

Solid- and Solution-Phase Synthesis of Vancomycin and Vancomycin Analogues with Activity against Vancomycin-Resistant Bacteria

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Abstract: Vancomycin, the prototypical member of the glycopeptide family of antibiotics, is a clinically used antibiotic employed against a variety of drug-resistant bacterial strains including methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA). The recent emergence of vancomycin resistance, viewed as a growing threat to public health, prompted us to initiate a program aimed at restoring the potency of this important antibiotic through chemical manipulation of the

vancomycin structure. Herein, we describe the development of synthetic technology based on the design of a novel selenium safety catch linker, application of this technology to a solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin, and the solid- and solution-phase synthesis

of vancomycin libraries. Biological evaluation of these compound libraries led to the identification of a number of in vitro highly potent antibacterial agents effective against vancomycin-resistant bacteria. In addition to aiding these investigations, the solid-phase chemistry described herein is expected to enhance the power of combinatorial chemistry and facilitate chemical biology and medicinal chemistry studies.

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Introduction

Vancomycin^[1] (**1**, Figure 1), the prototypical member of the glycopeptide class^[2] of antibiotics, has been clinically used for the past 40 years to treat infection by Gram-positive bacteria. Its utility against methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) has made it the drug of last resort for the treatment of this scourge.^[3] However, the recent emergence of vancomycin-resistant *Enterococci* (VRE)^[4] and vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (VISA)^[5] is raising serious public health concerns.^[6] Accordingly, there is currently a vigorous effort to develop novel antibacterial drugs with activity against VRE and VISA.^[7–9] Vancomycin's

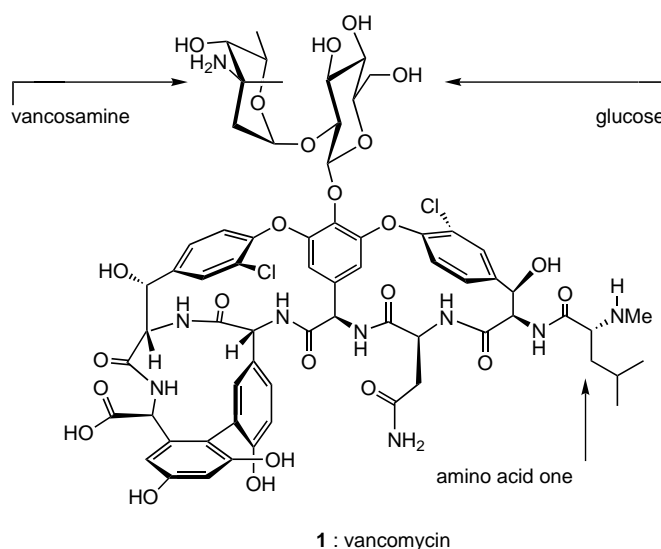


Figure 1. Chemical structure of vancomycin (**1**).

antibacterial activity stems from its ability to inhibit bacterial cell-wall peptidoglycan biosynthesis. Specifically, vancomycin binds to the terminal D-Ala-D-Ala fragment of the immature cell wall through an intricate network of five hydrogen bonds (Figure 2), and thereby inhibits cell wall construction.^[10] This inhibition eventually leads to bacterial death due to the weakened cell wall's loss of ability to withstand high osmotic pressure. Vancomycin resistance (van A and van B) is primarily conferred through the mutation of the terminal D-Ala-

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D-Ala to a terminal D-Ala-D-Lac.^[11] This structural change results in the loss of one hydrogen bond from the vancomycin/peptide complex (Figure 2), thereby decreasing vancomycin's affinity for the cell-wall by a thousand-fold, and, as a consequence, rendering the antibiotic ineffective against such mutants.

In contemplating new weapons against bacteria, several strategies may be considered to reinstate the antibacterial activity of vancomycin against VRE and VISA. One of the most obvious tactics to potentially accomplish this goal would be to modify the binding surface between vancomycin and its ligand within the cell wall. Attractive as it may seem the re-engineering of the binding pocket of vancomycin through a systematic replacement of internal amino acids, its implementation, appears at present as synthetically complex, although a number of attempts along these lines have been made.^[12–14] A second, more practical approach to restoring antibacterial activity to vancomycin-type structures has been explored by scientists at Eli Lilly^[15] and rationalized by Williams.^[16] Specifically, it was recognized that peripheral modification of the vancomycin core (particularly at the N-terminal D-LeuNMe residue, and more so at the vancosamine nitrogen) could enhance the antibiotic's activity against VRE. Specifically, it was observed that lipophilic anchors such as those present on the naturally occurring glycopeptide antibiotic teicoplanin^[17] facilitate the delivery of the molecule at its site of action within the cell wall and thus improve its effectiveness against bacteria. A third approach for restoring and enhancing the antibacterial activity of vancomycin is through covalent dimerization, a strategy that will be further discussed in the following article.^[18]

Results and Discussion

As mentioned above peripheral modification of vancomycin can lead to striking improvements in antibacterial activity,

particularly against drug-resistant strains. However, there has been little modification of the constitution of the sugar moieties themselves. The absence of such studies is undoubtedly due to the synthetic challenges associated with modifying these domains of the molecule; although, some progress has been made toward this goal by coaching the biosynthetic machinery of the producing organism to produce certain modified analogues.^[19] Enabled by our recent total synthesis of vancomycin,^[20, 21] we decided to pursue the design and construction of such vancomycin variants. We reasoned that a solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin could even further facilitate the construction of compound libraries for biological screening, and therefore, considered such an endeavor. Despite the recent advances in the area of solid-phase synthesis of natural products, the highly complex nature of the vancomycin molecule necessitated the development of new chemistry applicable to the problem at hand.^[22] A practical solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin, therefore, became our initial objective.^[23]

Solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin: Cognizant that the appropriate choice of linking^[24] and protecting group strategies would be crucial for the success of a solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin and analogues thereof, we decided, by analogy to our solution-phase synthesis of vancomycin, to employ persilylation as a means of protection and chose to link vancomycin to the solid phase through its C-terminus. The next issue we addressed was the nature of the linker itself. Requirements of such a linker included both acid and base stability, cleavage under mild conditions, and compatibility with silicon protecting groups. In principle, the photocleavable resin linkers **2** and **3**^[25] (Figure 3) met these stringent criteria. However, while protected vancomycin, prepared as shown in Scheme 1, was readily loaded onto resin **2**, through Mitsunobu reaction, cleavage of the substrate could not be effected. Conversely, resin **3** could only be loaded

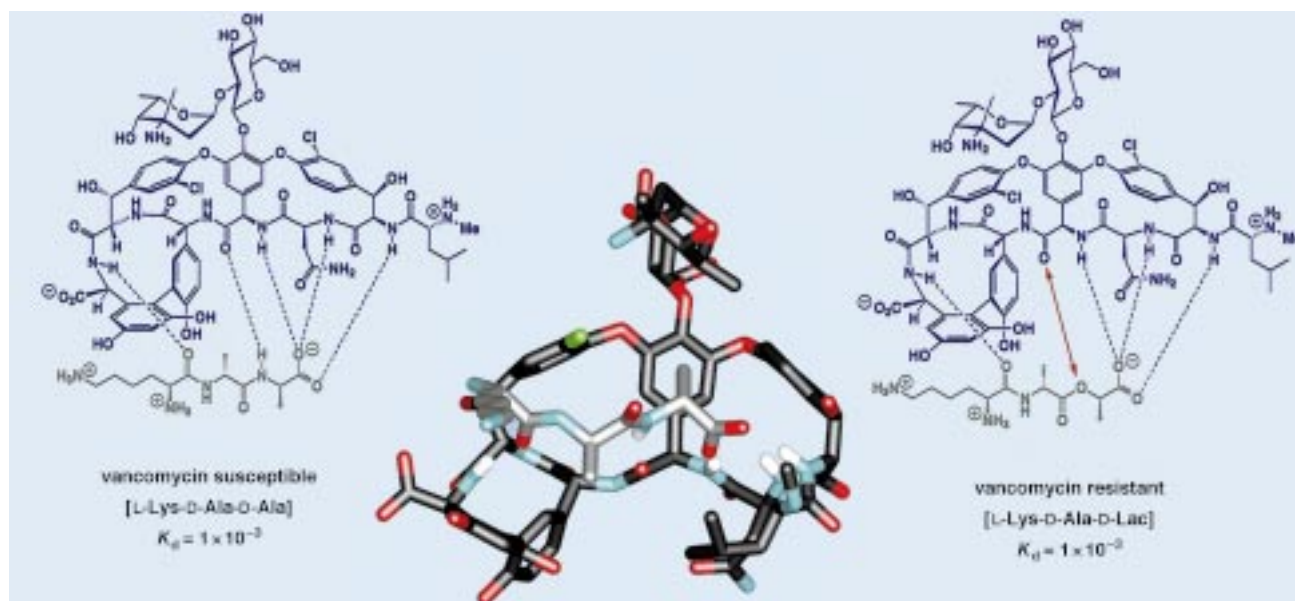


Figure 2. The hydrogen-bond network between vancomycin (dark structure) and the tripeptide L-Lys-D-Ala-D-Ala in ChemDraw format (left) and as a wire frame representation (center). The diagram on the right depicts the hydrogen-bond network between vancomycin and L-Lys-D-Ala-D-Lac.

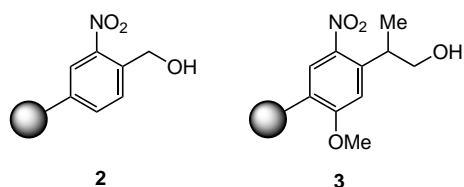
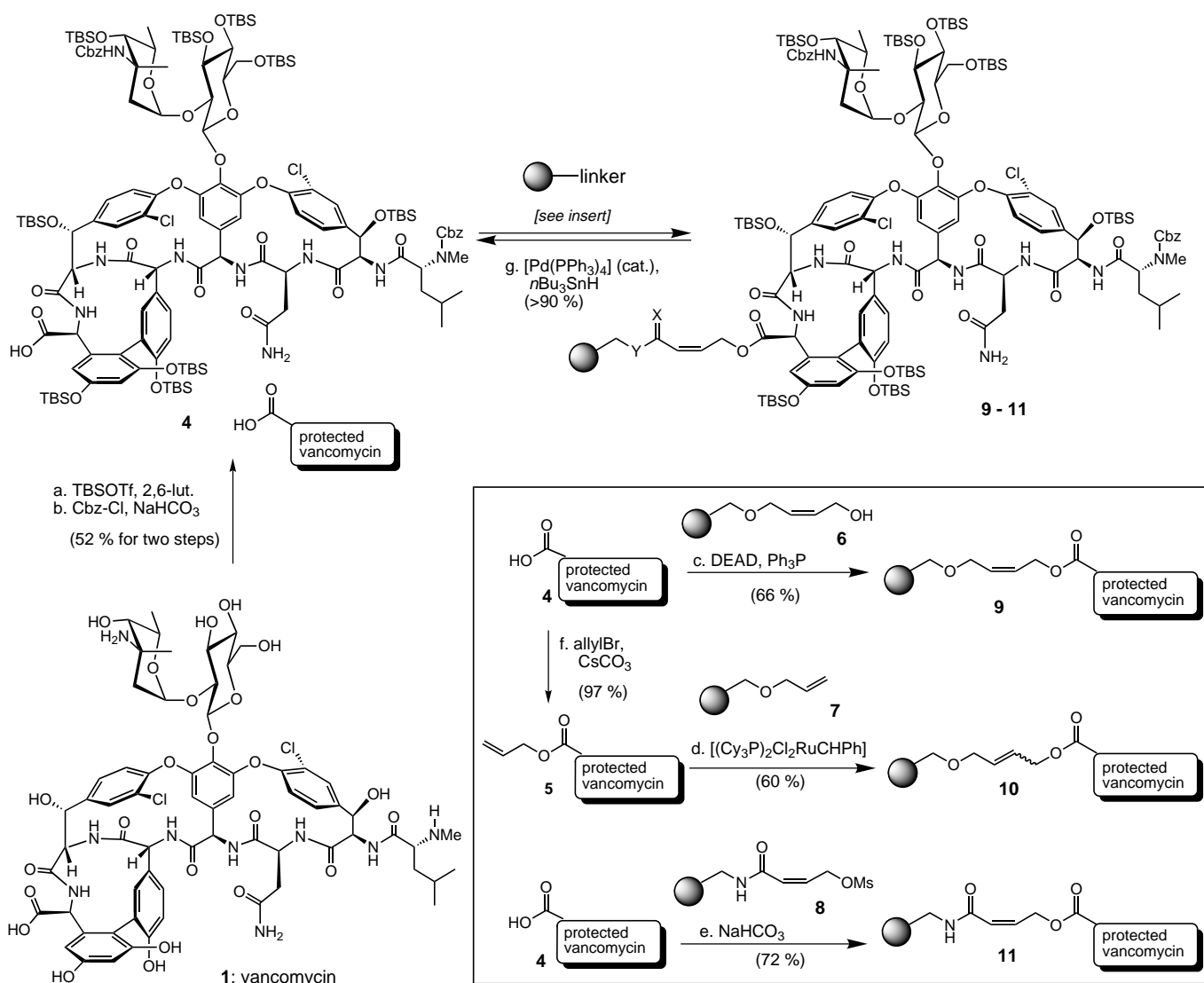


Figure 3. Photolabile linkers that failed to solve the vancomycin linker problem.

with a suitable vancomycin scaffold in low yield, presumably due to increased steric congestion. Unable to reach an acceptable compromise between loading and cleavage conditions, we turned our attention to the allyl linkers **6**, **7**, and **8** (Scheme 1).^[26] Onto all three resins (**6–8**) a suitably protected vancomycin derivative could be efficiently loaded under mild conditions employing either Mitsunobu, olefin cross-met-

thesis, or alkylation reactions, respectively (see Scheme 1, insert). Importantly, vancomycin derivatives could be cleaved easily from all of the allyl resins upon exposure to palladium(0)-mediated allyl transfer conditions $\{[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4], n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}\}$. Unfortunately, as events transpired during the solid-phase synthesis, problems with all three linkers, **6–8**, emerged along the charted solid-phase sequence. Specifically, after the glycosidation procedure which required Lewis acidic conditions ($\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$), the vancomycin-loaded resins **9** and **10** (Scheme 1) suffered from low cleavage efficiency, a fact attributed to a presumed [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement^[27] as depicted in Figure 4. It was after several unsuccessful attempts to reverse this latter reaction or to otherwise improve the cleavage yield that we turned to acrylate linker, **8**, and the corresponding vancomycin-loaded resin **11** (Scheme 1). In this case the trouble-causing [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement was expected to be electronically disfavored,



Scheme 1. Loading of vancomycin onto a variety of allyl ester resins. a) TBSOTf (excess), 2,6-lut. (120 equiv), $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{DMF}$ 10:1, 23 °C, sonication, 8 h; b) Cbz-Cl (5.0 equiv), NaHCO_3 (10.0 equiv), 1,4-dioxane/ H_2O 3:1, 23 °C, 3 h, 52% over two steps; c) **6** (7.0 equiv), DEAD (7.0 equiv), Ph_3P (7.0 equiv), THF, –15 °C, 1.5 h, 66%; d) **7** (10.0 equiv), $[(\text{Cy}_3\text{P})_2\text{Cl}_2\text{RuCHPh}]$ (2×0.1 equiv), benzene, 65 °C, 15 h, 60%; e) **8** (4.0 equiv), NaHCO_3 (10.0 equiv), 4 Å MS, 23 °C (vacuum), 0.5 h; then 65 °C, 18 h, 72%; f) allylBr (10.0 equiv), NaHCO_3 (10.0 equiv), 4 Å MS, DMF, 23 °C (vacuum), 0.5 h; then 8 h, 97%; g) $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ (0.1 equiv), $n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ (4.0 equiv), CH_2Cl_2 , 0.5 h, 94%. Cbz = benzyloxycarbonyl, Cy = cyclohexyl, DEAD = diethyl azodicarboxylate, DMF = *N,N'*-dimethylformamide, 2-6-lut. = 2-6-lutidine, Ms = methanesulfonyl, TBS = *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl.

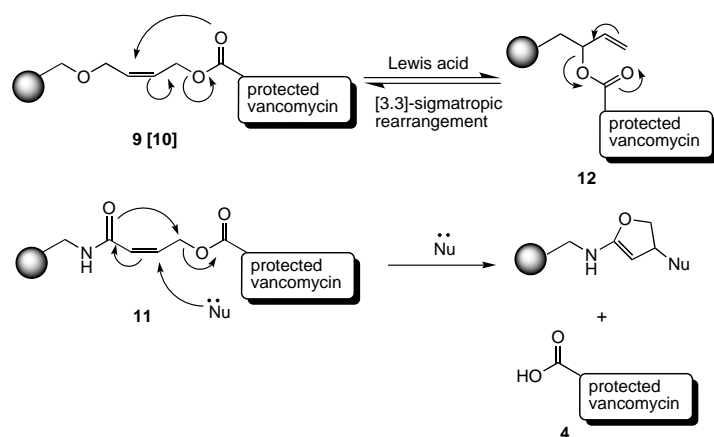


Figure 4. Presumed side reactions of allyl linkers **9**, **10**, and **11**.

and indeed the cleavage efficiency from the resin was not diminished after glycosidation. However, during further manipulation, this allylic acrylate resin was found to suffer premature cleavage, presumably due to nucleophilic addition to the acrylate moiety as rationalized in Figure 4. Reluctantly, we were forced, at this juncture, to conclude that despite the efficient loading and cleavage protocols offered by these novel allyl and acrylate resins, they were not appropriate for the solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin.

In searching for a solution to this problem, it occurred to us that a facile oxidation/elimination sequence involving the recently described phenylselenenyl resin^[28] could be adopted to design a masked allyl group (see Figure 5). This pro-allyl

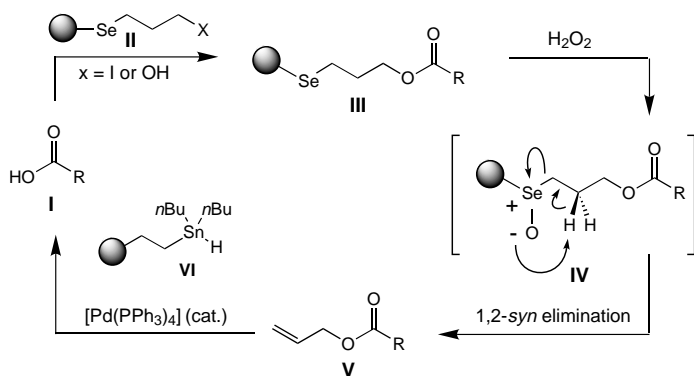
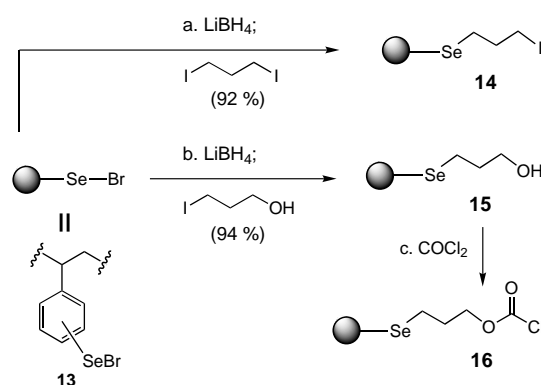


Figure 5. Conceptual framework for selenium-based pro-allyl and pro-alloc safety catch resins.

safety catch linker would retain the advantages of allyl protection for the C-terminus, but should be more stable to chemical manipulation and subsequent elaboration. The requisite pro-allyl selenium resin was easily prepared from the known selenium bromide resin **13** as shown in Scheme 2. Thus, treatment of resin **13** with LiBH_4 provided the corresponding lithio-selenium species which was quenched by either 1,3-diiodopropane or 3-iodopropanol to give resin **14** or **15**, respectively, and in high yield. Resin **15** was converted into the corresponding polymer-bound chloroformate by exposure to phosgene. In model reactions (see Scheme 3), both loading and cleavage proceeded smoothly for the pro-

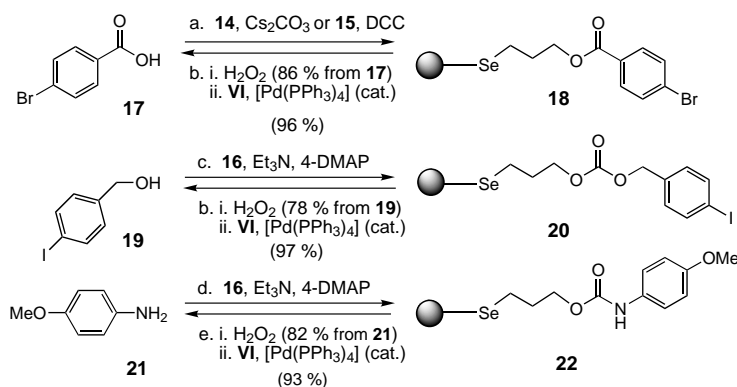
allyl and pro-alloc resins. Thus, loading of resin **14** or resin **15** with 4-bromobenzoate in the presence of Cs_2CO_3 or DCC, respectively, and subsequent cleavage with H_2O_2 and removal of the allyl group with polymer-bound tin hydride^[22k, 29] and catalytic amounts of $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ gave **17** in 83% overall yield. The use of polymer-bound tin hydride instead of a soluble source of $n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ facilitates the removal of tin by-products as required for reliable biological assays. In a similar manner, pro-alloc resin was loaded with 4-iodobenzyl alcohol



Scheme 2. Synthesis of pro-allyl and pro-alloc selenium resins. a) LiBH_4 (1.5 equiv), THF, 0°C , 0.5 h, wash; then 1,3-diiodopropane (4.0 equiv), THF/DMF 1:1, 23°C , 5 h, 92%; b) LiBH_4 (1.5 equiv), THF, 0°C , 0.5 h, wash; then 3-iodopropanol (4.0 equiv), THF/DMF 1:1, 23°C , 5 h, 94%; c) COCl_2 (4.0 equiv), THF, 23°C , 5 h.

(**19**) or methoxyaniline (**21**) in the presence of triethylamine and catalytic amounts of 4-DMAP to give, after cleavage and deprotection, **19** and **21** in 75 and 76% overall yield, respectively (Scheme 3). More importantly, loading of the protected vancomycin derivative **4** onto resin **14** employing CsHCO_3 and 4 \AA MS gave polymer-bound vancomycin derivative **23** in 86% yield (Scheme 4). Cleavage facilitated by the action of H_2O_2 , followed by removal of the C-terminal allyl group employing $[\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$ and $n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ gave non-silylated bis-Cbz vancomycin **4** in 77% overall yield without any of the apparent drawbacks associated with the allyl and acrylate resins described above.

With a suitable linking strategy now operational, we were in a position to focus our attention on completing the solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin. Scheme 5 details the successful deglycosidation/reglycosidation sequence starting with the vancomycin loaded resin **23**. Thus, exposure of **23** to TFA/ $\text{Me}_2\text{S}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1:1) caused hydrolysis of both sugar moieties and provided the polymer-bound phenol **24**. Glycosidation of this polymer-bound vancomycin scaffold with trichloroacetimidate **25** (6.0 equiv) in the presence of $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (9.0 equiv) gave the polymer-bound monosaccharide **26** in >90% yield. Liberation of the C-2 alloc-protected hydroxyl group proceeded smoothly under standard palla-

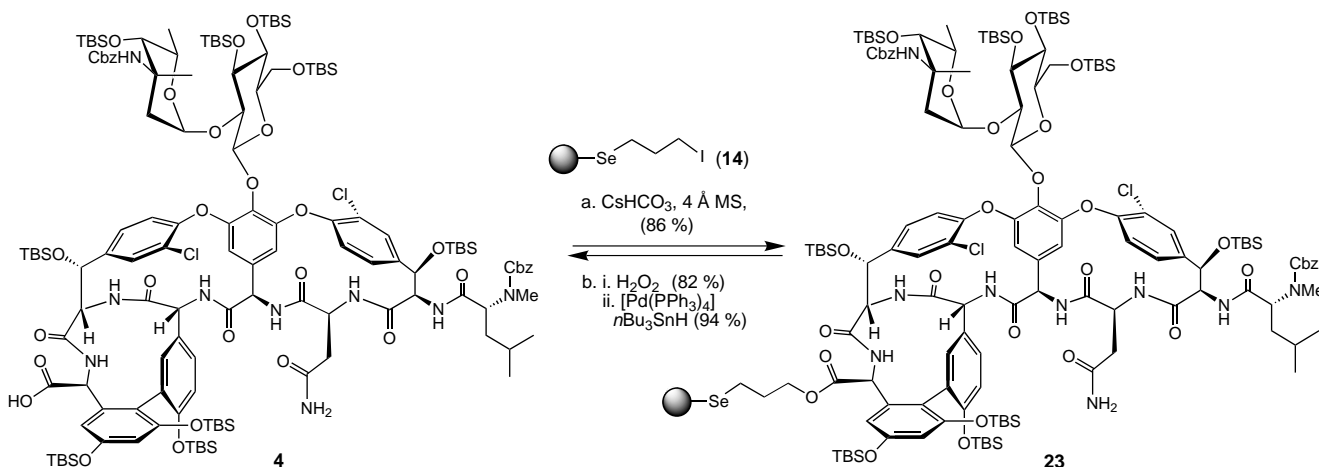


Scheme 3. Loading and cleavage of pro-allyl and pro-alloc resins. a) **4** (1.0 equiv), **17** (4.0 equiv), Cs₂CO₃ (4.0 equiv), DMF, 50 °C, 5 h or **15** (1.0 equiv), **17** (4.0 equiv), DCC (4.0 equiv), DMF, 23 °C, 15 h; b) i. H₂O₂ (2.0 equiv), THF, 23 °C, 2 h; Me₂S (4.0 equiv), 23 °C, 10 h, 86 % from **14** and 78 % from **15**; ii. **VI** (3.0 equiv), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.1 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, 23 °C, 0.5 h, 96 % for **17** and 97 % for **19**; c) **16** (4.0 equiv), Et₃N (5.0 equiv), 4-DMAP (0.1 equiv), 23 °C, 6 h; d) **16** (4.0 equiv), Et₃N (5.0 equiv), 4-DMAP (0.1 equiv), 23 °C, 3 h; e) i. H₂O₂ (2.0 equiv), THF, 23 °C, 2 h; Me₂S (4.0 equiv), 23 °C, 10 h, 82 % from **21**; ii. **VI** (3.0 equiv), [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (0.1 equiv), AcOH (4.0 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, 23 °C, 0.5 h, 93 %. DCC = dicyclohexyldiimide, 4-DMAP = 4-dimethylaminopyridine.

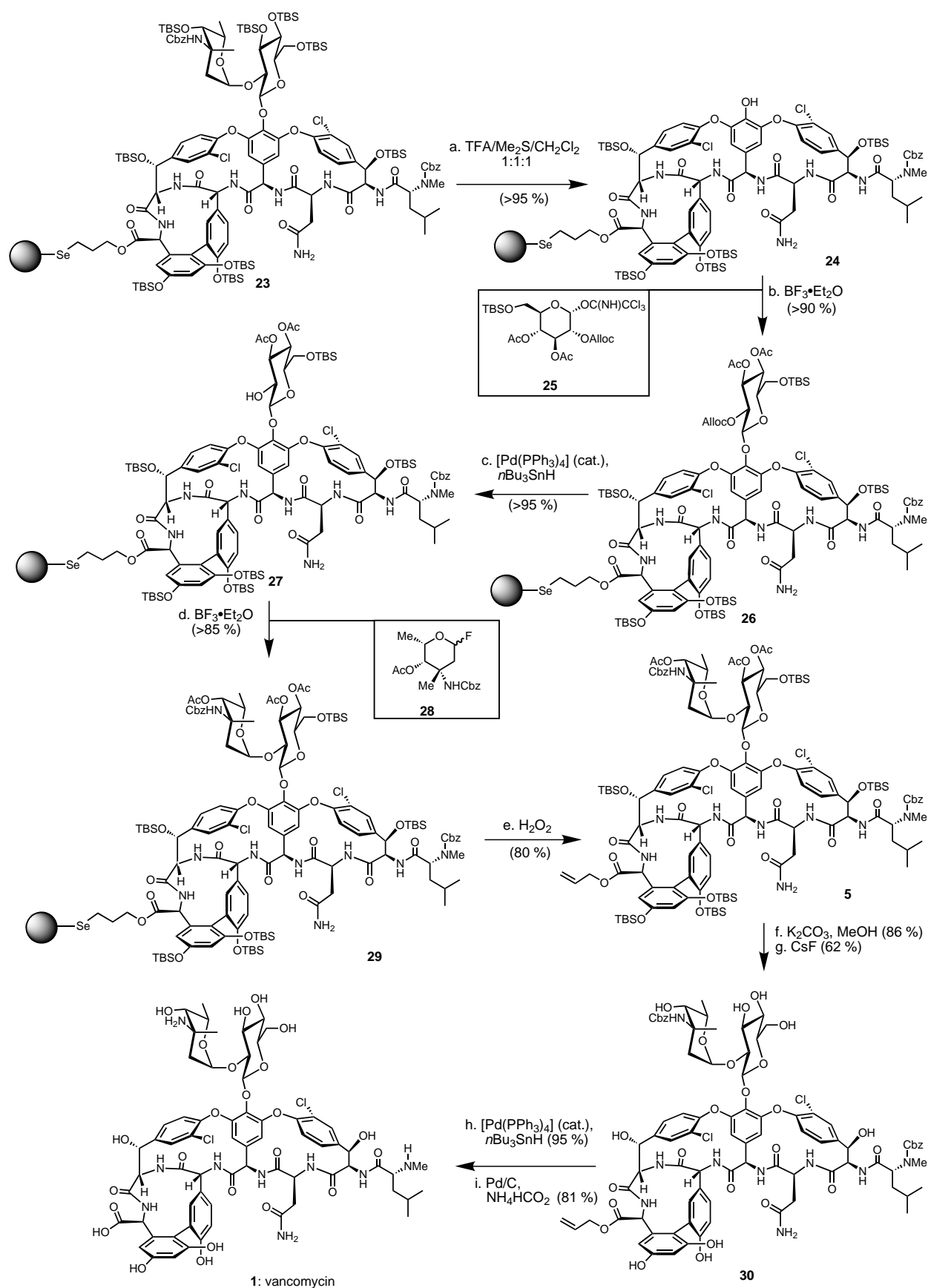
dium-catalyzed allyl transfer conditions {[Pd(PPh₃)₄], *n*Bu₃SnH} to give polymer-bound acceptor **27** in >95 % yield. This result underscores the importance of the selenium-based safety catch allyl resin in terms of simplifying the choice of C-2 glucose protecting group. Glycosidation of the newly formed acceptor **27** with vancosamine glycosyl fluoride **28** (4.0 equiv) under the influence of BF₃·Et₂O gave the fully protected, polymer-bound vancomycin derivative **29** in >85 % yield. Oxidative cleavage of resin **29** with H₂O₂ yielded the allyl protected vancomycin derivative **5** in 80 % yield. Treatment of the released compound **5** with K₂CO₃ in MeOH induced cleavage of the acetates and the phenol-bound silyl groups, and subsequent removal of the remaining TBS groups with CsF in DMF gave the bis-Cbz-*O*-allyl ester derivative **30** in 53 % overall yield. Removal of the C-terminal allyl protecting group {[Pd(PPh₃)₄], *n*Bu₃SnH}, followed by transfer hydrogenation (10 % Pd/C, NH₃CO₂H), provided synthetic vancomycin (**1**) in 76 % overall yield for the two steps. The four-step deprotection sequence proceeded smoothly and required only two purifications (after the CsF step, and then at the final stage).

Semisynthesis of vancomycin monosaccharide analogues: The development of the solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin provided a convenient route through which various vancomycin analogues could be rapidly accessed. Our initial proposal was to replace vancomycin's disaccharide segment with a new saccharide unit in order to furnish a vancomycin monosaccharide library. The synthesis proceeded as summarized in Scheme 6.

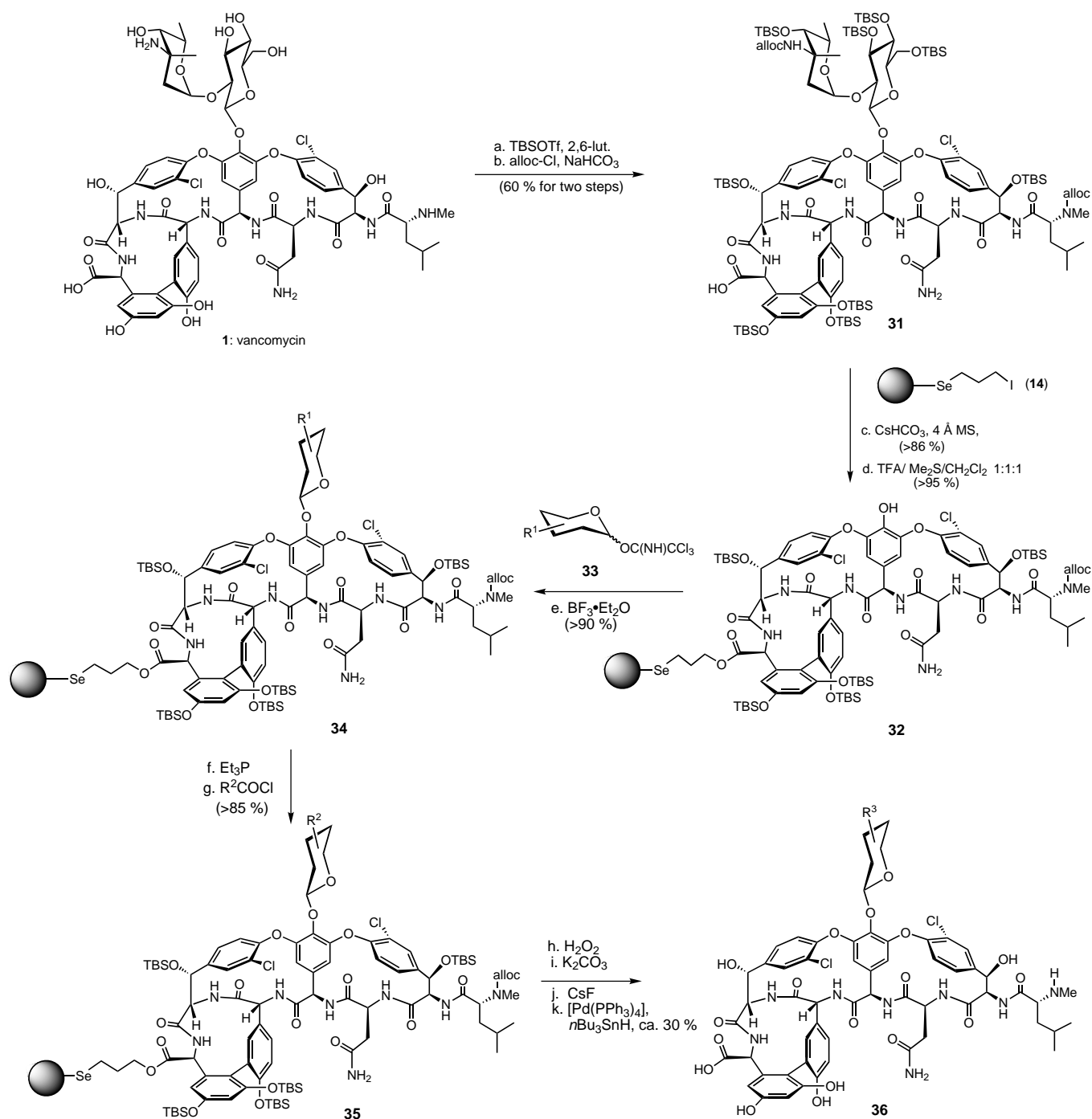
Thus, persilylation of vancomycin hydroxyl groups followed by alloc protection of both basic nitrogens (a choice that will save a deprotection step) yielded vancomycin derivative **31**. Compound **31** was then loaded onto the selenium resin **14**, via the carboxylic acid group, by the action of CsHCO₃ and 4 Å MS and from the resulting conjugate was removed the glycosyl moiety (TFA/Me₂S/CH₂Cl₂ 1:1:1) to give intermediate **32**. For the purposes of introducing amino sugar moieties we chose to employ suitably protected azide sugars. Thus, for the attachment of the sugar moieties onto the phenol scaffold **32** we utilized the corresponding trichloroacetimidates (**33**, see Figure 6) in the presence of excess BF₃·Et₂O which gave polymer-bound vancomycin glycosides **34**. An azide reduction-acylation sequence was then used to produce a number of analogues. Thus, polymer-bound azide **34** was treated with Et₃P under carefully controlled conditions (5.0 equiv Et₃P, THF/H₂O 10:1, 23 °C) to avoid acyl transfer from the neighboring position, and subsequently acylated with a variety of acid chlorides (RCOCl) to afford a series of polymer-bound amides **35** (azide reduction under standard Staudinger conditions (Ph₃P, 60 °C) resulted in complete transfer of the neighboring acetate to give the undesired hydroxy acet-



Scheme 4. Application of the pro-allyl selenium-based safety catch linker to the vancomycin problem. a) **14** (8.0 equiv), CsHCO₃ (5.0 equiv), DMF, 23 °C (vacuum), 0.5 h, 50 °C, 5 h, 86 %; b) i. H₂O₂ (2.0 equiv), THF, 23 °C, 2 h; Me₂S (4.0 equiv), 23 °C, 48 h, 82 %; ii. [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (0.1 equiv), *n*Bu₃SnH (4.0 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, 0.5 h, 94 %.



Scheme 5. Solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin (**1**). a) TFA/Me₂S/CH₂Cl₂ 1:1:1, 23 °C, 3 h, > 95 %; b) **25** (6.0 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (9.0 equiv), 4 Å MS, –40 → 0 °C, 12 h, > 90 %; c) [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (0.1 equiv), *n*Bu₃SnH (10.0 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, 23 °C, 2 h, > 95 %; d) **28** (4.0 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (6.0 equiv), 4 Å MS, –40 → 0 °C, 4 h, > 85 %; e) H₂O₂, THF, 23 °C, 48 h, 80 %; f) K₂CO₃, MeOH, 23 °C, 6 h, 86 %; g) CsF, DMF, 23 °C, 15 h, 62 %; h) [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (0.1 equiv), *n*Bu₃SnH, DMF, 23 °C, 1 h, 95 %; i) 10 % Pd/C, NH₄HCO₂, H₂O/AcOH 1:1, 23 °C, 4 h, 81 %. Ac = acetate, TFA = trifluoroacetic acid.



Scheme 6. Solid-phase semisynthesis of a library of vancomycin monosaccharides **36**. a) TBSOTf (60 equiv), 2,6-lut. (120 equiv), CH₂Cl₂/DMF 10:1, 23 °C, sonication, 8 h; b) alloc-Cl (5.0 equiv), NaHCO₃ (10.0 equiv), 1,4-dioxane/H₂O 3:1, 23 °C, 3 h, 60% over two steps; c) **14** (8.0 equiv), CsHCO₃ (5.0 equiv), DMF, 23 °C (vacuum), 0.5 h, 50 °C, 5 h, 86%; d) TFA/Me₂S/CH₂Cl₂ 1:1:1, 23 °C, 3 h, >95%; e) trichloroacetimidate **33** (5.0 equiv), BF₃·Et₂O (7.5 equiv), -40 → 0 °C, CH₂Cl₂, 12 h, >90%; f) Et₃P (5.0 equiv), THF/H₂O 10:1, 23 °C, 4 h; g) R²COCl (5.0 equiv), Et₃N (10.0 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, 8 h, >85% (for two steps); h) H₂O₂, THF, 23 °C, 48 h; i) K₂CO₃ (10.0 equiv), MeOH, 23 °C, 6 h; j) CsF (5.0 equiv), DMF, 23 °C, 15 h; k) [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (0.25 equiv), nBu₃SnH (10.0 equiv), DMF, 23 °C, 1 h (30% for three steps). alloc = allyloxycarbonyl, see Figure 6 for the respective trichloroacetimidates **33**.

amide). A cleavage/deprotection sequence similar to that developed for the vancomycin semisynthesis, as summarized in Scheme 6, provided an initial library of vancomycin analogues for biological evaluation.

Table 1 includes the structures of the synthesized compounds along with MIC values against vancomycin-susceptible strains, vancomycin-intermediate resistant strains, and a vancomycin-resistant strain. The monosaccharide vancomycin

derivatives were found to be uniformly less active than the parent vancomycin against all strains examined. The location of the amino group appears to be important as evidenced by the fact that compounds **36a** and **36b** (amine at the C-6 position of glucose) are at least two-fold more active than compound **36c** (amine at the C-3 position of glucose). Also, these results show that incorporation of a moderate degree of lipophilicity (compounds **36d** and **36e**) leads to a further

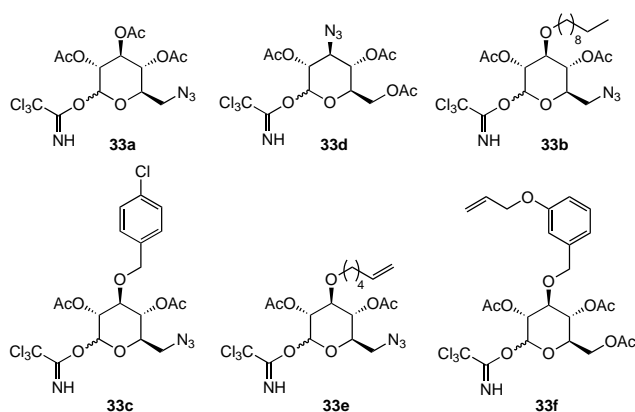


Figure 6. Trichloroacetimidates **33** used for the generation of vancomycin-derived monosaccharides.

restoration of activity; however, too much lipophilicity has deleterious effects on antibacterial activity as demonstrated by compound **36 f**. The conclusion from this initial study was that retaining both sugar moieties on vancomycin was a more desirable feature for the eventual development of highly potent vancomycin analogues.

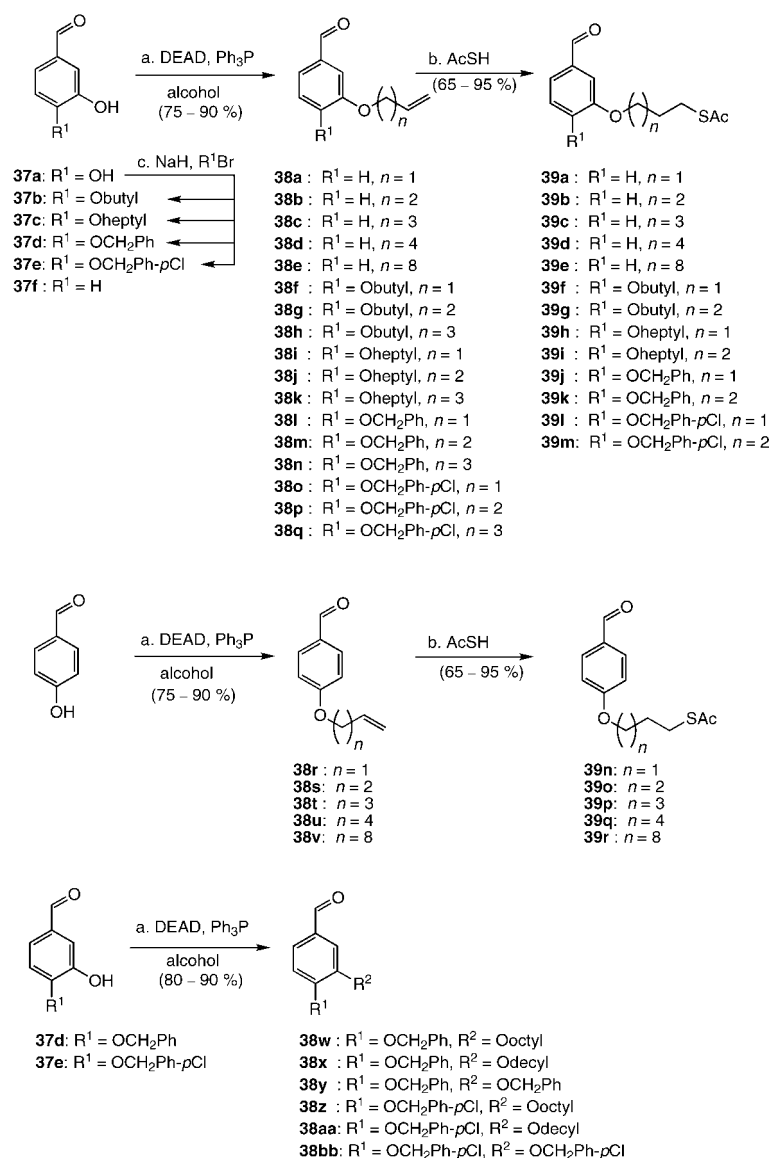
Olefinic and thioacetate vancomycin analogues: Having recognized the importance of the vancosamine moiety for antibacterial activity we proceeded to design and synthesize a new series of vancomycin analogues with the intact skeleton of the molecule in place. Since regioselective derivatization of either of vancomycin's two amino groups had already been demonstrated, initial strategies toward such compounds proceeded through intermediates derived via such chemical manipulation. Interestingly, the antibacterial activity of some of these newly synthesized monomeric vancomycin derivatives rivaled the action of some of the most effective, previously known, antibacterial agents against vancomycin-resistant strains as will be discussed below.

Construction of these analogues began with the synthesis of the requisite benzaldehyde derivatives (**37–39**, see

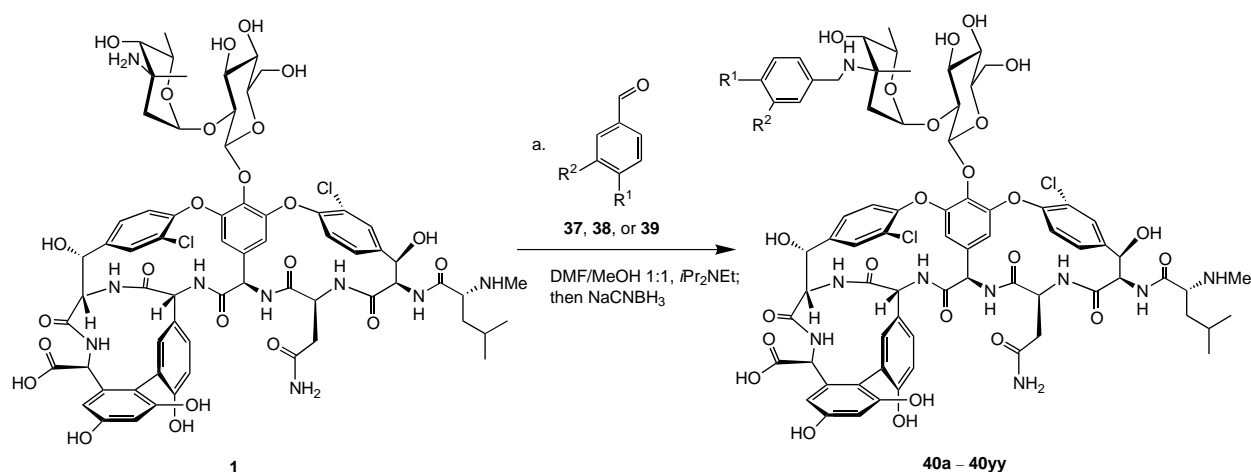
Scheme 7) from the appropriate phenols by initial Mitsunobu reaction followed by a radical-based regioselective thioacetate addition to the terminal double bond.

Scheme 8 summarizes the synthesis of the targeted compounds in which regioselective reductive amination at the vancosamine site was the key step. Reaction of vancomycin with aldehydes **37**, **38**, or **39** in the presence of *i*Pr₂NEt followed by addition of NaCNBH₃ at 65 °C led to compounds **40 a–yy**. The presence of *i*Pr₂NEt was found, in our experience, to be essential for ensuring smooth conversion and high regioselectivity. As depicted in Figure 7, the regioselectivity of the reaction was evident from mass spectroscopic fragmentation and ¹H NMR analysis of the products **40** obtained.

Compounds synthesized in this manner were evaluated for their antibacterial activity against a variety of vancomycin-



Scheme 7. Preparation of substituted benzaldehydes **37–39** used in the preparation of vancomycin derivatives. a) DEAD (1.5 equiv), Ph₃P (1.5 equiv), alcohol (1.5 equiv), THF, 23 °C, 4 h; b) AcSH (2.0 equiv), AIBN (0.2 equiv), benzene, 85 °C, 2 h; c) NaH (1.0 equiv), R¹Br (1.0 equiv), DMF, 0 → 23 °C, 12 h. AIBN = 2,2'-azobisisobutyronitrile, alcohol = allyl alcohol or 3-buten-1-ol or 4-penten-1-ol or 5-hexen-1-ol or 9-decen-1-ol or 1-hexanol or 1-octanol or benzyl alcohol or *p*-chlorobenzyl alcohol, R¹Br = butyl bromide, heptyl bromide, benzyl bromide, *p*-chlorobenzyl bromide.



Scheme 8. Regioselective reductive alkylation of vancomycin (**1**) with benzaldehyde derivatives **37–39**. a) **37**, **38**, or **39** (1.1 equiv), $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$ (1.2 equiv), DMF/MeOH 1:1, 65 °C, 2 h; then NaCNBH₃ (2.0 equiv), 65 °C, 2 h. See Tables 2, 3, and 4 for definitions of R¹ and R².

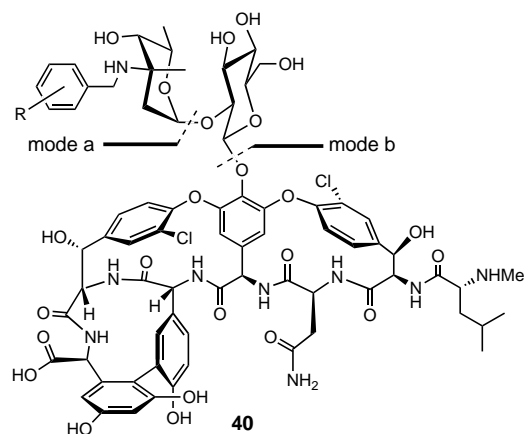


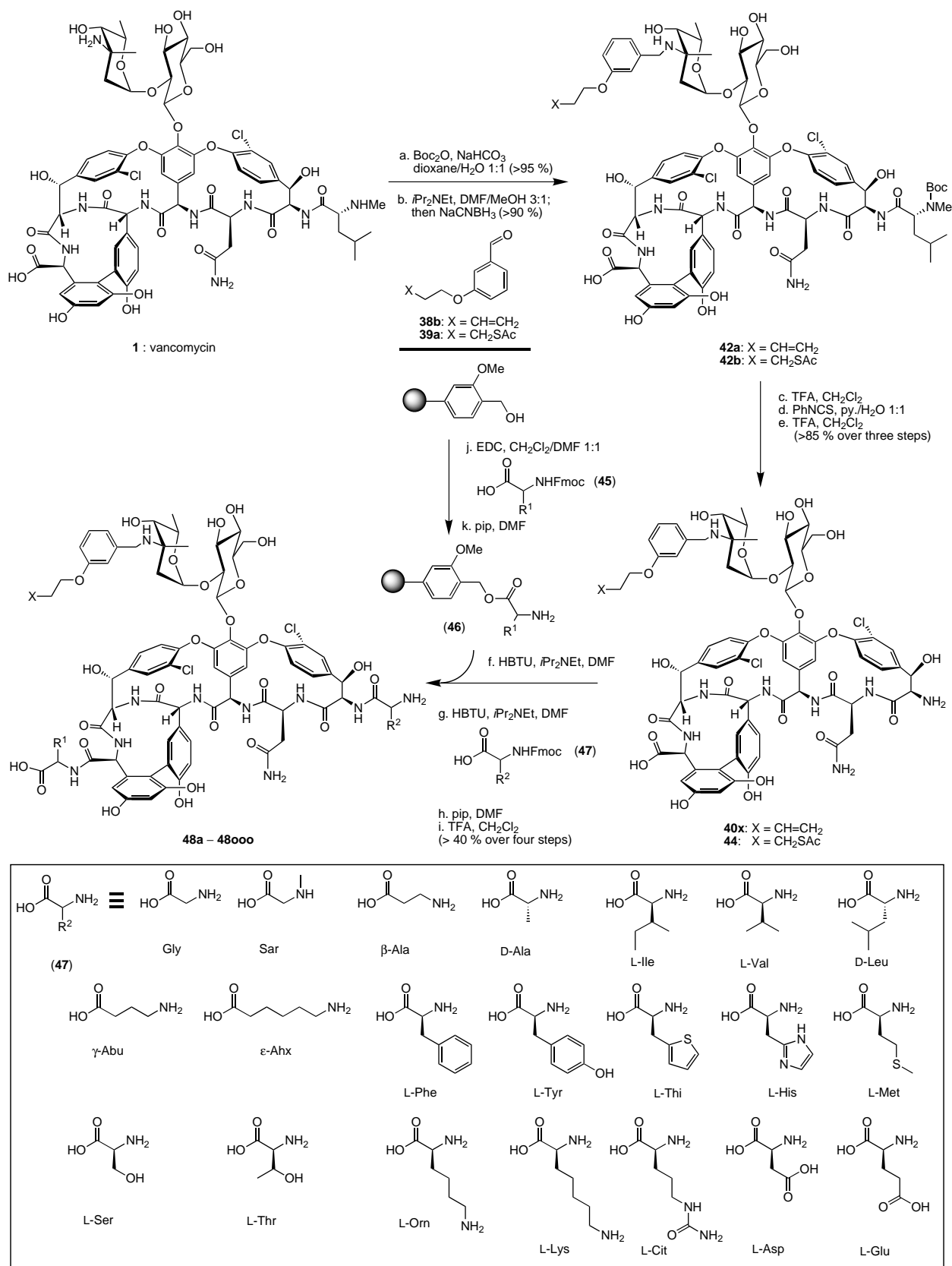
Figure 7. Molecular fragmentation of alkylated vancomycins **40** during mass spectrometric analysis. Both modes of fragmentation (a and b) are diagnostic for determining the site of reductive amination (vancosamine or amino acid 1).

susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria, and these data are summarized in Table 2 and Table 3, respectively. Most interestingly, several of the compounds tested exhibited good activity against VRE (strain L4001). Specifically, olefins **40d** and **40i** (Table 2), showed an MIC value of 8 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ against L4001 and olefins **40h** and **40k–p** demonstrated potencies in the range of 1 to 2 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$ against this strain. Similarly, the lipophilic thioacetates **40dd** and **40kk–oo** (Table 3) exhibited good antibacterial activity with MIC values ranging from 2–4 $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$. Perhaps, the lower potencies of the thioacetates as compared to their olefinic counterparts are due to their more polar terminus, which renders them less capable of anchoring into the bacterium's membrane. Interestingly, the chlorobenzyl thioacetate derivatives **40pp** and **40qq** were found to be two-fold more active than the corresponding benzyl derivatives **40nn** and **40oo**. It is tempting to speculate that this observation is a manifestation of an additional localizing effect by the chlorine atom on the bacterium's cell wall as a similar effect has been postulated in attempting to rationalize

the remarkable activity of Ly333328.^[30] Further results and analysis are, however, required before final judgment as to the cause of this effect.^[31] In order to determine the antibacterial spectrum of activity of these lipophilic vancomycin derivatives we screened a select number of compounds against a larger set of vancomycin-resistant strains. The collected data are summarized in Table 4. Interestingly, while the moderately lipophilic compounds **40ii**, **40dd**, **40ss**, **40vv**, and **40ww** exhibited good activity against a range of vancomycin-resistant bacteria, the much more lipophilic compounds **40xx** and **40yy** showed almost no activity. These observations are consistent with previously reported results^[15] suggesting that too much lipophilicity is detrimental to the antibacterial activity.

Amino acid core modified vancomycin derivatives: A small number of N-terminus modified vancomycin analogues were also synthesized and tested as shown in Table 2 (**40q–y**). While none of these compounds were as active as vancomycin itself against the strains examined, some of them exhibited significant activity against a number of strains. This phenomenon most likely reflects the diminished, but not extinct, ability of these compounds to bind to their target^[32] within the bacterial cell-wall. In order to probe the effect of such substitutions further, we proceeded to apply solid-phase chemistry to construct an expanded library of vancomycin with various amino acids attached at the N-terminus of the molecule.

The strategy for the synthesis of the vancomycin monomers described above is depicted in Scheme 9. Thus, selective Boc protection of vancomycin (**1**) on the N-terminus followed by reductive alkylation under standard conditions (1.1 equiv **39e** or **40e**, 1.4 equiv $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$; then NaCNBH₃, 65 °C) cleanly afforded **42a** or **42b**, respectively. Boc protection facilitated the large-scale procurement of material as it allowed the reductive alkylation to be driven to completion with absolute regioselectivity. Removal of the Boc group with dilute TFA followed by Edman degradation^[33] gave vancomycin hexapeptide **40x** or **44**. The preceding sequence could be conducted with no other purification necessary other than



Scheme 9. Solid-phase synthesis of vancomycin analogues **48a–48ooo**. a) Boc_2O (1.2 equiv), NaHCO_3 (2.0 equiv), dioxane/ H_2O 1:1, 23°C , 4 h; b) **39e** or **40e** (2.0 equiv), $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$ (2.5 equiv), NaCNBH_3 (2.2 equiv), 65°C , 20 h; c) 10% TFA in CH_2Cl_2 , 23°C , 1 h, 90%; d) $\text{PhN}=\text{C}=\text{S}$ (1.2 equiv), pyridine/ H_2O 1:1, 23°C , 2 h, 100%; e) 10% TFA in CH_2Cl_2 , 23°C , 2 h, 75%; f) $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$ (6.0 equiv), HBTU (3.0 equiv), DMF , 23°C , 1 h; g) amino acid Fmoc-derivative (3.0 equiv), $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$ (4.0 equiv), HBTU (2.0 equiv), DMF , 23°C , 2 h; h) 5% piperidine in DMF , 30 min, 23°C ; i) 5% TFA in CH_2Cl_2 , 2 h, 23°C ; j) EDC (3 equiv), **45** (2.5 equiv), $\text{DMF}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1), 23°C , 4 h; k) 5% piperidine in DMF , 23°C , 1 h. EDC = 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride, HBTU = *O*-benzotriazol-1-yl-*N,N,N',N'*-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate, pip = piperidine, py = pyridine.

filtration. In further experiments and in order to expedite the synthesis of several monomers, the vancomycin scaffold was loaded onto a solid support by a method similar to that used by Griffin.^[34] Thus, treatment of hexapeptide **40x** or **44** with polymer-bound amino acid **46** for one hour in the presence of HBTU gave a polymer-bound heptapeptide (Scheme 9). Coupling of Fmoc-protected amino acids to the polymer-bound heptapeptide proceeded rapidly in the presence of HBTU leading to an octapeptide which was deprotected and cleaved from the solid support as follows: i) exposure to piperidine; and ii) treatment with dilute TFA. The amino acid building blocks shown in Scheme 9 were utilized in this sequence to produce a small library of analogues which was screened against a range of vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant and vancomycin-resistant strains. Table 5 summarizes some of the results from the antibacterial activity assays for the most active compounds synthesized in Scheme 9. The remaining compounds showed little, if any, activity against the strains examined, confirming the low profitability of this substitution pattern.^[35]

Conclusion

In conclusion, we have accomplished the solid-phase semi-synthesis of vancomycin (**1**) and in the process developed a selenium-based safety catch linker which may enjoy wider applicability to the solid-phase manipulation of polyfunctional natural products and other molecules of medicinal interest. Using the methods developed, we designed and synthesized several vancomycin libraries with molecular diversity at the sugar moieties, the amino acid 1 site, and the C-terminus. Biological evaluation of these analogues, revealed several highly potent compounds effective against vancomycin-resistant strains. Among them were a few which rival the most active agents known in this series. Most importantly, this work set the stage for the next phase of the program which aimed at producing covalently linked dimeric vancomycin constructs, some of which proved to be extremely potent against vancomycin-resistant bacteria. The following article describes these investigations.

Experimental Section

General: All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with dry, freshly distilled solvents under anhydrous conditions, unless otherwise noted. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), toluene and diethyl ether were distilled from sodium/benzophenone, and methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) from calcium hydride. Anhydrous solvents were also obtained by passing them through commercially available alumina columns. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (^1H NMR) homogeneous materials, unless otherwise stated. Reagents were purchased at highest available commercial quality and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker DRX-600, AMX-500 or AMX-400 instruments and calibrated using residual undeuterated solvent as an internal reference. The following abbreviations were used to designate multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Semipreparative HPLC was performed on either a VYDAC C18, 10 mm \times 250 mm, column with flow rate 3.5 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN in H_2O over 20 min or on VYDAC C18, 25 mm \times 250 mm, column with flow rate 6.5 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN in H_2O over

30 min. High resolution mass spectra were obtained by MALDI on a VG AZB ZSE spectrometer. LCMS was performed on a Hewlett–Packard 1100 series system.

***N,N'*-Di-Cbz-nona-TBS-vancomycin (4):** TBSOTf (47.6 mL, 207 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of vancomycin \cdot HCl (2.00 g, 1.35 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (18.8 mL, 161 mmol) in $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{DMF}$ (10:1, 13.3 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was sonicated for 8 h keeping the temperature below 35 °C. The reaction was quenched by slow addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (200 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 12 h. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et_2O (3×150 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4), concentrated on a rotary evaporator and the residue obtained was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 1 \rightarrow 8% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2) to afford nona-TBS-vancomycin as a white foam (2.22 g, 65%). A solution of this compound (4.00 g, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in dioxane/ H_2O (10:1, 36 mL) was treated sequentially with solid NaHCO_3 (1.36 g, 16.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and CbzCl (1.32 g, 8.08 mmol, 5.0 equiv) at 0 °C. After stirring for 3 h, the reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (10 mL) and 4-DMAP (196 mg, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The mixture was stirred for 6 h at ambient temperature and then extracted with Et_2O (3×120 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO_4), concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 0 \rightarrow 4% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2) to provide *N,N'*-di-Cbz-nona-TBS-vancomycin (**4**) (3.54 g, 80%) as a white foam. **4:** $R_f = 0.36$ (silica gel, 5% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.65$ (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 (dd, $J = 7.0, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.36–7.20 (m, 15H), 7.06 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, $J = 7.0, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.77 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.06 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.77 (s, 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 5.42 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 1H), 5.13 (brd, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H, Cbz), 4.92 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H, Cbz), 4.88 (s, 1H), 4.86–4.83 (m, 1H), 4.71–4.68 (m, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 4.47 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.27 (t, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.13–4.07 (m, 2H), 4.02 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.94–3.91 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 1H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.46–2.38 (m, 2H), 1.96 (dd, $J = 10.0, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.83–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.58–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.03 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.96–0.92 (m, 6H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.85 (s, 9H), 0.84 (s, 9H), 0.73 (s, 9H), 0.61 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 3H), 0.22 (s, 3H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 6H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.05 (s, 6H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.02 (s, 3H), 0.01 (s, 3H), -0.02 (s, 3H), -0.03 (s, 3H), -0.09 (s, 3H); HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{137}\text{H}_{215}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_9\text{O}_{28}\text{Si}_9\text{Cs}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Cs}]^+$: 2889.2032, found 2889.2237.

Preparation of resin 14: LiBH_4 (1.5 equiv) was added at 0 °C to a stirred suspension of resin **13** (5.0 g, 1.0 equiv) in THF (60 mL). After 30 min the resin had completely decolorized. After removal of the supernatant and washing of the resin with THF (150 mL) the resin was re-suspended in THF/DMF (1:1, 50 mL). To this suspension was added at 23 °C, 1,3-diiodopropane (4.0 equiv) and the suspension gently stirred for 5 h. Filtration of the reaction mixture and washing of the resin with CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL), MeOH (200 mL), and Et_2O (200 mL) provided resin **14**.

Polymer-bound protected vancomycin 23: Protected vancomycin carboxylic acid **4** (3.20 g, 1.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in DMF (80 mL) and CsHCO_3 (1.13 g, 5.85 mmol, 5.0 equiv) and flame-dried 4 Å MS (1.0 g) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred under reduced pressure (vacuum pump) for 30 min after which time the resin (**14**) (6.00 g, 9.0 mmol, 7.7 equiv) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 5 h, then filtered and washed with Et_2O (400 mL). The resin was dried to a constant weight of 8.71 g (89% yield based on mass gain). The calculated loading of this resin was 0.119 mmol g^{-1} .

Polymer-bound vancomycin aglycon 24

Hydrolysis of disaccharide from resin 23: The resin **23** (8.49 g, 1.01 mmol) was suspended in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) and Me_2S (30 mL) and then treated with TFA (30 mL) and stirred gently for 3 h (the reaction mixture turns deep red). The reaction mixture was then diluted with Et_2O (100 mL), filtered, washed (CH_2Cl_2 2 \times 200 mL, MeOH 2 \times 200 mL, Et_2O 2 \times 200 mL) and dried to a constant weight of 7.51 g. A small portion of the resin was cleaved and the product obtained was analyzed **24:** ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.69$ (brs, 2H), 7.54 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.35–7.30 (m, 6H), 7.12 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.78–5.85 (m, 1H), 6.41 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, $J =$

2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (ddt, $J = 16.0, 8.0, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 5.48 (m, 1H), 5.36 (s, 2H), 5.35 (ddt, $J = 16.0, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.22 (ddt, $J = 8.0, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.22–5.17 (m, 2H), 4.96 (brs, 2H), 4.90–4.83 (m, 1H), 4.77–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.72 (dddd, $J = 10.0, 6.5, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.72 (dddd, $J = 10.0, 6.5, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 2.45–2.39 (m, 2H), 1.84–1.81 (m, 1H), 1.53–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.93–0.90 (m, 6H), 0.86 (s, 9H), 0.75 (s, 9H), 0.64 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 6H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.02 (s, 3H), –0.09 (s, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for C₉₄H₁₃₂Cl₂N₈O₁₉Si₅ [M+H]⁺: 1889.1, found 1889.1.

Vancomycin monosaccharide 26

Glycosidation of polymer-bound phenol 24: Glucose imidate **25**^[20a] (915 mg, 1.51 mmol) was azeotroped with benzene (3 × 10 mL) and then dried under high vacuum for 1 h. The imidate was then transferred as a CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) solution to a flask containing resin **24** (2.00 g, 0.252 mmol) and flame-dried 4 Å MS (1.0 g). This mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h, then cooled to –40 °C and BF₃·Et₂O (330 μL, 2.26 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 0 °C over the course of 12 h. The reaction mixture was cooled back to –40 °C and quenched with Et₃N (0.64 mL, 4.56 mmol, 2.0 equiv relative to BF₃·Et₂O). The resin was filtered and washed (MeOH 2 × 20 mL and CH₂Cl₂ 2 × 20 mL). A small portion of this resin was cleaved and the product obtained was analyzed **26**: $R_f = 0.33$ (silica gel, 5% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD, 330 K): δ = 7.64 (brs, 2H), 7.39–7.24 (m, 8H), 7.06 (m, 1H), 7.01 (dt, $J = 8.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.78–5.85 (m, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.92 (m, 2H), 5.72 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.52–5.44 (m, 3H), 5.40 (s, 2H), 5.35 (m, 2H), 5.33–5.26 (m, 3H), 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.23–5.16 (m, 2H), 5.05–5.02 (m, 1H), 4.96 (brs, 2H), 4.93–4.92 (m, 1H), 4.89–4.83 (m, 1H), 4.77–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.72–4.58 (m, 6H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.43 (m, 1H), 4.19 (m, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.92–3.74 (m, 2H), 3.62 (m, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.45–2.39 (m, 2H), 2.01 (s, 6H), 1.84–1.81 (m, 1H), 1.53–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 9H), 1.11 (s, 9H), 0.93–0.90 (m, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.77 (s, 9H), 0.61 (s, 9H), 0.25 (s, 6H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.11 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.02 (s, 3H), –0.08 (s, 3H), –0.10 (s, 3H), –0.14 (s, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for C₁₁₄H₁₆₄Cl₂N₈O₂₈Si₆ [M+H]⁺: 2334.2, found 2334.3.

Vancomycin monosaccharide alcohol 27

Removal of the alloc group from 26: Resin **26** (1.82 g, 0.215 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was suspended in CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) at 23 °C and treated sequentially with [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (21 mg, 21 μmol, 0.1 equiv) and *n*Bu₃SnH (623 mg, 2.15 mmol, 10 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 23 °C after which time the resin was filtered and washed (CH₂Cl₂ 2 × 50 mL, MeOH 2 × 50 mL, Et₂O 2 × 20 mL). A small amount of this resin was cleaved and the product obtained was analyzed **27**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD, 330 K): δ = 7.59 (brs, 2H), 7.54 (dd, $J = 8.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.39–7.30 (m, 7H), 7.14 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.76–5.84 (m, 1H), 6.42 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.39 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.92 (ddt, $J = 16.0, 8.0, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 5.47 (m, 1H), 5.34 (s, 2H), 5.35 (m, 1H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 5.21 (m, 1H), 5.22–5.17 (m, 2H, CH₂-Cbz), 4.96 (brs, 2H), 4.90–4.83 (m, 1H), 4.77–4.70 (m, 1H), 4.72 (m, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 4.72 (m, 1H), 4.29–4.18 (m, 1H), 4.11 (s, 1H), 4.09 (m, 1H), 3.96–3.92 (m, 1H), 3.80–3.75 (m, 1H), 3.58 (dd, $J = 11.0, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.40 (m, 2H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.78–1.75 (m, 1H), 1.53–1.49 (m, 2H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.93–0.91 (m, 6H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.77 (s, 9H), 0.73 (s, 9H), 0.63 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 6H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.04 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), –0.08 (s, 3H), –0.09 (s, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for C₁₁₀H₁₆₀Cl₂N₈O₂₆Si₆ [M+H]⁺: 2247.6, found 2247.5.

Fully protected polymer-bound vancomycin 29

Second glycosidation: Freshly prepared vancosamine fluoride **28**^[20] (0.367 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was azeotroped with benzene (3 × 10 mL) and then dried under high vacuum for 1 h. The glycosyl fluoride was then transferred as a CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) solution to a flask containing resin **27** (51 mg, 61.2 μmol) and flame-dried 4 Å MS (0.5 g). The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 h, then cooled to –40 °C and BF₃·Et₂O (80 μL, 0.550 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 0 °C over the course of 4 h. The reaction mixture was cooled back to –40 °C and quenched with Et₃N (0.152 mL, 1.10 mmol, 2.0 equiv relative to BF₃·Et₂O). The resin was filtered, washed (CH₂Cl₂ 2 × 50 mL, MeOH 2 × 50 mL), a small amount was cleaved, and the

product obtained was analyzed **29**: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD, 330 K): δ = 7.65–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.20 (m, 12H), 7.10–7.08 (m, 2H), 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (s, 1H), 5.91 (m, 1H), 5.83–5.78 (m, 2H), 5.64–5.45 (m, 2H), 5.44–5.28 (m, 5H), 5.26–5.10 (m, 5H), 4.90 (q, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.64 (m, 2H), 4.18–4.07 (m, 2H), 3.85–3.80 (m, 2H), 3.64 (m, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.48 (m, 2H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 2.05–1.98 (m, 2H), 1.55 (brs, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.09 (m, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H), 0.97 (s, 9H), 0.93 (m, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 0.79 (s, 9H), 0.71 (s, 9H), 0.24 (s, 3H), 0.23 (s, 3H), 0.19 (s, 3H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (m, 9H), 0.04 (s, 3H), 0.03 (s, 3H), –0.06 (s, 3H), –0.08 (s, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for C₁₂₇H₁₈₁Cl₂N₉O₃₁Si₆ [M+Na]⁺: 2592.9, found 2592.6.

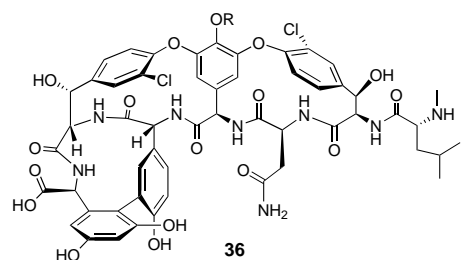
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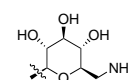
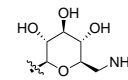
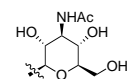
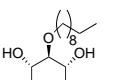
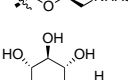
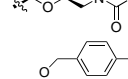
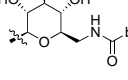
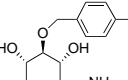
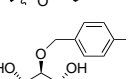
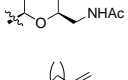
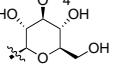
Cleavage from resin 29: Resin **29** (300 mg, 34.5 μmol of vancomycin, 0.24 mmol of Se) was suspended in THF (4 mL) and treated with H₂O₂ (30% in water, 48 μL, 0.48 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and stirred for 2 h after which time, Me₂S (111 μL, 1.76 mmol, 4.0 equiv relative to H₂O₂) was added to the reaction mixture which was stirred for an additional 48 h. The reaction mixture was filtered, concentrated, and passed through a short plug of silica gel (eluting with CH₂Cl₂, then 10% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) to recover **5** as a single product (54.1 mg, 80%).

Deprotection of 5 to give vancomycin (1) via intermediate 30

Deacetylation and desilylation: Fully protected vancomycin derivative **5** (48 mg, 18.7 μmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL) and treated with solid K₂CO₃ (5.2 mg, 37.4 μmol, 2.0 equiv) and stirred at room temperature for 6 h, at which point TLC analysis of the reaction mixture indicated complete disappearance of the starting material. The crude reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and concentrated. The crude residue thus obtained was dissolved in wet DMF (0.5 mL), and solid NaHCO₃ (30 mg, 0.36 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and CsF (30 mg, 0.197 mmol, 12 equiv) were added. The resulting heterogeneous mixture was stirred vigorously for 15 h. The crude reaction mixture was purified directly by HPLC to give vancomycin ester derivative **30** (20.4 mg, 62%) as a white solid: **30**: HPLC: $t_R = 9.8$ min (LiChrospher C18, 4 mm × 250 mm, flow rate = 1.0 mL min⁻¹, 5 → 100% CH₃CN in H₂O (0.1% TFA) over 15 min); **30**: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD, 330 K): δ = 7.66 (brs, 1H), 7.56 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.29 (m, 12H), 6.13 (br d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, $J = 8.5, 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.96 (ddt, $J = 16.0, 10.0, 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.75 (brs, 2H), 5.47 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 5.39 (ddt, $J = 16.0, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.37 (s, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 5.22 (ddt, $J = 10.0, 1.5, 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.22–5.17 (m, 2H), 5.01 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.92–4.86 (m, 2H), 4.85 (s, 2H), 4.74 (m, 2H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.21 (s, 1H), 3.87 (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.84 (dd, $J = 10.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 10.5, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.69 (brt, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (q, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.38 (dd, $J = 10.5, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.19 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.92 (dd, $J = 10.5, 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.74–1.68 (m, 1H), 1.61 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.21 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.17 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 0.90 (br d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 0.89 (br d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for C₈₅H₉₁Cl₂N₉O₂₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 1780, found 1780.

Removal of the allyl group: A fresh solution of [Pd(PPh₃)₄] (1.0 mmol in DMF, 176 μL, 0.176 μmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by *n*Bu₃SnH (2.5 mg, 8.8 μmol, 5.0 equiv) was added at room temperature to a solution of the above allyl ester (**30**, 3.1 mg, 1.76 μmol, 1.0 equiv) in DMF (100 μL). The reaction mixture was stirred vigorously for 30 min after which time HPLC analysis of the reaction mixture indicated complete deprotection. The crude reaction mixture was injected directly into the HPLC instrument to recover 2.8 mg (92% isolated) of product as a white solid. HPLC: $t_R = 6.1$ min (LiChrospher C18, 4 mm × 250 mm, low rate = 1.0 mL min⁻¹, 5 → 100% CH₃CN in H₂O (0.1% TFA) over 15 min); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD, 330 K): δ = 7.68 (brs, 1H), 7.53 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (brs, 1H), 7.40–7.29 (m, 7H), 7.14 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.04 (brs, 1H), 6.98 (dd, $J = 9.0, 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.43 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.75 (brs, 2H), 5.46 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 5.36 (brs, 2H), 5.23 (brs, 1H), 5.01 (s, 1H), 4.92–4.81 (m, 3H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 4.14 (s, 1H), 3.89–3.82 (m, 2H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 10.5, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.69 (brt, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.56 (t, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.55 (q, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.39 (dd, $J = 10.5, 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.21 (m, 1H), 1.74–1.68 (m, 2H), 1.63 (m, 1H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.22 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.17 (d, $J =$

Table 1. Antibacterial activity (MIC: $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) of vancomycin-derived monosaccharides (**36a–k**) against vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria.


Compound	R	Sa8250 ^[a]	Sp670 ^[a]	27266 ^[b]	4002 ^[b]	27261 ^[b]	48N ^[c]	25701 ^[c]	LO3 ^[c]	133 ^[c]	MU50 ^[d]	4001 ^[c]
	ampicillin	0.4	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.13	50	25	25	<0.2	12.5	50
	tetracycline	3.13	50	100	100	50	>100	25	<0.2	<0.2	25	50
1	vancomycin	0.5	0.25	2	0.5	2	1	1	0.5	0.25	4	>16
36a		4	2	8	4	8	4	8	2	4	8	>16
36b		4	2	8	4	8	4	4	4	4	8	>16
36c		8	8	>16	16	>16	16	>16	16	16	16	>16
36d		0.25	0.125	0.5	0.25	0.25	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16
36e		4	2	4	4	4	2	4	4	2	4	>16
36f		>16	16	>16	16	16	>16	>16	16	16	16	16
36g		4	2	8	8	8	8	16	4	4	4	>16
36h		4	4	8	4	4	4	8	4	8	8	>16
36i		4	4	8	8	8	4	4	4	4	8	>16
36j		8	8	16	16	16	8	16	8	8	16	>16
36k		>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16

[a] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. [b] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Enterococcus faecalis*. [c] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus aureus*. [d] Vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. [e] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecium*.

6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (brd, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 0.90 (brd, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H); MS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{87}Cl_2N_9O_{28}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1717.4, found 1717.5.

Removal of the Cbz group: To a solution of the resulting di-Cbz-vancomycin derivative (2.1 mg, 1.22 μ mol, 1.0 equiv) in $H_2O/MeOH$ (1:1, 200 μ L) under an argon atmosphere was added 10% Pd/C (≈ 0.5 mg, ≈ 0.5 equiv) followed by NH_4HCO_2 (2.0 mg, 31 μ mol, 26 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h after which time HPLC analysis indicated complete and clean conversion to vancomycin. The reaction mixture was filtered through a 20 μ m syringe frit and the frit was washed with $H_2O/MeOH/ACOH$ (1:1:1, 2×0.2 mL). The combined filtrates were diluted with acetone (2 mL) and centrifuged at 15000 rpm to obtain a white solid. Purification of this material by HPLC afforded 1.5 mg of vancomycin (**1**) (85%) which was identical to authentic material (1H NMR, HPLC, HRMS). **1**: HPLC: $t_R = 4.9$ min (LiChrospher C18, 4 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate = 1.0 mL min^{-1} , 5 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN in H_2O (0.1% TFA) over 15 min); 1H NMR (600 MHz, D_2O , 330 K): $\delta = 8.03$ (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.91–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.79–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.34–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 6.14 (brs, 1H), 6.06 (brs, 1H), 5.86 (s, 1H), 5.82 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.75 (d, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.23 (brs, 1H), 5.17 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.03–5.00 (m, 2H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 4.41 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.18–4.16 (m, 1H), 4.14–4.07 (m, 1H), 3.94 (t, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.87–3.84 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 1H), 3.40–3.39 (m, 1H), 3.15–3.14 (m, 1H), 3.11 (s, 1H), 2.72–2.70 (m, 1H), 2.42–2.40 (m, 1H), 2.38–2.34 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.13 (m, 1H), 2.06–2.02 (m, 1H), 1.99–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.49 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.24 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.20 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3H); HRMS (MALDI): calcd for $C_{66}H_{75}Cl_2N_9O_{24}Na$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 1470.4200, found 1470.4231.

General procedure for the synthesis of vancomycin monosaccharides analogues: The preparation of these compounds proceeded in a similar manner to the solid-phase semisynthesis of vancomycin. Conversion of compounds **34** to **35** is detailed below.

Conversion of compounds 34 to 35: Resin **34** (200 mg) was suspended in THF (2 mL) and H_2O (2 mL) was added. To this suspension, at 23 $^{\circ}C$, was added Et_3P (5.0 equiv) and the mixture was stirred for 4 h. The resin was filtered and washed (CH_2Cl_2 2×20 mL, MeOH 2×20 mL, Et_2O 2×20 mL) and then re-suspended in CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) at 23 $^{\circ}C$ and Et_3N (10.0 equiv) followed by the appropriate acid chloride (5.0 equiv) were added. After 8 h of stirring the resin was filtered off and washed (CH_2Cl_2 2×20 mL, MeOH 2×20 mL, Et_2O 2×20 mL). Product was cleaved from the resin and globally deprotected as described above for the conversion of **5** to **1** to yield **36a–k** (analytical HPLC: LiChrospher C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate 1.0 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN (0.05% TFA) in H_2O (0.05% TFA) over 10 min).

36a: $t_R = 5.1$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{59}H_{63}Cl_2N_9O_{21}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1306.1, found 1306.1.

36b: $t_R = 5.5$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{61}H_{65}Cl_2N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1348.1, found 1348.4.

36c: $t_R = 5.9$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{61}H_{65}Cl_2N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1348.2, found 1348.2.

36d: $t_R = 6.5$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{71}H_{85}Cl_2N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1488.4, found 1488.4.

36e: $t_R = 7.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{71}H_{85}Cl_2N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1488.4, found 1488.4.

36f: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{79}H_{76}Cl_3N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1610.8, found 1610.3.

36g: $t_R = 5.8$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{66}H_{68}Cl_3N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1430.6, found 1430.6.

36h: $t_R = 6.8$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{68}H_{70}Cl_3N_9O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1472.6, found 1472.5.

36i: $t_R = 6.2$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{65}H_{72}Cl_2N_8O_{22}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1388.2, found 1388.2.

36j: $t_R = 6.1$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{66}H_{68}Cl_2N_8O_{23}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1412.2, found 1412.2.

36k: $t_R = 6.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{69}H_{72}Cl_2N_8O_{23}$ [$M+H$] $^+$: 1453.3, found 1453.3.

Preparation of substituted phenols 37b–e: NaH (694 mg, 1.0 equiv, 60% suspension) was added to a solution of 3,4-dihydroxybenzaldehyde (**37a**, 2.50 g, 18.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DMF (25 mL, 0.7 M) cooled to 0 $^{\circ}C$. The

reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 10 min whereupon the appropriate benzyl or alkyl bromide was added (1.0 equiv). After warming to 23 $^{\circ}C$ with stirring over a period of 12–18 h, the reaction was quenched with 10% aq HCl and extracted with EtOAc (200 mL). After concentration, the crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, mixtures of EtOAc and hexanes) to give the desired phenol (**37b–e**).

37b: $R_f = 0.43$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 3409, 1681, 1606, 1508, 1277, 1123, 804$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 9.90$ (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.93 (s, 1H), 4.21 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.93–1.90 (m, 2H), 1.60–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.06 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 191.4, 151.7, 146.6, 130.8, 124.9, 114.4, 111.2, 69.3, 31.4, 19.5, 14.1$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{11}H_{14}O_3$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 217.0835, found 217.0839.

37c: $R_f = 0.56$ (40% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 3223, 1674, 1606, 1581, 1507, 1465, 1265, 1248, 1124, 802$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 9.90$ (s, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.47 (m, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 4.20 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.94–1.90 (m, 2H), 1.56–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.46–1.38 (m, 6H), 0.97 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 191.4, 151.6, 146.6, 130.8, 124.8, 114.4, 111.2, 69.7, 32.1, 29.4, 29.3, 26.2, 22.9, 14.4$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{14}H_{20}O_3$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 259.2960, found 259.2962.

37d: $R_f = 0.34$ (50% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 3242, 1675, 1604, 1510, 1456, 1281, 1117, 1010$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 9.80$ (s, 1H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 7H), 7.03 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.04 (s, 1H), 5.19 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 191.1, 151.1, 146.3, 135.2, 130.7, 128.8, 127.8, 124.4, 99.9, 71.2$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{14}H_{12}O_3$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 251.0678, found 251.0683.

37e: $R_f = 0.34$ (50% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 3372, 1678, 1606, 1545, 1579, 1277, 1124, 1007$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 9.82$ (s, 1H), 7.45–7.26 (m, 6H), 7.00 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.89 (s, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 191.0, 150.6, 146.2, 134.7, 133.6, 130.9, 129.2, 129.1, 124.3, 114.5, 111.5, 70.4$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{14}H_{11}ClO_3$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 285.0289, found 285.0283.

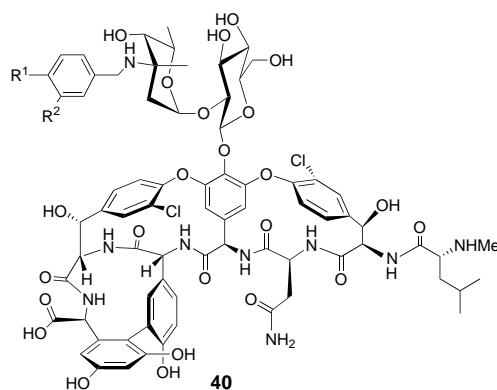
General procedure for the conversion of phenols 37 to olefins 38: The appropriate olefinic alcohol (1.5 equiv), triphenylphosphine (1.5 equiv) and diethyl azodicarboxylate (1.5 equiv) were added to a solution of phenol **37** (1.0 equiv) in THF (0.5 M) at 23 $^{\circ}C$. The mixture was stirred for 5 h at ambient temperature and then concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes mixtures) to give the desired olefin **38**.

38a: $R_f = 0.36$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 1698, 1595, 1263, 990, 929, 787$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 9.98$ (s, 1H), 7.53–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 1H), 6.16–6.11 (m, 1H), 5.55 (dd, $J = 3.5, 19.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, $J = 3.5, 19.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.67–4.66 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 192.4, 159.5, 138.2, 133.0, 130.4, 123.9, 122.4, 18.4, 113.5, 69.7$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{10}H_{10}O_2$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 185.0573, found 185.0579.

38b: $R_f = 0.45$ (15% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 1697, 1597, 1487, 1451, 1263, 1146, 1039, 919$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 10.0$ (s, 1H), 7.49–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.21 (m, 1H), 6.00–5.94 (m, 1H), 5.55 (dd, $J = 3.5, 19.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, $J = 3.5, 19.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.13–4.11 (m, 2H), 2.64–2.60 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 192.5, 159.8, 138.1, 134.5, 130.4, 123.8, 117.7, 67.8, 33.8$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{11}H_{12}O_2$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 199.0729, found 199.0721.

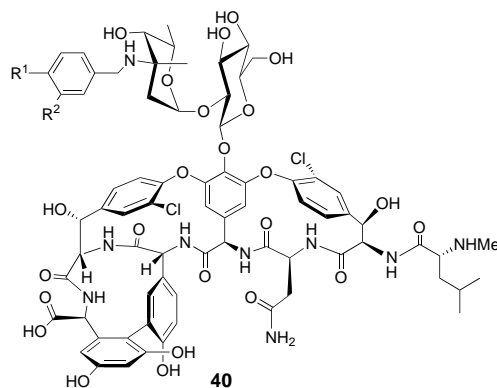
38c: $R_f = 0.48$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 1697, 1597, 1488, 1391, 1263, 1148$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 10.0$ (s, 1H), 7.54–7.51 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 5.96–5.86 (m, 1H), 5.15–5.11 (m, 1H), 5.09–5.06 (m, 1H), 4.08 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.00–1.95 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 192.5, 160.0, 138.2, 137.9, 130.4, 123.7, 122.2, 116.9, 113.2, 37.8, 30.4, 28.7$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{12}H_{14}O_2$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 213.0886, found 213.0890.

38d: $R_f = 0.77$ (20% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{max} = 1697.5, 1592.4, 1447.0, 1261.7, 1042.1, 912.6$ cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 10.0$ (s, 1H), 7.52–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.24 (m, 1H), 5.93–5.86 (m, 1H), 5.12 (d, $J = 17.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.10 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.29–2.19 (m, 2H), 1.93–1.87 (m, 2H), 1.69–1.63 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 199.9, 160.0, 138.7, 138.1, 130.4, 123.7, 122.3, 115.2, 113.1, 68.4, 33.7, 28.9, 25.6$; HRMS: calcd for $C_{13}H_{16}O_2$ [$M+Na$] $^+$: 227.2537, found 227.2540.

Table 2. Antibacterial activity (MIC: $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) of vancomycin-derived olefins (**40a–y**) against vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria.

Compound	R	R ²	R ³	Sa8250 ^[a]	Sp670 ^[a]	27266 ^[b]	4002 ^[b]	27261 ^[b]	48N ^[c]	25701 ^[c]	LO3 ^[c]	133 ^[c]	MU50 ^[d]	4001 ^[e]
1	vancomycin			0.5	0.25	2	0.5	2	1	1	0.5	0.25	4	>16
40a		H	D-NMeLeu	0.06	<0.03	0.125	<0.03	0.25	0.25	0.06	0.125	0.06	0.5	16
40b		H	D-NMeLeu	0.06	0.06	0.25	0.13	0.25	0.25	1	0.125	0.06	0.5	16
40c		H	D-NMeLeu	<0.03	<0.03	0.125	0.06	0.25	0.125	0.125	<0.03	<0.03	0.5	16
40d		H	D-NMeLeu	0.25	0.25	2	0.5	1	8	8	0.06	4	4	8
40e	H		D-NMeLeu	0.25	0.25	0.5	0.25	1	0.5	0.25	0.5	0.25	1	>16
40f	H		D-NMeLeu	0.125	0.06	0.5	0.13	0.5	1	0.25	0.125	0.06	0.5	>16
40g	H		D-NMeLeu	<0.03	<0.03	0.125	0.06	0.25	0.125	0.125	<0.03	<0.03	0.5	16
40h	H		D-NMeLeu	<0.03	<0.03	0.5	0.06	0.25	2	1	0.125	0.25	0.5	2
40i			D-NMeLeu	0.125	0.06	0.25	0.125	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.125	2	0.25	8
40j			D-NMeLeu	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	16
40k			D-NMeLeu	0.06	<0.03	0.5	0.25	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	2
40l			D-NMeLeu	0.125	0.06	2	0.5	2	2	2	2	8	2	2
40m			D-NMeLeu	0.06	0.06	0.125	0.125	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.5	0.25	2
40n			D-NMeLeu	0.125	0.06	0.25	0.125	0.25	1	0.5	0.25	4	1	2
40o			D-NMeLeu	0.25	0.06	0.25	0.06	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	1
40p			D-NMeLeu	0.125	0.06	1	0.25	0.5	1	1	1	4	1	2
40q	H		L-Asn	4	8	>16	16	>16	>16	16	16	8	>16	>16
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40s	H		β -Ala	1	2	8	4	8	4	16	8	4	8	>16
40t	H		β -Ala	1	2	4	4	4	4	8	16	1	4	>16
40u	H		γ -Abu	8	4	16	4	16	4	4	4	4	8	>16
40v	H		L-Phe	2	4	8	4	8	4	16	16	>16	8	>16
40w	H		L-Arg	4	4	16	16	16	8	16	16	2	8	>16
40x	H		H	2	2	16	8	16	4	8	4	4	16	>16
40y	H		H	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16

[a] Vancomycin susceptible strains of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. [b] Vancomycin susceptible strains of *Enterococcus faecalis*. [c] Vancomycin susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus aureus*. [d] Vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. [e] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecium*.

Table 3. Antibacterial activity (MIC: $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) of vancomycin-derived thioacetate (**40z–qq**) against vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria.

Compound	R ¹	R ²	Sa8250 ^[a]	Sp670 ^[a]	27266 ^[b]	4002 ^[b]	27261 ^[b]	48N ^[c]	25701 ^[c]	LO3 ^[c]	133 ^[c]	MU50 ^[d]	4001 ^[e]
1	vancomycin		0.5	0.25	2	0.5	2	1	1	0.5	0.25	4	>16
40z	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	H	0.5	0.25	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25	2	>16
40aa	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	H	0.5	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.25	0.125	0.25	0.06	<0.03	0.5	16
40bb	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	H	0.5	0.5	0.125	0.125	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.06	<0.03	0.5	16
40cc	O-(CH ₂) ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	H	0.5	0.5	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.125	<0.03	0.5	16
40dd	O-(CH ₂) ₆ -SAc	H	0.5	0.5	2	1	1	4	4	4	2	8	4
40ee	H	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.25	1	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25	2	>16
40ff	H	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.06	1	>16
40gg	H	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.25	0.125	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.125	<0.03	1	>16
40hh	H	O-(CH ₂) ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.06	<0.03	0.5	16
40ii	H	O-(CH ₂) ₆ -CH ₂ -SAc	1	0.5	4	2	2	8	8	8	4	8	8
40jj	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.25	4	0.5	8
40kk	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.125	0.06	0.25	0.06	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.5	2
40ll	O-(CH ₂) ₃ -SAc	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.125	0.06	2	0.5	1	2	2	1	2	2	2
40mm	O-(CH ₂) ₃ -SAc	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	1	0.5	2	0.5	2	8	2	4	8	4	4
40nn	O-CH ₂ -Ph	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	1	1	0.5	0.25	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	1	4
40oo	O-CH ₂ -Ph	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	2	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	4
40pp	O-CH ₂ -PhpCl	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25	1	1	2
40qq	O-CH ₂ -PhpCl	O-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -SAc	0.25	0.125	0.5	0.25	0.5	1	1	1	0.5	1	2

[a] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Streptococcus pneumoniae*. [b] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Enterococcus faecalis*. [c] Vancomycin-susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus aureus*. [d] Vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. [e] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecium*.

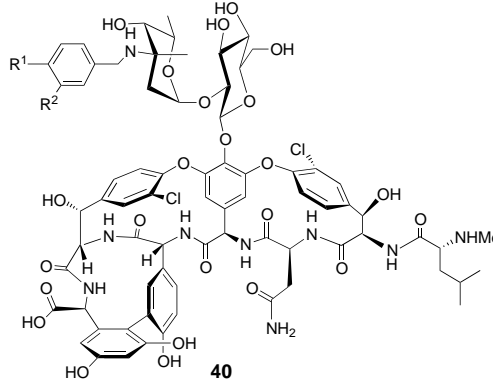
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
















38x: $R_f = 0.33$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{\text{max}} = 2924, 2854, 1688, 1588, 1508, 1436, 1389, 1268, 1131, 1016$ cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.82$ (s, 1H), 7.45–7.32 (m, 7H), 6.99 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.23 (s, 2H), 4.08 (t, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.89–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.50–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.26 (m, 12H), 0.88 (t, $J = 6.72$ Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 191.0, 153.9, 149.6, 136.3, 130.3, 128.6, 128.0, 126.9, 126.9, 126.3,$

112.8, 110.8, 70.7, 69.0, 31.8, 29.6, 29.5, 29.3, 29.0, 26.0, 22.6, 14.1; HRMS: calcd for C₂₄H₃₂O₃ [$M + Na$]⁺: 391.2243, found 391.2239.

38y: $R_f = 0.16$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{\text{max}} = 1685, 1588, 1507, 1434, 1434, 1387, 1269, 1129$ cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.81$ (s, 1H), 7.50–7.36 (m, 12H), 7.01 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 5.22 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 190.8, 154.2, 149.1, 136.5, 136.2, 130.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 127.3, 127.0, 126.7, 113.0, 112.2, 70.9, 70.7$; HRMS: calcd for C₂₁H₁₈O₃ [$M + Na$]⁺: 341.1148, found 341.1156.

38z: $R_f = 0.35$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{\text{max}} = 2924, 2854, 1686, 1586, 1509, 1270, 1126$ cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.83$ (s, 1H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 6H), 6.96 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.07 (t, $J =$

Table 4. Antibacterial activity (MIC: $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) of monomeric vancomycin derivatives against vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria.


Compound	R ¹	R ²	MU50 ^[a]	133 ^[a]	4002 ^[b]	1528 ^[c]	2689 ^[c]	2741 ^[c]	2781 ^[c]	2805 ^[c]	4001 ^[d]	1669 ^[e]	2671 ^[e]	2823 ^[e]	1803 ^[f]	1924 ^[f]	1944 ^[f]	
			tetracycline	50	0.2	50	100	100	>100	50	50	50	100	50	25	>100	25	50
1			vancomycin	3.13	0.39	0.39	>100	50	>100	100	25	>100	100	50	100	50	25	50
40gg	H		8	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	0.5	1	1	1	0.125	1	
40dd		H	4	2	0.5	2	4	4	4	4	8	1	2	2	0.5	0.125	2	
40ii	H		0.5	4	4	2	8	8	4	8	8	1	1	4	1	0.06	1	
40rr		OH	0.25	0.125	0.25	2	16	0.5	4	2	8	8	4	1	1	1	4	
40ss			0.5	0.5	0.25	1	2	0.125	2	0.5	4	2	2	1	0.5	0.25	2	
40tt			8	8	2	8	8	4	8	16	8	4	8	2	2	1	4	
40uu			>16	>16	16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	16	16	
40vv		OH	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.25	2	0.125	2	0.25	4	2	0.5	0.5	0.25	0.5	1	
40ww			2	4	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	4	1	1	0.5	2	
40xx			>16	>16	16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	8	16	
40yy			>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	

[a] Vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. [b] Vancomycin-susceptible *Enterococcus faecalis*. [c] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecalis*. [d] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecium*. [e] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) and Synercid-resistant (sat G) *Enterococcus faecium*. [f] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) and Synercid-resistant (sat A) *Enterococcus faecium*.

2.98 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.92–1.87 (m, 2H), 1.75–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.65–1.59 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 196.2, 191.1, 164.5, 132.3, 130.2, 119.4, 115.1, 68.4, 31.0, 29.6, 29.2, 25.5$; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3\text{S} [M+\text{Na}]^+$: 289.0869, found 289.0868.

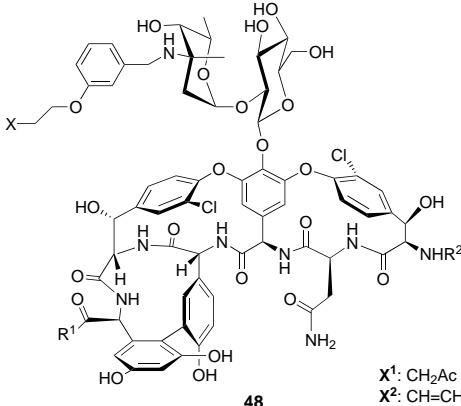
39q: $R_f = 0.25$ (15% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{\text{max}} = 1695, 1600, 1510, 1257, 1159, 833$ cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 9.96$ (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.10 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.98 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.91–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.72–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.59–1.49 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 196.2, 191.1, 164.5, 132.3, 130.2, 115.1, 68.5, 31.0, 29.8, 29.3, 28.8, 25.9, 25.5$; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3\text{S} [M+\text{Na}]^+$: 303.1025, found 303.1030.

39r: $R_f = 0.34$ (10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film): $\tilde{\nu}_{\text{max}} = 1683, 1601, 1257, 1159, 833$ cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 9.97$ (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2H), 4.08 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 2H), 2.93 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.89–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.55–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.34 (m, 10H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 196.4, 192.5, 164.6, 132.4, 130.1, 115.1, 68.6, 31.0, 29.9, 29.7, 29.6, 29.5, 29.4, 29.1, 26.3, 25.5$; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3\text{S} [M+\text{Na}]^+$: 359.1651, found 359.1652.

General procedure for the reductive alkylation of vancomycin: DIEA (15.0 μL , 1.2 equiv, 82.7 μmol) was added to a solution of vancomycin (**1**, 100.0 mg, 1.0 equiv, 69.0 μmol) in DMF/MeOH (1:1, 0.01M) and the

appropriate aldehyde (**37**, **38**, or **39**, ≈ 18.0 mg, 1.3 equiv, 89.6 μmol). The solution was heated at 65°C for 2 h and then allowed to cool to room temperature prior to addition of NaCNBH_3 (8.6 mg, 2.0 equiv, 138.0 μmol). The reaction mixture was then stirred at 65°C for an additional 2 h and allowed to cool to ambient temperature overnight (12–18 h). Purification by preparative reverse-phase HPLC (VYDAC C18, 25 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate 6.5 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN (0.1% TFA) in H_2O over 30 min) gave the desired compounds **40** (analytical HPLC data given below for LiChrospher C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate 1.0 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN (0.05% TFA) in H_2O (0.05% TFA) over 10 min for **40a–qq**, over 8 min for **40rr–yy**).

40a: $t_R = 7.0$ min; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.92$ (d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.98–5.91 (m, 1H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.28–5.10 (m, 2H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.60–2.59 (m, 2H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 3H), 1.00–0.97 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $\text{C}_{78}\text{H}_{89}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_9\text{O}_{25} [M+\text{H}]^+$: 1623.5, found 1623.5.

Table 5. Antibacterial activity (MIC: $\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$) of amino acid 1 modified vancomycin derivatives against vancomycin-susceptible, vancomycin-intermediate resistant, and vancomycin-resistant bacteria.


Com- pound	R ¹	R ²	X	MU50 ^[a]	133 ^[a]	4002 ^[b]	1528 ^[c]	2689 ^[c]	2741 ^[c]	2781 ^[c]	2805 ^[c]	4001 ^[d]	1669 ^[e]	2671 ^[e]	2823 ^[e]	1803 ^[f]	1924 ^[f]	1944 ^[f]
1	vancomycin			3.13	0.39	0.39	>100	50	>100	100	25	>100	100	50	100	50	25	50
48a	Gly	H	X ¹	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48c	Gly	L-Ala	X ¹	8	2	4	8	>16	4	>16	8	>16	>16	16	16	8	16	>16
48g	Gly	ϵ -Ahx	X ¹	16	4	4	8	>16	8	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	>16	16
48i	Gly	L-Val	X ¹	8	4	4	8	>16	4	>16	8	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	16	>16
48k	Gly	L-Leu	X ¹	8	4	4	16	>16	4	>16	16	>16	>16	16	16	8	16	>16
48l	Gly	L-Ser	X ¹	16	4	4	>16	>16	16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	>16	16
48s	Gly	L-Lys	X ¹	8	2	4	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48w	Gly	H	X ²	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48x	Gly	L-Val	X ²	2	1	2	8	>16	2	16	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
48z	Gly	L-Cha	X ²	8	4	4	16	>16	16	16	16	16	16	16	8	16	8	8
48ee	Gly	L-Lys	X ²	4	1	4	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	>16	>16	16	16	16	16
48ff	L-Val	H	X ²	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48gg	L-Val	L-Val	X ²	8	4	4	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48ww	L-Phe	L-Lys	X ²	8	4	4	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16
48ddd	L-Glu	L-Thi ^[g]	X ²	4	1	2	16	>16	4	>16	16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	16	>16
48hhh	L-Lys	L-Val	X ²	8	1	2	>16	>16	8	>16	>16	16	16	16	16	8	8	8
48ooo	L-Lys	L-Lys	X ²	16	1	4	>16	>16	>16	>16	>16	16	>16	>16	16	16	16	16

[a] Vancomycin-intermediate resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*. [b] Vancomycin-susceptible *Enterococcus faecalis*. [c] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecalis*. [d] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) *Enterococcus faecium*. [e] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) and Synercid-resistant (sat G) *Enterococcus faecium*. [f] Vancomycin-resistant (van A) and Synercid-resistant (sat A) *Enterococcus faecium*. [g] Thi is β -(2-thienyl)alanine.

5.88–5.70 (m, 2H), 5.60 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 5.05–4.90 (m, 3H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.00 (m, 1H), 2.15–2.10 (m, 4H), 2.01 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.83–1.74 (m, 5H), 1.64–1.59 (m, 5H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $\text{C}_{85}\text{H}_{94}\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_9\text{O}_{26}$ $[M+H]^+$: 1765.0, found 1766.0.

40p: t_R = 7.6 min; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): δ = 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.39 (m, 7H), 7.25 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 7.05–7.04 (m, 1H), 6.72 (s, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.08–5.97 (m, 3H), 5.65 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 5.35–5.27 (m, 5H), 4.90 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.18 (m, 3H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.70–2.68 (m, 2H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 1.03–1.00 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $\text{C}_{84}\text{H}_{92}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_9\text{O}_{26}$ $[M+H]^+$: 1751.9, found 1752.0.

40z: t_R = 6.9 min; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): δ = 7.90 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 2H), 7.74–7.67 (m, 4H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.10–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.17–2.13 (m, 4H), 2.03–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.79 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.02–0.98 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $\text{C}_{78}\text{H}_{89}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_9\text{O}_{26}\text{S}$ $[M+H]^+$: 1671.6, found 1671.6.

40aa: t_R = 7.1 min; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): δ = 7.89 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 7.78–7.76 (m, 3H), 7.70 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.50 Hz, 1H), 7.11–7.05 (m, 3H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.10–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.17–2.13 (m, 4H), 2.01–1.87 (m, 3H), 1.80–1.70 (m, 8H),

1.65–1.59 (m, 2H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 3H), 1.03–1.00 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{79}H_{91}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1685.6, found 1685.6.

40bb: $t_R = 7.2$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.90$ –7.80 (m, 3H), 7.75 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.10–7.07 (m, 3H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.10–3.90 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–2.95 (m, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.87 (m, 3H), 1.64–1.48 (m, 7H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{93}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1699.6, found 1699.6.

40cc: $t_R = 7.4$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.90$ (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.10–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.98 (m, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.91–1.74 (m, 5H), 1.72–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.59–1.49 (m, 4H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.02–0.98 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{95}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1713.6, found 1713.6.

40dd: $t_R = 8.9$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.90$ (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.48 (br, 1H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.12–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.95 (m, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.89–1.74 (m, 5H), 1.66–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.55–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.34 (m, 12H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.04–1.00 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{103}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1769.7, found 1769.7.

40ee: $t_R = 7.0$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.90$ (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.45 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.67 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.14 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.03–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.17–2.13 (m, 4H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 6H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.03–0.99 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{78}H_{89}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1671.6, found 1671.6.

40ff: $t_R = 7.2$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.77$ –7.75 (m, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.45 (m, 4H), 7.25–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.62 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.14 (t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.04–3.00 (m, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01–1.92 (m, 3H), 1.78 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.02–0.99 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{79}H_{91}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1685.6, found 1685.6.

40gg: $t_R = 7.8$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.80$ –7.75 (m, 3H), 7.68 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.48 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.63 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.14 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 4.08–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01–1.92 (m, 7H), 1.77 (s, 3H), 1.66–1.62 (m, 2H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{93}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1699.6, found 1699.6.

40hh: $t_R = 7.7$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.80$ (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.10 (m, 4H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs,

2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.03–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.90 (m, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.85–1.75 (m, 5H), 1.65–1.55 (m, 5H), 1.52–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.85$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{95}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1713.6, found 1713.6.

40ii: $t_R = 9.2$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.82$ (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.78 (s, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.67 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.08–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.93 (m, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.89–1.74 (m, 8H), 1.66–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.55–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.34 (m, 12H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 3H), 1.04–1.00 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{103}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1769.7, found 1769.7.

40jj: $t_R = 7.2$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.46 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.13 (m, 5H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.14 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.20–2.15 (m, 4H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.96–1.88 (m, 2H), 1.79 (m, 3H), 1.60–1.54 (m, 2H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.05–1.00 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{97}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1743.6, found 1743.6.

40kk: $t_R = 7.4$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.80$ (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.48–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.00 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.12–4.10 (m, 2H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 10H), 1.60–1.52 (m, 4H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.04–0.98 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{83}H_{99}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1757.9, found 1758.0.

40ll: $t_R = 8.1$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.90$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.44 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.00–6.92 (m, 3H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.67 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.10 (m, 5H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.02–2.91 (m, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.00–1.75 (m, 10H), 1.65–1.50 (m, 7H), 1.44–1.20 (m, 11H), 1.05–1.00 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{103}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1785.7, found 1785.6.

40mm: $t_R = 8.4$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.81$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.40 (m, 3H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.94–6.90 (m, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.63–5.55 (m, 2H), 5.45 (d, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.05–3.90 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.05–2.90 (m, 3H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 3H), 1.65–1.20 (m, 18H), 1.05–1.00 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{86}H_{105}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S$ $[M+H]^+$: 1799.7, found 1799.7.

40nn: $t_R = 8.6$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ –7.73 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.48 (m, 8H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.60–5.58 (m, 2H), 5.47 (d, $J = 14.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.22–4.20 (m, 3H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.17–3.15 (m, 2H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.23–2.15 (m, 4H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.77 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz,

3H), 1.04–1.02 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{95}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S [M+H]^+$: 1778.7, found 1778.7.

40oo: $t_R = 8.8$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.79$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.32 (m, 8H), 7.20–6.95 (m, 3H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.67 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.37–5.25 (m, 3H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–3.90 (m, 7H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.00–2.95 (m, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.03–1.74 (m, 7H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{86}H_{97}Cl_2N_9O_{27}S [M+H]^+$: 1792.3, found 1792.3.

40pp: $t_R = 7.7$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.76$ (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.45 (m, 5H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.45$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.02 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.10 (m, 5H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01–2.97 (m, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01–1.90 (m, 5H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 5H), 1.65–1.63 (m, 2H), 1.56–1.37 (m, 5H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.04–0.96 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{94}Cl_3N_9O_{27}S [M+H]^+$: 1813.1, found 1813.8.

40qq: $t_R = 7.8$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.44 (m, 5H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.67 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35–5.28 (m, 3H), (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20–4.15 (m, 3H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49–3.45 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.01 (m, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.03–1.96 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.92–1.74 (m, 5H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.04–1.02 (m, 6H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{86}H_{96}Cl_3N_9O_{27}S [M+H]^+$: 1826.1, found 1826.2.

40rr: $t_R = 6.6$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.38 (m, 8H), 7.22 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.03–6.78 (m, 3H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.10–6.04 (m, 3H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 3H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{87}Cl_2N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1661.5, found 1661.5.

40ss: $t_R = 7.7$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.77$ (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.20 (m, 14H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.01–6.78 (m, 3H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35–5.26 (m, 5H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{87}H_{93}Cl_2N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1752.6, found 1752.6.

40tt: $t_R = 8.5$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.80$ (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, $J = 14.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.50–7.32 (m, 5H), 7.23 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.96–6.86 (m, 3H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35–5.32 (m, 3H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.10–3.92 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.85–1.70 (m, 8H), 1.51–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.25 (m, 13H), 1.00–0.86 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{88}H_{105}Cl_2N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1774.7, found 1774.7.

40uu: $t_R = 9.4$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.82$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.30 (m, 8H), 7.23 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.00 (m, 2H), 6.80 (brs, 2H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.01 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.33–5.23 (m, 3H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H),

4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.07–3.81 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.83–1.75 (m, 8H), 1.50–1.45 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.00 (m, 23H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{90}H_{107}Cl_2N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1802.7, found 1802.7.

40vv: $t_R = 7.0$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ (s, 1H), 7.76 (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.20 (m, 8H), 7.08–7.00 (m, 2H), 6.78 (brs, 2H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.49 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.08 (brs, 2H), 5.89 (m, 5H), 5.65 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.78–1.70 (m, 6H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{86}Cl_3N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1696.9, found 1696.8.

40ww: $t_R = 8.0$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.77$ (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.26 (m, 12H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.00–6.9 (m, 3H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.51 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.21–5.16 (m, 4H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.04–3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.80–1.74 (m, 3H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.36 (m, 2H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.25$ Hz, 3H), 1.04 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J = 5.85$ Hz, 3H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{87}H_{91}Cl_4N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1821.5, found 1822.0.

40xx: $t_R = 9.2$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.78$ –7.74 (m, 3H), 7.66 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.44–7.12 (m, 9H), 6.92–6.78 (m, 2H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 6.50 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.05 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.20–4.90 (m, 2H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.08–3.89 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 1.96–1.70 (m, 9H), 1.50–1.39 (m, 4H), 1.34–1.20 (m, 10H), 1.05–0.90 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{88}H_{102}Cl_3N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1809.1, found 1809.2.

40yy: $t_R = 9.8$ min; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD , 330 K): $\delta = 7.76$ (d, $J = 15.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.42–7.22 (m, 8H), 7.02–6.82 (m, 4H), 6.60–6.50 (m, 3H), 6.14 (s, 2H), 5.65 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.35 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 4.90 (q, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 4.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 4.08–3.88 (m, 6H), 3.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.49 (m, 1H), 3.01 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.01 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.81–1.70 (m, 8H), 1.50–1.20 (m, 21H), 1.09–0.80 (m, 9H); LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{90}H_{106}Cl_3N_9O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1836.2, found 1835.9.

Preparation of Boc-protected 42a and 42b: $NaHCO_3$ (430.0 mg, 1.5 equiv, 5.3 mmol) and Boc_2O (1.6 g, 2.2 equiv, 7.7 mmol) were added at 0 °C to a solution of vancomycin (**1**, 5.0 g, 1.0 equiv, 3.5 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane/ H_2O (1:1, 60.0 mL, 0.06 M). After stirring for 4 h at 0 °C, acetone (500 mL) was added to precipitate the desired product. After filtration, the residue was dissolved in MeOH/DMF (1:1, 50 mL) and precipitated by the addition of acetone (500 mL). A portion of the isolated precipitate (1.0 g, 1.0 equiv, 0.6 mmol) was dissolved in DMF/MeOH (4:1, 25 mL) and the appropriate aldehyde (**39e** or **40e**) was added (≈ 250 mg, 2.0 equiv, 1.2 mmol) followed by iPr_2NEt (460 μL , 4.0 equiv, 2.4 mmol) and $NaCNBH_3$ (160.0 mg, 4.0 equiv, 2.4 mmol). The mixture was warmed to 65 °C and stirred for 20 h. After cooling of the reaction mixture, Et_2O (200 mL) was added to precipitate the product (**42a** or **42b**; HPLC data: LiChrospher C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate = 1.0 mL min^{-1} , 0 \rightarrow 100% CH_3CN (0.05% TFA) in H_2O (0.05% TFA) over 10 min) which was then collected by filtration and used without further purification.

42a: $t_R = 8.5$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{77}H_{87}Cl_3N_9O_{25} [M+H]^+$: 1610.5, found 1610.5.

42b: $t_R = 9.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{78}H_{89}Cl_2N_9O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1672.6, found 1672.6.

General procedure for the conversion of 42a and 42b to 40x and 44: TFA (10 mL) was added dropwise at ambient temperature to a vigorously stirred suspension of Boc-protected vancomycin derivative (**42a** or **42b**, 2.0 g, ≈ 1.1 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (90 mL). After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was dissolved in MeOH (40 mL). Et_2O (250 mL) was then added to precipitate the desired product. A portion of this product (1.00 g, 1.0 equiv, ≈ 0.68 mmol) was

dissolved in pyridine/H₂O (1:1, 22 mL, 0.03 M) and phenylthioisocyanate (82.5 μ L, 1.5 equiv, 1.03 mmol) was added. After stirring for 4 h at ambient temperature, Et₂O (250 mL) was added to precipitation the desired thiourea which was isolated by filtration. To a suspension of the intermediate thiourea in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) was added of TFA (2.5 mL) dropwise. After 2 h, MeOH (100 mL) was added and the solution was carefully evaporated to dryness without heating. Dissolution of the residue in MeOH (25 mL) and precipitation with Et₂O (200 mL) followed by filtration gave the pure hexapeptide. HPLC data: LiChrospher C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate = 1.0 mL min⁻¹, 0 \rightarrow 100% CH₃CN (0.05% TFA) in H₂O (0.05% TFA) over 10 min.

40x: t_R = 6.9 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₀H₇₄Cl₂N₈O₂₄ [M+H]⁺: 1483.2, found 1483.2.

44: t_R = 6.8 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₁H₇₆Cl₂N₈O₂₅S [M+H]⁺: 1545.3, found 1545.3.

40y (Table 2, prepared in a similar manner as above): t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₂H₇₈Cl₂N₈O₂₄ [M+H]⁺: 1511.3, found 1511.4.

Preparation of compounds 40q–w (Table 2) Acylation of the hexapeptide (40x or 40y): *i*Pr₂NEt (7.0 μ L, 3.0 equiv, 40.0 μ mol) followed by HBTU (7.7 mg, 1.5 equiv, 20.0 μ mol) were added room temperature to a solution of the hexapeptide **40x** or **40y** (20.0 mg, 1.0 equiv, \approx 13.3 μ mol) in DMF (660 μ L, 0.02 M) and the appropriate Fmoc-protected amino acid (Scheme 6, \approx 6.6 mg, 1.5 equiv, 20.0 μ mol). After stirring for 2 h, Et₂O (15 mL) was added to precipitate the product. After filtration, dissolution of the residue in MeOH/DMF (1:1, 2.0 mL) followed by precipitation with Et₂O (10 mL) gave the desired Fmoc-protected heptapeptide. Dissolution of this compound in 5% piperidine in DMF (600 μ L, 0.02 M) gave, after 30 min, the desired heptapeptide **40q** or **40y** which was precipitated by addition of Et₂O (10 mL) and purified by preparative HPLC (VYDAC C18, 25 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate 6.5 mL min⁻¹, 0 \rightarrow 100% CH₃CN (0.01% TFA) in H₂O over 30 min). Analytical HPLC data given below for LiChrospher C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate = 1.0 mL min⁻¹, 0 \rightarrow 100% CH₃CN (0.05% TFA) in H₂O (0.05% TFA) over 8 min.

40q: t_R = 6.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₄H₈₀Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1597.3, found 1597.4.

40r: t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₆H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1625.4, found 1625.6.

40s: t_R = 6.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₃H₇₉Cl₂N₉O₂₅ [M+H]⁺: 1554.3, found 1554.2.

40t: t_R = 7.0 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₅H₈₃Cl₂N₉O₂₅ [M+H]⁺: 1582.4, found 1582.4.

40u: t_R = 6.5 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₄H₈₁Cl₂N₉O₂₅ [M+H]⁺: 1568.3, found 1568.3.

40v: t_R = 6.8 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₈₃Cl₂N₉O₂₅ [M+H]⁺: 1630.4, found 1630.4.

40w: t_R = 7.00 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₃H₉₉Cl₂N₁₃O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1766.6, found 1766.5.

General procedure for the solid phase synthesis of analogues 48a–48oo (Scheme 9): A solution of vancomycin-derived olefin **40x** or thioacetate **44** (\approx 260 mg, 2.0 equiv, 0.18 mmol) in DMF (10.0 mL) was added to a suspension of the appropriate resin-bound amino acid (**46**, 250.0 mg) followed by the addition of *i*Pr₂NEt (62.0 mL, 4.0 equiv, 0.35 mmol) and HBTU (66.0 mg, 2.0 equiv, 0.18 mmol). The reaction mixture was shaken at room temperature for 1 h, the resin was collected by filtration and washed, sequentially, with DMF (10 mL), MeOH (10 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). A portion (25 mg) of the vancomycin-loaded resin thus obtained was mixed with the appropriate Fmoc-protected amino acid **47**, (Scheme 9, \approx 5 mg, 2.0 equiv, 14.0 μ mol) and suspended in DMF (1.0 mL). To this suspension was added *i*Pr₂NEt (5.0 μ L, 4.0 equiv, 28.0 μ mol) at ambient temperature, followed by HBTU (5.3 mg, 2.0 equiv, 14.0 μ mol). The suspension was shaken for 2 h before the resin was collected and washed as described above. After re-suspension of the resin in 2% piperidine in DMF (1 mL) and shaking for 1 h at room temperature to remove the Fmoc protecting group, the resin was collected and washed as above. To cleave the vancomycin derivative from the resin, a suspension of the resin in CH₂Cl₂ containing 2.5% TFA (1.5 mL) was stirred for 1.5 h at ambient temperature. The resin was filtered, washed with MeOH (10 mL), and the combined washings were concentrated to afford vancomycin analogue **48** in essentially pure form. Analytical HPLC data given below for LiChrospher

C18, 6 mm \times 250 mm, flow rate 1.0 mL min⁻¹, 0 \rightarrow 100% CH₃CN (0.05% TFA) in H₂O (0.05% TFA) over 10 min.

48a: t_R = 7.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₃H₇₉Cl₂N₉O₂₆S [M+H]⁺: 1601.4, found 1600.9.

48b: t_R = 7.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₅H₈₂Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1659.5, found 1659.6.

48c: t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₆H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1673.5, found 1673.2.

48d: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₆H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1673.5, found 1673.5.

48e: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₆H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1673.5, found 1673.5.

48f: t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₇H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1687.5, found 1687.5.

48g: t_R = 7.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₉₀Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1714.6, found 1715.0.

48h: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₉₀Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1715.5, found 1715.6.

48i: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₈H₈₈Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1701.6, found 1701.5.

48j: t_R = 8.1 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₂H₉₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1755.7, found 1755.6.

48k: t_R = 7.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₉₀Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1715.5, found 1715.5.

48l: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₆H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₈S [M+H]⁺: 1689.5, found 1689.5.

48m: t_R = 7.4 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₇H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₈S [M+H]⁺: 1703.5, found 1703.6.

48n: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₈H₈₈Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S₂ [M+H]⁺: 1733.6, found 1733.6.

48o: t_R = 7.7 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₂H₈₈Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1749.6, found 1749.6.

48p: t_R = 7.5 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₂H₈₀Cl₂N₁₀O₂₈S [M+H]⁺: 1765.6, found 1764.9.

48q: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₀H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1755.6, found 1755.6.

48r: t_R = 7.7 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₈H₈₉Cl₂N₁₁O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1715.5, found 1715.5.

48s: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₉₁Cl₂N₁₁O₂₇S [M+H]⁺: 1730.6, found 1730.5.

48t: t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₉₀Cl₂N₁₂O₂₈ [M+H]⁺: 1759.6, found 1759.6.

48u: t_R = 7.5 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₁H₉₂Cl₂N₁₀O₂₉S [M+H]⁺: 1772.6, found 1771.9.

48v: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₂H₉₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₉S [M+H]⁺: 1787.6, found 1787.6.

48x: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₇H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1638.5, found 1638.5.

48y: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₈H₈₈Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1653.5, found 1653.4.

48z: t_R = 8.0 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₁H₉₂Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1693.5, found 1693.5.

48aa: t_R = 7.5 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₇H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆S [M+H]⁺: 1671.5, found 1671.5.

48bb: t_R = 7.2 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₅H₈₂Cl₂N₁₀O₂₇ [M+H]⁺: 1627.4, found 1627.5.

48cc: t_R = 7.6 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₉H₈₄Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆S [M+H]⁺: 1693.5, found 1693.5.

48dd: t_R = 7.7 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₈₁H₈₆Cl₂N₁₀O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1687.5, found 1687.5.

48ee: t_R = 7.3 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₈H₈₉Cl₂N₁₁O₂₆ [M+H]⁺: 1668.5, found 1668.5.

48ff: t_R = 7.5 min; LCMS (ES): calcd for C₇₅H₈₃Cl₂N₉O₂₅ [M+H]⁺: 1582.4, found 1582.4.

48gg: $t_R = 7.8$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1681.5, found 1681.5.

48hh: $t_R = 8.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{94}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1694.6, found 1694.6.

48ii: $t_R = 8.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{84}H_{98}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1735.6, found 1735.5.

48jj: $t_R = 7.8$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1713.6, found 1716.6.

48kk: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{78}H_{88}Cl_2N_{10}O_{27} [M+H]^+$: 1669.5, found 1669.5.

48ll: $t_R = 8.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{90}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1735.6, found 1735.6.

48mm: $t_R = 8.1$ min; LCMS (EI): calcd for $C_{84}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1729.5, found 1729.5.

48nn: $t_R = 7.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{95}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1710.6, found 1710.6.

48oo: $t_R = 7.9$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{79}H_{83}Cl_2N_9O_{25} [M+H]^+$: 1630.4, found 1630.6.

48pp: $t_R = 8.1$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{84}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1729.6, found 1729.7.

48qq: $t_R = 8.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{94}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1742.6, found 1742.6.

48rr: $t_R = 8.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{88}H_{98}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1783.6, found 1783.6.

48ss: $t_R = 8.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{84}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1761.6, found 1761.6.

48tt: $t_R = 8.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{78}H_{86}Cl_2N_{10}O_{29} [M+H]^+$: 1699.4, found 1699.5.

48uu: $t_R = 8.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{86}H_{90}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1783.7, found 1783.7.

48vv: $t_R = 8.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{88}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1777.6, found 1777.6.

48ww: $t_R = 8.1$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{95}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1758.6, found 1758.6.

48xx: $t_R = 7.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{75}H_{81}Cl_2N_9O_{27} [M+H]^+$: 1612.4, found 1612.3.

48yy: $t_R = 7.4$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{90}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1711.5, found 1711.5.

48zz: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{92}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1725.5, found 1725.5.

48aaa: $t_R = 8.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{84}H_{96}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1765.6, found 1765.6.

48bbb: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{80}H_{90}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28}S [M+H]^+$: 1743.5, found 1743.5.

48ccc: $t_R = 7.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{78}H_{86}Cl_2N_{10}O_{29} [M+H]^+$: 1699.4, found 1699.4.

48ddd: $t_R = 6.9$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{88}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1765.5, found 1765.5.

48eee: $t_R = 7.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{84}H_{90}Cl_2N_{10}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1758.5, found 1785.5.

48fff: $t_R = 7.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{93}Cl_2N_{11}O_{28} [M+H]^+$: 1740.5, found 1740.5.

48ggg: $t_R = 7.0$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{76}H_{86}Cl_2N_{10}O_{25} [M+H]^+$: 1611.5, found 1611.6.

48hhh: $t_R = 7.3$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{95}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1710.6, found 1710.6.

48iii: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{97}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1723.6, found 1723.6.

48jjj: $t_R = 8.1$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{101}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1764.6, found 1764.5.

48kkk: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{81}H_{95}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1742.6, found 1742.6.

48lll: $t_R = 7.2$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{79}H_{91}Cl_2N_{11}O_{27} [M+H]^+$: 1698.5, found 1698.5.

48mmm: $t_R = 7.6$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{83}H_{93}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26}S [M+H]^+$: 1764.7, found 1764.7.

48nnn: $t_R = 7.7$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{85}H_{95}Cl_2N_{11}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1758.6, found 1758.6.

48ooo: $t_R = 6.9$ min; LCMS (ES): calcd for $C_{82}H_{98}Cl_2N_{12}O_{26} [M+H]^+$: 1739.6, found 1739.6.

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