

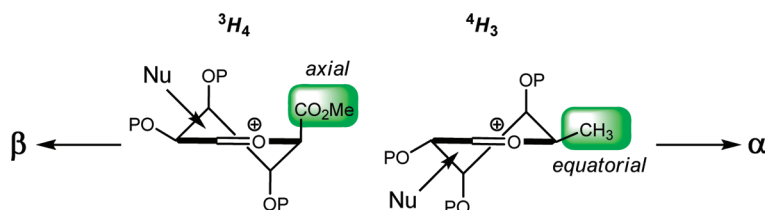
Stereodirecting Effect of the Pyranosyl C-5 Substituent in Glycosylation Reactions

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The stereodirecting effect of the glycosyl C-5 substituent has been investigated in a series of D-pyranosyl thioglycoside donors and related to their preferred positions in the intermediate 3H_4 and 4H_3 half-chair oxacarbenium ions. Computational studies showed that an axially positioned C-5 carboxylate ester can stabilize the 3H_4 half-chair oxacarbenium ion conformer by donating electron density from its carbonyl function into the electron-poor oxacarbenium ion functionality. A similar stabilization can be achieved by a C-5 benzyloxymethyl group, but the magnitude of this stabilization is significantly smaller than for the C-5 carboxylate ester. As a result, the preference of the C-5 benzyloxymethyl to occupy an axial position in the half-chair oxacarbenium ions is much reduced compared to the C-5 carboxylate ester. To minimize steric interactions, a C-5 methyl group prefers to adopt an equatorial position and therefore favors the 4H_3 half-chair oxacarbenium ion. When all pyranosyl substituents occupy their favored position in one of the two intermediate half-chair oxacarbenium ions, highly stereoselective glycosylations can be achieved as revealed by the excellent β -selectivity of manuronate esters and α -selectivity of 6-deoxygulosides.

Introduction

Uronic acids, aldohexoses having their primary hydroxyl oxidized to a carboxylic acid, are widely spread constituents of naturally occurring polysaccharides.¹ For instance, the biologically important glycosaminoglycans are characterized by dimeric repeating units, in which one of the residues is either a D-glucuronic acid or a L-iduronic acid.² Alginate (composed of D-mannuronic acid and L-guluronic acid residues)³ and pectin (D-galacturonic acid)⁴ are examples of the class of homoglycuronans that contain solely uronic acids. Recently, we reported the syntheses of β -1,4-D-mannuronic acid⁵ and α -1,4-L-guluronic

acid⁶ oligomers as fragments of the alginate polymer. In a sulfonium ion mediated preactivation glycosylation procedure,⁷ the β -1,4-D-mannuronic acid linkages (**4**) were introduced with high stereoselectivity using a suitably protected thiomannuronate ester donor (e.g., **1**, Scheme 1). At the time, we assumed that in analogy with the thorough mechanistic studies of the group of Crich on the glycosylating properties of 4,6-O-benzylidene-thiomannoside donors, this stereochemical outcome can be explained by an S_N2 -like attack of the nucleophile on the putative axial α -triflate **2** or on the corresponding contact ion

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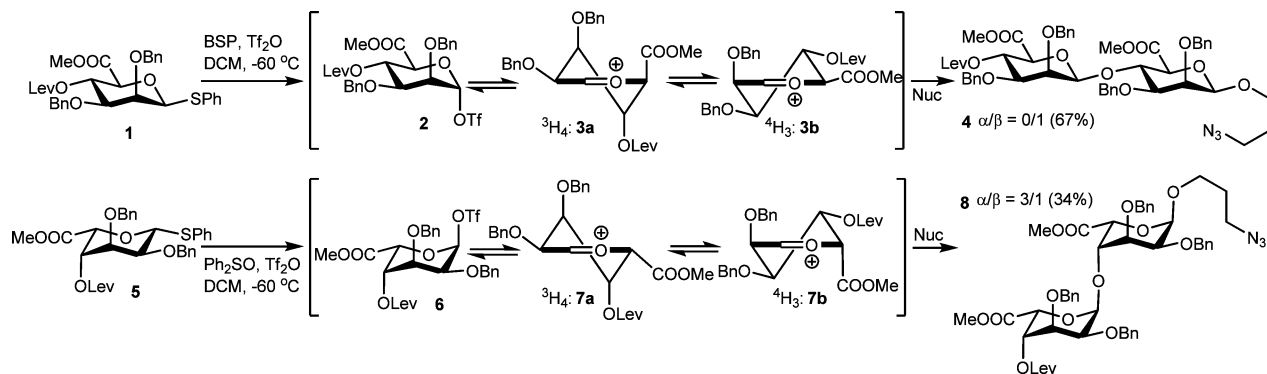
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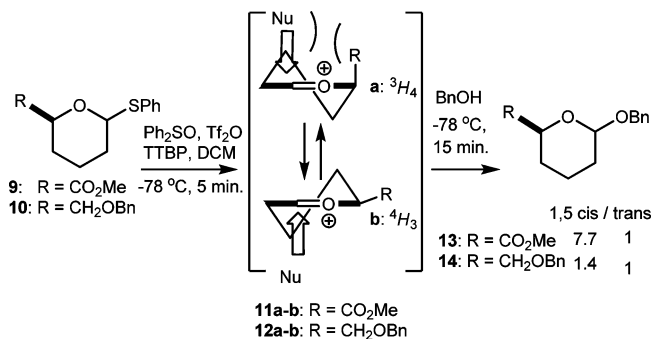
SCHEME 1. Glycosylations with Mannuronate and Guluronate Ester Donors



pair.⁸ The electron-withdrawing capacity of the C-5 carboxylate⁹ serves to destabilize the (solvent separated) oxocarbenium ion **3a,b**, resulting in a shift of the equilibrium to the side of the α -triflate **2**.⁵

Application of the same type of glycosylation procedure to the suitably protected thioguluronic ester donor **5** (the C-5 epimer of D-mannose) gave the α -linked product (**8**),⁶ albeit with reduced stereoselectivity and yield. The stereochemical outcome of the glycosylation of **5** cannot be explained by invoking α -triflate **6** as the product-forming intermediate, since S_N2 -like attack on the axial triflate **6** would result in the formation of the β -product (1,2-*trans*). Puzzled by the effect of the C-5 carboxylate ester on the stereochemistry of these glycosylations, our attention was attracted to the work of Woerpel and co-workers on the stereoselectivity of pyranosyl oxocarbenium ions in C-glycosylation reactions.¹⁰ From their work it became apparent that the relative stability of the 3H_4 and 4H_3 half-chair conformers¹¹ of the intermediate oxocarbenium ions¹² is of prime importance for the stereochemical outcome of these reactions.¹³ Provided that there are no prohibitive steric interactions in the transition state, the isomeric ratio of the addition products reflects the relative ground-state energies of the product-forming oxocarbenium ions.¹⁴ The stability of the half-chair conformers is determined by the nature and the configuration of the substituents on the pyranose ring.^{12c,15} Alkyl groups at C3 and C4 prefer to adopt pseu-

SCHEME 2. Stereoselectivity of C-5-Functionalized Pyranosides



doequatorial positions, whereas electron-withdrawing substituents at these positions preferentially adopt an axial orientation, C-2 alkoxy substituents again prefer an equatorial orientation.^{12c} To establish the stereodirecting effect of the C-5 carboxylate ester, we studied the condensations of pyranoside **9** (Scheme 2) having a single carboxylate substituent at C-5 and its “non-oxidized” counterpart **10** having a methylene oxybenzyl group at this position.¹⁶ It turned out that the C-5 ester is 1,5-*cis* directing, while the C-5 methylene oxybenzyl functionalized pyranose exhibits little selectivity. The stereochemical outcome of these glycosylations can be explained with the half-chair oxocarbenium ions **11** and **12** as product-forming intermediates. Attack of an incoming nucleophile on these ions occurs along a pseudoaxial trajectory with a facial selectivity which allows the formation of the lower energy chair product, as opposed to a twist-boat product originating from attack from the other side of the oxocarbenium ion.^{14b} The formation of the 1,5-*cis*-products of **13** and **14** arises from the 3H_4 (**11a** and **12a**) conformer, indicating that the C-5 carboxylate prefers to occupy an axial position in the oxocarbenium ion intermediate.

In the mannuronate ester 3H_4 oxocarbenium ion (**3a**), the axial preference of the C-5 ester can be accommodated keeping all other substituents in their most favorable orientations (Scheme 1). The 3H_4 conformer will therefore be substantially more stable than the corresponding 4H_3 half-chair (**3b**), and nucleophilic attack on **3a** leads to the formation of the 1,2-*cis* products. Thus, besides α -triflate **2** (Scheme 1), oxocarbenium ion **3a** can also be at the basis of the selectivity displayed by mannuronate esters. In the L-guluronate case, the C-5 ester can only adopt its

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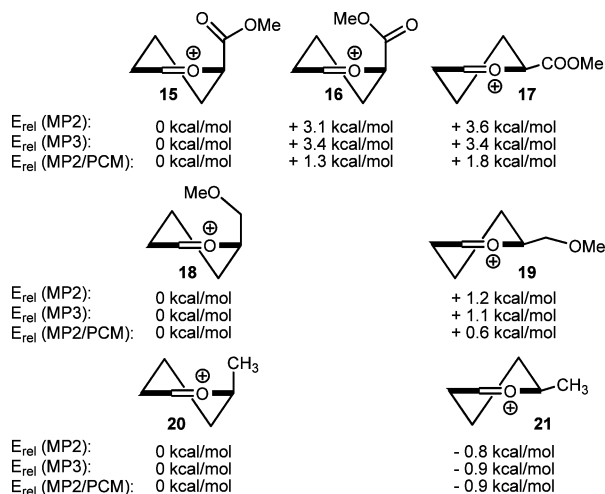


FIGURE 1. Calculated relative energies of C-5-substituted pyranosyl oxacarbenium ions. (a) The experimental error in these calculations is approximately ± 1 kcal/mol.

favorable axial position in the 4H_3 half-chair (**7b**), in which all other substituents are in their disfavored positions (Scheme 1). In the alternative 3H_4 conformer (**7a**), the C-2, C-3, and C-4 are favorably oriented while placing the C-5 ester in the more destabilizing equatorial position. The guluronate ester oxacarbenium ion half-chairs will therefore be closer together in ground-state energy, and the selectivities of the glycosylations involving these intermediates is less pronounced. The effect of the C-5 ester does not outweigh the combined electronic effects of the substituents at C-2, C-3, and C-4,^{12c} and therefore, the 3H_4 half-chair (**7a**), which leads to 1,2-*cis* selective condensations, is preferred over its 4H_3 counterpart (**7b**).

To investigate the magnitude of the stereodirecting effect of the C-5 substituent in glycosylations in more detail, we here present a study toward the glycosylation properties of a set of thioglycosides having a carboxylate methyl ester, a methylene benzyl ether, or a methyl group at C-5. To this end, D-manno-, D-gulo-, D-gluco-, and D-galacto-configured 1-thioglycosides, 1-thiouronic acids, and 1-thio-6-deoxythioglycosides were synthesized¹⁷ and glycosidated with both a primary and a secondary glycosyl acceptor.

Results and Discussion

First, theoretical support was sought for the effect of ester, methylene ether,¹⁸ and methyl functions at C-5 on the stability of the oxacarbenium ion half chairs (Figure 1). To this end, the geometries of the C-5-functionalized pyranosyl half-chair oxacarbenium ions were optimized and their relative energies calculated. Second-order Möller–Plesset (MP2) geometry optimizations¹⁹ were performed using the 6-311+G** basis set in Spartan 04.²⁰ The MP2 and MP3 gas-phase energy calculations of the geometry-optimized conformers were performed using Gaussian 03.²¹ The effect of the solvent (dichloromethane) was taken into account by application of the polarizable continuum model (PCM) at the MP2 level, which leveled the energy differences to some extent (*vide infra*). The results of

the calculations are reported in Figure 1. Both the MP2 and MP3 calculations show that the methyl ester oxacarbenium ion 3H_4 conformer (**15** and **16**), in which the ester occupies an axial position, is more stable than the corresponding equatorial ester oxacarbenium ion (**17**). The orientation of the ester is also of importance: conformer **15**, in which the ester carbonyl is pointing toward the ring oxygen, was calculated to be approximately 3.5 kcal/mol more stable than the equatorial conformer, whereas conformer **16**, having the methoxy group oriented toward the oxacarbenium ion, is isoenergetic with the equatorial conformer.^{22,23} The stability of **15** results from the donation of electron density from the carbonyl group to the electron-depleted oxacarbenium ion function. The axial preference of the C-5 ester with its carbonyl directed to the electron-depleted anomeric center, is of similar magnitude as the axial preference of C-3 and C-4 alkoxy groups.^{12c} The axially oriented methoxy methylene pyranosyl oxacarbenium **18**, with the alkoxy group situated above the ring,^{10e} was also calculated to be the most stable conformer, although the difference between the axial and equatorial conformer was significantly smaller when compared to the C-5 ester system. The axially (**20**) and equatorially (**21**) oriented C-5 methyl oxacarbenium ions differ in energy by approximately 1 kcal/mol, in favor of the equatorial substituent. A similar value has previously been reported by Bowen and co-workers for the same system.^{12c}

The trend¹⁷ revealed by the calculations is in line with the experimental results described above in Scheme 2. The C-5 ester prefers to adopt an axial position in the oxacarbenium intermediate, thereby stabilizing the 3H_4 conformer relative to its 4H_3 counterpart. The stabilization is large enough to overrule the unfavorable steric interactions that develop in the transition state when the nucleophile approaches this half-chair conformer from the β -face. The 1,5-*cis* product is thus preferentially formed. The small preference of the methylene oxybenzyl group in pyranoside **18** to occupy an axial position does not lead to the selective formation of the 1,5-*cis* product. In this case, steric interactions between the incoming nucleophile and the C-5 substituent in the transition state counterbalance the ground-state preferences of the half-chair oxacarbenium ions.

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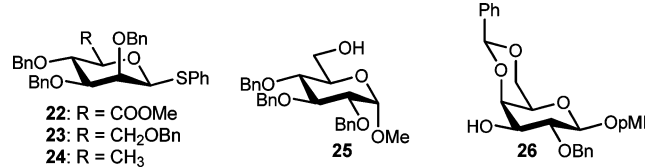
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TABLE 1. Study of the C-5 Substituent Effect in the Mannose Series



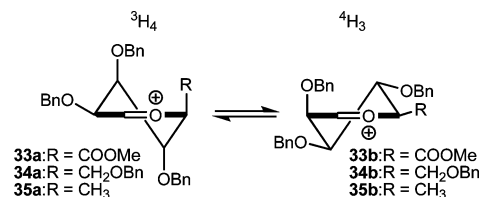
donor	acceptor	22: R = COOMe ^a	23: R = CH ₂ OBn ^b	24: R = CH ₃ ^b
mannose (22–24)	25	27: $\alpha/\beta = 0/1$ (77%)	28: $\alpha/\beta = 1/2$ (71%)	29: $\alpha/\beta = 1/1.7$ (71%)
	26	30: $\alpha/\beta = 0/1$ (58%)	31: $\alpha/\beta = 1/1.5$ (52%)	32: $\alpha/\beta = 1/1$ (65%)

^a Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -60 °C to -45 °C, Tf₂O, 10 min, then -78 °C, nucleophile, to 0 °C. ^b Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -78 °C, Tf₂O, 10 min, nucleophile, to 0 °C.

Next, the stereodirecting effect of three C-5 substituents (methyl ester, methylene oxybenzyl, and methyl) on the glycosylation properties of a set of epimeric perbenzylated D-pyranosides was investigated. First, the mannose series was investigated. Phenyl 1-thio- β -D-mannuronate ester **22**, the corresponding D-mannose **23**, and 6-deoxy-D-mannose (D-rhamnose) **24** were condensed with both the primary alcohol **25** and the secondary alcohol **26** using a diphenylsulfonide (Ph₂SO)–trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (Tf₂O) activation procedure. The coupling conditions for all three donors were identical except for the activation temperature: mannuronate ester **22** was activated starting at -60 °C and warming to -45 °C over a period of 15 min, before addition of the acceptor at -78 °C and very slow warming to 0 °C, at which temperature the reaction was quenched. The more reactive mannose donor **23** and rhamnose donor **24** were preactivated at -78 °C for 10 min after which the acceptor was added at the same temperature. The results of these condensations are summarized in Table 1.

Mannuronate ester **22** yielded solely the 1,2-*cis* (β -linked) products **27** and **30** independent of the nature of the acceptor. Tetrabenzylmannose **23** showed a significant drop in selectivity but maintained a slight preference for the formation of the 1,2-*cis* product. The *cis* selectivity for the glycosylation involving the primary acceptor **25** was slightly better than for the secondary acceptor **26**. Although the 1,2-*cis* selectivity of donor **23** is not unprecedented,²⁴ it stands in contrast to the perception that perbenzylated mannose donors are 1,2-*trans* selective (α -selective) in glycosylation reactions.²⁵ The condensations of D-rhamnose **24** showed a further decrease of 1,2-*cis* product formation, and also here the secondary acceptor gave more α -product. The anomeric ratios of the glycosylations in Table 1 reflect the expected stability differences of the respective oxocarbenium ion conformers (Scheme 3). In the ³H₄ conformer of mannuronic ester (**33a**) all substituents are situated in a favorable position, making this conformer considerably more stable than the ³H₄ half-chair. The ground-state energy difference of the mannuronate half-chair conformers is large enough to

SCHEME 3. Mannosyl Oxocarbenium Ions



allow nucleophilic attack on the ³H₄ conformer, despite of the steric interactions that develop in the product-forming transition state, and the sole formation of the 1,2-*cis* product is observed. In mannose, the difference in stability between the ³H₄ conformer (**34a**) and its ⁴H₃ counterpart (**34b**) is less pronounced, and the nucleophilic attack more sensitive to steric effects. Because steric interactions in the transition state leading to the 1,2-*trans* product are smaller than in the transition state which leads to the 1,2-*cis*-linked dimer,^{10d,e} a Curtin–Hammett/Winsten–Holness kinetic scenario,²⁶ in which product formation arises from the higher energy ⁴H₃ conformer (**34b**), can account for the formation of the 1,2-*trans* product in this case. Because the methyl group prefers an equatorial orientation in the oxocarbenium ion intermediate, the difference in stability between the ³H₄ (**35a**) and ⁴H₃ (**35b**) conformers of rhamnose is further minimized, and more product is formed from the ⁴H₃ oxocarbenium ion.

Execution of glycosylation reactions of **25** and **26** with D-gulose derivatives **36–38** shows an α -selectivity that increases slightly in going from the carboxylate methyl ester **36**, to methylene benzyl ether **37**, to 6-deoxy **38** (Table 2). For both tetrabenzyl (**37**) and the 6-deoxy (**38**) gulose the α -selectivity is slightly diminished when secondary alcohol **26** is used instead of primary acceptor **25**. On the contrary, for the guluronic acid methyl ester (**36**) glycosylations this effect is reversed.

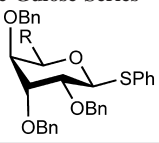
The stereochemical outcome of the glycosylations in Table 2 can be rationalized with the oxocarbenium ions **45–47** (Scheme 4) as product-forming intermediates. Although the degree of influence of the substituents on the stereoselectivity seems to be reduced, the trend based on the relative stabilities of the ³H₄ and the ⁴H₃ conformers is again confirmed.²⁷ The glycosylations may proceed by an axial attack of the nucleophile on the ⁴H₃ conformer, leading to the *cis*-product (Scheme 4).²⁸ The ⁴H₃ oxocarbenium ion of 6-deoxygulose **47b** has all the substituents positioned in such a manner that they all contribute favorably to the stability of this conformer, and the glycosylations

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TABLE 2. Study of the C-5 Substituent Effect in the Gulose Series

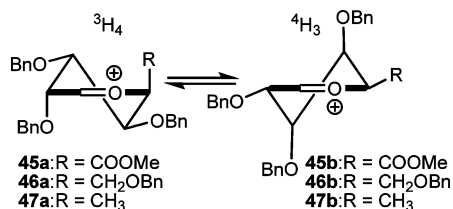


36: R = COOMe
37: R = CH₂OBn
38: R = CH₃

donor	acceptor	36: R = COOMe ^a	37: R = CH ₂ OBn ^b	38: R = CH ₃ ^b
gulose (36–38)	25	39 α/β = 1/0.33 (86%)	40 α/β = 1/0.10(76%)	41 α/β = 1/0.08 (67%)
	26	42 α/β = 1/0.17 (63%)	43 α/β = 1/0.12 (70%)	44 α/β = 1/0.15 (70%)

^a Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -45 °C, Tf₂O 10 min, then -78 °C, nucleophile, to 0 °C. ^b Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -78 °C, Tf₂O 10 min, nucleophile, to 0 °C.

SCHEME 4. Gulosyl Oxacarbenium Ions



of this donor are therefore the most *cis* selective. The stereoselectivity of gulose **37** and in particular guluronic ester **36** is less pronounced, as in the ⁴H₃ conformer (**45b**) the carboxylic ester does not occupy its favored axial position (Scheme 4). The erosion in stereoselectivity caused by the unfavorable positioning of the C-5 substituent is considerably less in the gulose series than in the mannose series. This may be due to the difference in steric interactions that develop in the transition states of the nucleophilic additions to the respective oxacarbenium ions. Axial attack of a nucleophile on the mannose ³H₄ oxacarbenium ions **33a–35a** leads to 1,3-diaxial interactions with both the C-3 and C-5 substituents,^{12c} which are absent in the transition state of the ⁴H₃ half-chairs **33b–35b** (Scheme 3). For gulose, both half-chair conformers give rise to one 1,3-diaxial interaction in the transition states and are therefore sterically equally demanding (Scheme 4).

The results reported above for mannanuronic acid donor **22** and 6-deoxygulose donor **38** indicate that highly stereoselective glycosylations can be obtained when all the substituents occupy a favorable position in either the ³H₄ or the ⁴H₃ oxacarbenium ion conformer. To further assess the effect of the substituent at C-5 on the stereochemical outcome of glycosylation reactions, three other epimers have been examined. D-Gluco-, D-allo-, and D-galacto-configured 1-thioglycosides and the corresponding 1-thiouronic acids were prepared and glycosidated with the same primary and secondary acceptor as used in the manno- and gulose series. The results of these condensations are summarized in Table 3. Clearly, almost all of the condensations proceed with poor stereoselectivity.^{24d,e,29,30} Furthermore, the nature of the acceptor has a profound effect on the stereochemical outcome of the glycosylations and no clear effect of the C-5 substituent can be distilled from the data reported in Table 3.

When we consider the structures of the half-chair oxacarbenium ions involved in the condensations in Table 3 (Scheme 5), it can be seen that all of them have one or more substituents

occupying an unfavorable position, making none of them highly favorable based on electronic grounds. In addition, destabilizing steric interactions are present in all oxacarbenium ions and in all product-forming transition states, except in the ⁴H₃ glucose half-chair **67b**. The stereochemical outcome of the glycosylations are thus a delicate balance between electronic and steric factors in both the ground state of the oxacarbenium ions and the resulting transition states. Furthermore, the reactivity of the acceptor is of decisive influence.³¹

Conclusion

The study described here investigated the stereodirecting capacity of glycosyl C-5 substituents in systems that were devoid of any other stereodirecting factors. In pyranosyl oxacarbenium ion intermediates possessing a half-chair conformation, a C-5 ester prefers to occupy a pseudoaxial position. As such it can donate electron density through space to the electron-depleted oxacarbenium ion, thereby stabilizing this intermediate. A C-5 methylene alkoxy substituent is also capable of such an energetically favorable interaction, but the magnitude of this stabilization is significantly smaller than that of the C-5 ester functionality. A C-5 alkyl group prefers to adopt an equatorial position because of steric reasons. When the stereodirecting effect of the C-5 substituent works in concert with the other functional groups on the pyranose ring, highly selective condensations are achieved. This is exemplified by the glycosylations of mannanuronic ester **22** and 6-deoxy guloside **38**. In systems having conflicting substituent preferences, steric factors

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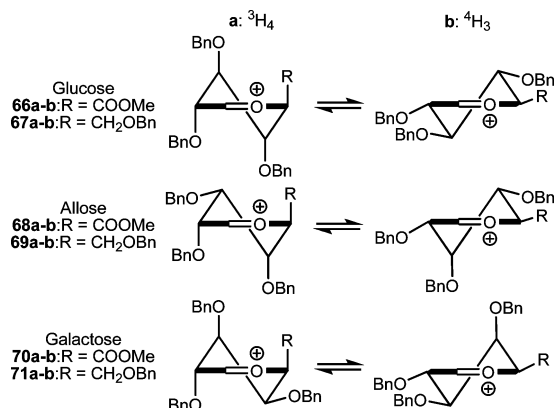
TABLE 3. Study of the C-5 Substituent Effect in the Glucose, Galactose, and Allose Series

48: R = COOMe 54: R = COOMe 60: R = COOMe
49: R = CH₂OBn 55: R = CH₂OBn 61: R = CH₂OBn

donor	acceptor	R = COOMe ^a	R = CH ₂ OBn ^b
glucose (48, 49)	25	50: α/β = 1/1.4 (68%)	51: α/β = 1/1.4 (75%)
	26	52: α/β = 1/0.6 (86%)	53: α/β = 1/1.7 (89%)
Allose (54, 55)	25	56: α/β = 1/0.4 (91%)	57: α/β = 1/0.5 (92%)
	26	58: α/β = 1/0 (52%)	59: α/β = 1/0.6 (65%)
Galactose (60, 61)	25	62: α/β = 1/2.3 (49%)	63: α/β = 1/3 (67%)
	26	64: α/β = 1/0.4 (86%)	65: α/β = 1/0.1 (72%)

^a Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -45 °C, Tf₂O, 10 min, then -78 °C, nucleophile, to 0 °C. ^b Reagents and conditions: Ph₂SO, TTBP, DCM, -78 °C, Tf₂O, 10 min, nucleophile, to 0 °C.

SCHEME 5. Glucosyl, Galactosyl, and Allosyl Oxocarbenium Ions



in both the ground state of the oxocarbenium ion half-chair and product-forming transition states become important for the outcome of the reaction. The mechanistic insight described here can aid in the design of stereoselective glycosylation strategies.

Experimental Section

General Procedure for Glycosylations of Thioglycosides and 6-Deoxythioglycosides. A solution of donor, diphenyl sulfoxide (1.1 equiv), and tri-*tert*-butylpyrimidine (2.5 equiv) in DCM (0.05 M) was stirred over activated MS 3 Å for 30 min. The mixture was cooled to -78 °C before triflic acid anhydride (1.1 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred for 10 min at -78 °C followed by addition of acceptor (1.5 equiv) in DCM (0.1 M). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 °C, and Et₃N (0.15 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was diluted with DCM and washed with NaHCO₃ (aq). The aqueous layer was extracted twice with DCM, and the collected organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by size-exclusion and column chromatography yielded the corresponding dimer.

General Procedure for Glycosylations of Thioglycuronates. A solution of donor, diphenyl sulfoxide (1.1 equiv), and tri-*tert*-butylpyrimidine (2.5 equiv) in DCM (0.05 M) was stirred over activated MS 3 Å for 30 min. The mixture was cooled to -60 °C before triflic acid anhydride (1.1 equiv) was added. The mixture was warmed to -45 °C and then cooled to -78 °C followed by addition of acceptor (1.5 equiv) in DCM (0.1 M). Stirring was continued, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 °C, and Et₃N (0.15 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was diluted with DCM and washed with NaHCO₃ (aq). The aqueous layer was extracted twice with DCM, and the collected organic layers were

dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by size-exclusion and column chromatography yielded the corresponding dimer.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-β-D-mannopyranosyluronate)-α-D-glucopyranoside (27). Donor **22** (86 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **25** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates, yielding β-linked disaccharide **27** (80 mg, 58%) as an amorphous white solid: [α]_D²⁵ = +9.4 (*c* = 0.016, DCM); IR (neat) 729, 795, 860, 910, 1026, 1049, 1157, 1120, 1238, 1265, 1362, 1454, 1497, 1605, 1747, 2862, 2924, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.31 (s, 3H, C-1-OCH₃), 3.39–3.43 (m, 3H, H-3', H-4, H-6), 3.50 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H-2), 3.70–3.77 (m, 6H, CO₂CH₃, H-5, H-5', H-2'), 4.01 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-3), 4.11–4.03 (m, 2H, H-1', H-6), 4.21 (t, 1H, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H-4'), 4.47–4.56 (m, 4H, CH₂ Bn, H-1), 4.66 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.77–4.91 (m, 5H, CH₂ Bn), 4.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.0 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 5.02 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.8 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 7.20–7.46 (m, 30 H, H_{Ph}); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.4 (CO₂CH₃), 55.1 (C-1-OCH₃), 68.6 (C-6), 69.7 (C-5), 71.7 (CH₂ Bn), 73.3 (C-5' or C-2'), 73.4 (CH₂ Bn), 73.8 (CH₂ Bn), 74.8 (CH₂ Bn), 75.2 (CH₂ Bn), 75.3 (C-5' or C-2'), 75.8 (CH₂ Bn), 75.8 (C-4'), 77.6 (C-3' or C-4), 79.9 (C-2), 81.3 (C-3' or C-4), 82.2 (C-3), 97.8 (C-1), 102.1 (C-1'), 127.6–128.5 (CH arom), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 1383 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.5 (C_q Ph), 138.88 (C_q Ph), 168.7 (C=O CO₂Me); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) δ = 97.8 (*J*_{C-1, H-1} = 167 Hz, C-1), 102.1 (*J*_{C-1', H-1'} = 155 Hz, C-1'); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₆H₆₀O₁₂Na 947.39770, found 947.39853.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Menzyl-3-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-β-D-mannopyranosyluronate)-4,6-benzylidene-β-D-galactopyranoside (30).** Donor **22** (86 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **26** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates, yielding β-linked disaccharide **30** (107 mg, 77%) as an amorphous white solid: [α]_D²⁵ = -8.5 (*c* = 2, DCM); IR (neat) 729, 895, 1003, 1061 1096, 1219, 1265, 1366, 1508, 1747, 3055 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ = 3.15 (d, 1H, *J* 9.2 Hz, H-3'), 3.53 (s, 1H, H-5), 3.62 (s, 1H, H-2'), 3.66–3.75 (m, 4H, H-5', CO₂CH₃), 3.77 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.84 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 9.6 Hz, H-3), 4.05–4.10 (m, 2H, H-2, H-6), 4.18 (t, 1H, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H-4'), 4.27 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.0 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.34–4.37 (m, 3H, H-4, H-6, CH₂ Bn), 4.60 (d, 1H, *J*, 10.4 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.70 (s, 1H, H-1'), 4.81–4.97 (m, 5H, H-1, CH₂ Bn), 5.61 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene), 6.83 (d, 2H, *J* = 8 Hz, H arom), 7.05–7.07 (m, 3H, H arom), 7.16–7.40 (m, 22H, H arom), 7.51–7.70 (m, 2H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.3 (CO₂CH₃), 55.6 (OCH₃ *p*MP), 66.6 (C-5), 68.9 (C-6), 71.7 (C-2'), 71.7 (CH₂ Bn), 73.3 (CH₂ Bn), 75.2 (CH₂ Bn), 75.6 (C-4'), 75.8 (C-4, C-5), 77.7 (C-3), 79.1 (C-2), 82.0 (C-3'), 100.8 (CHPh benzylidene), 103.1 (C-1', C-1), 114.5 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.8 (CH arom *p*MP), 126.3–128.8 (CH arom), 130.9 (C_q Ph), 151.4 (C_q Ph), 155.4 (C_q Ph), 168.7 (C=O CO₂Me); ¹³C-

GATED NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 100.8$ ($J_{C-1, H-1} = 152$ Hz, C-1), 103.2 ($J_{C-1', H-1'} = 155$ Hz, C-1'); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₅₆O₁₃Na 947.36131, found 947.36214.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α/β -D-mannopyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (28). Mannopyranoside **23** (95 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **25** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding disaccharide **28** (105 mg, 71%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/2): IR (neat) 729, 895, 1042, 1069, 1265, 1362, 1454, 1497, 2870 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 3.30$ (s, 1.55 H, C-1 α -OCH₃), 3.33 (s, 3H, C-1 β -OCH₃), 3.36–3.47 (m, 5H), 3.51 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 3.2 Hz, H-3' β), 3.58–3.62 (m, 2H), 3.65–3.73 (m, 3H), 3.76–3.85 (m, 5H), 3.95–4.04 (m, 2H, H-4', H-3), 4.11 (s, 1H, H-1' β), 4.16 (d, 1H, $J = 10.8$ Hz), 4.42–4.71 (m, 14H), 4.75–5.03 (m, 10H), 7.13–7.42 (m, 53 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 55.0$ (OCH₃ β), 55.0 (OCH₃ α), 65.7, 68.2, 69.0, 69.7, 71.5, 71.8, 71.9, 72.0, 72.4, 73.6, 74.5, 74.7, 74.9, 75.0, 75.1, 75.6, 75.7, 75.9, 77.6, 79.5, 79.8, 79.9, 82.1, 82.2, 97.7 (C-1 β), 97.7 (C-1 α) 98.2 (C-1' α), 101.4 (C-1' β), 127.3–128.4 (CH arom), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 151.5 (C_q Ph), 151.6 (C_q Ph), 155.3 (C_q Ph); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 98.2$ ($J = 164$ Hz), 101.4 ($J = 158$ Hz); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₂H₇₀O₁₁N 1004.49434, found 1004.49572.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-3-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α/β -D-mannopyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (31).** Mannopyranoside **23** (95 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **26** as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **31** (77 mg, 52%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1.6): IR (neat) 729, 826, 899, 999, 1026, 1061, 1219, 1265, 1366, 1454, 1504, 2858 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 3.22$ (dd, 1.6 H, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 9.2 Hz, H-3' β), 3.35–3.41 (m, 4H), 3.60 (d, 1H, $J = 10.4$ Hz), 3.67–3.73 (m, 4H), 3.77–3.84 (m, 13H), 3.88–3.910 (m, 1.6 H), 4.00–4.07 (m, 7H), 4.22–4.23 (m, 1.6 H), 4.27–4.40 (m, 10 H), 4.48–4.69 (m, 14 H), 4.76–4.79 (m, 3H), 4.82–4.88 (m, 3.5 H), 4.91–4.95 (m, 6H), 5.09 (s, 1H, H-1' α), 5.44 (s, 1H, CHPh α benzylidene), 5.58 (s, 1.6 H, CHPh β benzylidene), 6.80–6.83 (m, 4H, CH arom *p*MP), 7.01–7.40 (m, 27 H, 2 H arom Ph), 7.48–7.49 (m, 1H, H arom Ph), 7.53–7.58 (m, 1H, H arom Ph); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 55.6$ (OCH₃ *p*MP), 66.2, 66.7, 68.1, 68.9, 69.0, 69.2, 69.9, 71.0, 71.3, 71.5, 71.5, 72.3, 72.7, 72.8, 73.3, 73.4, 74.3, 74.8, 74.9, 75.2, 75.7, 75.7, 76.1, 78.0, 78.9, 79.9, 82.8, 93.3 (C-1' α), 100.8 (CHPh benzylidene β), 101.0 (CHPh benzylidene α), 102.8 (C-1' β), 103.1 (C-1), 114.4 (CH arom *p*MP), 114.5 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.8 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.9 (CH arom *p*MP), 126.3–139.0 (CH arom), 130.9 (CH arom), 137.7 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.5 (C_q Ph), 138.6 (C_q Ph), 138.8 (C_q Ph), 151.5 (C_q Ph), 151.6 (C_q Ph), 155.3 (C_q Ph); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 93.3$ ($J = 171$ Hz, C-1' α), 102.8 ($J = 156$ Hz, C-1' β); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₆₆O₁₂N 1004.45795, found 1004.45932.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -D-rhamnopyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (29). Rhamnopyranoside **24** (79 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **25** as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **29** (94 mg, 71%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1.7): IR (neat) 732, 694, 1006, 1026, 1053, 1068, 1362, 1454, 2866 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 1.25$ (d, 1.75 H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, C-6 α), 1.35 (d, 3 H, $J = 6$ Hz, C-6 β); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 17.8$ (C-6' β), 17.9 (C-6 α'), 98.2 (C-1' α), 101.2 (C-1' β); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 98.2$ ($J_{C-1', H-1'} = 168$ Hz, C-1' α), 103.2 ($J_{C-1', H-1'} = 153$ Hz, C-1' β); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₆₀O₁₀Na 903.4079, found 903.4077.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-3-*O*-(2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -D-rhamnopyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (32).** Rhamnopyranoside **24** (79 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with

acceptor **26** as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **32** (86 mg, 65%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1): IR (neat) 694, 732, 995, 1026, 1061, 1218, 1454, 1504, 2341, 2873 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 1.26$ (d, 3H, $J = 4.8$ Hz, C-6), 1.35 (d, 3H, $J = 6$ Hz, C-6); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 17.9$ (C-6' β), 18.0 (C-6' α), 93.4 (C-1' α), 102.5 (C-1' β); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 97.7$ ($J_{C-1, H-1} = 166$ Hz, C-1' α), 103.2 ($J_{C-1', H-1'} = 154$ Hz, C-1' β); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₄H₅₆O₁₁Na 903.3715, found 903.3712.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -L-gulopyranosyluronate)- α -D-glucopyranoside (39). Guluronic acid **36** (114 mg, 0.20 mmol) was glycosylated with glucoside **25** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol) as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates, yielding **39** (115 mg, 73%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.33): IR (neat) 731, 808, 910, 1026, 1047, 1070, 1207, 1265, 1304, 1358, 1439, 1454, 1497, 1732, 1765, 2876, 3030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 3.28$ (s, 3H, CH₃ OMe), 3.33 (s, 1H, CH₃ OMe), 3.39 (dd, 1H, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 9.6 Hz), 3.49–3.53 (m, 0.3H), 3.59 (s, 3H, CH₃ COOMe), 3.61–3.65 (m, 1.3H), 3.66 (s, 1H, CH₃ COOMe), 3.68–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.75–3.77 (m, 2.2H), 3.80–3.82 (m, 1.6H), 3.85–3.87 (m, 1.3H), 3.90–4.02 (m, 3.6H), 4.22–4.99 (m, 18 H), 5.16 (d, 1H, $J = 4$ Hz, H-1'); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 51.9$ (CH₃ COOMe), 51.9 (CH₃ COOMe), 54.8 (CH₃ OMe), 54.9 (CH₃ OMe), 67.4, 67.6, 68.2, 70.1, 70.3, 71.2, 72.5, 72.6, 72.9, 73.0, 73.1, 73.2, 73.2, 73.4, 74.6, 74.7, 74.8, 75.5, 75.5, 75.7, 76.4, 76.9, 77.9, 78.1, 79.8, 80.0, 81.9, 82.0, 97.7 (C-1), 97.8 (C-1), 98.0 (C-1' α), 101.0 (C-1' β), 127.3–128.3 (CH arom), 137.4–138.8 (C_q arom), 169.3 (C_q COOMe), 170.0 (C_q COOMe); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₆H₆₀O₁₂Na 947.3977, found 947.3985.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-3-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -L-gulopyranosyluronate)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (42).** Guluronic acid **36** (114 mg, 0.20 mmol) was glycosylated with galactoside **26** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol) as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates, yielding **42** (124 mg, 79%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.1): IR (neat) 731, 826, 908, 997, 1026 1065, 1078, 1175, 1217, 1265, 1306, 1366, 1439, 1454, 1506, 175, 2870, 3030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 3.43$ (s, 3H, CH₃ COOMe), 3.45 (bs, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H, CH₃ *p*MP), 3.88–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.93–3.99 (m, 2H), 4.01–4.02 (m, 2H), 4.05–4.08 (m, 1H, H-6), 4.30–4.39 (m, 5H), 4.46 (m, 2H), 4.55–4.68 (m, 4H), 4.84–4.90 (m, 2H), 4.97 (d, 1H, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 5.39 (d, 1H, $J = 3.6$ Hz, H-1'), 5.56 (s, 1H, CHPh), 6.75–7.56 (m, 29H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 51.6$ (CH₃ COOMe), 55.5 (CH₃ OMe), 66.3, 67.6, 69.2, 70.9, 71.6, 72.4, 72.6, 73.3, 73.4, 74.6, 74.9, 76.3, 77.4, 92.9 (C-1'), 100.8 (CHPh), 103.0 (C-1), 114.3 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.9 (CH arom *p*MP), 126.2–128.7 (CH arom), 137.5–138.6 (C_q arom), 151.6 (C_q *p*MP), 155.1 (C_q *p*MP), 169.7 (C_q COOMe); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₅₆O₁₃Na 947.36131, found 947.36184.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α/β -L-gulopyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (40). Gulopyranoside **37** (127 mg, 0.20 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **25** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding disaccharide **40** (150 mg, 76%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.1): IR (neat) 733, 820, 908, 1026, 1047, 1069, 1194, 1207, 1310, 1327, 1360, 1454, 1497, 2870, 3030, 3063 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) $\delta = 3.28$ (s, 3H, OMe), 3.41 (dd, 1H, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 9.6 Hz), 3.54 (m, 2H), 3.60 (bs, 1H), 3.66–3.78 (m, 3H), 3.81–3.82 (m, 2H), 3.95 (t, 1H, $J = 9.2$ Hz), 4.00 (dd, 1H, $J = 4.0$ Hz, 11.6 Hz), 4.34–4.56 (m, 8H), 4.63–4.71 (m, 4H), 4.75 (d, 1 H, $J = 12$ Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.79 (d, 1 H, $J = 10.8$ Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.93 (d, 1 H, $J = 10.8$ Hz, CH₂ Bn), 5.06 (bs, 1H, H-1'), 7.12–7.36 (m, 35H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) $\delta = 54.9$ (OMe), 65.7, 66.9, 68.7, 70.4, 70.9, 72.7, 73.1, 73.2, 73.2, 73.9, 74.8, 75.5, 75.6, 77.9, 70.1, 82.0, 97.7 (C-1 or C-1'), 97.9 (C-1 or C-1'), 127.2–128.9 (CH arom), 137.9–139.0 (C_q arom); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₂H₇₀O₁₁N 1004.49434, found 1004.49581.

p-Methoxyphenyl 2-O-Benzyl-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- α/β -l-gulopyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (43). Gulopyranoside **37** (127 mg, 0.20 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **26** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding disaccharide **43** (138 mg, 70%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.12): IR (neat) 731, 824, 872, 910, 997, 1026, 1065, 1080, 1173, 1217, 1265, 1308, 1367, 1454, 1506, 2866, 3030 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.30 (s, 1H), 3.37 (dd, 1H, J = 6 Hz, 10 Hz), 3.53 (bs, 1H), 3.61 (dd, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz, 10.4 Hz), 3.74 (s, 3H, CH_3 pMP), 3.88–3.92 (m, 2H), 4.00–4.08 (m, 3H), 4.22 (d, 1 H, J = 12 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.28–4.46 (m, 8H), 4.57–4.64 (m, 3H), 4.68 (d, 1 H, J = 10.8 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.77 (m, 2H), 4.86 (d, 1 H, J = 10.8 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 5.32 (d, 1 H, J = 3.2 Hz, H-1'), 5.51 (s, 1H, CHPh), 6.77–7.54 (m, 34H, H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.5 (OCH_3 pMP), 65.2, 66.3, 69.1, 69.3, 70.6, 71.3, 72.4, 72.5, 72.6, 73.3, 73.7, 74.6, 74.7, 76.0, 76.3, 91.9 (C-1'), 101.0 (CHPh), 102.9 (C-1), 114.3 (CH arom pMP), 118.9 (CH arom pMP), 126.3–128.8 (CH arom), 137.7–139.1 (C_q arom), 151.8 (C_q pMP), 155.1 (C_q pMP); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{61}\text{H}_{62}\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$ 1009.41335, found 1009.41396.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl-6-O-(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α/β -D-antiaropyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (41). Antiaromatic pyranoside **38** (79 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **25** as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **41** (89 mg, 67%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.08): IR (neat) 633, 694, 1026, 1069, 1358, 2341, 2870, 3028 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 1.07 (d, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz, H-6'), 3.29 (s, 3H, CH_3 OMe), 3.31–3.33 (m, 1H), 3.43 (dd, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz), 3.66–3.78 (m, 3H), 3.81–3.82 (m, 2H), 3.93–4.00 (m, 2H), 4.30 (dq, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz, 6.4 Hz, H-5'), 4.39 (d, 1H, J = 12 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.47–4.81 (m, 12H), 4.93 (d, 1H, J = 10.8 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 5.00 (d, 1H, J = 2.8 Hz, H-1'), 7.13–7.38 (m, 30H, H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 15.6 (C-6'), 54.9 (CH_3 OMe), 62.7 (C-5'), 66.9 (C-6), 70.1, 71.1, 72.7, 73.1, 73.3, 73.5, 73.9, 74.8, 75.5, 77.7, 77.9, 80.1, 82.0, 97.8 (C-1'), 97.9 (C-1), 127.0–128.8 (CH arom), 137.9–139.0 (C_q arom); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{55}\text{H}_{60}\text{O}_{10}\text{Na}$ 903.4079, found 903.4073.

p-Methoxyphenyl 2-O-Benzyl-3-O-(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α/β -D-antiaropyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (44). Antiaromatic pyranoside **38** (79 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **26** as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **44** (93 mg, 70%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.15): IR (neat) 694, 733, 995, 1026, 1060, 1219, 1454, 1504, 2341, 2870 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 0.91 (d, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz, H-6'), 3.24 (d, 1H, J = 2.4 Hz), 3.45 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H, CH_3 pMP), 3.87–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.96 (dd, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz, 10 Hz), 4.03–4.07 (m, 2H), 4.32–4.39 (m, 4H), 4.45 (q, 1H, J = 6 Hz, H-5'), 4.49 (d, 1H, J = 12 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.57 (d, 1H, J = 12 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.62 (d, 1H, J = 11.6 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.69 (d, 1H, J = 10.8 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.73 (d, 1H, J = 10.8 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.85 (d, 1H, J = 11.6 Hz, CH_2 Bn), 4.90 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1), 5.24 (d, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1'), 5.52 (s, 1H, CHPh), 6.76–7.54 (m, 29H, H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.5 (CH_3 pMP), 65.2 (C-5'), 66.3, 69.1, 69.3, 70.6, 71.3, 72.4, 72.5, 72.6, 73.3, 73.7, 74.6, 74.7, 76.0, 76.3, 91.9 (C-1'), 101.0 (CHPh), 102.9 (C-1), 114.3 (CH pMP), 118.9 (CH pMP), 126.3–128.8 (CH arom), 137.7–139.1 (C_q arom), 151.8 (C_q pMP), 155.1 (C_q pMP); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{54}\text{H}_{56}\text{O}_{11}\text{Na}$ 903.3715, found 903.3712.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl-6-O-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α/β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- α -D-glucopyranoside (50). Donor **48** (114 mg, 0.2 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **25** following the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, giving disaccharide **50** (0.14 mmol, 68%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1.4): IR (neat) 737, 914, 1030, 1072, 1088, 1157, 1138, 1200, 1285, 1358, 1454, 1497, 1751, 2912, 3032, 3063 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.35 (s, 3H, CO_2CH_3 β), 3.37 (s, 1.9 H, CO_2CH_3 α), 3.42–3.60 (m, 1.6 H), 3.48–3.56 (m, 3.5 H), 3.57–3.65 (m, 5

H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH_3 β), 3.67–3.86 (m, 6H), 3.94–4.01 (m, 2.5 H), 4.12 (dd, 1H, J = 1.6 Hz, 10.8 Hz), 4.29 (d, 0.7 H, J = 10.0 Hz), 4.38 (d, 1.1 H, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1' β), 4.50 (d, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.55–4.60 (m, 4.6 H), 4.72–4.83 (m, 4.2 H), 4.72–4.83 (m, 8.9 H), 4.88–4.98 (m, 6 H), 7.17–7.35 (m, 55H, H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.3 (CO_2CH_3 α or β), 52.3 (CO_2CH_3 α or β), 66.5 (C-6 α or β), 68.8 (C-6 α or β), 69.7 (OCH_3 α or β), 70.3 (OCH_3 α or β), 72.5, 73.2, 73.3, 74.4, 74.8, 74.8, 74.9, 74.9, 75.5, 75.6, 75.6, 77.9, 79.1, 79.3, 79.5, 79.8, 78.0, 80.8, 81.5, 81.8, 82.0, 83.8, 97.7 (C-1' α), 97.9 (C-1 α and β), 104.0 (C-1' β), 127.5–128.4 (CH arom Ph), 137.8 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.7 (C_q Ph), 168.7 (C=O CO_2Me); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{56}\text{H}_{60}\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$: 947.39770, found 947.39850.

p-Methoxyphenyl 2-O-Benzyl-3-O-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- α/β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (52). Donor **48** (114 mg, 0.2 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **26** as described as in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding disaccharide **52** (159 mg, 86%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.6): IR (neat) 737, 826, 914, 991, 1030, 1088, 1180, 1219, 1288, 1366, 1454, 1508, 1747, 2203, 2870, 3032 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.49 (s, 1.2 H), 3.53 (s, 0.6 H), 3.54–3.67 (m, 4.6 H), 3.70–3.73 (m, 3.2 H), 3.75–3.83 (m, 6.7 H), 3.85–3.87 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 3.97 (dd, 1.5 H, J = 3.6 Hz, J = 10 Hz, H-3' α), 4.05 (dd, 0.7 H, J = 3.6 Hz, J = 10 Hz, H-3' β), 4.10–4.25 (m, 5H), 4.37–4.42 (m, 3.4 H), 4.80–4.88 (m, 3.6 H), 4.91–5.10 (m, 2.5 H), 5.13 (d, 0.6 H, J = 7.3 Hz, H-1' β), 5.29 (d, 1H, J = 3.6 Hz, H-1' α), 5.60 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene α), 5.67 (s, 0.6 H, CHPh benzylidene β), 6.85–6.88 (m, 3.7 H, H arom pMP), 7.09–7.40 (m, 47 H, H arom), 7.45–7.48 (m, 2.4 H, H arom), 7.62–7.64 (m, 3.6 H, H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.2 (CO_2CH_3 α), 52.3 (CO_2CH_3 β), 55.5 (OCH_3 pMP), 66.2, 66.5, 68.8, 69.2, 70.2, 71.2, 72.1, 74.1, 74.4, 74.7, 74.9, 75.0, 74.4, 75.0, 75.5, 75.7, 75.9, 76.5, 78.6, 78.8, 79.2, 79.7, 80.9, 81.0, 83.5, 92.7 (C-1' α), 100.6, 101.3, 103.0 (C-1 α and β), 103.1, 103.4 (C-1' α), 114.4 (CH arom pMP), 118.8 (CH arom pMP), 126.2–129.0 (CH arom Ph), 137.5 (C_q Ph), 137.7 (C_q Ph), 137.8 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 151.4 (C_q Ph), 151.5 (C_q Ph), 155.2 (C_q Ph), 155.3 (C_q Ph), 169.1 (C=O CO_2Me β), 170.3 (C=O CO_2Me α); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{55}\text{H}_{56}\text{O}_{13}\text{Na}$ 947.36131, found 947.36208.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl-6-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- α/β -D-glucopyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (51). Donor **49** (127 mg, 0.2 mmol) was glycosylated with acceptor **25** in the same way as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording the title compound **51** (148 mg, 75%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1.4): IR (neat) 737, 826, 910, 1042, 1069, 1157, 1207, 1265, 1327, 1362, 1454, 1497, 1585, 2870, 2905, 3032, 3063 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.29 (s, 5.1 H, OCH_3), 3.41–3.44 (m, 1 H), 3.47–3.52 (m, 5.4 H, OCH_3), 3.54–3.63 (m, 4H), 3.71–4.00 (m, 10 H), 4.14 (d, 1H, J = 10 Hz), 4.31 (d, 1 H, J = 7.6 Hz, H-1' β), 4.34–4.44 (m, 3.6 H), 4.50–4.63 (m, 6.6 H), 4.75–4.86 (m, 6.5 H), 4.90–4.97 (m, 4H), 5.00 (d, 1.4 H, J = 3.2 Hz, H-1' α), 7.15–7.32 (m, 35 H, 35 \times H arom); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.0 (OCH_3 α), 55.1 (OCH_3 β), 66.3, 68.5, 68.6, 68.9, 69.3, 69.8, 70.2, 72.4, 72.7, 72.8, 73.2, 73.3, 73.4, 73.5, 74.5, 74.7, 74.7, 74.9, 75.0, 75.1, 75.6, 75.6, 76.5, 77.9, 78.1, 78.2, 78.2, 78.8, 80.1, 81.9, 82.0, 82.2, 97.8 (C-1' α), 104.2 (C-1' β), 127.3–128.3 (CH arom), 137.8 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.7 (C_q Ph), 138.7 (C_q Ph), 138.8 (C_q Ph); HRMS [$\text{M} + \text{NH}_4$] $^+$ calcd for $\text{C}_{62}\text{H}_{70}\text{O}_{11}\text{N}$: 1004.49434, found 1004.49587.

p-Methoxyphenyl 2-O-Benzyl-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- α/β -D-glucopyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (53). Donor **49** (127 mg, 0.2 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **26** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, delivering disaccharide **53** (176 mg, 89%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/1.7): IR (neat) 737, 826, 1003, 1030, 1065, 1219, 1362, 1454, 1504, 2866, 3032 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.37–3.41 (m, 3H), 3.48–3.59 (m, 5H), 3.61–3.69 (m, 3.8 H),

3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃ β), 3.74 (s, 1.8 H, OCH₃ α), 3.90 (dd, 0.8 H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 10.0 Hz), 3.97–4.01 (m, 2.2 H), 4.03–4.06 (d, 0.8 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 4.10–4.19 (m, 3.3 H), 4.26–4.35 (m, 4.3 H), 4.44–4.51 (m, 4H), 4.54–4.60 (m, 3.6 H), 4.78–4.89 (m, 8.9 H), 4.95–5.04 (m, 4.8 H), 5.21 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-1'α), 5.55 (s, 0.6 H, CHPh benzylidene α), 5.60 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene β), 6.79–6.82 (m, 3.7 H, H arom *p*MP), 7.03–7.36 (m, 60 H, H arom), 7.60–7.62 (m, 3.6 H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.5 (OCH₃ *p*MP β), 55.5 (OCH₃ *p*MP α), 66.3, 66.6, 68.3, 68.8, 68.9, 69.8, 71.2, 71.8, 73.0, 74.1 (α), 74.4 (CH₂Ph α), 74.4 (CH₂ Bn β), 74.4 (CH₂ Bn β), 74.8 (β), 74.9 (CH₂ Bn α), 74.9 (CH₂ Bn β), 75.5 (CH₂ Bn β), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn α), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn α), 75.9 (β), 76.2 (β), 76.5 (α), 77.5 (α), 77.7 (β), 78.7 (β), 79.2 (α), 81.6 (β), 81.9 (α), 84.4 (β), 92.0 (1' α), 100.6 (CHPh benzylidene), 101.4 (CHPh benzylidene), 103.2 (C-1 β), 103.2 (C-1 α), 103.5 (C-1' β); HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₆₂O₁₂Na 1009.41335, found 1009.41410.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-allopyranosyluronate)- α -D-glucopyranoside (56). Alluronic acid **54** (86 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with glucoside **25** (105 mg, 0.225 mmol, 1.5 equiv) following the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates, yielding **56** (126 mg, 76%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.4): IR (neat) 737, 914, 1026, 1072, 1088, 1161, 1204, 1281, 1327, 1362, 1454, 1497 1747, 2905, 3032, 3063 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.26 (s, 3H, C-1-OCH₃α), 3.30 (s, 1.1 H, C-1-OCH₃ β), 3.37 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz), 3.45–3.53 (m, 2H), 3.56 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 9.6 Hz), 3.67–3.68 (m, 4H), 3.70 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃ α), 3.91–3.99 (m, 2H), 4.06–4.17 (m, 0.4 H), 4.15 (m, 1H), 4.38 (d, 1H, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.42–4.70 (m, 10H), 4.73–4.98 (m, 3H), 5.08 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz, H-1α), 7.10–7.37 (m, 45H, 4 H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.1 (OCH₃ β), 52.1 (OCH₃ α), 54.9 (CO₂CH₃ α), 55.1 (CO₂CH₃ β), 67.1 (α), 67.2 (C-6 α), 68.5 (C-6 β), 69.9 (β), 70.4 (Cα), 70.8 (CH₂ Bn α), 71.2 (CH₂ Bn α), 71.9 (CH₂ Bn β), 72.5 (β), 72.9 (CH₂ Bn β), 73.2 (β), 73.3 (CH₂ Bn β), 74.0 (CH₂ Bn β), 74.5 (β), 75.0 (CH₂ Bn α), 76.0 (α), 76.9 (β), 77.2 (β), 77.8 (α), 77.9 (β), 78.3 (β), 79.7 (β), 80.1 (α), 82.0 (α), 97.8 (C-1'α), 97.9 (C-1 α), 101.3 (C-1' β); ¹³C GATED NMR (100 MHz) δ = 97.8 (*J*_{C-1'α, H-1'α} = 167 Hz, C-1'α), 97.9 (*J*_{C-1α, H-1α} = 166 Hz, C-1α); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₅₆H₆₄O₁₂N 942.44230, found 942.44368.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-3-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α -D-allopyranosyluronate)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (58).** Alluronic acid **54** (86 mg, 0.15 mmol) was glycosylated with galactoside **26** (105 mg, 0.225 mmol, 1.5 equiv) as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates giving α -linked disaccharide **58** (72 mg, 52%) as transparent oil: [α]_D²⁵ = +26.3 (*c* = 0.2, DCM); IR (neat) 729, 826, 895, 999, 1030, 1061, 1096, 1180, 1215, 1265, 1366, 1454, 1508, 1744, 2866, 3055 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.46 (s, 1H, H-5), 3.54 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.58 (t, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-2'), 3.61 (dd, 1H, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2.4 Hz, H-4'), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃ *p*MP), 3.99–4.09 (m, 3H, H-2, H-4, H-6), 4.27 (m, 1H, H-3'), 4.34–4.40 (m, H-3, H-6, CH₂ Bn), 5.52 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.56 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.4 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.61 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.2 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.71 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.4 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.80 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.89–4.95 (m, 3H, H-5', H-1, CH₂ Bn), 5.33 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.55 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene), 6.77 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H arom), 7.00 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, H arom), 7.02–7.30 (m, 23H, 2 H arom), 7.51–7.58 (m, 2H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 52.1 (CO₂CH₃), 55.6 (OCH₃ *p*MP), 66.3 (C-5), 67.0 (C-5'), 69.3 (C-6), 70.8 (CH₂ Bn), 71.0 (CH₂ Bn), 71.5 (C-3), 73.2 (C-3'), 74.1 (CH₂ Bn), 75.0 (CH₂ Bn), 75.4 (C-2), 76.0 (C-4), 76.3 (C-2'), 77.0 (C-4'), 92.5 (C-1'), 101.0 (CHPh benzylidene), 102.8 (C-1), 114.3 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.8 (CH arom *p*MP), 126.3, 137.1–128.9 (CH arom), 137.7–139.0 (C_q arom), 151.7 (C_q *p*MP), 155.1 (C_q *p*MP), 171.5 (C=O CO₂Me); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) δ = 92.4 (*J*_{C-1', H-1'} = 164 Hz, C-1'), 102.7 (*J*_{C-1, H-1} = 160 Hz, C-1); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₆₀O₁₃N 942.40592, found 942.40719.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α / β -D-allopyranoside)- α -D-glucopyranoside (57). Allopyranoside **55** (95 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **25** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding disaccharide **57** (136 mg, 92%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.5): IR (neat) 729, 910, 1026, 1049, 1072, 1207, 1265, 1327, 1362, 1454, 1497, 2870, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz) δ = 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.31–3.33 (m, 2H), 3.39 (dd, 0.5 H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz, H-2α), 3.43–3.46 (m, 1.6 H), 3.51 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz, H-2β), 3.55–3.60 (m, 2.5 H), 3.65–3.74 (m, 6.3 H), 3.93 (t, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 3.97–4.00 (m, 1.5 H), 4.11 (m, 0.4 H), 4.17–4.18 (m, 1.5 H), 4.23–4.25 (m, 1H), 4.37 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 4.37 (d, 0.5 H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 4.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 4.48–4.69 (m, 13 H), 4.73 (d, 0.5 H), 4.77–4.85 (m, 4.3 H), 4.90–4.97 (m, 3.2 H), 5.1 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.0 Hz, H-1' α), 7.07–7.36 (m, 53H, 5 H arom); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ = 54.9 (OCH₃ β), 55.1 (OCH₃ α), 66.2 (α), 66.6, 68.1, 68.6, 69.4, 69.9, 70.4, 70.6, 70.8 (CH₂ Bn α), 71.5 (CH₂Ph β), 72.6 (CH₂ Bn β), 72.8 (α), 73.3 (CH₂ Bn β), 73.3 (CH₂ Bn α), 73.4 (CH₂ Bn α), 73.5 (CH₂ Bn α), 74.0 (CH₂ Bn α), 74.4 (α), 74.5 (CH₂ Bn α), 74.6 (β), 74.8 (CH₂ Bn α), 75.0 (CH₂ Bn β), 75.5 (CH₂ Bn α), 75.6 (β), 75.6 (α), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn β), 76.7 (β), 77.8 (β), 77.8 (α), 79.0 (β), 79.6 (β), 80.1 (α), 82.0 (α), 97.6 (C-1'α), 97.9 (C-1 α), 98.0 (C-1 β), 101.1 (C-1'β), 127.0–128.4 (CH arom), 137.8 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.5 (C_q Ph), 138.7 (C_q Ph), 138.8 (C_q Ph), 138.9 (C_q Ph), 139.0 (C_q Ph), 137.4 (C_q Ph); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) δ = 97.6 (*J*_{C-1'α, H-1'α} = 167 Hz), 101.1 (*J*_{C-1β, H-1β} = 162 Hz); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₂H₇₀O₁₁N 1004.49434, found 1004.49594.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α / β -D-allopyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -D-galactopyranoside (59).** Allopyranoside **55** (95 mg, 0.15 mmol) was condensed with acceptor **26** according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, affording disaccharide **59** (105 mg, 71%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.56). α Isomer: [α]_D²⁵ = +11.3 (*c* = 0.6, DCM); IR (neat) 729, 826, 907, 999, 1026, 1061, 1096, 1146, 1180, 1219, 1265 1366, 1393, 1454, 1504, 2866, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.40–3.45 (m, 3H, H-5, H-6', H-6'), 3.56–3.59 (m, 2H, H-2', H-4'), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃ *p*MP), 3.98–4.00 (m, 2H, H-3, H-2), 4.08 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.2 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.32–4.59 (m, 10H, H-4, H-3', H-5', CH₂ Bn), 4.66 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.78–4.83 (m, 2H, H-1, CH₂ Bn), 4.99 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 5.30 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.57 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene), 6.78–6.80 (m, 2H, H arom), 7.02–7.36 (m, 28H, H arom), 7.44–7.47 (m, 2H, H arom), 7.55–7.57 (m, 2H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.6 (OCH₃ *p*MP), 65.9 (C-5'), 66.4 (C-5), 68.7 (C-6'), 69.3 (C-6), 70.6 (CH₂ Bn), 70.6 (CH₂ Bn), 71.6 (C-4), 73.0 (CH₂ Bn), 73.5 (C-3), 74.2 (CH₂ Bn), 74.6 (C-4' or C-2'), 74.7 (C-3 or C-2), 74.8 (CH₂ Bn), 76.2 (C-3 or C-2), 76.8 (C-2' or C-4'), 92.4 (C-1'), 100.9 (CHPh benzylidene), 103.1 (C-1), 114.3 (CH arom *p*MP), 118.9 (CH arom *p*MP), 126.3–129.1 (CH arom), 137.7 (C_q Ph), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.5 (C_q Ph), 139.4 (C_q Ph), 151.8 (C_q *p*MP), 155.1 (C_q *p*MP); ¹³C-GATED NMR (100 MHz) δ = 92.4 (*J*_{C-1', H-1'} = 162 Hz, C-1'), 103.1 (*J*_{C-1, H-1} = 154 Hz, C-1); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₆₆O₁₂N 1004.45795, found 1004.45933. β Isomer: [α]_D²⁵ = +32.3 (*c* = 1.2, DCM); IR 737, 826, 1003, 1092 1223, 1366, 1454, 1504, 2866 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.31 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2.4 Hz, H-2'), 3.42–3.46 (m, 2H, H-4', H-5), 3.65 (dd, 1H, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 10.8 Hz, H-6'), 3.73 (dd, 1H, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 2.0 Hz, H-6), 3.76 (s, 3H, OCH₃ *p*MP), 3.96–3.99 (m, 2H, H-3, H-6), 4.04–4.14 (m, 3H, H-5', H-2, H-3'), 4.29–4.34 (m, 2H, H-6, H-4), 4.43 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.49 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.8 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.58 (d, 1H, *J* = 12.4 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.76 (d, 1H, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.80–4.93 (m, 6H, H-1, CH₂ Bn), 5.42 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1'), 5.56 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene), 6.79 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, H arom), 7.02–7.39 (m, 32H, 3 H arom), 7.39–7.61 (m, 2H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.6 (OCH₃ *p*MP), 66.6 (C-4'), 69.0 (C-6), 69.53 (C-6'), 71.4 (CH₂ Bn), 72.0 (C-5'), 72.9 (CH₂ Bn),

73.4 (CH₂ Bn), 74.2 (CH₂ Bn), 74.4 (C-2), 75.2 (CH₂ Bn), 75.7 (C-5), 77.0 (C-4), 77.3 (C-4), 78.3 (C-3'), 78.7 (C-2'), 100.8 (CHPh benzylidene), 101.9 (C-1'), 103.3 (C-1), 114.4 (CH arom *pMP*), 119.1 (CH arom *pMP*), 126.4–128.7 (CH arom), 137.8 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.4 (C_q Ph), 138.7 (C_q Ph), 139.1 (C_q Ph), 151.7 (C_q *pMP*), 155.3 (C_q *pMP*); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₆₆O₁₂N 1004.45795, found 1004.45938.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -*D*-galactopyranosyluronate)- α -*D*-glucopyranoside (62). Galacturonic acid **60** (114 mg, 0.20 mmol) was condensed with glucoside **25** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol) as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates yielding **62** (91 mg, 49%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/2.3): IR (neat) 733, 818, 914, 1026, 1049, 1068, 1092, 1211, 1269, 1358, 1454, 1497, 1605, 1732, 1767, 2870, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.28 (s, 3 H, OCH₃ α), 3.29 (s, 8 H, OCH₃ β), 3.40 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 3.44–5.4 (m, 10 H), 3.58 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃ α), 3.62 (s, 7H, OCH₃ *pMP*, CO₂CH₃ β), 3.65 (dd, 2H, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 10.8 Hz), 3.85–3.89 (m, 7H), 3.91–4.02 (m, 5H), 4.06 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 9.6 Hz), 4.20–4.23 (m, 6H), 4.29 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 4.40 (bs, 1H), 4.50–4.72 (m, 16 H), 4.73–4.83 (m, 4 H), 4.97 (dd, 6H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 10.8 Hz), 5.07 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-1' α), 7.18–7.36 (m, 16 H, H arom Ph); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 53.0 (OCH₃ C-1-OCH₃), 55.0 (OCH₃ CO₂CH₃), 66.8 (C-6 α), 68.6 (C-6 β), 69.9 (β), 70.1 (α), 70.7 (α), 72.7 (CH₂ Bn α), 72.9 (CH₂ Bn α), 73.2 (CH₂ Bn α), 73.2 (CH₂ Bn β), 73.8 (β), 74.4, 74.7 (CH₂ Bn α), 74.9 (β), 75.0 (CH₂ Bn β), 75.5 (CH₂ Bn β), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn α), 75.8 (α), 76.5 (α), 77.2 (α), 77.8 (α), 79.8 (β), 78.0 (α), 81.3 (β), 81.9 (β), 82.0 (α), 97.7 (C-1 β), 97.7 (C-1 α), 98.1 (C-1' α), 103.7 (C-1' β), 137.3–128.3 (CH arom), 138.0–138.8 (C_q arom), 168.4 (C=O CO₂CH₃ β), 169.2 (C=O CO₂CH₃ α); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₅₆H₆₄O₁₂N 942.44230, found 942.44373.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-3-*O*-(methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl- α/β -*D*-alloyranosyluronate)-4,6-benzylidene- β -*D*-galactopyranoside (64).** Galacturonic acid **60** (114 mg, 0.20 mmol) was glycosylated with glucoside **26** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) as described in the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycuronates yielding **64** (159 mg, 86%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.4): IR (neat) 737, 826, 922, 999, 1030, 1065, 1096, 1219, 1366, 1396, 1454, 1504, 1759, 2870, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.31 (s, 0.7 H, *pMP* β), 3.41–3.44 (m, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H, *pMP* α), 3.56 (s, 1H, CO₂CH₃ β), 3.72 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃ α), 3.83 (s, 0.4 H), 3.87 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.2 Hz, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 3.95 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 10.0 Hz), 4.01–4.07 (m, 3H), 4.09–4.17 (m, 3H), 4.28–4.32 (m, 2H), 4.34 (d, 0.4 H, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 4.50–4.55 (m, 1.4 H), 4.60 (d, 3H, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 4.67 (d, 2H, *J* = 11.2 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.74–4.92 (m, 6H), 4.97 (d, 0.4 H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1' β), 4.53 (d, 1 H, *J* = 11.2 Hz, CH₂ Bn α), 5.05 (d, 0.4 H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn β), 5.28 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-1' α), 0.55 (s, 1H, CHPh benzylidene α), 5.61 (s, 0.4 H, CHPh benzylidene β), 6.78 (d, 3H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H arom *pMP* α , *pMP* β), 6.80 (s, 3H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H arom *pMP* α , *pMP* β), 7.02–7.39 (m, 38.5 H, H arom), 7.54–7.56 (m, 2H, H arom), 7.60–7.60 (m, 0.8 H, H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 51.7 (OCH₃ *pMP* α), 52.0 (OCH₃ *pMP* β), 55.5 (CO₂CH₃ α , CO₂CH₃ β), 66.3 (α), 66.6 (β), 68.7 (CH₂ Bn β), 69.1 (CH₂ Bn α), 70.5 (α), 71.3 (α), 72.2 (CH₂ Bn), 73.2 (CH₂ Bn), 73.8 (α), 74.3 (CH₂ Bn), 74.6 (CH₂ Bn), 74.7 (CH₂ Bn), 75.1 (β), 75.2 (CH₂ Bn), 75.3 (α), 75.5 (β), 76.2 (α), 76.8 (α), 77.6 (α), 78.3 (β), 79.1 (β), 81.0 (β), 93.0 (C-1' α), 100.5 (CHPh benzylidene β), 101.1 (CHPh benzylidene α), 103.0 (C-1' β), 103.1 (C-1 α , C-1 β), 114.3 (CH arom *pMP*), 118.6 (CH arom *pMP*), 126.1–128.8 (CH arom), 137.6–138.5 (C_q arom), 151.4 (C_q *pMP*), 155.2 (C_q

pMP), 168.8 (C=O CO₂Me α); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₆₀O₁₃N 942.40592, found 942.40733.

Methyl 2,3,4-Tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α/β -*D*-galactopyranoside)- α -*D*-glucopyranoside (63). Galactoside **61** (127 mg, 0.20 mmol) was condensed with glucoside **25** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) according to the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, yielding **63** (132 mg, 67%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/3): IR (neat) 733, 818, 910, 1026, 1065, 1092, 1157, 1207, 1265, 1362, 1454, 1497, 1585, 1605, 1956, 2870, 3032, 3063 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 3.33 (s, 3H, OCH₃ β), 3.35 (s, 1H, OCH₃ α), 3.43–3.73 (m, 12 H), 3.71–3.84 (m, 1.7 H), 3.96–4.02 (m, 1.7 H), 4.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.4 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.35 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1' β), 4.40–4.47 (m, 0.7 H), 4.50–4.66 (m, 8 H), 4.69–4.84 (m, 8 H), 4.91 (m, 1.6 H, CH₂ Bn), 4.97 (m, 2 H, CH₂ Bn and C-1' α), 7.13–7.42 (m, 59H, 5 H arom); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.1 (OCH₃ α), 55.1 (OCH₃ β), 66.0, 68.4, 68.5, 69.8, 70.2, 70.3, 72.3 (CH₂ Bn), 73.3 (CH₂ Bn), 74.8 (CH₂ Bn), 74.9 (CH₂ Bn), 75.0, 75.4 (CH₂ Bn), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn), 75.6 (CH₂ Bn), 77.5, 77.7, 77.8, 77.9, 79.7, 79.9, 80.1, 81.6, 81.9, 82.0, 84.7, 97.2 (C-1' α), 97.9 (C-1 α), 98.0 (C-1 β), 103.7 (C-1' β), 127.5–128.4 (CH arom), 138.0 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.1 (C_q Ph), 138.2 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.3 (C_q Ph), 138.5 (C_q Ph), 138.8 (C_q Ph); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₂H₇₀O₁₁N 1004.49434, found 1004.49583.

***p*-Methoxyphenyl 2-*O*-Benzyl-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α/β -*D*-galactospyranoside)-4,6-benzylidene- β -*D*-galactopyranoside (65).** Galactoside **61** (127 mg, 0.20 mmol) was glycosylated with galactoside **26** (139 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) following the general procedure for glycosylations of thioglycosides, giving disaccharide **65** (0.142 mg, 72%) as a mixture of anomers (α/β : 1/0.1): IR (neat) 737, 826, 907, 999, 1061, 1099, 1223, 1312, 1366, 1454, 1504, 2168, 2866, 3032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz) δ = 5.24 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-1' α), 5.50 (s, 1H, CHPh- α benzylidene), 5.55 (s, 0.1 H, CHPh- β benzylidene). α Anomer: 3.25–3.29 (m, 2H, H-5, H-6'), 3.53–3.57 (m, 1H, H-6'), 3.69 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-4'), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃ *pMP*), 3.88 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 10.0 Hz, H-3), 3.92–3.99 (m, 2H, H-3', H-6), 4.07 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-2'), 4.09–4.14 (m, 1H, H-2), 4.18 (t, 1H, *J* = 6.4 Hz, H-5'), 4.26–4.29 (m, 4H, H-6, H-4, CH₂ Bn), 4.53 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.58 (m, 2H, CH₂ Bn), 4.66 (d, 1H, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 4.76–4.81 (m, 3H, H-1, CH₂ Bn), 4.92 (d, 1 H, CH₂ Bn), 5.01 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.8 Hz, CH₂ Bn), 5.24 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.6 Hz, H-1' α), 5.50 (s, 1H, CHPh- α benzylidene), 6.79 (d, 2H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H arom *pMP*), 6.81 (d, 2H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H arom *pMP*), 7.01–7.37 (m, 28 H, 2 H arom Ph), 7.52–7.55 (m, 2H, H arom Ph); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) δ = 55.5 (OCH₃ *pMP*), 66.2 (C-5 or C-5'), 69.3 (C-5 or C-5'), 69.2 (C-6 or C-6'), 69.3 (C-6 or C-6'), 71.3 (C-4), 71.9 (CH₂ Bn), 72.6 (CH₂ Bn), 72.9 (CH₂ Bn), 73.7 (C-3), 74.6 (CH₂ Bn), 75.1 (C-4), 75.2 (CH₂ Bn), 76.0 (C-2'), 76.8 (C-2), 78.5 (C-3), 92.6 (C-1' α), 100.5 (C-1' β), 101.2 (CHPh benzylidene), 103.1 (C-1 α), 103.6 (C-1 β); HRMS [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₆₆O₁₂N 1004.45795, found 1004.45943.

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