

Communications to the Editor

STRUCTURE OF FA-2097,  
A NEW MEMBER OF THE  
DIOXOPIPERAZINE ANTIBIOTICS

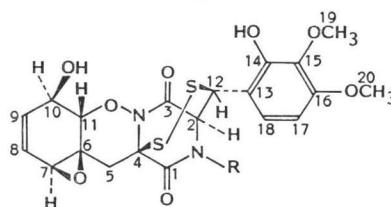
Sir:

An antibiotic gliovirin ( $C_{20}H_{20}N_2O_5S_2$ ) produced by *Gliocladium virens*, is selectively active against members of the Oomycetes.<sup>1)</sup> The structure of gliovirin has been established by NMR, mass spectral and X-ray crystallographic analysis as that depicted in Fig. 1. This demonstrated gliovirin to be a new member of the antibiotics containing a dioxopiperazine ring.<sup>2)</sup> We have also reported the isolation, characterization and biological properties of a new antibiotic, FA-2097 (Ro 09-0542,  $C_{21}H_{22}N_2O_5S_2$ ) characterized as a novel dioxopiperazine antibiotic by IR, NMR and mass spectroscopy.<sup>3)</sup> By comparison of the spectroscopic properties of gliovirin and FA-2097, the structure of FA-2097 was established as *N*-methylgliovirin. In this communication, we describe the structural elucidation of FA-2097.

The UV spectrum of FA-2097 was almost identical to that of gliovirin,<sup>2,3)</sup> indicating the presence in FA-2097 of the same chromophore (partial structure 3 in Fig. 2) as in gliovirin. This structure was also confirmed by the  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra of FA-2097 (Tables 1 and 2):  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  3.69, 3.79 ( $OCH_3 \times 2$ ), 6.56 (d,  $J=8.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d,  $J=8.8$  Hz, 1H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  55.7 (q), 60.2 (q), 103.3 (d), 115.8 (s), 122.2 (d),

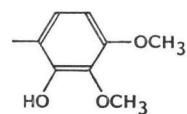
136.0 (s), 147.7 (s), 153.2 (s). Other signals in the  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra of FA-2097 were also observed at chemical shifts similar to those of gliovirin, except for an additional signal at  $\delta$  2.99 (s, 3H) in the  $^1H$  NMR and one at  $\delta$  32.9 (q) in the  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra of FA-2097, which are assignable to an *N*-methyl moiety. This observation suggested that FA-2097 was *N*-methylgliovirin, being consistent with the difference in molecular formula between gliovirin ( $C_{20}H_{20}N_2O_5S_2$ ) and FA-2097 ( $C_{21}H_{22}N_2O_5S_2$ ). This was supported by detailed analyses of the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum of FA-2097 diacetate and the

Fig. 1.



Gliovirin (1)    R=H  
FA-2097 (2)    R=CH<sub>3</sub>

Fig. 2.



Partial structure 3

Table 1.  $^1H$  NMR data of gliovirin and FA-2097 in DMSO- $d_6$  with  $D_2O$ .

Proton	Gliovirin	FA-2097
2-CH	4.45 (d, $J=1.4$ Hz, 1H)	4.65 (d, $J=1.5$ Hz, 1H)
5-CH <sub>2</sub>	2.57 (bs, 2H)	{ 2.61 (d, $J=13.9$ Hz, 1H) 2.71 (d, $J=13.9$ Hz, 1H)
7-CH	3.10 (d, $J=2$ Hz, 1H)	3.13 (d, $J=2.4$ Hz, 1H)
8=CH	5.87 (bd, $J=10.8$ Hz, 1H)	5.88 (bd, $J=10.4$ Hz, 1H)
9=CH	5.76 (d, $J=10.8$ Hz, 1H)	5.75 (d, $J=10.4$ Hz, 1H)
10, 11-CH	4.27 (bs, 2H)	4.29 (bs, 2H)
12-CH	4.43 (d, $J=1.4$ Hz, 1H)	4.48 (d, $J=1.5$ Hz, 1H)
17=CH	6.55 (d, $J=8.9$ Hz, 1H)	6.56 (d, $J=8.8$ Hz, 1H)
18=CH	7.41 (d, $J=8.9$ Hz, 1H)	7.32 (d, $J=8.8$ Hz, 1H)
19 (20)-CH <sub>3</sub>	3.65 (s, 3H)	3.69 (s, 3H)
20 (19)-CH <sub>3</sub>	3.77 (s, 3H)	3.79 (s, 3H)
NCH <sub>3</sub>		2.99 (s, 3H)

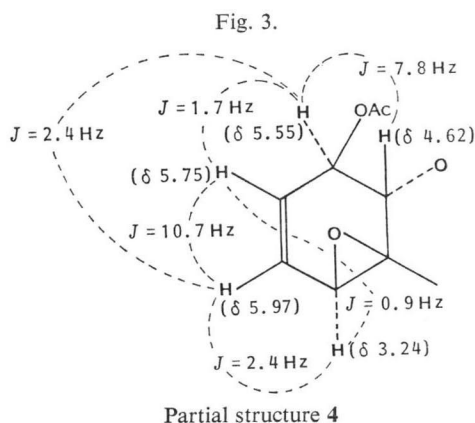
Chemical shifts are given in ppm ( $\delta$  values) from internal TMS.

Table 2.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data of gliovirin and FA-2097 in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ .

Carbon	Gliovirin*	FA-2097*
1 (3)	163.1 s	161.9 s
3 (1)	166.1 s	164.2 s
2	60.1 <sup>†</sup> d	66.6 d
4	70.3 s	70.0 s
5	33.4 t	33.5 t
6	58.0 s	57.7 s
7	52.7 <sup>†</sup> d	52.4 d
8	122.7 d	122.8 d
9	138.2 d	138.0 d
10	66.0 d	65.8 d
11	86.2 d	85.8 d
12	43.9 d	40.2 d
13	116.0 s	115.8 s
14	148.1 s	147.7 s
15	136.2 s	136.0 s
16	153.5 s	153.2 s
17	103.7 d	103.3 d
18	123.1 d	122.2 d
19	60.4 q	60.2 q
20	55.9 q	55.7 q
$\text{NCH}_3$		32.9 q

\* Chemical shifts are given in ppm ( $\delta$  values) downfield from TMS as an internal standard.

<sup>†</sup> Selective heteronuclear decoupling experiments have allowed the reassignment of the chemical shifts for these carbons.



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of FA-2097. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of FA-2097 diacetate in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  showed the presence of a ring structure (partial structure 4) as shown in Fig. 3. Comparison of the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of FA-2097 with that of gliovirin showed that resonances of C-2 and C-12 carbons were displaced 6.5 ppm downfield (at  $\delta$  66.6 ppm) and 3.7 ppm upfield (at  $\delta$  40.2 ppm), re-

spectively, from that of gliovirin. These shifts are consistent with the deshielding of nitrogen caused by *N*-methylation and the shielding caused by steric interaction between the *N*-methyl group and the C-12 hydrogen, respectively.

In order to compare the absolute configuration of gliovirin and FA-2097 both the optical rotations (measured on a Perkin-Elmer Model 241 polarimeter) and the rotatory dispersion curves (recorded on Cary Model 60) were determined. Gliovirin:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} -97^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{575}^{25} -102^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{546}^{25} -117^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{436}^{25} -197^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{365}^{25} -263^\circ$  ( $c$  0.035, MeOH). FA-2097:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} -208^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{575}^{25} -219^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{546}^{25} -251^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{436}^{25} -462^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{365}^{25} -825^\circ$  ( $c$  0.034, MeOH). Gliovirin: ORD ( $c$   $6.7 \times 10^{-4}$ , MeOH)  $25^\circ$ ,  $[\phi]_{300} -1.13 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{275} -3.75 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{255} -1.50 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{245} -2.6 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{220} +3.0 \times 10^4$ . FA-2097: ORD ( $c$   $6.9 \times 10^{-4}$ , MeOH)  $25^\circ$ ,  $[\phi]_{300} -2.3 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{275} -4.0 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{255} -1.2 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{237} -3.0 \times 10^4$ ,  $[\phi]_{220} +2.5 \times 10^4$ . Due to the close similarity in optical properties between these two compounds we conclude that the absolute stereochemistry at the asymmetric centers of FA-2097 is identical with that of gliovirin. Thus, the structure of FA-2097 (Ro 09-0542) is determined to be *N*-methylgliovirin as shown in Fig. 1.

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