# Chemical Synthesis of N-Linked Glycans Carrying Both Mannose-6phosphate and GlcNAc-Mannose-6-phosphate Motifs

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## **Supporting Information**

**ABSTRACT:** Mannose-6-phosphate (M6P) containing N-linked glycans are the essential targeting signals for hydrolases sorting in eukaryotic cells. To facilitate their structural and binding analyses, a highly efficient and convergent method has been developed to prepare complex N-linked glycans with welldefined M6P and N-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc)-M6P motifs, a newly identified binding element for M6P receptors. The GlcNAc-M6P motif was stereoselectively installed at the late stage of the synthesis. Sequential deprotection of benzyl and acetate groups provided the fully deprotected Nglycans in excellent yield.



## **INTRODUCTION**

Mannose-6-phosphate (M6P)-containing N-linked glycans are the essential targeting signals for the transport of hydrolases and other M6P-containing proteins in eukaryotic cells (Figure 1A).<sup>1</sup> In the ER-Golgi network, hydrolases become distinct from the other N-glycoproteins by acquiring M6P residues in a two-step process: First, the GlcNAc-phosphotransferase transfers N-acetylglucosamine-1-phosphate to mannose residues on a N-glycan to generate a phosphodiester intermediate GlcNAc-M6P. Second,  $\alpha$ -N-acetyl-glucosaminidase removes the Nacetylglucosamine residue to generate the M6P phosphomonoester (Figure 1B).<sup>2</sup> Depending on the M6P-based binding signals embedded in N-glycans, M6P receptors (MPRs) can guide the transport of hydrolases to different destinations, mainly lysosomes or extracellular matrix. Because of the complexity caused by the inherent heterogeneity and multivalence of M6P N-glycans, the detailed mechanism of this universal M6P-coded protein sorting process is still poorly understood.<sup>3</sup> The conventional binding model relies on a simple binary coding system (M and M6P) where M6P serves as the sole positive binding element for MPRs. However, recent studies from Dahms and co-workers provided critical insights to the functional roles of the GlcNAc-M6P motif.<sup>4</sup> They discovered that M6P receptor homology (MRH) domain 5 of the cation-independent (CI)-MPR provides a previously unnoticed weak binding site for GlcNAc-M6P (Figure 1B). More surprisingly, MRH domain 5 shows a stronger binding affinity for GlcNAc-M6P as compared to M6P.<sup>5</sup> Even though GlcNAc-M6P-containing N-glycans were found in secreted hydrolases, they were mostly ignored due to their unknown binding abilities.<sup>6</sup> Inspired by Dahms's discovery, we hypothesized that GlcNAc-M6P could be a key element necessary to control the diversion of hydrolases at the trans Golgi network. Therefore, a much more complex ternary coding system consisting of M, M6P, and Glc-M6P might exist for the hydrolase sorting system. To test this hypothesis via structural and binding analyses, we need to obtain enough homogeneous *N*-glycan materials with various well-defined GlcNAc-M6P and M6P modification patterns. Herein, we report the first chemical synthesis of GlcNAc-M6P-containing *N*-glycans, which proceeds in a highly efficient fashion.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Phosphor-containing *N*-glycans pose a greater synthetic challenge when compared to unmodified *N*-glycans.<sup>7,8</sup> Synthetic routes have to be delicately orchestrated and executed to accommodate the labile phosphor moieties. In our previous exploration of the chemical synthesis of multiphosphorylated *N*-glycans, a late stage phosphorylation strategy was successfully employed to install two benzyl-protected phosphate groups on an octasaccharide substrate using the phosphoramidite chemistry.<sup>9</sup> Accordingly, such a late stage phosphorylation strategy was adopted for the synthesis of GlcNAc-M6P-containing *N*-glycans. To synthesize complex GlcNAc-M6P N-glycans, we first need to develop a highly efficient and robust procedure to install GlcNAc to a monomeric mannopyranose substrate through the phosphordiester linkage in a stereoselective manner (Scheme 1).

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**Figure 1.** M6P *N*-glycans for hydrolase sorting. (A) A representative structure *N*-glycan carrying M6P and/or GlcNAc-M6P motifs. (B) Biosynthesis of M6P. (C) A schematic structure of a homodimeric cation-independent MPR: Each octahedron is a MPH domain, and domains 3 and 9 are known binding sites for M6P, while domain 5 was recently revealed as a GlcNAc-M6P binding site.





"Reagents and conditions: (a) (i-Pr<sub>2</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>PCl, DIPEA, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, MS 4 Å, rt, 32%. (b) BnOH, 1H-tetrazole, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt, 36%. (c) (i) 4 (2 equiv), 6, 1H-tetrazole, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, MS 4 Å, rt; (ii) t-BuO<sub>2</sub>H, 90% over two steps. (d) H<sub>2</sub>, Pd/C, MeOH, rt. (e) NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, MeOH; rt, 67% over steps d and e.

Among the various options for the construction of the GlcNAc-M6P phosphodiester linkage, the disconnection between the C6-OH group on the mannopyranose and the phosphorus (P) group linked to  $C_1\alpha$ -OH of GlcNAc looked particularly attractive. An O-(P-X) (X as a leaving group) group can be first stereoselectively installed on the C<sub>1</sub>-OH of GlcNAc, which then reacts as an electrophilic phosphorylation reagent with the C<sub>6</sub>-OH group of a mannopyranose. If successful, the difficult  $C_1 \alpha$ -O-P stereochemistry can be pre-established in a simple intermediate, and the overall sequence to synthesize complex N-glycans will also be more convergent. The blueprint of this approach had been elegantly demonstrated by Boons and co-workers in the synthesis of GlcNAc-P-serine motifs bearing a similar  $\alpha$  phosphodiester linkage between the C<sub>1</sub> of GlcNAc and the  $\beta$ -OH group of serine.<sup>10</sup> Using this strategy, GlcNAc-P-N(i-Pr $)_2$  4 was prepared from GlcNAc 2 in moderate yield and excellent  $\alpha$  stereoselectivity, which reacted with the  $\beta$ -OH group of protected serine to form the desired

phosphotriester upon oxidation with tBuO<sub>2</sub>H. Initially, we explored a new phosphoramidite reagent 5, a Bn-protected version of reagent 4, for the synthesis of GlcNAc-M6P because of its facile deprotection by catalytic hydrogenolysis. However, this compound failed to undergo the desired phosphorylation with mannopyranose due to intramolecular cyclization presumably caused by the increased nucleophilicity of the NHAc group (Scheme 1). To our delight, compound 4 reacted well with monomeric mannopyranose 6 to give GlcNAc-M6P 7 in excellent yield under the tetrazole-promoted coupling and tBuO<sub>2</sub>H-mediated oxidation condition. Following Boons's procedure, a clean deprotection of GlcNAc-M6P 7 was achieved to provide the disaccharide 9 in a two-step sequence: first removal of the OBn groups via catalytic hydrogenolysis, followed by removal of the OAc groups with  $NH_2NH_2 \cdot H_2O$  in MeOH. It is noteworthy that, in contrast to the labile Bnprotected phosphotriester linkage, phosphodiester linkage was stable under the above nucleophilic conditions.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of the Hybrid N-Glycan  $20^{a}$ 



"Reagents and conditions: (a) (i) NIS, TfOH, Et<sub>2</sub>O, MS 4 Å, -20 °C-rt, 92%; (ii) PhBCl<sub>2</sub>, Et<sub>3</sub>SiH, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C, 92%. (b) (i) TABF, THF, rt, 90%; (ii) Ac<sub>2</sub>O, Py, rt, 95%. (c) **12**, **14** (2 equiv), NIS, AgOTf, Et<sub>2</sub>O, MS 4 Å, -20 °C-rt. (d) (i) Ethylenediamine, *n*-BuOH, then Ac<sub>2</sub>O, Py, rt, ~50% over steps c and d-i; (ii) CH<sub>3</sub>COSH, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, reflux, 82%. (e) (i) NaOMe, MeOH, rt, >95%; (ii) dibenzyl *N*,*N*-diisopropylphosphoramidite (3 equiv), 1*H*-tetrazole; (iii) *m*CPBA, 95%, over two steps. (f) (i) TABF, THF, rt, >95%; (ii) 4 (2 equiv), 1*H*-tetrazole, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, MS 4 Å; then *t*-BuO<sub>2</sub>H, >95%, over two steps. (g) H<sub>2</sub>, Pd/C, MeOH, rt. (h) NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, MeOH, rt, 81%, over two steps g and h.

With this highly efficient GlcNAc-M6P construction method in hand, we set out to synthesize complex *N*-glycans carrying GlcNAc-M6P and/or M6P motifs. An octasaccharide skeleton as shown in structure 1 (Figure 1A) was chosen as our target.<sup>4</sup> To allow for different modes of phosphorylation at the late stage of synthesis, two mannose branches bearing differentially protected  $C_6$ -OH groups with OTIPS and OAc needed to be built into the skeleton (compound 16, Scheme 2).

Following our previous synthetic route for the bis-M6P N-glycan, Man<sub>2</sub> compound **10** carrying the O-TIPS group was

Scheme 3. Synthesis of the Bis GlcNAc-M6P N-Glycan  $24^{a}$ 



"Reagents and conditions: (a) (i) NaOMe, MeOH, rt, >95%; (ii) TABF, THF, rt, >95%. (b) 4 (5 equiv), 1*H*-tetrazole,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , MS 4 Å; then *t*-BuO<sub>2</sub>H, >95%, over two steps. (c)  $H_2$ , Pd/C, MeOH, rt. (d)  $NH_2NH_2$ · $H_2O$ , MeOH, rt, 87%, over steps c and d.

first installed to the central trisaccharide 11 under the promotion of NIS and TfOH, followed by selective benzylidene opening, to give pentasaccharide 12 in good yield.<sup>9</sup> The TIPS group of Man<sub>3</sub> branch 13, used in our previous synthesis,<sup>9</sup> was converted to the OAc group. The resulting trisaccharide 14 was installed onto 12 under the promotion of NIS and AgOTf. Subsequently, the Phth groups were converted to the NHAc groups; the anomeric azido group was transformed to NHAc by AcSH<sup>11</sup> to provide octasaccharide 16 with two different masked phosphorylation sites. The OAc group of 16 was then removed by the treatment with NaOMe in MeOH; the unmasked OH group was phosphorylated with dibenzyl N,N-diisopropylphosphoramidite, followed by tBuO2H oxidation, to place the first Bn-protected phosphoester motif in 17. The TIPS group of 17 was then removed by TBAF. To our delight, installation of the GlcNAc phosphotriester on the octasaccharide substrate proceeded cleanly with 2 equiv of reagent 4 under the standard coupling/oxidation conditions. Following the sequential deprotection of OBn and OAc groups of 18, analytically pure product 20 carrying both M6P and GlcNAc-M6P motifs was obtained in nearly quantitative yield. The stereochemistry of  $C_1\alpha$  of GlcNAc in 20 was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR (see the Supporting Information).

Following the same late stage phosphorylation strategy, *N*-glycan **24** carrying two GlcNAc-M6P motifs, a compound found in secreted hydrolases,<sup>6</sup> was also synthesized. As shown in Scheme 3, both OAc and OTIPS groups of compound **15** were removed to provide intermediate **21**. Installation of two GlcNAc phosphotriester linkages on **21** proceeded cleanly with 5 equiv of phosphoramidite **4** under the standard phosphorylation condition to give compound **22**. Final deprotection of OBn and OAc groups of **22** provided the decasaccharide **24** in excellent yield.

#### CONCLUSION

In summary, we developed a highly efficient and convergent method for the synthesis of GlcNAc-M6P motif. Following a late stage phosphorylation strategy, we have achieved the first syntheses of complex *N*-glycans carrying well-defined GlcNAc-M6P and/or M6P motifs. We expect this strategy would allow us to prepare a series of *N*-glycans with various glycoforms and phosphoforms for detailed structural and binding analyses with CI-MPRs.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Allyl 6-[Benzyl-(2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- $\alpha$ -Dglucopyranosyl)]-phosphonato-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (7). To a mixture of compounds 4<sup>10</sup> (120 mg, 0.2 mmol) and  $6^{12}$  (50 mg, 0.1 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (4 mL) under an atmosphere of N2 was added 1H-tetrazole solution (1.0 mL, 0.45 M solution in CH<sub>3</sub>CN). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and then cooled to -40 °C. t-BuO<sub>2</sub>H (47  $\mu$ L, 70% solution in water) was then added and stirred for 2 h at -40 °C. The solvent was then removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Hex, 4/1). This product was further purified by size-exclusion column chromatography over Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/1) to give compound 7 as a yellow oil (75 mg, 90%).  $R_f = 0.4$  (EtOAc/ Hex, 4/1).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  25 (c 0.44, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz): δ 7.25-7.32 (m, 20 H), 6.07 (d, 1 H, J = 9.3 Hz, NH), 5.70 (dd, J = 3.3 Hz,  $J_1 = 5.8$  Hz), 5.85 (m, 1H), 5.06–5.22 (m, 6 H), 4.86–4.96 (m, 2 H), 4.72 (s, 1 H), 4.56-4.68 (m, 4 H), 4.34-4.43 (m, 2 H), 4.28-4.31 (m, 1 H), 4.09-4.15 (m, 2 H), 3.88-4.03 (m, 5 H), 3.79-3.82 (m, 2 H), 2.00 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.99 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.97 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.82 (s, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 171.5, 171.0, 170.6, 169.5, 138.5, 133.8, 129.1, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4 (2 C), 128.2, 128.0, 117.8, 97.7, 80.3, 77.7, 75.6, 74.8, 74.3, 73.1, 72.5, 70.7, 69.9, 68.6, 67.7, 67.6, 61.5, 35.6, 23.3, 21.0, 20.9.  $^{31}$ P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 146 MHz):  $\delta$ -1.82, -1.94 (diastereomers). IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2942, 1755, 1244, 1028, 959. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{51}H_{64}N_2O_{17}P^+$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>], 1007.3943; found, 1007.3923.

Propyl 6-(2-Acetamido-2-deoxy- $\alpha$ -p-glucopyranosyl)-phosphonato-1- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (9). The phosphoester compound 7 (60 mg, 0.06 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL), and Pd/C (100 mg, 10 wt %) was added. The resulting suspension was placed under an atmosphere of H<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. The progress of the reaction was monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, which showed the disappearance of Ar-H peaks at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  = 7.40-7.15 ppm. The reaction mixture was filtered through a polytetrafluoroethylene (0.2  $\mu$ M) membrane filter, which, upon concentration, gave the fully debenzylated phosphodiester intermediate 8. Compound 8 was then dissolved in MeOH (1 mL), NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (0.24 mL) was added to the solution at room temperature, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 8 h. The solvent was then removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product was purified via size-exclusion column chromatography (Sephadex G-25, eluent  $H_2O$ ) to give compound 9 as a white amorphous powder (20 mg, 67%).  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{20}$  20.4 (c 0.49, H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz; D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$ 5.39 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  = 2.9 Hz,  $J_{1,P}$  = 6.7 Hz, H-1,  $\alpha$  isomer)<sup>1</sup>, 4.78 (s, 1 H), 3.98-4.08 (m, 2 H), 3.85-3.89 (m, 2 H), 3.78-3.80 (m, 2 H), 3.70-3.75 (m, 3 H), 3.67-3.68 (m, 2 H), 3.58-3.60 (m, 1 H), 3.41-3.50 (m, 2 H), 1.98 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.52–1.56 (m, 2 H), 0.82–0.85 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 75 MHz): δ 174.9, 100.0, 94.4, 73.3, 71.8, 70.9, 70.8, 70.4, 70.0, 69.8, 66.6, 64.9, 60.6, 54.1, 22.4, 22.2, 10.2. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 146 MHz):  $\delta$  -1.99. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3337, 1654, 1034. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>14</sub>P<sup>+</sup> [M + H<sup>+</sup>], 506.1639; found, 506.1624

Ethanethiol (6-O-Acetyl-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ -O-[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1\rightarrow 3)-O$ ]-2,4-di-O-benzyl-1- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (14). To the solution of compound 139 (2.05 g, 1.35 mmol) in THF (30 mL) was added TBAF/THF (1 M, 4.05 mL, 4.05 mmol) at room temperature. After it was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified via silica gel flash chromatography (EtOAc/Hex, 1/3) to give compound 25 as a yellow oil (1.67 g, 90%, see the Supporting Information for its structure).  $R_f = 0.24$  (EtOAc/Hex, 1/2).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  18.3 (c 0.6, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz): δ 7.15–7.33 (m, 45 H), 5.31 (s, 1 H), 5.29 (s, 1 H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.90 (d, 1 H, J = 11.0 Hz), 4.83 (d, 1 H, J = 10.6 Hz), 4.55-4.68 (m, 9 H), 4.41-4.52 (m, 4 H), 4.26-4.29 (m, 3 H), 3.95-4.06 (m, 3 H), 3.84-3.93 (m, 9 H), 3.68-3.79 (m, 6 H), 2.46-2.58 (m, 2 H), 1.16-1.21 (m, 3 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 138.7 (2 C), 138.6, 138.5, 138.3, 137.8, 137.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3 (3 C), 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7 (2 C), 127.6 (2 C), 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 99.9, 97.7, 81.2, 80.3, 80.2, 79.9, 77.2, 75.7, 75.4, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.9, 74.8, 74.7, 73.4, 73.1, 72.7, 72.2, 72.0, 71.9, 71.8, 71.1, 71.0, 69.3, 66.8, 62.3, 25.3, 15.0. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2907,

1453, 1098. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{83}H_{94}NO_{15}S^{+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>], 1376.6344; found, 1376.6349. Compound 25 (100 mg, 0.07 mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous pyridine (2 mL) and Ac<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL). After it was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, the solution was diluted with EtOAc and washed with aqueous HCl (1 M), saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4 and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Hex, 1/4) to give compound 14 as a yellow oil (98 mg, 95%).  $R_f = 0.67$  (EtOAc/Hex, 1/2).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  17.9 (c 2.6, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ 7.14–7.33 (m, 45 H), 5.32 (s, 1 H), 5.30 (s, 1 H), 4.98 (s, 1 H), 4.91 (d, 1 H, J = 10.9 Hz), 4.82 (d, 1 H, J = 10.4 Hz), 4.36-4.66 (m, 14 H), 4.20-4.28 (m, 4 H),3.97–4.06 (m, 3 H), 3.69–3.89 (m, 13 H), 2.41–2.60 (m, 2 H), 1.97 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.14–1.19 (m, 3 H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$ 171.4, 139.1 (2 C), 138.9, 138.8 (2 C), 138.7, 138.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2 (2 C), 128.1, 128.0 (2 C), 127.9 (2 C), 127.8, 127.6, 100.4, 97.9, 81.4, 80.8, 80.6, 80.3, 77.7, 76.2, 75.8, 75.7, 75.4, 75.1, 74.8, 73.8, 73.5, 72.8, 72.5, 72.3, 72.1, 71.7, 71.5, 70.3, 69.5, 67.1, 63.9, 25.6, 21.4, 15.3. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2917, 1453, 1104. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{85}H_{96}NO_{16}S^+$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>], 1418.6450; found, 1418.6461.

Acetamido (6-O-Acetyl-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ -O-[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 3)-0]-(2,4-di-O-benzyl-\alpha-D-mannopyranosyl)-(1\rightarrow 6)-O-$ [(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-6-O-triisopropylsilyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -O-(3,4,6-O-tribenzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -Ó]-(2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\beta$ -D-mannópyranosyl)-(1→4)-O-(2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-2acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranoside (16). A mixture of donor 14 (470 mg, 0.335 mmol), acceptor 12<sup>5</sup> (525 mg, 0.234 mmol), and MS (4 Å, 500 mg) in anhydrous  $Et_2O$  (6 mL) was stirred at room temperature under argon for 2 h. NIS (75.0 mg, 0.335 mmol) and AgOTf (5.0 mg, 0.112 mmol) were added at -20 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 0.5 h before it was quenched with a few drops of triethylamine. The resulting mixture was filtered through Celite. The filtrate was diluted with CH2Cl2 and washed with saturated NaHCO3 and brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/Hex, 1/4) to give the crude intermediate product 15. To the suspension of compound 15 in n-BuOH (5 mL) was added ethylenediamine (2.5 mL) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred at 90 °C under Ar for 12 h and then concentrated in vacuo. The residue was azeotroped with toluene for 3 times and was then dissolved in anhydrous pyridine (5 mL) and  $Ac_2O$  (5 mL). After it was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, the solution was diluted with EtOAc and washed with aqueous HCl (1 M), saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and brine. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4 and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via silica gel column chromatography (EtOAc/Hex, 1/1) to give compound 26 as a yellow oil (410 mg, ~50% over three steps, see the Supporting Information for its structure).  $R_f = 0.21$  (EtOAc/Hex, 1/1).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  -4.6 (c 0.65, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.05–7.42 (m, 105 H), 6.22 (d, 1 H, J = 8.3 Hz, NH), 5.31 (s, 1 H), 5.20 (s, 1 H), 5.02–5.11 (m, 3 H), 4.70-4.94 (m, 10 H), 4.18-4.70 (m, 38 H), 3.35-4.14 (m, 43 H), 3.09-3.11 (m, 2 H), 1.94 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.88 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.59 (s, 3 H, Ac), 0.99 (brs, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 171.0, 170.4 (2 C), 139.1, 139.0, 138.8, 138.7, 138.6, 138.5, 138.4, 138.2, 137.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4 (3 C), 128.3 (2 C), 128.2 (2 C), 128.1 (3 C), 127.9, 127.7 (2 C), 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 102.0, 101.7, 100.0, 99.8, 98.7, 98.3, 98.1, 88.4, 82.7, 80.4, 80.2, 79.6, 79.5, 78.8, 78.6, 78.0, 77.3, 76.4, 75.9, 75.2, 75.1, 74.9, 74.8, 74.7, 74.4, 74.3, 74.2 (2 C), 73.9, 73.7, 72.7, 72.6, 72.3, 72.1, 71.9, 71.6, 71.5, 70.4, 70.0, 69.9, 69.1, 68.9, 68.3, 66.6, 66.2, 64.4, 63.6, 62.6, 55.3, 51.7, 23.4, 23.2, 21.0, 18.1, 12.0. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2864, 2113, 1454, 1054. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd. for  $C_{210}H_{240}N_6O_{41}Si^{2+} \ [M + NH_4^+ + H^+], \ 1765.8351; \ found, \ 1765.8373.$ To a stirred solution of compound 26 (560 mg, 0.16 mmol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (5 mL) was added 2,6-lutidine (1.1 mL, 8.0 mmol) followed by dropwise addition of thioacetic acid (563  $\mu$ L, 8.0 mmol).<sup>13</sup> The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux and monitored by TLC. After completion of the reaction, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was dried under vacuum. The residue was purified by a silica gel flash

column chromatography (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/50) to give compound 16 as a yellow oil (450 mg, 82%).  $R_f = 0.35$  (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} - 1.8$  (c 0.55, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.21-7.52 (m, 105 H), 5.38 (s, 1 H), 5.18-5.30 (m, 3 H), 5.09 (s, 1 H), 4.80-5.00 (m, 9 H), 4.30-4.76 (m, 38 H), 3.50-4.19 (m, 42 H), 3.30-3.48 (m, 2 H), 3.10-3.21 (m, 2 H), 2.00 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.96 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.80 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.64 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.06 (brs, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 172.1, 171.0, 170.9, 170.1, 139.4, 139.2, 139.0, 138.8, 138.7 (2 C), 138.5, 138.4, 138.3, 138.2, 138.1, 138.0, 137.8, 137.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4 (2 C), 128.3 (3 C), 128.2 (2 C), 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7 (2 C), 127.6 (2 C), 127.5, 127.4 (2 C), 127.3 (2 C), 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.8, 126.6, 101.9, 101.7, 100.0, 98.6, 98.3, 98.1, 82.9, 80.4, 80.2, 79.7, 79.5, 78.7, 78.4, 77.3, 75.9, 75.2, 75.1, 74.9, 74.6, 74.3, 74.2, 73.9, 73.6, 73.4 (2 C), 73.1, 73.0, 72.5, 72.3, 72.2, 72.1, 71.9, 71.6, 71.4, 70.4, 70.0, 69.8, 69.1, 68.4, 67.8, 66.7, 66.0, 64.4, 63.6, 62.6, 55.4, 52.7, 23.4, 23.3, 23.0, 20.9, 18.1, 12.0. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2933, 1664, 1053. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{212}H_{244}N_4O_{42}Si^{2+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 1773.8451; found, 1773.8427.

Acetamido (2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl-6-dibenzylphosphonato- $\alpha$ -Dmannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ -O-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O]-(2, 4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O-[(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-6-O-triisopropylsilyl- $\alpha$ -Dmannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -O-(3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-O]-(2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\beta$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (17). Compound 16 (440 mg, 0.125 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH/CH2Cl2 (2/1, 10 mL) at room temperature. NaOMe in MeOH was added until the pH of the reaction mixture reached 10. After it was stirred at room temperature for 12 h, the solution was neutralized with ion-exchange resin (H<sup>+</sup>), filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via silica gel chromatography (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/50) to give the desired product 27 as a yellow oil (420 mg, >95%, see the Supporting Information for its structure).  $R_f = 0.35$  (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  28.0 (c 0.5, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ 7.01–7.45 (m, 105 H), 5.32 (s, 1 H), 5.20 (s, 1 H), 5.12 (s, 1 H), 5.03 (s, 1 H), 4.92-4.95 (m, 2 H), 4.76–4.88 (m, 6 H), 4.64–4.71 (m, 7 H), 4.30–4.60 (m, 26 H), 4.10-4.30 (m, 6 H), 3.83-4.10 (m, 15 H), 3.40-3.82 (m, 28 H), 3.31-3.37 (m, 2 H), 3.07-3.15 (m, 2 H), 1.89 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.74 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.57 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.00 (m, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 170.7, 169.6, 168.8, 137.8 (2 C), 137.6, 137.4, 137.3, 137.2, 137.1 (2 C), 136.9 (2 C), 136.7, 136.6, 136.5, 127.4 (2 C), 127.2, 127.1, 126.9 (2 C), 126.8, 126.7 (2 C), 126.5 (2 C), 126.4, 126.3 (2 C), 126.2, 126.1 (2 C), 125.9, 125.8, 125.7, 125.6, 125.4, 100.6, 100.3, 98.5, 97.2, 96.6, 95.5, 81.3, 79.1, 78.8, 78.7, 78.1, 77.8, 77.5, 77.2, 76.0, 74.6, 74.4, 73.9, 73.7, 73.5, 73.4, 73.3, 73.1, 72.9, 72.5, 72.3, 72.1, 72.0, 71.7, 71.1, 71.0, 70.7, 70.6, 70.4, 70.3, 70.2, 69.0, 68.4, 67.8, 66.9, 66.4, 64.8, 64.6, 61.2, 60.9, 54.2, 51.4, 22.1, 21.7, 16.7, 10.7. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2917, 1659, 1454, 1051. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{210}H_{242}N_4O_{41}Si^{2+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 1752.8398; found, 1752.8414. A mixture of compound 27 (72 mg, 0.02 mmol), 1H-tetrazole (222  $\mu$ L, 0.45 M in CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 0.1 mmol), and 4 Å molecular sieves (50 mg) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL) was stirred at room temperature under Ar for 2 h. Dibenzyl N,N-diisopropylphosphoramidite (27 µL, 0.08 mmol) was then added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for another 3 h. Subsequently, mCPBA (18.0 mg, 0.08 mmol) was added; the solution was stirred at room temperature for another 1 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of a few drops of triethylamine and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and the resulting residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (MeOH/CH2Cl2, 1/50) to give product 17 as a yellow oil (74 mg, 95%).  $R_f = 0.33$  (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -1.8 (c 0.55, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz): δ 7.00-7.45 (m, 115 H), 5.37 (s, 1 H), 5.32 (s, 1 H), 4.60-5.23 (m, 22 H), 4.15-4.60 (m, 31 H), 3.35-4.15 (m, 45 H), 3.15-3.20 (m, 2 H), 1.93 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.78 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.63 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.01 (brs, 21 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): δ 172.3, 171.3, 170.6, 139.2, 139.1, 138.9, 138.6, 138.5, 138.3, 138.2, 138.0, 137.9, 137.8, 135.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.9, 126.6, 102.0, 101.6, 100.0, 99.7, 98.5, 98.3, 98.2, 82.8, 80.4, 80.2, 79.9, 79.4,

78.8, 78.5, 77.3, 75.8, 75.2, 75.0, 74.8, 74.6, 74.2, 73.9, 73.4, 73.0, 72.5, 72.3, 72.1, 72.0, 71.5, 71.4, 70.7, 70.4, 69.8, 69.5, 69.4, 69.0, 68.3, 67.7, 66.8, 66.5, 66.1, 29.7, 23.4, 23.0, 18.0, 12.0. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 146 MHz):  $\delta$  –1.06. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2923, 1659, 1454, 1052. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>224</sub>H<sub>255</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>44</sub>PSi<sup>2+</sup> [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 1882.8700; found, 1882.8684.

Acetamido (6-Phosphato- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O-[ $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ -O]- $(\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O-[6-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-α-D-glucopyranosyl)-phosphonato- $(\alpha$ -p-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ -O- $(\alpha$ -p-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O]-( $\beta$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -Dglucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (20). To the solution of compound 17 (68 mg, 0.018 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added TBAF/THF (1 M, 363 µL, 0.363 mmol) at room temperature. After it was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The resulting residue was purified via silica gel flash chromatography (MeOH/  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 1/50) to give compound 28 as an oil (64 mg, >95%, see the Supporting Information for its structure).  $R_f = 0.33$  (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} - 2.3$  (c 0.43, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$ 6.99-7.44 (m, 115 H), 5.24 (s, 1 H), 5.21 (s, 1 H), 4.71-5.10 (m, 17 H), 4.18-4.70 (m, 35 H), 3.40-4.15 (m, 45 H), 3.28-3.33 (m, 2 H), 3.06-3.13 (m, 2 H), 1.89 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.72 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.57 (m, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 172.1, 170.9, 170.1, 139.4, 139.1, 138.7, 138.6, 138.5, 138.4, 138.2, 138.0, 137.9, 137.7, 136.0, 135.9, 135.8, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4 (2 C), 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0 (2 C), 127.9 (2 C), 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 101.8, 101.1, 100.0, 99.6, 98.2, 98.0, 82.4, 80.2, 80.0, 79.9, 79.8, 79.5, 78.6, 78.3, 77.2, 75.9, 75.8, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.6, 74.2, 74.1, 73.6, 73.4 (2 C), 73.3, 73.0, 72.9, 72.4, 72.2, 72.1, 71.9, 71.3, 70.3, 69.3, 69.2, 69.1, 69.0, 66.6, 62.1, 29.7, 23.4, 23.0. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 146 MHz): δ -0.77. IR: v 2925, 1659, 1454, 1027 cm<sup>-1</sup>. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{215}H_{235}N_4O_{44}P^{2+}[M + NH_4^+ + H^+]$ , 1804.8033; found, 1804.7988. To a mixture of compounds 28 (66 mg, 0.018 mmol) and 4 (21 mg, 0.036 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 mL) under an atmosphere of nitrogen was added 1*H*-tetrazole solution (176  $\mu$ L, 0.45 M solution in acetonitrile). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and cooled to -40 °C, and t-BuO<sub>2</sub>H (92  $\mu$ L, 70% solution in water) was added and stirred for another 2 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/50). This product was further purified by size-exclusion column chromatography over Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH/CH2Cl2, 1/1) to give compound 18 as a yellow oil (60 mg, >95%).  $R_f = 0.37$  (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ 3.57 (c 1.12, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz): δ 7.03-7.28 (m, 120 H), 5.95 (d, 1 H, J = 6.0 Hz, NH), 5.68 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{1,2} = 3.2$  Hz,  $J_{1,P}$ = 5.7 Hz, H-1,  $\alpha$  isomer), 5.29 (brs, 2 H), 5.10–5.15 (m, 5 H), 4.10– 5.09 (m, 11 H), 4.74-4.82 (m, 5 H), 4.57-4.71 (m, 6 H), 4.18-4.55 (m, 31 H), 3.82-4.32 (m, 22 H), 3.35-3.81 (m, 26 H), 3.25-3.33 (m, 1 H), 3.16-3.20 (m, 1 H), 3.11-3.14 (m, 1 H), 1.94 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.93 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.89 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.77 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.71 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.70 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.57 (s, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 171.0, 170.0, 169.9, 169.4, 169.1, 168.1, 138.2, 138.1, 137.7, 137.6, 137.4, 137.2, 137.1, 136.8, 134.9, 134.8, 134.1, 128.7, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0 (2 C), 126.9, 126.8, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 126.3, 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 125.8, 100.9, 100.2, 99.0, 98.8, 98.2, 97.4, 97.1, 95.3, 79.2, 78.9, 78.7, 78.4, 77.8, 77.5, 76.3, 75.0, 74.8, 74.1, 73.8, 73.6, 73.3, 72.7, 72.5, 72.3, 72.0, 71.8, 71.5, 71.0, 70.9, 70.8, 70.3, 69.4, 69.2, 68.9, 68.6, 68.3, 68.1, 67.6, 66.2, 65.3, 65.1, 60.0, 54.7, 51.7, 50.8, 28.7, 22.5, 22.4, 22.0, 21.8, 19.6, 19.5. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 146 MHz): δ -0.98, -1.95. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2923, 1748, 1665, 1454, 1047. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{236}H_{261}N_5O_{55}P_2^{2+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 2054.3655; found, 2054.3630. Phosphoester 18 (36 mg, 0.009 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL), and Pd/C (50 mg, 10 wt %) was added. The resulting suspension was placed under an atmosphere of  $H_2$ . The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature under  $H_2$ atmosphere for 24 h. The progress of the reaction was monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, which showed the disappearance of Ar-H peaks at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  = 7.40–7.15 ppm. The reaction mixture was filtered through a polytetrafluoroethylene (0.2  $\mu$ M) membrane filter to give

the fully debenzylated phosphoester intermediate 19. NH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (0.24 mL) was added to a solution of 19 in MeOH (1 mL), and the reaction mixture was stirred for 8 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product was purified by size-exclusion column chromatography over Sephadex G-25 (eluent: H<sub>2</sub>O) to give compound 20 as a white amorphous powder upon freeze drying (13 mg, 81%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  15 (c 0.4, H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz; D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  5.33 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  = 3.2 Hz,  $J_{1,P}$  = 7.1 Hz, H-1,  $\alpha$  isomer), 5.22 (s, 1 H), 5.07 (s, 1 H), 4.89 (d, 1 H), J = 9.7 Hz, 4.86 (s, 1 H), 4.79 (s, 1 H), 4.75 (s, 1 H), 4.65 (s, 1 H), 4.44-4.47 (m, 1 H), 4.05-4.15 (m, 1 H), 3.98-4.04 (m, 1 H), 3.40-3.95 (m, 52 H), 1.92 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.91 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.84 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.75 (s, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 125 MHz): δ 181.4, 174.9, 174.7, 174.5, 102.3, 101.1, 100.8, 100.7, 100.0, 99.8, 99.5, 93.9, 93.8, 80.8, 79.2 (2 C), 79.1, 78.5, 78.2, 76.1, 74.4, 74.2, 73.9, 73.5, 73.3, 73.0, 72.6, 72.2, 72.0, 71.9, 71.7, 70.3 (2 C), 70.2 (2 C), 70.1, 70.0, 69.8, 69.4, 69.3, 66.9, 66.5, 66.4, 66.1, 65.9, 65.7, 65.6, 65.1, 62.7, 61.0, 60.7, 60.2, 59.8, 59.7, 55.0, 53.9, 53.8, 53.7, 23.2, 22.1, 22.0, 21.9, 21.8, 21.6. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 146 MHz):  $\delta$  –0.72, 4.76. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3292, 1061. HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>) calcd for C<sub>62</sub>H<sub>104</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>52</sub>P<sup>2-</sup>  $[M - 2H^+]$ , 899.2546; found, 899.2545.

Acetamido (2,3,4-Tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-O-[2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-O]-(2,4di-O-benzyl-*α*-D-mannopyranosyl)-(1→6)-O-[(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-O-(3,4,6-O-tribenzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-O]-(2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\beta$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (21). To the solution of compound 27 (68 mg, 0.02 mmol, derived from 16) in THF (2 mL) was added TBAF/THF (1 M, 100  $\mu$ L, 0.1 mmol) at room temperature. After it was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and purified via silica gel flash chromatography (MeOH/  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 1/50) to give compound 21 as a yellow oil (64 mg, >95%).  $R_1$ = 0.35 (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/30).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$  -4.5 (c 0.44, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz): δ 7.00-7.50 (m, 105 H), 5.28 (s, 1 H), 5.20 (s, 1 H), 5.11 (s, 1 H), 5.08 (s, 1 H), 4.93-5.05 (m, 4 H), 4.78-4.88 (m, 6 H), 4.20-4.73 (m, 35 H), 4.09-4.17 (m, 3 H), 3.83-4.03 (m, 14 H), 3.42–3.77 (m, 28 H), 3.28–3.34 (m, 2 H), 3.07–3.14 (m, 2 H), 1.89 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.72 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.56 (s, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 172.0, 170.9, 170.0, 139.2, 139.1, 138.7, 138.6, 138.5 (2 C), 138.4, 138.3, 138.2, 138.0 (2 C), 137.9, 137.8, 137.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3 (2 C), 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4 (2 C), 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 101.8, 101.1, 100.0, 99.8, 97.9, 97.8, 82.3, 80.2, 80.0, 79.8, 79.4, 79.1, 78.7, 78.5, 77.2, 75.9, 75.7, 75.3, 75.0, 74.9, 74.7, 74.6, 74.3, 74.1, 73.6, 73.4, 73.3, 73.0, 72.9, 72.4, 72.2, 72.0, 71.8, 71.7, 71.6, 70.3, 69.5, 69.1, 68.2, 67.7, 66.1, 62.2, 55.4, 52.7, 29.7, 23.4, 23.0. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2924, 1654, 1051. HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{201}H_{222}N_4O_{41}^{2+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 1674.7732; found, 1674.7770.

Acetamido 6-[Benzyl-(2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-phosphonato]-2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl- $(\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ -O-[(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -Dmannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O]-(2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyra- $\label{eq:result} \begin{array}{l} nosyl )-(1 \rightarrow 6)-O-\{6-[benzyl-(2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-\alpha-D-glucopyranosyl )-phosphonato-(2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-be$  $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-O-(3,4,6-tri-O-benzyl- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O-(2,4-di-O-benzyl- $\beta$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-2-acetamido-3,6-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -Dglucopyranoside (22). To a mixture of compounds 21 (65 mg, 0.02 mmol) and 4 (57 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 mL) under an atmosphere of nitrogen was added 1*H*-tetrazole solution (260  $\mu$ L, 0.45 M solution in acetonitrile). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and then cooled to -40 °C, and t-BuO<sub>2</sub>H (27  $\mu$ L, 70% solution in water) was added and stirred for another 2 h. The solvents were then removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/ 50). The resulting product was further purified by size-exclusion column chromatography over Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 1/1) to give compound 22 (75 mg, >95%) as an oil.  $R_f = 0.36$  (MeOH/  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 1/30).  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  9.6 (c 2.7,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ). <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $CDCl_3$ , 500 MHz): δ 7.78 -8.02 (4 H), 7.03-7.49 (m, 111 H), 6.28 (d, 1 H, J =

6.8 Hz, 6.05 (d, 1 H, I = 8.6 Hz), 5.69 (s, 2 H), 3.31-5.69 (m, 114)H), 1.98 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.95 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.94 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.93 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.89 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.85 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.80 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.72 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.67 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.64 (s, 3 H, Ac), 1.57 (s, 3 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ 171.4, 170.9, 169.7, 169.6, 169.4, 169.3, 169.0, 168.9, 168.8, 168.0, 167.9, 138.1, 137.9, 137.5, 137.4 (2 C), 137.3, 137.1, 137.0, 136.9, 136.8, 136.7, 136.5, 134.2, 134,1 (2 C), 134.0, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0 (2 C), 126.8 (2 C), 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 126.4, 126.3 (2 C), 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8, 125.6, 125.4, 100.6, 100.0, 98.7, 98.1, 98.0, 97.3, 95.3, 95.2, 95.1, 81.6, 81.0 (2 C), 78.7, 78.6, 78.2, 77.4, 77.3, 76.1, 74.7, 74.6, 74.1, 74.0, 73.9, 73.8, 73.7, 73.7, 73.6, 73.5, 73.4, 73.3, 73.1, 73.0, 72.4, 72.2, 72.1, 71.9, 71.5, 71.3, 71.2, 71.0, 70.8 (2 C), 70.6, 70.1, 69.8, 69.3, 69.2, 69.1, 68.7, 68.6, 68.4, 68.3, 67.8, 67.3, 66.5, 66.2, 66.0, 65.8, 65.6, 60.0, 59.9, 54.3, 51.5, 50.5, 50.3 (2 C), 50.2, 22.2 (2 C), 21.8, 21.6 (2 C), 19.5, 19.4, 19.3 (2 C). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 146 MHz):  $\delta$  –1.99. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3286, 2939, 1751, 1666, 1041. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>) calcd for  $C_{243}H_{273}N_6O_{63}P_2^{2+}$  [M + NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> + H<sup>+</sup>], 2173.8977; found, 2173.8948.

Acetamido 6-(2-Acetamido-2-deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)phosphonato-( $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-( $1 \rightarrow 6$ )-O-[ $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ ]- $(\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 3)$ -O-[6-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-phosphonato-( $\alpha$ -D-manno-pyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-O-( $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl)-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)-O]-( $\beta$ -Dmannopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (24). Compound 22 (50 mg, 0.01 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL), and Pd/C (50 mg, 10 wt %) was added. The resulting suspension was placed under an atmosphere of H<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The progress of the reaction was monitored by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, which showed the disappearance of Ar-H peaks at  $\delta_{\rm H} = 7.40 - 7.15$  ppm. The reaction mixture was filtered through a polytetrafluoroethylene (0.2  $\mu$ M) membrane filter to give the fully debenzylated intermediate 23.  $\rm NH_2\rm NH_2\rm \cdot H_2O$  (0.24 mL) was added to the solution of compound 23 in MeOH (1 mL), and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 8 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude product was purified by size-exclusion column chromatography over Sephadex G-25 (eluent: H2O) to give 24 as a white amorphous powder upon freeze drying (20 mg, 87%).  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{20}$  23 (c 0.65, H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz; D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  5.40–5.41 (m, 2 H), 5.30 (s, 1 H), 5.15 (s, 1 H), 4.97 (d, 1 H, J = 9.8 Hz), 4.94 (s, 1 H), 4.86 (s, 1 H), 4.82 (s, 1 H), 4.52-4.55 (m, 1 H), 4.17 (s, 1 H), 3.46-4.20 (m, 60 H), 2.00 (s, 9 H, Ac), 1.93 (s, 6 H, Ac). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 75 MHz): δ 175.3, 175.1, 175.0, 174.9, 102.8, 101.5 (2 C), 101.2, 100.4 (2 C), 99.9, 94.5, 94.4 (2 C), 79.6, 79.0, 78.6, 76.5, 76.5, 74.8, 74.4, 74.0, 73.7, 73.4, 73.3, 72.4, 72.1, 71.0, 70.8, 70.7, 69.9, 69.8, 67.3, 66.8, 66.4, 66.1, 65.5, 64.9, 61.5, 61.2, 60.7, 60.6, 60.2, 55.4, 54.0 (2 C), 22.5, 22.4, 22.3 (2 C).  $^{31}\mathrm{P}$  NMR (D2O, 146 MHz):  $\delta$  –1.23, –1.31. IR (NaCl, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3324, 1646, 1031. HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>) calcd for  $C_{70}H_{117}N_5O_{57}P_2^{2-}$  [M - 2H<sup>+</sup>], 1000.7948; found, 1000.7927.

#### ASSOCIATED CONTENT

### **Supporting Information**

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