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### ABSTRACT

Treatment of ribose-, xylose- and homologated ribose-derived terminal alkynes with ethyl chloroformate in the presence of a catalytic amount of  $\text{RhCl}(\text{CO})(\text{PPh}_3)_2$  in toluene effected *syn* chloroalkoxycarbonylation to give doubly functionalized vinylic derivatives.

### INTRODUCTION

Sugar acetylenes are valuable chiral precursors with wide applications in organic synthesis.<sup>1–4</sup> The stereocontrolled synthesis of the alkynyl C-glycosides and their reactivities<sup>1a</sup> and the free radical cycloisomerization of optically active alkyne-precursors derived from carbohydrates<sup>1b</sup> have been reviewed. Chromium-mediated benzannulation,<sup>3a</sup> Pauson-Khand [2 + 2 + 1] cyclization,<sup>3b</sup> and oxidative dimerization<sup>3c</sup> of sugar acetylenes were recently reported. Glycosylacetylene-phenylalanine building blocks were used in the synthesis of neoglycopeptide templates,<sup>4a</sup> and diastereoselective ethynylation of methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-*gluco*-hexodialdo-1,5-pyranoside was utilized in the construction of the C-glycosyl amino acid backbone **A** of miharamycin antibiotic.<sup>4b</sup> Moreover, various nucleosides with acetylenic functions in the sugar moieties have been prepared,<sup>5–7</sup> and several have potent antitumor (e.g., **B**<sup>5</sup>) and biosynthetic inhibitory activities (Figure 1).<sup>5–7</sup>

Acetylenic sugars have been prepared by: (a) Grignard addition of acetylide anions to the corresponding hemiacetal,<sup>1b,8</sup> lactone<sup>4a</sup> or aldehyde/keto deriva-

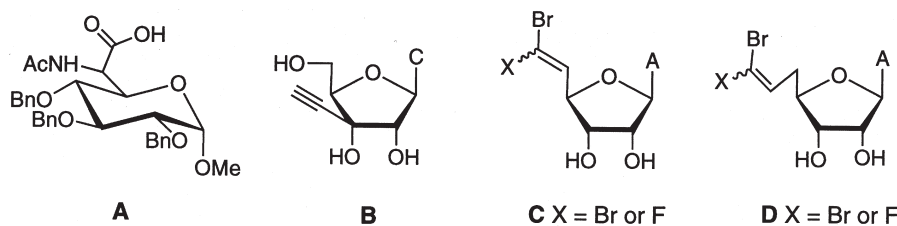


Figure 1.

tives;<sup>4b,5</sup> (b) reaction of the glycols with silylacetylenes in acidic media;<sup>1a,3b</sup> (c) condensation of sugar aldehydes with the Wittig-dibromomethylene reagents<sup>2a,6b,7</sup> (or diazomethylphosphonate<sup>2a,7a</sup>) and dehydrobromination; and (d) oxidative destannylation of vinyl stannane derivatives.<sup>6a</sup>

The enzyme *S*-adenosyl-L-homocysteine (AdoHcy) hydrolase effects hydrolytic cleavage of AdoHcy to adenosine (Ado) and L-homocysteine (Hcy).<sup>9</sup> Owing to its central role in the regulation of biological methylation reactions, the inhibition of AdoHcy hydrolase represents an attractive target for developing the mechanism-based chemotherapy of cancer and viral diseases.<sup>10</sup> Moreover, elevated plasma levels of Hcy in humans have been shown to be a risk factor in coronary artery diseases.<sup>11</sup>

The (dihalohomovinyl)adenosine derivatives, **C**, inhibit AdoHcy hydrolase and are enzymatically hydrolyzed to give the homoAdo 6'-carboxyl halides at the active site.<sup>12</sup> Nucleophilic attack by proximal amino acid functionalities was shown to produce covalent inhibition.<sup>12b</sup> The X-ray crystallographic determination of AdoHcy hydrolase revealed a unique role for a catalytic water molecule at the active site.<sup>13</sup> We recently prepared "doubly homologated" vinyl halides, **D**, and acetylenic adenosine nucleosides with greater conformational flexibility at C5'.<sup>14</sup> The 7'-dihalovinyl nucleosides **D** were prepared from sugar precursors because homoAdo 6'-aldehyde, which was the obvious intermediate for the synthesis of **D** via the Wittig approach, is known to be unstable.<sup>6a</sup> We now report a one-step conversion of ribo- and xylofuranose acetylenes into vinylic derivatives functionalized with chloro and ethoxycarbonyl groups as precursors for the synthesis of the corresponding adenosine nucleosides which may interact with AdoHcy hydrolase.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Ribo-, **1a,b**, and xylofuranose, **1c**, acetylene precursors were prepared by a modified<sup>6b</sup> Tronchet procedure.<sup>2a</sup> Thus, sequential<sup>15</sup> (one-flask), selective hydrolysis of the 5,6-*O*-isopropylidene acetal from 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-allofuranose and oxidative cleavage of the exposed glycol with periodic acid gave dehomologated 5-aldehyde. Wittig-type olefination with dibromomethylene reagent (Ph<sub>3</sub>P/CBr<sub>4</sub>) followed by treatment of the resulting dibromovinyl intermediate with BuLi<sup>16</sup> afforded 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-ribo-hex-5-



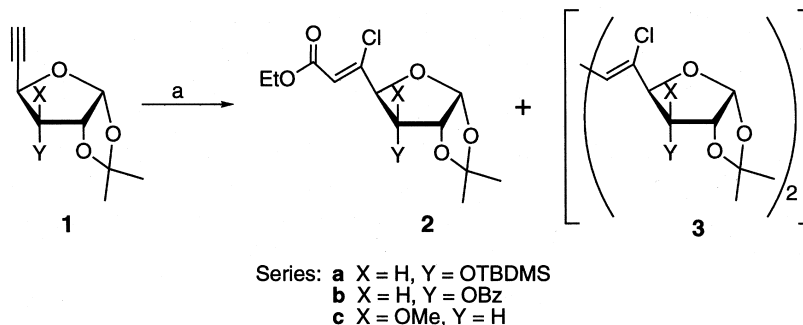
ynofuranose<sup>6b</sup> (**1**; X = H, Y = OH; Scheme 1). Silylation or benzylation of O3 gave **1a** and **1b**<sup>6b</sup> in good yield.

Treatment of **1a** with ethyl chloroformate in toluene (110 °C/7 h) in the presence of a catalytic amount of carbonylchlorobis(triphenylphosphine)rhodium(I) [RhCl(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (0.01 equiv.)<sup>17</sup> effected *syn* chloroesterification to give a single isomer **2a** (82%). Analogous treatment of **1b** and column chromatography gave **2b** (71%) and minor quantity of a second product, tentatively assigned as dimer **3b** (10%). The xylofuranose acetylene **1c**<sup>2a</sup> also gave the desired alkene **2c** (68%) and a dimer **3c** (11%). Formation of traces of dimers under these conditions were also observed by Tanaka and coworkers.<sup>17</sup>

The structure of products **2** and **3** were confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR as well NOE, DEPT, and HETCOR experiments in addition to MS and elemental analyses. For example, NOE difference spectroscopy experiments showed an 8% enhancement of the allylic proton (H4) signal at δ 4.87 for **2b** upon irradiation of the vinylic proton H6 at δ 6.51 thus verifying *syn* addition<sup>17</sup> to a triple bond. The diene-type dimer **3b** had a singlet for H6 at δ 6.95 and <sup>13</sup>C DEPT experiment showed the quaternary C5 at δ 135.07 and C6 at δ 124.24. These data are in agreement with the literature values for the 1,4-dichloro-1,3-butadienes.<sup>18</sup>

The generality of the rhodium-catalyzed chloroesterification of alkynes was further illustrated with ribofuranoside acetylene **4**. Treatment of **4**<sup>2a</sup> with ethyl chloroformate and purification gave **5** (72%, Scheme 2) plus minor byproducts which were not isolated.

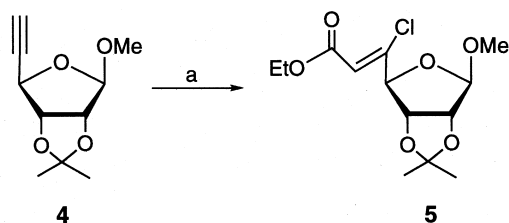
Recently, we reported the synthesis of dibromovinylheptofuranose **6** from 1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-glucose.<sup>14</sup> The key steps involved regioselective oxidation to the 5-ketone, deoxygenation via its tosylhydrazone, and inversion of configuration at C3. Moffatt oxidation of the resulting ribohexofuranose and treatment of the crude 6-aldehyde with (dibromomethylene)triphenylphosphorane gave **6**.<sup>14</sup> Treatment of **6** with excess BuLi effected dehydrobromination to give acetylenic homologated ribose **7** (Scheme 3). Rhodium-catalyzed *syn* chloroethoxycarbonylation of **7** gave single isomer **8** (69 %).



<sup>a</sup> Key: (a) ClCO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>/RhCl(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>/toluene/110 °C/7h

Scheme 1.





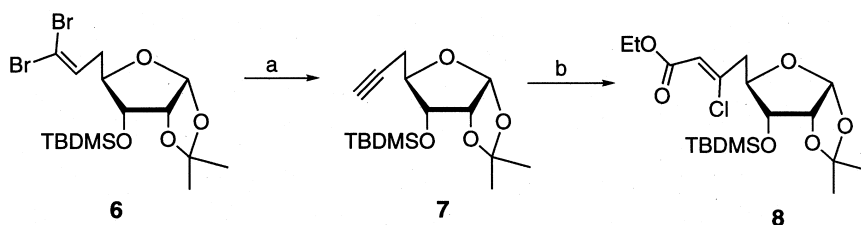
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Scheme 2.

## EXPERIMENTAL

Uncorrected melting points were determined with a capillary tube apparatus.  $^1\text{H}$  ( $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ) NMR spectra were determined at 400 MHz and  $^{13}\text{C}$  ( $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ) at 100.6 MHz in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  solution. Mass spectra (MS and HRMS) were obtained by atmospheric pressure chemical ionization (APCI), chemical ionization (CI,  $\text{CH}_4$ ), or fast atom bombardment (FAB, 5% trifluoroacetic acid/thioglycerol matrix) techniques. Reagent grade chemicals were used and solvents were dried by reflux over and distillation from  $\text{CaH}_2$  under an argon atmosphere. TLC was performed on Merck kieselgel 60-F<sub>254</sub> with EtOAc/hexane (1:4) as a developing system; and products were detected with 254 nm light or by development of color with  $\text{Ce}(\text{SO}_4)_2/(\text{NH}_4)_6\text{Mo}_7\text{O}_{24}\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Merck kieselgel 60 (230-400 mesh) was used for column chromatography. Elemental analyses were determined by Galbraith Laboratories, Knoxville, TN.

3-*O*-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)-5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-ribohex-5-ynofuranose (**1a**). *tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl (TBDMS) chloride (188 mg, 1.25 mmol) was added to a solution of 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-ribohex-5-ynofuranose<sup>6b</sup> (**1**; X = H, Y = OH; 368 mg, 2mmol) in dried pyridine (5 mL) and stirring was continued for 24 h at ambient temperature. Volatiles were evaporated *in vacuo* and toluene was added ( $2 \times 3$  mL) and evaporation was continued. The residue was partitioned (EtOAc/ $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) and the organic phase was washed ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , brine), dried ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ), and filtered. Volatiles were evaporated and the residue was column chromatographed ( $5 \rightarrow 20\%$  EtOAc/hexane) to give **1a**



Scheme 3.



(263 mg, 88%) as a syrup:  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  0.12 (s, 6H, 2  $\times$  Me), 0.91 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu), 1.30 and 1.51 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 2.51 (d, 1H,  $J_{6,4}$  = 2.0 Hz, H-6), 4.02 (dd, 1H,  $J_{3,4}$  = 8.8 Hz,  $J_{3,2}$  = 4.4 Hz, H-3), 4.43 ("t", 1H,  $J$  = 4.1 Hz, H-2), 4.49 (dd, 1H, H-4), 5.77 (d, 1H,  $J_{1,2}$  = 3.6 Hz, H-1);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  -4.32, -4.20 (2  $\times$  Me), 18.68 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 26.15 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 26.93 and 27.10 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 69.95 (C-4), 75.08 (C-6), 77.81 (C-3), 79.23 (C-2), 80.86 (C-5), 104.23 (C-1), 113.32 (CMe<sub>2</sub>). HRMS (CI) Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Si + H: 299.1678. Found: 299.1682.

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Si (298.45): C, 60.37; H, 8.78. Found: C, 60.41; H, 8.81.

Ethyl (*Z*)-3-*O*-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)-5-chloro-5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-ribo-hept-5-enofuranuronate (**2a**). Procedure A. Argon was bubbled through a solution of **1a** (75 mg, 0.25 mmol) and ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et (0.12 mL, 135 mg, 1.25 mmol) in dried toluene (2 mL) for 30 min at ambient temperature. RhCl(CO)(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1.7 mg, 0.0025 mmol) was then quickly added and the resulting mixture was heated in a pressure tube (Ace glass, 15 mL) at 110 °C for 7 h. After cooling, volatiles were evaporated and the residue was partitioned (EtOAc/NaHCO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O), and the aqueous layer was extracted (EtOAc). The combined organic phase was washed (brine) and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Volatiles were evaporated and the residue was column chromatographed (5  $\rightarrow$  20 % EtOAc/hexane) to give **2a** (83 mg, 82%) as a syrup:  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  0.10 and 0.12 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 0.91 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu), 1.30 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.35 and 1.60 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 4.08 (dd, 1H,  $J_{3,4}$  = 8.3 Hz,  $J_{3,2}$  = 4.4 Hz, H-3), 4.25 (q, 2H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.45 (d, 1H, H-4), 4.50 ("t", 1H,  $J$  = 3.8 Hz, H-2), 5.86 (d, 1H,  $J_{1,2}$  = 3.2 Hz, H-1), 6.37 (s, 1H, H-6);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  -4.50, -4.41 (2  $\times$  Me) 14.54 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 18.53 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 26.05 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 26.99 and 27.27 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 61.02 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 76.04 (C-3), 79.75 (C-2), 83.35 (C-4), 104.52 (C-1), 113.69 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 119.70 (C-6), 145.43 (C-5), 163.80 (C-7). HRMS (FAB) Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>31</sub><sup>35</sup>ClO<sub>6</sub>Si + Na: 429.1476. Found: 429.1502.

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>31</sub>ClO<sub>6</sub>Si (406.98): C, 53.12; H, 7.68. Found: C, 53.18; H, 7.76.

Ethyl (*Z*)-3-*O*-Benzoyl-5-chloro-5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-ribo-hept-5-enofuranuronate (**2b**). Treatment of **1b**<sup>6b</sup> (100 mg, 0.35 mmol) by procedure A [TLC indicated complete consumption of **1b** (R<sub>f</sub> 0.61) with formation of more polar components: **2b** (R<sub>f</sub> 0.58, major) and **3b** (R<sub>f</sub> 0.49)] gave **2b** (98 mg, 71%): mp 117-118 °C (MeOH);  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  1.31 (t, 3H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 and 1.60 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 4.25 (q, 2H,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.87 (d, 1H,  $J_{4,3}$  = 8.4 Hz, H-4), 5.04 ("t", 1H,  $J$  = 4.2 Hz, H-2), 5.09 (dd, 1H,  $J_{3,2}$  = 4.6 Hz, H-3), 6.00 (d, 1H,  $J_{1,2}$  = 3.5 Hz, H-1), 6.51 (s, 1H, H-6), 7.47-8.12 (m, 5H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  14.54 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.07 and 27.21 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 61.25 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 76.19 (C-3), 78.07 (C-2), 80.87 (C-4), 104.91 (C-1), 114.23 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 119.27 (C-6), 128.93, 129.38, 130.39, 134.00 (Ph), 144.23 (C-5), 163.78 (C-7), 165.87 (Bz); MS (FAB)  $m/z$  399 (3, MH<sup>+</sup> [<sup>37</sup>Cl]), 397 (9, MH<sup>+</sup> [<sup>35</sup>Cl]), 341 (36, M<sup>+</sup> - 57, [<sup>37</sup>Cl]), 339 (100, M<sup>+</sup> - 57, [<sup>35</sup>Cl]).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>ClO<sub>7</sub> (396.82): C, 57.51; H, 5.33. Found: C, 57.49; H, 5.58.



Further elution of the column gave dimer **3b** (23 mg, 10%): mp 166–169 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  1.39 and 1.62 ( $2 \times \text{s}$ ,  $2 \times 3\text{H}$ ,  $2 \times \text{Me}$ ), 4.91 (d, 1H,  $J_{4,3} = 8.6$  Hz, H-4), 5.02 (“t”, 1H,  $J = 4.2$  Hz, H-2), 5.12 (dd, 1H,  $J_{3,2} = 4.8$  Hz, H-3), 5.99 (d, 1H,  $J_{1,2} = 3.6$  Hz, H-1), 6.95 (s, 1H, H-6), 7.44–8.08 (m, 5H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ );  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  27.04 and 27.20 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 75.25 (C-3), 77.86 (C-2), 81.22 (C-4), 104.84 (C-1), 113.98 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 124.24 (C-6), 128.88, 129.45, 130.34, 133.89 (Ph), 135.07 (C-5), 165.99 (Bz); MS (FAB)  $m/z$  673 (11,  $\text{MNa}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}_2]$ ), 671 (65,  $\text{MNa}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}, ^{35}\text{Cl}]$ ), 669 (100,  $\text{MNa}^+[^{35}\text{Cl}_2]$ ).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{32}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_{10}$  (647.51): C, 59.35; H, 4.98. Found: C, 59.71; H, 5.35.

Ethyl (Z)-5-Chloro-3-O-methyl-5,6-dideoxy-1,2-O-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-xylo-hept-5-enofuranuronate (**2c**). Treatment of **1c**<sup>2a</sup> (149 mg, 0.75 mmol) by procedure A [5 h; TLC indicated complete consumption of **1c** ( $R_f$  0.55) with formation of **2c** ( $R_f$  0.62) and **3b** ( $R_f$  0.53)] gave **2c** (156 mg, 68%) as a solidified syrup: mp 61–62 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  1.28 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.33 and 1.51 ( $2 \times \text{s}$ ,  $2 \times 3\text{H}$ ,  $2 \times \text{Me}$ ), 3.40 (s, 3H, OMe), 4.02 (d, 1H,  $J_{3,4} = 3.2$  Hz, H3), 4.19 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.1$  Hz,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 4.60 (d, 1H,  $J_{2,1} = 3.6$  Hz, H-2), 4.78 (dd, 1H,  $J_{4,6} = 1.6$  Hz, H-4), 5.96 (d, 1H, H-1), 6.49 (d, 1H, H-6);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  14.54 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ), 26.65 and 27.33 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 59.16 (OMe), 60.81 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 81.66 (C-2), 83.35 (C-4), 84.23 (C-3), 105.72 (C-1), 112.84 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 117.20 (C-6), 142.53 (C-5), 164.15 (C-7); MS (APCI)  $m/z$  309 (43,  $\text{MH}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}]$ ), 307 (100,  $\text{MH}^+[^{35}\text{Cl}]$ ).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClO}_6$  (306.75): C, 50.90; H, 6.24. Found: C, 51.27; H, 6.32.

Further elution of the column gave **3c** (38 mg, 11%): mp 91–93 °C;  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  1.33 and 1.51 ( $2 \times \text{s}$ ,  $2 \times 3\text{H}$ ,  $2 \times \text{Me}$ ), 3.40 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.97 (d, 1H,  $J_{3,4} = 3.1$  Hz, H3), 4.61 (d, 1H,  $J_{2,1} = 3.6$  Hz, H-2), 4.81 (d, 1H, H-4), 6.02 (d, 1H, H-1), 6.91 (s, 1H, H-6);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  26.72 and 27.33 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 59.16 (OMe), 81.96 (C-2), 82.81 (C-4), 84.41 (C-3), 105.60 (C-1), 112.64 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 120.43 (C-6), 130.95 (C-5); MS (APCI)  $m/z$  471 (12,  $\text{MH}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}_2]$ ), 469 (68,  $\text{M}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}, ^{35}\text{Cl}]$ ), 467 (100,  $\text{MH}^+[^{35}\text{Cl}_2]$ ).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{Cl}_2\text{O}_8$  (467.35): C, 51.40; H, 6.04. Found: C, 51.01; H, 6.25.

Ethyl [Methyl (Z)-5-Chloro-5,6-dideoxy-2,3-O-isopropylidene- $\beta$ -D-ribohept-5-enofuranosid]uronate (**5**). Treatment of **4**<sup>2a</sup> (149 mg, 0.75 mmol) by procedure A (5 h) gave **5** (165 mg, 72%) as a syrup:  $^1\text{H NMR}$   $\delta$  1.28 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.33 and 1.51 ( $2 \times \text{s}$ ,  $2 \times 3\text{H}$ ,  $2 \times \text{Me}$ ), 3.47 (s, 3H, OMe), 4.19 (“dq”, 2H,  $J = 2.2$  Hz,  $J = 7.2$  Hz,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 4.57 (d, 1H,  $J_{2,3} = 6.1$  Hz, H-2), 4.73 (“t”, 1H,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, H-4), 4.89 (dd, 1H,  $J_{3,4} = 2.1$  Hz, H-3), 5.10 (s, 1H, H-1), 6.43 (d, 1H,  $J_{6,4} = 1.6$  Hz, H-6);  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$   $\delta$  14.58 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ), 25.49 and 27.08 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 56.62 (OMe), 61.04 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 83.66 (C-3), 85.01 (C-2), 90.44 (C-4), 111.41 (C-1), 113.64 ( $\text{CMe}_2$ ), 116.42 (C-6), 146.51 (C-5), 164.15 (C-7); MS (APCI)  $m/z$  309 (43,  $\text{MH}^+[^{37}\text{Cl}]$ ), 307 (100,  $\text{MH}^+[^{35}\text{Cl}]$ ).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClO}_6$  (306.75): C, 50.90; H, 6.24. Found: C, 50.52; H, 6.23.





3-*O*-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)-5,6,7-trideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-*ribo*-hept-6-ynofuranose (**7**). BuLi/hexane (1.6 M; 8.1 mL, 13 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of **6**<sup>14</sup> (875 mg, 1.85 mmol) in dried THF (15 mL) at  $-78^{\circ}\text{C}$  and stirring was continued for 1 h with the temperature slowly increasing to  $\sim -60^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The mixture was neutralized (AcOH, pH  $\sim 6.5$ ) and was partitioned (EtOAc/NaHCO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O), and the aqueous layer was extracted (EtOAc). The combined organic phase was washed (brine) and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Volatiles were evaporated and the residue was column chromatographed (15  $\rightarrow$  30% hexane/EtOAc) and fractions containing pure **7** [TLC: R<sub>f</sub> 0.71; R<sub>f</sub> 0.78 (**6**)] were evaporated to give **7** (300 mg, 52%): <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.14 and 0.15 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 0.94 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu), 1.35 and 1.56 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 2.04 (t, 1H, J<sub>7-5,5'</sub> = 2.6 Hz, H-7), 2.47 (ddd, 1H, J<sub>5',5</sub> = 17.4 Hz, J<sub>5',4</sub> = 4.4 Hz, H-5'), 2.71 (dt, 1H, J<sub>5-7,4</sub> = 3.2 Hz, H-5), 3.92 (dd, 1H, J<sub>3,4</sub> = 8.7 Hz, J<sub>3,2</sub> = 4.5 Hz, H-3), 4.00 ("quint", 1H, J = 4.2 Hz, H-4), 4.46 (t, 1H, J<sub>2-1,3</sub> = 4.1 Hz, H-2), 5.79 (d, 1H, J<sub>1,2</sub> = 3.7 Hz, H-1); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  -4.37, -4.14 (2  $\times$  Me) 18.59 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 21.01 (C-5), 26.17 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 26.99 and 27.27 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 71.05 (C-7), 75.07 (C-3), 77.03 (C-4), 79.48 (C-2), 80.02 (C-6), 104.35 (C-1), 113.00 (CMe<sub>2</sub>); MS (APCI) *m/z* 313 (6, MH<sup>+</sup>), 255 (100, M<sup>+</sup> - 57).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Si (312.48): C, 61.50; H, 9.03. Found: C, 61.66; H, 9.27.

Ethyl (*Z*)-3-*O*-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)-6-chloro-5,6,7-trideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- $\alpha$ -D-*ribo*-oct-6-enofuranuronate (**8**). Treatment of **7** (172 mg, 0.55 mmol) by procedure A (5 h) gave unchanged **7** (19 mg, 11%) followed by **8** (160 mg, 69%): <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.11 and 0.15 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 0.91 (s, 9H, *t*-Bu), 1.28 (t, 3H, J = 7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.33 and 1.55 (2  $\times$  s, 2  $\times$  3H, 2  $\times$  Me), 2.57 (dd, 1H, J<sub>5',5</sub> = 15.1 Hz, J<sub>5',4</sub> = 8.7 Hz, H-5'), 2.76 (dd, 1H, J<sub>5,4</sub> = 2.4 Hz, H-5), 3.65 (dd, 1H, J<sub>3,2</sub> = 4.5 Hz, J<sub>3,4</sub> = 8.8 Hz, H-3), 4.17-4.23 (m, 3H, H-4 & CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.43 ("t", 1H, J = 4.1 Hz, H-2), 5.72 (d, J<sub>1,2</sub> = 3.7 Hz, 1H, H-1), 6.38 (s, 1H, H-7); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  -4.39, -3.98 (2  $\times$  Me), 14.61 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.12 (CMe<sub>3</sub>), 27.06 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 44.19 (C-5), 60.76 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 76.68 (C-4), 76.74 (C-3), 79.19 (C-2), 104.21 (C-1), 113.16 (CMe<sub>2</sub>), 118.70 (C-7), 146.32 (C-6), 164.16 (C-8); MS (APCI) *m/z* 365 (42, M<sup>+</sup> - 57, [<sup>37</sup>Cl]), 363 (100, M<sup>+</sup> - 57, [<sup>35</sup>Cl]).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>33</sub>ClO<sub>6</sub>Si (421.01): C, 54.21; H, 7.90. Found: C, 54.01; H, 8.09.

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