27, 130.05, 129.87, 129.82, 129.24, 129.03, 128.70, 128.66, 128.61, 128.47, 128.31, 126.15 (ArC), 89.74 (C-2), 74.59, 71.65, 70.97, 68.07 (C-3 – C-6), 62.05 (C-7), 54.52 (COOCH₃).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for C₃₇H₃₀N₄O₁₁Na: 729.1803, found: 729.1803 (M+Na⁺).

2-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (25b)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and tetrazole (**17**, 32 mg, 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 4 h.

Yield: 35 mg (33%), $R_f=0.54$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-29$ (c=1.00, CHCl₃)

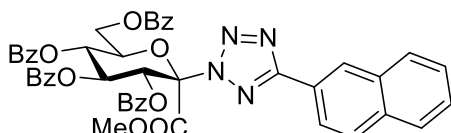
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.50 (Tetrazole-CH), 8.03, 8.01, 7.90, 7.88, 7.87, 7.83, 7.81 (3 \times d, 8H, ArH), 7.54-7.28 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.86 (d, $J=8.6$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.19 (pt, $J=8.1$, 8.1 Hz 1H, H-4), 5.91 (pt, $J=9.3$, 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-5), 5.19 (ddd, $J=9.3$, 4.5, 2.9 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.76 (dd, $J=12.4$, 2.8 Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.57 (dd, $J=12.5$, 4.9 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.93 (s, 3H, COOCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.08, 165.25, 165.00, 164.45, 163.80 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 152.7 (Tetrazole-CH) 133.89, 133.70, 133.54, 133.26, 129.94, 129.89, 129.83, 129.48, 128.63, 128.55, 128.50,

128.45, 128.42, 128.25 (ArC), 91.57 (C-2), 74.18, 70.81, 70.12, 68.41 (C-3 – C-6), 62.93 (C-7), 54.28 (COOCH₃).

HRMS: *m/z* calcd. for C₃₇H₃₀N₄O₁₁Na: 729.1803, found: 729.1800 (M+Na⁺).

5-(2-naphthyl)-2-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-gluco-hept-2-ulo-pyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (26)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (150 mg, 0.230 mmol) and 5-naphthyltetrazole (**18**, 135 mg, 0.690 mmol), reaction time: 5 h.

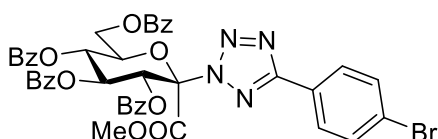
Yield: 75 mg (42%) *R*_f=0.58 (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) [α]_D²⁰ = -30 (c=1.08, CHCl₃) value obtained for a sample contaminated by traces of **2**.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.58 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.11-7.86 (m, 12H, ArH), 7.59-7.24 (m, 15H, ArH), 7.03 (d, *J*=8.1 Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.26 (pt, *J*=8.0, 7.2 Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.01 (dd, *J*=9.6, 7.2 Hz, 1H, H-5), 5.31 (ddd, *J*=9.8, 5.2, 3.4 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.87 (dd, *J*=12.5, 2.8 Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.68 (dd, *J*=12.5, 4.7 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.97 (s, 3H, COOCH₃).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.15, 165.26, 165.04, 165.02, 164.70, 163.92 (4×OCOPh, COOMe, Tetrazole-C), 134.41, 133.92, 133.68, 133.48, 133.22, 133.05, 130.00, 129.97, 129.92, 129.87, 129.56, 128.79, 128.69, 128.61, 128.58, 128.50, 128.43, 128.40, 127.88, 127.35, 127.28, 126.71, 123.95, 123.80 (ArC), 91.67 (C-2), 74.09, 70.81, 70.10, 68.52 (C-3 – C-6), 63.07 (C-7), 54.27 (COOCH₃).

HRMS: *m/z* calcd. for C₄₇H₃₆N₄O₁₁Na: 855.2273, found: 855.2271 (M+Na⁺).

5-(4-bromophenyl)-2-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-gluco-hept-2-ulo-pyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (27)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (150 mg, 0.23 mmol) and 5-(*p*-bromophenyl)tetrazole (**19**, 155 mg, 0.69 mmol), reaction time: 4 h.

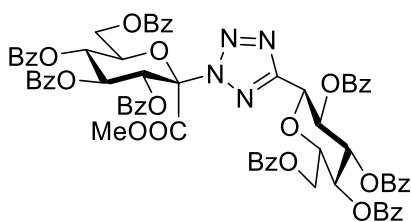
Yield: 79 mg (40%), $R_f=0.60$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-24$ (c=0.97, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.03-7.81 (m, 10H, ArH), 7.57-7.24 (m, 14H, ArH), 6.90 (d, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.15 (pt, $J=8.1, 7.5$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.91 (dd, $J=9.6, 7.2$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 5.22 (ddd, $J=9.7, 5.0, 3.0$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.79 (dd, $J=12.4, 2.8$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.59 (dd, $J=12.5, 4.7$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.91 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.16, 165.24, 165.07, 164.60, 164.08, 163.89 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe, Tetrazole-C), 133.99, 133.74, 133.58, 133.28, 132.13, 130.01, 129.96, 129.91, 129.58, 128.74, 128.69, 128.62, 128.54, 128.49, 128.45, 128.40, 125.49, 125.24 (ArC), 91.71 (C-2), 74.12, 70.77, 70.00, 68.50 (C-3 – C-6), 63.07 (C-7), 54.32 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{33}\text{BrN}_4\text{O}_{11}\text{Na}$: 883.1221, 885.1211, found: 883.1219, 885.1205 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

5-(2'',3'',4'',6''-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-2-[methyl (3',4',5',7'-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)onate]-tetrazole (28)



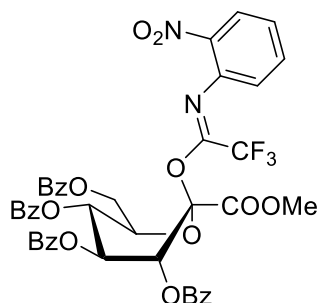
Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and 5-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)tetrazole (**20**, 100 mg, 0.154 mmol). Yield: 70 mg (36%) $R_f=0.37$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-62$ (c=1.10, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00-7.66 (3 \times d + m, 18H, ArH) 7.54-7.17 (m, 24H, ArH) 6.77 (d, $J=8.02$ Hz, 1H, H-3'), 6.08-5.92 (m, 3H, H-4', H-2'', H-3''), 5.81-5.75 (m, 2H, H-5', H-4'') 5.18 (m, 1H, H-6'), 5.13 (d, $J=9.87$ Hz, 1H, H-1''), 4.66-4.45 (m, 4H, H-7a', H-7b', H-6a'', H-6b''), 4.26 (m, 1H, H-5''), 3.61 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (91 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.30, 166.15, 165.96, 165.28, 165.18, 164.99, 164.48, 164.39, 163.54 (8 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 162.32 (Tetrazole-C), 133.81, 133.66, 133.56, 133.35, 133.27, 133.24, 130.00, 129.95, 129.70, 129.65, 129.62, 128.99, 128.93, 128.75, 128.66, 128.49, 128.42, 128.38 (ArC), 91.80 (C-2'), 77.16 (C-1''), 74.44, 74.05, 72.47, 71.14, 70.65, 69.65, 69.60, 68.47 (C-3' – C-6', C-2'' – C-5''), 63.48, 63.21 (C-7', C-6''), 54.01 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{71}\text{H}_{56}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{20}\text{Na}$: 1307.3380, found: 1307.3381 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

***O*-[methyl (3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranosyl)onate]-*N*-(2-nitrophenyl)-trifluoroacetimidate (30a)**



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (150 mg, 0.23 mmol) and 2-nitrotrifluoroacetanilide (**29a**, 168 mg, 0.69 mmol), reaction time: 3 h.

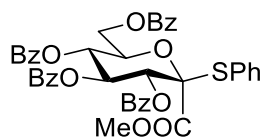
Yield: 105 mg (52%) $R_f=0.50$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-48$ ($c=1.05$, CHCl_3)

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (360 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.06-7.89 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 7.61 (t, $J=7.46$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.54-7.26 (m, 13H, Ar-H), 7.14 (t, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.66 (d, $J=9.1$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.07 (dd, $J=9.4$, 6.8 Hz, 1H, H-5), 6.02 (d, $J=5.0$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.90 (dd, $J=6.7$, 5.0 Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.18 (pdt, $J=9.4$, 3.8, 3.8 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.93 (dd, $J=12.3$, 3.3 Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.57 (dd, $J=12.3$, 4.3 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.78 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.15, 165.23, 165.19, 164.99, 163.91 (4 \times OCOPh, COOMe), 141.80 (q, $^2J_{\text{C-F}}=38.0$ Hz, -C=N), 134.10, 134.06, 133.66, 133.26, 130.13, 130.04, 129.96, 129.81, 129.64, 128.77, 128.73, 128.69, 128.51, 128.33, 125.16, 124.76, 121.84 (Ar-C), 115.59 (q, $^1J_{\text{C-F}}=287.2$ Hz, CF_3), 98.75 (C-2), 73.33, 71.80, 71.30, 68.06 (C-3 – C-6), 62.73 (C-7), 53.64 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{33}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_{14}\text{Na}$: 893.1776, found: 893.1777 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

Methyl (phenyl 3,4,5,7-tetra-*O*-benzoyl-3-thio- β -D-gluco-hept-2-ulopyranoside)onate] (32)



Prepared according to General Method A from **1** (100 mg, 0.153 mmol) and benzenethiol (**31**, 47 μL , 0.459 mmol), reaction time: 6 h.

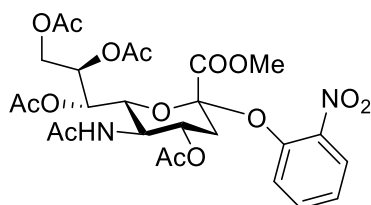
Yield: 45 mg (39%), $R_f=0.56$ (toluene:EtOAc=8:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=+14$ ($c=1.04$, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (t, $J=7.6$ Hz, 4H, Ar-H), 7.89 (d, $J=7.4$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.79 (d, $J=7.3$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.61-7.16 (m, 17H, Ar-H), 6.03 (pt, $J=9.6, 9.5$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.70 (d, $J=9.6$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.55 (pt, $J=10.0, 9.4$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.81 (ddd, $J=10.0, 4.4, 2.5$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.71 (dd, $J=12.3, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.43 (dd, $J=12.3, 4.4$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.82 (s, 3H, COOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.42, 166.22, 165.63, 165.14, 164.84 ($4\times\text{OCOPh}$, COOMe), 137.31 (2), 133.57 (2), 133.29, 133.23, 130.07, 130.01, 129.98, 129.91, 129.83, 129.14, 128.82, 128.57, 128.50 (2), 128.36, 127.79 (Ar-C), 89.37 (C-2), 73.91, 71.91, 70.98, 68.90 (C-3 – C-6), 63.07 (C-7), 53.28 (COOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_{11}\text{SNa}$: 769.1714, found: 769.1714 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

Methyl (2-nitrophenyl 5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- α -D-galacto-2-nonulopyranoside)onate (41 α)



Prepared according to General Method B from **33** (200 mg, 0.407 mmol) and 2-nitrophenol (**37**, 170 mg, 1.22 mmol), reaction time: 8 h.

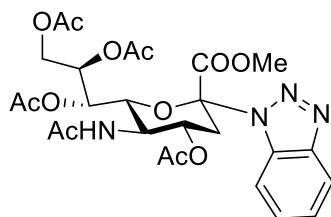
Yield: 143 mg (76%), $R_f=0.22$ (hexane:acetone=2:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-3.2$ ($c=0.97$, CHCl_3)

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.82 (d, $J=8.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.43 (t, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.13 (dd, $J=7.7, 4.5$ Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.58 (d, $J=10.2$ Hz, 1H, NH), 5.49 (dt, $J=11.0, 4.9$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.38 (m, 1H, H-7), 4.94 (br, 1H, H-8), 4.65 (dd, $J=12.5, 2.1$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.32 (q, $J=10.5$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.12 (m, 2H, H-6, H-9'), 3.77 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 2.70 (dd, $J=12.9, 4.8$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 2.17 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 2.13 (m, 1H, H-3'), 2.06, 2.04, 1.90 ($3\times s, 3\times 3\text{H}, \text{OCOCH}_3$), 1.75 (s, 3H, NHCOCH_3).

^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.75, 170.61, 170.57, 170.27, 169.96 ($4\times\text{OCOCH}_3, \text{COOCH}_3$), 166.66 (NHCOCH_3), 146.71, 140.59, 134.23, 125.94, 122.74, 117.06 (ArC), 100.03 (C-2), 73.29, 71.09, 68.24, 67.91 (C-4, C-6 – C-8), 61.94 (C-9), 53.64 (COOCH_3), 48.93 (C-5), 38.09 (C-3), 23.26 (NHCOCH_3), 20.95, 20.91 (2), 20.82 ($4\times\text{OCOCH}_3$).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{15}\text{Na}$: 635.1700, found: 635.1695 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

1-[Methyl (5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- α -D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosyl)onate]-benzotriazole (42a)



Prepared according to General Method B from **33** (200 mg, 0.407 mmol) and benzotriazole (**13**, 145 mg, 1.22 mmol), reaction time: 8 h.

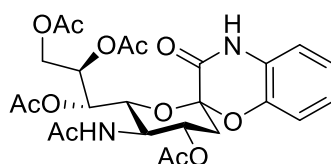
Yield: 151 mg (68%), $R_f=0.17$ (hexane:acetone=2:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-7.1$ ($c=1.02$, CHCl_3)

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.00 (dt, $J=8.37, 0.99$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.53 (ddd, $J=8.1, 7.1, 1.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.50 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.39 (ddd, $J=8.1, 6.7, 1.3$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.81 (dt, $J=10.9, 5.2$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.55 (d, $J=10.4$ Hz, 1H, NH), 5.34 (dd, $J=4.8, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 4.94 (m, 1H, H-8), 4.73 (dd, $J=12.6, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.43 (q, $J=10.5$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.19 (dd, $J=12.6, 6.4$ Hz, 1H, H-9'), 3.75 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.49 (dd, $J=10.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 2.47 (dd, $J=13.7, 11.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 2.19 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 2.09 – 2.07 (2xs+1xbr, 7H, 2x OCOCH_3 + H-3'), 1.84 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 1.57 (s, 3H, NHCOCH_3).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.79, 170.64 (2), 170.22, 170.01 (4x OCOCH_3 , COOCH_3), 166.04 (NHCOCH_3), 146.56, 133.47, 129.11, 125.16, 120.44, 111.11 (ArC), 89.22 (C-2), 73.51, 71.60, 69.44, 67.91 (C-4, C-6 – C-8), 62.09 (C-9), 54.01 (COOCH_3), 49.04 (C-5), 35.70 (C-3), 23.28 (NHCOCH_3), 21.03, 20.95, 20.94, 20.62 (4x OCOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$: 615.1914, found: 615.1909 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

(1'S)-4-acetamido-3',6',7',8'-tetra-*O*-acetyl-2',4'-dideoxy-spiro-{1',5'-anhydro-D-glycero-D-galacto-octitol-1',2'-benzo[*b*][1,4]oxazin-3(4*H*)-one} (44)



2-Nitroaryl-*O*-glycoside **41** (120 mg, 0.196 mmol) was dissolved in dry EtOAc (5 mL) in a round-bottom flask, and 10w% Pd/C (20 mg) was added while stirring. The flask was placed under hydrogen atmosphere using a gas burette. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours, then TLC showed completion of the reaction (hexane:acetone=2:1). The catalyst was filtered over a celite

pad, the solvent was evaporated, and the crude product was purified by column chromatography (hexane:acetone=2.5:1 to 2:1).

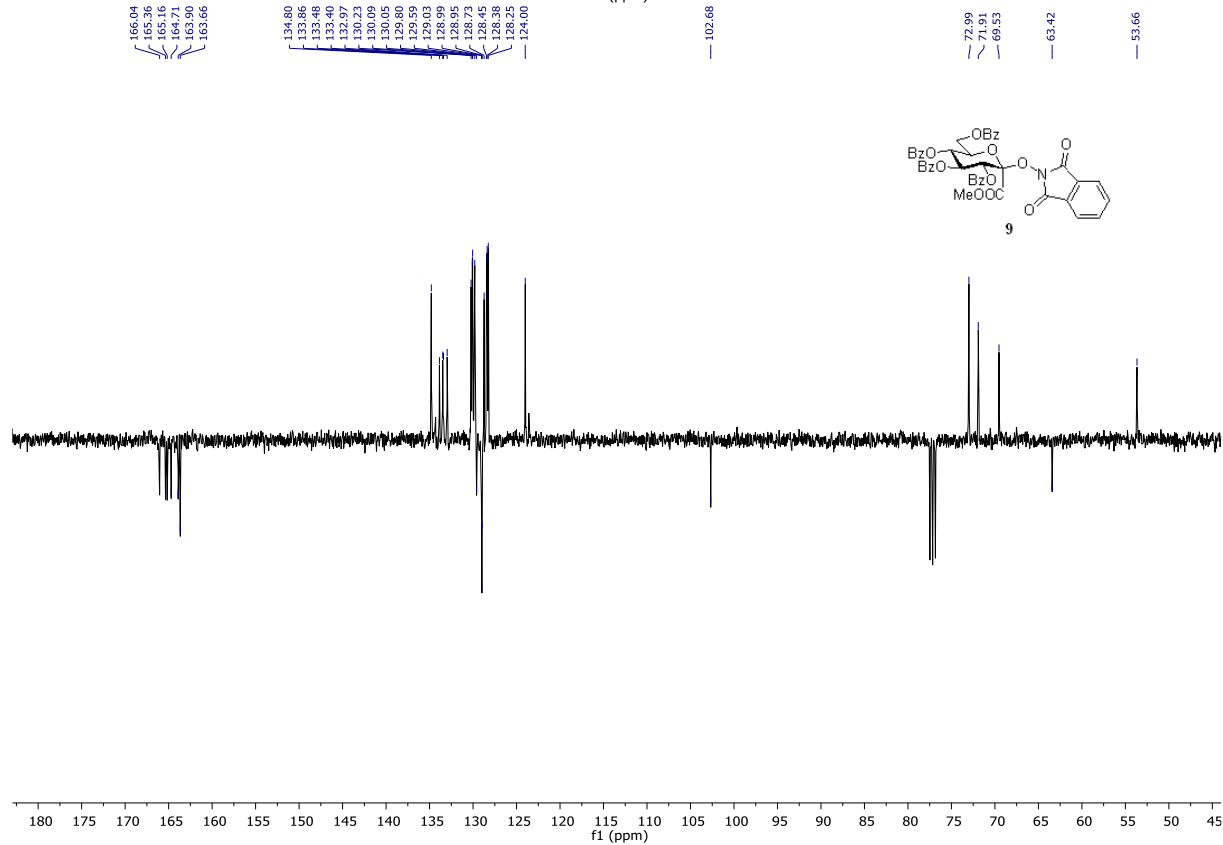
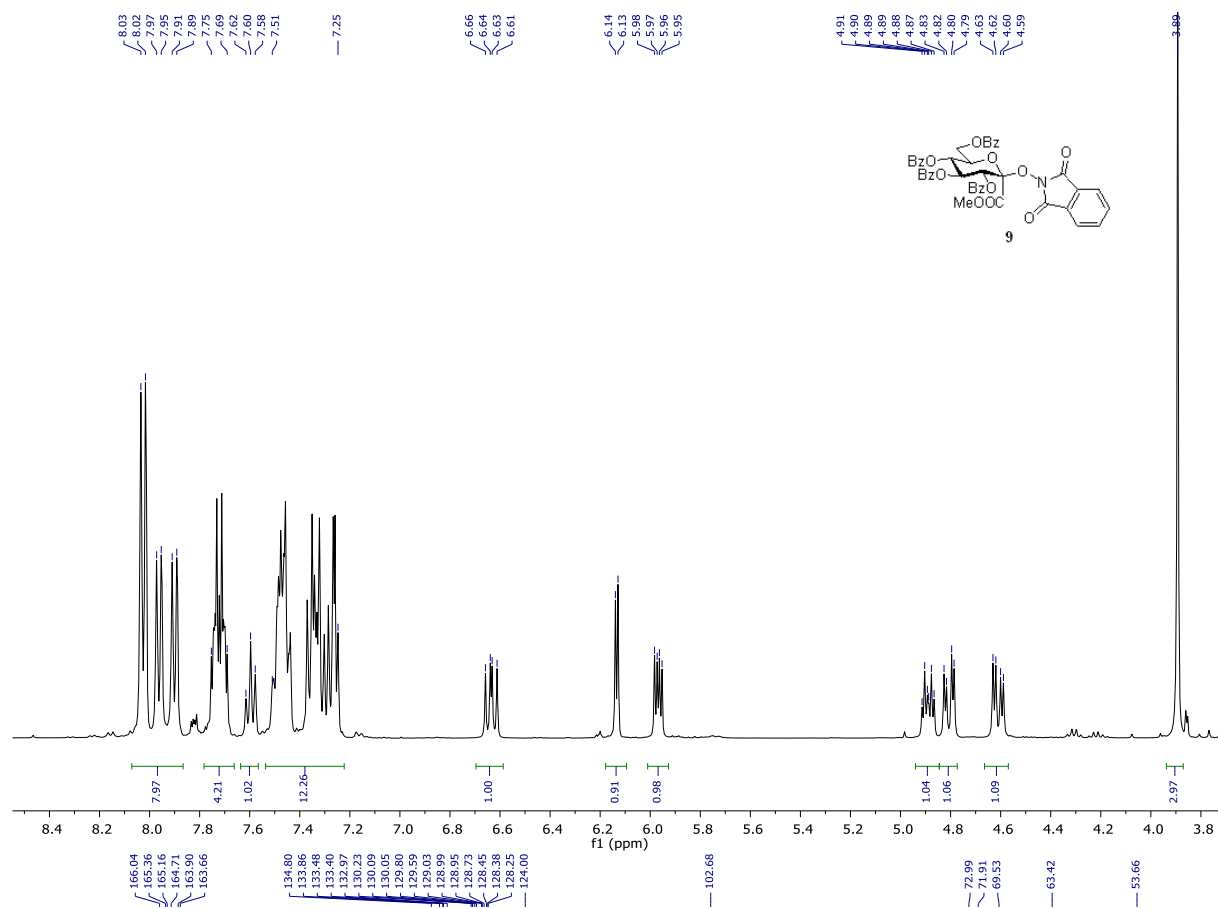
Yield: 73 mg (68%), $R_f=0.19$ (hexane:acetone=2:1) $[\alpha]_D^{20}=-11$ (c=1.08, CHCl_3)

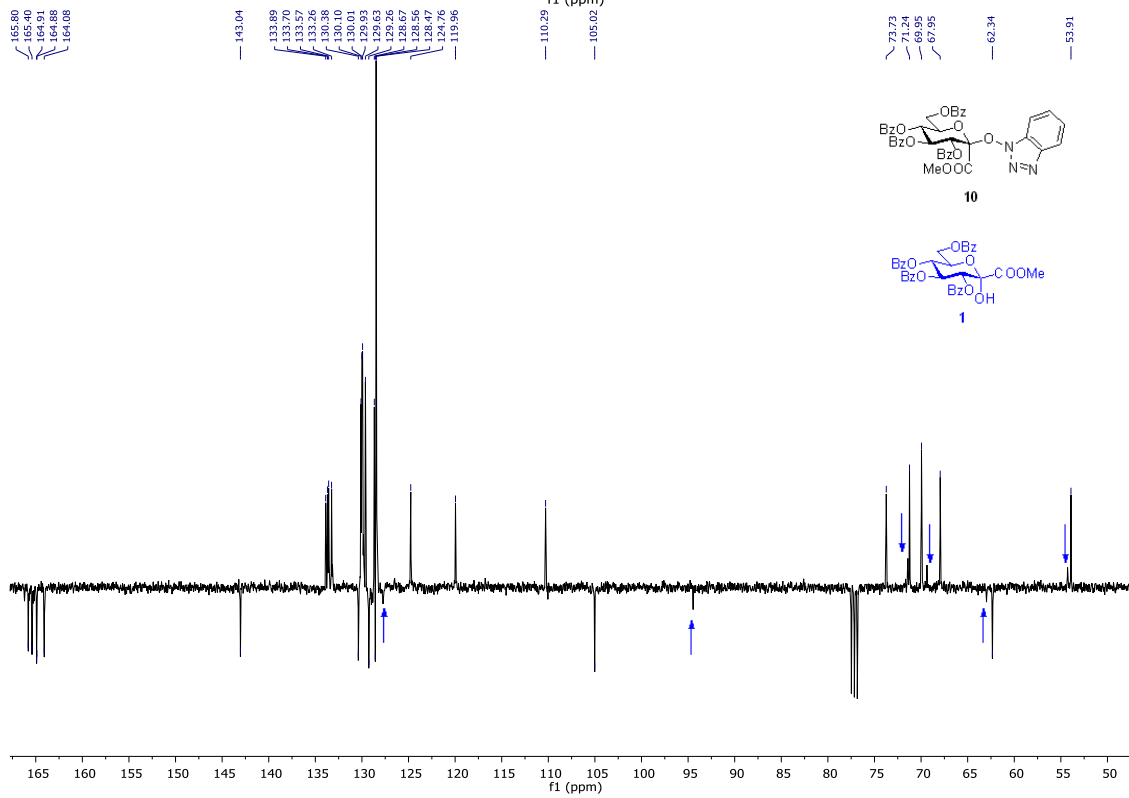
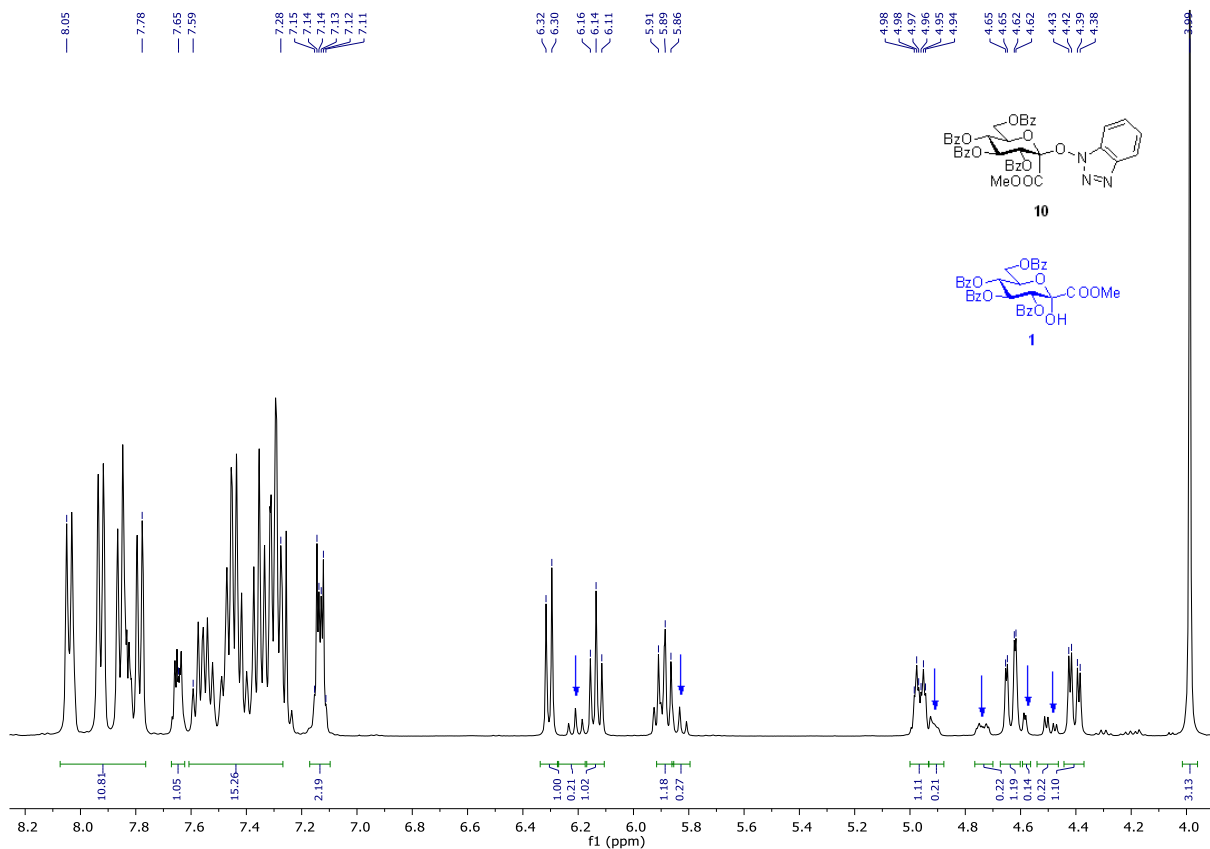
^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.19 (s, 1H, ring-CONH), 7.08-6.98 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.93 (d, $J=7.6$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.89 (d, $J=9.2$ Hz, 1H, N-acetyl-NH), 5.55 (dt, $J=11.5, 5.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3'), 5.31 (d, $J=2.7$ Hz, 1H, H-6'), 4.38 (ddd, $J=6.8, 4.0, 2.5$ Hz, 1H, H-7'), 4.26-4.16 (m, 2H, H-4, H-8a'), 4.06 (dd, $J=12.3, 2.2$ Hz, 1H, H-8b'), 3.8 (dd, $J=12.3, 7.4$ Hz, 1H, H-5'), 2.76 (t, $J=12.4$ Hz, 1H, H-2a'), 2.42 (dd, $J=13.6, 5.1$ Hz, 1H, H-2b'), 2.10, 2.07, 1.95, 1.92, 1.89 (5×s, 5×3H, 4× OCOCH_3 + NHCOCH_3).

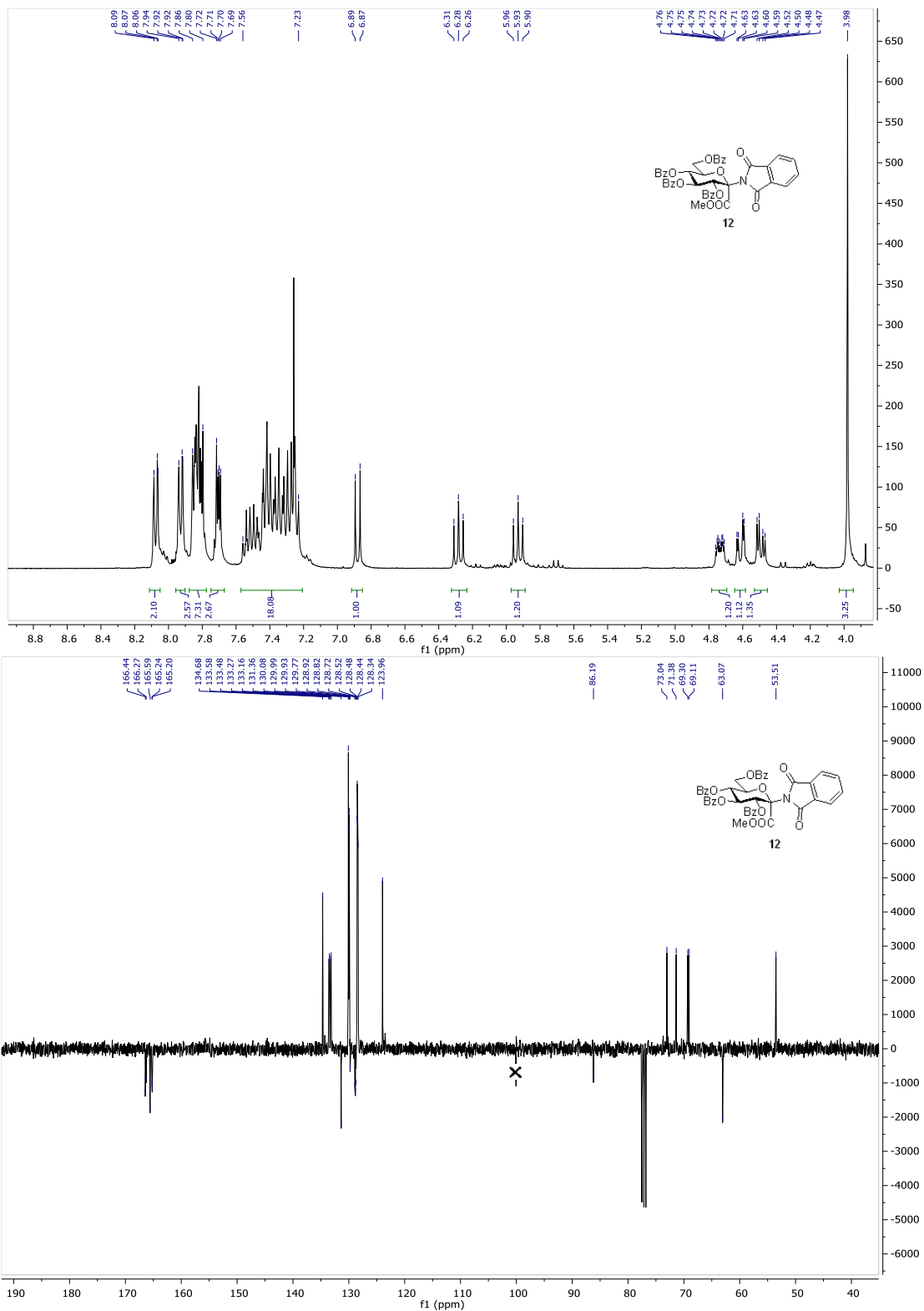
^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.39 (ring-CONH), 170.50, 170.46, 170.41, 170.22 (4× OCOCH_3), 161.07 (NHCOCH_3), 139.75, 126.56, 124.47, 123.83, 117.25, 116.21 (ArC), 97.32 (C-1'), 72.05, 71.83, 69.10, 67.81 (C-3', C-5' – C-7'), 62.04 (C-8'), 49.44 (C-4'), 33.61 (C-2'), 23.27 (NHCOCH_3), 21.11, 21.06, 20.91, 20.77 (4× OCOCH_3).

HRMS: m/z calcd. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$: 573.1696, found: 573.1691 ($\text{M}+\text{Na}^+$).

Copies of the NMR spectra







The signal at 100 ppm is a result of an artifact from the NMR spectrometer, and is not part of the compound's spectrum.

