## Chair interconversion and reactivity of mannuronic acid esters

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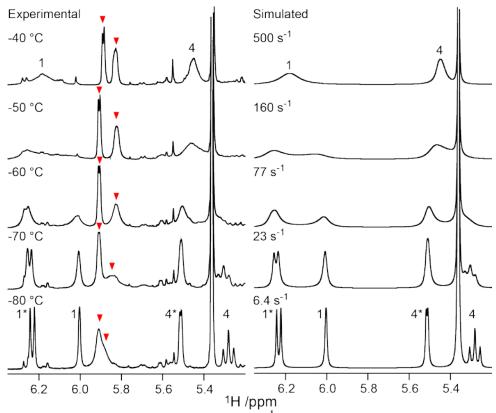
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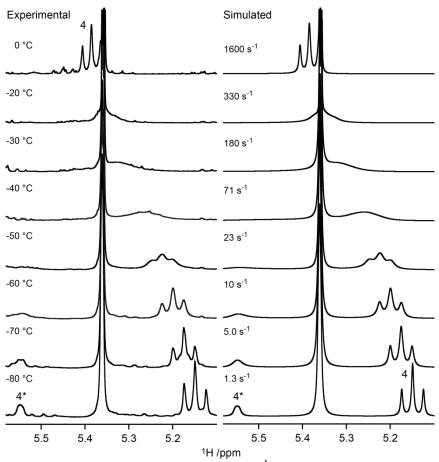
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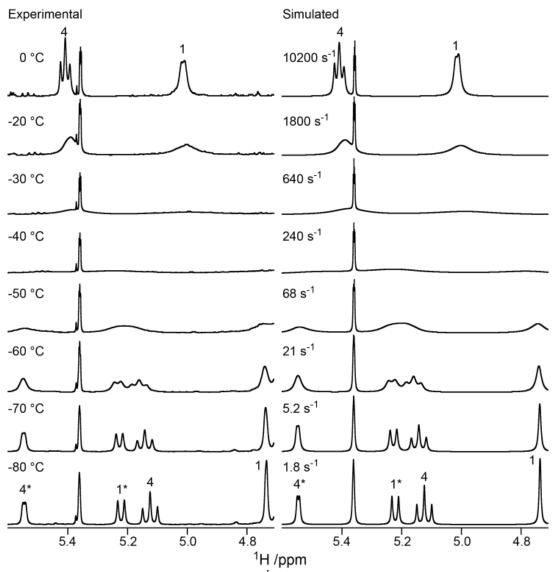
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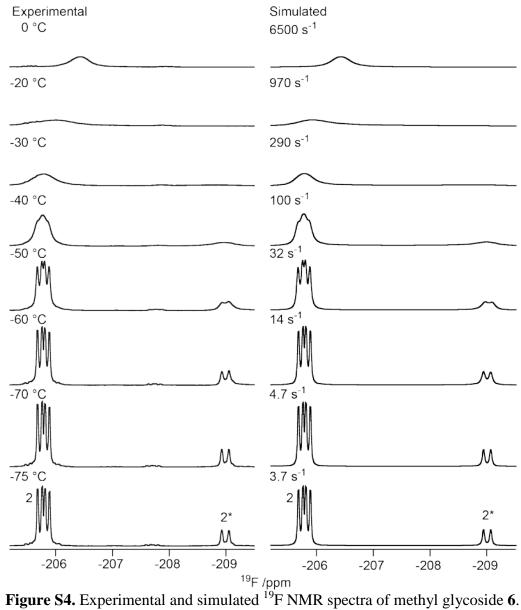
**Figure S1.** Experimental and simulated  ${}^{1}H$  NMR spectra of the H1 and H4 signals of anomeric triflate **1**. Signals arising from the  ${}^{1}C_{4}$  conformer are marked with asterisks. Signals marked with red triangles pointing downwards are unknown by-products formed upon activation. The signal at 5.36 ppm originates from residual dichloromethane-d.



**Figure S2.** Experimental and simulated  ${}^{1}H$  NMR spectra of the signals from H4 of methyl glycoside **4**. The signal arising from the  ${}^{1}C_{4}$  conformer is marked with an asterisk. The signal at 5.36 ppm originates from residual dichloromethane-d.



**Figure S3.** Experimental and simulated  ${}^{1}H$  NMR spectra of the H1 and H4 signals of methyl glycoside **5**. The signals arising from the  ${}^{1}C_{4}$  conformer are marked with asterisks (\*). The signal at 5.36 ppm originates from residual dichloromethane-d.



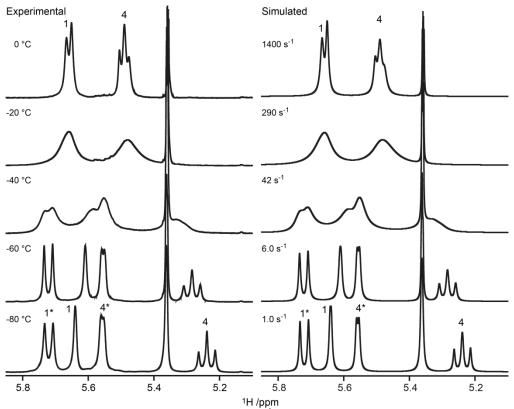
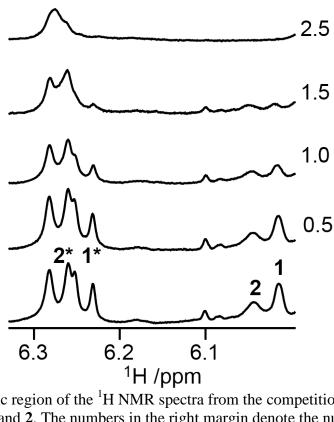


Figure S5. Experimental and simulated  ${}^{1}$ H NMR spectra of the H1 and H4 signals of compound 7. Signals arising from the  ${}^{1}C_{4}$  conformer are marked with asterisks. The signal at 5.36 ppm originates from residual dichloromethane-d.



**Figure S6.** Anomeric region of the  ${}^{1}$ H NMR spectra from the competition experiment of anomeric triflates **1** and **2**. The numbers in the right margin denote the number of methanol equivalents added. Signals arising from the  ${}^{1}C_{4}$  conformer are marked with asterisks.