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## **Supporting Information**

# Rapid discovery of potent α-fucosidase inhibitors by *in situ* screening of a library of (pyrrolidin-2-yl)triazoles

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## 1. Detailed scheme for *in situ* screening towards α-fucosidases from bovine kidney



## 2. IC<sub>50</sub> and Lineweaver-Burk plots



Figure 1. IC<sub>50</sub> of compound 14 towards  $\alpha$ -L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 2. *K*<sub>i</sub> of compound 14 towards α-L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 3. IC<sub>50</sub> of compound 14a towards  $\alpha$ -L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 4. *K*<sub>i</sub> of compound 14a towards α-L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 5. IC<sub>50</sub> of compound 15 towards α-L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 6. *K*<sub>i</sub> of compound 15 towards α-L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 7. IC<sub>50</sub> of compound 14p towards  $\alpha$ -L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)



Figure 8. *K*<sub>i</sub> of compound 14p towards α-L-fucosidase (bovine kidney)

## 3. Experimental details for the preparation of compound 6

**Synthesis of pyrroline 6**<sup>1,2</sup>

#### TBDPSO TBDPSO TBDPSO N~OH NH<sub>2</sub>OH·HCI MsCI, pv NaHCO<sub>3</sub> 74% 2) TBDPSCI, DMAF EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Et<sub>3</sub>N 80% 16 17 MeMgBr Toluene 73 % OTBDPS 6

5-O-tert-Butyldiphenylsilyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene-4-O-methanesulfonyl-D-lyxononitrile (18)



To a solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride (7.5 g, 104.7 mmol) in EtOH:H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1, 160 mL), NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (8.8 g, 104.7 mmol) was slowly added. The solution was stirred at r.t. for 15 min. Then, a solution of compound **16**<sup>2</sup> (9.96 g, 23.2 mmol) in ethanol (80 mL) was added and the mixture stirred for 72 h at r.t. After concentration under reduced pressure, the residue was diluted with EtOAc and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous phase was extracted twice with EtOAc. Combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the corresponding oximes **17** which were used in the next step without purification. Methanesulfonylchloride (15 mL, 193.8 mmol) was slowly added to a solution of both oximes in anhydrous pyridine (60 mL) at 0 °C. After 6 h at r.t., the mixture was cooled to 0 °C, H<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL) was added and the reaction stirred for 15 min at r.t. Then, the solvent was evaporated, the crude was diluted with EtOAc and washed twice with H<sub>2</sub>O. The organic phase was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by chromatography column on silica gel (EtOAc/cyclohexane, 1:6) to give **18** (8.6 g, 17.1 mmol, 74%, two steps) as a yellow oil. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>27</sup> + 1.8 (*c* 1.03, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). IR (v cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2933,

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2855, 2387 (CN), 1362, 1177, 702. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm, *J* Hz)  $\delta$  7.68-7.63 (m, 4H, H-aromat.), 7.48-7.39 (m, 6H, H-aromat.), 4.94 (ddd, 1H,  $J_{4,3}$ = 8.7,  $J_{4,5b}$ = 5.0,  $J_{4,5a}$ = 4.0, H-4), 4.73 (d, 1H,  $J_{2,3}$ = 5.1, H-2), 4.46 (dd, 1H, H-3), 4.01 (dd, 1H, <sup>2</sup> $J_{5a,5b}$  = 11.7, H-5a), 3.93 (dd, 1H, H-5b), 3.08 (s, 3H, Me of Ms), 1.60 (s, 3H, -C(CH\_3)\_2), 1.42 (s, 3H, -C(CH\_3)\_2), 1.09 (s, 9H, -C(CH\_3)\_3). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm)  $\delta$  135.7, 135.6, 132.1, 132.0, 130.4, 130.3, 128.3, 125.2 (C-aromat.), 116.3 (CN), 112.7 (-C(CH\_3)\_2), 80.4 (C-4), 77.0 (C-3), 65.6 (C-2), 63.9 (C-5), 38.6 (Me of Ms), 27.1 (-C(CH\_3)\_2), 27.0 (-C(CH\_3)\_3), 26.1 (-C(CH\_3)\_2), 19.3 (-C(CH\_3)\_3). LSIMS m/z 526 [60%, (M+Na)<sup>+</sup>]. HRLSIMS m/z found 526.1711, calc. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>SSiNa: 526.1696.

(3*R*,4*S*,5*S*)-5-[(*O-tert*-Butyldiphenylsilyl)hydroxymethyl]-3,4-isopropylidene-2-methyl-1pyrroline-3,4-diol (6)



To a solution of **18** (8.6 g, 17.1 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (70 mL), MeMgBr (7.0 ml, 21.0 mmol) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 7 h and then cooled to r.t. Diethyl ether (70 mL) and sat. aq. sol. of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (70 mL) were successively added and the resulting solution was extracted. The aqueous phase was extracted twice with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and the organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated. The resulting residue was purified by chromatography column on silica gel (Toluene/acetone, 30:1) to give **6** (5.3 g, 12.5 mmol, 73%) as a yellow oil.  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -46.4 (*c* 1.03, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). IR (v cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2930, 2857, 1650, 1107, 1075, 687. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm, *J* Hz)  $\delta$  7.64-7.58 (m, 4H, H-aromat.), 7.44-7.36 (m, 6H, H-aromat.), 4.97 (d, 1H, *J*<sub>4,3</sub>= 5.1, H-4), 4.63 (d, 1H, H-3), 4.22-4.18 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.92 (dd, 1H, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>1'a,1'b</sub>= 10.2, *J*<sub>1'a,5</sub>= 2.7, H-1'a), 3.86 (dd, 1H, *J*<sub>1'b,5</sub>= 3.0, H-1'b), 2.15 (s, 3H, Me), 1.37 (s, 6H, -C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 1.01 (s, 9H, -C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm)  $\delta$  174.9 (C-2), 135.8, 135.6, 133.4, 132.9, 130.0, 129.9, 127.92, 127.88 (C-aromat.), 111.6 (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 87.8 (C-4), 81.1 (C-3), 77.0 (C-5), 63.9 (C-1'), 27.1 (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 26.1 (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 19.3 (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 17.0 (Me). LSIMS *m*/z 424 [34%, (M+H)<sup>+</sup>], 346 [75%, (M-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sup>+</sup>]. HRLSIMS *m*/z found 424.2309, calc. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>34</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Si: 424.2308.

### 4. Experimental details for the synthesis of azides a-u



• Azides c, f, j and m were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich.

• Azides **a**, **b**, **e**, **g-i**, **k**, **l** and **n** were synthesized in one pot from commercially available halides following the standard protocols previously reported.<sup>3</sup> Nevertheless, they can be also obtained from commercial sources.

- Azides **q**-**u** have been previously prepared and characterized in our research group.<sup>4</sup>
- Azide **d**, although commercially available, was prepared following the same procedure than for azide **g**,<sup>3b</sup> and characterized here for the first time.
- Azides **o** and **p** have been prepared here for the first time.

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**4-(2-Azidoethyl)pyridine (d).** IR (v cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2096 (N<sub>3</sub>), 1603, 1413, 1268, 794. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm, *J* Hz)  $\delta$  8.63-8.61 (m, 2H, H-aromat.), 7.26-7.23 (m, 2H, H-aromat.), 4.41 (s, 2H, -*CH*<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm)  $\delta$  150.4, 144.5, 122.5 (C-aromat.), 53.4 (-*CH*<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>). HRCIMS *m*/*z* found 134.0592, calc. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>4</sub>: 134.0592.

#### General procedure for the synthesis of azides o and p

#### Ethyl 5-(azidomethyl)-2-methylfuran-3-carboxylate (o)



To a stirred solution of 3-ethoxycarbonyl-2-methyl-5-(D-arabinotetritol-1-yl)furan<sup>5</sup> (2.91 g, 10.61 mmol) in MeOH (40 mL) cooled to 0 °C was added a solution of NaIO<sub>4</sub> (5.22 g, 24.40 mmol) in H<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL), and the mixture was stirred for 1 h. Then, the solution was filtered, and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (804 mg, 21.22 mmol) was added to the filtrate. After 30 min, the solution was neutralized with citric acid (pH 7) and concentrated. The crude was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and washed with water. The organic layer was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated to give crude alcohol 19. To a stirred solution of N-chlorosuccinimide (345 mg, 2.53 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 mL) cooled to 0 °C, Me<sub>2</sub>S (200 µL, 2.74 mmol) was added under N<sub>2</sub>. After 5 min, a sol. of alcohol 19 (358 mg, 1.94 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 mL) at -20 °C was added under  $N_2$ . The mixture was allowed to warm to 5 °C. After 1 h, the solvent was evaporated. The crude product chloromethyl derivative was dissolved in DMF, and NaN<sub>3</sub> (253) mg, 3.89 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min. at r.t., then the solvent was evaporated, the resulting residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and washed with water. The organic layer was dried ( $Na_2SO_4$ ), filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (EtOAc/cyclohexane, 1:8) to give pure azide o (342 mg, 1.63 mmol, 84%) as a colourless oil.

IR (v cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2981, 2932, 2094 (N<sub>3</sub>), 1711 (C=O), 1222, 1079, 776. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm, *J* Hz)  $\delta$  6.60 (s, 1H, H-4), 4.28 (q, 2H, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>H,H</sub>= 7.2, -C*H*<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.23 (s, 2H, -C*H*<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 2.58 (s, 3H, Me), 1.34 (t, 3H, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm)  $\delta$  163.8 (C=O), 160.1, 146.9, 114.5 (C-aromat.), 110.5 (C-4), 60.4 (-*C*H<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 46.9 (-*C*H<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 14.5 (-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.0 (Me). HRCIMS *m*/*z* found 210.0874, calc. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>: 210.0879.

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## Benzyl 5-(azidomethyl)-2-methylfuran-3-carboxylate (p)

Azide **p** was synthesized as described for azide **o**, except that pure 3-benzyloxycarbonyl-2methyl-5-(D-*arabino*tetritol-1-yl)furan<sup>6</sup> was used as starting material. Azide **p** was obtained in 90% as a yellow oil.

IR (v cm<sup>-1</sup>) 2952, 2095 (N<sub>3</sub>), 1713 (C=O), 1214, 1072, 697. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm, *J* Hz)  $\delta$  7.39-6.63 (m, 5H, H-aromat.), 6.63 (s, 1H, H-4), 5.28 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.23 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 2.59 (s, 3H, Me). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$  ppm)  $\delta$  163.6 (C=O), 160.5, 147.1, 136.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 114.3 (C-aromat.), 110.5 (C-4), 66.2 (-CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 46.9 (-CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 14.1 (Me). HRCIMS *m*/*z* found 271.0947, calc. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>: 271.0957.

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5. Copies of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 363K)



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