

# Synthesis of 6-*O*-(5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy- $\alpha$ - and $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosonic Acid)-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-*O*- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose<sup>1)</sup>

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6-*O*-(5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy- $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosylonic acid)-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-*O*- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose was synthesized under various conditions through a Koenigs-Knorr-like reaction. The stereochemistry of the products was confirmed by analysis of the nuclear magnetic resonance and circular dichroism spectra.

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*N*-Acetyl-D-neuraminic acid is widely distributed in membrane glycoproteins and glycolipids. Recently, we reported on the synthesis of *N*-acetyl-D-neuraminic acid derivatives<sup>2)</sup> and 5-acetamido-2-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)-3,5-dideoxy- $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosonic acid (**1** and **2**)<sup>3)</sup> (Chart 1). These compounds (**1** and **2**) are known to have the biological activity of neuritogenesis that was recognized as [Neuro 2a] by Nagai *et al.*,<sup>4)</sup> and reported to induce the morphological conversion of normal rat glioblasts by Kato *et al.*<sup>5)</sup>

In this paper, we would like to report the synthesis of D-lactose containing derivatives of **1** and **2** as part of a series of studies on the structure-activity relationship of *N*-acetyl-D-neuraminic acid derivatives. The structures of the products were confirmed by analyses of the <sup>1</sup>H-nuclear

magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H-NMR) spectra and the circular dichroism (CD) spectra.

Koenigs-Knorr-like reaction of hepta-*O*-acetyl-D-lactosyl halides (**3**, **4** and **5**) and cholesterol (**6**) under various conditions (Table I) gave 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-3,6-di-*O*-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**7**) as an  $\alpha$ -anomer and 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,6-di- and 2,3,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**8** and **9**) as  $\beta$ -anomers (Chart 2). As can be seen from Table I, when silver trifluoromethanesulfonate (AgOTf) and anhydrate tin (II) chloride (SnCl<sub>2</sub>) (1.2 eq) were used as promoters for 20 min at room temperature (entry 5), the yield was 38% after chromatoseparation. When the same promoters (2 eq) were used for 18 h at 0 °C (entry 1), the yield was low (25%) after chromatographic separation, but the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**7**) and  $\beta$ -anomer (**9**) were obtained in 3:2 ratio. The structures were elucidated by analyses of the fast atom bombardment mass spectra (FAB-MS) and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (Table II).

The  $\alpha$ -anomer (**7**) has been deacetylated at the 2-position of the glucose moiety. In the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum, the signal due to a proton at the 2-position on the glucose moiety of

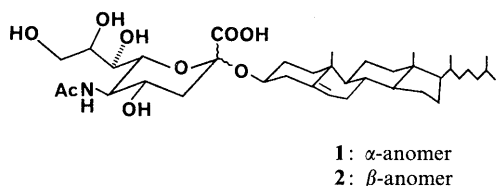


Chart 1

TABLE I. Koenigs-Knorr-like Reactions of **3**, **4** and **5** with **6** in Dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

Entry	Donor	Promoter	Temp. (°C)	Reaction time (h)	Total yield (%)	Ratio of product	
						7+8	9
1	<b>5</b>	AgOTf/SnCl <sub>2</sub> (2 eq) <sup>6,7)</sup>	0	18	25	3 <sup>a)</sup>	2
2	<b>5</b>	AgOTf/SnCl <sub>2</sub> (1.2 eq)	0	1	14	0	1
3	<b>5</b>	BF <sub>3</sub> ·Et <sub>2</sub> O(4 eq) <sup>8)</sup> (Et <sub>3</sub> N(1 eq))	R.t.	2.25	13	1	2
4	<b>3</b>	AgOTf/SnCl <sub>2</sub> (1.2 eq)	R.t.	24	36	1	1
5	<b>3</b>	AgOTf/SnCl <sub>2</sub> (1.2 eq)	R.t.	20 (min)	38	2	3
6	<b>4</b>	BF <sub>3</sub> ·Et <sub>2</sub> O (4 eq) (Et <sub>3</sub> N(1 eq))	R.t.	1	16	2 <sup>b)</sup>	3

a) The only product **7**. b) The products were **7**, **8** and another compound.

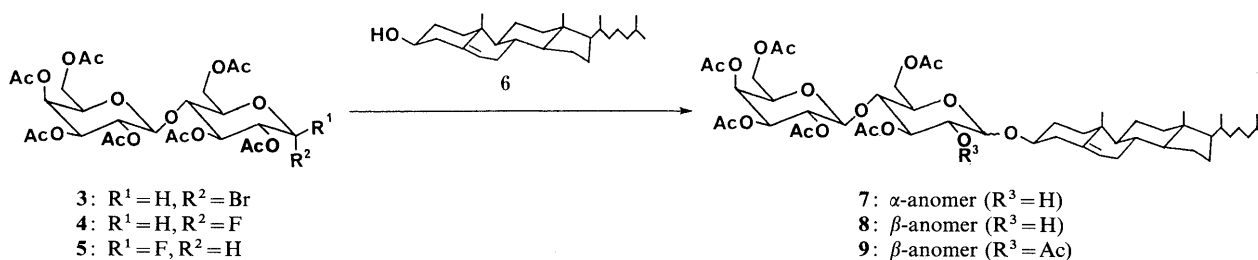


Chart 2

the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**7**) was observed at 3.50 ppm (1H, ddd), being shifted to higher field than that of the corresponding  $\beta$ -anomer (**9**) (4.86 ppm). In the FAB-MS, molecular ion peaks of **7** and **9** were observed at ( $m/z$ ) 985 ( $M^+ + Na$ ) and ( $m/z$ ) 1027 ( $M^+ + Na$ ), respectively.

By applying conventional methods (Chart 3),<sup>9)</sup> **9** was deacetylated with sodium methoxide (MeONa) in methanol (MeOH), the hydroxy groups at the 4- and 6-positions on the galactose moiety of **10** were protected by benzylideneation with benzaldehyde, the residual hydroxy groups of **11** were acetylated with acetic anhydride in pyridine to form **12**, and finally **12** was converted to 2,3-di-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**13**) by debenzylideneation with 80% acetic acid in 56% yield from **9** (Chart 3).

TABLE II. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Chemical Shifts ( $\delta$  ppm) of **7** and **9** in Chloroform-*d*

Compound	Chemical shifts	
	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>
Glucose moiety		
H-1	4.97 (1H, d, $J=4.5$ )	4.54 (1H, d, $J=7$ )
H-2	3.50 (1H, ddd, $J=12, 10, 4.5$ )	4.86 (1H, dd, $J=9, 7$ )
H-3	5.21 (1H, dd, $J=10, 10$ )	5.18 (1H, dd, $J=9, 9$ )
H-4	3.63 (1H, dd, $J=10, 10$ )	3.77 (1H, dd, $J=9, 9$ )
H-5	3.99 (1H, ddd, $J=10, 5, 2$ )	3.58 (1H, ddd, $J=9, 5, 2$ )
H-6	4.40 (1H, dd, $J=12, 2$ )	4.44 (1H, dd, $J=11, 2$ )
H-6'	4.11 (1H, dd, $J=12, 5$ )	4.09 (1H, dd, $J=11, 5$ )
Galactose moiety		
H-1	4.49 (1H, d, $J=8$ )	4.47 (1H, d, $J=8$ )
H-2	5.12 (1H, dd, $J=10, 8$ )	5.10 (1H, dd, $J=10, 8$ )
H-3	4.95 (1H, dd, $J=10, 4$ )	4.94 (1H, dd, $J=10, 3$ )
H-4	5.34 (1H, dd, $J=3, 1$ )	5.34 (1H, dd, $J=3, 1.5$ )
H-5	3.86 (1H, ddd, $J=7.5, 6, 1$ )	3.86 (1H, ddd, $J=7, 7, 1.5$ )
H-6	4.17 (1H, dd, $J=10, 6$ )	4.13 (1H, dd, $J=11, 7$ )
H-6'	4.06 (1H, dd, $J=10, 7.5$ )	4.07 (1H, dd, $J=11, 7$ )
Cholesterol moiety		
H-3	3.44 (1H, m)	3.44 (1H, m)
H-6	5.34 (1H, br)	5.34 (1H, br)
18-Me	0.65 (3H, s)	0.66 (3H, s)
19-Me	1.00 (3H, s)	0.97 (3H, s)
21-Me	0.90 (3H, d, $J=6.5$ )	0.90 (3H, d, $J=6$ )
26-Me	0.86 (3H $\times$ 2, d, $J=1.5$ )	0.86 (3H $\times$ 2, d, $J=2$ )
27-Me	0.84 (3H, s)	0.84 (3H, s)

Compound **13** and methyl (5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-*O*-acetyl-D-glycero- $\beta$ -D-galacto-2-nuopyranosyl chlorid)onate (**14**) were subjected to Koenigs-Knorr-like reaction under various conditions (Table III), and gave  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -anomers of 6-*O*-[methyl (5-acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-*O*-

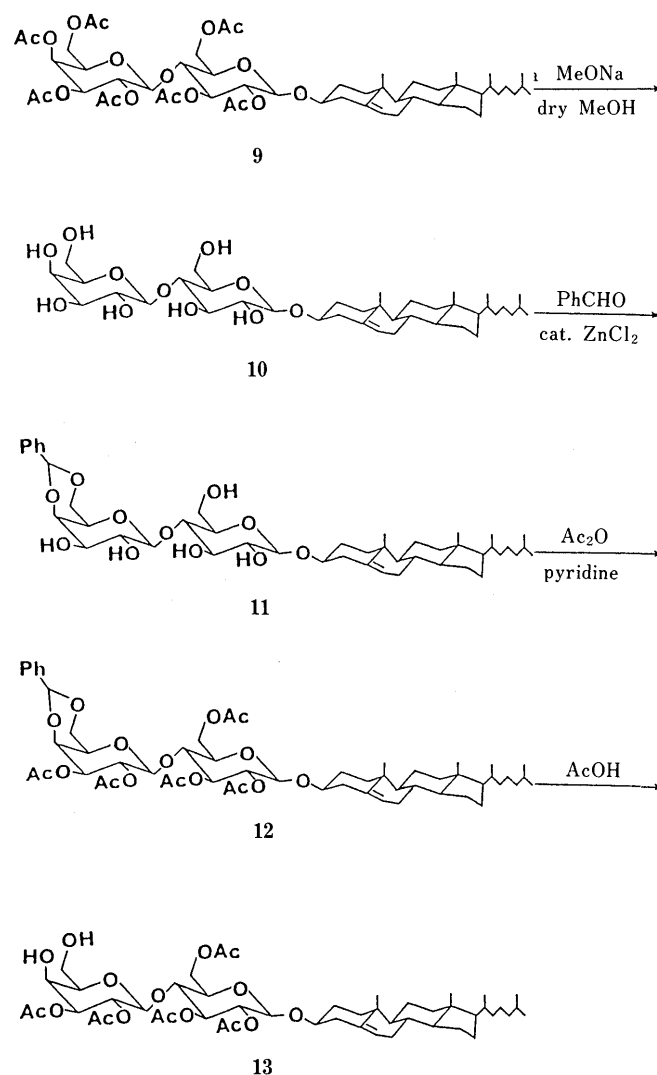
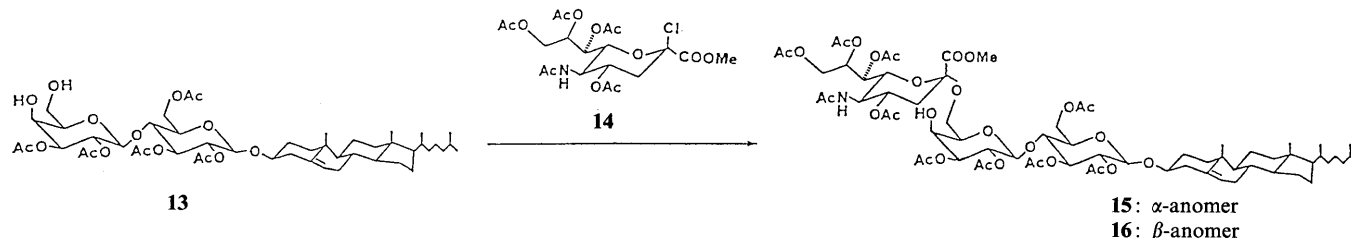


Chart 3

TABLE III. Koenigs-Knorr-like Reaction of **13** and **14**



Entry	<b>14</b> (eq)	Promoter	Reaction time (d)	Total yield (%)	Ratio of products	
					<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
1	1.3	HgBr <sub>2</sub> /Hg(CN) <sub>2</sub>	4.5 (h)	—	No reaction	—
2	1.5	BF <sub>3</sub> ·Et <sub>2</sub> O/Et <sub>3</sub> N	7	—	No reaction	—
3	2.0	AgOTf/Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>3</sub>	5	28	1	0 <sup>a)</sup>
4	2.0	AgOTf/Na <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>3</sub>	10	10	7	3
5 <sup>b)</sup>	1.0	Cp <sub>2</sub> ZrCl <sub>2</sub> /AgClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>9)</sup>	10	—	No reaction	— <sup>a)</sup>

a) A very small amount of product was detected by TLC. b) The solvent was dry benzene.

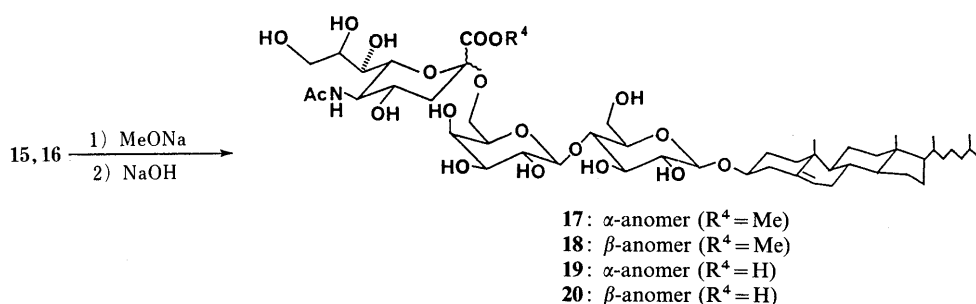
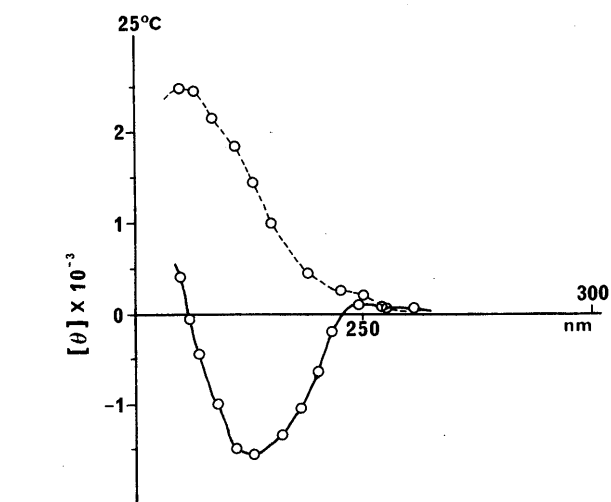
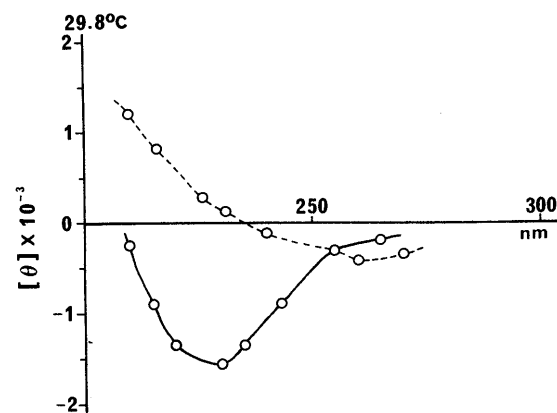


Chart 4

TABLE IV.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  Chemical Shifts ( $\delta$  ppm) of **15** and **16** in Chloroform-*d*

Compound	Chemical shifts ppm (multiplicities, $J$ Hz)	
	15	16
<b>Sialic acid moiety</b>		
H-3ax	1.97 (1H, dd, $J=12, 8$ )	1.79 (1H, dd, $J=13, 11$ )
H-3eq	2.55 (1H, dd, $J=12, 5$ )	2.46 (1H, dd, $J=13, 5$ )
H-4	5.28 (1H, ddd, $J=10, 8, 5$ )	5.31 (1H, ddd, $J=11, 11, 5$ )
H-5	4.05 (1H, ddd, $J=12, 10, 9.5$ )	3.76 (1H, ddd, $J=11, 11, 9$ )
H-6	4.34 (1H, dd, $J=12, 2.5$ )	4.26 (1H, dd, $J=11, 2$ )
H-7	5.25 (1H, dd, $J=10, 2.5$ )	5.34 (1H, dd, $J=3, 2$ )
H-8	5.27 (1H, ddd, $J=10, 6, 5$ )	5.26 (1H, ddd, $J=8, 3, 2$ )
H-9	4.88 (1H, dd, $J=12, 5$ )	4.70 (1H, dd, $J=12, 2$ )
H-9'	4.03 (1H, dd, $J=12, 6$ )	4.17 (1H, dd, $J=12.5, 8$ )
NHCOOCH <sub>3</sub>	5.31 (1H, d, $J=9.5$ )	6.10 (1H, d, $J=9$ )
NHCOOCH <sub>3</sub>	4.81 (3H, s)	3.81 (1H, s)
<b>Galactose moiety</b>		
H-1	4.47 (1H, d, $J=8$ )	4.44 (1H, d, $J=8$ )
H-2	5.17 (1H, dd, $J=11, 8$ )	5.17 (1H, d, $J=10.5, 8$ )
H-3	4.85 (1H, dd, $J=11, 3$ )	4.88 (1H, dd, $J=10.5, 3$ )
H-4	4.06 (1H, d, $J=3$ )	4.19 (1H, $J=3$ )
H-5	3.63 (1H, dd, $J=6.5, 6.5$ )	3.40 (1H, dd, $J=8, 4.5$ )
H-6	3.79 (1H, dd, $J=10, 6.5$ )	3.80 (1H, dd, $J=9.5, 8$ )
H-6'	3.75 (1H, dd, $J=10, 6.5$ )	3.70 (1H, dd, $J=9.5, 4.5$ )
4-OH	4.06 (1H, s)	3.81 (1H, s)
<b>Glucose moiety</b>		
H-1	4.53 (1H, d, $J=8$ )	4.53 (1H, d, $J=8$ )
H-2	4.85 (1H, dd, $J=9.5, 8$ )	4.82 (1H, dd, $J=10, 8$ )
H-3	5.16 (1H, dd, $J=9.5, 9.5$ )	5.14 (1H, dd, $J=10, 8$ )
H-4	3.76 (1H, dd, $J=10, 9.5$ )	3.75 (1H, dd, $J=10, 8$ )
H-5	5.58 (1H, ddd, $J=10, 5.5, 2$ )	3.55 (1H, ddd, $J=10, 5, 2$ )
H-6	4.43 (1H, dd, $J=12, 2$ )	4.43 (1H, dd, $J=12, 2$ )
H-6'	4.12 (1H, dd, $J=12, 5.5$ )	4.10 (1H, dd, $J=12, 5$ )
<b>Cholesterol moiety</b>		
H-3	3.43 (1H, m)	3.43 (1H, m)
H-6	5.33 (1H, dd, $J=4, 1.5$ )	5.34 (1H, d, $J=8.5$ )
18-Me	0.66 (3H, s)	0.65 (3H, s)
19-Me	0.96 (3H, s)	0.96 (3H, s)
21-Me	0.89 (3H, d, $J=6.5$ )	0.90 (3H, d, $J=6.5$ )
26-Me	0.86 (3H $\times$ 2, d, $J=1.5$ )	0.86 (3H $\times$ 2, d, $J=2$ )
27-Me	0.84 (3H, s)	0.84 (3H, s)

acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero-D-galacto-nonulopyranosyl)-onate]-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-di-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**15** and **16**). As can be seen from Table III, when AgOTf and sodium phosphite ( $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_3$ ) (2 eq) were used as a promoter for 5 d at room temperature (entry 3), the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**15**) was obtained selectively in 28% yield after chromatographic separation. When the same promoters (2 eq) were used for 10 d at room temperature (entry 4), the yield was low (10%), but the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**15**) and  $\beta$ -anomer (**16**) were obtained in 7:3 ratio. The  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of **15** and **16** are summarized in Table IV. The signal due to

Fig. 1. CD Curves of **17** (—) and **18** (-----) in MeOHFig. 2. CD Curves of **19** (—) and **20** (-----) in MeOH

the H-3eq proton of the sialosyl moiety of **15** and **16** was observed at 2.55 ppm ( $\alpha$ -anomer) or 2.46 ppm ( $\beta$ -anomer), respectively, as shown in Table IV.

Furthermore, the H-4 protons of the sialosyl moiety of **15** and **16** was observed at 5.28 ppm ( $\alpha$ -anomer) or 5.31 ppm ( $\beta$ -anomer), and the coupling constants between H-7 and H-8 of the sialosyl moiety were 10 Hz for **15** and 3 Hz for **16**. These results are consistent with the report by Paulsen and Tiets.<sup>11)</sup>

These compounds (**15** and **16**) were deacetylated using sodium methoxide in methanol, and the CD spectra of the resulting products (**17** and **18**) (Chart 4) were measured (Fig. 1). The CD spectra of the demethylated compounds (**19** and **20**) were also measured (Fig. 2).

The peak around 220 nm in the CD spectra is assigned

to the  $n-\pi^*$  Cotton effect of the carboxyl group, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The negative sign of the Cotton effect was assigned to the  $\alpha$ -anomer and the positive sign to the  $\beta$ -anomer. These results are consistent with previous reports<sup>1,11</sup>

The biological activities of these compounds (**15**, **16**, **19** and **20**) are under investigation.

### Experimental

Melting points (mp) were measured with a Yamato melting point apparatus and the results are uncorrected. Optical rotations  $[\alpha]_D$  were measured with JASCO DIP-4 digital polarimeter. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> plates (Merck Art. 5719) and spots were detected under ultraviolet (UV) irradiation and by heating on a hot plate after spraying the plate with 5% sulfuric acid in aqueous methanol. FAB-MS and infrared (IR) spectra were measured with JEOL JMS-3100 and JASCO IR-A2 instruments, respectively. NMR spectra were recorded by using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard on Varian 300 and 400 spectrometers. Chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million ( $\delta$ ), and signals are expressed as s (singlet), d (doublet), m (multiplet) and br (broad). CD spectra were measured in a 0.1 cm cell with JASCO J-20 spectrometer. Column chromatography was conducted on silica gel; Wakogel C-200 (100–200 mesh) or C-300 (200–300 mesh).

**2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-3,6-di-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\alpha$ -and- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (7 and 8) and 2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (9)** Cholesterol (16.5 mmol) and a promoter (Table I) were added to a solution of compounds **3**, **4** or **5** (16.5 mmol) and powdered molecular sieves 4A (6.5 g) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 ml). The mixture was stirred in the dark under an argon atmosphere. This mixture was filtered and washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 ml). The resulting solution was washed with a saturated NaCl solution. The CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> extract was dried with anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated *in vacuo*.

The residue was separated and purified by silica gel column chromatography (AcOEt–hexane, 2:3) to give the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**7**),  $\beta$ -anomer (**8**) and  $\beta$ -anomer (**9**). These compounds were recrystallized from hexane–AcOEt (1:200) as colorless needles. The yields and anomeric ratios are summarized in Table I.

$\alpha$ -Anomer (**7**): Colorless needles, mp 182–183 °C (dec.). The NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) data are summarized in Table II. FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 985 ( $M^+$  + Na).

$\alpha$ -Anomer (**7**) +  $\beta$ -Anomer (**8**): Colorless needles, mp 83–86 °C (dec.).

$\beta$ -Anomer (**9**): Colorless needles, mp 160–188 °C (dec.). The NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) data are summarized in Table II. FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 1027 ( $M^+$  + Na).

**2,3-Di-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (13)** A solution of **9** (800 mg, 0.8 mmol) in dry MeOH was added to 28% MeONa (in MeOH, 0.5 ml), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The white powdered precipitate was collected by filtration to give *O*- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**10**) (84%), mp 256 °C (dec.). Further, the filtrate was neutralized with Dowex 50W-X8 [H<sup>+</sup>] and then evaporated to give **10** (9%), mp 217–220 °C (dec.). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (MeOH-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.41 (1H, d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.35 (1H, d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, H-1), cholesterol moiety; 3.39 (1H, br, H-6), 0.71 (3H, s, Me-18), 0.99 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.95 (3H, d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, Me-21), 0.90, 0.88 (3H  $\times$  2, d,  $J$  = 1.5 Hz, Me-26, 27). *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>39</sub>H<sub>66</sub>O<sub>11</sub>: C, 65.89; H, 9.36. Found: C, 65.34; H, 9.30.

Compound **10** (400 mg, 0.56 mmol) and ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (384 mg, 2.8 mmol) were added to benzaldehyde (8 ml), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The mixture was washed with ice water and suspended in AcOEt. The precipitate was filtered to give 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**11**) as a white powder (70%). mp 210–213 °C. FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 822 ( $M^+$  + Na + 1).

**11** (300 mg, 0.376 mmol) was added to anhydrous acetic acid (1 ml) in pyridine (1 ml). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The mixture was poured into ice water, and the precipitate was filtered off to give 2,3-di-*O*-acetyl-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (**12**) as a white powder (92%). mp 210–220 °C. FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 1047 ( $M^+$  + Na).

A solution of **12** (300 mg, 0.3 mmol) was added to 80% acetic acid (15 ml), and the mixture was refluxed for 3 h, added to toluene and then evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was suspended in hexane. The precipitate was filtered off to give **13** as a white powder (94%). mp 170–176 °C (dec.).

FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 947 ( $M^+$  + Na). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.55 (1H, d,  $J$  = 8 Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.47 (1H, d,  $J$  = 8 Hz, H-1), 3.80 (1H, br, OH-4), 3.46 (1H, br, OH-6), cholesterol moiety; 3.43 (1H, m, H-3), 5.33 (1H, br, H-6), 0.65 (3H, s, Me-18), 0.96 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.89 (3H, d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz), Me-21), 0.85, 0.84 (3H  $\times$  2,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, Me-26, 27).

This compound (**13**) was used in following reaction.

**6-O-[Methyl (5-Acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-3,5-di-deoxy-D-glycero- $\alpha$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosyl)onate]-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2,3-di-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (15) and 6-O-[Methyl (5-Acetamido-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosyl)onate]-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-2,3-di-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-2,3,6-tri-O-acetyl-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (16)** A solution of **13** (500 mg, 0.543 mmol) and **14** (Table III) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 ml) was added to powdered molecular sieves 4A (1.25 g) and stirred at room temperature. The solution was added to a catalyst (Table III) (1.09 mmol) and then stirred at room temperature in the dark under an argon atmosphere. The mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and saturated NaCl solution. The CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> extract was dried with anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and then evaporated *in vacuo*. The residue was separated and purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 25:1), followed by AcOEt–hexane, 5:1) and Lober column chromatography (Merck) (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 50:1) to give the  $\alpha$ -anomer (**15**) and  $\beta$ -anomer (**16**) (Table III).

$\alpha$ -Anomer (**15**): Colorless powder, mp 127–130 °C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29}$  – 16.4° ( $c$  = 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 1417 ( $M^+$  + Na). IR  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2960, 1760. The NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) data are summarized in Table IV. *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>69</sub>H<sub>103</sub>NO<sub>28</sub>: C, 59.43; H, 7.45; N, 1.00. Found: C, 59.01; H, 7.31; N, 1.30.

$\beta$ -Anomer (**16**): Colorless powder, mp 124–126 °C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29}$  – 13.2° ( $c$  = 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). FAB-MS ( $m/z$ ): 1417 ( $M^+$  + Na). IR  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2950, 1730. The NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) data are summarized in Table IV. *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>69</sub>H<sub>103</sub>NO<sub>28</sub>: C, 59.43; H, 7.45; N, 1.00. Found: C, 59.08; H, 7.41; N, 1.10.

**6-O-[Methyl (5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- $\alpha$ -galacto-nonulopyranosyl)onate]-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (17)** A solution of **15** (100 mg, 0.072 mmol) in dry MeOH (10 ml) was added to 28% MeONa (in MeOH, 0.5 ml), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, then treated with Dowex 50W-X8 (H<sup>+</sup>) resin in an ice bath to remove sodium ion. The whole was filtered and washed with MeOH. The resulting solution was evaporated *in vacuo* to yield **17** (93%) as a white powder. mp 205–217 °C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29}$  – 28.6° ( $c$  = 0.37, MeOH). IR  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3400, 3950. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (MeOD-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.42 (1H, d,  $J$  = 8 Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.32 (1H, d,  $J$  = 7 Hz, H-1), sialic acid moiety; 2.64 (1H, dd,  $J$  = 12.5, 4.5 Hz, H-3eq), 1.80 (1H, dd,  $J$  = 12.5, 12 Hz, H-3ax), 3.80 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), cholesterol moiety; 3.40 (1H, br, H-3), 5.36 (1H, br, H-6), 0.71 (3H, s, Me-18), 1.02 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.94 (3H, d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, Me-21), 0.88, 0.86 (3H  $\times$  2, d,  $J$  = 1.5 Hz, Me-26, 27). The CD spectra were summarized in Fig. 1. *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>85</sub>NO<sub>19</sub>: C, 60.28; H, 8.43; N, 1.38. Found: C, 59.97; H, 8.42; N, 1.62.

**6-O-[Methyl (5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosyl)onate]-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (18)** A solution of **16** (50 ml, 0.0359 mmol) in dry MeOH (5 ml) was added to 28% MeONa (in MeOH, 0.2 ml). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and processed as described for **17** to give **18** as a white powder (98%). mp 210–220 °C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29}$  – 15.1° ( $c$  = 0.37, MeOH). IR  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3400, 3930. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (MeOD-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.43 (1H, d,  $J$  = 8 Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.33 (1H, d,  $J$  = 7 Hz, H-1), sialic acid moiety; 2.49 (1H, dd,  $J$  = 13, 5 Hz, H-3eq), 1.64 (1H, dd,  $J$  = 13, 11 Hz, H-3ax), 3.80 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.01 (3H, s, NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), cholesterol moiety; 3.43 (1H, m, H-3), 5.37 (1H, br, H-6), 0.71 (3H, s, Me-18), 1.03 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.94 (3H, d,  $J$  = 6.5 Hz, Me-21), 0.88, 0.87 (3H  $\times$  2, d,  $J$  = 1.5 Hz, Me-26, 27). The CD spectra are shown in Fig. 1. *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>85</sub>NO<sub>19</sub>: C, 60.28; H, 8.43; N, 1.38. Found: C, 60.29; H, 8.59; N, 1.46.

**6-O-(5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- $\alpha$ -D-galacto-nonulopyranosylonic Acid)-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (19)** A solution of **17** (34 mg, 0.0335 mmol) in MeOH was added to 1 N NaOH (0.2 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1.5 h, and deionized on Dowex 50W-X8 (H<sup>+</sup>) resin in an ice bath. The whole was filtered and washed with MeOH. The resulting solution was evaporated *in vacuo* to yield **18** (93%) as a colorless powder. mp 185–195 °C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29}$  – 22.7° ( $c$  = 0.03, MeOH). IR  $\nu_{\max}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3400, 2930. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (MeOH-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.43 (1H, d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.33 (1H, d,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, H-1), sialic acid moiety; 2.67 (1H, dd,  $J$  = 12.5, 4.5 Hz, H-3eq), 1.80 (1H, dd  $J$  = 12.5,

12.0 Hz, H-3ax), 1.99 (3H, s,  $\text{NHCOCH}_3$ ), cholesterol moiety; 3.41 (1H, br, H-3), 5.36 (1H, br, H-6), 0.71 (3H, s, Me-18), 1.02 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.94 (3H, d,  $J=7$  Hz, Me-21), 0.88, 0.87 (3H, d,  $J=1.5$  Hz, Me-26, 27). The CD spectra are shown in Fig. 2. *Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{83}\text{NO}_{19}$ : C, 59.92; H, 8.35; N, 1.40. Found: C, 59.79; H, 8.46; N, 1.71.

**6-O-(5-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-D-glycero- $\beta$ -D-galacto-nonuroopyranosylonic Acid)-(2 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-1-(5-cholesten-3 $\beta$ -yloxy)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose (20)** A solution of **18** (20 mg, 0.0197 mmol) in MeOH was added to 1 N NaOH (0.2 ml), and the same procedures as above gave **20** as a colorless powder (94%). mp 155–162°C (dec.).  $[\alpha]_D^{29} -17.9^\circ$  ( $c=0.29$ , MeOH). IR  $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$   $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3370, 3930.  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  (MeOH- $d_4$ )  $\delta$ : glucose moiety; 4.42 (1H, d,  $J=8.0$  Hz, H-1), galactose moiety; 4.33 (1H, d,  $J=7.5$  Hz, H-1), sialic acid moiety; 2.47 (1H, dd,  $J=13.0, 5.0$  Hz, H-3eq), 1.63 (1H, dd,  $J=13.0, 11.5$  Hz, H-3ax), 2.02 (3H, s,  $\text{NHCOCH}_3$ ), cholesterol moiety; 3.43 (1H, br, H-3), 5.37 (1H, br, H-6), 0.72 (3H, s, Me-18), 1.03 (3H, s, Me-19), 0.94 (3H, d,  $J=6.5$  Hz, Me-21), 0.88, 0.86 (3H  $\times$  2, d,  $J=1.5$  Hz, Me-26, 27). The CD spectra are shown in Fig. 2. *Anal.* Calcd for  $\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{83}\text{NO}_{19}$ : C, 59.92; H, 8.35; N, 1.40. Found: C, 59.90; H, 8.43; N, 1.58.

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