# Synthesis of Glycosyl Phosphonates and Related Compounds

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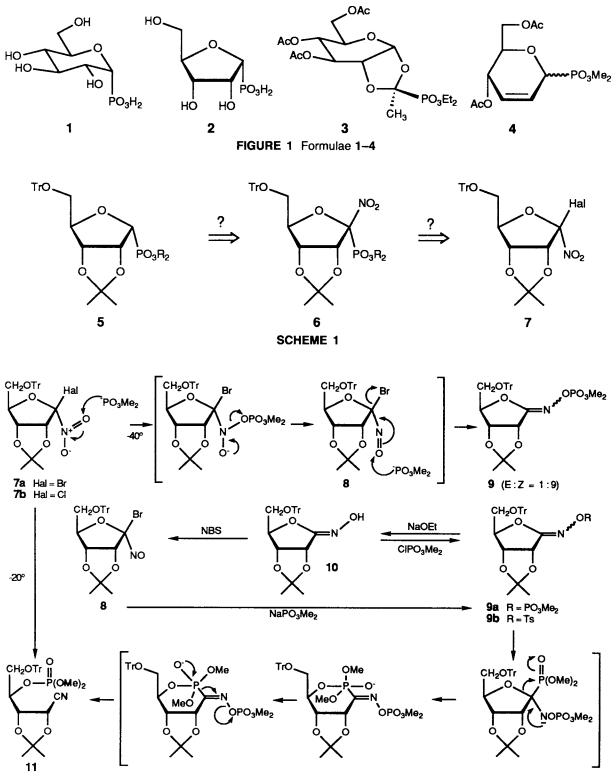
### ABSTRACT

The synthesis of glycosylphosphonates, isopolar, nonisosteric analogues of glycosylphosphates, from halonitro ethers, glycosyl acetates, or glycosyl trichloroacetimidates is reviewed. A new approach to phosphonate analogues of myo-inositol trisphosphate (50) is described. Based on a hypothetical reaction mechanism for the formation of thioethers from a glyoxalase I inhibitor, an advanced intermediate 59 for the synthesis of diphosphonate-phosphate analogues of **50** is obtained by an addition-eliminationaddition sequence from 54. Finally, glucosylphosphines, characterized as the corresponding phosphine oxides 61 and 62 have been prepared from the glycosylidene diazirine 60, a precursor of the tetra-Obenzylglucopyranosylidene carbene. The phosphine oxides 61 and 62 were also obtained by reaction of the glycosyl acetate 18 with methyl diphenylphosphinite.

By 1970–1975, phosphonoyl substituents had been introduced at almost every position of aldoses, with the exception of the anomeric position of pyranoses and furanoses [1, 2]. There was no method for the synthesis of glycosyl phosphonates of the type illustrated by glucose-1-phosphonate 1 and ribose-1-phosphonate 2, which were of particular interest as (presumably) isopolar, nonisosteric analogues of the biologically important glycosyl-1-phosphates and as enantiomerically pure  $\alpha$ -heteroatom substituted phosphonates [3] of potential use for the "Umpolung" of the reactivity at the anomeric center [4, 5]. Paulsen's group had thoroughly investigated the Michaelis-Becker and the Arbuzov reaction of variously protected glycosyl halides and had shown that mainly elimination products are formed, presumably according to an E2C mechanism. Dialkoxyphosphonates of type 3 were obtained when silver dialkyl phosphites and AgClO<sub>4</sub> or the corresponding halomercury compounds were used. The desired C(1), P bond was formed by treating allylic glycosyl halides with trialkyl phosphites under acidic conditions, to give allylic phosphonates of type 4 (Figure 1). These compounds were hydrogenated and used for the determination of the anomeric effect of the --PO<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub> group (0.56 kcal/Mol) (see [2] and earlier papers of the series). Unfortunately, the olefinic double bond could not be epoxidized or dihydroxylated. The desired glycosyl phosphonates remained inaccessible.

Our interest in the chemistry of phosphonic acids [6] and in new carbohydrate derivatives involving the anomeric center led to the questions formulated in Scheme 1. We expected that the reaction of dialkyl phosphite anions with halonitroalkanes and 1-nitrosulfones reported by Russell and Hershberger [7] to give 1-nitrophosphonates [8] would proceed similarly with halonitroethers, which we knew to undergo  $S_{RN}$  reactions with weakly basic carbanions [9]. As tert nitroethers are smoothly reduced [10] and as halonitroethers of type 7 are easily available from the corresponding aldose oximes [4, 11], the proposed sequence seemed promising. In fact, dialkyl phosphite attacked the nitro group of the bromonitroribose 7a (Scheme 2) [12]. At  $-40^{\circ}$ under irradiation a transient blue color was observed. The main product was the phosphate 9 of the corresponding hydroximolactone **10** [4b], which was isolated as a byproduct. The blue color indicated the intermediate formation of the bromoni-

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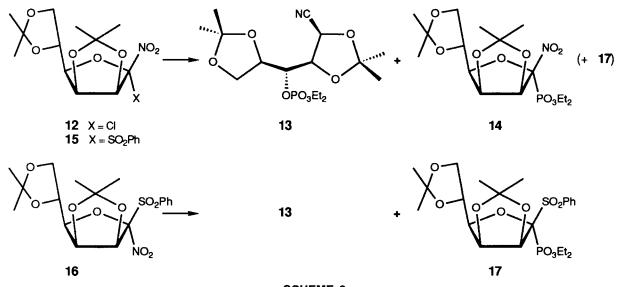
trosoether 8, which was prepared by bromination of 10 and indeed reacted with NaPO<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub> to form 9a. Transesterification of 9a gave 10 and treatment of 10 with dimethyl phosphorochloridate gave 9a. A similar formation of an oxime phosphate had been observed by Russell et al. [7] when 2,2-dinitropropane was treated with KOP(OR)<sub>2</sub> and rationalized by assuming an attack of phosphite at the *N*-atom of one of the nitro groups.

The reaction with phosphite does not stop at the formation of **9a**. At a somewhat higher temperature, **9a** reacted with dimethyl phosphite anion and gave the nitrile **11** in good yields. The same nitrile was obtained from the tosylate **9b** and directly from **7b**. Obviously, no  $S_{RN}$ 1-reaction had occurred, but instead a nucleophilic attack had taken place, first at the *O*-atom of the nitro group, leading to deoxygenation, followed by a second nucleophilic attack at the *O*-atom of the nitroso group and again followed by a third nucleophilic attack at C(1), leading after a 1,2-migration of the C,O bond, pseudorotation, and elimination to the nitrile.

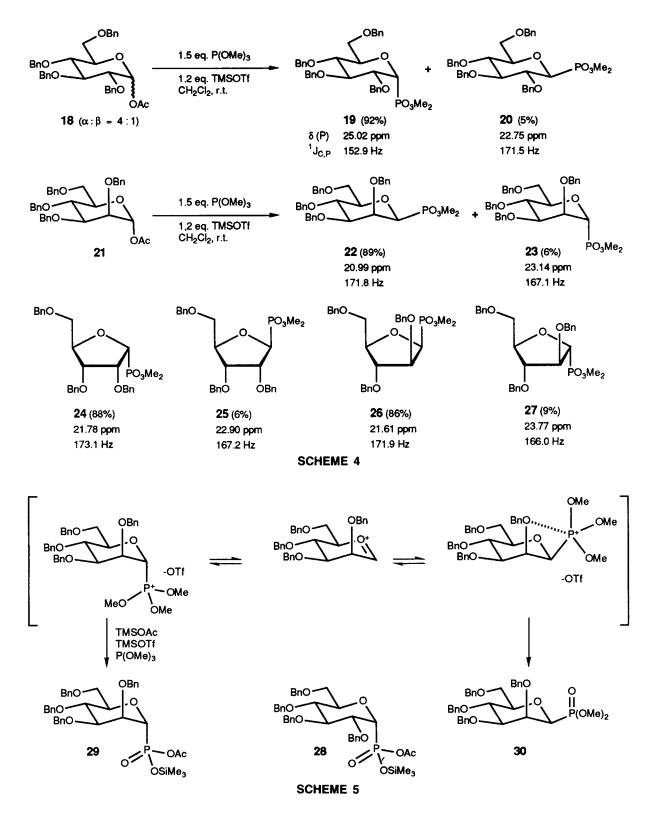
The chloronitromannose **12** reacted similarly with KPO(OMe)<sub>2</sub>. In the presence of KPO(OEt)<sub>2</sub>, at  $-60^{\circ}$ , however, it gave 51% of the nitrile **13** and 21% of the desired nitrophosphonate **14** (Scheme 3). That competition of nucleophilic attack and single electron transfer [6, 13] had occurred with the sterically slightly more hindered diethyl phosphite was evident from the suppression of the formation of **14** in the presence of O<sub>2</sub> or dinitrobenzene and by the reaction of the nitrosulfonates **15** and **16**. While the isomer **15**, possessing an endo-oriented, sterically shielded nitro group reacted with KPO<sub>3</sub>Et<sub>2</sub> at  $-40^{\circ}$ to give 11% of the nitrile **13** and 61% of the phosphonate, the isomer **16** with the exo-oriented nitro group gave 58% of the nitrile and 15% of **14**. In the presence of 18-crown-6, a 1:1 mixture of the nitrosulfones 15 and 16 gave 67% of the desired 14. The nitrophosphonate 14 was reductively denitrated and deprotected to yield the corresponding phosphonate, but the route was not pursued.

The results of Paulsen's group may be interpreted as meaning that trialkyl phosphites do react with carbocations, particularly with stabilized ones, but that the way of generating such cations used by Paulsen's group—the reaction of glycosyl halides with  $AgPO_3Et_2$ —gave the phosphite, not a phosphonate, because of the P-Ag interaction. Generation of glycosyl cations by other means may lead to the desired phosphonates. Indeed, treatment of the O-benzylated glucosyl acetates 18 with a small excess of P(OMe)<sub>3</sub> in the presence of trimethylsilyl triflate at room temperature gave almost exclusively the 1,2-*cis* configurated glycosylphosphonate **19** in high yields (Scheme 4). Surprisingly, the manno-acetate 21 also gave the 1,2-cis phosphonate 22 and a similar behavior was observed in the furanose series, where the O-benzylated D-ribo and D-arabino glycosyl acetates yielded mainly the 1,2-cis configurated phosphonates 24 and 26, respectively, in yields between 86% and 92%. Small amounts of the 1,2-trans products 20, 23, 25, and 27 were also isolated.

The preferred formation of 1,2-*cis* phosphonates is independent of the configuration of the glycosyl acetates. It may be rationalized on the basis of the postulates that the intermediate phosphonium ions [14] equilibrate and that the C(2) alkoxy group stabilizes a cis oriented trialkoxy phosphonium center [15] (Scheme 5). Equilibration may be possible because of the weakness of the nucleophiles generated in the reaction. With BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> as promoter ( $\rightarrow$ BF<sub>3</sub>—OAc), the 1,2-*trans* **27** was in-



SCHEME 3



deed obtained in 19% instead of 9% (SnCl<sub>4</sub> led only to a low conversion). A modification of this procedure by Vaghefi et al. [16], who used a larger excess of  $P(OMe)_3$  and TMSOTf at higher temperatures, gave the phosphonic acetic anhydride **28** from the  $\alpha$ -D-acetate **18** [17] and the  $\alpha$ -D-configurated mannophosphonic acetic anhydride **29** from **21**. As indicated in Scheme 4, the values for  ${}^{1}J_{C,P}$  and the chemical shifts ( ${}^{31}P$ ) correspond well to those reported earlier for 2,3-dideoxy-glycosyl phosphonates [2].

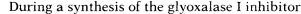
If it is correct that a shift from an attempted  $S_N 2$  to a  $S_N 1$ -type substitution by  $P(OR)_3$  is responsible for the successful synthesis of aldose-1-phosphonates, then the factors invoked in explaining the reactivity of glycosyl donors in the synthesis of glycosides [18] should be valid also for the preparation of glycosyl phosphonates. Thus, O-benzylated ulose phosphates and 2-deoxyglycosyl phosphonates should be easily available, while electron withdrawing substituents, particularly at C(2) should render the synthesis more difficult. The first contention was tested in the preparation of the phosphonoyl analogue 35 (Scheme 6) [19] of fructose 2,6-bisphosphate **36**, the regulating agent of glycolysis and gluconeogenesis [20]. The reaction of the acetate **30** with trimethyl and triphenyl phosphite, respectively, proceeded smoothly and yielded mostly the expected  $\beta$ -D-phosphonate **31**, presumably because of the interaction in the phosphonium ion with the conformationally biased OBn group at C(3). Regioselective debenzylation, phosphonylation, and deprotection gave the desired phosphonate-phosphate 35.

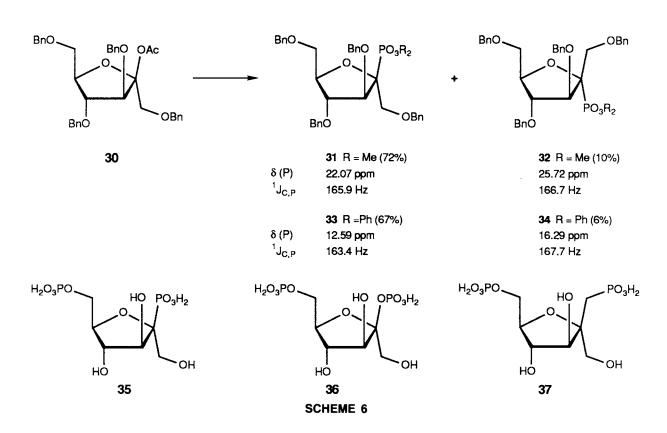
The isosteric phosphonate **37** was also prepared [21], and the two analogues allowed a reinterpretation of the role of fructose-1,6-bisphosphatase and fructose-1-phosphate phosphotransferase in higher plants [22].

The influence of the acceptor properties of protective groups became apparent in a synthesis of the phosphonate analogue of Lipid X, a biosynthetic precursor of Lipid A, that is the lipophilic moiety of bacterial lipopolysaccharides. In the course of this work (Scheme 7) [23] the azidoacetate **38** was treated with  $P(OMe)_3/TMSOTf$  to give only the phosphoramidate **39**, showing that a better leaving group was required. The trichloroacetimido group [24] proved suitable and the peracetylated imidate **40** reacted smoothly to the  $\alpha$ -D-phosphonate **41** that was transformed into Lipid X and hence enzymatically into the biologically active phosphonate analogue of Lipid A [25]. The diastereoselectivity of this reaction appears to be the result of the properties of **40** as a glycosyl donor rather than being the result of a neighboring group effect of the azido function.

Finally, we prepared the protected phosphonate analogues **43** and **44** of *N*-acetyl-2-deoxyneuraminic acid to evaluate the inhibition of sialidases by the corresponding deprotected acids **45** and **46** (Scheme 7 and Figure 2). As expected, the axial 2-deoxyacetate **42** gave a mixture of the anomeric phosphonates, with the product of a single inversion in slight excess (68%, 1:1,3). The phosphonic acids **45** and **46** turned out to be remarkably better inhibitors than the corresponding carboxylic acids [26].

The pK'<sub>2HA</sub> values of these and other glycosyl phosphonates (Figure 2) correspond fairly well to those of the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl phosphates **47** and **48** [27].





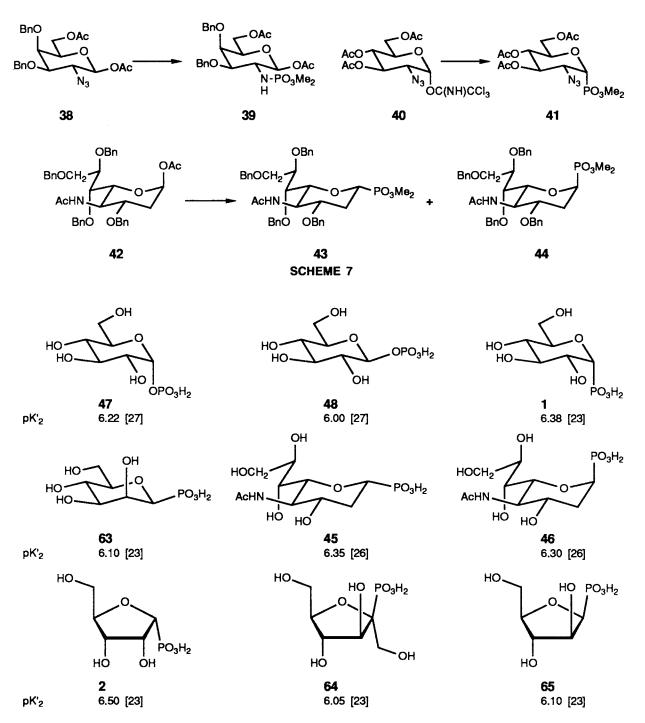
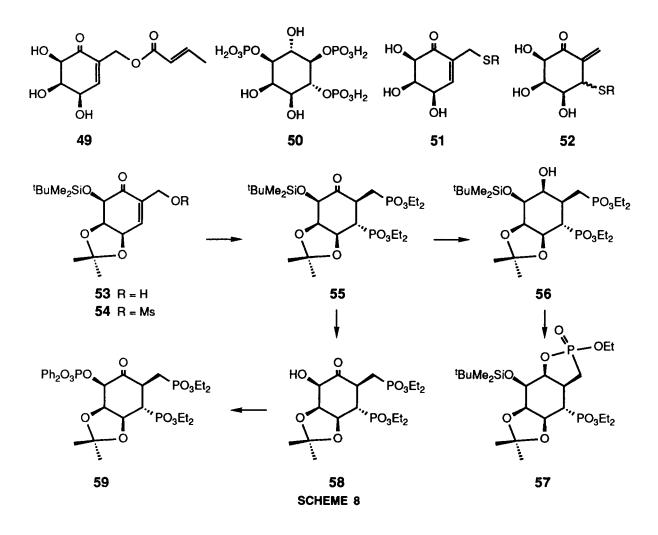
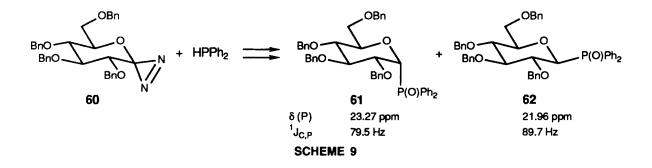


FIGURE 2 *pK*<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-Values of Phosphates and Phosphonates

49 [28], we noticed a configurational overlap of 49 and myo-inositol trisphosphate 50 (Scheme 8). This inhibitor reacts with thiols to give (formal) substitution products of type 51 [29]. We speculated that 51 is formed via a sequence of two  $\beta$ -addition/  $\beta$ -elimination processes with the intermediate formation of an enone 52. Addition of dialkyl phosphite anions to 49 and similarly substituted analogues should then lead to the bisphosphonate 55. When the mesylate 54 was treated with LiPO<sub>3</sub>Et<sub>2</sub>, it indeed yielded 76% of the bisphosphonate 55. Reduction of 55 gave the undesired alcohol 56, which cyclized very easily to the phostone 57. The ketone 55 was desilylated ( $\rightarrow$ 58) and phosphorylated to give 59, an advanced intermediate in the synthesis of phosphonic acid analogues of dehydro-myo-inositol trisphosphate and of myo-inositol trisphosphate.



Finally, we have begun to study a new aspect of the synthesis of aldoses possessing a C(1),P bond, viz. the (formal) insertion of glycosylidene carbenes into P,H bonds. Glycosylidene carbenes are formed from glycosylidene diazirines [30] either photochemically [31] or thermally and insert well into O,H bonds. Both kinetic [32] and structural [33] evidence shows that for nucleophilic (alkoxy)alkyl carbenes a deprotonation precedes recombination of an ion pair. To the best of our knowledge, insertion of carbenes into the P,H bond is not known for nucleophilic or ambiphilic carbenes. That the tetra*O*-benzylglucosylidene diazirine **60** [29] inserts smoothly into the P,H bond of diphenylphosphine under thermal or photochemical conditions to give a ca. 1:1 mixture of anomeric phosphines (76%), which were isolated and characterized as the corresponding phosphine oxides **61** and **62** (Scheme 9), may indicate the initial formation of an ylide or a surprisingly high base strength of the carbenes. From a preparative point of view it proved more convenient to synthesize the glycosylphosphine oxides by reaction of glycosyl acetates such as **18** with diphenylphosphinite in the presence of trimethylsilyl



triflate [34]. The yields were about the same, but the second method proceeded with a higher stereoselectivity ( $\alpha:\beta = 86:14$ ). The relative magnitude of  ${}^{1}J_{C,P}$  in **61** and **62** appears to remain a valid criterion for the equatorial or (pseudo)axial orientation of the Ph<sub>2</sub>P(O) group. Similarly, the relative chemical shift in the  ${}^{31}$ P-NMR spectrum may correlate with the configuration of the anomeric center. Not unexpectedly, the  $\alpha$ -D-anomer **61** possesses a flattened  ${}^{4}C_{1}$  conformation (distorted towards S<sub>5</sub>), due to the high A-value of the Ph<sub>2</sub>P(O) group and its anomeric effect [2, 35].

#### EXPERIMENTAL

#### (4R,5R,6R)-6-O-[(tert-Butyl)-dimethylsilyl]-4,5-O-isopropylidene-2-(mesyloxymethyl)-4,5,6trihydroxy-cyclohex-2-enone (**54**)

A solution of 53 [28a] (3 g, 9.13 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (60 mL) was cooled to 0° under Ar. Triethylamine (1.91 mL, 13.7 mmol, 1.39 g) and then mesyl chloride (0.92 mL, 11.87 mmol, 1.36 g) were added dropwise. The mixture was stirred for 45 min. at  $0^{\circ}$ . Workup with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and ice water, cold 10% HCl solution, and saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution followed by FC (AcOEt/Hex 1:2) afforded 3.68 g (99.1%) of 54 as a white solid, rapidly turning yellow at room temperature  $R_{\rm f}$ (AcOEt/hexane 1:1) = 0.52.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25}$  =  $+36.9^{\circ}$  (c = 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Mp 64–65.5°. UV (EtOH): 232 (8091). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3031w, 2987w, 2947w, 2925m, 2896w, 2884w, 2853m, 1708s, 1467w, 1462w, 1453w, 1408w, 1380m, 1369s, 1360s, 1331m, 1296w, 1249m, 1230m, 1198m, 1170s, 1119m, 1079w, 1049s, 1004m, 998m, 970m, 950m, 934s, 921s, 904m, 888w, 834s. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 6.68 (m, H—C(3)); 4.88 (m, H-C(4) and H<sub>2</sub>--C(7)); 4.71 (m, H-C(5)); 4.50  $(d, J = 3.00, H - C(6)); 3.07 (s, OSO_2CH_3); 1.39 (s, C(6)); 3.07 (s, OSO_2CH_3); 1.39 (s, C(6)); 3.07 (s,$  $CH_3$  acetal); 1.33 (s,  $CH_3$  acetal); 0.95 (s,  $SiC(CH_3)_3$ ); 0.23 (s, SiCH<sub>3</sub>); 0.10 (s, SiCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 194.06 (s, C(1)); 142.78 (d, C(3)); 130.80 (s, C(2)); 111.58 (s, O<sub>2</sub>C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 79.20 (d); 74.20 (d); 72.33 (d); 65.80 (t, C(7)); 37.47 (q, OSO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); 27.77 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 26.57 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 25.77 (q, SiC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); 18.56 (s,  $SiC(CH_3)_3$ ); -4.30 (q,  $SiCH_3$ ); -5.48 (q, SiCH<sub>3</sub>). CI-MS: 408 (13); 407 (52, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>); 392 (11); 391 (35); 350 (20); 349 (100); 333 (14); 311 (12); 254 (24); 253 (89); 237 (23); 225 (14); 195 (17). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>7</sub>SSi (406.57): C, 50.22; H, 7.44. Found: C, 50.28; H, 7.43.

#### 1D-(1/2,4,5,6)-4-O-[(tert-Butyl)-dimethylsilyl]-1-(diethylphosphonyl)-2-(diethylphosphinylmethyl)-5,6-O-isopropylidene-4,5,6-trihydroxycyclohexan-3-one (**55**)

BuLi (Merck 1.62 M, 22.12 mL, 35.42 mmol) was added dropwise under Ar to a solution of diethyl phosphite (6.85 mL, 53.13 mmol, 7.34 g) in dry THF (72 mL) at  $-78^{\circ}$ . The mixture was stirred for 15

min., dry acetonitrile (3.6 mL) was added and, after another 30 min., 54 (7.21 g, 17.71 mmol) in 145 mL THF. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at  $-78^{\circ}$ , quenched with 10% HCl solution (35.4 mL), and allowed to warm up to room temperature. Workup with AcOEt and brine, filtration over SiO<sub>2</sub> (AcOEt/ MeOH 9:1), and MPLC (AcOEt) gave 55, 8.31 g (76.5%) as a pale yellow oil.  $R_f$  (AcOEt) = 0.16.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = -50.8^{\circ}$  (c = 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 2984s, 2952m, 2928m, 2903m, 2857w, 1738m, 1600w, 1468w, 1461w, 1454w, 1441w, 1433w, 1404w, 1389m, 1382m, 1367m, 1361w, 1244s, 1201s, 1161s, 1083m, 1047s, 1026s, 969s, 940m, 893w, 871w, 849w, 837m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 5.23 (d, J = 5.0, H---C(4)); 4.74 (dddd, J = 6.5,  $\sim 3.0$ , J(H,P) = 3.0, H—C(6)); 4.70 (dd, J = 6.5, 5.1, H—C(5)); 4.10 (m,  $8H_{2}P_{(0-CH_{2}-CH_{3})_{2}}; 3.33 (brd, J(H,P) = 27.6)$  $J \le 2.5$ , H—C(1)); 2.95 (ddddd, J(H,P) = 20.1, ~15, J = 10.5, <2.0, <2.0, H—C(2)); 2.75 (dddd, J(H,P)= 19.1, J = 15.7, ~2.8, ~2.8, H—C(7)); 2.00 (ddd, J(H,P) = 15.7, J = 15.7, 11.2, H' - C(7); 1.34 (m, 18H,  $O_2C(CH_3)_2$  and  $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ; 0.92 (s, SiC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); 0.15 (s, SiCH<sub>3</sub>); 0.06 (s, SiCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR  $(CDCl_3)$ : 205.59 (sd, J(C,P) = 17, C(3)); 108.98 (s,  $O_2C(CH_3)_2$ ; 79.26 (d, C(4)); 75.01 (dd, J(C,P) = 2.7); 73.07 (dd, J(C,P) = 7.5); 63.20, 62.41, 61.93, 61.59  $(4 \text{ td}, J(C, P) = 6.8, 7.6, 6.6, 6.3, 2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2); 40.16$ (dd, J(C,P) = 3, C(2)); 38.51 (dd, J(C,P) = 138.1, C(1));28.1 (tdd, J(C,P) = 143, 11.5, C(7)); 26.15 (q, CH<sub>3</sub>) acetal); 25.90 (q, SiC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); 24.14 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 18.57  $SiC(CH_3)_3);$ 16.46. 16.38. (s. (2da.  $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ; -4.56 (q, SiCH<sub>3</sub>); -5.02 (q, SiCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 31.15 (d, J(P,P) = 1.4); 27.98 (d, J(P,P) = 1.4). CI-MS: 587 (52,  $[M + 1]^+$ ); 511 (35); 151 (100); 117 (19); 99 (21); 89 (18); 73 (27); 61 (12). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>10</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Si (586.67): C, 49.13; H, 8.25; P, 10.56. Found: C, 49.29; H, 8.50; P, 10.32.

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Dry CeCl<sub>3</sub> (29.45 mg, 0.085 mmol) and Bu<sub>4</sub>NBH<sub>4</sub> (211.85 mg, 0.85 mmol) were added to a solution of 55 (50 mg, 0.085 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.5 mL) under Ar. The mixture was cooled to 0°. Ethyl bromide (0.063 mL, 0.85 mmol, 0.092 mg) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred for 20 min, quenched at 0° with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and extracted with  $CHCl_3$ . FC gave 43 mg (85.7%) of 56 as a pale yellow oil.  $R_f$  (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/AcOEt/EtOH 10:10:3) = 0.45.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = -2.4^{\circ}$  (c = 1, EtOH). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3675w, 3460w (br), 2984m, 2950m, 2926m, 2900w, 2857m, 1598w, 1461w, 1453w, 1441w, 1437w, 1381w, 1372w, 1361w, 1292w, 1280w, 1237m, 1200m, 1152m, 1128m, 1104m, 1095m, 1052s, 1024s, 964s, 898w, 836m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 4.28 (m, H—C(2) and H—C(3)); 4.1 (m,  $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$  and H—C(5));

3.8 (dd, J = 4, 4, H—C(4)); 3.12 (d, J = 8, HO); 2.7 (dd, J(H,P) = 22, J = 15, H-C(7)), 2.2 (m, H-C(1))and H'--C(7)); 2.05 (m, H--C(6)); 1.50 (s, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 1.32 (m, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal and 2P(OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 0.92 (s,  $SiC(CH_3)_3$ ); 0.14 (s,  $SiCH_3$ ); 0.13 (s,  $SiCH_3$ ). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 109.37 (s, O<sub>2</sub>C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 76.87 (dd, J(C,P) = 13.2; 74.27 (ddd, J(C,P) = 2.75, 5.25); 70.62 (dd, J(C,P) = 13.6); 69.63 (dd, J(C,P) = 1.6); 62.30,61.60, 61.50, 61.38 (4 td, J(C,P) = 5.5, 6.0, 6.3, 5.8) $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ; 38.50 (ddd, J(C,P) = 140, 17.2, C(1)); 34.10 (d); 28.59 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 25.71 (q, SiC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> and  $CH_3$  acetal); 24.50 (td, J(C, P) = 137, C(7)); 18.17  $(s, SiC(CH_3)_3); 16.30 (dq, P(OCH_2CH_3)_2); J(C, P = 6.0,$ 2) -4.62 (q, SiCH<sub>3</sub>); -4.74 (q, SiCH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR  $(CDCl_3)$ : 31.68 (d, J(P,P) = 2.54); 31.42 (d, J(P,P) =2.54). CI-MS: 591 (9); 589 (100, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>10</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Si (588.69): C, 48.97; H, 8.56; P, 21.05. Found: C, 48.72; H, 8.82; P, 20.79.

#### *1D*-(*1*/2,4,5,6)-1-(*Diethylphosphonyl*)-2-(*diethylphosphinylmethyl*)-5,6-O*isopropylidene*-4,5,6-*trihydroxy-cyclohexan*-3*one* (**58**)

N-bromosuccinimide (1 g, 5.62 mmol) was added to a solution of 55 (3 g, 5.11 mmol) in a mixture of DMSO (28.5 mol) and H<sub>2</sub>O (1.5 mL). The solution was stirred for 18 h at room temperature. Workup (AcOEt and brine) and FC (AcOEt/acetone 2:3) afforded 1.91 g (79%) of **58**.  $R_{\rm f}$  (AcOEt/acetone 2:3) = 0.19.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -40^\circ$  (c = 0.59, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3535w, 2985s, 2932w, 2903w, 2866w, 1727s, 1260w, 1476w, 1450w, 1440w, 1404w, 1389m, 1382m, 1368w, 1295w, 1240s (br), 1202s, 1160m, 1152m, 1113m, 1050s, 1026s, 970s, 939m, 898w, 896w, 849w. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 4.98 (dd, J = 5.3, J(H, OH) = 8.2, H-C(4); 4.80 (m, H-C(5) and H-C(6)); 4.24 $(m, 2P(O-CH_2-CH_3)_2); 3.45 (ddd app. as br d, J(H,P))$ = 27.6, H-C(1); 3.15 (m, H-C(2) and OH); 2.78 (m, H-C(7)); 1.84 (m, H-C(7)); 1.34 (m, 18H) $O_2C(CH_3)_2$  and  $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $207.34 \text{ (sd, } J(C,P) = 17, C(3)\text{); } 108.91 \text{ (s, } O_2C(CH_3)_2\text{),}$ 78.40 (d, C(4)); 72.95 (dd, J(C,P) = 2.0); 72.67 (dd, J(C,P) = 7.0; 63.08, 62.41, 61.84, 61.48 (4 td, J(C,P))  $= 6, 7, 7, 7, 2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ; 39.79 (d, C(2)); 38.86 (dd, J(C,P) = 137, C(7)); 27.45 (tdd, J(C,P) = 145, 11)C(7)); 25.82 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 24.01 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 16.22, 16.17  $(2dq, J(C,P) = 7.0, 5.0, 2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2)$ . <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 30.26 (s); 26.98 (s). CI-MS: 475 (5); 474 (23); 473 (100,  $[M + 1]^+$ ); 397 (17). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>10</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (472.41): C, 45.76; H, 7.25; P, 13.11. Found: C, 45.50; H, 7.51; P, 12.92.

1D-(1/2,4,5,6)-1-(Diethylphosphonyl)-4-(diphenoxyphosphoryl)-2-(diethylphosphinylmethyl)-5,6-Oisopropylidene-4,5,6-trihydroxy-cyclohexan-3-one (**59**)

Chlorodiphenylphosphate (0.263 mL, 1.27 mmol, 341.2 mg) was added dropwise to **58** (220 mg, 0.423

mmol) in pyridine (1 mL) at 0° under Ar. The mixture was stirred for 80 min. Workup with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, saturated aqueous CuSO<sub>4</sub>, saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine. FC (SiO<sub>2</sub> containing 1% NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, acetone/ hexane 1:1) gave 232.5 mg of **59** (78%). R<sub>f</sub> (acetone/ hexane 3:2 = 0.59. IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3037w, 2985s, 2932w, 2905w, 2868w, 1794w, 1744m, 1590m, 1487m, 1453w, 1441w. 1407w. 1382m. 1369w. 1283s. 1245s. 1182s. 1160s, 1126m, 1115m, 1092s, 1083s, 1043s, 1024s, 1012s, 968s, 902w, 850w. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 7.15 (m, 10 arom. H); 5.79 (dd, J(H,P) = 8.3, J = 5.5, H—C(4)); 4.78 (t, J = 6.0, 6.0, H—C(5)); 4.70 (quint,  $J = 5.9, \sim 3.0, \sim 3.0, H - C(6)$ ; 4.08 (m, 2P(OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 3.38 (ddd app. as br d, J(H,P) = 27.7, H—C(1)); 3.04 (m, H—C(2)); 2.69 (dddd, J(H,P) = 20.3, -2.5, J =15.5,  $\sim$ 2.5, H—C(7)) 1.86 (ddd app. as dt, J(H,P) =15.6, J = 15.6, 11.3, H'-C(7)); 1.33 (m, O<sub>2</sub>C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and 2P(OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 199.9 (sd, J(C,P) = 14.3, C(3)); 150.3 (sd, J(C,P) = 8.2, arom. C - O - P; 150.1 (sd, J(C, P) = 7.2, arom. C - O - P); 129.3 (d, arom.); 125.1 (d, arom.); 120.2 (d, arom.); 120.1 (d, arom.); 109.4 (s,  $O_2C(CH_3)_2$ ); 78.5 (dd, J(C,P)= 3.4; 77.2 (dd, J(C,P) = 4.5); 72.9 (dd, J(C,P) = 6.8); 63.1, 62.6, 61.8, 61.5 (4 td, J(C,P) = 6.9, 6.5, 6.8, 6.0) $2P(OCH_2CH_3)_2$ ; 40.0 (d, C(2)); 37.8 (dd, J(C,P) = 138, C(1); 27.3 (tdd, J(C,P) = 145.3, 10.7, C(7)); 25.8 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 24.1 (q, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal); 16.1, 16.06, 16.02, 15.9 (4q, 2P(OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR: 29.6 (s); 25.9 (s); -12.2 (s).

#### 1L-(1/2,3,4,5,6)-5,6<sup>2</sup>-Anhydro-4-O-[(tert-butyl)dimethylsilyl]-1-(diethylphosphonyl)-6-(ethylphosphinylmethyl)-2,3-O-isopropylidene-2,3,4,5-tetrahydroxy-cyclohexane (**57**)

NaBH<sub>4</sub> (38.7 mg, 1.02 mmol) was added at 0° to a solution of 55 (50 mg, 0.085 mmol) in *i*-propanol (0.5 mL) under Ar. The solution was stirred for 1 h. The mixture was dissolved in AcOEt and excess NaBH<sub>4</sub> was destroyed with saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. Usual workup and FC afforded 29 mg (57.8%) of 57 as a white solid. An analytical sample was recrystallized in hexane giving white, thin needles.  $R_{\rm f}$  $(CH_2Cl_2/AcOEt/EtOH 10:10:3) = 0.33$ . Mp 155–156°.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = +13^{\circ}$  (c = 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3665w, 3410w (br), 2981s, 2949m, 2925m, 2900m, 2852m, 2465w, 1600w, 1469w, 1458w, 1442w, 1438w, 1409w, 1389m, 1381m, 1374m, 1361w, 1352w, 1327w, 1290w, 1240s, 1200s, 1161m, 1124m, 1094s, 1062s, 1046s, 1012s, 972s, 878s, 865s, 838m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): '4.33 (dd, J = 4, 2, H-C(4)); 4.2 (m, 3POCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, H—C(2) and H—C(5)); 3.98 (ddd, J(H,P)  $= 2.7, J = 8, 4, H \rightarrow C(3)$ ; 2.95 (m, H  $\rightarrow C(6)$ ); 2.55 (m, H—C(1) and H—C(7)); 1.77 (ddd, J(H,P) = 18, J = 14, 12.5, H' - C(7); 1.50 ((s, CH<sub>3</sub> acetal), 1.35) (m, 12H,  $CH_3$  acetal and  $3POCH_2CH_3$ ); 0.92 (s, SiC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); 0.1 (s, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 109.31  $(s, O_2C(CH_3)_2); 75.80 (ddd, J(C,P) = 15.1, 8.6, C(5));$ 73.69 (dd, J(C,P) = 14.2); 72.69 (dd, J(C,P) = 6.6); 70.12 (dd, J(C,P) = 3.0); 63.03, 62.25, 61.71 (3 td,  $J(C,P) = 5.0, 6.5, 5.5, 3POCH_2CH_3); 42.22 (ddd, J(C,P) = 143.8, 16.9, C(1)); 32.61 (ddd, J(C,P) = 2, 2, C(6)); 27.20 (td, J(C,P) = 123.2, C(7)); 26.07 (q, SiC(CH_3)_3); 23.91 (q, CH_3 acetal); 17.85 (s, SiC(CH_3)_3); 16.38, 16.27, 16.20 (3dq, J(C,P) = 6.3, 6.9, 6.7, 3) (POCH_2CH_3); 16.24 (q, CH_3 acetal); -4.18 (q, SiCH_3); -4.95 (q, SiCH_3). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (CDCl_3): 46.87 (s); 28.73 (s). CI-MS: 545 (11), 544 (34), 543 (100, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>44</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Si (542.62): C, 48.70; H, 8.17; P, 11.42. Found: C, 48.47; H, 8.34; P, 11.25.$ 

## Diphenyl(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl)- $\alpha$ and $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl) phosphine oxide **61** and **62**

A. Under N<sub>2</sub>, 44  $\mu$ l (25 mmol) HPPh<sub>2</sub> were added to a solution of 115 mg (0.20 mmol) **60** [30], in 2 mL degassed CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at 0°. After 6 h at room temperature, 1 mL of AcOH and 0.5 mL of 35% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> were added. After 12 h, aqueous workup (5% NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) and FC (toluene/AcOEt 7:3) gave 115 mg of a 55:45 mixture of **61** and **62**.

B. Under N<sub>2</sub>, 450  $\mu$ l (2.00 mmol) of Ph<sub>2</sub>POMe and 350  $\mu$ l (1.70 mmol) of TMSOTf were added to a solution of 880 mg (1.51 mmol) of **18** in 3 mL CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at 0°. After stirring the mixture for 6 h at room temperature, further 200  $\mu$ l of Ph<sub>2</sub>POMe and 150  $\mu$ l of TMSOTf were added. The mixture was quenched after 2 days with 1 mL of saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. Normal aqueous workup followed by FC (as above) gave 842 mg (76.9%) of a 86:14 mixture (by NMR) of **61** and **62**.

Data of 61: Mp 141–142° ( $CH_2Cl_2$ /hexane).  $R_f$ 0.34 (toluene/AcOEt 7:3).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = +44.0^{\circ} (c = 1.02, c)$ CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (nujol): 3090w, 3060m, 3030m, 2950(sh); 2920s, 2850s, 1490w, 1460(sh), 1450m, 1440m, 1375m, 1365(sh); 1335w, 1240w, 1205w, 1170m, 1120m, 1090m, 1080m, 1070m, 1060m, 1040m, 1025m, 1005(sh), 995m, 980w, 950w, 920w, 900w, 850w, 760w, 735m, 7805s, 695s. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 800-6.80 (m, 30 arom. H); 4.88-4.22 (4 AB, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 4.91 (d, J = 5.9, H—C(1)); 4.61 (t, J = 7.3, H---C(3)); 4.17 (ddd, J = 5.9, 7.4, J(C,P) = 17.8, H----C(2); 4.06 (m, H—C(5)); 3.68 (dd, J = 7.2, 9.7, H— C(4); 3.52 (dd, J = 3.8, 10.7,  $H_A$ —C(6)); 3.21 (dd, J= 2.1, 10.7,  $H_B$ —C(6)). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 138.42 (s); 138.38 (s); 137.95 (s); 137.46 (s); 134.67 (s); 132.78 (s); 131.80–130.80 (m); 128.60–127.40 (m); 80.76 (dd, J(C,P) = 2.5); 78.70 (d); 77.55 (d); 74.95(d); 74.35 (t); 74.21 (dd, J(C,P) = 79.5, C(1)); 73.57 (t); 73.32 (t); 73.08 (t); 68.66 (t). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 23.27. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>45</sub>O<sub>6</sub>P (724.73): C, 76.23; H, 6.26; P, 4.27. Found: C, 76.12; H, 6.41; P, 4.15.

Data of **62**: Mp 150–151° (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexane). R<sub>f</sub> 0.27 (toluene/AcOEt 7:3).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +14.7°$  (c = 1.04, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (nujol): 3060w, 3040w, 2920(br), 1500w, 1460m, 1440m, 1380m, 1360(sh), 1190w, 1180w, 1150, 1120w, 1095(br), 1075(sh), 1030w, 750w, 735w, 720w, 695m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 8.00–7.00 (m, 30 arom. H); 4.90–4.25 (4 AB, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph); 4.24 (dd, J = 10.1, J(1,P) = 2.5, H—-C(1)); 3.97 (q, J = 9.6, H—C(2)); 3.78 (t, = 8.9, H—C(3)); 3.57 (m, H—C(4) and H—C(6)); 3.45 (m, H—C(5)). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 138.32 (s); 138.23 (s); 137.93 (s); 137.87 (s); 132.07–131.20 (m); 129.84–127.30 (m); 87.43 (dd, J(C,P) = 12.9); 81.06 (dd, J(C,P) = 13.1); 78.26 (dd, J(C,P) = 89.7, C(1)); 75.06 (t); 74.71 (t); 73.29 (t); 68.93 (t). <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 21.96. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>45</sub>O<sub>6</sub>P (724.73): C, 76.23; H, 6.26; P, 4.27. Found: C, 75.92; H, 6.42; P, 4.01.

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