

Cyclization of Hydroxy Enol Ethers: A Stereocontrolled Approach to 3-Deoxy-D-manno-2-octulosonic Acid Containing Disaccharides

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A method for the preparation of the carboxylic acids 14 and 15 has been developed, starting from known 2,3,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-mannofuranose. Esterification of 14 and 15 with methanol, methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside, and 1,2,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose, followed by reaction with Tebbe reagent and selective deprotection gave, respectively, the key complex hydroxy enol ethers 20, 26, and 35. Stereoselective iodocyclization, followed by transformation of the CH₂I appendage into a methyloxycarbonyl group, gave the corresponding protected KDO-containing disaccharides.

Introduction

3-Deoxy-D-manno-2-octulosonic acid (KDO) occurs as a characteristic component of enterobacterial lipopolysaccharides (LPS) and has also been found in several acidic exopolysaccharides (K antigens), both located at the cell surface of Gram-negative bacteria.¹ The incorporation of KDO appears to be a vital step in growth of the bacteria, and the design of successful inhibitors of lipopolysaccharide biosynthesis of bacteria based on KDO analogues has been achieved.² Therefore, the synthetic chemistry involving KDO has become of increasing interest.

KDO-containing oligosaccharides have largely been synthesized so far by conventional glycosylation procedures involving either methyl 3-deoxy-4,5,7,8-tetra-*O*-acetyl- α -D-manno-octulopyranosonate chloride,³ bromide,⁴ or fluoride.⁵ Selective *O*-alkylation at the anomeric center,⁶ together with the use of a furan ring as a surrogate for the carboxylic acid residue of KDO,⁷ have also been reported. As a result of the specific structure of KDO, where position 3 is deoxygenated, synthetic approaches to 2-deoxy α - or β -glycosides^{8,9} should formally be transposable to KDO glycosides. Electrophilic activation of the retron A with phenylselenenyl triflate followed by intermolecular addition of an alcohol (the "endo-glycal approach", retrosynthetic pathway a, Scheme I) was recently developed.¹⁰ The

intramolecular oximercuration-demercuration of the enol ether retron B has also been achieved¹¹ (the "endo-enol ether approach", retrosynthetic pathway b, Scheme I). This lastly mentioned stratagem corresponds to the atypical retrosynthetic disconnection b, as opposed to the familiar disconnection a. Due to the presence of the alkyloxycarbonyl appendage in KDO derivatives, additional retrons (the "exo-glycal" C and the "exo-enol ether" D) can be envisaged (retrosynthetic pathways c and d, Scheme I). We would like to present in this paper some aspects of our current explorations of the exo approaches.

Results and Discussion

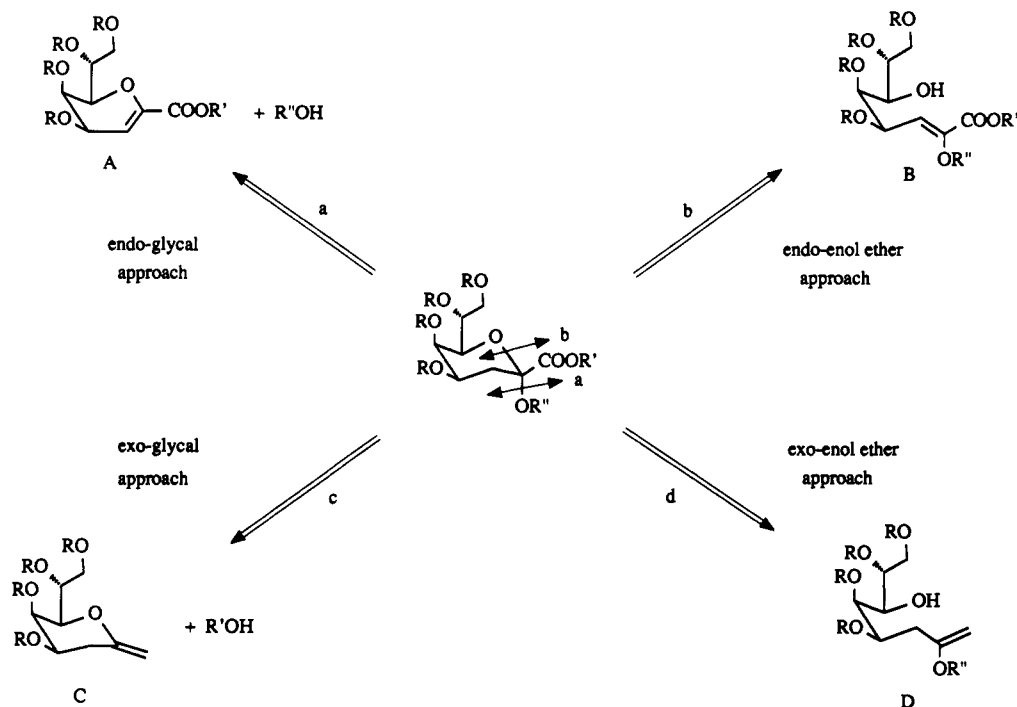
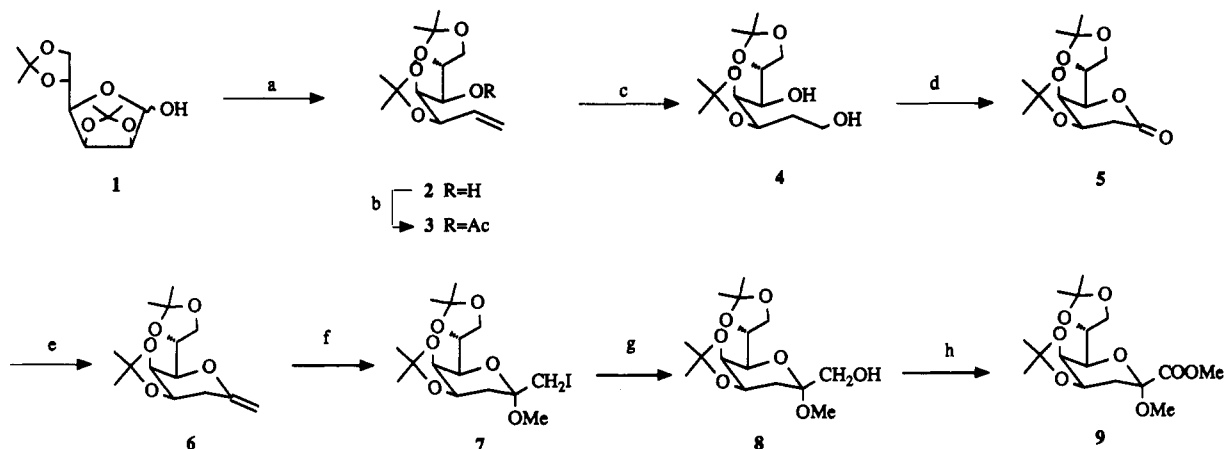
The Exo-Glycal Approach. We first decided to synthesize compound 6, an easily available retron of type C (Scheme II). Wittig reaction converted known 2,3,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-mannose (1)¹² into compound 2. Reasonable yield (71%) was obtained when a solution of both methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide and 1 in oxolane-hexamethylphosphoramide (4:1) was treated with *n*-BuLi (hexane solution). In analogy with a similar reaction we carried out on 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl-D-glucopyranose,¹³ it appears that lithiation of the hemiacetal group prior to olefination is of importance.¹⁴ Hydroboration of 2 with 9-BBN was sluggish and incomplete. A satisfactory reaction occurred when 2 was first quantitatively converted into acetate 3, subsequent hydroboration resulting into 70% of diol 4. The one-step transformation of 4 into the lactone 5 was achieved in essentially quantitative yield using pyridinium chlorochromate (PCC) in dichloromethane, indicating that oxidation of the primary alcohol function occurred selectively as the first step.¹⁵ Lactone 5 has recently been synthesized from 1, using another route.¹⁶ Finally, 5 was easily converted into the expected exo-glycal 6 in 82% yield using a freshly prepared solution of Tebbe reagent¹⁷ in toluene.¹⁸

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Scheme I. Retrosynthetic Analysis of KDO Glycosylation

Scheme II^a

^a Reagents: (a) $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}=\text{CH}_2$, THF, HMPA, rt, 15 h, 71%; (b) Ac_2O , pyridine, 3 h, 100%; (c) 9-BBN in THF, 3 h, then NaOH, H_2O_2 , 90 min, 70%; (d) PCC, CH_2Cl_2 , 1 h, 96%; (e) Tebbe reagent 0.2 M in toluene, $-78^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow \text{rt}$, 15 min, 82%; (f) *t*-BuOK, I_2 , THF, MeOH; (g) CsOAc, HMPA, 140°C , 12 h then MeONa 1 M/MeOH, rt, 1 h, 71%; (h) $(\text{COCl})_2/\text{DMSO}$ then Et_3N ; NaClO_2 , H_2O_2 , CH_3CN , rt, 5 h; CH_2N_2 , ether 72%.

O-glycoside²⁰ precursors. We found that reaction of freshly prepared **6** with methanol in the presence of potassium *tert*-butoxide and iodine²¹ selectively gave the α -methyl glycoside **7** in 70% yield (Scheme II). Attempts to condense various sugar alcohols in the same manner led to frustration. This led us to abandon this method and to study the exo-enol ether cyclization.

But, having in hand the glycoside **7**, we used it to address the problem of the chemical conversion of the CH_2I appendage into COOMe (Scheme II). Treatment of **7** with cesium acetate in hexamethylphosphoramide at 140°C for 12 h, followed by conventional O-deacetylation, gave the crystalline alcohol **8** (71% yield) that was oxidized in two steps with $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-(\text{COCl})_2-\text{Et}_3\text{N}$,²² then with NaClO_2 ,²³

Esterification with diazomethane gave (72% yield from **8**) crystalline **9** (mp 120°C from ether and hexane), identical with a compound obtained by another route.²⁴ This comparison unambiguously established the anomery previously assigned to compound **7**. The ^1H NMR spectrum of **9** shows a shift of H-4 at δ 4.52 (ddd, $J_{3a/4} = 3$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 4$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 7.5$ Hz) which is considered as diagnostic of the α anomery when H-4 and -OR groups are in proximity.²⁵ The observed coupling constants indicate a deviation from the $^5\text{C}_2(\text{D})$ chair conformation (depicted in Scheme II) toward a boat or skew-boat form. Previously, such a distortion was constantly observed in a series of KDO derivatives where positions 4 and 5 were protected

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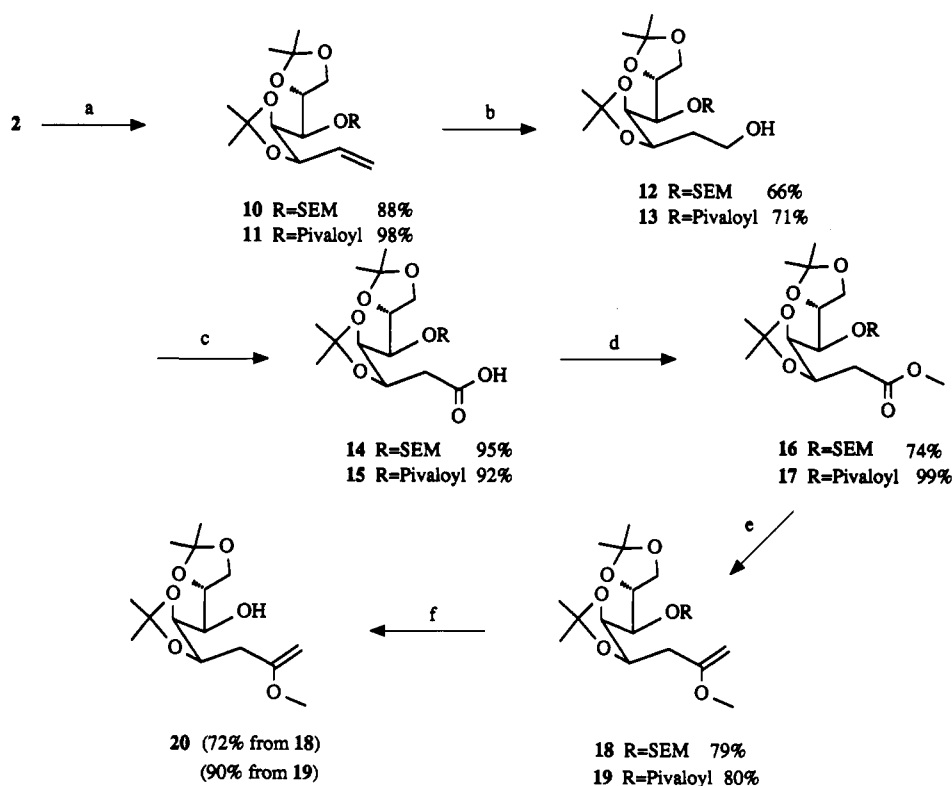
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Scheme III^a

^a Reagents: (a) R = SEM, SEMCl, *i*-Pr₂NEt, CH₂Cl₂, 40 °C, 3 h; R = Piv, PivCl, pyridine, DMAP, rt, 32 h; (b) R = SEM, BH₃/THF, 30 min then H₂O₂, NaOH, rt; R = Piv, 9-BBN, THF, 2 h then H₂O₂, NaOH, rt; (c) RuCl₃/NaIO₄, CCl₄, CH₃CN, H₂O, rt, 90 min; (d) CH₂N₂, ether, 15 min; (e) Tebbe reagent 0.2 M in toluene, pyridine, -45 °C, 1 h; (f) removal of the SEM group, F⁻NBu₄⁺, THF, HMPA, ethylenediamine, 60 °C, 18 h; removal of the pivaloyl group, LiAlH₄, THF, 0 °C, 10 min.

by an isopropylidene group.²⁴ Having secured the CH₂I → COOMe transformation, we concentrated on iodocyclization.

The Exo-Enol Ether Approach. The successful "exo-enol ether" approach we would now like to describe relies on an easy access to the key retron D (Scheme I). The starting compound of the synthesis was the alcohol 2, which was protected either with a SEM or a pivaloyl group to give, respectively, 10 (88%) and 11 (98%) (Scheme III). Hydroborations of 10 with borane-oxolane complex and 11 with 9-BBN gave the desired alcohols 12 and 13 in about 70% yield. Oxidation of the primary alcohol with RuCl₃-NaIO₄ in the solvent system CCl₄-CH₃CN-H₂O²⁶ for 90 min at room temperature gave the corresponding acids 14 and 15 in over 90% yield (Scheme III). In order to establish the feasibility of the attempted strategy on a simple derivative, esterification of these acids with diazomethane was achieved to give, respectively, esters 16 (74%) and 17 (99%). The reaction with a toluene solution of Tebbe reagent proceeded smoothly to give the enol ethers 18 and 19, respectively, in about 80% yield. Removal of the SEM group with tetrabutylammonium fluoride in oxolane-hexamethylphosphotriamide-ethylenediamine at 60 °C for 18 h gave the key secondary alcohol 20 in 72% yield. Removal of the pivaloyl group proceeded smoothly in the presence of lithium aluminum hydride in oxolane (10 min at 0 °C) to give the same alcohol 20 in 90% yield. A comparison of the two parallel routes shows the superiority of the pivaloyl protecting group which met all the requirements both in terms of chemical compatibility and simplicity-efficiency. Noticeable is the selective transformation 17 → 19 which

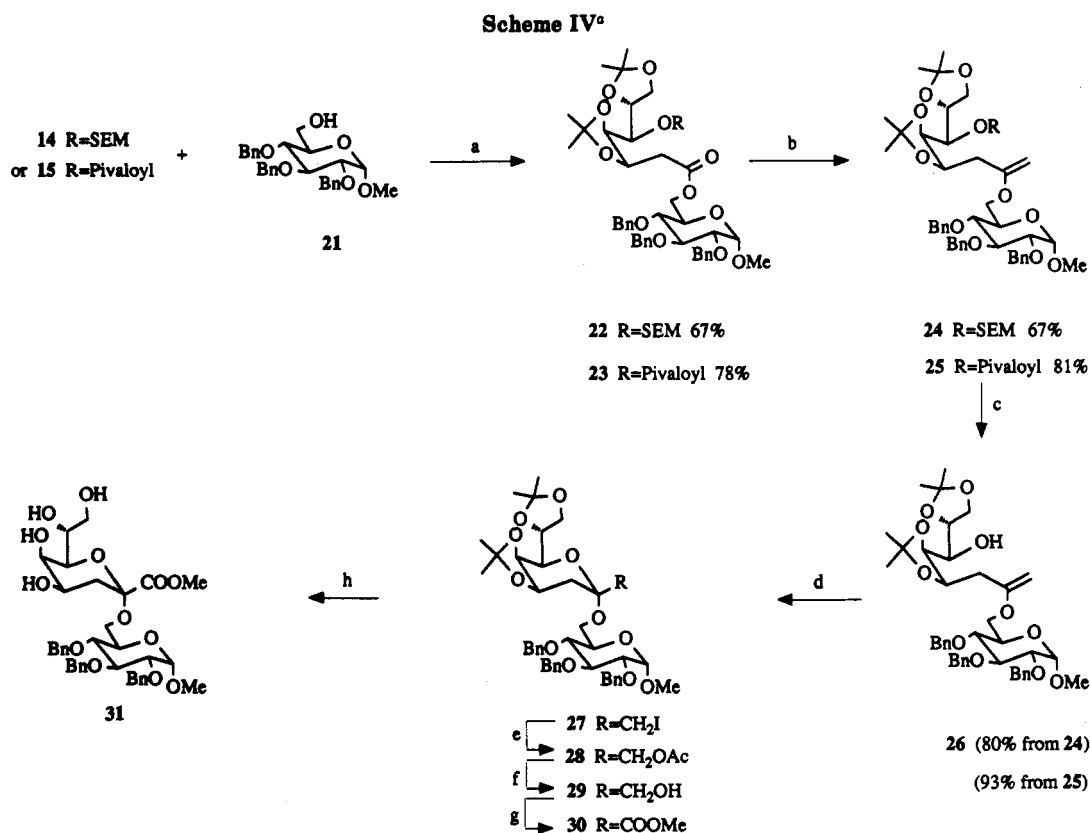
demonstrates that Tebbe reagent does not react with the bulky pivaloyl ester function. Cyclization of 20 was easily achieved with *t*-BuOK and iodine at -78 °C to give previously reported α -methyl ketoside 7 as the single product of the reaction. The outstanding kinetic α -stereoselectivity of this cyclization is remarkable. The intrinsically high "Wittig-like" reactivity level for converting esters into vinyl ethers of type 19 was thus a key feature in our strategy,²⁷ providing an easy access to a retron of type D.

With these auspicious results now available, the synthesis of two protected KDO-containing disaccharides was easily materialized. Scheme IV shows the use of methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside²⁸ (21), finally resulting into disaccharide 30. The esters 22 and 23 were prepared by reaction of 21 with 14 and 15, respectively, in the presence of dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (DMAP). The key enol ether 26 was then obtained as previously described for the preparation of 20. Again, the pivaloyl protecting group gave better yields. Cyclization of 26 with *t*-BuOK and iodine went very smoothly and gave 27 as the single product of the reaction. The transformation of 27 into 30 was achieved as described for the synthesis of 9. The chemical shifts of H-4 in derivatives 27, 28, 29 and 30 (see Experimental Section) were close to the values observed in the previously described model derivatives and considered as diagnostic of the α -anomer. The selective removal of the isopropylidene groups in 30 was easily achieved using trifluoroacetic acid in a mixture of methanol-water to give the KDO derivative 31. The same

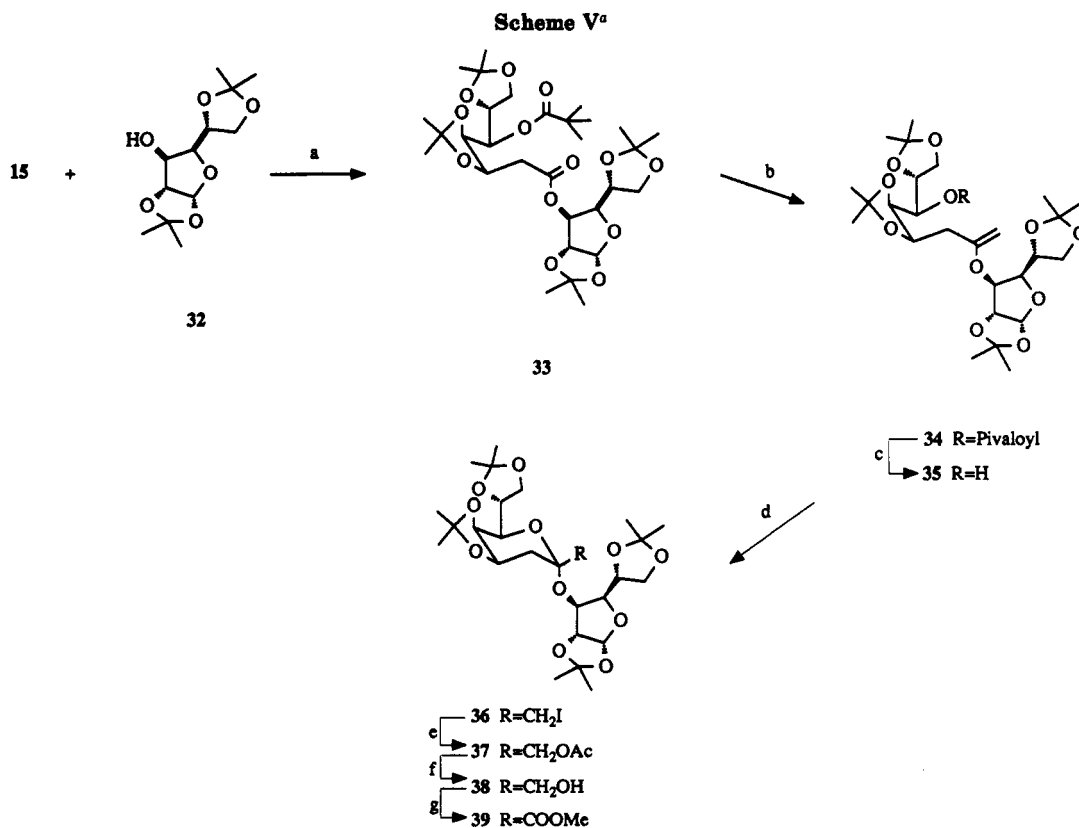
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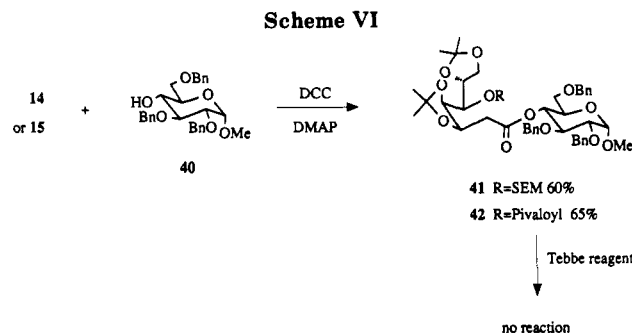
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^a Reagents: (a) DCC, DMAP, rt, 30 min; (b) Tebbe reagent 0.2 M in toluene, pyridine, -45 °C, 1 h; (c) removal of the SEM group, F⁻NBu₄⁺, THF, HMPA, ethylenediamine, 60 °C, 18 h; removal of the pivaloyl group, LiAlH₄, THF, 0 °C, 10 min; (d) *t*-BuOK, THF, rt, 10 min then I₂, -78 °C → rt, 4 h, 92%; (e) CsOAc, HMPA, 130 °C, 24 h, 68% (30% of recovered starting material); (f) MeONa 1 M/MeOH, rt, 1 h, 98%; (g) (COCl₂)/DMSO then Et₃N; NaClO₂, H₂O₂, CH₃CN, rt, 3 h; CH₂N₂, ether, 68%; (h) CF₃COOH, H₂O, MeOH, rt, 48 h, 90%.



^a Reagents: (a) DCC, DMAP, rt, 30 min, 80%; (b) Tebbe reagent 0.2 M in toluene, pyridine, -45 °C, 1 h, 87%; (c) LiAlH₄, THF, 0 °C, 10 min, 90%; (d) *t*-BuOK, THF, rt, 10 min then I₂, -78 °C → rt, 2 h, 90%; (e) CsOAc, HMPA, 130 °C, 36 h, 84%; (f) MeONa 1 M/MeOH, rt, 1 h, 97%; (g) (COCl₂)/DMSO then Et₃N; NaClO₂, H₂O₂, CH₃CN, rt, 3 h; CH₂N₂, ether, 63%.



sequence was also achieved starting from commercially available 1,2,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucopyranose (32), as shown in Scheme V. ^1H NMR spectra are again in agreement with the assigned structures.

A limitation to the generalization of this methodology may result from the lack of reactivity of some sterically hindered esters with Tebbe reagent.²⁹ For example, esters 41 and 42, prepared in the manner previously reported from methyl 2,3,6-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside,³⁰ did not react with Tebbe reagent (Scheme VI). A similar feature was recently observed by Barret et al.,³¹ however, methylenylation using the Nozaki-Takai protocol³² readily solved the problem.³¹ The application of this procedure to make exo-enol ethers from esters may thus extend the scope of this work.

Experimental Section

General Procedures and Materials. All reactions were performed under an argon atmosphere. Oxolane was distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl. Melting points were determined on a Büchi 510 capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Flash chromatography was performed as described by Still et al. (Merck silica gel (230–400 mesh)). TLC analyses were performed on Merck aluminum-backed F_{254} silica gel plates and detected by charring with sulfuric acid. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a Cameca 250 (250 MHz) or a Bruker AM 400 (400 MHz). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ) downfield from Me_4Si ($\delta = 0$ ppm) as an internal standard. Data were reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant (hertz), integration). ^{13}C NMR spectrum were recorded on a Cameca 250. Optical rotations were measured at 20 \pm 2° with a Perkin-Elmer Model 241 polarimeter. CI (ammonia) mass spectra were obtained with a Nermag R10-10 spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed at the University Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI) or at the "Service Central d'Analyse du Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique" in Vernaison (France).

1,2-Dideoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-manno-hept-1-enitol (2). To a stirred suspension of 2,3,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-mannose¹² (2 g, 7.7 mmol) and methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (5.6 g, 15.7 mmol) in dry oxolane (80 mL) at -20 °C was added dropwise *n*-BuLi (15 mL, 1.6 M in hexane, 24 mmol). Stirring was continued for 15 h at 20 °C. Saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (120 mL) was then added. The mixture was repeatedly extracted with dichloromethane. The combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL), dried (MgSO_4), and evaporated to leave the residue, which was purified by chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (4:1)) to afford

2 (1.41 g, 71%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -33^\circ$ (c 0.7, chloroform); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 6.16 (ddd, $J_{1a/2\text{trans}} = 17.5$ Hz, $J_{1b/2\text{cis}} = 10.5$ Hz, $J_{2/3} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-2), 5.51, 5.36 (m, $J_{1a/1b} = 1.5$ Hz, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 4.75 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.43 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.17–3.98 (m, 3 H, H-6,7a,7b), 3.48 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 1.54, 1.41, 1.40, 1.36 (4s, 12 H, 4 \times Me); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 134.1 (C-2), 119.6 (C-1), 109.2, 108.5 (2 \times C(Me)₂), 79.0, 76.5, 75.9, 70.4 (C-3,4,5,6), 67.0 (C-7), 26.7, 26.5, 25.2, 24.4 (4 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 259 (MH^+). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_6$: C, 60.45; H, 8.58. Found: C, 60.30; H, 8.71.

5-*O*-Acetyl-1,2-dideoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-manno-hept-1-enitol (3). To a solution of 2 (200 mg, 0.77 mmol) in dry pyridine (0.3 mL) at room temperature was added acetic anhydride (0.15 mL). After 3 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite pad and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was chromatographed (hexane-ethyl acetate (4:1)) to afford 3 (231 mg, 100%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -26^\circ$ (c 1.5, chloroform); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 5.79 (ddd unsolved, $J_{1b/2} = 10.5$ Hz, $J_{2/3} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-2), 5.41 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-1a), 5.31 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-1b), 5.06 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.74 (m, $J_{3/4} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.39 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 4.22 (ddd, $J_{6/7a} = 6$ Hz, $J_{6/7b} = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.02 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.94 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 2.10 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 1.59, 1.41, 1.40, 1.39 (4s, 12 H, 4 \times Me); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 169.7 (CO), 132.4 (C-2), 118.8 (C-1), 109.1, 108.9 (2 \times C(Me)₂), 78.1, 76.9, 75.2, 70.5 (C-3,4,5,6), 65.9 (C-7), 26.5, 26.4, 25.5, 25.4 (4 \times Me), 21.2 (COCH_3); MS (CI) m/z 301 (MH^+). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_6$: C, 59.99; H, 8.05. Found: C, 59.92; H, 8.02.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-manno-heptitol (4). To a solution of 3 (180 mg, 0.6 mmol) in dry oxolane (3.5 mL) was dropwise added 9-BBN (3.5 mL, 0.5 M in oxolane, 1.75 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C and warmed to room temperature over a period of 3 h, then diluted with oxolane (7 mL); 30% H_2O_2 was added (4.4 mL) at 0 °C, followed by aqueous NaOH 4% (5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 90 min then diluted with chloroform (25 mL), washed with water, and dried (MgSO_4). Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane-ethyl acetate (1:2)) afforded 4 (116 mg, 70%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} -4^\circ$ (c 1, chloroform); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 4.45 (ddd, $J_{2b/3} = 10$ Hz, $J_{2a/3} = 3$ Hz, $J_{3/4} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.33 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.12 (d unsolved, 1 H, H-7a), 4.02 (m, 2 H, H-6,7b), 3.84 (2ddd unsolved, $J_{1b/2} = 2$ Hz, $J_{1a/2} = 5$ Hz, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 3.50 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 2.12 (m, 1 H, H-2a), 1.87 (m, 1 H, H-2b), 1.52, 1.41, 1.41, 1.35 (4s, 12 H, 4 \times Me); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 109.2, 107.9 (2 \times C(Me)₂), 76.0, 75.2, 70.4 (C-3,4,5,6), 66.9, 60.3 (C-1,7), 32.4 (C-2), 26.7, 26.6, 25.1, 24.6 (4 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 294 ($\text{M} + \text{NH}_4^+$), 277 (MH^+). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_6$: C, 56.51; H, 8.75. Found: C, 56.76; H, 8.81.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-manno-heptonic Acid 1,5-Lactone (5). To a solution of 4 (50 mg, 0.18 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (1 mL) was added pyridinium chlorochromate (120 mg, 0.56 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, diluted with ether (1 mL), and filtered on silica gel. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure afforded 5 (47 mg, 96%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}} +64^\circ$ (c 0.9, chloroform); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 4.77 (ddd, $J_{3/4} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{2a/3} = 2$ Hz, $J_{2b/3} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.61 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 2$ Hz), 4.43 (ddd, $J_{6/7a} = 4$ Hz, $J_{6/7b} = 4$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.17 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 9$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 4.09 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.93 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 2.90 (dd, $J_{2a/2b} = 16$ Hz, 1 H, H-2a), 2.53 (dd, 1 H, H-2b), 1.46, 1.46, 1.40, 1.37 (4s, 12 H, 4 \times Me); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 250 MHz) δ 168.8 (C-1), 109.7, 109.6 (2 \times C(Me)₂), 77.7, 72.7, 71.3, 71.1 (C-3,4,5,6), 66.5 (C-7), 34.6 (C-2), 26.9, 25.8, 24.9, 24.1 (4 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 290 ($\text{M} + \text{NH}_4^+$), 273 (MH^+). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_6$: C, 57.35; H, 7.40. Found: C, 57.16; H, 7.54.

2,6-Anhydro-1,3-dideoxy-4,5,7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (6). To a solution of 5 (365 mg, 1.34 mmol) in dry pyridine (3 mL) was added a 0.5 M solution of Tebbe reagent¹⁷ in dry toluene¹⁸ (7 mL, 3.5 mmol) at -78 °C under argon. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. It was then cooled to -40 °C, and a 15% sodium hydroxide solution (20 mL) was added. The cold bath was removed, and the reaction mixture was diluted with ether (50 mL). Stirring was continued for 10 min, and the residue was removed by filtration through

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a Celite pad. The filter cake was washed with ether, and the product was purified by chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (5:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] to afford **6** (82%) as a syrup: ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 250 MHz) δ 4.79 (s, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 4.37-4.18 (m, 2 H, H-4,5), 4.13-3.99 (m, 3 H, H-7,8a,8b), 3.52 (dd, *J*_{5/6} = 7 Hz, *J*_{6/7} = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 2.58 (dd, *J*_{3a/4} = 9.5 Hz, *J*_{3a/3b} = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.30 (dd, *J*_{3b/4} = 5 Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 1.38, 1.34, 1.26, 1.17 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) *m/z* 271 (MH⁺). **6** was rather unstable and should be used promptly.

Methyl 1,3-Dideoxy-1-iodo-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-manno-octulopyranoside (7). From **6**: To a stirred solution of **6** (5 mg, 18.5 μmol) in dry oxolane (320 μL) at room temperature was added dry methanol (10 μL) and *t*-BuOK (10 mg, 44 μmol), the mixture was stirred for 10 min and cooled to -78 °C, and iodine (10 mg, 39 μmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 10 min, then the temperature was raised to 0 °C. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ solution (0.5 mL) then extracted with dichloromethane. After drying (MgSO₄) and evaporation, column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded **7** (70%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D +13.7° (c 0.25, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 4.52 (ddd, *J*_{4/5} = 7.5 Hz, *J*_{3a/4} = 3.5 Hz, *J*_{3b/4} = 3.5 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.27 (ddd, *J*_{7/8a} = 6 Hz, *J*_{7/8b} = 5 Hz, *J*_{6/7} = 9 Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.23 (dd, *J*_{5/6} = 2 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.11 (dd, *J*_{8a/8b} = 8.5 Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 3.96 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 3.56 (d, *J*_{1a/1b} = 11 Hz, H-1a + dd, 1 H, H-6), 3.41 (d, 1 H, H-1b), 3.23 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.55 (dd, *J*_{3a/3b} = 15.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.65 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.44, 1.42, 1.37, 1.33 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) *m/z* 446 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₅O₈I: C, 42.07; H, 5.88. Found: C, 42.01; H, 5.99.

From **20**: To a stirred solution of **20** (140 mg, 0.46 mmol) in dry oxolane (8 mL) at room temperature was added *t*-BuOK (140 mg, 1.25 mmol), the mixture was stirred for 10 min and cooled to -78 °C, and iodine (220 mg, 867 μmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 h, then the temperature was raised to 0 °C. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ solution (0.5 mL) then was extracted with dichloromethane. After drying (MgSO₄) and evaporation, column chromatography gave **7** (84%) as a colorless syrup, identical with the compound prepared from **6**.

Methyl 3-Deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-manno-octulopyranoside (8). To a solution of **7** (80 mg, 0.187 mmol) in hexamethylphosphoramide (1 mL) was added cesium acetate (180 mg, 0.93 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated at 140 °C for 12 h, cooled to room temperature, washed with water, and extracted with ethyl acetate. After removal of solvent, the crude residue (61 mg, 133 μmol) was dissolved at room temperature in a 1 M solution of sodium methoxide in methanol (10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure was followed by addition of ether and filtration through a Celite pad. The filter cake was washed with ether, the solvents were evaporated, and the residue was chromatographed (hexane-ethyl acetate (1:1)) to afford crystalline **8** (overall yield 71% from **7**): mp 70-71 °C (hexane); [α]_D +27° (c 0.7, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 4.54 (ddd unsolved, *J*_{3a/4} = 3.5 Hz, *J*_{3b/4} = 3.5 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.35-4.25 (m, 2 H, H-5,7), 4.13 (dd, *J*_{8a/8b} = 8.5 Hz, *J*_{7/8a} = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 3.98 (dd, *J*_{7/8b} = 5 Hz, 1 H, H-8b), 3.72 (d unsolved, 1 H, H-1a), 3.66 (d unsolved, 1 H, H-1b), 3.62 (dd, *J*_{6/5} = 2 Hz, *J*_{6/7} = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.27 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.47 (dd, *J*_{3a/3b} = 15.5 Hz, *J*_{3a/4} = 3.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.39 (s, 1 H, OH), 1.68 (dd, *J*_{3b/4} = 3.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 1.55, 1.43, 1.38, 1.35 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) *m/z* 336 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₆O₇: C, 56.60; H, 8.23. Found: C, 56.90; H, 8.15.

Methyl (Methyl 3-deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-manno-2-octulopyranosid)onate (9). To a stirred solution of oxalyl chloride (15 μL, 172 μmol) in dichloromethane (4.5 mL) at -78 °C was added dimethyl sulfoxide (15 μL, 211 μmol). After 10 min, a solution of **8** (22 mg, 69 μmol) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) was added. After 15 min, the reaction mixture was treated with triethylamine (1.5 mL), then allowed to warm to 0 °C. The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite pad. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure was followed by addition of ether and filtration through a Celite pad. Solvent was removed, and the residue was dissolved in acetonitrile (150 μL). To this stirred mixture was dropwise added in 2 h NaH₂PO₄ (10 mg) in water (70 μL), 35% H₂O₂ (15 μL), and a solution of NaClO₂ (4 mg) in water (210 μL). The reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite

pad. The filter cake was washed with ethyl acetate. After removal of solvent under reduced pressure, ether was added and another filtration gave the desired carboxylic acid. Treatment with a diazomethane solution in ether followed by removal of solvent and chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (1:1)) afforded known crystalline **9** (72%), mp 120 °C (ether/hexane) (lit.²⁶ mp 120-123 °C (ether/hexane)).

1,2-Dideoxy-3,4,6,7-di-O-isopropylidene-5-O-[(trimethylsilyl)ethoxy]methyl]-D-manno-hept-1-enitol (10). To a stirred solution of **2** (110 mg, 0.426 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (0.215 mL) at room temperature was dropwise added *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.380 mL, 2.18 mmol) and (trimethylsilyl)ethoxymethyl chloride (0.250 mL, 1.4 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated for 3 h at 40 °C and filtered through a Celite pad. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane-ethyl acetate (5:1)) afforded **10** (145 mg, 88%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D +32° (c 1, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 6.09 (ddd unsolved, 1 H, H-2), 5.36 (2dd unsolved, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 4.88 (2d, *J*_{gem} = 11 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂O), 4.58 (dd, *J*_{2/3} = 7.5 Hz, *J*_{3/4} = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.20-4.00 (m, 4 H, H-4,6,7a,7b), 3.86 (dd, *J*_{4/5} = 4.5 Hz, *J*_{5/6} = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 3.70 (2dd, *J*_{gem} = 13 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 1.51, 1.40, 1.38, 1.35 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 0.95 (dd, *J*_{OCH-CH₂} = 7 Hz, *J*_{OCH-CH₂} = 10 Hz, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 134.3 (C-2), 119.0 (C-1), 108.7, 108.6 (2×C-(Me)₂), 95.6 (OCH₂O), 79.0, 78.9, 76.3, 74.9 (C-3,4,5,6), 66.0, 65.5 (C-7, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 27.4, 26.1, 25.6, 25.2 (4×Me), 17.8 (CH₂SiMe₃), -1.5 (SiMe₃); MS (CI) *m/z* 406 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₆O₆Si: C, 58.73; H, 9.34. Found: C, 58.59; H, 9.46.

1,2-Dideoxy-3,4,6,7-di-O-isopropylidene-5-O-pivaloyl-D-manno-hept-1-enitol (11). To a solution of **2** (50 mg, 0.194 mmol) in dry pyridine (1.5 mL) was added at room temperature pivaloyl chloride (0.05 mL, 0.406 mmol) and a catalytic amount of 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine. After 32 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was filtered through a Celite pad and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was chromatographed (hexane-ethyl acetate (5:1)) to afford **11** (65 mg, 98%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D -22° (c 0.4, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 5.63 (ddd, *J*_{1b/2} = 17 Hz, *J*_{1a/2} = 10 Hz, *J*_{2/3} = 7 Hz, 1 H, H-2), 5.33 (dd, *J*_{1a/1b} = 1.5 Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 5.23 (dd, 1 H, H-1a), 5.02 (dd, *J*_{4/5} = 2 Hz, *J*_{5/6} = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.62 (dd, *J*_{3/4} = 7 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.31 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 4.13 (ddd, *J*_{6/7a} = 6 Hz, *J*_{6/7b} = 7 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.88 (dd, *J*_{7a/7b} = 8 Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.77 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 1.48, 1.30, 1.30, 1.27 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.14 (s, 9 H, *t*Bu); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 177 (CO), 132.4 (C-2), 119.6 (C-1), 108.9, 108.8 (2×C-(Me)₂), 78.3, 77.2, 75.4, 70.3 (C-3,4,5,6), 65.9 (C-7), 38.8 (C-(Me)₃), 27.1 (C-(Me)₃), 26.7, 26.4, 25.3, 25.2 (4×Me); MS (CI) *m/z* 285 (M - *t*Bu). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₀O₆: C, 63.14; H, 8.83. Found: C, 63.12; H, 8.79.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-O-isopropylidene-5-O-[(trimethylsilyl)ethoxy]methyl]-D-manno-heptitol (12). To a solution of **10** (145 mg, 0.374 mmol) in dry oxolane (4.2 mL) was added dropwise borane-oxolane complex (1 mL, 1 M in oxolane, 1 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C and warmed to room temperature over a period of 30 min, diluted with oxolane (5 mL) and 25% H₂O₂ was added (0.6 mL) followed by aqueous NaOH (3 M, 0.9 mL). The reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane (50 mL), washed with HCl (5%, 60 mL), water, and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, and dried (MgSO₄). Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane-ethyl acetate (1:1)) afforded **12** (102 mg, 66%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D +72.5° (c 0.2, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 4.75 (2d, 2 H, OCH₂O), 4.32 (ddd unsolved, 1 H, H-3), 4.10-3.52 (m, 7 H, H-1a,1b,4,5,6,7a,7b), 3.44 (2d, 2 H, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 2.27 (s, 1 H, OH), 1.79 (m, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 1.44, 1.35, 1.30, 1.29 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 0.90 (m, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 108.9, 108.2 (2×C-(Me)₂), 95.4 (OCH₂O), 78.9, 76.6, 76.3, 75.1 (C-3,4,5,6), 66.7, 65.5, 60.5 (C-1,7, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 32.4 (C-2), 27.6, 26.0, 25.9, 25.0 (4×Me), 17.8 (CH₂SiMe₃), -1.5 (SiMe₃); MS (CI) *m/z* 424 (M + NH₄⁺), 407 (MH⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₈O₇Si: C, 56.13; H, 9.42. Found: C, 56.07; H, 9.57.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-O-isopropylidene-5-O-pivaloyl-D-manno-heptitol (13). To a solution of **11** (5.34 g, 15.6 mmol) in dry oxolane (60 mL) was dropwise added 9-BBN (60 mL, 0.5M in oxolane, 30 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred

at 0 °C, warmed to room temperature over a period of 2 h, and diluted with oxolane (60 mL), and 25% H₂O₂ was added (75 mL) at 0 °C, followed by aqueous NaOH 4% (60 mL). The reaction mixture was diluted with chloroform (100 mL), washed with HCl 5% (60 mL), water, and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, and dried (MgSO₄). Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane–ethyl acetate (1:1)) afforded 13 (4 g, 71%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D^{-5°} (c 0.4, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 5.14 (dd unsolved, $J_{5/6}$ = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.42–4.28 (m, 2 H, H-3,4), 4.20 (ddd, $J_{3/4}$ = 6 Hz, $J_{6/7a}$ = 7 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.09 (dd, $J_{7a/7b}$ = 8.5 Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.95 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.86–3.71 (m, 3 H, OH-1, H-1a,1b), 1.67 (m, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 1.50, 1.34, 1.32, 1.30 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.19 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 177.5 (CO), 108.9, 108.5 (2×C(Me)₂), 76.6, 75.8, 75.5, 70.4 (C-3,4,5,6), 65.9, 61.0 (C-1,7), 38.3 (C(Me)₃), 32.4 (C-2), 27.1 (C(Me)₃), 26.7, 26.4, 25.3, 25.2 (4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 378 (M + NH₄⁺), 361 (MH⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₂O₇: C, 59.99; H, 8.95. Found: C, 59.68; H, 8.94.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-[[trimethylsilyl]ethoxy]methyl]-*D*-manno-heptonic Acid (14). To a biphasic solution of 12 (200 mg, 0.494 mmol) in carbon tetrachloride (0.38 mL), acetonitrile (0.38 mL) and water (0.57 mL) were added ruthenium trichloride hydrate (11 mg) and sodium metaperiodate (529 mg). The mixture was stirred vigorously for 90 min at room temperature, then filtered through a Celite pad, dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated. The crude residue 14 (197 mg, 95%) was used for the next reaction without further purification.

2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-pivaloyl-*D*-manno-heptonic Acid (15). To a biphasic solution of 13 (400 mg, 1.11 mmol) in carbon tetrachloride (0.88 mL), acetonitrile (0.88 mL), and water (1.32 mL) were added ruthenium trichloride hydrate (6 mg) and sodium metaperiodate (1.19 g). The mixture was stirred vigorously for 1 h at room temperature, then filtered through a Celite pad, dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated. The crude residue 15 (382 mg, 92%) was used for the next reaction without further purification.

Methyl 2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-[[trimethylsilyl]ethoxy]methyl]-*D*-manno-heptonate (16). To a solution of crude 14 (197 mg, 0.468 mmol) in dichloromethane (1 mL) at 0 °C was added an ethereal diazomethane solution until complete disappearance of the starting material (TLC). Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane–ethyl acetate (9:2)) afforded 16 (147 mg, 70%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D^{+55°} (c 0.4, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 4.93 (d, J_{gem} = 7 Hz, 1 H, OCH₂O), 4.84 (d, 1 H, OCH₂O), 4.65 (ddd, $J_{3/4}$ = 6.5 Hz, $J_{2a/3}$ = 4.5 Hz, $J_{2b/3}$ = 10 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.20 (dd, $J_{4/5}$ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.16 (dd, $J_{7a/7b}$ = 13 Hz, $J_{6/7a}$ = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 4.08 (ddd, $J_{6/7b}$ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.97 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.76 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 3.75 (s, 3 H, COOMe), 3.67 (2dd, 2 H, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 2.83 (dd, $J_{2a/2b}$ = 15 Hz, 1 H, H-2a), 2.70 (dd, 1 H, H-2b), 1.51, 1.42, 1.38, 1.37 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 0.99 (2ddd, J_{gem} = 13 Hz, J_{OCH} = 9 Hz, J_{OCH} = 1.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0.06 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 171.5 (C-1), 109.1, 108.4 (2×C(Me)₂), 95.5 (OCH₂O), 78.8, 76.6, 75.5, 74.0 (C-3,4,5,6), 67.1, 65.7 (C-7, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 51.5 (OMe), 35.8 (C-2), 27.6, 26.1, 25.9, 25.0 (4×Me), 17.9 (CH₂SiMe₃), -1.5 (SiMe₃); MS (CI) m/z 452 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₈O₈Si: C, 55.27; H, 8.81. Found: C, 55.46; H, 8.94.

Methyl 2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-pivaloyl-*D*-manno-heptonate (17). To a solution of crude 15 (382 mg, 1.02 mmol) in dichloromethane (1 mL) at 0 °C was added an ethereal diazomethane solution until complete disappearance of the starting material (TLC). Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane–ethyl acetate (1:1)) afforded 17 (393 mg, 91%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D^{-8°} (c 0.2, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 5.16 (dd, $J_{4/5}$ = 2.5 Hz, $J_{5/6}$ = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.70 (ddd, $J_{3/4}$ = 7.5 Hz, $J_{2b/3}$ = 6.5 Hz, $J_{2a/3}$ = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.47 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 4.26 (ddd, $J_{6/7a}$ = 6 Hz, $J_{6/7b}$ = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.04 (dd, $J_{7a/7b}$ = 8.5 Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.87 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.75 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.62 (dd, $J_{2a/2b}$ = 15 Hz, 1 H, H-2a), 2.54 (dd, 1 H, H-2b), 1.56, 1.42, 1.41, 1.37 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.28 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 406 (M + NH₄⁺), 389 (MH⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₂O₈: C, 58.75; H, 8.30. Found: C, 58.70; H, 8.35.

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5,7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-methyl-6-*O*-[[trimethylsilyl]ethoxy]methyl]-*D*-manno-oct-1-enitol

(18). To a solution of 16 (280 mg, 0.64 mmol) in dry pyridine (2 mL) was added a 0.2 M solution of Tebbe reagent¹⁷ in dry toluene¹⁸ (4 mL, 0.8 mmol) at -45 °C under argon. The mixture was stirred at -45 °C for 1 h and then at 0 °C for 30 min. It was cooled to -10 to -15 °C, and 15% sodium hydroxide was added (7 mL). The cold bath was removed, and the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL). Stirring was continued for 30 min, and the residue was removed by filtration through a Celite pad. The filter cake was washed with ethyl acetate, and the product was purified by chromatography [hexane–ethyl acetate (3:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] to afford 18 (79%) as a syrup: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 4.88 (2d, 2 H, OCH₂O), 4.41 (ddd unsolved, 1 H, H-1a), 4.15–3.88 (m, 7 H, H-1b,4,5,6,7,8a,8b), 3.68 (ddd, J_{gem} = 14 Hz, 2 H, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 3.56 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.54 (dd, $J_{3a/4}$ = 5 Hz, $J_{3a/3b}$ = 13.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.41 (dd, $J_{3b/4}$ = 9 Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 1.48, 1.40, 1.34, 1.34 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 0.94 (dd, J_{OCH} = 10 Hz, J_{OCH} = 6.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 160.6 (C-2), 108.9, 108.1 (2×C(Me)₂), 95.5 (OCH₂O), 82.6 (C-1), 78.7, 76.9, 75.2, 75.0 (C-4,5,6,7), 66.6, 65.6 (C-8, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 54.7 (OMe), 35.6 (C-3), 27.5, 26.2, 26.0, 25.2 (4×Me), 17.9 (CH₂SiMe₃), -1.5 (SiMe₃); MS (CI) m/z 450 (M + NH₄⁺).

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5,7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-methyl-6-*O*-pivaloyl-*D*-manno-oct-1-enitol (19). It was prepared from ester 17, as previously described for the synthesis of 18. Column chromatography [hexane–ethyl acetate (5:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] afforded 19 (80%) as a syrup, [α]_D^{-13°} (c 0.5, chloroform); ¹H NMR (C₆D₆N, 400 MHz) δ 5.02 (dd, $J_{5/6}$ = 2 Hz, $J_{6/7}$ = 5.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.90–4.71 (m, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 4.67 (ddd, $J_{4/5}$ = 6.5 Hz, $J_{3b/4}$ = 7.5 Hz, $J_{3a/4}$ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.49 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 4.25 (ddd, $J_{7/8a}$ = 6.5 Hz, $J_{7/8b}$ = 6.5 Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.01 (dd, $J_{8a/8b}$ = 8.5 Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 3.86 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 3.53 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.87 (dd, $J_{3a/3b}$ = 10.5 Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.59 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.55, 1.41, 1.38, 1.36 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.29 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 404 (M + NH₄⁺), 387 (MH⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₄O₇: C, 62.16; H, 8.87. Found: C, 62.01; H, 8.71.

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5,7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-methyl-*D*-manno-oct-1-enitol (20). From 18: To a solution of 18 (10 mg, 23 μ mol) in dry oxolane (10 μ L) were added tetrabutylammonium fluoride (19 mg, 60 μ mol), hexamethylphosphoramide (20 μ L), and ethylenediamine (30 μ L, 23 μ mol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 18 h at 60 °C. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue [hexane–ethyl acetate (3:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] gave 20 (72%) as a colorless syrup: [α]_D^{-17°} (c 0.33, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 4.56 (ddd, $J_{4/5}$ = 7 Hz, $J_{3/4}$ = 7 Hz, $J_{3b/4}$ = 6 Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.36 (dd, $J_{5/6}$ = 1 Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.20–3.97 (m, 5 H, H-1a,1b,7,8a,8b), 3.65 (ddd, $J_{6/7}$ = 8 Hz, $J_{6/7}$ = 7.5 Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.59 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.64 (m, 2 H, H-3a,3b), 2.19 (d, 1 H, OH-6), 1.52, 1.40, 1.40, 1.36 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 271 (M - OMe), 285 (M - Me). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₆O₆: C, 59.59; H, 8.67. Found: C, 59.49; H, 8.73.

From 19: To a solution of 19 (90 mg, 0.233 mmol) in dry oxolane (1 mL) was slowly added lithium aluminum hydride (56 mg, 1.47 mmol) at 0 °C, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min. Water was slowly added at 0 °C, and the residue was removed by filtration through a Celite pad. The filter cake was washed with ethyl acetate, and the product was chromatographed [hexane–ethyl acetate (3:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] to give 20 (90%) as a colorless syrup. It was identical with the compound prepared from 18.

(Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -*D*-glucopyranosid-6-yl) 2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-[[trimethylsilyl]ethoxy]methyl]-*D*-manno-heptonate (22). Crude 14 (197 mg, 0.469 mmol) was dissolved in dry dichloromethane (0.5 mL), to which were added 1,3-dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (110 mg, 0.533 mmol), 21 (268 mg, 0.577 mmol), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (64 mg, 0.524 mmol). The solution was stirred vigorously at room temperature for 30 min and filtered through a Celite pad. Removal of solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue (hexane–ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded 22 (67%) as a colorless syrup, [α]_D^{+43°} (c 0.75, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.41–7.28 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.03 (d, J_{gem} = 11.5 Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.91 (d, J_{gem} = 7 Hz, 1 H, OCH₂O), 4.89 (d, J_{gem} = 11 Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.87 (d, J_{gem} = 11.5 Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.83 (d, J_{gem} = 12 Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.81 (d, 1 H, OCH₂O), 4.70 (d, J_{gem} = 12 Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.63 (m, 1 H, H-3), 4.62 (d, $J_{1/2}$ = 3.5 Hz,

1 H, H-1'), 4.60 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.38 (d, $J_{5'/6'} = 3.5$ Hz, 2 H, H-6'a,6'b), 4.19 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.15 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 7$ Hz, $J_{6/7a} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 4.06 (ddd, $J_{6/7b} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.04 (dd, $J_{2'/3'} = 9$ Hz, $J_{3'/4'} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.95 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.85 (dd, $J_{5'/6'} = 3.5$ Hz, $J_{4'/5'} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 3.73 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 3.66 (m, 2 H, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 3.55 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.52 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.40 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.81 (dd, $J_{2a/2b} = 4$ Hz, $J_{2a/2b} = 15$ Hz, 1 H, H-2a), 2.67 (dd, $J_{2b/3} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-2b), 1.47, 1.40, 1.35, 1.34 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 0.98 (2dd, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0.06 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); MS (CI) m/z 884 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₇H₆₆O₁₃Si: C, 65.10; H, 7.67. Found: C, 64.91; H, 7.88.

(Methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-6-yl)-2-Deoxy-3,4:6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-pivaloyl-D-manno-heptonate (23). It was prepared from 15, as previously described for the synthesis of 22. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded 23 (78%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+11}$ (c 0.7, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.45–7.27 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.11 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 5.05 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.89 (2d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 2 H, 2CH₂Ph), 4.82 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.71 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.67 (m, 1 H, H-3), 4.64 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.57 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.44 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.36 (m, 2 H, H-6'a,6'b), 4.24 (ddd, $J_{6/7a} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{6/7b} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.04 (dd, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, $J_{3'/4'} = 9$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 4.00 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.85 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.84 (m, 1 H, H-5'), 3.57 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.51 (dd, $J_{4'/5'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 3.40 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.56 and 2.55 (2d, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 1.50, 1.41, 1.36, 1.32 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.25 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 839 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₈H₆₀O₁₃: C, 67.30; H, 7.37. Found: C, 67.00; H, 7.42.

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-6-yl)-6-*O*-[[tri-methylsilyl]ethoxy]methyl]-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (24). It was prepared from 22, as previously described for the synthesis of 18. Column chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (5:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] afforded 24 (67%) as a syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+34}$ (c 1, chloroform); ¹H NMR (C₆D₆, 250 MHz) δ 7.38–7.04 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.06 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 5.04 (s, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 4.99 (d, 1 H, OCH₂O), 4.86 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.64 (m, 3 H, OCH₂O, H-1',4), 4.59 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.51 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.33–4.00 (m, 8 H, H-1a,1b,5,6,7,8a,8b,3'), 3.95–3.70 (m, 6 H, H-4',5',6'a,6'b, OCH₂CH₂SiMe₃), 3.64 (dd, $J_{1'/2'} = 3.5$ Hz, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-2'), 3.22 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.87 (dd, $J_{3a/4} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/3b} = 14$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.68 (dd, $J_{3b/4} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 1.57, 1.44, 1.33, 1.28 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.00 (2d, $J_{CH_2O} = 8.5$ Hz, 2 H, CH₂SiMe₃), 0 (s, 9 H, SiMe₃); MS (CI) m/z 882 (M + NH₄⁺).

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-6-yl)-6-*O*-pivaloyl-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (25). It was prepared from 23, as previously described for the synthesis of 18. Column chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] afforded 25 (81%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+5.5}$ (c 0.55, chloroform); ¹H NMR (C₆D₆N, 400 MHz) δ 7.60–7.17 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.70 (dd, $J_{6/5} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 5.15 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 5.09 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 5.04 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.99 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.93 (s, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 4.81 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.72 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.52 (dd, 1 H, H-5), 4.44 (ddd, $J_{7a/8a} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{7b/8b} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.28 (dd, $J_{3'/2'} = 9.5$ Hz, $J_{3'/4'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 4.24 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 4.17–3.99 (m, 6 H, H-1b,8a,8b,5',6'a,6'b), 3.94 (dd, $J_{4'/5'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 3.83 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.42 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.63–2.61 (2d, 2 H, H-3a,3b), 1.60, 1.43, 1.36, 1.33 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.30 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 820 (MH⁺), 837 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₇H₆₂O₁₂: C, 68.93; H, 7.63. Found: C, 68.53; H, 7.67.

1,3-Dideoxy-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene-2-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-6-yl)-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (26). It was prepared either from 24 or 25, as previously described for the synthesis of 20. From 24: Column chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1) (+0.1% Et₃N)] afforded 26 (80%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+44}$ (c 0.9, pyridine); ¹H NMR (C₆D₆N, 400 MHz) δ 7.57–7.18 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.13 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 5.02 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 5.00 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.95 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.91 (s, 1 H, OH), 4.81 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.80 (s, 2 H, CH₂Ph), 4.73 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.56 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 1$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.44 (ddd, $J_{7/8a} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8b} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.33 (dd, $J_{6a/6b} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 4.27 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 4.25 (dd, $J_{3'/4'} = 9$ Hz, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 4.20 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 1$ Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 4.16 (d, 1 H, H-1b), 4.11–4.01 (m, 4 H, H-6,5',6'a,6'b), 3.89 (dd, $J_{4'/5'} = 9$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 3.78 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.40 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.10 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.98 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.62, 1.48, 1.39, 1.38 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 753 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₂H₅₄O₁₁: C, 68.65; H, 7.41. Found: C, 68.68; H, 7.35.

From 25: The same compound was obtained in 93% yield. Methyl (1,3-Dideoxy-1-iodo-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 6)-(2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside) (27). It was prepared from 26, as previously described for the synthesis of 7. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded 27 (92%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+12}$ (c 0.5, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz) δ 7.40–7.21 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 4.99 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.87 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.80 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.77 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.66 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.61 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.59 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.45 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 4.5$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.23 (ddd, $J_{7/8a} = 0.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8b} = 4$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.18 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.12 (dd, $J_{6a/6b} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 4.06 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 3.96 (dd, $J_{3'/4'} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.81 (ddd, $J_{4'/5'} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'} = 1$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'a} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 3.67 (dd, $J_{6'a/6'b} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 3.60 (dd, 1 H, H-6), 3.51 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.46 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 3.36 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.34 (dd, 1 H, H-6'b), 3.24 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 3.20 (d, 1 H, H-1b), 2.45 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.70 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.42, 1.34, 1.32, 1.32 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 878 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₂H₅₃O₁₁I: C, 57.41; H, 6.31. Found: C, 57.35; H, 6.29.

Methyl (1-*O*-Acetyl-3-deoxy-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 6)-(2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside) (28). It was prepared from 27, as previously described for the synthesis of 8. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded 28 (68%) as a colorless syrup (with 30% of starting material recovered): $[\alpha]_D^{+26}$ (c 0.7, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.41–7.28 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.01 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.88 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.84 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.81 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.70 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.62 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.60 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.52 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 4$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.30–4.23 (m, 2 H, H-5,7), 4.17 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 4.14 (d, 1 H, H-1b), 4.09 (dd, $J_{6a/6b} = 9$ Hz, $J_{7/8a} = 4.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 4.03 (d, $J_{3'/4'} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 4.01 (dd, $J_{7/8b} = 0.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8b), 3.77 (ddd, $J_{4'/5'} = 9$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'b} = 7$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'a} = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 3.67 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.63 (dd, $J_{6'a/6'b} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 3.55 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 3.52 (dd, 1 H, H-6'b), 3.39 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.33 (dd, 1 H, H-4'), 2.42 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.00 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 1.70 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.47, 1.38, 1.36, 1.35 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 810 (M + NH₄⁺). Anal. Calcd for C₄₄H₅₆O₁₃H₂O: C, 65.17; H, 7.21. Found: C, 65.28; H, 7.28.

Methyl (3-Deoxy-4,5:7,8-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 6)-(2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside) (29). It was prepared from 28, as previously described for the synthesis of 8. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (1:1)) afforded 29 (98%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{+70}$ (c 0.15, chloroform); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 7.42–7.37 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.01 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.88 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.86 (d, $J_{gem} = 10.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.82 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.70 (d, $J_{gem} = 10.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph), 4.69 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH₂Ph + d, $J_{1'/2'} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.55 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 3.5$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.34–4.25 (m, 2 H, H-5,7), 4.10 (dd, $J_{6a/6b} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8a} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 3.99 (d, 1 H, H-8b), 3.97 (dd, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.82–3.67 (m, 5 H, H-1a,1b,4',5',6'a), 3.62 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.56 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 3.53 (dd, 1 H, H-6'b), 3.39 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.61 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.54 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.46, 1.41, 1.41, 1.36 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me); MS (CI) m/z 768 (M + NH₄⁺).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{42}H_{54}O_{12}$, H_2O : C, 65.61; H, 7.34. Found: C, 65.77; H, 7.36.

Methyl (Methyl 3-deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulosonate)-(2 \rightarrow 6)-(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside) (30). It was prepared from 29, as previously described for the synthesis of 9. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded crystalline 30 (68%): mp 101 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D +51^\circ$ (c 0.2, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.41–7.25 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.00 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.87 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.81 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.80 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.69 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.63 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.58 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.51 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 4$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.39 (ddd, $J_{6/7} = 6$ Hz, $J_{7/8a} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8b} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.30 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.12 (dd, $J_{8a/8b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 4.10 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 4.00 (dd, $J_{2/3} = 9.5$ Hz, $J_{3/4} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.81–3.60 (m, 4 H, H-6,5',6'a,6'b), 3.69 (s, 3 H, COOMe), 3.54 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.40 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.32 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 2.81 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.89 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.43, 1.39, 1.38, 1.35 (4s, 12 H, 4 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 796 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{43}H_{54}O_{13}$: C, 66.30; H, 6.99. Found: C, 66.13; H, 7.41.

Methyl (Methyl 3-deoxy- α -D-manno-octulosonate)-(2 \rightarrow 6)-(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranoside) (31). To a mixture of 1:3 methanol-water (0.25 mL) were added trifluoroacetic acid (0.01 mL) and a solution of 30 (20 mg, 0.026 mmol) in methanol (1.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 48 h, and Na_2CO_3 was added. After filtration through a Celite pad, removal of solvent under reduced pressure and thin-layer chromatography with 14:3:3 ethyl-acetate-benzene-methanol gave crystalline 31 (90%): mp 100 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D +38^\circ$ (c 0.1, chloroform); 1H NMR (C_6D_6N , 400 MHz) δ 7.48–7.22 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.09 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 5.00 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.96 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.93 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 0.5$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.90 (m, 1 H, H-8a), 4.88 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.74 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.72 (s, 2 H, CH_2Ph), 4.54 (m, $J_{7/8a} = 7$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8b} = 6$ Hz, 2 H, H-6,7), 4.36 (dd, $J_{8a/8b} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, H-8b), 4.22 (m, 4 H, H-3',6'a,6'b,4), 4.11 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{5/6a} = 3$ Hz, $J_{5/6b} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 3.72 (dd, $J_{2/3} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-2'), 3.62 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 3.60 (s, 3 H, COOMe), 3.33 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.78 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 12$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.72 (dd, $J_{3b/4} = 5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3b); MS (CI) m/z 698 (M). Anal. Calcd for $C_{37}H_{46}O_{13}$: C, 63.60; H, 6.64. Found: C, 63.59; H, 6.20.

1,2,5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranos-3-yl 2-Deoxy-3,4,6,7-di-O-isopropylidene-5-O-pivaloyl-D-manno-heptonate (33). It was prepared from 15 and 32, as previously described for the synthesis of 22. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded 33 (80%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D -14^\circ$ (c 0.3, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 5.87 (d, $J_{1/2} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 5.32 (d, $J_{3/4} = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 5.10 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.68 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{2/3} = 7$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.53 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.43 (dd, 1 H, H-4), 4.30–4.21 (m, 2 H, H-6,4'), 4.17–4.04 (m, 4 H, H-5',6'a,6'b,7a), 3.84 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{6/7b} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7b), 2.59 (d, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 1.55, 1.54, 1.44, 1.42, 1.39, 1.37, 1.36, 1.34 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me), 1.27 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 634 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{30}H_{48}O_{13}$: C, 58.44; H, 7.85. Found: C, 58.55; H, 7.88.

1,3-Dideoxy-2-O-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranos-3-yl)-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene-6-O-pivaloyl-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (34). It was prepared from 33, as previously described for the synthesis of 18. Column chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1) (+0.1% Et_3N)] afforded 34 (87%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D -23^\circ$ (c 1, chloroform); 1H NMR (C_6D_6 , 400 MHz) δ 5.96 (d, $J_{1/2} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 5.55 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.70 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.67–4.59 (m, 4 H, H-1a,4,3',4'), 4.43 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 0.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.40 (ddd, $J_{7/8b} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{7/8a} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 4.37 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-1b), 4.33 (dd, $J_{5/6a} = 5$ Hz, $J_{5/6b} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 4.30 (dd, $J_{6a/6b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 4.25 (dd, 1 H, H-6'b), 4.16 (dd, $J_{8a/8b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 4.10 (dd, 1 H, H-8b), 2.60 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 14.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.50 (dd, $J_{3b/4} = 5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 1.65, 1.53, 1.52, 1.50, 1.44, 1.43, 1.40, 1.20 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me), 1.35 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 615 (MH^+), 632 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{31}H_{50}O_{12}$: C, 60.58; H, 8.20. Found: C, 60.43; H, 8.25.

1,3-Dideoxy-2-O-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranos-3-yl)-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene-D-manno-oct-1-enitol (35). It was prepared from 34, as previously described for the synthesis of 20. Column chromatography [hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1) (+0.1% Et_3N)] afforded crystalline 35 (90%): mp 87 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D -13^\circ$ (c 0.2, chloroform); 1H NMR (C_6D_6 , 400 MHz) δ 5.91 (d, $J_{1/2} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.72 (d, $J_{3/4} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 4.68–4.60 (m, 4 H, H-2',3',5',4'), 4.52 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 7$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.39 (d, $J_{1a/1b} = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1a), 4.33 (dd, $J_{5/6a} = 4.5$ Hz, $J_{6a/6b} = 9$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 4.30 (d, 1 H, H-1b), 4.27–4.16 (m, 4 H, H-7,8a,8b,6'b), 3.71 (ddd, $J_{6/7} = 8.5$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 2.94 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.68 (dd, $J_{3b/4} = 4.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3b), 2.25 (d, 1 H, OH-6), 1.54, 1.53, 1.51, 1.50, 1.42, 1.41, 1.35, 1.20 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 531 (MH^+), 548 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{42}O_{11}$: C, 58.86; H, 7.98. Found: C, 58.97; H, 8.20.

(1,3-Dideoxy-1-iodo-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 3)-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose) (36). It was prepared from 35, as previously described for the synthesis of 7. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded crystalline 36 (90%): mp 58 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D +5^\circ$ (c 1.5, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 5.84 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.80 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.49 (ddd, $J_{4/5} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{3b/4} = 3$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.45 (d, $J_{3/4} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 4.38 (dd, $J_{5/6a} = 6$ Hz, $J_{6a/6b} = 12.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 4.28–4.12 (m, 3 H, H-5,7,4'), 4.12–3.93 (m, 4 H, H-8a,8b,5',6'b), 3.78 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6/7} = 5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.64 (s, 2 H, CH_2I), 2.57 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.81 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.47, 1.43, 1.42, 1.34, 1.34, 1.33, 1.29, 1.29 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me); MS (CI) m/z 657 (MH^+), 674 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{41}O_{11}I$: C, 47.57; H, 6.29. Found: C, 47.52; H, 6.33.

(1-O-Acetyl-3-deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 3)-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose) (37). It was prepared from 36, as previously described for the synthesis of 8. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded crystalline 37 (84%): mp 125 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D -2^\circ$ (c 0.25, chloroform); 1H NMR (C_6D_6 , 250 MHz) δ 6.00 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.77 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.54 (s, 2 H, H-1a,1b), 4.51–4.36 (m, 3 H, H-4,8a,3'), 4.31 (dd, $J_{5/4} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.28–4.19 (m, 2 H, H-7,6'a), 4.08 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 2$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 4.01–3.92 (m, 2 H, H-8b,5'), 3.77 (dd, $J_{5/6b} = 2$ Hz, $J_{6a/6b} = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'b), 3.58 (dd, $J_{6/7} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 2.43 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 2.05 (s, 3 H, $COCH_3$), 1.52, 1.44, 1.40, 1.37, 1.29, 1.28, 1.26, 1.05 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me), 1.29 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-3b); MS (CI) m/z 606 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{28}H_{44}O_{13}$: C, 57.14; H, 7.53. Found: C, 57.37; H, 7.67.

(3-Deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulopyranosyl)-(2 \rightarrow 3)-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose) (38). It was prepared from 37, as previously described for the synthesis of 8. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded 38 (97%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D -19^\circ$ (c 1.7, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 5.78 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.70 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.51 (ddd, $J_{3b/4} = 0.5$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 2.5$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.33–4.21 (m, 3 H, H-8a,5',6'a), 4.17 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 2$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.13–3.91 (m, 5 H, H-1a,1b,3',4',6'b), 3.80 (dd, $J_{6/7} = 5$ Hz, H-6), 3.73 (ddd, $J_{7/8a} = 5$ Hz, $J_{7/8b} = 0.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7), 3.52 (dd, $J_{8a/8b} = 12.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8b), 2.81 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.46, 1.40, 1.40, 1.36, 1.32, 1.31, 1.27, 1.24 (8s, 24 H, 8 \times Me), 1.42 (dd, 1 H, H-3b); MS (CI) m/z 564 (M + NH_4^+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{42}O_{12}$: C, 57.14; H, 7.74. Found: C, 57.02; H, 7.90.

(Methyl 3-deoxy-4,5,7,8-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-manno-octulosonate)-(2 \rightarrow 3)-(1,2,5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose) (39). It was prepared from 38, as previously described for the synthesis of 9. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (2:1)) afforded crystalline 39 (63%): mp 132 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D +1^\circ$ (c 0.5, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 250 MHz) δ 5.76 (d, $J_{1/2} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.54 (d, 1 H, H-2'), 4.46 (ddd unsolved, $J_{3b/4} = 2$ Hz, $J_{3a/4} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.28 (m, 2 H, H-3',5'), 4.20 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-5), 4.16 (m, 1 H, H-6), 4.08–4.01 (m, 3 H, H-6'a,6'b,7), 3.96 (dd unsolved, $J_{8a/8b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-8a), 3.91 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-8b), 3.72 (dd unsolved, 1 H, H-4'), 3.69 (s, 3 H, COOMe), 3.02 (dd, $J_{3a/3b} = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3a), 1.70 (dd, 1 H, H-3b), 1.41, 1.40, 1.32, 1.30, 1.27, 1.26, 1.23, 1.21 (8s, 24 H,

8×Me); MS (CI) m/z 592 ($M + NH_4^+$). Anal. Calcd for $C_{27}H_{42}O_{13}$: C, 56.44; H, 7.37. Found: C, 56.67; H, 7.48.

(Methyl 2,3,6-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-4-yl) 2-Deoxy-3,4:6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-[(trimethylsilyl)ethoxymethyl]-D-manno-heptonate (41). It was prepared from 14 and 40, as previously described for the synthesis of 22. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (5:1)) afforded 41 (60%) as a colorless syrup: $[\alpha]_D^{25} +16.5^\circ$ (c 0.9, chloroform); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.39–7.26 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.15 (dd, $J_{4'/5'} = 9.5$ Hz, $J_{4'/5} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 4.91 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.89 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.82 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.77 (2s, 2 H, OCH_2O), 4.74 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.66 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.64 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.59 (ddd, $J_{3/4} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{2a/3} = 3.5$ Hz, $J_{2b/3} = 10.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3), 4.58 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.48 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.15 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 8$ Hz, $J_{6/7a} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 4.13 (dd, $J_{4/5} = 8$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.01 (ddd, $J_{6/7b} = 8$ Hz, $J_{5/6} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 3.98 (dd, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.93 (dd, 1 H, H-7b), 3.82 (ddd, $J_{5'/6'a} = 7.5$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'b} = 5.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-5'), 3.72–3.59 (m, 5 H, $OCH_2CH_2SiMe_3$, H-5,2',6'a), 3.51 (dd, $J_{6'a/6'b} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 3.44 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.53 (dd, $J_{2a/2b} = 14$ Hz, 1 H, H-2a), 2.45 (dd, 1 H, H-2b), 1.40, 1.36, 1.35, 1.28 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.07–0.86 (m, $J_{OCH} = 10$ Hz, $J_{OCH'} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{gem} = 13$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2SiMe_3), 0.06 (s, 9 H, $SiMe_3$); MS (CI) m/z 884 ($M + NH_4^+$). Anal. Calcd for $C_{47}H_{86}O_{13}Si$: C, 65.10; H, 7.67. Found: C, 65.21; H, 7.60.

(Methyl 2,3,6-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosid-4-yl) 2-Deoxy-3,4:6,7-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-pivaloyl-D-manno-heptonate (42). It was prepared from 15 and 40, as previously

described for the synthesis of 22. Column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate (3:1)) afforded 42 (65%) as a colorless syrup: 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz) δ 7.40–7.30 (m, 15 H, 3Ph), 5.16 (dd, $J_{3'/4'} = 9.5$ Hz, $J_{4'/5'} = 10$ Hz, 1 H, H-4'), 5.04 (dd, $J_{5/6} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{4/5} = 3$ Hz, 1 H, H-5), 4.93 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.84 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.74 (d, $J_{gem} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.68 (d, $J_{gem} = 12$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.66 (d, $J_{1'/2'} = 4$ Hz, 1 H, H-1'), 4.58 (m, 1 H, H-3), 4.55 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.50 (d, $J_{gem} = 11.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2Ph), 4.31 (dd, $J_{3/4} = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-4), 4.17 (ddd, $J_{6/7b} = 7$ Hz, $J_{6/7a} = 6$ Hz, 1 H, H-6), 4.00 (dd, $J_{7a/7b} = 8.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-7a), 3.95 (dd, $J_{2'/3'} = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H, H-3'), 3.86 (m, 2 H, H-7b,5'), 3.64 (dd, 1 H, H-2'), 3.59 (dd, $J_{5'/6'a} = 2.5$ Hz, $J_{5'/6'b} = 11$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'a), 3.51 (dd, $J_{5'/6'b} = 5$ Hz, 1 H, H-6'b), 3.45 (s, 3 H, OMe), 2.32 (m, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 1.48, 1.40, 1.38, 1.30 (4s, 12 H, 4×Me), 1.23 (s, 9 H, *t*-Bu); MS (CI) m/z 839 ($M + NH_4^+$).

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Reaction of *N*-Vinylpyrazolium and *N*-Vinylindazolium Salts with Cyanide Ion: Formation of 1,2-Dihydropyrimidines, 3,4-Dihydroquinazolines, and Quinolines

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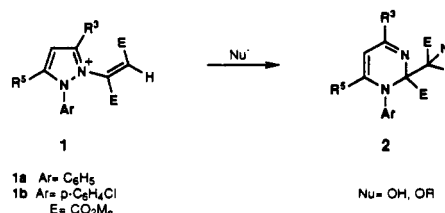
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The reaction of 1-aryl-2-vinylpyrazolium tetrafluoroborates with potassium cyanide affords 2-hydroxy-1,2-dihydropyrimidines 3, which exist as open-chain tautomers 4, both in the solid state and in solution. The X-ray structure of the *p*-chlorophenyl derivative 4b has been determined ($C_{14}N_2O_3H_{15}$, $P2_1/c$, $a = 11.433$ (3) Å, $b = 16.086$ (4) Å, $c = 7.813$ (4) Å, $\beta = 94.22$ (5)°, $V = 1433.0$ (9), $Z = 4$, $R = 0.06$ for 1334 observed reflections). Protonation of these vinylogous amidines 4 results in their cyclization and dehydration to pyrimidinium salts 6. In the case of 1-vinyl-2-methylindazolium tetrafluoroborate 8, the reaction with cyanide ion leads to a mixture of 3,4-dihydroquinazoline 12 and 2-(methoxycarbonyl)-3-cyanoquinoline (13). The mechanism proposed for this rearrangement is supported by the isolation of the open-chain intermediate in the case of 1-vinyl-2-phenylindazolium salt.

Introduction

Rearrangement of pyrazoles to pyrimidines is rather infrequent and usually takes place under strong conditions: use of sodium amide and high temperatures,¹ insertion of chlorocarbenes,² and flash vacuum pyrolysis.³ We have reported such a rearrangement under very mild conditions, pH ca. 9 and room temperature.⁴ The reaction takes place

Scheme I



when *N*-vinylpyrazolium salts 1 are treated with aqueous sodium carbonate or an alcohol. It proceeds through a

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