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SYNTHESIS OF GALACTO- AND MANNOSUCROSES

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Abstract – A concise synthesis of β -D-fructofuranosyl α -D-galactopyranoside (2), and β -D-fructofuranosyl α -D-mannopyranoside (3) is described. Inversion of the C-3 α -hydroxy group of α -D-galactopyranosyl and α -D-mannopyranosyl β -Dpsicofuranosides 10 and 11 *via* oxidation and stereoselective reduction furnished the corresponding β -D-fructofuranosides in excellent yields.

(+)-Sucrose (1) is the most popular disaccharide and an important nutriment for human life. Its structure is categorized as a non-reducing disaccharide, of which β -D-fructofuranosyl bond is connected with α -D-glucose at each anomeric position. β -D-Fructofuranosyl disaccharides¹ containing D-galactose and D-mannose instead of D-glucose are called galactosucrose (2)^{2,3} and mannosucorse (3).^{3a,3b,4} However, they have received less attention. Since we have found an excellent β -D-psicofuranosyl donor for the glycosylation reaction with D-glucose accepter, the stereoselective synthesis of 1 was performed by the stereo-inversion of α -D-glucopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside to β -D-fructofuranosyl α -D-glucopyranoside.⁵ More recently, we have reported the synthesis of α -D-glucopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside (4), α -D-galactopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside (5), and α -D-mannopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside (6).⁶



Figure 1. Structures of non-reducing disaccharides 1–6

Because α -D-galactopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside and α -D-mannopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside are in hand, the same stereo-inversion as reported for the synthesis of **1** would provide the corresponding galacto- and mannosucorose (**2**) and (**3**). In this note, we describe the synthesis of **2** and **3** *via* stereoselective β -D-psicosylation and stereo-conversion of the C-3 α -hydroxy group to β -hydroxy group on the furanose ring.

In our recent report for the synthesis of α -D-hexopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranosides **4–6**,⁶ glycosylation of D-hexopyranose with psicofuranosyl donor **9** gave the corresponding disaccharides. Galactopyranosyl psicosides **10** and **10'** and mannopyranosyl psicosides **11** and **11'** were prepared respectively, as shown in Scheme 1.







Scheme 2. Synthesis of 16 and 17

In order to synthesize 2 and 3, the C-3 α -hydroxy group on the β -D-psicofuranosyl ring in 10 and 11, must be inverted to β -orientation (Scheme 2). For this purpose, differentiation of the C-3 or C-4 α -hydroxy group was necessary. Treatment of the vicinal 3,4-diol of 10 with dibutyltin oxide gave a stannylene intermediate, which underwent monobenzoylation with benzoyl chloride in the presence of Et₃N to give 12 in 74% yield.⁷ Similarly, compound 11 was converted to 13 in 75% yield. Swern oxidation of the C-3 hydroxy group for 12 and 13 afforded carbonyl compounds 14 and 15 in 93 and 96% yields, respectively. Reduction of the carbonyl group by NaBH₄ was carried out in a 1:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and MeOH at 0 °C. Because of presence of the axial β -glycosyl bond, a hydride attacks to carbonyl face from the bottom side of the ring selectively to give C-3 β -hydroxy group (Scheme 3).⁸ In fact, compounds 16 and 17 were obtained from 14 and 15 in 96 and 86% yields, respectively.



Scheme 3



Scheme 4. Synthesis of 2 and 3

These oxidation and reduction steps furnished the conversion of β -D-psicofuranose ring to β -D-fructofuranose ring in excellent yields. Steps remaining to **2** or **3** require deprotections of three *O*-benzoyl and four *O*-benzyl groups. First, we examined deprotection of all the protecting groups at once. Compound **16** was subjected to Birch reduction conditions in liq. ammonia and resulted crude product was acetylated with acetic anhydride in pyridine to give octaacetate **18** in 97% yield. Removal of all acetyl groups of **18** under Zempén's condition gave galactosucrose (**2**) in 96% yield. Physical and spectroscopic data of both **18** and **2** were accorded with those reported in literature.^{2a} By the same two steps, compound **17** afforded mannosucrose (**3**) *via* octaacetate **19** in quantitaive yield. Alternatively, stepwise deprotections of compound **17** also gave **3** in excellent yield. Methanolysis of three benzoates of **17** gave tetraol **20** in 88% yield. Hydrogenolysis of the remaining *O*-benzyl groups afforded the desired compound **3** in 90% yield. These spectroscopic and physical data of **3** are in accordance of those reported previously.⁴

In conclusion, conversion of α -D-hexopyranosyl β -D-psicofuranoside to α -D-hexopyranosyl β -D-fructofuranoside has been performed and chemically pure galacto- and mannosucroses were obtained in high yields. Although the chemical conversion to these two disacharides from (+)-sucrose were reported, they have been synthesized for the first time via glycosidation pathway. This synthetic route will be useful for a general synthesis of α -D-hexopyranosyl β -D-fructofuranoside.

EXPERIMENTAL

General. Specific rotations were measured on a JASCO P-2200 polarimeter using CHCl₃, MeOH, or H₂O as a solvent. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured on JEOL JNM-AL-300 (300 MHz and 75 MHz), JEOL JNM-ECA 600 (600 MHz and 150 MHz), or Varian UNITY INOVA 400 NB (400 MHz and 100 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to the resonance of the solvent or to tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm) for ¹H NMR spectra and ppm relative to the resonance of the solvent or to MeCN (1.47 ppm) when D₂O was used, for ¹³C NMR spectra. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-410 spectrophotometer. Low and high-resolution mass spectra (LRMS and HRMS) were obtained on a JEOL JMS 303HF spectrometer using fast atom bombardment (FAB) ionization. Silica gel (230–400 mesh) was used for flash chromatography. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on glass pre-coated with silica gel (0.25 mm thickness). All moisture sensitive reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere. THF was dried over sodium/benzophenone ketyl, and CH₂Cl₂ was dried over P₂O₅, and they were distilled prior to use.

mixture of diol 10 (53.6 mg, 58.8 µmol) and Bu₂SnO (14.6 mg, 58.8 µmol) in MeOH (3.9 mL) was heated at reflux for 45 min. To the reaction mixture were added Et₃N (82 µL, 588 µmol) and benzoyl chloride (68 µL, 588 µmol) 0 °C and then the mixture was stirred for 10 min at the same temperature. After evaporation of solvent, the crude product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography eluted with 15% EtOAc in hexane to give 12 (44.3 mg, 74%) as a colorless syrup. $R_{\rm f} = 0.43$ (30% EtOAc in hexane). [α]²²_D +41.3 (*c* 0.90, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.08–8.00 (6H, m), 7.60–7.15 (29H, m), 5.64 (1H, d, $J_{1',2'}$ = 3.7 Hz, H-1'), 5.48 (1H, t, $J_{3,4}$ = $J_{4,5}$ = 4.9 Hz, H-4), 4.94–4.88 (3H, m), 4.73–4.62 $(5H, m), 4.57-4.46 (5H, m), 4.38 (1H, d, J = 11.9 Hz), 4.21 (1H, ddd, J_{5'6'a} = 8.5, J_{5'6'b} = 3.0, J_{4'5'} = 0.7$ Hz, H-5'), 4.05 (1H, d, J = 5.1 Hz, OH), 4.00 (1H, dd, $J_{2',3'} = 10.1$, $J_{1',2'} = 3.7$ Hz, H-2'), 3.86 (1H, dd, $J_{2',3'}$ = 10.1, $J_{3'4'}$ = 2.6 Hz, H-3'), 3.78 (1H, dd, $J_{3'4'}$ = 2.6, $J_{4'5'}$ = 0.7 Hz, H-4'), 3.59 (1H, dd, $J_{6'a,6'b}$ = 9.6, $J_{5',6'a}$ = 8.5 Hz, H-6'a), 3.26 (1H, dd, $J_{6'a,6'b}$ = 9.6, $J_{5',6'b}$ = 3.0 Hz, H-6'b). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 167.0, 166.1, 165.7, 138.8, 138.4, 138.2, 137.1, 133.3, 133.0, 132.8, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 127.3, 107.5, 90.3, 79.1, 78.8, 75.6, 75.4, 74.3, 73.6, 73.5, 73.3, 72.3, 72.2, 70.5, 70.3, 65.2, 63.4. IR (film): 3424, 3019, 1721, 1453, 1272, 1095, 1026, 712 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) m/z: 1037 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) m/z: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₈O₁₄Na, 1037.3724; found, 1037.3716.

2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-benzyl-α-D-mannopyranosyl **1,4,6-tri**-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-psicofuranoside (**13**): Compound **13** was obtained from **11** by the same manner described for the synthesis of **12** in 75% yield as a colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.70$ (40% EtOAc in hexane). $[\alpha]^{20}_{D}$ +4.8 (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.07–8.03 (4H, m), 7.94–7.91 (2H, m), 7.59–7.13 (29H, m), 5.53 (1H, d, $J_{1,2}$: = 1.6 Hz, H-1'), 5.43 (1H, dd, $J_{4,5} = 5.5$, $J_{3,4} = 5.4$ Hz, H-4), 4.85 (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz), 4.82 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 5.4$, $J_{3,0H} = 5.2$ Hz, H-3), 4.75 (1H, d, J = 12.5 Hz), 4.73 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 11.5$, $J_{5,6a} = 5.7$ Hz, H-6a), 4.66 (1H, ddd, $J_{5,6a} = 5.7$, $J_{4,5} = 5.5$, $J_{5,6b} = 3.8$ Hz H-5), 4.64 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 12.3 Hz), 4.58 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz), 4.55 (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz), 4.45 (1H, d, J = 12.5 Hz), 4.34 (2H, s), 4.13–4.08 (1H, m, H-5'), 3.97 (1H, d, $J_{3,0H} = 5.2$ Hz, OH), 3.87–3.77 (4H, m, H-2', 3', 4', 6'a), 3.63 (1H, dd, J = 9.9, 7.0 Hz, H-6'b). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 166.6, 166.2, 165.7, 138.2, 138.1, 138.0, 137.6, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 129.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.62, 127.57, 127.5, 127.4, 107.6, 91.1, 80.1, 79.0, 75.0, 74.8, 74.3, 74.0, 73.4, 72.4, 72.3 (2C), 71.8, 69.4, 65.5, 62.6. IR (film): 3456, 3031, 2918, 1724, 1601, 1496, 1453, 1273, 1110, 741, 711 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 1037 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₈O₁₄Na, 1037.3724; found, 1037.3717.

1,4,6-Tri-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-*erythro*-2,3-hexodiulofuranosyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (14): A solution of DMSO (16.0 µL, 226 µmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.2 mL) was added to a solution of oxalyl chloride (9.9 µL, 113 µmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) at -78 °C and the reaction was stirred for 15 min at the same temperature. To this mixture was added disaccharide 12 (38.3 mg, 37.7 µmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.2 mL) at -78 °C and the whole was stirred for 1 h at same temperature prior to the addition of Et₃N (63 μ L, 0.45 mmol). The reaction was allowed to warm up to rt and sat. aqueous NH₄Cl solution was added to the mixture. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc and combined organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel eluted with 20% EtOAc in hexane to give 14 (35.5 mg, 93%) as a colorless syrup. $R_{\rm f} = 0.50$ (30% EtOAc in hexane). $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22} + 52.1$ (c 1.04, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.07–7.94 (6H, m), 7.65–7.56 (2H, m), 7.45–7.03 (27H, m), 6.27 (1H, d, J_{4'5'} = 8.3 Hz, H-4'), 5.77 (1H, d, $J_{1,2} = 3.7$ Hz, H-1), 4.97 (1H, d, J = 10.5 Hz), 4.86 (1H, d, J = 11.7 Hz), 4.78–4.72 (4H, m), 4.67–4.44 (5H, m), 4.65 (1H, ddd, $J_{4',5'} = 8.3$, $J_{5',6'b} = 2.8$, $J_{5',6'a} = 2.6$ Hz, H-5'), 4.58 (1H, dd, $J_{6'a,6'b} = 11.9$, $J_{5',6'a} = 11.9$, $J_$ 2.6 Hz, H-6'a), 4.12 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 2.1$, $J_{4,5} = 0.7$ Hz, H-4), 3.97 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 10.3$, $J_{1,2} = 3.7$ Hz, H-2), 3.90 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 10.3$, $J_{3,4} = 2.1$ Hz, H-3), 3.82 (1H, ddd, $J_{5,6a} = 8.9$, $J_{5,6b} = 4.8$, $J_{4,5} = 0.7$ Hz, H-5), 3.70 $(1H, dd, J_{5,6a} = 8.9, J_{6a,6b} = 8.8 \text{ Hz}, \text{H-6a}), 3.41 (1H, dd, J_{6a,6b} = 8.8, J_{5,6b} = 4.8 \text{ Hz}, \text{H-6b}).$ ¹³C NMR (75) MHz, CDCl₃) & 205.7, 166.1, 165.0, 164.8, 138.7 (2C), 138.1, 137.9, 133.8, 133.3, 133.2, 129.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.5, 127.4, 127.4, 127.3, 97.7, 90.7, 78.1, 75.8, 75.2, 74.7, 74.7, 73.3, 73.0, 72.9, 69.8, 68.9, 66.9, 66.9, 63.1. IR (film): 2923, 1783, 1729, 1601, 1452, 1268, 1094, 752, 709 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 1035 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m*/*z*: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₆O₁₄Na, 1035.3568; found 1035.3575.

1,4,6-Tri-*O*-benzoyl-β-D-*erythro*-2,3-hexodiulofuranosyl **2,3,4,6-tetra**-*O*-benzyl-α-D-mannopyranoside (15): Compound 15 was obtained from 13 by the same manner described for the synthesis of 14 in 96% yield as a colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.60$ (30% EtOAc in hexane). [α]²⁰_D +67.0 (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.19–8.17 (2H, m), 8.04–7.98 (4H, m), 7.63–7.55 (2H, m), 7.46–7.11 (27H, m), 6.41 (1H, d, $J_{4',5'} = 8.4$ Hz, H-4'), 5.78 (1H, d, $J_{1,2} = 1.6$ Hz, H-1), 4.91 (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz), 4.79 (1H, dd, J = 12.4, 2.4 Hz), 4.70–4.52 (8H, m), 4.46 (1H, d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.44 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz), 4.38 (1H, d, J= 12.4 Hz), 4.26 (1H, t, $J_{3,4} = J_{4,5} = 9.6$ Hz, H-4), 3.84 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 9.6$, $J_{2,3} = 3.1$ Hz, H-3), 3.82–3.77 (1H, m, H-5), 3.75 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 3.1$, $J_{1,2} = 1.6$ Hz), 3.57 (2H, d, $J_{5,6} = 10.8$ Hz, H-6). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 205.0, 166.4, 165.1, 164.8, 138.6, 138.5, 138.4, 137.7, 133.8, 133.4, 133.2, 130.0, 129.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 97.4, 91.7, 79.4, 76.0, 75.1, 74.2, 74.1, 73.5, 73.1, 72.6, 72.4, 69.3, 68.3, 66.7, 63.2. IR (film): 3065, 3031, 2916, 2865, 1785, 1731, 1602, 1496, 1452, 1365, 1268, 1110, 739, 709 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 1035 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₆O₁₄Na, 1035.3568; found, 1035.3573.

1,4,6-Tri-O-benzoyl-β-D-fructofuranosyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (16): To a solution of 14 (32.0 mg, 31.5 µmol) in MeOH-CH₂Cl₂ (1:1, 2.0 mL), was added sodium borohydride (2.4 mg, 63 µmol) at 0 °C, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at the same temperature. The reaction was quenched with sat. aqueous NH₄Cl solution and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel eluted with 20% EtOAc in hexane to give disaccharide **16** (30.6 mg, 96%) as a colorless syrup. $R_{\rm f} = 0.43$ (30% EtOAc in hexane). $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{23} + 29.0$ (c 1.06, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 8.06–8.02 (6H, m), 7.61–7.17 (29H, m), 5.80 (1H, d, $J_{1,2}$ = 3.7 Hz, H-1, $5.70 (1\text{H}, \text{t}, J_{3'4'} = J_{4'5'} = 7.4 \text{ Hz}, \text{H-4'}$, 4.94 (1H, d, J = 11.4 Hz), 4.79 (1H, d, J = 11.9 Hz), 4.73–4.29 (13H, m), 4.12 (1H, ddd, $J_{5,6a} = 7.2$, $J_{5,6b} = 5.5$, $J_{4,5} = 0.9$ Hz, H-5'), 4.07 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 10.1$, $J_{1,2} = 10.1$, $J_{1,2$ = 3.7 Hz, H-2), 3.98 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3}$ = 10.1, $J_{3,4}$ = 2.4 Hz, H-3), 3.93 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4}$ = 2.4, $J_{4,5}$ = 0.9 Hz, H-4), 3.59 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 9.2$, $J_{5,6a} = 7.2$ Hz, H-6a), 3.45 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 9.2$, $J_{5,6b} = 5.5$ Hz, H-6b). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 166.1, 165.8, 165.7, 138.4 (2C), 137.7, 137.6, 133.4, 133.1, 132.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.5, 127.5, 104.2, 91.5, 78.7, 77.7, 77.5, 77.2, 75.1, 74.9, 74.7, 73.4, 73.2, 72.8, 70.6, 69.2, 64.5, 64.3. IR (film): 3449, 3018, 1724, 1453, 1269, 1096, 711 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 1037 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₈O₁₄Na, 1037.3724; found 1037.3717.

1,4,6-Tri-*O*-benzyl-β-D-fructofuranosyl **2,3,4,6-tetra**-*O*-benzyl-α-D-mannopyranoside (**17**): Compound **17** was obtained from **15** by the same reaction manner described for the synthesis of **16** in 86% yield as a colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.52$ (30% EtOAc in hexane). $[α]^{20}_{D} + 23.3$ (*c* 1.00, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.05–7.97 (6H, m), 7.58–7.55 (2H, m), 7.46–7.41 (5H, m), 7.32–7.22 (17H, m), 7.21–7.11 (5H, m), 5.70 (1H, d, J = 2.2 Hz, H-1), 5.65 (1H, dd, $J_{3',4'} = 7.7$, $J_{4',5'} = 7.5$ Hz, H-4'), 4.85 (1H, d, J = 11.0 Hz), 4.68–4.47 (7H, m), 4.65 (1H, dd, $J_{6'a,6'b} = 12.1$, $J_{5',6'a} = 6.2$ Hz, H-6'a), 4.54 (1H, dd, $J_{6'a,6'b} = 12.1$, $J_{5',6'b} = 4.4$ Hz, H-6'b), 4.53 (1H, dd, $J_{3',0H} = 8.8$, $J_{3',4'} = 7.7$ Hz, H-3'), 4.39 (1H, d, J = 11.7 Hz), 4.38 (1H, ddd, $J_{4',5'} = 7.5$, $J_{5',6'a} = 6.2$, $J_{5',6'b} = 4.4$ Hz, H-5'), 4.34 (1H, d, J = 11.7 Hz), 4.15 (1H, ddd, $J_{4,5} = 9.2$, $J_{5,6b} = 6.4$, $J_{5,6a} = 1.8$ Hz, H-5), 3.92 (1H, dd, $J_{4,5} = 9.2$, $J_{3,4} = 8.8$ Hz, H-4), 3.89 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 8.8$, $J_{2,3} = 2.7$ Hz, H-3), 3.77 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 10.3$, $J_{5,6a} = 1.8$ Hz, H-6a), 3.72 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 2.7$, $J_{1,2} = 2.2$ Hz, H-2), 3.67 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 10.3$, $J_{5,6a} = 1.8$ Hz, H-6b), 3.63 (1H, d, $J_{3,0H} = 8.8$ Hz, OH). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 166.1, 165.9, 165.7, 138.2, 138.1, 137.9, 137.8, 133.5, 133.3, 133.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 103.9, 91.3, 79.2, 77.6, 77.5, 77.0, 75.0, 74.8, 74.7, 73.3, 72.9, 72.5, 72.1, 69.2, 64.6 (2C). IR

(film): 3479, 3032, 2916, 1729, 1602, 1496, 1453, 1268, 1096, 709 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 1037 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₆₁H₅₈O₁₄Na, 1037.3724; found, 1037.3721.

1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-fructofuranosyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-α-D-galactopyranoside (18): Liq. NH₃ (4 mL) was condensed into a 2-necked flask at -78 °C and to which was added ca. 30 mg of sodium metal. To the resultant dark blue solution was added a solution of 16 (28.9 mg, 28.4 µmol) in THF (2 mL) and the mixture was vigorously stirred for 30 min at the same temperature. The reaction was quenched with acetic acid (0.1 mL) and MeOH (3 mL). Solvent was removed and the residue was acetylated in pyridine (5 mL) with acetic anhydride (1 mL) in presence of 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (10 mg) overnight at rt. The reaction mixture was condensed and the residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel eluted with 50% EtOAc in hexane to give 18 (18.9 mg, 97%) as a colorless syrup. $R_{\rm f} = 0.45$ (60% EtOAc in hexane). $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{23} + 56.1$ (c 0.83, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 5.72 (1H, d, J_{12} = 3.7 Hz, H-1), 5.49 (1H, d, $J_{4'5'}$ = 6.6 Hz, H-4'), 5.49–5.45 (1H, m), 5.38 (1H, dd, J = 6.6, 6.4 Hz), 5.34 (1H, dd, $J_{23} = 11.0$, $J_{34} = 3.3$ Hz, H-3), 5.15 (1H, dd, $J_{23} = 11.0$, $J_{12} = 3.7$ Hz, H-2), 4.49 (1H, t, J = 6.1 Hz), 4.34–4.31 (2H, m), 4.23–4.04 (5H, m), 2.14 (3H, s), 2.13 (3H, s), 2.11 (3H, s), 2.11 (3H, s), 2.10 (3H, s), 2.09 (3H, s), 2.06 (3H, s), 1.99 (3H, s). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 170.4 (2C), 170.3, 170.1, 170.0, 169.9, 169.9, 169.7, 103.5, 90.3, 78.6, 75.3, 74.5, 67.9, 67.4, 67.3, 67.0, 63.9, 63.0, 61.6, 20.7 (2C), 20.6 (2C), 20.59 (2C), 20.56, 20.53. IR (film): 2965, 1748, 1372, 1228, 1053, 756 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 701 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₂₈H₃₈O₁₉Na, 701.1905; found, 701.1911.

1,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-β-D-fructofuranosyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-α-D-mannopyranoside (19): Compound **19** was obtained from **17** by the same reaction manner described for the synthesis of **18** in quantitative yield as a colorless syrup. $R_f = 0.19$ (50% EtOAc in hexane). $[\alpha]^{20}_{D} - 8.4$ (*c* 0.30, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 5.44 (1H, d, $J_{3',4'} = 6.6$ Hz, H-3'), 5.43 (1H, d, $J_{1,2} = 2.1$ Hz, H-1), 5.40 (1H, dd, $J_{3',4'} = 6.6$, $J_{4',5'} = 6.4$ Hz, H-4'), 5.34 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 10.1$, $J_{2,3} = 2.9$ Hz, H-3), 5.31 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 10.1$, $J_{4,5} = 9.9$ Hz, H-4), 5.12 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 2.9$, $J_{1,2} = 2.1$ Hz, H-2), 4.36 (1H, dd, J = 11.9, 4.6 Hz), 4.32–4.23 (3H, m), 4.27 (1H, d, $J_{1'a,1'b} = 12.3$ Hz, H-1'a), 4.22–4.17 (2H, m), 4.18 (1H, d, $J_{1'a,1'b} = 12.3$ Hz, H-1'b), 2.17 (3H, s), 2.16 (3H, s), 2.10 (3H, s), 2.10 (3H, s), 2.09 (3H, s), 2.06 (3H, s), 1.99 (3H, s). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 170.7, 170.5, 170.0, 170.0, 169.9, 169.8, 169.7, 169.6, 103.5, 91.3, 78.7, 76.0, 74.8, 70.1, 69.9, 68.7, 65.6, 63.7, 63.5, 62.3, 20.9, 20.8 (2C), 20.7 (3C), 20.6, 20.5. IR (film): 2960, 1747, 1437, 1371, 1223 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m*/*z*: 701 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m*/*z*: Calcd for C₂₈H₃₈O₁₉Na, 701.1905; found, 701.1911. **β-D-Fructofuranosyl** α-**D**-galactopyranoside (2): A 5 μL of 1 M NaOMe in MeOH solution was added to **18** (17.4 mg, 25.6 μmol) in MeOH (0.5 mL), and the reaction was stirred for 3 h at rt. The reaction mixture was neutralized with Dowex 50W × 2. After filtration through a pad of Celite, the filtrate was concentrated under vacuum, dissolved in water, and lyophilized to afford galactosucrose (**2**, 8.5 mg, 96%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.32$ (25% H₂O in MeCN). [α]²²_D +72.4 (*c* 1.00, H₂O). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ: 5.43 (1H, d, $J_{1,2} = 3.8$ Hz, H-1), 4.20 (1H, d, $J_{3',4'} = 8.8$ Hz, H-3'), 4.13 (1H, dd, $J_{5,6b} = 7.3$, $J_{5,6a} = 5.6$ Hz, H-5), 4.05 (1H, dd, $J_{3',4'} = 8.8$, $J_{4',5'} = 7.9$ Hz, H-4'), 4.01 (1H, d, $J_{3,4} = 3.1$ Hz, H-4), 3.91 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 10.3$, $J_{3,4} = 3.1$ Hz, H-3), 3.88–3.79 (4H, m, H-5', 6'a, 6'b, 2), 3.75 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 11.8$, $J_{5,6a} = 5.6$ Hz, H-6a), 3.70 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b} = 11.8$, $J_{5,6b} = 7.3$ Hz, H-6b), 3.67 (2H, s, H-1'). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, D₂O) δ: 103.7, 92.4, 81.4, 76.6, 74.1, 71.5, 69.2, 69.2, 68.0, 62.4, 61.5, 60.9. IR (KBr): 3386, 1654, 1421, 1073 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 365 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁Na, 365.1060; found, 365.1053.

β-D-Fructofuranosyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O***-benzyl-α-D-mannopyranoside (20):** A mixed suspension of 17 (16.6 mg, 16.4 μmol) and K₂CO₃ (22.9 mg, 166 μmol) in MeOH (2.2 mL) was stirred for 1 h at rt. After filtration of the reaction mixture through a Celite pad, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography eluted with EtOAc to give tetraol 20 (10.1 mg, 88%) as a white semisolid. $R_{\rm f} = 0.20$ (EtOAc). $[α]^{20}_{D}$ +8.6 (*c* 0.81, MeOH). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: 7.36–7.25 (18H, m), 7.24–7.13 (2H, m), 5.52 (1H, $J_{1,2}$ = 2.2 Hz, H-1), 4.80 (1H, d, J = 11.0 Hz, CHHPh), 4.68 (2H, s, CH₂Ph), 4.61 (1H, d, J = 12.1 Hz, CHHPh), 4.60–4.56 (2H, m, CH₂Ph), 4.50 (1H, d, J = 11.0 Hz, CHHPh), 4.48 (1H, d, J = 12.1 Hz, CHHPh), 4.07 (1H, d, $J_{3',4'}$ = 8.8 Hz, H-3'), 4.01–3.86 (4H, m, H-4', 5', 6'a, 6'b), 3.78 (1H, dd, $J_{6a,6b}$ = 10.6, $J_{5,6a}$ = 5.5 Hz, H-6a), 3.78–3.63 (4H, m, 3, 4, 5, 6b), 3.72 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3}$ = 2.6, $J_{1,2}$ = 2.2 Hz, H-2), 3.42 (1H, d, $J_{1'a,1'b}$ = 11.9 Hz, H-1'a), 3.32 (1H, d, $J_{1'a,1'b}$ = 11.9 Hz, H-1'b). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: 139.8 (2C), 139.7, 139.6, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 105.7, 92.5, 83.8, 80.4, 77.9, 77.0, 75.9, 75.8, 75.3, 74.4, 73.6, 73.4, 73.1, 70.1, 63.6, 63.3. IR (film): 3417, 2922, 1454, 1071 cm⁻¹. MS (FAB) *m/z*: 725 [M+Na]⁺. HRMS (FAB) *m/z*: Calcd for C₄₀H₄₆O₁₁Na, 725.2938; found, 725.2934.

β-D-Fructofuranosyl α-D-mannopyranoside (3): Synthesis from 19. Compound 3 was obtained from 19 by the same reaction manner described for the synthesis of 2 in a quantitative yield as a white solid. $R_f = 0.61 (25\% \text{ H}_2\text{O} \text{ in MeCN})$. [α]²⁰_D +11.8 (*c* 0.44, H₂O). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ: 5.35 (1H, d, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-1), 4.18 (1H, d, $J_{3',4'} = 8.8$ Hz, H-3'), 4.06 (1H, dd, $J_{3',4'} = 8.8$, $J_{4',5'} = 8.1$ Hz, H-5'), 3.90 (1H, dd, $J_{3,4} = 9.5$, $J_{2,3} = 3.3$ Hz, H-3), 3.90–3.75 (6H, m, H-5, 6, 5', 6'), 3.86 (1H, dd, $J_{2,3} = 3.3$, $J_{1,2} = 2.0$ Hz, H-2), 3.70 (1H, dd, $J_{4,5} = 9.7$, $J_{3,4} = 9.5$ Hz, H-4), 3.66 (2H, s, H-1'). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, D₂O) δ: 104.6, 94.3, 82.0, 76.6, 74.5, 74.0, 71.8, 70.8, 67.1, 63.0, 61.6, 61.3. IR (KBr): 3376, 2927, 1272, 1069 cm⁻¹. Synthesis from **20**. A suspension of **20** (10.1 mg, 14.4 μ mol) and 20% Pd(OH)₂ on carbon (10 mg) in MeOH (1 mL) was stirred overnight under H₂ atmosphere. The reaction was filtered through a Celite pad and concentrated under vacuum to give (**3**, 4.4 mg, 90%) as a white solid.

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