

97. Acid-Catalyzed Rearrangement of 3-Aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octan-6-one Acetals. Highly Stereoselective Total Synthesis of 3-Amino-3-deoxy-D-altrose and Derivatives¹⁾²⁾

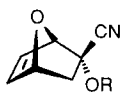
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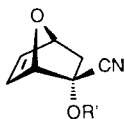
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Ethyl and *tert*-butyl azidoformate added to 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-one dimethyl (**5**) and dibenzyl (**6**) acetals to give mixtures of regioisomeric triazolines. The latter gave the corresponding aziridines (6,6-dialkoxy-3-aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane-3-carboxylates **15**, **19**, **23**, and **27** and **31**) on UV irradiation. In the presence of protic acids, the aziridines were rearranged into protected amines ([3-*endo*-alkoxy-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-*exo*-yl]carbamates **16**, **20**, **24**, and **28** and **33**). Using (+)-(1*R*,4*R*)-5,5-bis(benzyloxy)-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-ene ((+)-**6**) derived from furan and 1-cyanovinyl (1*S*)-camphanate, the method was applied to prepare 2-*O*-benzyl-3-[(*tert*-butoxy)carbonylamino]-5-*O*-(3-chlorobenzoyl)-3-deoxy- β -D-altrofuranurono-6,1-lactone ((-)-**37**). This compound was converted to methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-altropyranoside hydrochloride (**44**) and several derivatives.

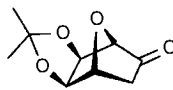
Introduction. – Recently, we proposed a total synthesis of D- and L-allose based on the double hydroxylation of the readily obtainable 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-yl derivatives **1** (derived from furan and (1*S*)-camphanic acid) and **2** (derived from furan and (1*R*)-camphanic acid), respectively [5]. *E. g.*, **1** can be converted stereospecifically into ketone **3** which is then transformed *via* epoxidation of its (*tert*-butyl)dimethylsilyl enol ether into D-allose (**4**). Since 3-amino-3-deoxyhexoses are parts of many biologically active natural [6] [7] and unnatural products [8], we were interested in extending our approach to the stereoselective total synthesis of these important sugars. With this goal in mind, we have developed a method for the stereospecific amino-hydroxylation of the C(5)=C(6) bond in 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-yl derivatives which allows us to report now the first total synthesis of derivatives of 3-amino-3-deoxyaltrose.



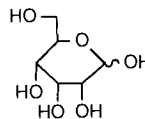
1 R = (1*S*)-camphanoyl



2 R' = (1*R*)-camphanoyl



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¹⁾ Enantiomerically pure 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-yl derivatives ('naked sugars' [3]) as synthetic intermediates, Part VII. Part VI, see [1], Part V, see [2].

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Methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- β -D-altropyranoside was prepared first by *Fischer et al.* [9] in 1920 *via* the action of ammonia onto methyl 2-chloro-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside derivatives. In 1934, *Bodycote et al.* [10] reported a similar synthetic approach using methyl 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-(*p*-toluenesulfonyl)- β -glucopyranoside. Both methods involve the axial attack of NH₃ onto methyl 2,3-anhydro- α -D-mannopyranoside intermediates. Methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-altropyranoside derivatives have been prepared in similar fashion by action of NH₃ onto methyl 2,3-anhydro-4,6-di-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-mannopyranoside [11] [12] or by Pt-catalyzed hydrogenation of methyl 2,3-anhydro-4,6-di-*O*-benzylidene-3-*C*-nitro- α -D-mannopyranoside [13] with good selectivity⁵.

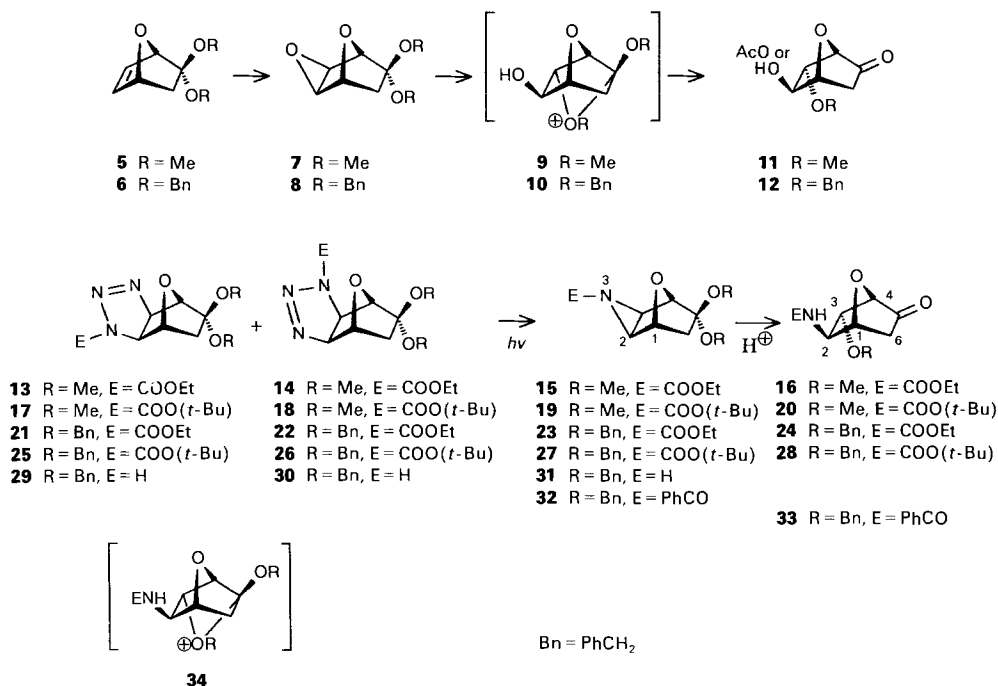
Results and Discussion. – Stereospecific substitution at C(5) and C(6) of 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-yl derivatives can be achieved through electrophilic additions of the endocyclic olefins **1**, **2**, and of the corresponding 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-ones [3] [16] or by acid-promoted rearrangements of the epoxy acetals **7** and **8** (derived from **5** and **6**, resp.), giving the corresponding *trans*-disubstituted derivatives **11** and **12** in which the *endo* OH group at C(6) is protected by a methyl or a benzyl group, whereas the OH group at C(5) is unprotected (reaction in alcoholic solutions) or protected as an acetate (reaction in Ac₂O) [17]. Reactions **7**, **8** \rightarrow **11**, **12** involve probably the intermediacy of oxonium ions **9** and **10**, respectively. We have found that similar rearrangements can be carried out with the aziridine analogues **15**, **19**, **23**, **27**, and **32** of epoxides **7** and **8**. They furnish the corresponding protected amines, *i.e.* [3-*endo*-alkoxy-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-*exo*-yl]carbamates **16**, **20**, **24**, and **28** and **33**.

Acetal **5** and **6** [17] reacted with 1 equiv. of ethyl azidoformate in CHCl₃ (55°, 24 h) to give 9:8 mixtures or triazolines **13/14** (80%) and **21/22** (80%), respectively (*Scheme 1*). Similarly, **5** and **6** added to *tert*-butyl azidoformate and afforded 1:1 mixtures of triazolines **17/18** (*ca.* 100%) and **25/26** (*ca.* 100%), respectively. Irradiation of these crude triazoline mixtures in acetone (high-pressure Hg lamp, quartz vessel, 0°) furnished the corresponding aziridines **15**, **19**, **23**, and **27** nearly quantitatively. The crude aziridines were treated with CF₃COOH in CH₂Cl₂ (0–20°) and gave mixtures of unstable products from which the protected amine derivatives **16** (20%), **20** (29%, based on **5**), **24** (32%), and **28** (31%, based on **6**) were isolated after flash chromatography and recrystallization. When recrystallized aziridine **27** (59%) was used in the CF₃COOH-catalyzed rearrangement, **28** was isolated in 76% yield (45%, based on **6**). In order to improve the overall yield of the amino-hydroxylation of **6**, we explored also the reactions for *N*-benzoyl-protected derivatives. The crude adduct mixture **21/22** was saponified with K₂CO₃ in MeOH/CH₂Cl₂/H₂O (50°, 1 h) yielding a 2:3 or 3:2 (by ¹H-NMR) mixture of triazolines **29/30** (88%). Irradiation of **29/30** in acetone (quartz, 0°) gave aziridine **31** which was then benzoylated (PhCOCl, pyridine) to give **32** (48%). Treatment with HBr in AcOH/CHCl₃ (20°) afforded **33** (87%; 42%, based on **6**).

As in the case of the acid-catalyzed rearrangements of the epoxy-acetals **7** and **8**, the reactions of aziridine acetals **15**, **19**, **23**, **27**, and **32** with acids, giving the corresponding 2,3-*trans*-disubstituted 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]heptan derivatives **16**, **20**, **24**, **28**, and **33**, respectively, can be explained by the intermediacy of oxonium ions of type **34** (*Scheme 1*). The moderate yields observed in some reactions are attributed to impurities present with

⁵ See also the synthesis of 3-amino-3-deoxy derivatives of trehalose [14] [15].

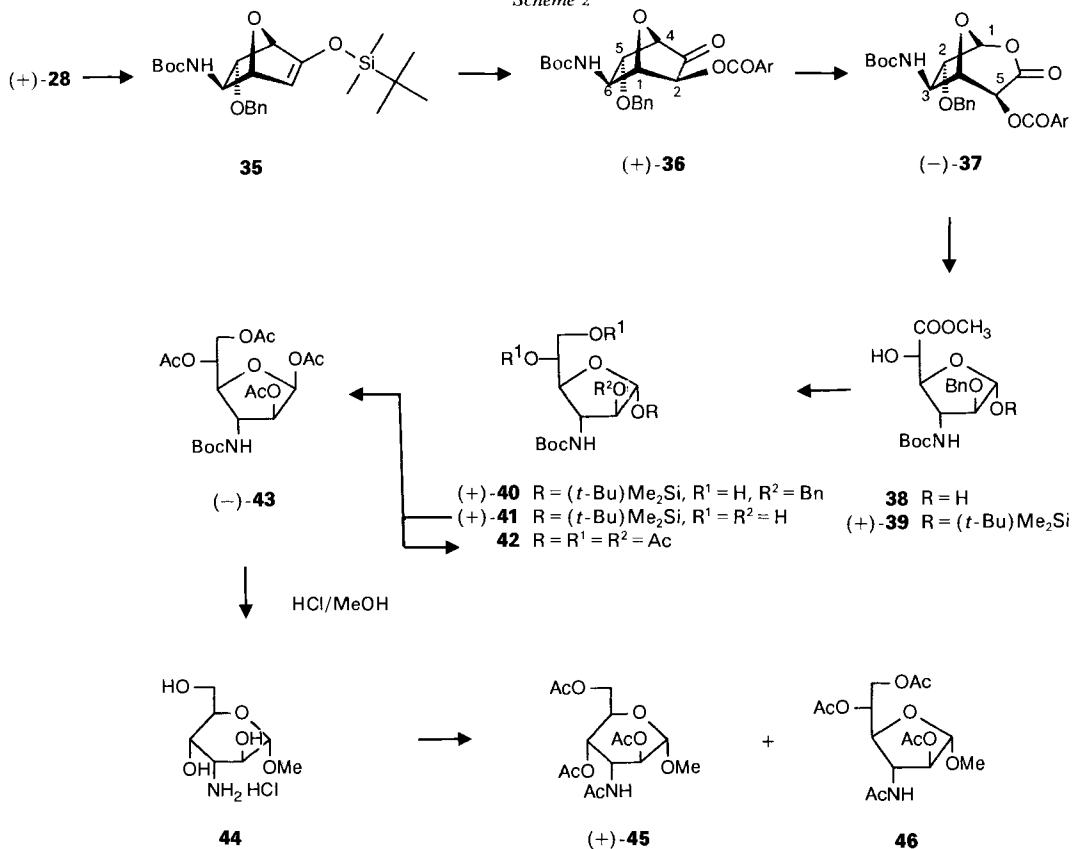
Scheme 1



the crude aziridines. The structures of **15**, **16**, **19**, **20**, **23**, **24**, **27**, **28**, and **31–33** were given by their elemental analyses, their spectral data, and more particularly by their 360-MHz ¹H-NMR spectra and double-irradiation experiments. Typical were the vicinal coupling constants between the bridgehead protons and the adjacent protons (³*J*(H–C(1), H_{endo}–C(2)) ≈ 0 Hz, ³*J*(H–C(4), H_{exo}–C(3)) = 4–6 Hz [18]).

Using optically pure dibenzyl acetal (+)-**6** (*e.e.* > 99%) derived from **1** [19], pure (+)-**28** was obtained in 31% yield following the same procedure as for the preparation of (±)-**28**. The corresponding silyl enol ether **35** (92%) was prepared by deprotonation of (+)-**28** with LiN(Me₃Si)₂ (hexane/THF), in the presence of (*t*-Bu)Me₂SiCl [20]. Oxidation with 3-chloroperbenzoic acid in CH₂Cl₂ afforded the α-substituted ketone (+)-**36** (63%). This reaction [21] involves acidolysis with 3-ClC₆H₄COOH of the epoxide intermediate and rearrangement of the resulting hydroxy ester [5] [22]. *Baeyer-Villiger* oxidation [23] of (+)-**36** with 3-chloroperbenzoic acid in the presence of NaHCO₃ gave lactone (–)-**37** (89%). The isomeric lactone arising from O-insertion between centres C(2) and C(3) of (+)-**36** was not detected by ¹H-NMR of the crude reaction mixture, thus demonstrating the dominating effect of the 7-oxa bridge *vs.* the C(2)–O function on the regioselectivity of the *Baeyer-Villiger* rearrangement (see also [5]). In MeOH and in the presence of a catalytical amount of K₂CO₃, (–)-**37** was converted to ester **38**. Selective protection of the hemiacetal function of **38** as silyl α-D-furanoside (+)-**39** (50%, based on (–)-**37**) was possible with (*t*-Bu)Me₂SiOSO₂CF₃/2,6-dimethylpyridine in CH₂Cl₂ [24]. The 360-MHz ¹H-NMR spectrum of the crude reaction mixture showed that less than 4% of epimeriza-

Scheme 2



Boc = (t-Bu)OCO, Ar = 3-ClC₆H₄, Bn = PhCH₂

tion at C(2) had occurred under these conditions. The α -D-configuration of the furanoside was suggested by the observation of a *s* for the ¹H-NMR signal of H-C(1) (5.36 ppm). Reduction of the methyl ester with LiBH₄ in THF [25] gave diol (+)-**40** (90%). Debenzylation (Pd/C, H₂, THF/H₂O) afforded triol (+)-**41** (78%). After generation of the hemiacetal (treatment with Bu₄N⁺F⁻), a mixture of tetraacetate **42** and (-)-**43** was obtained (Ac₂O/pyridine + 0.02% of 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine) from which (-)-**43** could be isolated in 86% yield. The β -D-configuration of this acetyl furanoside was suggested by the vicinal coupling constant ³J(H-C(1), H-C(2)) = 4 Hz observed in its ¹H-NMR spectrum. Treatment of (-)-**43** with 0.1M HCl in anh. MeOH removed all protective groups yielding the methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-altropyranoside hydrochloride (**44**) [13] which was characterized by its acylated derivative (+)-**45** (35%) [11] obtained together with the furanoside **46** (50%) on treatment with Ac₂O/pyridine.

Conclusion. – The acid-catalyzed rearrangement of 3-aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]-octan-6-one acetals obtained readily from the corresponding 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-

en-2-one acetals is a convenient method for the stereospecific synthesis of 5-*exo*-amino-6-*endo*-hydroxy-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one derivatives. The usefulness of the latter compounds has been illustrated by the transformation of optically pure (+)-**28**, derived from the 'naked sugar' **1**, into the protected 3-amino-3-deoxyaltrose derivatives (+)-**40** to (–)-**43**. Compared with the classical methods of synthesis of protected 3-amino-3-deoxyaltrose derivatives using natural carbohydrates as starting material [9–13], our total synthesis presents the following advantages: *i*) the sugar is obtained first as protected altrofuranurono-6,1-lactone (–)-**37** and partially protected methyl altrofuranuronates **38** and (+)-**39**, *ii*) the sugar can be obtained with the amino and hydroxy functions protected all with different protective groups in a stereospecific fashion, and *iii*) the enantiomeric L-sugars can be prepared as readily as the D-derivatives starting with 'naked sugar' **2** instead of **1** [4] [5].

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Experimental Part

General. See [26]. Silica gel used for column chromatography (FC = flash chromatography) and filtrations: *Merck 7734 or 9385*. None of the procedures reported here has been optimized.

Ethyl [(1RS,2RS,3SR,4RS)-3-endo-Methoxy-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]carbamate (16). A mixture of **5** [17] (0.8 g, 5 mmol) and ethyl azidoformate (0.7 ml, 6 mmol) in CHCl_3 (2 ml) was heated to 55° for 24 h. After solvent evaporation, the residue was recrystallized from Et_2O /petroleum ether at 20°, yielding 1.1 g (80%) of **13/14** as yellow crystals. They were dissolved in anhyd. acetone (25 ml) and irradiated in a quartz vessel (high-pressure Hg lamp, *Philips HPK 125*) at 0° under Ar bubbling for 3 h. After solvent evaporation, the crude **15** was dried *in vacuo*, yielding 1 g (100%), yellowish oil. It was dissolved in anhyd. CH_2Cl_2 (10 ml). After cooling to 0°, anhyd. AcOH (1.0 ml) and $\text{Me}_3\text{SiOSO}_2\text{CF}_3$ (0.05 ml) were added successively. After staying at 0° for 90 min, the mixture was allowed to stay at 20° for 2 h. CH_2Cl_2 (25 ml) was added and the soln. washed with sat. aq. NaHCO_3 soln. (20 ml, twice) and brine (20 ml). The aq. phases were extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (20 ml, 4 times). The org. layers were combined, dried, (MgSO_4), and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC (Et_2O). The major fraction (R_f 0.60, silica gel, Et_2O) afforded 0.2 g (20%) of **16**, colourless crystals, after recrystallization from Et_2O /pentane at –20°. M.p. 98–99°. IR (CHCl_3): 3040, 3000, 2930, 2830, 1768, 1710, 1510, 1400, 1370, 1340, 1285. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (360 MHz, CDCl_3): 5.47 (br. *d*, $J = 8.0$, NH); 4.63 (*d*, $J(\text{H}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}(6)$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(1)) = 6.0$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(1)$); 4.38 (*d*, $J(\text{H}-\text{C}(4)$, $\text{H}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}(3)) = 5.0$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(4)$); 4.10 (*q*, $J = 7.0$, $\text{CH}_3\text{CCH}_2\text{O}$); 3.89 (*d*, $^3J(\text{H}-\text{C}(2)$, $\text{HN}) = 8.0$, $J(\text{H}-\text{C}(2)$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(3)) \approx 0$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(2)$); 3.70 (*d*, $J = 5.0$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(3)$); 3.36 (*s*, CH_3O); 2.46 (*dd*, $^2J = 18.0$, $^3J = 6.0$, $\text{H}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}(6)$); 2.19 (*d*, $^2J = 18.0$, $\text{H}_{\text{endo}}-\text{C}(6)$); 1.21 (*t*, $J = 7.0$, $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O}$). CI-MS (NH_3): 247 (100, $M^+ + 18$), 230 (85, $M^+ + 1$). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_5$ (229.23): C 52.39, H 6.60, N 6.11; found: C 52.57, H 6.53, N 6.18.

(1RS,2SR,4RS,5RS)-(tert-Butyl) 6,6-Dimethoxy-3-aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane-3-carboxylate (19). A mixture of **5** (0.8 g, 5 mmol), *tert*-butyl azidoformate (0.8 ml, 7 mmol) and acetone (0.8 ml) was heated to 50° for 24 h. After addition of acetone (150 ml), the mixture **17/18** was irradiated in a quartz vessel (*HPK 125*, 0°) under Ar bubbling (*ca.* 3 h, until disappearance of **17/18**, by TLC). The solvent was evaporated and the crude **19** recrystallized from Et_2O /hexane at –20°: 155 mg (11%), colourless crystals. M.p. 87–87.5°. IR (CHCl_3): 3000, 2970, 2830, 2930, 1707, 1470, 1450, 1385, 1365, 1328, 1295. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (360 MHz, CDCl_3): 4.57 (*d*, $J(\text{H}-\text{C}(1)$, $\text{H}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}(7)) = 5.5$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(1)$); 4.43 (*s*, $\text{H}-\text{C}(5)$); 3.27 (*s*, 2 MeO); 2.87, 2.73 (*2d*, $J = 3.5$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(2)$, $\text{H}-\text{C}(4)$); 2.08 (*dd*, $^2J = 12.5$, $^3J = 5.5$, $\text{H}_{\text{exo}}-\text{C}(7)$); 1.68 (*d*, $^2J = 12.5$, $\text{H}_{\text{endo}}-\text{C}(7)$); 1.45 (*s*, *t*-BuO). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 112.0 (*s*, C(6)); 80.7 (*s*, Me_3C); 75.9, 74.8 (*2d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 170$, C(1), C(5)); 51.6, 49.4 (*2q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 140$, 2 MeO); 38.7 (*t*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 135$, C(7)); 37.0 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 190$, C(4)); 34.2 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 195$, C(2)); 28.1 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 127$, Me_3C). CI-MS (NH_3): 272 (100, $M^+ + 1$), 271 (2.3), 233 (88), 216 (71), 172 (18), 136 (16). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$ (271.31): C 57.55, H 7.80, N 5.16; found: C 57.67, H 7.84, N 5.23.

tert-Butyl [(1RS,2RS,3SR,4RS)-3-endo-Methoxy-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]carbamate (20). Crude **19** (500 mg, 1.85 mmol) obtained above was treated as **15** in the preparation of **16**, yielding 147 mg (29%),

based on **5**) of **20**, after recrystallization from Et₂O at 20°. Colourless crystals. M.p. 101–101.5°. IR (CHCl₃): 3430, 3000, 2970, 1765, 1705, 1500, 1390. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 4.97 (br. *d*, *J* = 8.0, NH); 4.67 (br. *d*, *J* = 6.5, H–C(1)); 4.42 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(4)); 3.92 (br. *d*, *J* = 8.0, H–C(2)); 3.71 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(3)); 3.44 (*s*, MeO); 2.44 (*dd*, ²*J* = 6.5, H_{exo}–C(6)); 2.24 (*d*, ²*J* = 18.0, H_{endo}–C(6)); 1.47 (*s*, *t*-Bu). CI-MS (NH₃): 275 (55, *M*⁺ + 18), 258 (100, *M*⁺ + 1). Anal. calc. for C₁₂H₁₉NO₅ (257.32): C 56.01, H 7.46, N 5.44; found: C 56.13, H 7.47, N 5.47.

Ethyl [(1RS,2RS,3SR,4RS)-3-endo-(Benzyloxy)-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]carbamate (24). A mixture of **6** [17] (3.85 g, 12.7 mmol) and ethyl azidoformate (2.0 g, 18 mmol) in acetone (2 ml) was heated to 50° for 20 h. After dilution with acetone (150 ml), the mixture was irradiated in a quartz vessel (HPK 125, 0°, Ar) until disappearance of **21/22** (ca. 4 h). The solvent was evaporated and the residue dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (100 ml). After cooling to 0° under Ar, CF₃COOH (5 ml) was added dropwise. The red soln. was stirred at 0° for 1 h. It was poured into vigorously stirred, ice-cold sat. aq. K₂CO₃ soln. The mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (70 ml, 5 times). The org. extracts were combined, dried (MgSO₄), and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC and recrystallization from Et₂O/CH₂Cl₂: 1.2 g (32%) of **24**, colourless crystals. M.p. 112–114°. IR (KBr): 3315, 2970, 1765, 1680, 1530, 1370, 1290, 1245, 1090, 1070, 995, 885, 780. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.43–7.25 (*m*, 5 arom. H); 5.06 (br. *d*, *J* = 8.5, NH); 4.68, 4.63 (*m*, ²*J* = 11.5, PhCH₂); 4.67 (br. *d*, *J* = 6.5, H–C(1)); 4.39 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(4)); 4.17 (br. *q*, *J* = 7.0, CH₃CH₂O); 4.03 (*d*, *J* = 8.5, H–C(2)); 3.86 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(3)); 2.54 (*ddd*, ²*J* = 18.0, ³*J*(H–C(6), H–C(1)) = 5.5, ⁴*J*(H–C(4), H–C(6)) = 1.5, H_{exo}–C(6)); 2.29 (*d*, ²*J* = 18.0, H_{endo}–C(6)); 1.20 (*t*, *J* = 7.0, CH₃CH₂O). ¹³C-NMR (90.55 MHz, CDCl₃): 206.1 (*s*, C(5)); 155.7 (*s*, COOEt); 136.7 (*s*), 128.5 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 160), 127.9 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 150, C₆H₅); 83.6 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 160, C(1)); 81.9 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 170, C(4)); 80.6 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 170, C(3)); 72.4 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 145, PhCH₂); 61.3 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 150, CH₃CH₂O); 59.5 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 145, C(2)); 39.9 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 140, C(6)); 18.0 (*q*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 130, CH₃CH₂O). CI-MS (NH₃): 324 (16), 323 (76), 307 (18), 306 (90), 305 (15, *M*⁺), 214 (19), 108 (19), 91 (100). Anal. calc. for C₁₆H₁₉NO₅ (305.32): C 62.94, H 6.27, N 4.59; found: C 62.97, H 6.25, N 4.67.

(1RS,2SR,4RS,5RS)-(tert-Butyl) 6,6-Bis(benzyloxy)-3-aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]octane-3-carboxylate (27). A mixture of **6** (1.17 g, 3.8 mmol) and *tert*-butyl azidoformate (0.7 ml, 5.0 mmol) in acetone (0.5 ml) was heated to 50° for 24 h in the dark. After addition of acetone (150 ml), the soln. was irradiated (HPK 125, 0°, Ar) in a quartz vessel until disappearance of **25/26** (TLC, ca. 2 h). The solvent was evaporated and the residue recrystallized from Et₂O/petroleum ether at 20°. 945 mg (59%) of **27**, colourless crystals. M.p. 118.5–119.5°. IR (CHCl₃): 3060, 3020, 3000, 2970, 2925, 2870, 1705, 1490, 1450, 1365, 1325, 1290. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.42–7.25 (*m*, 2 C₆H₅); 4.70–4.35 (*m*, 2 PhCH₂, H–C(1), H–C(5)); 3.00 (*d*, *J* = 4.0, H–C(4)); 2.76 (*d*, *J* = 4.0, H–C(2)); 2.28 (*dd*, ²*J* = 12.5, ³*J* = 5.5, H_{exo}–C(7)); 1.89 (*d*, ²*J* = 12.5, H_{endo}–C(7)); 1.46 (*s*, *t*-Bu). ¹³C-NMR (90.55 MHz, CDCl₃): 160.0 (*s*, CO); 137.5 (2*s*), 128.5, 128.4 (2*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 165), 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2 (4*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 160, 2 C₆H₅); 112.3 (*s*, C(6)); 80.7 (*s*, Me₃C); 76.4, 74.8 (2*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 170, C(1), C(5)); 66.5, 64.5 (2*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 145, 2 PhCH₂); 39.6 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 135, C(7)); 37.0 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 190, C(4)); 34.4 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 195, C(2)); 28.0 (*q*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 125, Me₃C). CI-MS (NH₃): 451 (0.4, *M*⁺ + 18), 424 (4, *M*⁺ + 1), 226 (100). Anal. calc. for C₁₅H₂₉NO₅ (423.49): C 70.90, H 6.90, N 3.31; found: C 70.85, H 6.97, N 3.27.

tert-Butyl [(1RS,2RS,3SR,4RS)-3-endo-(Benzyloxy)-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]carbamate (28). CF₃COOH (55 μl) was added to a soln. of **27** (100 mg, 0.236 mmol) in CHCl₃ (4 ml). After staying 24 h at 20°, the mixture was poured into sat. aq. NaHCO₃ soln. (15 ml) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 ml, 3 times). The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated. Recrystallization of the residue from Et₂O yielded 60 mg (76%), colourless crystals. M.p. 123–123.5°. IR (CHCl₃): 3430, 3000, 2975, 2930, 1768, 1702, 1500, 1450, 1400, 1390, 1365, 1335. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.36–7.28 (*m*, C₆H₅); 5.0 (br. *d*, *J* = 8.0, NH); 4.71–4.60 (*m*, PhCH₂, H–C(1)); 4.35 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(4)); 3.97 (*d*, *J* = 8.0, H–C(2)); 3.81 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H–C(3)); 2.51 (*dd*, ²*J* = 18.0, ³*J* = 7.0, H_{exo}–C(6)); 2.27 (*d*, ²*J* = 18.0, H_{endo}–C(6)); 1.49 (*s*, *t*-Bu). ¹³C-NMR (90.55 MHz, CDCl₃): 128.5 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 160), 128.0 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 150, C₆H₅); 83.4 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 155, C(1)); 81.9 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 160, C(4)); 80.6 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 170, C(2)); 72.2 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 145, PhCH₂); 59.1 (*d*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 145, C(3)); 40.0 (*t*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 140, C(6)); 28.3 (*q*, ¹*J*(C, H) = 127, Me₃C^b). CI-MS (NH₃): 351 (100, *M*⁺ + 18), 334 (28, *M*⁺ + 1). Anal. calc. for C₁₈H₂₃NO₅ (333.37): C 64.85, H 6.95, N 4.20; found: C 64.78, H 6.91, N 4.22.

tert-Butyl [(1R,2R,3S,4R)-3-endo-(Benzyloxy)-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]carbamate ((+)-28). A mixture of 1.17 g (3.8 mmol) of optically pure (1R,4R)-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-one dibenzyl acetal ((+)-**6**; oil; [α]_D²⁵ = +112.8 (*c* = 1, CH₂Cl₂)) and *tert*-butyl azidoformate (0.7 ml, 5.0 mmol) in acetone (0.5 ml) was heated to 50° for 24 h. Acetone (150 ml) was added and the soln. irradiated (quartz, HPK 125, 0°, Ar, 2 h). After solvent evaporation, CHCl₃ (40 ml) and then CF₃COOH (0.7 ml) were added. The soln. was allowed to stand at 20°

^b) Some of the quaternary C-atom signals (CO, *t*-Bu) could not be detected.

for 24 h. It was then poured into sat. aq. NaHCO₃ soln. and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 ml, 5 times). The solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by FC (100 g of silica gel, Et₂O/petroleum ether 2:1) and recrystallization from Et₂O: 390 mg (31%), colourless crystals. M.p. 123–123.5°. [α]_D²⁵ = +12.2 (*c* = 1, CH₂Cl₂).

(1RS,2SR,6RS,7RS)-8,8-Bis(benzyloxy)-3,4,5-triaza-10-oxatricyclo[5.2.1.0^{2,6}]dec-3- and -dec-4-ene (**30**/**29**). A mixture of **6** (1.8 g, 5.8 mmol) and ethyl azidoformate (1.2 ml, 11.5 mmol) in acetone (2 ml) was heated to 50° for 24 h. After solvent evaporation, K₂CO₃ (1.8 g), MeOH (10 ml), CH₂Cl₂ (4 ml), and H₂O (2 ml) were added. The mixture was stirred at 50° for 1 h, poured onto ice-cold H₂O (100 ml), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (70 ml, 6 times). The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether at 20°: 1.8 g (88%), colourless crystals. M.p. 173–174°. UV (CH₃CN): 240 (3200). IR (KBr): 3320, 3000, 1490, 1450, 1375, 1265, 1210, 1150, 1000, 945. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) of the major isomer **29** (60%): 7.82 (br. *d*, NH); 7.40–7.28 (*m*, 2 C₆H₅); 5.30 (*d*, ³J(H-C(2), H-C(6)) = 9.0, H-C(6)); 4.87 (*s*, H-C(7)); 4.68–4.57 (*m*, 2 PhCH₂); 4.49 (*d*, *J* = 6.5, H-C(1)); 3.78 (*dd*, ³J(H-C(2), H-C(6)) = 9.0, ³J(H-C(2), NH) = 2.2, H-C(2)); 2.21 (*dd*, ²J = 13.0, *J* = 6.0, H_{exo}-C(9)); 1.82 (*d*, ²J = 13.0, H_{endo}-C(9)). ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) of the minor isomer **30** (40%): 7.71 (br. *d*, NH); 7.40–7.28 (*m*, 2 C₆H₅); 4.91 (*d*, *J* = 6.5, H-C(1)); 4.82 (*d*, *J* = 9.0, H-C(2)); 4.68–4.57 (*m*, 2 PhCH₂); 4.44 (*s*, H-C(7)); 4.28 (*dd*, *J* = 9.0, 2.2, H-C(6)); 2.28 (*dd*, ²J = 13.0, ³J = 6, H_{exo}-C(9)); 1.97 (*d*, ²J = 13.0, H_{endo}-C(9)). CI-MS (NH₃): 353 (3, *M*⁺ + 2), 352 (9, *M*⁺ + 1), 325 (26), 324 (100), 232 (17), 217 (7), 216 (14), 174 (12), 126 (16), 108 (50), 106 (8), 92 (10), 91 (88). Anal. calc. for C₂₀H₂₁N₃O₃ (351.39): C 68.36, H 6.02, N 11.96; found: C 68.46, H 5.98, N 11.96.

(1RS,2SR,ARS,5RS)-6,6-Bis(benzyloxy)-3-aza-8-oxatricyclo[3.2.1.0^{2,4}]oct-3-yl Phenyl Ketone (**32**). A soln. of **29/30** (0.5 g, 1.42 mmol) in acetone (150 ml) was irradiated in a quartz vessel (HPK 125, Ar, 0°) until disappearance of **29/30** (TLC, silica gel, Et₂O *R*_f 0.5). The solvent was evaporated and the residue dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (3 ml). After cooling to 0°, anhyd. pyridine (0.175 ml, 2.13 mmol) was added and the PhCOCl (0.25 ml, 2.13 mmol) dropwise. The mixture was allowed to raise to 20° in 6 h and then to stand at 20° for 24 h. The mixture was poured into ice-cold 0.1N HCl (100 ml) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (70 ml, 5 times). The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC at -25° (silica gel 40–63 mesh, CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O/petroleum ether 5:1:1, *R*_f (PhCOCl) 0.9, *R*_f (**32**) 0.6) and recrystallization from Et₂O/petroleum ether at -20°: 0.3 g (48%) of **32**, colourless crystals. M.p. 73–75°. UV (CH₃CN): 233 (13500), 267 (1100). IR (KBr): 3050, 3020, 1655, 1580, 1490, 1445, 1380, 1330, 1290, 1215, 1185, 1125, 1105, 1050, 1020, 895, 755, 735, 700. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.97–9.30 (*m*, 3 C₆H₅); 4.62, 4.56 (*2m*, *J* = 12, PhCH₂); 4.58 (*s*, PhCH₂); 4.46 (*d*, *J* = 5.5, H-C(1)); 4.43 (*s*, H-C(5)); 3.35 (*d*, *J* = 4.0, H-C(2)); 2.21 (*dd*, ²J = 12.5, ³J = 5.5, H_{exo}-C(7)); 1.90 (*d*, ²J = 12.5, H_{endo}-C(7)). ¹³C-NMR (90.55 MHz, CDCl₃): 176.8 (*s*, CO); 137.4, 137.35, 133.7 (3*s*); 132.1 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 165); 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.3 (7*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 160, C₆H₅); 111.9 (*s*, C(6)); 75.9 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 160, C(5)); 74.5 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 165, C(1)); 66.4 (*t*, ¹J(C, H) = 145), 64.4 (*t*, ¹J(C, H) = 140, 2 PhCH₂); 39.3 (*t*, ¹J(C, H) = 135, C(7)); 38.4 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 195, C(4)); 36.0 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 185, C(2)). CI-MS (NH₃): 429 (4, *M*⁺ + 2), 428 (*M*⁺ + 1), 337 (5), 336 (15), 212 (6), 181 (5), 105 (42), 91 (100). Anal. calc. for C₂₇H₂₅NO₄ (437.48): C 75.86, H 5.90, N 3.28; found: C 75.91, H 5.85, N 3.34.

(1RS,2RS,3SR,4RS)-N-[3-endo-(Benzyloxy)-5-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl]benzamide (**33**). A 1M HBr soln. in AcOH/CHCl₃ 1:4 was added to a soln. of **32** (0.2 g, 0.47 mmol) in CHCl₃ (8 ml). After 10 min at 20°, the mixture was poured into ice-cold sat. aq. NaHCO₃ soln. (40 ml) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (15 ml, 10 times). The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized from Et₂O/petroleum ether at 20° yielding 137 mg (87%) of **33**, colourless crystals. M.p. 164–165.5°. IR (KBr): 3290, 1765, 1530, 1450, 1365, 1330, 1300, 1090, 1020, 780, 745, 695. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.80–7.28 (*m*, 2 C₆H₅); 6.41 (br. *d*, *J* = 8.0, NH); 4.79, 4.68 (*2m*, ²J = 12.0, PhCH₂); 4.78 (*dd*, ³J = 6.5, ⁴J = 1.5, H-C(1)); 4.51 (*dd*, *J* = 8.0, 1.6, H-C(2)); 4.44 (*dd*, ³J = 5.5, ⁴J = 1.5, H-C(4)); 3.97 (*ddd*, ³J = 5.5, ³J = 1.6, ⁴J = 1.5, H-C(3)); 2.60 (*ddd*, ²J = 17.5, ³J = 6.5, ⁴J = 1.5, H_{exo}-C(6)); 2.40 (*d*, ²J = 17.5, H_{endo}-C(6)). ¹³C-NMR (90.55 MHz, CDCl₃): 205.9 (*s*, C(5)); 166.8 (*s*, PhCO); 136.7, 133.7 (2*s*); 131.9, 128.7, 128.5, 127.9, 126.9 (5*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 160, 2 C₆H₅); 83.6 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 150, C(4)); 81.9 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 170, C(1)); 80.6 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 170, C(3)); 72.5 (*t*, ¹J(C, H) = 145, PhCH₂); 58.20 (*d*, ¹J(C, H) = 150, C(2)); 41.0 (*t*, ¹J(C, H) = 140, C(6)). CI-MS (NH₃): 339 (21, *M*⁺ + 2), 338 (100, *M*⁺ + 1), 337 (27, *M*⁺), 246 (19), 175 (5), 163 (6), 105 (89). Anal. calc. for C₂₀H₁₉NO₄ (337.36): C 71.21, H 5.67, N 4.15; found: C 71.16, H 5.76, N 4.20.

(1S,2S,4R,5S,6S)-5-endo-(Benzyloxy)-6-exo-[(tert-butoxy)carbonylamino]-3-oxo-7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-exo-yl 3-Chlorobenzoate ((+)-**36**). Under Ar, 1.6M BuLi in hexane (4.2 ml, 3.2 mmol) was added dropwise to a soln. of freshly distilled hexamethyldisilazane (1.4 ml, 3.2 mmol) in anhyd. THF (50 ml); glassware dried beforehand in a flame under Ar. After 30 min at 0°, the soln. was cooled to -78°, and a soln. of (+)-**28** (486 mg, 1.46 mmol) and (*t*-Bu)Me₂SiCl (483 mg, 3.2 mmol) in anhyd. THF (3 ml) was added dropwise. After stirring at -78° for 3 h, the mixture was poured into a vigorously stirred, ice-cold sat. aq. NH₄Cl soln. and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 ml, 3

times). The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO_4) and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC (Et_2O /petroleum ether 1:1) yielding 600 mg (1.34 mmol, 92%) of **35**, an unstable compd. that was used directly in the next step. After dissolution in anh. CH_2Cl_2 (4 ml), 85% 3-chloroperbenzoic acid (*Fluka*; 280 mg, 1.4 mmol) was added portionwise at 0° under Ar. After stirring at 0° for 25 min, pentane (20 ml) was added. The precipitate was filtered off and the solvent evaporated. The residue was allowed to stand at 20° overnight and recrystallized from Et_2O /petroleum ether at 20° : 410 mg (58%) of (+)-**36**, colourless crystals. M.p. $145\text{--}147^\circ$. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +11.8$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +12.2$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +12.6$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = 6.0$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -75.6$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3440, 2980, 1790, 1720, 1500, 1250, 1000. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 8.02 (*dd*, $J = 1.5, 1.0$), 7.93 (*ddd*, $J = 7.8, 2.0, 1.5$), 7.56 (*ddd*, $J = 7.82, 2.0, 1.0$), 7.38 (*dd*, $J = 7.8, 7.82, 3\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4$); 7.3 (*m*, C_6H_5); 5.19 (*s*, $\text{H-C}(1)$); 4.93 (*br. d*, $J = 8.1$, NH); 4.8–4.6 (*m*, PhCH_2 , $\text{H-C}(2)$); 4.51 (*d*, $J = 4.6$, $\text{H-C}(4)$); 4.24 (*d*, $J = 8.1$, $\text{H-C}(6)$); 3.89 (*d*, $J = 4.6$, $\text{H-C}(5)$); 1.50 (*s*, *t*-Bu). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 200.8 (*s*, $\text{C}(3)$); 164.5, 154.6 (*2s*, COO); 136.4, 134.7 (*2s*), 133.7 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 170$), 130.7 (*m*), 129.3 (*m*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 165$), 127.5, 127.2 (*2d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 165$, *arom. C*); 85.9 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 168$, $\text{C}(6)$); 83.2 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 155$, $\text{C}(1)$); 80.3 (*s*, Me_3C); 80.2 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 170$, $\text{C}(4)$); 72.4 (*t*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, PhCH_2); 71.1 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 157$, $\text{C}(2)$); 57.4 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 148$, $\text{C}(5)$); 28.3 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 125$, Me_3C). MS (70 eV): 431 (5, $M^+ - \text{C}_4\text{H}_9$), 141 (15), 139 (40, $\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}$), 111 (11), 91 (100), 77 (3), 75 (12), 59 (13), 57 (55). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClNO}_7$ (487.94): C 61.54, H 5.37, Cl 7.27, N 2.87; found: C 61.48, H 5.31, Cl 7.25, N 2.86.

Racemate (\pm)-**36**: Same procedure as for (+)-**36**, starting with **28**. M.p. $147\text{--}150^\circ$ (Et_2O).

2-O-Benzyl-3-[(tert-butoxy)carbonylamino]-5-O-(3-chlorobenzoyl)-3-deoxy- β -D-altrofuranurono-6,1-lactone (–)-**37**. A mixture of (+)-**36** (635 mg, 1.31 mmol), 55% 3-chloroperbenzoic acid (*Fluka*; 0.62 g, 1.95 mmol), and NaHCO_3 (164 mg, 1.95 mmol) in CHCl_3 (2 ml) was stirred at 20° for 3 h. After disappearance of (+)-**36** (TLC, silica gel, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1), CHCl_3 (2 ml) was added and the mixture filtered through a short column of silica gel. The solvent was evaporated and EtOH (3 ml) added. The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from Et_2O , yielding 583 mg (89%) of (–)-**37**, white crystals. M.p. $186\text{--}188^\circ$. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -88.0$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -92.0$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -106.0$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -189.5$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -319.2$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3440, 1775, 1725, 1500, 1250. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 8.02 (*dd*, $J = 1.5, 1.0$), 7.93 (*ddd*, $J = 7.8, 2.0, 1.5$), 7.56 (*ddd*, $J = 7.82, 2.0, 1.0$), 7.38 (*dd*, $J = 7.82, 3\text{-ClC}_6\text{H}_4$); 7.3 (*m*, C_6H_5); 5.60 (*s*, $\text{H-C}(5)$); 5.92 (*d*, $J = 4.0$, $\text{H-C}(1)$); 4.82 (*br. s*, NH); 4.69 (*s*, PhCH_2); 4.44 (*s*, $\text{H-C}(4)$); 4.19 (*br. s*, $\text{H-C}(3)$); 4.02 (*d*, $J = 4.0$, $\text{H-C}(2)$); 1.45 (*s*, *t*-Bu). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 163.7 (*s*, $\text{C}(6)$); 162.0 (*s*, $\text{COO-C}(5)$); 148.6 (*s*, (*t*-Bu)OCO); 136.3, 134.8, 133.9 (*3s*), 130.7, 129.6 (*2m*), 125.3 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 165$, *arom. C*); 100.3 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 188$, $\text{C}(1)$); 85.0 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, $\text{C}(3)$); 84.2 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 165$, $\text{C}(2)$); 80.8 (*s*, Me_3C); 72.6 (*t*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, PhCH_2); 70.4 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, $\text{C}(5)$); 57.6 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 148$, $\text{C}(2)$); 28.3 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 125$, Me_3C). MS (70 eV): 446 (1.2, $M^+ - \text{C}_4\text{H}_9$), 156 (8), 141 (35), 139 (97), 128 (48), 112 (2), 111 (20), 91 (95), 77 (4), 59 (21), 57 (100). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClNO}_8$ (503.94): C 59.59, H 5.20, Cl 7.04, N 2.78; found: C 59.60, H 5.24, Cl 6.95, N 2.79.

Racemate (\pm)-**37** was prepared in the same way, starting with (\pm)-**36**. M.p. $184\text{--}187^\circ$ (Et_2O).

Methyl ((tert-Butyl)dimethylsilyl 2-O-Benzyl-3-[(tert-butoxy)carbonylamino]-3-deoxy- α -D-altrofuranosid)uronate (–)-**39**. A mixture of (–)-**37** (583 mg, 1.16 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (16 mg, 0.12 mmol) in MeOH (10 ml) was stirred at 20° for 30 min. After filtration, the solvent was evaporated giving crude **38**. After drying under high vacuum, **38** was dissolved in anh. CH_2Cl_2 (20 ml) and the soln. cooled to -10° . Then, 2,6-dimethylpyridine (0.3 ml, 2.3 mmol) and (*t*-Bu) $\text{Me}_2\text{SiOSO}_2\text{CF}_3$ (0.22 ml, 1.22 mmol) were added. After 90 min at -10° , a few drops of a sat. aq. NaCl soln. were added, the mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 ml, 3 times), the solvent evaporated, and the residue purified by FC (Et_2O /petroleum ether 2:3) yielding 285 mg (50%) of (+)-**39**, colourless oil. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +58.3$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +60.5$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +68.8$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +144.4$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +176.7$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3440, 3400–3120, 2950, 2860, 1690, 1720, 1500, 1260, 1100. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 7.40–7.31 (*m*, C_6H_5); 5.36 (*s*, $\text{H-C}(1)$); 5.05 (*br. d*, $J = 9.8$, NH); 4.52, 4.27 (*2d*, $^2J = 12.0$, PhCH_2); 4.43 (*d*, $J = 3.0$, $\text{H-C}(4)$); 4.28 (*m*, $\text{H-C}(3)$, $\text{H-C}(5)$); 3.75 (*s*, MeOOC); 3.67 (*s*, $\text{H-C}(2)$); 1.41 (*s*, *t*-BuO); 0.87 (*s*, *t*-BuSi); –0.07, –0.12 (*2s*, Me_2Si). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 171.6, 155.0 (*2s*, CO); 128.5 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 162.5$), 128.2, 128.1 (*2m*, C_6H_5); 101.1 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 173$, $\text{C}(1)$); 87.1, 86.7 (*2d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 155$, $\text{C}(2)$, $\text{C}(3)$); 79.9 (Me_3C); 71.6 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, $\text{C}(5)$); 71.3 (*t*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, PhCH_2); 54.1 (*d*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, $\text{C}(4)$); 52.5 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, MeOOC); 28.3 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 125$, Me_3CO); 25.8 (*q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 122$, Me_3CSi); 17.7 (*s*, Me_3CSi); –4.5, –5.5 (*2q*, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_2Si). MS (70 eV): 399 (2), 398 (10), 380 (7), 204 (6), 186 (8), 159 (3), 142 (7), 116 (3), 91 (100), 77 (2), 75 (13). CI-MS (NH_3): 529 (68, $M^+ + \text{NH}_3$), 512 (66, M^+), 398 (51), 397 (4), 380 (100, $M^+ - (\text{t-Bu})\text{Me}_2\text{SiOH}$), 341 (22), 91 (97). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{41}\text{NO}_8\text{Si}$ (511.69): C 58.68, H 8.08, N 2.74, Si 5.49; found: C 58.63, H 8.04, N 2.84, Si 5.61.

(tert-Butyl)dimethylsilyl 2-O-Benzyl-3-[(tert-butoxy)carbonylamino]-3-deoxy- α -D-altrofuranoside (–)-**40**. A soln. of (+)-**39** (0.4 g, 0.69 mmol) in anh. THF (7 ml) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of LiBH_4 (30

mg, 1.38 mmol) in anh. THF (7 ml) at 20° under Ar. After stirring at 20° for 30 min, a few drops of a sat. aq. NH_4Cl soln. were added, and the mixture was extracted with AcOEt (10 ml, 3 times). The combined org. extracts were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC (AcOEt/petroleum ether 1:1), yielding 0.3 g (90%), colourless oil. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +51.4$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +53.6$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +60.6$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +100.4$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +154.8$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3450, 3400–3150, 2950, 1700, 1500, 1100. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 7.36–7.29 (m , C_6H_5); 5.34 (s , H–C(1)); 5.25 (br. d , $J = 9.0$, NH); 4.69, 4.50 ($2m$, $^2J = 11.8$, PhCH_2); 4.20 (dd , $J = 9.0$, 2.7, H–C(3)); 4.00 (dd , $J = 5.2$, 2.7, H–C(4)); 3.8–3.7 (m , H–C(2), H–C(5), $\text{CH}_2(6)$); 1.43 (s , t -BuO), 0.86 (s , t -BuSi); –0.07, –0.10 ($2s$, Me_2Si). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 156.1 (s , COO); 136.8 (s), 128.6 (dd , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 160$, $^3J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 5$), 128.0 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 160$, $^3J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 160$, C_6H_5); 100.6 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 173$, C(1)); 87.6 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, C(3)); 87.30 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 155$, C(2)); 80.5 (s , Me_3CO); 71.9 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, C(5)); 71.4 (t , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, PhCH_2); 63.6 (t , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 143$, C(6)); 55.0 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, C(4)); 28.3 (q , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 125$, Me_3CO); 25.6 (q , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_3CSi); 17.7 (s , Me_3CSi); –4.5, –5.4 ($2q$, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_2Si). MS (70 eV): 371 (2), 370 (9), 326 (6), 206 (4), 204 (5), 176 (3), 140 (2), 117 (4), 116 (7), 115 (4), 97 (3), 92 (8), 91 (100). CI-MS (NH_3): 501 (10, $M^+ + \text{NH}_3$), 484 (100, M^+), 370 (34), 352 (70, $M^+ - (t\text{-Bu})\text{Me}_2\text{SiOH}$), 91 (55). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{40}\text{NO}_7\text{Si}$ (483.68): C 59.60, H 8.54, N 2.90; found: C 59.48, H 8.51, N 2.98.

(*tert*-Butyl)dimethylsilyl 3-[(*tert*-Butoxy)carbonylamino]-3-deoxy- α -D-altrofuranoside ((+)-41). A mixture of (+)-40 (118 mg, 0.24 mmol), 10% Pd/C (236 mg), and THF/ H_2O 4:1 (8 ml) was shaken under H_2 for 2 h (TLC control, silica gel, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1, R_f ((+)-40) 0.25). After filtration, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by FC, yielding 74 mg (78%), white crystals. M.p. 103–104°. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +13.7$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +14.2$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +15.5$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +20.8$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +22.7$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3600, 3150, 2940, 2850, 1685, 1500, 1390, 1250, 1150, 1035. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 5.58 (br. d , $J = 8.4$, NH); 5.28 (s , H–C(1)); 4.77 (br. d , $J = 9.8$, OH); 4.55 (br. t , $J = 6.6$, OH–C(6)); 4.22 (br. d , $J = 3$, OH); 4.06 (m , H–C(4), H–C(3)); 3.90 (m , H–C(2), H–C(5)); 3.80 (m , $\text{CH}_2(6)$); 1.41 (s , t -BuO); 0.90 (s , t -BuSi); –0.13, –0.14 ($2s$, Me_2Si). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 156.6 (s , COO); 102.3 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 173$, C(1)); 89.7 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, C(3)); 80.7 (s , Me_3CO); 79.2 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 153$, C(2)); 71.2 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, C(5)); 62.7 (t , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, C(6)); 56.5 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, C(4)); 28.2 (q , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 125$, Me_3CO); 25.6 (q , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_3CSi); 17.7 (s , Me_3CSi); –4.6, –5.4 ($2q$, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_2Si). MS (70 eV): 280 (10), 262 (3), 236 (9), 219 (3), 201 (6), 159 (7), 117 (10), 116 (17), 103 (5), 75 (25), 57 (100). CI-MS (NH_3): 411 (11, $M^+ + \text{NH}_3$), 396 (8), 395 (26), 394 (100, M^+), 280 (15), 262 (19), 223 (16), 206 (12). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{35}\text{NO}_7\text{Si}$ (393.56): C 51.88, H 8.96, N 3.56, Si 7.14; found: C 51.96, H 8.98, N 3.61, Si 7.17.

1,2,5,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-3-[(*tert*-butoxy)carbonylamino]-3-deoxy- β -D-altrofuranose ((–)-43). At 0°, 1M Bu_4NF in THF (0.59 ml, 0.59 mmol) was added to a soln. of (+)-41 (213 mg, 0.54 mmol) in anh. THF (4 ml). After stirring at 0° for 30 min (TLC control, silica gel, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1), the solvent was evaporated and the residue dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (3 ml). Ac_2O (0.55 ml), pyridine (0.5 ml), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (1 mg) were added, and the mixture was stirred at 20° for 3–6 h (TLC control, silica gel, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1, R_f ((–)-43) ca. 0.8). The solvent was evaporated and the residue (9:1 mixture of (–)-43/42, by $^1\text{H-NMR}$) purified by FC ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1) and recrystallization from AcOEt/hexane, yielding 207 mg (86%) of (–)-43, colourless crystals. M.p. 137–138°. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -41.6$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -42.7$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -48.6$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -79.8$, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -118.8$ ($c = 1$, CH_2Cl_2). IR (CHCl_3): 3440, 3020, 2980, 1740, 1515, 1370, 1220, 1160, 1040. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (250 MHz, CDCl_3): 6.29 (d , $J = 4$, H–C(1)); 5.39 (m , H–C(5)); 5.17 (dd , $J = 9.6$, 4.0, H–C(2)); 4.80 (br. d , $J = 8.2$, NH); 4.43 (br. dd , $^2J = 12.0$, $^3J = 6.0$, H–C(6)); 4.42 (m , H–C(3)); 4.07 (dd , $^2J = 12.0$, $^3J = 6.0$, H–C(6)); 4.00 (dd , $J(\text{H–C(4), H–C(5)}) = 7.6$, $J(\text{H–C(3), H–C(4)}) = 7.8$, H–C(4)); 2.11, 2.07, 2.05, 2.00 (4s, 4 AcO); 1.42 (s , t -BuO). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (90.55 MHz, CDCl_3): 170.6, 170.1, 170.05, 169.3 (4s, 4 MeCO); 154.9 (s , COO); 93.2 (dd , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 185$, $^3J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 4.5$, C(1)); 79.2 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 153$, C(3)); 74.9 (dd , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 150$, $^3J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 5.5$, C(2)); 71.8 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 149$, C(5)); 62.3 (t , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 148$, C(6)); 54.6 (d , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 145$, C(4)); 15.1 (q , $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 120$, Me_3C); 2.9, 2.6, 2.4, 2.2 (4q, $^1J(\text{C}, \text{H}) = 128$, MeCO). MS (70 eV): 328 (3), 228 (8), 212 (11), 211 (9), 169 (11), 168 (10), 115 (6), 57 (100). CI-MS (NH_3): 465 (100, $M^+ + \text{NH}_3$), 332 (45, $M^+ - (t\text{-Bu})\text{OCO}$), 169 (10). Anal. calc. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_{11}$ (447.44): C 51.00, H 6.53, N 3.13; found: C 50.92, H 6.47, N 3.20.

Methyl 3-Amino-3-deoxy- α -D-altropropanoside Hydrochloride (44). At 0°, 0.1M HCl in anh. MeOH (4 ml) was added to a soln. of (–)-43 (164 mg, 0.37 mmol) in anh. MeOH (3 ml). After stirring at 0° overnight, the soln. was allowed to warm slowly to 20°. Solvent evaporation gave 85 mg (100%), colourless oil whose characteristics were identical to those reported for 44 in [13].

Methyl 2,4,6-Tri-O-acetyl-3-(acetylamino)-3-deoxy- α -D-altropropanoside ((+)-45). A mixture of 44 (85 mg, 0.37 mmol), Ac_2O (0.5 ml), pyridine (0.5 ml), and 2 mg of 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine was stirred at 60° for 5 h. After solvent evaporation, the residue was purified by chromatography (Lobar, column B, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$ 18:1). A first fraction (R_f 0.45) afforded, after recrystallization from EtOH, 56 mg (35%) of (+)-45 as colourless crystals.

M.p. 173–175° ([13]: 176–177°). $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +33$ ($c = 0.3$, CHCl_3 ; [13]: +34°). A second fraction (R_f 0.4) yielded 80 mg (50%) of methyl 2,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-3-(acetylamino)-3-deoxy- α -*D*-altrofuranoside (**46**).

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