

SYNTHESES OF 5''-DEOXYLIVIDO-
MYCIN A AND ITS AMINO
DERIVATIVE

Sir:

Recently, we have reported^{1,2)} that an enzymatically inactivated product of lividomycin A by *Escherichia coli* K-12 ML 1410 R-81 carrying R factor or *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* TI-13 is lividomycin A 5''-phosphate. In the present communication, the syntheses of 5''-deoxylividomycin A (II) and 5''-amino-5''-deoxylividomycin A (III) from lividomycin A³⁾ (I) are reported.

The penta-N-benzyloxycarbonyl-4', 6': 2''', 3''': 4''', 6'''-tri-O-isopropylidene lividomycin A (IV) was prepared from I by the method described in the previous paper²⁾. Preferential tosylation of the primary hydroxyl group in ribose moiety of IV with *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride in dry pyridine at -15°C for 6 hours followed by purification on silicic acid chromatography afforded the 5''-tosylate (V) in a 22% yield, m.p. 133~135°C (dec.). Anal. calcd. for C₈₅H₁₀₃N₅O₃₀S: C 59.81, H 6.08, N 4.10, S 1.88. Found: C 59.71, H 6.24, N 4.27, S 1.93.

Halogenation of V with sodium iodide in dimethylformamide at 80°C for 43 hours in a sealed tube followed by chloroform extraction gave the crude 5''-iodide (VI). The O-isopropylidene groups of VI were removed by hydrolysis with 90% trifluoroacetic acid for 15 minutes at room temperature. The catalytic hydrogenation of the compound (penta-N-benzyloxycarbonyl-5''-deoxy-5''-iodolividomycin A) with 10%

palladium-carbon in 45% trifluoroacetic acid under atmospheric pressure followed by column chromatography of Amberlite CG-50 (NH₄⁺) afforded II in a 32% yield from V. It shows no definite melting point and darkens at about 190°C. Anal. calcd. for C₂₉H₅₄N₆O₁₇·3H₂O: C 43.60, H 7.57, N 8.77. Found: C 43.65, H 7.62, N 8.71.

For the synthesis of III, the treatment of V with sodium azide in dimethylformamide at 80°C for 18 hours in a sealed tube followed by chloroform extraction gave the crude 5''-azide (VII). By the similar procedures described above, hydrolysis of VII with 90% trifluoroacetic acid followed by catalytic hydrogenation with palladium-carbon afforded III in a 43% yield from V. It shows no definite melting point and darkens at

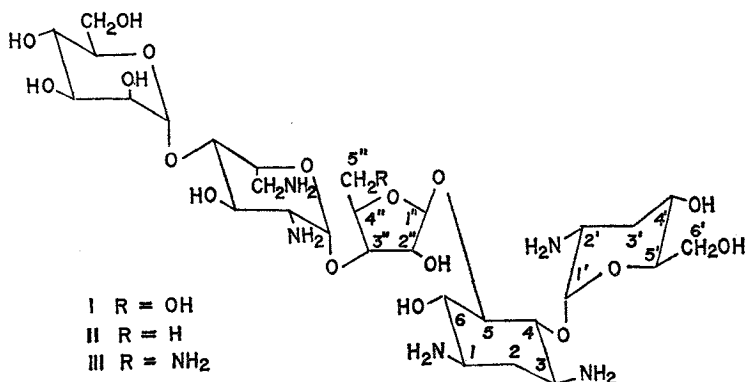


Table 1. The antimicrobial spectra of lividomycin A and its derivatives (mcg/ml)

Test organisms	Lividomycin A (I)	5''-Deoxy-lividomycin A (II)	5''-Amino-5''-deoxy-lividomycin A (III)
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> FDA 209P	1.56	25	12.5
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> Smith	<0.39	0.78	<0.39
<i>Sarcina lutea</i> PCI 1001	6.25	25	100
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> NRRL B-558	<0.39	6.25	0.78
<i>Escherichia coli</i> NIHJ	3.12	100	50
<i>Escherichia coli</i> K-12	3.12	100	25
<i>Escherichia coli</i> K-12 ML1629	>400	100	200
<i>Escherichia coli</i> K-12 ML1410	3.12	100	100
<i>Escherichia coli</i> K-12 ML1410 R-81	>400	200	100
<i>Shigella sonnei</i> 191-66	12.5	200	100
<i>Salmonella typhosa</i> T-63	1.56	12.5	6.25
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> PCI 602	3.12	50	25
<i>Proteus vulgaris</i> OX 19	3.12	25	12.5
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> A3	12.5	>200	100
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> No. 12	50	>200	>200
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> 99	200	>200	>200
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> TI-13	50	200	100

about 170°C. Anal. calcd. for $C_{29}H_{56}N_6O_{17} \cdot 2H_2O$: C 43.71, H 7.59, N 10.55. Found: C 43.40, H 7.63, N 9.95.

The antimicrobial spectra of I, II and III are shown in Table I, showing that II and III have generally weaker activity against various test organisms than I, but it is noteworthy that II and III are more active than I against lividomycin-resistant *Escherichia coli* K-12 ML1629 and K-12 ML1410 R-81 carrying R factor.

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