

REACTIONS OF PENNOGENIN AND RELATED COMPOUNDS.

I. PRODUCTION OF FULL ACETATES OF PENNOGENIN GLYCOSIDES

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The possibility of obtaining the full acetates of some glycosides of 25R-spirost-5-ene-3 β ,17 α -diol (pennogenin, I) — the 3-O- β -D-glucopyranoside of (I) (II), the 3-O-[O- α -L-arabinofuranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)][O- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)]- β -D-glucopyranoside of (I) (III), and the 3-O-[O- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)][O- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)]- β -D-glucopyranoside of (I) (IV) — under conditions promoting the acetylation of the hindered 17 α (OH) group of (I) [1] has been studied. Products of the reaction of (II), (III), and (IV) under the conditions given in (I) which were chromatographically homogeneous on TLC (SiO₂-CaSO₄) in the benzene-ethyl acetate (3:1) system — (V), (VI), and (VII), respectively [R_f (V) > R_f (VII) > R_f (VI)] — were studied by ¹³C NMR spectroscopy (Bruker HX-90E spectrometer, 22.63 MHz). Analysis of the ¹³C NMR spectra of (V), (VI), and (VII) showed that the ¹³C chemical shifts (CSs) of their aglycone moieties were practically identical with those of the 3,17-di-O-acetate of (I), (VIII), with the exception of the signal due to the carbon atoms of ring A. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) of (V), δ , ppm: 9.55 (C-21), 17.1 (C-27), 17.4 (C-18), 19.4 (C-19), 20.7 (C-11, CH₃·CO \times 4), 22.3 (CH₃·CO at C-17), 28.4 (C-24), 29.5 (C-2), 30.2 (C-25), 31.5 (C-23), 31.9 (C-7, C-8)*, 32.2 (C-15)*, 33.0 (C-12)*, 36.8 (C-10), 37.2 (C-1), 38.9 (C-4), 46.1 (C-20), 46.3 (C-13), 49.7 (C-9), 53.5 (C-14), 62.2 (Glc C'-6), 66.9 (C-26), 68.6 (Glc C'-4), 71.6 (Glc C'-2), 71.7 (Glc C'-5), 73.0 (Glc C'-3), 80.0 (C-3), 82.3 (C-16), 99.7 (Glc C'-1), 101.4 (C-17), 108.0 (C-22), 122.0 (C-6), 140.2 (C-5), [169.4, 170.3 \times 170.6 (CH₃·COO)].

Conversely, the ¹³C CSs of the atoms of ring A and of the carbohydrate chains of (V), (VI), and (VII) were close to those of the acetates (II), (III), and (IV) containing a free C-17 α (OH) group that we had obtained previously [2-4]. This shows that under the action of acetic anhydride in the presence of a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (stirring at room temperature for 7 h), the full acetates of (II), (III), and (IV) [(V), (VI), and (VII)] were formed. The acetylation of the C-17 α (OH) group of the aglycone was not accompanied by the degradation of the carbohydrate chains during the reaction.

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*The assignment may be interchanged.