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#### **Supporting Information**

# Reverse thiophosphorylase activity of a glycoside phosphorylase in the synthesis of an unnatural Man $\beta$ 1,4GlcNAc library

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#### **Experimental:**

#### 1. General

All chemicals were purchased from Acros Organics, Alfa Aesar, Biosynth Carbosynth, Fisher Scientific, Fluorochem, Sigma Aldrich, VWR or TCI Chemicals and were used without further purification unless otherwise stated. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 400 spectrometer, JEOL 400 spectrometer or a Bruker AVIIIHD 500 spectrometer. The chemical shift data for each signal are given as  $\delta$  in units of parts per million (ppm) relative to tetramethylsilane, where  $\delta$  = 0.00 ppm. The number of protons (n) for a given resonance is indicated by nH. The multiplicity of each signal is indicated by s (singlet), br s (broad singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), p (pentet), sep (septet), dd (doublet of doublets), ddd (doublet of doublet of doublets), dddd (doublet of doublet of doublets), dt (doublet of triplets), tt (triplet of triplets), dqd (doublet of quartets of doublets) or m (multiplet). Resonances were assigned using HH-COSY and CH-HSQC. All NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) were recorded in ppm and coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz. Assignment of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C atoms in NMR follows standard pyranose ring numbering. Topspin 4.0.6 and MestReNovax64 were primarily used for processing the spectral data. pH was measured using a FisherbrandTM accumetTM AE150 Benchtop pH Meter. Anhydrous DMF, MeOH, pyridine and NEt<sub>3</sub> were obtained from Sure/Seal<sup>™</sup> bottles via chemical suppliers. Anhydrous THF, DCM and toluene were obtained by passing solvent through activated alumina columns and dispensed from a PureSolv MD ASNA solvent purification system and stored over 4 Å molecular sieves. Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were conducted using anhydrous solvents, under an atmosphere of N<sub>2</sub> which was passed through a Drierite<sup>®</sup> drying column. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on pre-coated 0.25 mm Merck KgaA 60 F254 silica gel plates. Visualisation was by adsorption of UV light, or thermal development after dipping in a MeOHic solution of sulfuric acid (5% v/v), p-Anisaldehyde stain or KMnO<sub>4</sub> solution. Automatic flash chromatography was carried out on silica gel (Reveleris® X2 system) under a positive pressure of compressed N2. Manual flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel  $(230-400 \text{ mesh} (40-63 \mu m))$ . Reaction mixture residues were dried under vacuum using rotary evaporation and high vacuum oil pump.

#### 2. Mass spectrometry

Small-molecule high resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) data were obtained at RT on a Bruker Daltonics microTOF mass spectrometer coupled to an Agilent 1200 series LC system, an Agilent 6530 Q-TOF, LQT Orbitrap XL1, Waters (Xevo, G2-XS TOF or G2-S ASAP) Micromass LCT or aVG Quattro mass spectrometers. Preparative RP-HPLC was performed on a Luna PREP C18 column (10  $\mu$ m, 250 x 21.2 mm) using a linear gradient of acetonitrile/water (5:95 to 95:5, v:v, over 20 min at a flow rate of 14 mL/min).

High Performance Liquid Chromatography-Electrospray Ionisation Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS) was accomplished using a Dionex UltiMate® 3000 LC system (ThermoScientific) equipped with an UltiMate® 3000 Diode Array Detector (probing 250-400 nm) in line with a Bruker HCTultra ETD II system (Bruker Daltonics), using Chromeleon® 6.80 SR12 software (ThermoScientific), Compass 1.3 for esquire HCT Build 581.3, esquireControl version 6.2, Build 62.24 software (Bruker Daltonics), and Bruker compass HyStar 3.2-SR2, HyStar version 3.2, Build 44 software (Bruker Daltonics) at The University York Centre of Excellence in Mass Spectrometry (CoEMS). All mass spectrometry was conducted in positive ion mode. Data analysis was performed using ESI Compass 1.3 DataAnalysis, Version 4.1 software (Bruker Daltonics). For HILIC-LC-MS, analyses were carried out using a SeQuant ZIC®-HILIC HPLC column. Water, 0.1% formic acid by volume (solvent A), and acetonitrile, 0.1% formic acid (solvent B) were used as the mobile phase at a flow rate of 0.3 ml/min at room temperature. A multi-step gradient of 9 min was programmed as follows: 95 % B for 0.5 min, followed by a linear gradient to 5 % B over 4.5 min, followed by 5 % B for an additional 0.5 min. A linear gradient to 95 % B was used to re-equilibrate the column. For analyses carried out by reverse-phased LC-MS , samples were analysed using a Symmetry C18 5  $\mu$ m 3.0 x 150 mm reverse-phase column. Water + 0.1% formic acid by volume (solvent A) and acetonitrile + 0.1% formic acid (solvent B) were used as a mobile phase at a flow rate of 300 µL min<sup>-1</sup> at room temperature. A multi-step gradient of 7.5 min was programmed as follows: 95% A for 1.0 min, followed by a linear gradient to 95% B over 6.5 min, followed by 95% B for an additional 1.0 min. A linear gradient to 95% A was used to equilibrate the column.

#### 3. Chemical synthesis

All derivatised mannose-1-phophates (Man-1P) used in this work were synthesised and reported previously by *Beswick et al.* <sup>1</sup> (C6-fluoro Man-1P **6**, C6-gem-difluoro Man-1P **8**, C6-azido Man-1P **7** and C5-methyl Man-1P **3**), *Ahmadipour et al.* <sup>2</sup> (C6-chloro Man-1P **4**, C6-amine Man-1P **10**), *Beswick et al.* <sup>3</sup> (C6-hydroxamic acid Man-1P **9**) and *Ahmadipour et al.* <sup>4</sup> (C6-methyl Man-1P **5**). GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**, 6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **12**, 6,6-diFGlcNTFA-N<sub>3</sub> **13** and 6F-GlcNTFA-N<sub>3</sub> **14** were synthesised and reported previously, by *Richards, Keenan et al.* <sup>5</sup>



3.1 Synthesis of Bis[3-azidopropyl (2-acetamido-2,4-dideoxy)-β-D-glucopyranos-4-yl] disulphide 33

**Scheme S1**. Synthesis of Bis[3-azidopropyl (2-acetamido-2,4-dideoxy)-β-D-glucopyranos-4-yl] disulphide 33 from galactosamine hydrochloride. Reagents and conditions i) Galactosamine hydrochloride, pyridine, Ac<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C to RT, overnight; ii) DCE, TMSOTf, 50 °C, overnight; iii) 3-bromopropan-1-ol, CSA, 42 °C, 1 h; iv) DMF, NaN<sub>3</sub>, 50 °C, 2 h; v) MeOH, 1M NaOH, RT, 2 h; vi) Pyridine, DCM, Benzoyl chloride, -60 °C; vii) DCM, pyridine, Tf<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C, 1 h; viii) Pyridine, KSAc, RT; ix) MeOH, RT, 30 minutes, NaOMe, RT.

#### 3.1.1 2-acetamido-1,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-galactopyranoside S2



Galactosamine hydrochloride **S1** (5.00 g, 23.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in pyridine (50 mL) and acetic anhydride (10 mL) was added to the solution at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to RT and stirred overnight. TLC analysis revealed complete consumption of the starting material (100 % EtOAc).

The reaction mixture was co-evaporated with toluene (3 x 50 mL) and the crude solid recrystallised from MeOH (100 mL) yielding **S2** (7.10 g, 18.2 mmol, 79%) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.70 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-1), 5.41 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.38 (dd, *J* = 3.3, 0.8 Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 3.3 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.50 – 4.40 (m, 1H, H-2), 4.21 – 4.08 (m, 2H, H-6a, H-6b), 4.02 (td, *J* = 6.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H, H-5), 2.17 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.13 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.05 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.02 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.94 (s, 3H, OAc); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.8 (C=O, Ac), 170.4 (C=O, Ac), 170.3 (C=O, Ac), 170.2 (C=O, Ac), 169.6 (C=O, Ac), 93.1 (C1), 71.9 (C5), 70.3 (C3), 66.3 (C4), 61.3 (C6), 49.8 (C2), 23.3 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.9 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.67 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.65 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS *m/z* (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 390.1395, C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>10</sub>N<sub>1</sub> requires M+ 390.1395]. Data matched those previously reported.<sup>6</sup>

### 3.1.2 2-Methyl-4,5-dihydro-(3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-1,2-dideoxy-α-D-galactopyranoso)[2,1-d]-1,3oxazole S3



A solution of peracetate **S2** (1.28 g, 3.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in dichloroethane (40 mL) was treated slowly with TMSOTF (0.90 mL, 4.95 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). After stirring overnight at 50 °C, TLC analysis revealed reaction completion (to  $R_f$  = 0.44, EtOAc). The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100 mL). The

layers were separated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with DCM (2 × 100 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude product by column chromatography (Hexane/EtOAc, 0-100%) delivered **S3** (623 mg, 1.89 mmol, 57%) as a colourless oil.  $R_f$  = 0.44 (EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.00 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, H-1), 5.46 (t, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H, H-4), 4.91 (dd, *J* = 3.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.29 – 4.09 (m, 3H, H-6a, H-6b, H-5), 4.00 (m, 1H, H-2), 2.13 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.07 (s, 6H, Ac), 2.05 (s, 3H, Ac); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.5 (C=O, Ac), 170.1 (C=O, Ac), 169.8 (C=O, Ac), 166.4 (C=N), 101.5 (C1), 71.8 (C3), 69.5 (C5), 65.3 (C4), 63.6 (C2), 61.6 (C6), 20.8 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.7 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.6 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS *m/z* (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 330.1182, C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>8</sub>N<sub>1</sub> requires M+ 320.1183]. Data matched those previously reported.<sup>7</sup>

#### 3.1.3 3-Bromopropyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside S4



A solution of oxazole **S3** (238 mg, 0.723 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in 3- bromopropan-1-ol (3.3 mL, 36.2 mmol, 50.0 equiv.) was treated with camphor sulfonic acid (CSA) (84.0 mg, 0.361 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) and left to stir for 1 h at 42 °C. TLC

analysis revealed conversion of the starting material to a higher spot (to  $R_f = 0.50$ , EtOAc). After

allowing the reaction mixture to reach RT, the mixture was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL), and water (50 mL). The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 0-100%) to deliver **S4** (124 mg, 0.265 mmol, 37%) as a colourless oil.  $R_f$  = 0.50 (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]_D^{28}$  = +0.48 (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.59 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.36 (dd, J = 3.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H, H-4), 5.20 (dd, J = 11.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.61 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-1), 4.22 – 4.07 (m, 3H, H-6a, H-6b, H-2), 4.06 – 4.00 (m, 1H, OCHH), 3.93 (td, J = 6.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H, H-5), 3.68 (td, J = 9.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H, OCHH), 3.58 – 3.47 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.24 – 2.16 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.15 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.06 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.01 (s, 3H, Oc), 1.99 (s, 3H, Ac); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.7 (C=O, Ac), 170.48 (C=O, Ac), 170.47 (C=O, Ac), 170.3 (C=O, Ac), 101.9 (C1), 70.7 (C5), 70.1 (C3), 67.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 66.7 (C4), 61.5 (C6), 51.3 (C2), 32.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.5 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.71 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS *m/z* (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 468.0866, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>9</sub>N<sub>1</sub>Br requires M+ 468.0864].

#### 3.1.4 3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside S5



A solution of bromide **S4** (124 mg, 0.265 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMF (10 mL) was treated with NaN3 (34.0 mg, 0.530 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) at RT and then warmed to 50 °C. After 2 hours, TLC revealed reaction completion (to  $R_f$  = 0.45, EtOAc).

The reaction was then cooled to RT, filtered through Celite<sup>®</sup>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 0-100%) to deliver **S5** (93.0 mg, 0.216 mmol, 82%) as a white foam.  $R_f = 0.45$  (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]_D^{29} = -4.5$  (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.57 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.36 (d, J = 2.6, 1H, H-4), 5.22 (dd, J = 11.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.64 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-1), 4.20 – 4.10 (m, 2H, H-6a, H-6b), 4.09 – 4.00 (m, 1H, H-2), 4.01 – 3.96 (m, 1H, OCHH), 3.93 (td, J = 6.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H, H-5), 3.65 – 3.56 (m, 1H, OCHH), 3.44 – 3.34 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.15 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.05 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.01 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.97 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.95 – 1.82 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.6 (C=O, Ac), 170.5 (C=O, Ac), 170.4 (C=O, Ac), 170.3 (C=O, Ac), 101.4 (C1), 70.7 (C5), 70.0 (C3), 66.7 (C4), 66.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 61.5 (C6), 51.4 (C2), 48.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.5 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.71 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.69 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS m/z (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 431.1775, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>9</sub>N<sub>4</sub> requires M+ 431.1773].

#### 3.1.5 3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside S6



To a solution of peracetate **S5** (93.0 mg, 0.216 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeOH (5 mL) was added 1M NaOH (5 mL). The reaction mixture stirred at RT for 2 h until consumption of the starting material by TLC (to  $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.35, DCM/MeOH,

85/15). The reaction mixture was neutralized by addition of IR-120(H+) ion exchange resin, filtered and washed with MeOH (100 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue progressed without further purification. A solution of crude 3-azidopropyl (2-

acetamido-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside (66.0 mg, 0.22 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in pyridine (2.5 mL) and DCM (2.5 mL) was cooled to -60 °C and treated dropwise with benzoyl chloride (55 µL, 0.475 mmol, 2.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was maintained at -60 °C until reaction completion by TLC (to  $R_f$  = 0.30, 1/1, hexane/EtOAc). Saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) was added with stirring and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM ( $3 \times 20$  mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (10 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated under reduced pressure, yielding a crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 0- 100%) to deliver S6 (90.0 mg, 0.175 mmol, 81%) as an off-white foam.  $R_f = 0.30$  (1:1 hexane/EtOAc);  $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +4.9$  (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.08 – 7.97 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.61 – 7.46 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 4H, ArH), 6.04 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.37 (dd, J = 11.2 Hz, 3.1 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.71 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, H-1), 4.67 – 4.54 (m, 2H, H-6a, H-6b), 4.44 (dt, J = 11.1, 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-2), 4.25 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, H-4), 4.09 – 4.00 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.97 (dt, J = 10.7, 5.5 Hz, 1H, OCHH), 3.63 (ddd, J = 9.8 Hz, 8.3 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 1H, OCHH), 3.45 - 3.32 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.89 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.80 – 0.94 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl3) δ 170.6 (C=O, Ac), 166.5 (C=O, Bz), 166.4 (C=O, Bz), 133.6 (Ar-C), 133.3 (Ar-C), 129.9 (Ar-CH), 129.7 (Ar-CH), 129.7 (Ar-CH), 129.1 (Ar-CH), 128.54 (Ar-CH), 128.45 (Ar-CH), 101.4 (C1), 73.6 (C3), 72.3 (C5), 66.9 (C4), 66.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 63.0 (C6), 50.8 (C2), 48.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.3 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS m/z (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 513.1977, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>29</sub>O<sub>8</sub>N<sub>4</sub> requires M+ 513.1980].

#### 3.1.6 3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-4-S-acetyl-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-glucopyranoside S7

A solution of alcohol **S6** (141 mg, 0.280 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DCM (4 mL) and pyridine (1 mL) was treated at 0 °C with Tf<sub>2</sub>O (106  $\mu$ L, 0.640 mmol, 2.3 equiv.) in three portions. After 1 h of stirring at this temperature,

DCM (50 mL) was added and the solution washed sequentially with ice cold 1M HCl (50 mL), cold saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) and cold brine (50 mL). The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated under reduced pressure. A solution of the crude residue in pyridine (5 mL) was treated with KSAc (114 mg, 0.530 mmol, 3.0 equiv.). The suspension was stirred at RT until complete consumption of the starting material by TLC (to  $R_f$  = 0.67, hexane/EtOAc, 7/3). The reaction was diluted with DCM (50 mL), washed with water (3 × 50 mL), brine (50 mL), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material was purified by column chromatography (EtOAc/hexane, 0-30%) delivering **S7** (74.0 mg, 0.123 mmol, 47%) as a white foam.  $R_f$  = 0.67 (hexane/EtOAc, 7/3);  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  = +21.8 (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.12 – 8.08 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.00 – 7.96 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.63 – 7.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.51, 7.40 (m, 4H, ArH), 5.71 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.49 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H, H-3), 4.72 – 4.66 (m, 2H, H-1, H-6a), 4.53 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.8 Hz, 1H, H-6b), 4.13 (dt, *J* = 10.2, 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-2), 4.08 – 3.93 (m, 3H, H-4, H-5, OCHH), 3.62 (ddd, J = 9.7, 8.2, 4.8 Hz,

1H, OC*H*H), 3.42 - 3.30 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.19 (s, 3H, SAc), 1.87 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.94 - 1.75 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  192.6 (C=O, SAc) 170.2 (C=O, Ac), 166.7 (C=O, Bz), 166.3 (C=O, Bz), 133.6 (Ar-C), 133.2 (Ar-C), 130.0 (Ar-CH), 129.8 (Ar-CH), 128.9 (Ar-CH), 128.6 (Ar-CH), 128.5 (Ar-CH), 101.2 (C1), 72.8 (C5), 72.3 (C3), 66.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 64.0 (C6), 55.9 (C2), 48.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.6 (C4), 30.8 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.3 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS *m/z* (ES+) [Found (M+H)+ 571.1847, C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>8</sub>S requires M+ 571.1857].

#### 3.1.7 Bis[3-azidopropyl (2-acetamido-2,4-dideoxy)-β-D-glucopyranos-4-yl] disulfide 33



A solution of 4-thioacetate **S7** (72.0 mg, 0.126 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeOH (5 mL) was stirred at RT for 30 mins and NaOMe (7.00 mg, 0.126 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was then added. The reaction was left stirring at RT until complete

consumption of the starting material by TLC (to  $R_f = 0.49$ , DCM/MeOH, 9/1). The reaction was neutralised by addition of IR-120(H+) ion exchange resin, filtered and washed with MeOH (100 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude residue purified by flash chromatography (DCM/MeOH, 0-10%). Compound containing fractions were then lyophilized from H2O (10 mL) to afford **33** as a fluffy white solid (38.0 mg, 0.113 mmol, 46%).  $R_f = 0.49$  (DCM/MeOH, 9/1);  $[\alpha]_D^{26} = +34.8$ ; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, D2O)  $\delta$  4.41 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-1), 4.04 (dd, J = 12.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H, H-6b), 3.93 - 3.85 (m, 2H, H-6a, OCHH), 3.75 (t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H, H-3), 3.68 - 3.57 (m, 3H, H-2, H-5, OCHH), 3.30 (dd, J = 6.6, 1.3 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.71 (t, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, H-4), 1.99 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.81 - 1.74 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, D2O)  $\delta$  174.6 (C=O, Ac), 100.8 (C1), 75.6 (C5), 70.3 (C3), 67.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 61.3 (C6), 56.9 (C2), 54.1 (C4), 47.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.2 (Ac-CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS *m/z* (ES+) [Found (M+Na)+ 661.2035, C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>10</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Na requires M+ 661.2045].

### 3.2 Synthesis of 1-(4-(((but-3-yn-1-ylcarbamoyl)oxy)methyl)benzyl)-3-methyl-imidazolium trifluoromethanesulfonate 1.

#### 3.2.1 1-(4-(hydroxymethyl)benzyl)-3-methyl-imidazolium trifluoromethanesulfonate S8.



To a stirred solution of 4-(Chloromethyl)benzyl alcohol (2.00 g mL, 12.77 mmol) in anhydrous  $CH_3CN$  (50 mL), 1-methylimidazole (4.07 mL, 51.08 mmol) and KOTf (4.69 g, 24.90 mmol) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 16 h at reflux (90 °C) under inert atmosphere. The reaction

mixture was filtered over a celite pad and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was triturated with hexane and  $Et_2O$  (3 x 5 mL, Hex: $Et_2O$  1:1, v/v) to remove the excess of unreacted reagents followed by an initial purification step via silica gel column chromatography to

remove the excess of KOTf (DCM/MeOH 1:0 to 8:2, v:v), furnishing partially purified **S8** as a transparent oil. The oil was then further purified via reverse phase HPLC (MeCN: H<sub>2</sub>O) to afford compound **S8** (1.67 g, 37% yield) as colourless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- $d_4$ )  $\delta$  8.92 (s, 1H, NCHN), 7.56 – 7.52 (m, 2H, H<sup>Imidazole</sup>), 7.42 (s, 4H, H<sup>Ph</sup>), 5.38 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>N), 4.61 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.90(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>).<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Methanol- $d_4$ ) 142.8, 136.6, 132.6, 128.5, 127.4, 123.8, 122.2, 63.2, 52.5, 35.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z: Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sup>+</sup> (M)<sup>+</sup> 203.1179, found 203.1188.

## 3.2.2 1-(4-((((4-nitrophenoxy)carbonyl)oxy)methyl)benzyl-3-methyl-imidazolium trifluoromethane sulfonate. S9



To a stirred solution of **S8** (0.71 g, 2.02 mmol) in a DCM/MeOH solution (14 mL, DCM/MeOH 1:1, v:v) at 0 °C under inert atmosphere, pyridine (0.98 mL, 12.17

mmol) and 4-nitrophenyl chloroformate (1.22 g, 6.06 mmol) were added sequentially and the mixture was stirred for 2.5 hours at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified via silica gel column chromatography (DCM/MeOH 1:0 to 9:1, v:v), furnishing **S9** (0.44 g, 41% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H **NMR** (400 MHz, Methanol- $d_4$ )  $\delta$  8.99 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, NCHN), 8.34 – 8.29 (m, 2H, H<sup>Nitrophenyl</sup>), 7.61 (dt, J = 14.8 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2H, H<sup>Imidazole</sup>), 7.56 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, H<sup>Ph</sup>), 7.50 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 2H, H<sup>Ph</sup>), 7.49 – 7.46 (m, 2H, H<sup>Nitrophenyl</sup>), 5.46 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>N), 5.35 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.95 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Methanol- $d_4$ )  $\delta$  155.7, 152.5, 136.2, 134.4, 129.0, 128.6, 124.9, 124.0, 122.3, 121.9, 69.8, 52.3, 35.2. HRMS (ESI) m/z: Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> (M)<sup>+</sup> 368.1241, found 368.1238.

## 3.2.3 1-(4-(((but-3-yn-1-ylcarbamoyl)oxy)methyl)benzyl)-3-methyl-imidazoliumtrifluoromethane sulfonate 1.



To a stirred solution of S9 (200 mg, 0.39 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (20 mL) and pyridine (3 mL, 37.24 mmol),
 OTf 1-amino-3-butyne (122.4 mg, 1.16 mmol) and DIPEA (336

 $\mu$ L, 1.93 mmol) were added and the solution was stirred for 3 hours at 30 °C. The reaction was quenched via the addition of H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) and the solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified was purified via silica gel column chromatography (DCM/MeOH 1:0 to 9:1, v:v), furnishing **1** (126 mg, 73% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H<sup>Imidazole</sup>), 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H<sup>Imidazole</sup>), 7.49 – 7.40 (m, 4H<sup>Ph</sup>), 5.42 (s, 2H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>N), 5.12 (s, 2H,

PhC $H_2$ O), 3.94 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.26 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H,  $CH_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>C=CH), 2.37 (td, J = 7.0, 2.7 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C=CH), 2.28 (t, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C=CH). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, Methanol- $d_4$ )  $\delta$  157.2, 138.5, 133.4, 128.4, 128.1, 123.8, 122.2, 80.7, 69.4, 65.3, 52.3, 39.6, 35.1, 18.9. HRMS (ESI) m/z: Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> (M)<sup>+</sup> 298.1550, found 298.1553.

#### 4. Molecular biology and protein production

#### 4.1 Site directed mutagenesis to make BT1033 D101A mutant.

A PCR reaction was assembled containing 1 X GC Buffer, 200  $\mu$ M dNTPs, 0.5  $\mu$ M of each forward & reverse primers, 3% v/v DMSO, 30 ng BT1033\_pET24a plasmid DNA and 0.5 units of Phusion polymerase (NEB), with ddH<sub>2</sub>0 to 25  $\mu$ L. Following PCR, 1  $\mu$ l of Dpn1 (NEB) was added to the PCR reaction and incubated at 37 °C for 1 h. 1  $\mu$ l of Dpn1 treated PCR product was transformed into 50  $\mu$ L of XL1-Blue Supercompetent cells by heat shock and the cells were grown on LB + Kan (50  $\mu$ g/mL) at 37 °C for 16 h. To screen for the correct mutation, single colonies were grown in LB + Kan (50  $\mu$ g/mL) at 37 °C (16 h, 180 rpm), plasmid DNA was isolated by a QIAprep spin miniprep kit (Qiagen) and validated by DNA sequencing (BT1033 D101A\_pET24a).

Mutagenic primers for D101A mutation in BT1033

Oligo name	Sequence (5′ → 3′)
a302c_for (D to A)	CCACGTAACACGCGGGGCATATTTATATTCGGATTC
a302c_rev (D to A)	GAATCCGAATATAAATATGCCCCGCGTGTTACGTGG

PCR conditions for site-directed mutagenesis of BT1033

Segment	Cycles	Temperature	Time
1	1	98 °C	30 s
2	35	98 °C	10 s
		62 °C	30 s
		72 °C	3 min
3	1	72 °C	10 min
4	1	4 °C	Hold

#### 4.2 Protein production.

BT1033 and BT1033 D101A were expressed as previously described.<sup>8</sup> Briefly, the BT1033\_pET24a (Genbank accession: CP083685.1; purchased from Genscript) and BT1033 D101A pET24a plasmids were each respectively transformed into chemically competent *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) cells by heatshock and plated on LB agar + kanamycin (50  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L). Starter cultures was prepared by picking a single *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) transformant harbouring the expression plasmid into LB + kanamycin (25  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L) and grown at 37 °C 180 rpm for 16 h. The starter culture was diluted 1/100 into 1L of LB + kanamycin (25  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L) in a 3L baffled flask, and grown at 37 °C 180 rpm until it reached an OD<sub>600</sub> of 0.6. Expression of BT1033 was then induced by adding 0.1 mM isopropyl β-D-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) and the cultures were incubated at 18 °C, 180 rpm for 20 h. Cell pellets were resuspended in 50 mL of 50 mM HEPES-NaOH, 500 mM NaCl, pH 7.0 buffer containing pepstatin (final concentration 1  $\mu$ M), ABDSF (final

concentration 0.2 mM) and benzonase (50 units) and disrupted on ice by sonication (30s on/30s off for 12 min). The supernatant was collected after centrifugation at 20,000 × g (20 min at 4 °C), filtered through a 0.22  $\mu$ m syringe filter and applied to a HisTrap HP column (5 mL, Cytiva) equilibrated with 50 mM HEPES-NaOH, 500 mM NaCl, 10 mM imidazole pH 7.0 buffer. Proteins were eluted using a linear gradient of 50 mM HEPES-NaOH, 500 mM NaCl, 400 mM imidazole pH 7.0 buffer. The fractions containing recombinant protein were pooled and dialysed into 10 mM HEPES-NaOH, pH 7.0 buffer and concentrated (Sartorius vivaspin6 10,000 MWCO). The recombinant proteins were further purified using a gel filtration column (Hiload 16/600, superdex 200 pg, Cytiva) equilibrated with 10 mM HEPES-NaOH, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.0 buffer. The fractions containing the recombinant protein were pooled and concentrated (Sartorius vivaspin6 10,000 MWCO). The yield was ~10 mg/L of culture. The activity of WT BT1033 was validated using natural substrates Man-1P and GlcNAc (Section 5.1).



**Figure S1.** SDS-PAGE analysis of BT1033 (left hand gel) and BT1033 D101A (right hand gel) after Nickel affinity and then gel filtration chromatography.

#### 5. BT1033 activity towards unnatural donors and acceptors



#### 5.1 BT1033 synthetic activity with natural substrates Man-1P & GlcNAc

Reactions were prepared on 30  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 25 mM Man-1P (donor), 12.5 mM GlcNAc (acceptor), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (1 mg/mL). Samples were incubated at 37 °C for 2 h. 1  $\mu$ L of sample was diluted in 30  $\mu$ L of MeCN and analysed by HILIC-LC-MS to validate the desired product formation (Figure S2).



**Figure S2**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with natural substrates Man-1P & GlcNAc. Right-hand panel: Base peak chromatogram (BPC) shown in black and extracted ion chromatograms (EIC) for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc at m/z 222 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product Man $\beta$ 1,4GlcNAc m/z 384 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.

#### 5.2 BT1033 synthetic activity screen with unnatural mannose-1-phosphates



Reactions were prepared in duplicate on a 30  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 10 mM sugar phosphate donor, 1 mM acceptor, 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (2-3.3 mg/mL). Samples were incubated at 37 °C for 24 h. Specific reaction conditions for each analogue are listed in Table S1. 3  $\mu$ L of each sample was diluted in 30  $\mu$ L of MeCN and analysed by HILIC-LC-MS to validate product formation. The remaining sample was diluted 1:1 in 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer and then further

diluted 1:1 in EtOH and stored at – 20 °C for 18 h. Samples were centrifuged at 17 000 x g for 5 min and the supernatant collected. 1 mL of  $H_2O$  was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. The samples were labelled with the ITag (procedure in section 7) and analysed by  $C_{18}$ -LC-MS. (Figure S3-S10, Table S1).

## Table S1. Screening conditions and results summary of BT1033 activity towards unnatural Man-1P donors.

Disaccharide product	Donor concentration	Acceptor	BT-1033 concentration	Incubation time	Mean conversion to
	(mM)	concentration (mM)	(μg/μL)	(h)	disaccharide (%)
HO OH OH N3 HO Me HO NHAC	10	1	3.3	48	51 ± 0.6
HOTOO OH N3 HOTOO NHAC	10	1	2	24	61 ± 7.2
HO OH N3 HO OH HO OH N3 HO HO HO NHAC	10	1	3.3	24	44 ± 0.7
HO HO NAC	10	1	2	24	0.4 ± 0.1
HO NH OH OH N3 OH HO OH N3 OH HO NHAc	10	1	2	24	0.26 ± 0.1
HO NAC	10	1	2	24	11±0.1
H <sub>2</sub> N OH HO OH HO NHAC	10	1	2	24	0.4 ± 0.1
HOTOH HOTOH N3 HOTOH HOTOH N3 HOTOH HOTOH N3 HOTOH N3	10	1	2	24	16 ± 2.1

± Standard deviation



BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-Chloro Man-1P **4** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 782 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 298 is unreacted ITag. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S4**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C5-methyl Man-1P **3** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 778 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S5**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-methyl Man-1P **5** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 778 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S6**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-fluoro Man-1P **6** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 766 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S7**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-gem-difluoro Man-1P **8** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 785 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S8**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-azido Man-1P **7** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 789 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S9**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-hydroxamic acid Man-1P **9** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 793 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.



**Figure S10**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates C6-amine Man-1P **10** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC shown in black and EIC for unreacted acceptor GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> at m/z 602 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (red) and product m/z 763 (M+H)<sup>+</sup> (blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. Peak at m/z = 399 is a molecular ion fragment.

#### 5.3 BT1033 synthetic activity screen with unnatural acceptors



Reactions were prepared in duplicate on a 10  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 250 - 500 mM Man1-P **2** donor, 50 mM acceptor, 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL). Samples were incubated at 37 °C for 72 h. Specific reaction conditions for each analogue are listed in Table S2. 3  $\mu$ L of each sample was diluted in 30  $\mu$ L of MeCN and analysed by HILIC-LC-MS to validate product formation. The remaining sample was diluted 1:1 in 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer and then further diluted 1:1 in EtOH and stored at – 20 °C for 18 h. Samples were centrifuged at 17 000 x g for 5 min and the supernatant collected. 1 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. The samples were labelled with the ITag (see procedure in section 7) and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS. (Table S2, Figure S11-S14).

Table S2. Screening	g conditions and results sur	nmarv of BT1033 activit	v towards unnatural	GlcNAc acceptors.

Disaccharide product	Donor	Acceptor	BT-1033	Incubation time	Conversion to	Conversion to	Conversion to	Conversion to
	concentration	concentration	concentration	(b)	disaccharide (%)	trisaccharide	tetrasaccharide	pentasaccharide
	(mM)	(mM)	(μg/μL)	(11)		(%)	(%)	(%)
HO OH OH N3 HO OO ONHAC	500	50	0.2	72	74 ± 1.6	4 ± 0.4		
HO OH OF N3 HO HO NHAC	500	50	0.2	72	41±0.4	41±0.6	1 ± 0.04	
HO OH F N <sub>3</sub> HO O O O HO NHCOCF <sub>3</sub>	500	50	0.2	72	2 ± 0.01			
HO OH HO NHCOCF <sub>3</sub>	250	50	0.2	72	22± 6.1	19 ± 5.1	9 ± 2.4	2 ± 0.6

± Standard deviation



**Fig S11**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates Man-1P **2** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 602, red), disaccharide (m/z 764, blue) and trisaccharide (m/z 926, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S12**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates Man-1P 2 & 6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **12**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 604, red), disaccharide (m/z 766, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 928, green) and tetrasaccharide (m/z 1090, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S13**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates Man-1P **2** & 6,6-diFGlcNTFA-N<sub>3</sub> **13**. Righthand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 676, red) and disaccharide (m/z 838, blue). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S14**. BT1033 synthetic activity validated with substrates Man-1P **2** & 6F-GlcNTFA-N<sub>3</sub> **14**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 658, red), disaccharide (m/z 820, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 982, green), tetrasaccharide (m/z 1144, purple) and pentasaccharide (m/z 1306, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.

#### 5.4 Investigating thioglycolygase activity of WT BT1033 and BT1033 D101A



Reactions were prepared on a 30  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 50 mM sugar phosphate donor, 12.5 mM SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**, 5 mM TCEP (added from a 100 mM stock made in 40 mM NaOAc buffer and adjusted to pH 5.5), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and WT BT1033 or BT1033 D101A (0.2 mg/mL or 0.4 mg/mL). Control reactions were assembled under the same conditions, except with GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11** as the acceptor. Samples were incubated at 37 °C for 24 h. 3  $\mu$ L of each sample was diluted in 30  $\mu$ L of MeCN and analysed by HILIC-LC-MS to validate product formation. The remaining sample was diluted 1:1 in 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer and then further diluted 1:1 in EtOH and stored at - 20 °C for 18 h. Samples were centrifuged at 17 000 x g for 5 min and the supernatant collected. 1 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. The samples were labelled with the ITag (procedure outlined in section 7) and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS. (Figure S15-S22).



**Fig S15**. WT BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 618, red), disaccharide (m/z 780, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 942, green) and tetrasaccharide (m/z 1104, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S16**. WT BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 602, red), disaccharide (m/z 764, blue) and trisaccharide (m/z 942, green). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S17**. WT BT1033 (0.4 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 618, red), disaccharide (m/z 780, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 942, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1104, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S18**. WT BT1033 (0.4 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 602, red), disaccharide (m/z 764, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 926, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1088, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S19**. D101A BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 618, red), disaccharide (m/z 780, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 942, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1104, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S20**. D101A BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 602, red), disaccharide (m/z 764, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 926, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1088, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S21**. D101A BT1033 (0.4 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 618, red), disaccharide (m/z 780, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 942, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1104, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig S22**. D101A BT1033 (0.4 mg/mL) synthetic activity investigated under reducing conditions with substrates Man-1P **2** & GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11**. Right-hand panel: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 602, red), disaccharide (m/z 764, blue), trisaccharide (m/z 926, green) and tetrasaccahride (m/z 1088, orange). Left hand panel: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks.



**Fig. S23** Summary of BT1033 and BT1033 D101A activity towards GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11** and SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33**. The data for BT1033 turnover of GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **11** and SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **33** at 0.2 mg/mL (the first 2 bars shown here) are presented in Figure 3C in the main text.

#### 6. BT1033 phosphorylysis of synthetic β-mannosides

Reactions were prepared on a 10  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 5 mM sugar, 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 10 mM KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (prepared freshly for each set of reactions) and BT1033 (0.1 mg/mL). No enzyme controls were assembled alongside each reaction to monitor hydrolysis over the time course. Samples were incubated at 37 °C for 20 h. Reactions and controls were stopped at 2 min and 20 h, after the addition of 10  $\mu$ L of EtOH. Samples were stored at – 20 °C for 18 h. Samples were centrifuged at 17 000 x g for 5 min and the supernatant collected. 1 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. The samples were labelled with the ITag (procedure outlined in section 7) and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS (Figure S24-S33).



Fig S24. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **15.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 602, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 764, blue) and trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 926, green). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S25. Phosphorolysis time course of 6Cl-Man $\beta$ 1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **18.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 602, red) and disaccharide (*m*/*z* 782, blue). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S26. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **35.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 602, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 782, blue) and trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 942, green). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S27. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **36.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 602, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 782, blue), trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 942, green) and tetrasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1104, orange). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S28. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **25.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (m/z 604, red), disaccharide (m/z 766, blue) and trisaccharide (m/z 928, green). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S29. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **26.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 604, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 766, blue) and trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 928, green). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S30. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **16.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 602, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 764, blue), trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 926, green) and tetrasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1088, orange). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S31. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **34.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 618, red) and disaccharide (*m*/*z* 780, blue). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.



Fig S32. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **27.** Right-hand panels: BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 604, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 766, blue), trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 928, green), tetrasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1090, orange), pentasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1252, purple) and hexasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1414, grey). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.


Fig S33. Phosphorolysis time course of Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-Man $\beta$ 1,4-GF-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> **37.** BPC (black) and EIC shown for I-tagged unreacted acceptor (*m*/*z* 604, red), disaccharide (*m*/*z* 766, blue), trisaccharide (*m*/*z* 928, green), tetrasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1090, orange), pentasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1252, purple) and hexasaccharide (*m*/*z* 1414, grey). Left hand panels: average mass spectrum taken over the acceptor and product peaks. A. Control reaction at 2 min. B. Control reaction at 20 h. C. Reaction at 2 min. D. Reaction after 20 h.

#### 7. ITag labelling of phosphorylase reaction products.

Lyophilised samples were resuspended in 24  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O, then 0.5 - 1  $\mu$ L of Itag solution (250 mM in DMSO) was added to each sample. Then 10  $\mu$ L of a stock solution containing 500 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub> · 5 H<sub>2</sub>O and 500 mM THPTA in H<sub>2</sub>O, was added to each sample. Samples were mixed by vortexing and then 5  $\mu$ L of a 1 M sodium ascorbate solution was added to each sample. Samples were further mixed by vortexing and then incubated for 2 h at 20 °C 300 rpm. 1 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. Samples were resuspended in 100  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O. and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS. Relative conversion of starting material to products was determined by analysing the peak intensities of starting material and product species, and using the following equation:

Product peak intensity

Starting material peak intensity + Product peak intensity

x 100 = % relative conversion

#### 8. Semi-preparative production of β-mannosides



8.1 Synthesis of Man $\beta$ 1,4-GlcNAc-N $_3$ 15 and Man $_2\beta$ 1,4-GlcNAc-N $_3$ 16

The reaction was assembled on a 500  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 500 mM mannose-1-phosphate (83 mg), 50 mM GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (7.5 mg), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL). The reaction was incubated at 37 °C for 72 h. The reaction was stopped after the addition of 500  $\mu$ L of EtOH to precipitate the enzyme. The sample was incubated at -20 °C for 12 h. The sample was then centrifuged at 4000 x g for 15 min at 4 °C and the supernatant transferred to a 50 mL falcon tube containing 40 mL of HPLC grade H<sub>2</sub>O. The sample was then lyophilised and purified by BioGel P2 column chromatography in H<sub>2</sub>O. Fractions containing the desired disaccharide (**15**, 0.014 mmol, 6.5 mg, 56%) and trisaccharide (**16**, 0.0038 mmol, 2.4 mg, 15%) respectively, were pooled and lyophilised.

#### Manβ1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>15



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.74 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.78 (s, 1H, H1-b), 4.55 – 4.52 (m, 1H, H1-a), 4.08 (d,  $J_{2,3}$  = 3.3 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 3.98 (dt, J = 10.9, 5.6 Hz, 1H, Hx-a), 3.95 – 3.91 (m, 2H, H6-a, H6-b), 3.79 – 3.72 (m, 5H, H6'-a, H6'-b, H5-a, H4-a, H2-a), 3.70 – 3.65 (m, 2H, H3-b, Hx-b), 3.61 – 3.55 (m, 2H, H4-b, H3-a), 3.43 (ddd, J = 9.8, 6.6, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.41 – 3.35 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.90 – 1.82 (m, 2H, Hy).<sup>13</sup>C (150 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  174.5 (NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 101.1 (1C,  $J_{\rm CH}$  = 162 Hz, C1-a), 100.0 (1C,  $J_{\rm CH}$  = 160 Hz, C1-b), 78.9, 72.2 & 54.9 (C5-a, C4-a, C2-a), 76.4 (C5-b), 74.5 & 66.5 (C4-b & C3-a), 72.7 (1C, C3-b), 70.5 (C2-b), 67.1 (Cx), 60.8 & 60.1 (C6-a & C6-b), 47.7 (Cz), 28.0 (Cy), 22.1 (NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>11</sub> (M + H) 467.1984, found 467.1993. *IR* –3260 (C-H), 2095 (N=N=N), 1649 (C=O), 1559, 1373, 1056, 1028, 937, 800, 564.



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.65 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.79 (1H, H1-c), 4.74 (s, 1H, H1-b), 4.56 – 4.52 (m, 1H, H1-a), 4.14 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H, H2-c), 4.07 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 4.01 – 3.89 (m, 4H, Hx-a, H6'-b, H6'-a, H6'-c), 3.87 – 3.80 (m, 2H, H3-c, H4-a), 3.80 – 3.70 (m, 6H, H-2a, H6-b, H6-c, H6-a, X, X), 3.67 (m, 2H, Hx-b, H3-b), 3.56 (m, 3H, H3-a, H4-b, X), 3.45 (m, 1H, H5-b), 3.38 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOC<u>H<sub>3</sub></u>), 1.90 – 1.78 (m, 2H, Hy). X= H4-c, H5-a or H5-c. <sup>13</sup>C DEPT (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  101.14 (C1-a), 100.18 (C1-b), 100.01 (C1-c), 78.85 (X), 76.51 (C5-b), 76.39 (C4-a), 74.99 (X), 74.53 (X), 72.72 (C3-b), 72.19 (X), 71.45 (C3-c), 70.45 (C2-b), 69.91 (C2-c), 67.14 (Cx), 66.66 (C4-b), 60.98 , 60.42 & 60.22 (C6-a, C6-b, C6-c), 55.00 (X), 47.75 (Cz), 28.08 (Cy), 22.12 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). X= C4-c, C2-a, C3-a, C5-c or C5-a. HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>16</sub> (M + Na) 651.2332, found 651.2346. *IR* – 3302 (C-H), 2928, 2877, 2097 (N=N=N), 1974, 1649, 1421, 1375, 1066, 1031, 807

#### 8.2 Synthesis of Manβ1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 34, Man<sub>2</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 35 and Man<sub>3</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 36.



The reaction was assembled on a 3200  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 50 mM mannose-1-phosphate (53 mg), 12.5 mM GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (12.8 mg), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 5 mM TCEP (added from a 100 mM stock diluted in 40 mM NaOAc buffer adjusted to pH 5.5) and BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL). The reaction was incubated at 37 °C for 24 h. The reaction was stopped after the addition of 3200  $\mu$ L of EtOH to precipitate the enzyme. The sample was incubated at -20 °C for 16 h. The sample was then centrifuged at 4000 x g for 20 min at 4 °C and the supernatant retained. The supernatant was diluted to 5 % (*v*/*v*) EtOH and lyophilised. The sample was then purified by BioGel P2 column chromatography in H<sub>2</sub>O. Fractions containing the desired disaccharide (**36**, 0.0042, 3.4 mg, 11%) respectively were pooled and lyophilised.

Manβ1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 34



*R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.76 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.96 (s, 1H, H-1b), 4.51 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, H6-a), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 3.98 (dt, *J* = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H, Hx-b), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 5.3 Hz, 1H, H6'-a), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H6'b), 3.73 – 3.67 (m, 6H, H6-b, Hx-a, H3-b, H2-a, H5-a, H3-a), 3.59 (t, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H, H4-b), 3.43 (ddd, *J* = 10.0, 6.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.39 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.90 – 2.87 (m, 1H, H4-a), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHAc), 1.86 (p, *J*<sub>CH2</sub> = 6.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.58(NH<u>CO</u>CH<sub>3</sub>), 100.89 (C1-a), 82.13 (C1-b), 80.22 (C5-b), 76.19, 73.74, 71.05, 56.85 (C3-b, C2-a, C5-a, C3-a), 72.05 (C2-b), 67.02 (Cx), 66.53 (C4-b), 61.57 (C6-a), 61.11 (C6-b), 47.77 (Cz, C4-a), 28.08 (Cy), 22.15 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>10</sub>S (M + Na) 505.1575, found 505.1590. *IR* – 3288 (C-H), 2939, 2870, 2098 (N=N=N), 1973, 1644, 1560, 1375, 1120, 1030, 950, 616

#### Man<sub>2</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>35



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.69 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.98 (s, 1H, H-1b), 4.75 (s, 1H, H1-c), 4.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.17 – 4.13 (m, 2H, H2-b & H-6a), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 0.9 Hz, 1H, H2-c), 4.00 – 3.93 (m, 3H, Hx-b, H6'-a, H6'-b), 3.88 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H6-c), 3.84 (m, 2H, H3-b, H5-c), 3.76 – 3.66 (m, 7H, H6-b, Hx-a, H2-a, H5-a, H3-a, H6'-c, H3-c), 3.59 – 3.54 (m, 2H, H4-b,H4-c), 3.45 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 6.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.39 (td, *J* = 6.5, 4.7 Hz, 2H, Hz), 2.89 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H, H4-a), 2.07 (s, 3H, NHCOC<u>H<sub>3</sub></u>), 1.88 – 1.83 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  174.54 (NH<u>C</u>OCH<sub>3</sub>), 100.89 (C-1a), 100.14 (C1-c), 82.13 (C1-b), 78.74 (C4-b), 76.42 (C5-b), 76.37 (C3-b), 76.13, 72.75, 71.01 & 56.86 (C2-a, C5-a, C3-a, C3-c) 72.40 (C5-c), 71.59 (C2-b), 70.47 (C2-c), 67.02 (Cx), 66.66 (C4-c) 61.53 (C6-a), 60.98 (C6-b), 60.65 (C6-c), 47.83 (Cz), 47.77 (C4-a), 28.09 (Cy), 22.15 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>15</sub>S (M + H) 645.2284, found 645.2287. *IR* – 3337, 2947, 2870, 2097.5 (N=N=N), 1973, 1653, 1564, 1379, 1309, 1093, 1034, 795

Man<sub>3</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>36



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.66 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.98 (s, 1H, H1-b), 4.77 (s, 1H, H1-d), 4.74 (s, 1H, H1-c), 4.51 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.14 (m, 3H, H2-b, H2-d, H6-a), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 3.3, 0.9 Hz, 1H, H2-c), 3.99 – 3.97 (m, 1H, Hx-a), 3.96 – 3.91 (m, 3H, H6'-a, H6'-b, H6'-c/d), 3.88 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H6'-c/d), 3.85 – 3.82 (m, 4H, H3-b, H3-d, H3-a, H5-c/H5-d), 3.78 – 3.65 (m, 8H, H6-b, H6-c, H6-d, Hx-b, H2-a, H3-c, H5-a, H4-c), 3.60 – 3.54 (m, 3H, H4-b, H4-d, H5-c/H5-d), 3.47 – 3.44 (m, 1H, H5-b), 3.39 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.89 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H, H4-a), 2.07 (s, 3H, NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.89 – 1.79 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.54 (NH<u>C</u>OCH<sub>3</sub>), 100.89 (C1-a), 100.18 (C1-c), 100.08 (C1-d) 82.13 (C1b), 78.75 (C4-b), 76.61, 72.38 & 71.45 (C3-b, C3-d, C5-c/C5-d), 76.40 (C5-b), 76.13 (C3-a), 76.29 (C4-c), 72.73 & 56.83, (C2-a, C3-c), 75.02 & 66.66 (C4-d, C5-c/C5-d) 71.62 (C2-b), 71.00 (C5-a), 70.46 (C2-c), 69.89 (C2-d), 67.02 (Cx), 61.52 (C6-a), 60.98 & 60.51 (C6-b & C6-x), 60.63 (C6-x), 47.77 (Cz), 47.81 (C4a), 28.09 (Cy), 22.16 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>50</sub>N<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>20</sub>S (M + Na) 829.2631, found 829.2640. *IR* – 3281, 2932, 2877, 2098 (N=N=N), 1977, 1643, 1564, 1374, 1070, 1026, 811

#### 8.3 Synthesis of 6Cl-Manβ1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>18



The reaction was assembled on an 8000  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 10 mM mannose-1-phosphate (22.2 mg), 1 mM GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (2.4 mg), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (2 mg/mL). The reaction was incubated at 37 °C for 24 h. The reaction was stopped after the addition of 8000  $\mu$ L of EtOH to precipitate the enzyme. The sample was incubated at -20 °C for 30 min. The sample was then centrifuged at 4000 x g for 15 min at 4 °C and the supernatant retained. The pellet was further washed with 8000  $\mu$ L of 50 % ( $\nu/\nu$ ) EtOH in H<sub>2</sub>O, centrifuged (4000 x g, 15 min, 4 °C) and the supernatant added to the previously retained supernatant. The sample was diluted to 5 % ( $\nu/\nu$ ) EtOH and lyophilised. The sample was then purified by BioGel P2 column chromatography in H<sub>2</sub>O. Fractions containing the desired product (**18**, 0.0054, 2.6 mg, 68%) were pooled and lyophilised.

6Cl-Manβ1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>18



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.81 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.84 (s, 1H, H1-b), 4.54 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.09 (s, 1H, H-2b), 4.01 – 3.96 (m, 2H, Hx-a, H6'b), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H6'-a), 3.83 – 3.71 (m, 5H, H2-a, H6-a, H6-b, H4-a, H4-b), 3.71 – 3.66 (m, 3H, H3-b, Hx-b, H3-a), 3.64 (ddd, *J* = 9.6, 6.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.60 (ddd, *J* = 9.6, 5.1, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H5-a), 3.42 – 3.35 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOC<u>H<sub>3</sub></u>), 1.88 – 1.83 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.49 (NH<u>C</u>OCH<sub>3</sub>), 101.10 (C1-a), 100.30 (C1-b), 79.62 (C4-a), 75.28 (C5-b), 74.40 (C5-a), 72.37 (C3-a), 72.18 (C4-b) 70.40 (C2-b), 67.30 (C3-b), 67.16 (Cx), 60.18 (C6-a), 54.95 (C2-a), 47.76 (Cz), 43.91 (C6-b), 28.09 (Cy), 22.15 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>29</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>10</sub> (M + Na) 507.1464, found) 507.1476. *IR* – 3287, 2932, 2874, 2097, 1657, 1556, 1379, 1305, 1060, 803

# 7.4 Synthesis of Man $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 25, Man<sub>2</sub> $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 26, Man<sub>3</sub> $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 27 and Man<sub>4</sub> $\beta$ 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 37



The reaction was assembled on a 500  $\mu$ L scale containing 40 mM NaOAc pH 5.5 buffer, 500 mM mannose-1-phosphate (83 mg), 50 mM 6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (7.5 mg), 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and BT1033 (0.2 mg/mL). The reaction was incubated at 37 °C for 72 h. The reaction was stopped after the addition of 500  $\mu$ L of EtOH to precipitate the enzyme. The sample was incubated at -20 °C for 12 h. The sample was then centrifuged at 4000 x g for 15 min at 4 °C and the supernatant transferred to a 50 mL falcon tube containing 40 mL of HPLC grade H<sub>2</sub>O. The sample was then lyophilised and purified by BioGel P2 column chromatography in H<sub>2</sub>O. Fractions containing the desired disaccharide (**25**, 0.0029, 1.4 mg,

12%), trisaccharide (**26**, 0.0033, 2.1 mg, 13%), tetrasaccharide (**27**, 0.0017, 1.4 mg, 7%) and pentasaccharide (**37**, 0.0014, 1.3 mg, 5%) respectively, were pooled and lyophilised.

Manβ1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>25



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.81 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.79 (1H, H-1b), 4.77 (1H, H6-a), 4.71 (s, 1H, H6'-a), 4.59 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, H1-a), 4 .09 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 3.97 (td, *J* = 10.7 Hz, *J* = 6.0, 1H, Hx-a), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 12.4 Hz, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H, H6-b), 3.85 – 3.66 (m, 7H, H1-b, Hx-b, H3-b, H6'-b, H3-a, H4-a, H5-a), 3.61 – 3.57 (m, 1H, H4-b), 3.46 – 3.42 (m, 1H, H5-b), 3.38 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOC<u>H</u><sub>3</sub>), 1.85 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C (175 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  174.55 (C=O), 101.3 (*J*<sub>CH</sub> = 159 Hz, C-1a), 100.0 (*J*<sub>CH</sub> = 164 Hz, C-1b), 81.7 (*J*<sub>CH</sub> = 168.4 Hz, C6-a), 77.6, 76.4, 72.8, 72.0 & 55.1 (C1-b, C3-b, C3-a, C4-a, C5-a), 70.7 (C2-b), 67.6 (Cx), 66.5 (C4-b), 60.9 (C6-b), 47.8 (Cz), 28.2 (Cy), 22.1 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>19</sup>F (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  -234.04 (td, *J* = 47.2, 28.3 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>29</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>10</sub> (M + Na) 491.1760, found 491.1761

#### $Man_2\beta 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N_3 26$



*R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.71 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.80 (s, 1H, H1-c) 4.74 (s, 1H, H-1b), 4.79 & 4.71 (s, 1H, H6-a & H6'-a) 4.59 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.15 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H, H2-c), 4.15 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 4.00 – 3.89 (m, 3H, Hx-a, H6'-b, H6'-c), 3.88 – 3.81 (m, 3H, H3-c, H3-a, H4-a), 3.80 – 3.65 (m, 7H, Hxb, H6-b, H6-c, H2-a,H3-b, H5-a, H5-b/c), 3.60 – 3.54 (m, 2H, H4-b, H4-c), 3.45 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 6.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H, H5-b/c), 3.39 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.07 – 2.05 (m, 3H, NHCOC<u>H<sub>3</sub></u>), 1.88 – 1.83 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.51 (C=O), 101.26 (C1-a), 100.18 (C1-b), 99.89 (C1-c), 81.54 (C6-a, *J* = 167.2 Hz), 77.58 & 71.41 (C3-c, C3-a), 76.49 (C4-a), 76.40 (C5-b/c), 75.01 (C4-c), 73.00, 72.72, 72.01, 54.97 (C2-a, C3-b, C5-a, C5-b/c), 70.45 (C2-b), 69.90 (C2-c), 67.27 (Cx), 66.66 (C4-b), 60.98 & 60.42 (C6b & C6-c), 47.73 (Cz), 28.09 (Cy), 22.13 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>19</sup>F (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ -234.01 (td, *J* = 47.3, 28.7 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>39</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>15</sub> (M + Na) 653.2288, found 653.2292. *IR* – 3329, 2947, 2858, 2101 (N=N=N), 1657, 1568, 1433, 1379, 1060  $Man_{3}\beta1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N_{3}27$ 



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.62 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.81 (s, 1H, H1-d), 4.77 (s, 1H, H6-a), 4.76 (s, 1H, H1-c) 4.75 – 4.74 (s, 1H, H1-b), 4.71 (s, 1H, H6'a), 4.59 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.15 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, H2-d), 4.14 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H, H2-c), 4.07 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 4.00 – 3.89 (m, 4H, Hx-a, H6-b, H6-c, H6-d), 3.88 – 3.64 (m, 14H, H2-a, H3-b, H3-c, H3-d, H5-a, Hx-b, H6'-b, H6'-c, H6'-d, H4-c/H4-d, H5-c, H5-d, H4-a, H5-d), 3.60 – 3.54 (m, 3H, H3-a, H4-b, H4-c/H4-d), 3.45 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 6.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.38 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOC<u>H<sub>3</sub></u>), 1.90 – 1.81 (m, 2H, Hy). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.51 (C=O), 101.26 (C1-a), 100.18 & 100.12 (C1-b, C-1c), 99.89 (C1-d) 81.58 (C6-a, *J* = 168.3 Hz), 77.58, 76.61, 76.40, 73.05, 72.96, 72.73, 72.00, 71.42, 71.38 & 54.98 (C2-a, C3-b, C3-c, C3-d, C5-a, C4-c/C4-d, C5-c, C4-a, C5-d), 75.01 & 66.65 (C3-a, C4-b, C4-c/C4-d), 70.45 (C2-b), 69.93 & 69.88 (C2-c & C2-d), 67.27 (Cx), 60.97, 60.51 & 60.39 (C6-b, C6-c, C6-d), 47.73 (Cz), 28.09 (Cy), 22.14 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ -234.02 (td, *J* = 47.2, 28.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>49</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>20</sub> (M + Na) 815.2816, found 815.2824. *IR* – 3314, 2943, 2874, 2101, 1657, 1564, 1305, 1062, 1030, 807

#### $Man_4\beta 1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N_3 37$



 $R_{\rm f}$  = 0.48 (2:1:1, N-butanol/acetic acid/H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H (700 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 4.83 – 4.72 (5H, H1-e, H1-d, H1-c, H1-b, H6'-a), 4.71 (s, 1H, H6-a), 4.59 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, H1-a), 4.14 (m, 3H, H2-c, H2-d, H2-e), 4.07 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H, H2-b), 3.99 – 3.89 (m, 5H, Hx-a, H6'-b, H6'-c, H6'-d, H6'-e), 3.88 – 3.64 (m, 16H, H2-a, H3-b, Hx-b, H6-b, H6-c, H6-d, H6-e, H3-c, H3-d, H3-e, X, X, X, X, X), 3.60 – 3.54 (m, 4H, H4-b, X, X, X), 3.45 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 6.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H5-b), 3.38 (m, 2H, Hz), 2.06 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.90 – 1.82 (m, 2H, Hy). X= H3-a, H4-a, H4-c, H4-d, H4-e, H5-a, H5-c, H5-d or H5-e. DEPT <sup>13</sup>C NMR (176 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 101.26 (C1-a), 100.18, 100.12 & 99.90 (C1-e, C1-d, C1-c, C1-b), 81.62 (C6-a), 77.56, 76.60, 76.42, 76.39, 75.01, 73.06, 72.95, 72.73, 72.00, 71.43, 71.39, 66.65, 54.97 (C2-a, C3-b, C3-c, C3-d, C3-e, C4-b, C3-a, C4-a, C4-c, C4-d, C4-e, C5-a, C5-c, C5-d, C5-e), 76.53 (C5-b), 70.45 (C2-b), 69.92 & 69.87 (C2-e, C2-d, C2-c), 67.27 (Cx), 60.95, 60.91, 60.50 & 60.40 (C6-b, C6-c, C6-d, C6-e), 47.73 (Cz), 28.08 (Cy), 22.22 (NHCO<u>C</u>H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ -234.05 (td, J = 47.3, 28.8 Hz). HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for

C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>59</sub>FN<sub>4</sub>NaO<sub>25</sub> (M + Na) 977.3345, found 977.3308. *IR* – 3312, 2946, 2888, 2101, 1650, 1375, 1066, 1032, 810.

## 9. NMR Spectra

Manβ1,4-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 15



<sup>1</sup>H NMR



5.4 5.2 5.0 4.8 4.6 4.4 4.2 4.0 3.8 3.6 3.4 3.2 3.0 2.8 2.6 2.4 2.2 2.0 1.8 1.6 1.4 1.2 1.0 fl (ppm)

# <sup>13</sup>C NMR







# IPAP HSQC (<sup>13</sup>C HSQC with multiplicity editing)

## Spectrum 1



Table S3. Results of the two IPAP HSQC (13C HSQC with multiplicity editing) spectra for the two anomeric carbons and analysis of the results to give the <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CH</sub> coupling constants.

Carbon	Spectrum one	Spectrum two	<sup>1</sup> J <sub>CH</sub> coupling constant (Hz)
C-1 mannose	2736.71	2897.63	160.92
C-1 Glucosamine	2591.62	2751.64	160.02















HSQC with anomeric proton and carbon cross couplings shown.



## 6Cl-Manβ1,4-GlcNAc-N₃18



<sup>1</sup>H NMR



<sup>13</sup>C

6Cl-ManB14GlcNAc-n3 F68-71.2.fid chem\_CARBON D2O /home/fascionegroup/Data/Tessa fascionegroup 10



## HMBC



# Manβ1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>34



 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 





210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 fl (ppm)





<sup>13</sup>C

F75-76 Dis.6.fid chem\_CARBON D2O /home/fascionegroup/Data/Tessa fascionegroup 7

## HMBC



# Man<sub>2</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 35

















### Man<sub>3</sub>β1,4-S-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>36



 $^{1}H$ 



6.0 5.8 5.6 5.4 5.2 5.0 4.8 4.6 4.4 4.2 4.0 3.8 3.6 3.4 3.2 3.0 2.8 2.6 2.4 2.2 2.0 1.8 1.6 1.4 fl(ppm)

<sup>13</sup>C

F64-66 tetra.41.fid chem\_CARBON D20 /home/fascionegroup/Data/Tessa fascionegroup 10

210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)





HMBC





## Manβ1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>25



<sup>1</sup>H NMR



## $^{13}CNMR$

20210908\_Tasha\_BT-1033entry7\_700.3.fid Carbon (2gpg30) Default: O1P = 100ppm, SW=236ppm, AQ=0.8s, d1=2s, NS=512



-233.0 -233.1 -233.2 -233.3 -233.4 -233.5 -233.6 -233.7 -233.8 -233.9 -234.0 -234.1 -234.2 -234.3 -234.4 -234.5 -234.6 -234.7 -234.8 -234.9 -235.0 -235.1 -235.2 f1 (ppm)

# IPAP HSQC (<sup>13</sup>C HSQC with multiplicity editing)

## Spectrum 1



<sup>19</sup>F

# Spectrum 2



**Table S4**. Results of the two IPAP HSQC (13C HSQC with multiplicity editing) spectra for the two anomeric carbons and analysis of the results to give the  ${}^{1}J_{CH}$  coupling constants.

Carbon	Spectrum one	Spectrum two	<sup>1</sup> J <sub>CH</sub> coupling constant (Hz)
C-1 mannose	2742.38	2903.47	161.09
C-1 Glucosamine	2620.70	2783.58	162.88

#### Man<sub>2</sub>β1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>26



 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 



5.3 5.2 5.1 5.0 4.9 4.8 4.7 4.6 4.5 4.4 4.3 4.2 4.1 4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.1 2.0 1.9 1.8 1.7 1.¢ f1 (ppm)

#### <sup>13</sup>C

ManB14ManB14-6FGlcNAc-N3 Trisaccharide.6.fid chem\_CARBON D2O /home/fascionegroup/Data/Tessa fascionegroup 1



210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)





HSQC



<sup>19</sup>F





# Man<sub>3</sub>β1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub>27



 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 





5.2 5.0 4.8 4.6 4.4 4.2 4.0 3.8 3.6 3.4 3.2 3.0 2.8 2.6 2.4 2.2 2.0 1.8 1.6 1.4 1.2 1.0 fl (ppm)



-227.5 -228.5 -229.5 -230.5 -231.5 -232.5 -233.5 -234.5 -235.5 -236.5 -237.5 -238.5 -239.5 -240.5 -241.5 f1 (ppm)

HSQC



# Man₄β1,4-6F-GlcNAc-N₃ 37



6.2 6.0 5.8 5.6 5.4 5.2 5.0 4.8 4.6 4.4 4.2 4.0 3.8 3.6 3.4 3.2 3.0 2.8 2.6 2.4 2.2 2.0 1.8 1.6 1.4 1.2 fl (pm)

# DEPT <sup>13</sup>C

ManB14-6FGIcNAc-N3 Penta F49-47 REPEAT CARBONS.3.fid chem\_DEPT-135 D2O /home/fascionegroup/Data/Tessa fascionegroup 9





<sup>1</sup>H- <sup>1</sup>H COSY



<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HSQC









## $\label{eq:scalar} \textbf{2}\mbox{-}acetamido\mbox{-}\textbf{1}\mbox{,}\textbf{3}\mbox{,}\textbf{4}\mbox{,}\textbf{6}\mbox{-}tetra\mbox{-}O\mbox{-}acetyl\mbox{-}2\mbox{-}deoxy\mbox{-}\beta\mbox{-}D\mbox{-}galactopyranoside S2$

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 



<sup>13</sup>C



 $\label{eq:2-Methyl-4,5-dihydro-(3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-1,2-dideoxy-\alpha-D galactopyranoso) [2,1-d]-1,3-oxazole~S3$ 

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 




**3-Bromopropyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside S4** <sup>1</sup>H





<sup>13</sup>C









### 3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-galactopyranoside S5

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 











3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy)- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside S6  $^{1}\text{H}$ 





<sup>13</sup> C







COSY





# 3-Azidopropyl (2-acetamido-4-S-acetyl-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy)-β-D-glucopyranoside S7





<sup>13</sup>C









### Bis[3-azidopropyl (2-acetamido-2,4-dideoxy)-β-D-glucopyranos-4-yl] disulphide 33

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 





COSY



<sup>13</sup>C









1-(4-((((4-nitrophenoxy)carbonyl)oxy)methyl)benzyl-3-methyl-imidazolium

# trifluoromethanesulfonate. S9

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 





1-(4-(((but-3-yn-1-ylcarbamoyl)oxy)methyl)benzyl)-3-methyl-imidazolium

# trifluoromethanesulfonate 1.

 $^{1}\mathsf{H}$ 





#### 10. Determination of BT1033 specific activity

For the acceptor standard curves, stock solutions of 5 mM acceptor (11 or 33) were prepared in HPLCgrade  $H_2O$ . The stock solution for SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 33, also contained TCEP reducing agent (2.5 mM). A two-fold serial dilution of the respective stock solutions was performed to produce a series of standards ranging from 5 mM to 0.15625 mM, for each acceptor. The standards were prepared in triplicate. 10 µL of each standard was incubated at 37 °C for 30 min and then lyophilised. Lyophilised samples were resuspended in 24  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O, then 0.5  $\mu$ L of Itag solution (250 mM in DMSO) was added to each sample. Then 10  $\mu$ L of a stock solution containing 500 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>. 5 H<sub>2</sub>O and 500 mM THPTA in H<sub>2</sub>O, was added to each sample. Samples were mixed by vortexing and then 5  $\mu$ L of a 1 M sodium ascorbate solution was added to each sample. Samples were further mixed by vortexing and then incubated for 2 h at 20 °C 300 rpm. 1 mL of  $H_2O$  was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. Samples were resuspended in 100  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O. and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS in positive-ion mode. Spectra were processed in Compass 1.3 DataAnalysis, Version 4.1 software (Bruker Daltonics). The peak area for each standard was calculated from the extracted ion chromatogram (EIC) of the ITag-labelled acceptor (SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>- m/z 618 or GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> - m/z 602). The mean peak area was then plotted as a function of acceptor concentration to produce a calibration curve (Figure S34).



Figure S34. Standard curve of GlcNAc-N3 (A) or SH-GlcNAc-N3 (B) concentration plotted against the peak area for the extracted ion chromatogram (EIC) for m/z 602 or m/z 618 respectively. Error bars denote standard error of the mean of 3 replicates.

To investigate specific activity, a series of reactions was assembled on a 10  $\mu$ L scale containing 10 mM Man-1P 2, 3 mM acceptor 11 or 33, 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 40 mM NaOAc buffer pH 5.5 and 1  $\mu$ L of BT1033 (stock concentrations ranging from 13 mg/mL – 0.025 mg/mL). For reactions containing SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> 33, TCEP reducing agent was added to a final concentration of 1.5 mM. Reactions were incubated at 37 °C for 30 min. To stop the reaction, 10  $\mu$ L of ice cold EtOH was added and the samples were

incubated at -20 °C. Samples were then lyophilised, following the addition of 1 mL of HPLC-grade H<sub>2</sub>O. Lyophilised samples were resuspended in 24  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O, then 0.5  $\mu$ L of Itag solution (250 mM in DMSO) was added to each sample. Then 10  $\mu$ L of a stock solution containing 500 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>. 5 H<sub>2</sub>O and 500 mM THPTA in H<sub>2</sub>O, was added to each sample. Samples were mixed by vortexing and then 5  $\mu$ L of a 1 M sodium ascorbate solution was added to each sample. Samples were further mixed by vortexing and then incubated for 2 h at 20 °C 300 rpm. 1 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O was added to each sample and the samples were lyophilised. Samples were resuspended in 100  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O. and analysed by C<sub>18</sub>-LC-MS in positive-ion mode. In all of the reactions, the molecular ion of the respective ITag-labelled acceptor (SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> - m/z 618 or GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> - m/z 602) was monitored in order to quantify reaction progress. The peak area for the acceptor (SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> - m/z 618 or GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> - m/z 602) and the absolute concentration of acceptor was obtained from the standard curve (Figure S34). Conversion (%) to product was calculated as follows:

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Starting [acceptor] mM – final [acceptor] mM
X 100
Starting [acceptor] mM
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Conversion (%) was plotted against enzyme concentration (Figure S35). Specific activity (Table S5) was calculated at the enzyme concentration that resulted in  $\sim$  15% conversion (i.e. the initial change in conversion).

Table S5 Specific activity of BT1033 to GlcNAc-N $_3$  11 and SH-GlcNAc-N $_3$  33.

Acceptor	Specific activity (µmol. min <sup>-1</sup> . mg <sup>-1</sup> )
GlcNAc-N₃	3.20
SH-GlcNAc-N₃	1.59



Figure S35. BT1033 titration curve for reactions with GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (A) or SH-GlcNAc-N<sub>3</sub> (B).

#### 11. Molecular modelling

The BT1033 amino acid sequence was obtained from UniProt and the PDB file was obtained from the AlphaFold Protein Structure Database (UniProt entry: Q8A8Y4). Uhgb\_MP amino acid sequence and PDB file was obtained from RCSB Protein Data Bank (PDB) (entry 4UDJ). Molecular graphics and analyses were performed with UCSF Chimera.<sup>9</sup> NCBI BLAST web interface (https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi) was used for sequence alignment of BT1033 to Uhgb\_MP (Figure S36).

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Figure S36. An amino acid sequence alignment of BT1033 and Uhgb\_MP. The conserved catalytic Asp is highlighted in turquoise.

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