**Supporting Information** 

# Glycosylation of *N*-Acetyl Glycosamine Using Catalytic Iron(III) Triflate: from a Microwave Batch Chemistry to a Scalable Continuous-Flow Process

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Experimental procedures for compounds  $1\beta$ ,  $1\alpha$ , 4,  $6\beta$ , 8, 10, 12-24, 29, 30, 32, 34-49 and 55 Characterization data and NMR spectra (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C) of compounds 8, 10, 13, 16-18, 21-24, 34-38 and 40.

# **General considerations**

Commercial chemicals were obtained from Aldrich, Acros Organics, Alfa Aesar or Carbosynth and were used without further purification. All non-aqueous reactions were run under inert atmosphere (argon), by using standard techniques for manipulating air-sensitive compounds. All the glassware was stored into the oven or was flame-dried before using. Anhydrous solvents were obtained by filtration through drying columns. Dichloromethane and chloroform were stabilized under amylene.

Batch reactions were generally monitored by analytical thin-layer chromatography performed on silica gel 60  $F_{254}$  precoated plates and were visualised under UV (254 nm) and with Vanillin as revelator.

Microwave irradiation experiments were carried out in a CEM Discover instrument or in an Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument with internal fiber-optic or IR temperature control. The vials used are in Pyrex and were sealed with Teflon-coated septums. With the Anton Paar instrument, the homogeneity and the good magnetic stirring of the reaction were controlled with a camera which directly focuses on the reaction vial.

Flow reactions were performed in a Vapourtec R-series system which is a high-temperature (up to 250 °C), high-pressure (up to 42 bar) instrument for performing homogeneous reactions. This R-series system is constituted by a R2C+ pump module (module with acid-resistant pumps and injection loops), a R4 reactor module and a fraction collector. The reaction mixture was pumped into the system with one HPLC pump, passed through a stainless steel 1 mm i.d. reactor, through a back-pressure regulator (which controls the pressure into the whole system) and was finally collected in the fraction collector. Perfluroalkoxy (PFA) polymer tubing (1 mm i.d.) was used for interconnecting lines. Reaction parameters like temperature, residence time (or flow rate) and collection volume were monitored by using the instrument interface and the Flow Commander software.

Flash chromatography was performed on an Isco Combiflash Companion instrument using 50  $\mu$ m silica columns. Preparative thin-layer chromatography was performed on silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> 0.5 mm 20×20 cm plates and visualised under UV (254 nm). Semi-preparative HPLC was performed using a Waters 600 instrument, combined with a 2424 Evaporating Light Scattering Detector (ELSD), a 2996 Photodiode Array Detector (PDA) and a 2767 sample manager. The column used was a Waters Sunfire C18, 19×150 mm, 5  $\mu$ m.

Deuterated chloroform used for NMR analyses was neutralised by addition of anhydrous and granular  $K_2CO_3$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker 300 or 500 MHz instruments. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on the same instruments at 75 or 125 MHz. Chemical shifts  $\delta$  are expressed in parts per million relative to residual chloroform as an internal standard ( $\delta$  = 7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and 77.4 ppm for <sup>13</sup>C NMR). For <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra, data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quadruplet, m = multiplet, brs = broad singulet, dt = doublet of triplets), coupling constant (in Hz) and integration. Interpretations were obtained using DEPT 135, <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY, <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HMQC and HMBC experiments. Low-resolution mass spectra were obtained on a Waters Acquity UPLC system by electrospray ionization (ESI), combined to a Photodiode Array Detector (PDA), an Evaporating Light Scattering Detector (ELSD) and a Tandem Quadrupole Detector (TQD). High-resolution mass spectra were obtained with a Waters Acquity UPLC (by direct injection or with a BEH C18 2.1×50 mm, 1.7 µm column) combined with a Diode Array Detector (DAD) and a Waters LCT Premier XE mass instrument (electrospray ionization with a time-of-flight (ToF) analyzer). IR spectra were recorded on a PerkinElmer Spectrum 100 FT-IR spectrometer, in reciprocal centimeters (cm<sup>-1</sup>). Melting points were determined using a Büchi

B-540 apparatus. Optical rotations were determined using an Anton Paar MCP 300 polarimeter with a 1 dm-long cell and data are reported as follows:  $[\alpha]_D^{\text{temperature}}$  (in  $10^{-1}$  deg.cm<sup>2</sup>/g), concentration (*c* in g/100 mL) and solvent. Elemental analyses were performed with a CHNOS Perkin-Elmer analyser (Gif-sur-Yvette, ICSN).

# **General procedures**

# A. General procedure for microwave-assisted glycosylation

The peracetylated glycosamine (2 eq.), TTBP (2 eq.) and the iron triflate catalyst (15 mol-%) are added to the acceptor (1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged, 4, 10 or 30 mL (filling volume) microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Everything is flushed under argon and dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  is added ([acceptor] = 0.065 M). Liquid acceptor (benzyl alcohol) is placed into the tube after the solvent.

<u>Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument</u>: after sealing the vial, the reaction mixture is heated to 110 °C under microwave irradiation for 30 minutes to 3 hours (1 minute ramp time from room temperature to 110 °C and 30 minutes to 3 hours hold time at 110 °C, stirring set at 800 rpm). <u>CEM Discover instrument</u>: after sealing the vial, the reaction mixture is heated to 80 °C under microwave irradiation for 30 minutes to 3 hours.

The reaction mixture is then diluted in  $CH_2Cl_2$  and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The aqueous layer is extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (×4) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to afford the pure product.

# B. General procedure for setting up and cleaning up the flow system

Before each experiment, the desired assembly (including sample loop for small-scale reactions) is purged by pumping dichloromethane or chloroform (depending on the reaction solvent) at a flow rate of 5 mL/min, through both solvent and reagent needles for 10 min. Then, the needles are inserted through a septum-sealed, argon-overpressured flask (using the built-in gas manifold) of dry reaction solvent mixture (dichloromethane/acetonitrile 7:3 or chloroform/acetonitrile 7:3). The whole system is then dried by pumping this mixture at a flow rate of 5 mL/min for 10 minutes.

After each experiment, the whole system is washed with the reaction solvent mixture at a flow rate of 5 mL/min for 10 minutes and then with isopropanol with the same flow rate for another 10 minutes.

# C. General procedure for glycosylation under continuous flow conditions

# C1: small-scale reactions

As the glycosylation reaction is slow at room temperature, all the reagents and the catalyst are mixed together before injection into the flow system. The *N*-acetyl-D-glucosamine  $1\beta$  (0.300 mmol, 2 eq.) and the iron triflate catalyst (0.023 mmol, 15 mol-%) are added to the acceptor (0.150 mmol, 1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Dry mixture of dichloromethane/acetonitrile 7:3 (2 mL, [acceptor] = 0.075 M) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred and sonicated for a few minutes (until complete homogenisation). Liquid acceptor (benzyl alcohol) is placed into the tube after the solvent.

The variation between the solvent volume and the reaction mixture volume was controlled and was not significant.

After setting and drying the whole flow system (Figure up 1) with dry dichloromethane/acetonitrile 7:3 (procedure B), the pump is primed and the reaction mixture is injected with a syringe into the system via a 2 mL-sample loop. The reaction is then fully automated and the reaction parameters (temperature, residence time, collection volume) are Commander software controlled using Flow The drv solvent mixture (dichloromethane/acetonitrile 7:3) is pumped and pushes the reaction mixture, which is in the sample loop, into the 10mL-stainless steel reactor heated at 110 °C with a fixed flow rate (corresponding to the desired residence time, 45 or 70 min depending on the acceptor). The system pressure (33 bar) is controlled with a back pressure regulator and the reaction mixture is finally collected into a fraction collector.



At the end of the reaction, the reaction mixture is diluted with 20 mL of dichloromethane and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4×20 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to give the pure product.

# C2: scale-up

As the glycosylation reaction is slow at room temperature, all the reagents and catalyst are mixed together before injection into the flow system. The *N*-acetyl-D-glucosamine  $1\beta$  (6.50 mmol, 2 eq.) and the iron triflate catalyst (0.49 mmol, 15 mol-%) are added to the acceptor (3.25 mmol, 1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Dry mixture of chloroform/acetonitrile 7:3 (45 mL, [acceptor] = 0.072 M) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred and sonicated for a few minutes (until complete homogenisation).

After setting up and drying the whole flow system (Figure 2) with dry mixture of chloroform/acetonitrile 7:3 (procedure B), the reagent needle is transferred into the septum-sealed, argon-overpressured vial containing the reaction mixture. This solution is maintained under argon atmosphere during the whole reaction. The pump is then primed to bring the reaction mixture to the solvent/reagent switch valve. The reaction is fully automated and the reaction parameters (temperature, residence time, collection volume) are controlled using Flow Commander software. The reaction mixture is pumped into two 10 mL-stainless steel reactors in series, heated at 110 °C with a fixed flow rate (corresponding to the desired residence time of 70 min). Once all the reaction mixture is loaded into the reactor, the liquid stream is changed back to solvent (mixture of dry chloroforme/acetonitrile 7:3) with the same flow rate and temperature until the end of the reaction. The system pressure (33 bar) is controlled with a back pressure regulator and the reaction mixture is finally collected into a single receptor.





At the end of the reaction, the reaction mixture is diluted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (50 mL) and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (4×50 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (100 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to give the pure product.

# **Products description**

Donor  $2^1$  and acceptors 3,  ${}^27$ ,  ${}^311$ ,  ${}^425^5$  and  $27^6$  were prepared according to known procedures. Donor 33 and acceptor 5 are commercially available.

# Iron triflate catalysts

**Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO** and **Fe(NTf<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·6.3DMSO** were prepared according to the procedure of Antoniotti *et al.*<sup>7</sup>

Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO: Elemental analysis: calculated %C = 18.73, %H = 3.80, %F = 17.32, %Fe = 5.66 and %S = 29.87 and experimental found %C = 18.61, %H = 3.77, %F = 16.97, %Fe = 5.22 and %S = 30.09.

Fe(NTf<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·6.3DMSO: Elemental analysis: calculated %C = 16.09, %H = 2.74, %F = 24.63, %Fe = 4.02 and %S = 28.40 and experimental found %C = 16.00, %H = 2.69, %F = 24.97, %Fe = 3.72 and %S = 29.05.

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# 2-Acetamido-1,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranose 1β



1,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (5 g, 13.02 mmol, 1 eq.), acetic anhydride (7.3 mL, 78.17 mmol, 6 eq.) and pyridine (50 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 5 hours under argon. The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 3:7 to 0:1) to afford **1** $\beta$ <sup>9</sup> (4.40 g, 87 %, white amorphous

solid).  $1\beta$  is also commercially available.

### 2-Acetamido-1,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-α-D-glucopyranose 1α



*N*-Acetyl-D-glucosamine (1 g, 4.52 mmol) and sodium acetate (990 mg, 12.07 mmol, 2.7 eq.) in acetic anhydride (14 mL) were stirred at 150 °C for 8 hours under argon. The reaction mixture was poured into ice and water, extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> ( $3 \times 50$  mL), washed with water (20 mL), brine (10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 1:1

to 3:7) to give the desired product  $1\alpha^{10}$  (1.4 g, 80 %, white amorphous solid).  $1\alpha$  is also commercially available.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 4



<u>Microwave conditions</u>:  $4^{11}$  was obtained under microwave conditions using donor  $1\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor  $3^2$  (30 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 45 min) (46 mg, 89 %, white amorphous solid). <u>Flow conditions</u>: 4 was also obtained under flow conditions from donor  $1\beta$  (2.53 g, 6.50 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (484 mg,

0.49 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **3** (1.51 g, 3.25 mmol, 1 eq.) in a mixture of dry CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN 7:3 (45 mL) using general procedure C2 (Vapourtec instrument, 110 °C, 33 bar, 70 min) (2.00 g, 78 %, white amorphous solid).

# Benzyl 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranoside 6β



<u>Microwave conditions</u>:  $6\beta^{12}$  was obtained under microwave conditions using donor  $1\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and benzyl alcohol **5** (7 µL, 0.068 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 45 min) (28 mg, 95 %, white amorphous solid). Flow conditions:  $6\beta$  was

also obtained under flow conditions from donor  $1\beta$  (117 mg, 0.301 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)\_3·6.2DMSO (23 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol-%) and benzyl alcohol 5 (16  $\mu L$ ,

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0.150 mmol, 1 eq.) in a mixture of dry  $CH_2Cl_2/CH_3CN$  7:3 (2 mL), using general procedure C1 (Vapourtec instrument, 110 °C, 33 bar, 45 min) (51 mg, 77 %, white amorphous solid).

### 4-(Chloromethyl)benzyl 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranoside 8



<u>Microwave conditions</u>: **8** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **1** $\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and 4-(chloromethyl)benzyl alcohol **7**<sup>3</sup> (10 mg, 0.064 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave

300 instrument, 110 °C, 30 min) (30 mg, 95%, white amorphous solid). Flow conditions: 8 was also obtained under flow conditions using donor 1 $\beta$  (117 mg, 0.300 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (23 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol-%) and 4-(chloromethyl)benzyl alcohol 7 (24 mg, 0.153 mmol, 1 eq.) in a mixture of dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN 7:3 (2 mL), according to general procedure C1 (Vapourtec instrument, 110 °C, 33 bar, 45 min) (56 mg, 75 %, white amorphous solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{21}$ : -36.0 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.36 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 5.48 (d,  $J_{NH,2} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, NH), 5.21 (dd,  $J_{3,2} =$ 10.5 Hz and  $J_{3,4} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, H3), 5.09 (t,  $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, H4), 4.88 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, OCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 4.65 (d,  $J_{1,2}$  = 9.0 Hz, 1H, H1), 4.61-4.58 (m, 3H, OCH<sub>2</sub>Ar and ArCH<sub>2</sub>Cl), 4.27 (dd,  $J_{6,6'} = 12.5$  Hz and  $J_{6,5} = 4.5$  Hz, 1H, H6), 4.16 (dd,  $J_{6',6} = 12.5$  Hz and  $J_{6',5} = 2.5$  Hz, 1H, H6'), 3.96 (dt,  $J_{2,3} = 10.5$  Hz and  $J_{2,1} = J_{2,NH} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, H2), 3.67 (ddd,  $J_{5,4} = 9.5$  Hz,  $J_{5,6} = 4.5$  Hz and  $J_{5,6'} = 2.5$  Hz, 1H, H5), 2.10 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.02 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.01 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.91 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 171.3 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 171.1 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.5 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 169.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 137.7 (C, OCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 137.6 (C, ArCH<sub>2</sub>Cl), 129.1 (2CH, Ar), 128.6 (2CH, Ar), 100.0 (CH, C1), 72.7 (CH, C3), 72.3 (CH, C5), 70.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 68.9 (CH, C4) 62.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 54.9 (CH, C2), 46.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, ArCH<sub>2</sub>Cl), 23.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3278 (N-H), 3103 (=C-H), 2954 and 2877 (C-H), 1738 (C=O), 1661 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 486 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 508 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 40%), 971  $([2M+H]^+, 15\%), 993 ([2M+Na]^+, 50\%)$ . HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>29</sub>ClNO<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 486.1531. Found: 486.1531.

### 2-Chloroacetyl 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-α/β-D-glucopyranose 10

 $\begin{array}{c} AcO \overset{4}{\longrightarrow} OAc \\ AcO \overset{4}{\longrightarrow} OAc \\ AcO \overset{5}{\longrightarrow} O \\ AcHN \\ C_{16}H_{22}CINO_{10} \\ Mol. Wt.: 423.80 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 2-ch \\ Fe(0) \\ 2.57 \\ equil \\ argo \\ argo$ 

2-chloroacetic acid **9** (0.6 g, 6.42 mmol, 2.5 eq.) and commercial Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub> (260 mg, 0.51 mmol, 20 mol-%) are added to donor **1** $\beta$  (1 g, 2.57 mmol, 1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Everything is flushed under argon and dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is added (1 mL). After sealing the vial, the

reaction mixture is heated to 80 °C under microwave irradiation for 45 minutes (CEM Discover instrument). Then, the reaction mixture is diluted in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4×20 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to afford pure product 10 (230 mg,  $\alpha/\beta$  mixture 8/2, 21 %, colorless oil). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 6.22 (d,  $J_{1a,2a}$  = 3.5 Hz, 0.8H, H1 $\alpha$ ), 5.92 (d,  $J_{NH\beta,2\beta}$  = 9.5 Hz, 0.2H, NH), 5.75 (d,  $J_{NHa,2a}$  = 9.0 Hz, 0.8H, NH), 5.74 (d,  $J_{1\beta,2\beta}$  = 9.0 Hz, 0.2H, H1 $\beta$ ), 5.25-5.12 (m, 1.2H), 4.50-4.43 (ddd,  $J_{2a,3a}$  = 10.5 Hz,  $J_{NHa,2a}$  = 9.0 Hz and  $J_{1a,2a}$  = 3.5 Hz, 0.8H, H2 $\alpha$ ), 4.28-4.18 (m, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1.6H, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl $\alpha$ ), 4.11-3.98 (m, 3.2H), 3.85-3.79 (dddd, J = 9.5 Hz, J = 7.0 Hz, J = 5.0 Hz and J = 2.5

Hz, 0.2H, H5β), 2.05 (s, 3H, Me), 2.02, 2.01, 2.006, 2.00 (4s, 6H, Me), 1.90 (s, 3H, Me). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) α isomer δ: 171.8 (C, CO), 170.8 (C, CO), 170.3 (C, CO), 169.3 (C, CO), 165.5 (C, CO), 92.4 (CH, C1), 70.5, 70.4, 67.4 (3CH, C3, C4, C5), 61.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 51.5 (CH, C2), 40.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl), 23.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>) 20.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z = 330 ([M-CO<sub>2</sub>HCH<sub>2</sub>Cl]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 441 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 50%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub> [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>: 441.1276. Found: 441.1296.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1→6)-4-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-(*tert*-butyldiphenylsilyloxy)-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-β-D-glucopyranoside 12



12<sup>4</sup> was obtained under microwave conditions using donor 1β (33 mg, 0.084 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (21 mg, 0.084 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (6 mg, 0.006 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor 11<sup>4</sup> (28 mg, 0.042 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to

general procedure A with a lower concentration (CEM Discover instrument, 80 °C, 45 min) (32 mg, 76 %, white amorphous solid).

# Methyl 3-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-α-D-glucopyranoside 15 Methyl 2,4-di-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-α-D-glucopyranoside 13 Methyl 3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-α-D-glucopyranoside 17 Methyl 2,3,6-tri-*O*-benzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside 19



Scheme 1. Synthesis of acceptors 15, 15, 17 and

Ph 0 Bn0 H0 OMe C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>6</sub> Mol. Wt.: 372.41 To a mixture of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (600 mg, 2.13 mmol, 1 eq.) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL), was added tetrabutylammonium hydrogensulfate (144 mg, 0.43 mmol, 20 mol-%) and benzyl bromide (0.30 mL, 2.55 mmol, 1.2 eq.). 1 M aqueous NaOH (7 mL) is added and the reaction mixture is stirred under reflux for 22

hours.<sup>13</sup> Then, the reaction mixture is diluted with  $CH_2Cl_2$ , the organic layer is separated and the water phase is extracted twice with  $CH_2Cl_2$ . The combined organic layers are washed with aqueous saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 7:3 to 5:5) to afford pure methyl 2-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> D. Crich, W. Li, H. Li J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2004, 126, 15081-15086.

glucopyranoside<sup>14</sup> (21 %, 166 mg) and methyl 3-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside **15**<sup>14</sup> (48 %, 380 mg).

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \text{TBDPSO} & 6 & N \\ \text{BnO} & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{BnO} & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ \text{HO} & \text{OMe} & 1 \\ \text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{44}\text{O}_6\text{Si} & \text{Si} \\ \text{Mol. Wt.: 612.83} & (2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ \end{array}$ 

Methyl 3-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside **15** (169 mg, 0.45 mmol, 1 eq.) is concentrated twice from toluene in a round-bottom flask. Under argon and with magnetic stirring, the flask is almost entirely submerged in an ice-water bath for 10 min and a solution of borane THF (3.2 mL, 1 M in THF, 3.2 mmol, 7.1 eq.) is added slowly with a syringe along the sides of the flask. After stirring for 15 minutes, a 1 M solution

of dibutylboron triflate in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.45 mL, 0.45 mmol, 1.0 equiv) is added dropwise and the resulting solution is stirred for 3.5 hours at 0 °C under argon.<sup>15</sup> Then, triethylamine (0.25 mL) is added, methanol (20 mL) is added slowly and the mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture is coevaporated three more times with methanol (3×20 mL) and the crude product is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 7:3 to 4:6) to afford pure methyl 3,4-di-*O*-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside<sup>16</sup> (57%, 97 mg).

Methyl 3,4-di-O-benzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (97 mg, 0.26 mmol, 1 eq.), imidazole (44 mg, 0.65 mmol, 2.5 eq.) and tert-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (9.5 µL, 0.36 mmol, 1.4 eq.) in dry DMF (1.2 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 2 hours under argon. The reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL), extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3×10 mL), washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 9:1 to 6:4) to give the desired product 17 (125 mg, 78 %, colorless oil).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$ : +41.8 (c 0.9 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.74-7.68 (m, 4H, Ph), 7.45-7.26 (m, 14H, Ph), 7.19-7.16 (m, 2H, Ph), 4.92 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.90-4.85 (m, 2H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.79 (d,  $J_{1,2} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, H1), 4.64 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 3.91 (m, 2H, H6 and H6'), 3,78 (t,  $J_{3,2} = J_{3,4} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, H3), 3.77-3.62 (m, 3H, H2, H4 and H5), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.14 (brs, 1H, OH), 1.06 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 139.0 (C, Ph), 138.6 (C, Ph), 136.2 (CH, Ph), 136.0 (CH, Ph), 134.0 (C, Ph), 133.6 (C, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 128.4 (CH, Ph), 128.2 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 127.9 (CH, Ph), 99.5 (CH, C1), 83.8 (CH, C3), 78.0 (CH, C4), 75.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 75.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 73.6 (CH, C2), 72.1 (CH, C5), 63.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 55.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 27.2 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (C, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3465 (O-H), 3068 (=C-H), 2931 and 2857 (C-H). MS (ESI): m/z = 630 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 5%), 635 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 1248 ([2M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 20%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>44</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub>Si [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 635.2805. Found: 635.2814.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{TBDPSO} & \stackrel{6}{5} & \stackrel{0}{5} \\ \text{BnO} & \stackrel{4}{3} & \stackrel{2}{\text{BnO}} & \stackrel{1}{3} \\ \text{BnO} & \stackrel{0}{\text{Mol}} & \stackrel{1}{\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{44}\text{O}_6\text{Si}} \\ \text{Mol. Wt.: 612.83} \end{array}$ 

Methyl 2-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (282 mg, 0.76 mmol, 1 eq.) is concentrated twice by coevaporation with toluene in a round-bottom flask. Under argon and with magnetic stirring, the flask is almost entirely submerged in an ice-water bath for 10 min and a solution of borane-THF (5.5 mL, 1 M in THF, 5.5 mmol, 7.1 eq.) is added slowly with a syringe along the sides of the flask. After stirring

for 15 minutes, a solution of dibutylboron triflate (0.76 mL, 1 M in  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 0.76 mmol, 1.0 equiv) is added dropwise and the resulting solution is stirred for 2.5 hours at 0 °C under argon.<sup>15</sup> Then, triethylamine (0.4 mL) is added, methanol (35 mL) is added slowly and the mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture is coevaporated three more times with methanol (3×35 mL) and the crude product is purified by column chromatography on

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> V. Y. Dudkin, J. S. Miller, A. S. Dudkina, C. Antczak, D. A. Scheinberg, S. J. Danishefsky, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2008**, *130*, 13598-13607.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> A. Français, D. Urban, J.-M. Beau, Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. 2007, 46, 8662-8665.

silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 7:3 to 4:6) to afford pure methyl 2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside<sup>17</sup> (88%, 250 mg).

Methyl 2,4-di-O-benzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (250 mg, 0.67 mmol, 1 eq.), imidazole (113 mg, 1.66 mmol, 2.5 eq.) and tert-butyl(chloro)diphenylsilane (240 µL, 0.93 mmol, 1.4 eq.) in dry DMF (3 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 2 hours under argon. The reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3×20 mL), washed with brine (30 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 9:1 to 7:3) to give the desired product 13 (390 mg, 96 %, colorless oil).  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$ : +47.1 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 7.72-7.67 (m, 4H, Ph), 7.45-7.25 (m, 14H, Ph), 7.24-7.20 (m, 2H, Ph), 4.89 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.73 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.69 (d,  $J_{1,2} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, 11.0 Hz and  $J_{6,5} = 2.5$  Hz, 1H, H6), 3.87 (dd,  $J_{6,6} = 11.0$  Hz and  $J_{6,5} = 4.0$  Hz, 1H, H6'), 3.69 (ddd,  $J_{5,4} = 9.5$  Hz,  $J_{5,6'} = 4.0$  Hz and  $J_{5,6} = 2.5$  Hz, 1H, H5), 3.54 (t,  $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, H4), 3.42 (dd,  $J_{2,3} = 9.5$  Hz and  $J_{2,1} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, H2), 3.34 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.37 (brs, 1H, H2), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.37 (brs, 1H, H2), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.40 (s, 3H, OH), 1.06 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 138.8 (C, Ph), 138.5 (C, Ph), 136.2 (CH, Ph), 136.0 (CH, Ph), 134.0 (C, Ph), 133.7 (C, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 129.9 (CH, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.7 (CH, Ph), 128.4 (CH, Ph), 128.2 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 127.9 (CH, Ph), 97.6 (CH, C1), 80.3 (CH, C2), 78.1 (CH, C4), 75.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 74.0 (CH, C3), 73.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.5 (CH, C5), 63.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 55.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 27.2 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (C, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3461 (O-H), 3068 (=C-H), 2930 and 2857 (C-H). MS (ESI): m/z = 630 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 10%), 635 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 1248  $([2M+Na]^+, 85\%)$ . HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>44</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub>Si [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 635.2805. Found: 635.2808.



Methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (3.00 g, 10.63 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry DMF (35 mL) is cooled to 0 °C under argon. NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 960 mg, 31.88 mmol, 3 eq.), is added by portion and the reaction mixture is stirred at 0 °C for 15 minutes under argon. BnBr (3.8 mL, 31.88 mmol, 3 eq.) is added slowly and the reaction mixture is allowed

to warm to room temperature and is stirred at this temperature for 19 hours. MeOH (3 mL) and water (20 mL) are successively added and the reaction mixture is extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 10$  mL). The combined organic layers are washed with NaCl sat. (30 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 90:10 to 5:5) to afford methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside<sup>14</sup> (3.05 g, 62 %).

To a solution of methyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (1.50 g, 3.24 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry THF (35 mL) is added powered molecular sieves (4 Å, 1.70 g), methyl orange (3 mg) and NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.70 g, 27.57 mmol, 8.5 eq.) under argon. After 15 minutes at room temperature, the yellow solution is cooled to 0 °C and HCl in Et<sub>2</sub>O (1 M) is added slowly until the solution turns pink and gas evolution ceased completely (danger, release of HCN!).<sup>18</sup> The solution is then warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 20 hours under argon. The reaction mixture is poured into a cold saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (60 mL) and the aqueous layer is extracted with EtOAc (3×60 mL). The combined organic layers are washed with water (3×20 mL), brine (60 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> T. Ogawa, T. Kaburagi, *Carbohydr. Res.* **1982**, *103*, 53-64.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> S. Norsikian, A. Lubineau, Org. Biomol. Chem. 2005, 3, 4089-4094.

chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 9:1 to 6:4) to give the desired product  $19^{19}$  (830 mg, 55 %, white amorphous solid).

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 14



14<sup>4</sup> was obtained under microwave conditions using donor 1β (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor 13 (42 mg, 0.068 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 45 min) (47 mg,

74 %, white amorphous solid).

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 16



**16** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **1** $\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **15** (23 mg, 0.062 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 60 min) (27 mg, 61 %, white amorphous solid). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>22</sup>: +15.9 (*c* 0.9 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.44-7.40 (m, 2H, Ph),

7.36-7.24 (m, 8H, Ph), 5.53 (s, 1H, CHPh), 5.23 (dd,  $J_{B3,B2} = 10.5$  Hz and  $J_{B3,B4} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-3), 5.16 (d,  $J_{NH,B2}$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.01 (t,  $J_{B4,B3}$  =  $J_{B4,B5}$  = 9.5 Hz, 1H, HB-4), 4.92 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.90 (d,  $J_{B1,B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.85 (d,  $J_{A1,A2} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.63 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.27 (dd, J<sub>A6,A6</sub> = 10.0 Hz and J<sub>A6,A5</sub> = 4.5 Hz, 1H, HA-6), 4.17 (d,  $J_{B6,B5} = J_{B6',B5} = 4.0$  Hz, 2H, HB-6 and HB-6'), 3.99 (t,  $J_{A3,A2} = J_{A3,A4} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-3), 3.88-3.79 (m, 2H, HB-2 and HA-5), 3.75-3.62 (m, 3H, HB-5, HA-2 and HA-6'), 3.59 (t,  $J_{A4,A3} = J_{A4,A5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-4), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.07 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.00(s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.97 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.51 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ*: 171.0 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 171.0 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.7 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 169.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.3 (C, Ph), 137.6 (C, Ph), 129.4 (CH, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.6 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 127.4 (CH, Ph), 126.4 (CH, Ph), 102.4 (CH, CB-1), 101.8 (CH, CHPh), 100.4 (CH, CA-1), 82.8 (CH, CA-4), 81.0 (CH, CA-2), 78.0 (CH, CA-3), 75.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 72.8 (CH, CB-3), 72.2 (CH, CB-5), 69.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 69.0 (CH, CB-4), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 62.5 (CH, CA-5), 55.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 55.3 (CH, CB-2), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3280 (N-H), 3092, 3062 and 3030 (=C-H), 2920 and 2871 (C-H), 1744 (C=O), 1666 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 702 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 724 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 55%), 1404 ([2M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 10%), 1426 ([2M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 75%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>44</sub>NO<sub>14</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 702.2762. Found: 702.2766.

# $\label{eq:2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-$O$-acetyl-2-deoxy-$\beta$-D$-glucopyranosyl)-(1$-$2)-3,4-di-$O$-benzyl-6-$O$-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-$\alpha$-D$-glucopyranoside 18$

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**18** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **1** $\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **17** (42 mg, 0.068 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 60 min) (34 mg, 53 %, white amorphous solid). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> : +24.2 (*c* 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ*: 7.73-7.67 (m, 4H, Ph), 7.43-7.27 (m, 12H, Ph), 7.22-7.20 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.06-7.03 (m, 2H, Ph), 5.35 (dd,  $J_{B3,B2} = 10.5$  Hz and  $J_{B3,B4} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-3), 5.20 (d,  $J_{NH,B2} = 8.5$ Hz, 1H, NH), 5.03 (t,  $J_{B4,B3} = J_{B4,B5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-4), 4.99 (d,  $J_{B1,B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.91 (d, *J*<sub>A1,A2</sub> = 3.5 Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.83 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.76 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.58 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.23-4.21 (m, 2H, HB-6 and HB-6'), 3.97 (dd, J = 9.5 Hz and *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, HA-3), 3.88 (d, *J*<sub>A6,A5</sub> = *J*<sub>A6',A5</sub> = 2.5 Hz, 2H, HA-6 and HA-6'), 3.84-3.61 (m, 5H, HB-2, HB-5, HA-2, HA-5 and HA-4), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.09 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.03 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.99 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.45 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.07 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 171.0 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 171.0 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.7 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 169.9 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.5 (C, Ph), 138.4 (C, Ph), 136.2 (CH, Ph), 136.0 (CH, Ph), 133.9 (C, Ph), 133.6 (C, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.7 (CH, Ph), 128.2 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 127.9 (CH, Ph), 127.0 (CH, Ph), 102.2 (CB-1), 99.4 (CH, CA-1), 82.5 (CH, CA-2), 81.4 (CH, CA-3), 78.4 (CH, CA-4), 75.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 75.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 72.7 (CH, CB-3), 72.1 (CH, CB-5), 71.5 (CH, CA-5), 69.2 (CB-4), 63.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 62.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.7 (CH, CB-2), 55.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 27.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 23.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (C, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3265 (N-H), 3071 and 3032 (=C-H), 2959, 2931 and 2857 (C-H), 1745 (C=O), 1656 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 964 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for  $C_{51}H_{63}NNaO_{14}Si [M+Na]^+$ : 964.3916. Found: 964.3923.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 20



**20**<sup>20</sup> was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **1β** (500 mg, 1.284 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (320 mg, 1.288 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (96 mg, 0.097 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **19** (300 mg, 0.646 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A with a higher concentration (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 3 hours) (191

mg, 37 %, white amorphous solid).

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# (2-Methyl-5-*tert*-butylphenyl) 3-O-acetyl-6-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside 21

 $\begin{array}{c} BnO_{4} & 6 \\ HO_{3} & 2 \\ C_{34}H_{37}NO_{7}S \\ Mol. Wt.: 603.73 \end{array}$ 

(2-Methyl-5-*tert*-butylphenyl) 3-*O*-acetyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside<sup>21</sup> (1.4 g, 2.33 mmol, 1 eq.) and trifluoroacetic acid (864 µL, 11.63 mmol, 5 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (23 mL) were cooled to 0 °C under argon. Et<sub>3</sub>SiH (1.85 mL, 11.63, 5 eq.) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture which was then warmed to room

temperature and stirred for 8 hours under argon. The reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×40 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 6:4) to give the desired product 21 (1.07 g, 76 %, white amorphous solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ : +32.3 (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Mp: 68.2-73.5 °C (from heptane/EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 7.87-7.80 (m, 2H, NPhth), 7.75-7.69 (m, 2H, NPhth), 7.46 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.36-7.27 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.16 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.01 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 5.66 (dd,  $J_{3,2} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{3,4} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, H3), 5.62 (d,  $J_{1,2} = 10.0$  Hz, 1H, H1), 4.58 (AB system, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.34 (t,  $J_{2,1} = J_{2,3} = 10.0$ Hz, 1H, H2), 3.88-3.81 (m, 2H, H4 and H6), 3.77 (dd, *J*<sub>6',6</sub> = 10.0 Hz, *J*<sub>6',5</sub> = 5.0 Hz, 1H, H6'), 3.71 (dd,  $J_{5,4}$  = 9.5 Hz,  $J_{5,6'}$  = 5.0 Hz, 1H, H5), 2.91 (d,  $J_{OH,4}$  = 3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.13 (s, 3H, Me), 1.90 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.22 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 171.2 (C, CO), 168.0 (C, NCO), 167.5 (C, NCO), 149.7 (C, Ph), 137.7 (C, Ph), 137.4 (C, Ph), 134.6 (CH, NPhth), 134.4 (CH, NPhth), 131.9 (C, NPhth), 131.5 (C, NPhth), 131.3 (C, Ph), 130.9 (CH, Ph), 130.1 (CH, Ph), 128.7 (2CH, Ph), 128.1 (3CH, Ph), 125.6 (CH, Ph), 123.8 (2CH, NPhth), 84.4 (CH, C1), 78.1 (CH, C5), 74.5 (CH, C3), 74.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.7 (CH, C4), 70.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 54.0 (CH, C2), 34.6 (C, t-Bu), 31.4 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, t-Bu), 20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Me). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3472 (O-H), 3063 and 3036 (=C-H), 2964, 2908 and 2865 (C-H), 1776 (N-C=O), 1742 (C=O), 1715 (N-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 621 ([M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 60%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for  $C_{34}H_{41}N_2O_7S$  [M+NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup>: 621.2634. Found: 621.2618.

# (2-Methyl-5-tert-butylphenyl) (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1→4)-3-*O*-acetyl-6-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside 22



Acceptor **21** (155 mg, 0.257 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.) and Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (19 mg, 0.019 mmol, 15 mol-%) are added to donor **1** $\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Everything is flushed under argon and dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is added (1 mL). After sealing the vial, the reaction

mixture is heated to 70 °C under microwave irradiation for 11 hours (CEM Discover instrument). Then, the reaction mixture is diluted in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4×20 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to afford pure product **22** (28 mg, 23 %, white amorphous solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ : +42.4 (*c* 0.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.85-7.78 (m, 2H, NPhth), 7.74-7.67 (m, 2H, NPhth), 7.49-7.39 (m, 6H, Ph), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 5.68 (t, *J*<sub>A3,A2</sub> = *J*<sub>A3,A4</sub> = 9.5 Hz, 1H, HA-3), 5.58 (d, *J*<sub>A1,A2</sub> = 10.5 Hz, 1H, HA-1), 5.05 (t, *J*<sub>B3,B2</sub> = *J*<sub>B3,B4</sub> = 9.5 Hz, 1H, HB-3), 4.90 (t, *J*<sub>B4,B3</sub>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> M. Collot, J. Savreux, J.-M. Mallet, *Tetrahedron* **2008**, *64*, 1523-1535.

 $= J_{B4,B5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-4), 4.83 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.77 (d,  $J_{NH,B2} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, NH), 4.57 (d, *J*<sub>*B1,B2*</sub> = 8.5 Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.45 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.37-4.27 (m, 2H, HB-6 and HA-2), 4.03 (t,  $J_{A4,A3} = J_{A4,A5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-4), 3.95 (d,  $J_{B6',B6} = 12.0$  Hz, 1H, HB-6'), 3.69-3.57 (m, 4H, HB-2, HA-5, HA-6 and HA-6'), 3.52-3.44 (m, 1H, HB-5), 2.15 (s, 3H, Me), 2.01 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.99 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.96 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.83 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.72 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.25 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 170.8 (2C, 2CO), 170.3 (C, CO), 170.0 (C, CO), 169.6 (C, CO), 167.8 (C, NCO), 167.4 (C, NCO), 149.6 (C, Ph), 138.0 (C, Ph), 137.6 (C, Ph), 134.5 (CH, NPhth), 134.3 (CH, NPhth), 131.9 (C, NPhth), 131.5 (C, NPhth), 131.2 (CH, Ph), 131.1 (CH, Ph), 130.1 (CH, Ph), 129.1 (2CH, Ph), 129.0 (2CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 125.7 (CH, Ph), 123.8 (CH, NPhth), 123.7 (CH, NPhth), 100.0 (CH, CB-1), 84.4 (CH, CA-1), 78.5 (CH, CA-5), 75.3 (CH, CA-4), 73.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 72.6 (CH, CB-3), 71.8 (CH, CA-3), 71.7 (CH, CB-5), 68.6 (CH, CB-4), 67.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 62.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.0 (CH, CB-2), 54.4 (CH, CA-2), 34.6 (C, t-Bu), 31.4 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, t-Bu), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 20.8 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, 2Ac and Me), 20.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3024 (N-H), 2964 (C-H), 1745 (C=O), 1719 (N-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 955 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for  $C_{48}H_{56}N_2NaO_{15}S [M+Na]^+$ : 955.3299. Found: 955.3287.

# (2-Methyl-5-*tert*-butylphenyl) 3,6-di-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio-β-Dglucopyranoside 23



To a suspension of (2-Methyl-5-*tert*-butylphenyl) 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside<sup>21</sup> (4.09 g, 7.31 mmol) and NaH (60 % dispersion in mineral oil, 366 mg, 9.14 mmol, 1.25 eq.) in dry DMF (40 mL), was added dropwise BnBr (1.31 mL, 10.96 mmol, 1.5 eq.). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours under argon. MeOH (6 mL) and water (100 mL) were

successively added and the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×50 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 1:0 to 7:3) to give (2-methyl-5-tertbutylphenyl) 3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio-β-Dglucopyranoside (3 g, 63 %, white amorphous solid). 3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (1.5 g, 2.31 mmol) and NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN (1.99 g, 31.63 mmol, 13.7 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (23 mL) were cooled to 0 °C under argon. A solution of HCl in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 M, 23 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture (danger, release of HCN!). It was then warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 8 hours under argon. The reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL), extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×70 mL), washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (40 mL), a 1 M aqueous solution of HCl (40 mL), brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 6:4) to give the desired product 23 (1.24 g, 82 %, white amorphous solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ : +81.2 (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.82 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H, NPhth), 7.73-7.61 (m, 3H, NPhth), 7.41 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.36-7.27 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.12 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.05-7.01 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 6.96-6.90 (m, 3H, Ph), 5.44 (d,  $J_{1,2}$  = 10.0 Hz, 1H, H1), 4.72 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.63-4.49 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.32-4.22 (m, 2H, H2 and H3), 3.88-3.79 (m, 2H, H4 and H6), 3.75 (dd, *J*<sub>6',6</sub> = 10.0 Hz, *J*<sub>6',5</sub> = 5.5 Hz, 1H, H6'), 3.67-3.60 (m, 1H, H5), 2.88 (d, *J*<sub>OH.4</sub> = 2.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.09 (s, 3H, Me), 1.2 (s, 9H, t-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 168.2 (C, NCO), 167.5 (C, NCO), 149.6 (2C, NPhth), 138.3 (C, Ph), 137.7 (C, Ph), 137.1 (C, Ph), 134.2 (CH, NPhth), 134.0 (CH, NPhth), 131.9 (2C, Ph), 130.4 (CH, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 128.7 (2CH, Ph), 128.4 (2CH, Ph), 128.2 (3CH, Ph), 128.1 (2CH, Ph), 127.7 (CH, Ph), 125.3 (CH, Ph), 123.7 (CH, NPhth), 123.4 (CH, NPhth), 84.7 (CH, C1), 79.8 (CH, C3), 77.7 (CH, C5),

74.6 (CH and CH2, C4 and CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 74.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 54.8 (CH, C2), 34.6 (C, *t*-Bu), 31.4 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, *t*-Bu), 20.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Me). IR *v* (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3476 (O-H), 3059 and 3028 (=C-H), 2956, 2909 and 2865 (C-H), 1774 (N-C=O), 1713 (N-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 674 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>41</sub>NNaO<sub>6</sub>S [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 674.2553. Found: 674.2576. Elementary Analysis: Calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>41</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>S: C, 71.86; H, 6.34; N, 2.15; S, 4.92. Found: C, 71.45; H, 6.49; N, 2.22; S, 4.87.

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Acceptor 23 (417 mg, 0.640 mmol, 5 eq.) and Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (62 mg, 0.063 mmol, 50 mol%) were added to donor  $1\beta$  (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 1 eq.) in an oven-dried, argon-purged, microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Everything is flushed under argon and dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> is added (1 mL). After sealing the vial, the reaction

mixture is heated to 70 °C under microwave irradiation for 3 hours (CEM Discover instrument). Then, the reaction mixture is diluted in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4×20 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 5:5 to 0:1) to afford pure product 24 (30 mg, 25 %, white amorphous solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ : +44.1 (c 0.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.78-7.70 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, NPhth), 7.68-7.57 (m, 2H, NPhth), 7.55-7.38 (m, 7H, NPhth and Ph), 7.12 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 6.99 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 6.94 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, Ph), 6.80-6.68 (m, 3H, Ph), 5.35 (d,  $J_{A1,A2} = 10.0$  Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.96 (t,  $J_{B4,B3} = J_{B4,B5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-4), 4.92-4.82 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph and HB-3), 4.75 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.68 (d,  $J_{NH,B2} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, NH), 4.47 (d,  $J_{B1,B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.38 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.35 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.25-4.18 (m, 3H, HB-6, HA-2 and HA-3), 4.04-3.92 (m, 3H, HB-2, HB-6' and HA-4), 3.67 (dd,  $J_{A6,A6'} = 10.5$  Hz,  $J_{A6,A5} = 2.0$  Hz, 1H, HA-6), 3.59 (d, J<sub>A6',A6</sub> = 10.5 Hz, J<sub>A6',A5</sub> = 1.0 Hz, 1H, HA-6'), 3.56-3.46 (m, 2H, HB-5 and HA-5), 2.10 (s, 3H, Me), 2.00 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.97 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.94 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.70 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.23 (s, 9H, t-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 171.0 (C, CO), 170.9 (C, CO), 169.9 (C, CO), 169.5 (C, CO), 167.9 (C, NCO), 167.4 (C, NCO), 149.5 (C, Ph), 138.8 (C, Ph), 137.8 (C, Ph), 137.2 (C, Ph), 133.9 (CH, NPhth), 133.7 (CH, NPhth), 131.9 (C, Ph), 131.8 (2C, NPhth), 130.6 (CH, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 129.3 (2CH, Ph), 129.2 (2CH, Ph), 129.1 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (2CH, Ph), 128.0 (2CH, Ph), 127.1 (CH, Ph), 125.3 (CH, Ph), 123.5 (CH, NPhth), 123.4 (CH, NPhth), 101.0 (CH, CB-1), 84.6 (CH, CA-1), 78.9 (CH, CA-4), 78.5 (CH, CA-5), 78.2 (CH, CA-3), 75.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 74.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 73.3 (CH, CB-3), 71.6 (CH, CB-5), 68.8 (CH, CB-4), 68.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 62.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.2 (CH, CA-2), 54.4 (CH, CB-2), 34.6 (C, t-Bu), 31.4 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, t-Bu), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 20.8 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, 2Ac and Me), 20.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3288 (N-H), 2944, 2927 and 2861 (C-H), 1778 (N-C=O), 1746 (C=O), 1714 (N-C=O), 1663 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 1003 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for  $C_{53}H_{60}N_2NaO_{14}S$  [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 1003.3663. Found: 1003.3691. Elementary Analysis: Calcd for C<sub>53</sub>H<sub>60</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>14</sub>S: C, 64.88; H, 6.16; N, 2.86; S, 3.27. Found: C, 65.27; H, 6.56; N, 2.51; S, 2.89.

### 2-Acetamido-1-O-acetyl-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-α/β-D-glucopyranose 29



2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranose<sup>22</sup> (510 mg, 1.03 mmol, 1 eq.) and pyridine hydrochloride (153 mg, 1.32 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in pyridine (5 mL) are stirred at 100 °C for 1 hour under argon. To this solution, acetic anhydride (255  $\mu$ L, 2.70 mmol, 2.6 eq.) is added and the

reaction mixture is stirred at room temperature for 8 hours. The volatiles are evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product is purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 6:4 to 0:1) to afford pure product  $29^{23}$  as a mixture of two anomers (470 mg, 88 %,  $\alpha/\beta$  1:2, white amorphous solid).

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 30



 $30^{24}$  was obtained under microwave conditions using donor 29 (69 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (9 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor 32 (30 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (CEM Discover

instrument, 80 °C, 45 min) (62 mg, 86 %, white amorphous solid).

### 2-Acetamido-1,3-di-O-acetyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-2-deoxy-α/β-D-glucopyranose 32

*N*-acetyl-D-glucosamine (5 g, 22.6 mmol, 1 eq.), benzaldehyde (13.7 mL, 135.6 mmol, 6 eq.) and  $ZnCl_2$  (3.1 g, 22.6 mmol, 1 eq.) were stirred at room temperature for 12 hours under argon. The precipitate

was filtered off, washed with petroleum ether (2×40 mL), washed with water (2×40 mL) and dried over reduced pressure. The crude 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-D-glucosamine (6.99 g, quant.) was used in the next step without further purification. This intermediate (500 mg, 1.62 mmol, 1 eq.) and pyridine hydrochloride (243 mg, 2.10 mmol, 1.3 eq.) in pyridine (5 mL) were stirred at 100 °C for 1 hour. To this solution, acetic anhydride (772  $\mu$ L, 8.24 mmol, 5.1 eq.) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 8 hours.<sup>25</sup> The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 6:4 to 0:1) to afford pure product **32**<sup>26</sup> (374 mg, 59 %,  $\alpha/\beta$  1:1, white amorphous solid).



# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-Dgalactopyranosyl)-(1→6)-2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-α-D-glucopyranoside 34

**34** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **33** (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor  $3^2$  (30 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to

general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 30 min) (49 mg, 95 %, amorphous white solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : +1.70 (*c* 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.38-7.28 (m, 15H, 3Ph), 5.33 (dd,  $J_{B4,B3}$  = 3.5 Hz and  $J_{B4,B5}$  = 1.0 Hz, 1H, HB-4), 5.28 (d,  $J_{NH,B2}$  =

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9.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.26 (dd,  $J_{B3,B2} = 11.0$  Hz and  $J_{B3,B4} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-3), 4.99 (d, J = 11.0Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.85 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.80 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.79 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.67 (d,  $J_{B1, B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.65 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.60 (d,  $J_{A1A2}$  = 3.5 Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.57 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2Ph$ ), 4.11-4.06 (m, 3H, HB-6, HB-6' and HA-6), 4.04-3.94 (m, 2H, HA-3 and HB-2), 3.87 (dt,  $J_{B5,B6} = J_{B5,B6'} =$ 6.5 Hz and  $J_{B5,B4} = 1.0$  Hz, 1H, HB-5), 3.80-3.75 (m, 1H, HA-5), 3.72 (dd,  $J_{A6',A6} = 10.5$  Hz and  $J_{A6',A5} = 4.0$  Hz, 1H, HA-6'), 3.53 (dd,  $J_{A2,A3} = 9.5$  Hz and  $J_{A2,A1} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-2), 3.48 (t,  $J_{A4,A3} = J_{A4,A5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-4), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.10 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.00 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.99 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.83 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 170.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.6 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.4 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.1 (C, Ph), 138.7 (C, Ph), 138.5 (C, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 128.5 (CH, Ph), 128.3 (CH, Ph), 128.3 (CH, Ph), 128.3 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 101.3 (CH, CB-1), 98.4 (CH, CA-1), 82.4 (CH, CA-3), 80.1 (CH, CA-2), 77.8 (CH, CA-4), 76.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 75.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 73.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.1 (CH, CB-5), 70.2 (CH, CB-3), 69.9 (CH, CA-5), 68.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 67.1 (CH, CB-4), 61.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 51.8 (CH, CB-2), 23.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3286 (N-H), 3092, 3065 and 3031 (=C-H), 2921 (C-H), 1743 (C=O), 1661 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 794 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 85%), 816 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>52</sub>NO<sub>14</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 794.3388. Found: 794.3381.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-2,4-di-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 35



**35** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **33** (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **13** (40 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 30 min) (46 mg, 75 %,

white amorphous solid).  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$ : +16.1 (c 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.72-7.68 (m, 4H, Ph), 7.48-7.33 (m, 13H, Ph), 7.28-7.26 (m, 3H, Ph), 5.30 (br d,  $J_{B4,B3} = 3.0$  Hz, 1H, HB-4), 5.06 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 5.02 (d,  $J_{NH,B2} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, NH), 4.94 (d,  $J_{B1,B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.93 (dd,  $J_{B3,B2} = 11.0$  Hz and  $J_{B3,B4} = 3.0$  Hz, 1H, HB-3), 4.80 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.75 (d,  $J_{A1,A2} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.58 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.48 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.26 (t,  $J_{A3,A2} = J_{A3,A4} = 9.0$  Hz, 1H, HA-3), 4.22-4.09 (m, 2H, HB-6 and HB-2), 3.94 (dd,  $J_{B6',B6} = 11.0$  Hz and  $J_{B6',B5} = 6.0$  Hz, 1H, HB-6'), 3.87-3.82 (m, 3H, HA-6, HA-6' and HB-5), 3.71-3.65 (m, 1H, HA-5), 3.57-3.50 (m, 2H, HA-2 and HA-4), 3.35 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.11 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.99 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.96 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.71 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.07 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ: 171.0 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.7 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.7 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.4 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 138.8 (C, Ph), 138.4 (C, Ph), 136.1 (CH, Ph), 136.0 (CH, Ph), 133.9 (C, Ph), 133.7 (C, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 129.9 (CH, Ph), 129.4 (CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 128.5 (CH, Ph), 128.0 (CH, Ph), 127.9 (CH, Ph), 127.5 (CH, Ph), 102.2 (CH, CB-1), 97.1 (CH, CA-1), 81.7 (CH, CA-2), 79.8 (CH, CA-3), 76.1 (CH, CA-4), 75.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 72.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.8 (CH, CA-5), 71.5 (CH, CB-3), 70.9 (CH, CB-5), 66.9 (CH, CB-4), 63.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 61.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 51.6 (CH, CB-2), 27.2 (3CH<sub>3</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 23.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (C, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3285 (N-H), 2958, 2929, 2899 and 2861 (C-H), 1750 (C=O), 1661 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 942 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 35%), 964 ( $[M+Na]^+$ , 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>63</sub>NNaO<sub>14</sub>Si  $[M+Na]^+$ : 964.3916. Found: 964.3917.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 36



**36** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **33** (46 mg, 0.118 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (29 mg, 0.117 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (9 mg, 0.009 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **15** (22 mg, 0.059 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 60 min) (26 mg, 63 %, amorphous white solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : +5.43 (*c* 0.7 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.47-7.44 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.38-

7.29 (m, 8H, Ph), 5.56 (s, 1H, CHPh), 5.36-5.29 (m, 2H, HB-3 and HB-4), 5.06 (d,  $J_{NH,B2}$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.00 (d, *J*<sub>B1,B2</sub> = 8.5 Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.96 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.87 (d,  $J_{A1,A2}$  = 3.5 Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.67 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.30 (dd,  $J_{A6,A6'}$  = 10.0 Hz and  $J_{A6,A5} = 4.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-6), 4.14 (d,  $J_{B6,B5} = J_{B6',B5} = 6.5$  Hz, 2H, HB-6 and HB-6'), 4.04 (t,  $J_{A3,A2} = J_{A3,A4} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-3), 3.96-3.83 (m, 3H, HB-2, HB-5, HA-5), 3.78-3.71 (m, 1H, HA-6'), 3.71-3.66 (dd,  $J_{A2,A3} = 9.5$  Hz and  $J_{A2,A1} = 3.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-2), 3.62 (t,  $J_{A4,A3} =$  $J_{A4,A5} = 9.5$  Hz, 1H, HA-4), 3.43 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.06 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.97 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.49 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 170.9 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.5 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 137.7 (C, Ph), 129.4 (CH, Ph), 128.9 (CH, Ph), 128.6 (CH, Ph), 128.1 (CH, Ph), 127.6 (CH, Ph), 126.4 (CH, Ph), 102.5 (CH, CHPh), 101.8 (CH, CB-1), 100.4 (CH, CA-1), 82.9 (CH, CA-4), 81.4 (CH, CA-2), 78.0 (CH, CA-3), 75.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 71.3 (CH, CB-5), 70.2 (CH, CB-3), 69.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 67.2 (CH, CB-4), 62.6 (CH, CA-5), 62.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 52.5 (CH, CB-2), 23.4 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (COCH<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3288 (N-H), 3095, 3071 and 3033 (=C-H), 2921 and 2851 (C-H), 1745 (C=O), 1661 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 702 ([M+H]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 724 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 85%), 1425 ([2M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 90%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>44</sub>NO<sub>14</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 702.2762. Found: 702.2774.

# Methyl (2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-3,4-di-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 37



37 was obtained under microwave conditions using donor 33 (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor 17 (40 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument, 110 °C, 45 min) (34 mg, 55 %, amorphous white solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : +18.8 (*c* 1.0 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz,

CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.73-7.68 (m, 4H, Ph), 7.43-7.27 (m, 11H, Ph), 7.23-7.19 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.07-7.04 (m, 2H, Ph), 5.42 (dd,  $J_{B3,B2}$  = 10.5 Hz and  $J_{B3,B4}$  = 3.5 Hz, 1H, HB-3), 5.37 (dd,  $J_{B4,B3}$  = 3.5 Hz and  $J_{B4,B5}$  = 1.0 Hz, 1H, HB-4), 5.12 (d,  $J_{NH,B2}$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.06 (d,  $J_{B1,B2}$  = 8.5 Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.91 (d,  $J_{A1,A2}$  = 3.5 Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.86 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.79 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.59 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.18-4.16 (m, 2H, HB-6 and HB-6'), 4.02-3.97 (m, 2H, HB-5, HA-3), 3.93-3.84 (m, 3H, HB-2, HA-6 and HA-6'), 3.73-3.62 (m, 3H, HA-2, HA-4 and HA-5), 3.38 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.07 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.97 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.42 (s, 3H, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.07 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 170.9 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.7 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.5 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.5 (C, Ph), 138.4 (C, Ph), 136.2 (CH, Ph), 136.0 (CH, Ph), 133.9 (C, Ph), 133.6 (C, Ph), 130.0 (CH, Ph), 127.9 (CH, Ph), 127.1 (CH, Ph), 102.2 (CH, CB-1), 99.3 (CH, CA-1), 82.9 (CH, CA-2), 81.3 (CA-3), 78.4 (CH, CA-4), 75.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 75.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph),

71.6 (CH, CA-5), 71.2 (CH, CB-5), 69.9 (CH, CB-3), 67.2 (CH, CB-4), 63.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 62.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 52.7 (CH, CB-2), 27.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 19.7 (C, *C*(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>). IR *v* (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3280 (N-H), 3068 and 3029 (=C-H), 2931 and 2858 (C-H), 1747 (C=O), 1656 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 964 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 100%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>63</sub>NNaO<sub>14</sub>Si [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 964.3916. Found: 964.3915.

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**38** was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **33** (50 mg, 0.128 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)<sub>3</sub>·6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **19** (29 mg, 0.064 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to general procedure A (Anton Paar Monowave 300 instrument,

110 °C, 3 hours) (13 mg, 26 %, amorphous white solid).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : -27.2 (c 0.7 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.48-7.24 (m, 15H, Ph), 5.21 (dd, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H, HB-4), 4.97 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.84 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.81-4.76 (m, 3H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph, HB-3), 4.63 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.57 (d,  $J_{A1,A2} = 4.0$  Hz, 1H, HA-1), 4.40 (d,  $J_{B1,B2} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-1), 4.38 (d,  $J_{NH,B2} = 10.0$  Hz, 1H, NH), 4.36 (d, J =12.0 Hz, 1H,  $CH_2$ Ph), 3.97 (dt,  $J_{B2,NH} = 10.0$  Hz and  $J_{B2,B1} = J_{B2,B3} = 8.5$  Hz, 1H, HB-2), 3.91-3.81 (m, 4H, HA-3, HA-4, HB-6, HB-6'), 3.66-3.58 (m, 3H, HA-6, HA-5, HB-5), 3.50  $(dd, J_{A6',A6} = 10.5 Hz and J_{A6',A5} = 2.0 Hz, 1H, HA-6')$ , 3.49-3.47 (m, 1H, HA-2), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.06 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.00 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.96 (s, 3H, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.74 (s, 3H, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 170.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.6 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.6 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 170.1 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 139.9 (C, Ph), 138.7 (C, Ph), 138.2 (C, Ph), 129.5 (CH, Ph), 129.3 (CH, Ph), 129.2 (CH, Ph), 128.8 (CH, Ph), 128.5 (CH, Ph), 128.5 (CH, Ph), 128.2 (CH, Ph), 127.7 (CH, Ph), 127.6 (CH, Ph), 101.0 (CH, CB-1), 98.9 (CH, CA-1), 80.2 (CH, CA-3), 79.2 (CH, CA-2), 77.1 (CH, CA-4), 75.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 74.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 74.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 70.8 (CH, CB-3), 70.6 (CH, CB-5), 69.8 (CH, CA-5), 67.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CA-6), 66.5 (CH, CB-4), 61.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, CB-6), 55.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 51.6 (CH, CB-2), 23.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCOCH<sub>3</sub>). IR v (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3326 (N-H), 3089, 3062 and 3030 (=C-H), 2918 (C-H), 1749 (C=O), 1670 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): m/z = 794 ( $[M+H]^+$ , 100%), 816 ( $[M+Na]^+$ , 50%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>52</sub>NO<sub>14</sub>  $[M+H]^+$ : 794.3388. Found: 794.3399.

### 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-formamido-β-D-glucopyranose 39



To a solution of 1,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (1 g, 2.61 mmol) in a 1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (40 mL) was added dropwise acetoformic anhydride<sup>27</sup> (495  $\mu$ L, 7.82 mmol, 3 eq.) at 0 °C. The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred at this

temperature for 3 hours and then the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$ . The combined organic layers were dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel

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(heptane/EtOAc 1:1 to 0:1) to give the desired product  $39^{28}$  (912 mg, 93 %, white amorphous solid).

# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-(4-methylbenzamido)-β-D-glucopyranose 40

 $\begin{array}{c} OAc \\ ACO \\ ACO \\ ACO \\ C_{22}H_{27}NO_{10} \\ Mol. Wt.: 465.45 \end{array}$ 

To a solution of 1,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (1 g, 2.61 mmol) in pyridine (11 mL) was added dropwise 4-methylbenzoyl chloride (2.1 mL, 15.6 mmol, 6 eq.) at 0 °C under argon. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 8 hours. Then, the reaction mixture was poured into water (30 mL), extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×40 mL) and the

combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 1:1 to 0:1) to afford pure product **40** (910 mg, 75 %, white solid). Mp: 205.4-210.3 °C (from EtOAc).  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ : +42.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 6.11 (br d, *J*<sub>NH,2</sub> = 9.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.78 (d, *J*<sub>1,2</sub> = 8.5 Hz, 1H, H1), 5.27-5.17 (m, 2H, H3 and H4), 4.59-4.48 (m, 1H, H2), 4.28 (d, *J*<sub>6,6'</sub> = 12.0 Hz, *J*<sub>6,5</sub> = 4.5 Hz, 1H, H6), 4.14 (d, *J*<sub>6',6</sub> = 12.0 Hz, *J*<sub>6',5</sub> = 2.0 Hz, 1H, H6'), 3.83 (ddd, *J*<sub>5,4</sub> = 9.5 Hz, *J*<sub>5,6</sub> = 4.5 Hz, *J*<sub>5,6'</sub> = 2.0 Hz, 1H, H5), 2.37 (s, 3H, Me), 2.09 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.05 (s, 3H, Ac), 2.04 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.96 (s, 3H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : 171.8 (C, CO), 170.9 (C, CO), 169.8 (C, CO), 169.5 (C, CO), 167.4 (C, CO), 142.7 (C, Ph), 130.9 (C, Ph), 129.6 (2CH, Ph), 127.1 (2CH, Ph), 93.1 (CH, C1), 73.4 (CH, C5), 73.0 (CH, C3), 68.0 (CH, C4), 62.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C6), 53.4 (CH, C2), 21.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, Ac), 20.8 (2CH<sub>3</sub>, 2Ac). IR *v* (film, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3027 (N-H), 2952 (C-H), 1750 (C=O), 1647 (NH-C=O). MS (ESI): *m*/*z* = 406 ([M-Ac]<sup>+</sup>, 100%), 488 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, 25%). HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NNaO<sub>10</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 488.1533. Found: 488.1529.

# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-benzyloxycarbonylamino-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranose 41

 $\begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{l} \label{eq:solution} \mbox{AcO} & \mbox{OAc} \\ \mbox{AcO} & \mbox{NHCbz} \\ \mbox{NHCbz} \\ \mbox{C}_{22}\mbox{H}_{27}\mbox{NO}_{11} \\ \mbox{Mol. Wt.: 481.45} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \mbox{To a solution } 1,3,4,6\mbox{-tetra-$O$-acetyl-$2-amino-$2-deoxy-$\beta-D-glucopyranose} \\ \mbox{hydrochloride}^8 & (10\mbox{ g}, \ 26.1\mbox{ mmol}) \mbox{ in a } 1:2\mbox{ CH}_2\mbox{Cl}_2\mbox{-solution of NaHCO}_3 \mbox{ (380 mL}) \mbox{ was added dropwise } \mbox{CbzCl } (4.1\mbox{ mL}, \ 28.6\mbox{ mmol}, \ 1.1\mbox{ eq.}). \mbox{ The reaction was stirred at room temperature for } 2\mbox{ hours and then the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with \mbox{CH}_2\mbox{Cl}_2\mbox{. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over } \mbox{Na}_2\mbox{SO}_4 \mbox{ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 1:1 to 0:1) to give the desired product <math>41^{29}$  (10.5 g, 84 %, white amorphous solid). \end{array}

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# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-trichloroacetamido-β-D-glucopyranose 42



 $C_{16}H_{20}CI_{3}NO_{10}\\$ Mol. Wt.: 492.69

1.3.4.6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy-B-D-glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (10 g, 26.06 mmol) and trichloroacetic anhydride (14.3 mL, 78.2 mmol, 3 eq.) in pyridine (11 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 5 hours under argon. The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography

on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 9:1 to 1:1) to afford pure product 42<sup>30</sup> (12 g, 93 %, white amorphous solid).

### 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-trifluoroacetamido-B-D-glucopyranose 43

OAc NHCOCF<sub>3</sub> C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>10</sub> Mol. Wt.: 443.33

1,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy-β-D-То а solution glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (1 g, 2.61 mmol) and pyridine (425 µL, 5.21 mmol, 2 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added dropwise trifluoroacetic anhydride (753 µL, 3.91 mmol, 1.5 eq.) at 0 °C under argon. The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 5 hours. The volatiles were evaporated under

reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 7:3) to give the desired product  $43^{31}$  (1.11 g, 96 %, white amorphous solid).

# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-chloroacetamido-B-D-glucopyranose 44

1,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy-β-D-То solution of а glucopyranose hydrochloride<sup>8</sup> (1 g, 2.61 mmol), DMAP (382 mg,  $c_1$  3.13 mmol, 1.2 eq.) and pyridine (850  $\mu$ L, 10.4 mmol, 4 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added dropwise chloroacetyl chloride (415 µL, 5.22 mmol, 2 eq.) at 0 °C under argon. The reaction was then warmed

to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 8 hours. The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 7:3) to give the desired product  $44^{26}$  (1.06 g, 96 %, white amorphous solid).

# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-pivalamido-α/β-D-glucopyranose 45



Mol. Wt.: 431.43

 $A_{ACO}$   $O_{ACO}$   $O_{A$ 3.13 mmol, 1.2 eq.) and pyridine (850 µL, 10.42 mmol, 4 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added dropwise pivalic anhydride (1.06 mL, 5.21 mmol, 2 eq.) at 0 °C under argon. The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 2 days. The volatiles

were evaporated under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 1:1 to 0:1) to give the product 454 (392 mg, 35 %,  $\alpha/\beta$  1.5/1, white amorphous solid).

# 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-phthalimido-β-D-glucopyranose 46

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To a solution of D-glucosamine hydrochloride (40 g, 185.6 mmol, 1 eq.) in water (300 mL) are successively added phtalic anhydride (55 g, 372 mmol, 2 eq.) and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (46 g, 548 mmol, 2.95 eq.). Then, the reaction mixture is stirred at 40 °C for 12 hours. The volatiles are evaporated under reduced pressure by coevaporation with toluene and the

residue obtained was used without any further purification. Acetic anhydride (229 mL, 2445 mmol, 13.2 eq.) was added to a solution of crude intermediate in pyridine (350 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 10 hours. The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure by coevaporation with toluene. The residue was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (600 mL), washed with water (3×120 mL), brine (100 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 7:3 to 3:7) to give the desired product as a mixture of two anomers (83 g, 93%,  $\alpha/\beta$ : 1/2.3, white amorphous solid). This mixture was separated by chromatography on silica gel (toluene/acetone 95:05) to afford pure  $\beta$ -product 46<sup>32</sup> (white amorphous solid).

### 1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-2-acetylacetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranose 47

 $\begin{array}{c} OAC \\ O \\ ACO \\ C_{18}H_{26}NO_{11} \\ Mol. Wt.: 432.40 \end{array}$ 

1β (1.2 g, 3.08 mmol) and TsOH monohydrate (276 mg, 1.45 mmol, 0.47 eq.) in isopropenylacetate (35 mL) were stirred at 65 °C for 4.5 hours under argon. Et<sub>3</sub>N (8 mL) was added and the volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 1:1) to afford pure product 47<sup>33</sup> (1.12 g, 84 %, white amorphous solid).

# Methyl (3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-formamido- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside 48



**48**<sup>34</sup> was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **39** (48 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)3.6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **3** (30 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to

general procedure A (CEM Discover instrument, 80 °C, 45 min) (25 mg, 50 %, white amorphous solid).

# $\label{eq:2.1} Methyl \quad (3,4,6-tri-{\it O}-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-(4-methylbenzamido)-\beta-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1\rightarrow 6)-2,3,4-tri-{\it O}-benzyl-\alpha-D-glucopyranoside 49$



**49**<sup>4</sup> was obtained under microwave conditions using donor **40** (60 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), TTBP (32 mg, 0.129 mmol, 2 eq.), Fe(OTf)3.6.2DMSO (10 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol-%) and acceptor **32** (30 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1 eq.) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL), according to

general procedure A (CEM Discover instrument, 80 °C, 45 min) (46 mg, 82 %, white amorphous solid).

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# 2-(4-Methylphenyl) oxazoline 55



TTBP (53 mg, 0.215 mmol, 2 eq.) and  $Fe(OTf)_3 \cdot 6.2DMSO$  (16 mg, 0.016 mmol, 15 mol%) are added donor **40** (50 mg, 0.107 mmol, 1 eq.), in an oven-dried, argon-purged microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar. Everything is flushed under argon and dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  is added (1 mL). After sealing the vial, the reaction mixture is heated to 80 °C under microwave irradiation for 45 minutes (CEM Discover instrument).

<sup>Mol. Wt.: 405.40</sup> Then, the reaction mixture is diluted in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (20 mL) and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL). The aqueous layer is extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$ (4×20 mL) and the combined organic layers are washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product is purified by chromatography on silica gel (heptane/EtOAc 8:2 to 4:6) to give the oxazoline **55**4 (27 mg, 62 %, white amorphous solid).

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