

Stereoselective Synthesis of Uridine-Derived Nucleosyl Amino Acids

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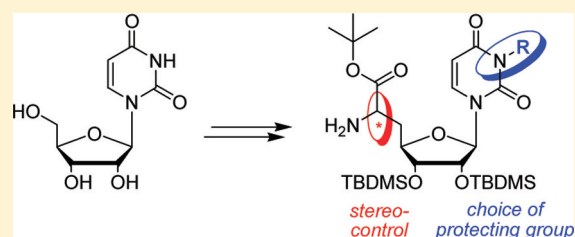
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Novel hybrid structures of 5'-deoxyuridine and glycine were conceived and synthesized. Such nucleosyl amino acids (NAAs) represent simplified analogues of the core structure of muraymycin nucleoside antibiotics, making them useful synthetic building blocks for structure–activity relationship (SAR) studies. The key step of the developed synthetic route was the efficient and highly diastereoselective asymmetric hydrogenation of didehydro amino acid precursors toward protected NAAs. It was anticipated that the synthesis of unprotected muraymycin derivatives via this route would require a suitable intermediate protecting group at the N-3 of the uracil base. After initial attempts using PMB- and BOM-N-3 protection, both of which resulted in problematic deprotection steps, an N-3 protecting group-free route was envisaged. In spite of the pronounced acidity of the uracil-3-NH, this route worked equally efficient and with identical stereoselectivities as the initial strategies involving N-3 protection. The obtained NAA building blocks were employed for the synthesis of truncated 5'-deoxymuraymycin analogues.



INTRODUCTION

The chemical modification of naturally occurring nucleoside and nucleotide structures is an important field in nucleic acid and medicinal chemistry. For instance, nucleoside analogues are known to be potential antiviral and anticancer agents.¹ Modified oligonucleotides are important tools for biomedical research² as well as DNA-based nanotechnology.³ Within such areas of research, mixing structural principles of nucleic acids and peptides is an important issue. The most striking example of this approach might be the design of peptide nucleic acids (PNA), nucleic acid analogues with an artificial peptidic backbone.⁴ Furthermore, amide internucleotide linkages have been introduced into oligonucleotides,⁵ and DNA-peptide or -protein conjugates have gained widespread attention.⁶

Amino acid–nucleoside hybrid structures can also be found in natural products. Nucleoside antibiotics are microbially produced secondary metabolites often bearing unusual nucleoside moieties.⁷ Most of these naturally occurring nucleoside derivatives inhibit the bacterial membrane protein translocase I (MraY), a key enzyme in the intracellular part of peptidoglycan formation.⁸ With respect to the emerging resistances of bacterial strains toward established antibiotics,⁹ MraY is discussed as a potential new drug target.¹⁰ Representative examples of the complex structures found in nucleoside antibiotics are given by the muraymycins¹¹ and caprazamycins¹² (e.g., muraymycin A1 **1** and caprazamycin A **2**, Figure 1). Both of those *Streptomyces*-produced classes of natural products share a common nucleoside core structure of type **3**. The most

remarkable aspect about structure **3** is the C–C linkage of the 5'-carbon atom of the uridine moiety to the α -carbon atom of a glycine unit (C-6'). Thus, **3** might be considered a hybrid of an amino acid with a nucleoside, making it a relevant structural motif for several applications (vide supra). Synthetic access to protected versions of **3** include the aldol-type reaction of a glycine-derived enolate with a uridine-5'-aldehyde,¹³ Sharpless aminohydroxylation,¹⁴ and diastereoselective epoxide formation using sulfur ylide chemistry, followed by double-inversion opening of the epoxide.¹⁵ However, the stereocontrolled construction of both stereocenters at C-5' and C-6' of β -hydroxy amino acid **3** is not trivial.

Several analogues of both the muraymycins^{13,16} and the caprazamycins¹⁷ have already been prepared and tested for their antibiotic potencies. Remarkably, muraymycin analogues derived from the 5'-epimer of **3** (not displayed) were also proven to be biologically active. Thus, truncated synthetic muraymycin analogues **4a–e** with the unnatural (*S'*R)-configuration showed reasonable antibacterial activities (Figure 1). Derivatives lacking the synthetic protecting groups still present in **4a–e** were surprisingly found to be nearly inactive. Astonishingly, the congeners of this series of analogues with natural product-like (*S'*S)-configuration (not displayed) did not feature any significant biological potency.¹³

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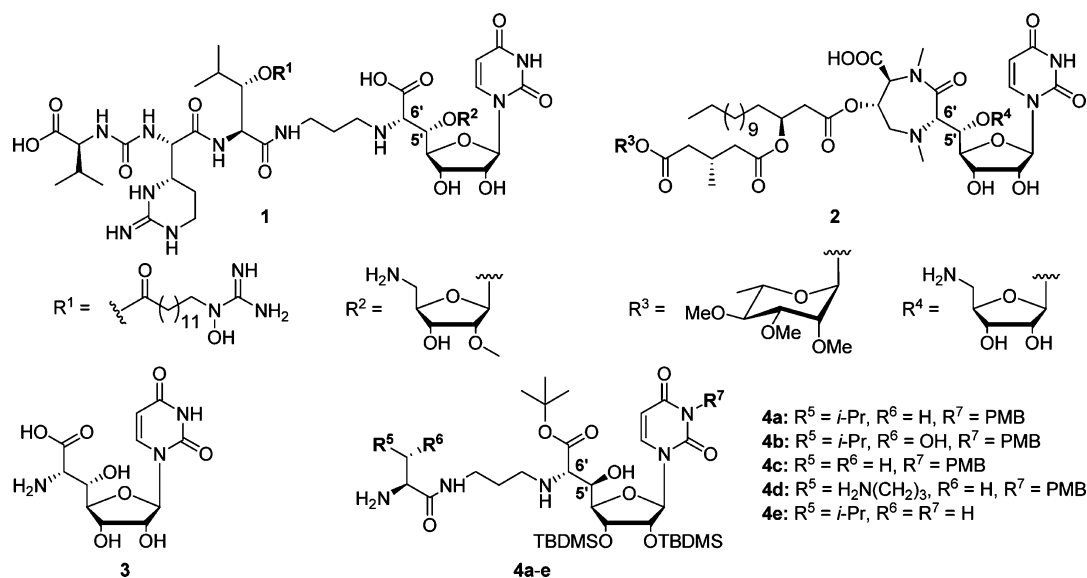


Figure 1. The nucleoside antibiotics muraymycin A1 **1** and caprazamycin A **2**, their common uridine-derived core structure **3** and bioactive synthetic muraymycin analogues **4a-e**.

Besides these results, the aminoribosyl unit of the muraymycins has been found not to be essential for antibacterial activity as proven by a bioactive nonaminoribosylated derivative (muraymycin AS, not displayed).¹¹ This has led to the design of 5'-deoxy analogues of **3**, i.e., compounds of type **5** (with (6'S)-configuration as in the natural products **1** and **2**) and of type **6** (displaying unnatural (6'R)-configuration, Figure 2). Uridine-derived nucleosyl amino acids (NAAs) **5** and

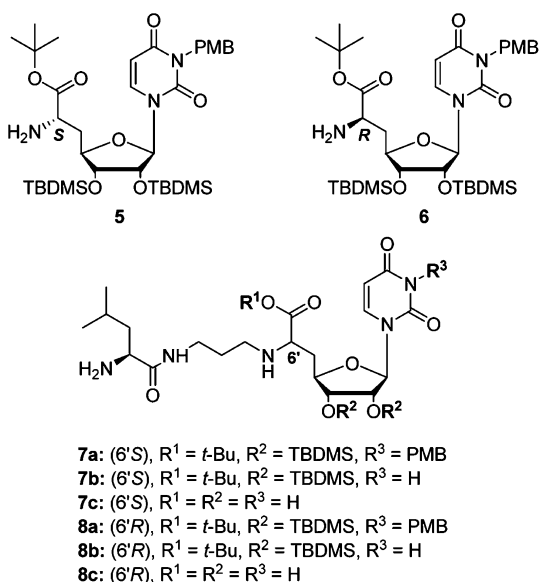


Figure 2. Uridine-derived nucleosyl amino acid (NAA) building blocks **5** and **6** and the corresponding muraymycin analogues **7** and **8**.

6 represent truncated analogues of the nucleoside moieties found in nucleoside antibiotics such as **1** and **2**, lacking the 5'-hydroxy group as the site for aminoribosylation. Compounds derived from NAA structures **5** and **6** therefore represent interesting candidates with improved chemical tractability for structure–activity relationship (SAR) studies. They might be valuable additions to the existing SAR results for truncated muraymycin analogues **4** (vide supra), particularly with respect

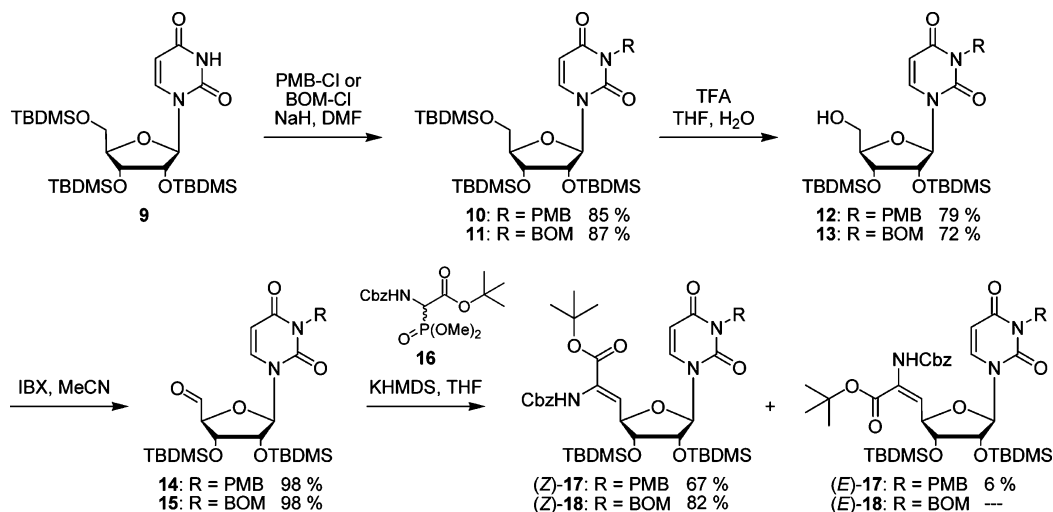
to the role of the 5'-substituent and to the stereochemistry at the 6'-position.

We have recently described the concise stereoselective synthesis of unprecedented uridine-derived NAAs **5** and **6** in communication format.¹⁸ They could be used as building blocks for the preparation of truncated muraymycin derivatives **7a** and **8a**, which represent analogues of the established muraymycin-based synthetic antibiotics **4**. However, it would also be desirable to obtain partially or globally deprotected muraymycin derivatives such as **7b** and **8b** (as analogues of **4e**) or **7c** and **8c**, respectively, for SAR studies (Figure 2). From a synthetic point of view, the choice of the N-3 protecting group at the uracil base might be crucial in order to achieve this goal. In this work, we therefore present a more detailed study on the synthesis of uridine-derived NAAs with a particular focus on different strategies for uracil protection.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The principle synthetic route toward NAA structures of type **5** and **6** involved the oxidation of protected uridine derivatives to the respective 5'-aldehydes, the Wittig–Horner transformation of the aldehydes into didehydro amino acids, and finally, the stereoselective hydrogenation of those key intermediates to furnish protected NAAs.¹⁸ In order to obtain the hydrogenation precursors, protecting groups had to be installed first. Trisilylated uridine **9**¹⁹ (which can easily be obtained from uridine in quantitative yield) was N-3-alkylated (products **10**^{15a} and **11**, yields 85% and 87%) and then selectively 5'-O-desilylated²⁰ to yield **12**^{15a} and **13** in yields of 79% and 72%, respectively (Scheme 1). Because of the acidity of the uracil NH, *p*-methoxybenzyl (PMB, for **10** and **12**) or benzyloxymethyl (BOM, for **11** and **13**) protection of the uracil-N-3 position was anticipated to be necessary in order to allow the subsequent Wittig–Horner reaction to proceed efficiently. There is precedent though for Wittig reactions using basic nonstabilized ylides and Wittig–Horner transformations employing basic deprotonated phosphonates with N-3-unprotected uridine derivatives.²¹ However, yields for such processes were either not disclosed^{21a} or moderate at best.^{21b}

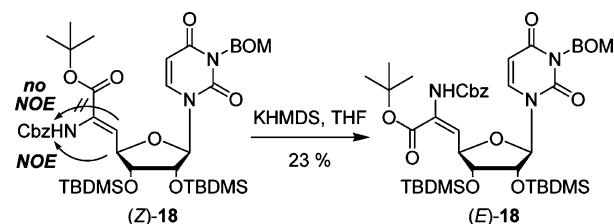
Scheme 1. Synthesis of Didehydro Amino Acids 17 and 18



Alcohols **12** and **13** were oxidized with IBX to give protected uridine 5'-aldehydes **14** and **15** as Wittig–Horner substrates in 98% yield each (Scheme 1). Though they showed limited stability, freshly prepared aldehydes **14** and **15** could easily be used for the subsequent Wittig–Horner transformations with amino acid phosphonate **16**²² under basic conditions. This reaction furnished uridine-derived didehydro amino acids (Z)-**17**¹⁸ and (Z)-**18** in isolated yields of 67% and 82%, respectively. As expected,²³ the Wittig–Horner reactions displayed pronounced (Z)-stereoselectivity. In the case of **17**, the corresponding (E)-isomer (E)-**17** was obtained as a byproduct only (6% isolated yield after column chromatography),¹⁸ while for **18**, the (E)-congener (E)-**18** was not found at all. We have previously described that similar transformations can also be carried out using the *N*-Boc-protected amino acid phosphonate. However, the acidic Boc deprotection at a later stage of the synthetic route was problematic,¹⁸ and consequently, this approach is not described in further detail here.

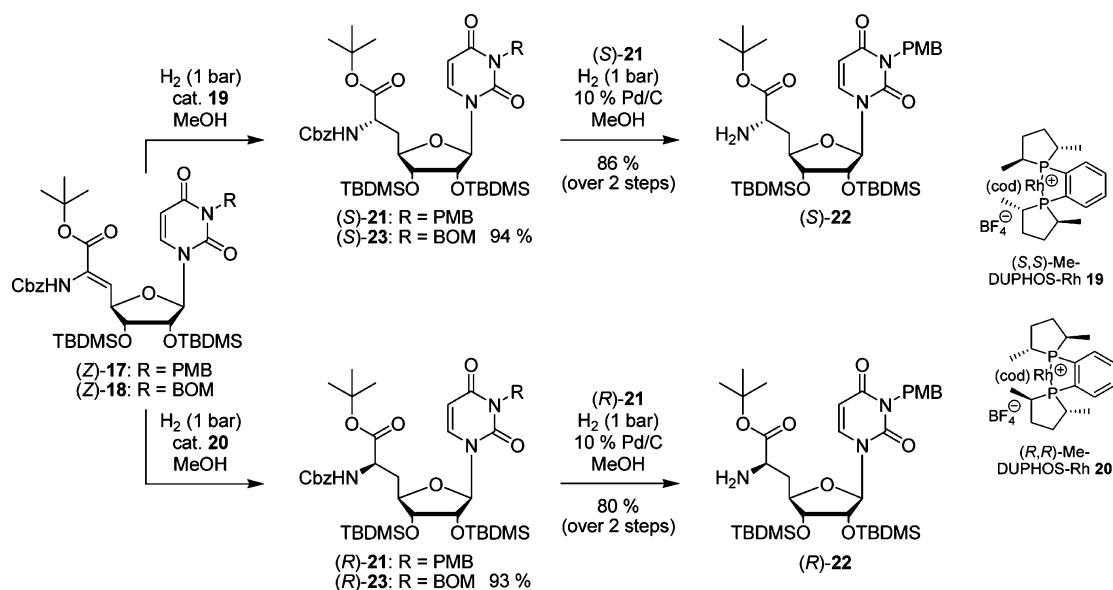
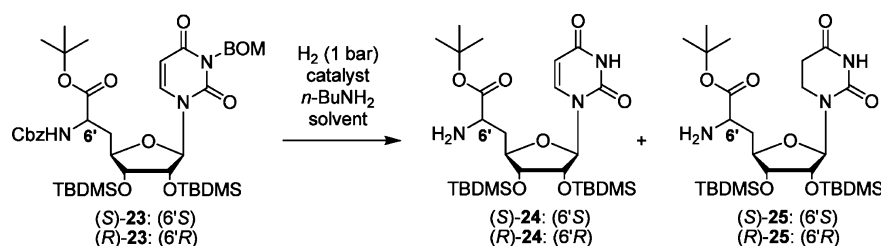
It is known that homogeneous asymmetric hydrogenation reactions occur more rapidly and with significantly better stereoselectivities for (Z)-didehydro amino acids than for the (E)-isomers.²⁴ It was therefore essential to prove unambiguously that the main products obtained from the Wittig–Horner reactions were indeed (Z)-configured, though this was strongly suggested by numerous precedent. In order to determine the stereochemical configuration of the didehydro amino acids using established NMR criteria,²⁵ both the (Z)- and the (E)-isomers of **17** as well as **18** were required. However, in contrast to (E)-**17**, the BOM-protected congener (E)-**18** could not be obtained as a byproduct from the Wittig–Horner reaction and thus had to be prepared separately. Treatment of (Z)-**18** with potassium hexamethyldisilazide (KHMDs) led to partial isomerization of the olefinic double bond, most likely resulting from deprotonation of the amino acid α -NH providing an azaallyl anion. After chromatographic separation from remaining (Z)-**18**, (E)-**18** could be isolated in 23% yield (Scheme 2).

With both (E)-isomers in hand, application of the aforementioned empirical NMR criteria for configurational assignment of the double bond was attempted. It had been reported by Mazurkiewicz et al. that both the β -CH as well as the α -NH of (E)-didehydro amino acids was further downfield-shifted than the corresponding signals of the respective (Z)-isomers in ¹H NMR spectra recorded in deuterated chloroform

Scheme 2. Synthesis of (E)-**18** and Relevant ¹H NMR NOEs of (Z)-**18**

($\delta_{\beta\text{-CH}}(\text{E}) > \delta_{\beta\text{-CH}}(\text{Z})$ and $\delta_{\alpha\text{-NH}}(\text{E}) > \delta_{\alpha\text{-NH}}(\text{Z})$, respectively).²⁵ This was found to be true for the β -CH, but the rule was violated for the α -NH signals of both **17** and **18**. However, the configuration of (Z)-**17** had been verified by a ¹H–¹H NOESY NMR (2D) experiment before.¹⁸ ¹H NOE NMR (1D) studies now clearly proved the proposed configuration of (Z)-**18** to be correct. For (Z)-**18**, no transfer of nuclear spin polarization by a nuclear Overhauser effect (NOE) from the β -CH to the α -NH was found. In contrast, an NOE-derived signal proving a polarization transfer from the nucleoside H-4' to the amino acid α -NH was observed (Scheme 2, also see the Supporting Information).

With both precursor compounds (Z)-**17** and (Z)-**18** in hand, asymmetric hydrogenation providing the desired NAA structures was performed. The chiral homogeneous catalysts (+)-1,2-bis-((2*S*,5*S*)-2,5-dimethylphospholano)benzene(cyclooctadiene)rhodium(I) tetrafluoroborate ((*S,S*)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh) **19** and (–)-1,2-bis-((2*R*,5*R*)-2,5-dimethylphospholano)benzene(cyclooctadiene)rhodium(I) tetrafluoroborate ((*R,R*)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh) **20**²⁶ have been shown to be highly useful for such transformations, particularly when *N*-urethane-protected didehydro amino acids were employed.²⁷ As briefly reported in our previous communication,¹⁸ hydrogenation of (Z)-**17** in the presence of **19** gave NAA (S)-**21** in excellent diastereoselectivity (dr > 98:2 as determined by ¹H NMR), while catalyst **20** furnished NAA (R)-**21** with similar selectivity. Primary reaction products **21** could easily be deprotected by subsequent hydrogenolysis under heterogeneous catalysis (palladium on charcoal) in a one-pot fashion to provide NAAs (S)-**22** and (R)-**22** in overall yields of 86% and 80%, respectively (Scheme 3). The assignment of the stereochemical configuration at C-6' was

Scheme 3. Synthesis of Nucleosyl Amino Acids (*S*)-22 and (*R*)-22 as Well as (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23Table 1. Hydrogenolytic Deprotection of (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23

entry	isomer	scale/mg ^a	catalyst	solvent	time/h	amount 25 ^b /%	yield 24 ^c /%
1	6'S	30	10% Pd/C	MeOH	20	~80	^d
2	6'S	20	Pd black	MeOH	6	~5	^d
3	6'S	50	Pd black	MeOH	120	~5	^d
4	6'S	40	Pd black	MeOH	2.5	<5	92
5	6'S	790	Pd black	MeOH	8.5	~30	^d
6	6'R	30	Pd black	MeOH	12	5–10	^d
7	6'R	50	Pd black	MeOH	96	~20	^d
8	6'R	30	Pd black	EtOAc	18	~90	^d
9	6'R	40	Pd black	MeOH	2.5	<5	96
10	6'R	30	Pearlman ^e	MeOH	2	~90	^d
11	6'R	30	Lindlar	MeOH	96	~70	^d

^aAmount of starting material. ^bAmount of undesired byproduct 25 detected in the crude reaction product by ¹H NMR. ^cIsolated yield of desired product 24. ^d24 could not be isolated as 24 and 25 were chromatographically inseparable. ^ePearlman's catalyst = 20% Pd(OH)₂/C.

based on literature precedent clearly indicating that 19 would always provide L-amino acids while 20 leads to the respective D-isomers.^{26,27} It could be ruled out that this catalyst-provided stereoselectivity was overruled by substrate-controlled selectivity for the hydrogenation of (*Z*)-17 as the reaction was of catalyst-controlled nature.¹⁸ The asymmetric hydrogenation step worked equally well with BOM-protected congener (*Z*)-18, thus giving rise to the synthesis of NAAs (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23 in yields of 94% and 93%, respectively, and again with excellent diastereoselectivities (dr > 98: 2 each as determined by ¹H NMR, Scheme 3).

The envisaged preparation of NAAs and derived muraymycin analogues lacking a uracil-N-3 protecting group (vide supra) would require either (i) the selective cleavage of the PMB group from (*S*)-22 and (*R*)-22 or subsequent reaction

products, respectively, or (ii) the concomitant hydrogenolytic removal of both the Cbz and the BOM group from (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23. We have previously reported that (*S*)-22 and (*R*)-22 can readily be converted into muraymycin analogues 7a and 8a.¹⁸ The most obvious strategy would be to remove the PMB group from these compounds at a late stage to obtain 7b and 8b (also see Figure 2). To our surprise, any attempt to efficiently cleave the PMB group from 7a or 8a under oxidative conditions was not successful in spite of literature precedent for its use for uracil-N-3 protection.^{13,28} No reaction was observed when DDQ was employed. In contrast, treatment with CAN led to tedious product mixtures, most likely due to the pronounced acidic nature of aqueous solutions of CAN. When buffered CAN solutions were used in order to overcome this problem, no reaction was observed. As a result of the hurdles

encountered for the PMB removal, it was decided to focus on the BOM-based strategy, i.e., the selective hydrogenolytic deprotection of NAAs (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23.

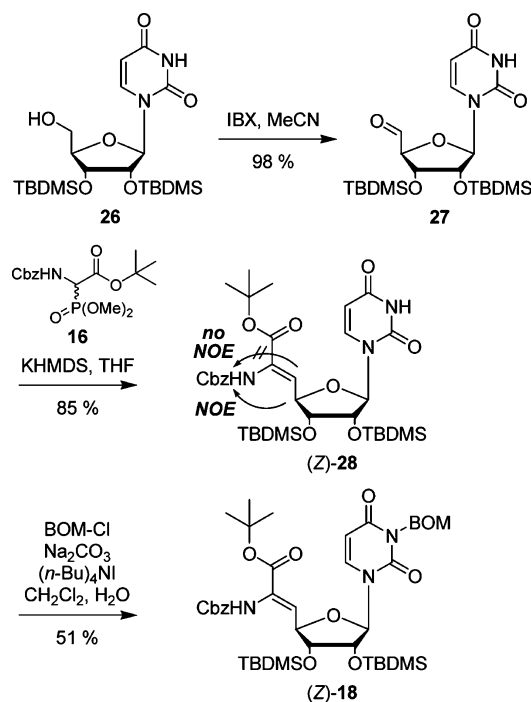
For the concomitant hydrogenolysis of the Cbz and the BOM group from (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23, different conditions were investigated (Table 1). On the basis of literature precedent,^{14a} it was anticipated that the formaldehyde liberated upon cleavage of the BOM group might react with the 6'-amino group. Thus, the *N*-methylated product would be furnished under the reductive conditions of hydrogenolysis reactions. In order to overcome this limitation, an excess of *n*-butylamine was added to the reaction mixture to capture the formaldehyde, giving *n*-butylmethylamine as a sufficiently volatile byproduct. Experiments for similar hydrogenolytic BOM cleavage reactions using the according thymidine derivatives in the absence of *n*-butylamine indeed proved that the 6'-*N*-methylated product was formed to a major extent, thus confirming the need to add the amine as a formaldehyde scavenger (reaction not shown). However, when 10% palladium on charcoal was used as a standard catalyst for the hydrogenolytic deprotection of (*S*)-23, not only the desired product (*S*)-24 was obtained, but ca. 80% formation of undesired byproduct (*S*)-25 resulting from unwanted reduction of the uracil-C5–C6 double bond was observed (Table 1, entry 1). As (*S*)-25 could not be separated from (*S*)-24 by column chromatography, it was essential to minimize the unwanted overreduction leading to byproduct formation to a level significantly below 5%. In a first series of experiments, palladium black was used as hydrogenation catalyst instead of palladium on support material. Thus, the amount of (*S*)-25 was limited to ca. 5% (Table 1, entry 2), but it was difficult to drive the reaction to completion under these conditions. The reaction time could be prolonged to several days without increased overreduction (entry 3), but quantitative conversions were still not feasible this way. The strategy to compensate for the apparent limited reactivity of the catalyst, which might have been the result of partial poisoning due to the presence of excess *n*-butylamine, was then to add significantly larger amounts of the catalyst. Using an excess of palladium black, high conversion was achieved in a short reaction time, and byproduct formation was reduced to a minimum. Hence, the deprotected NAA (*S*)-24 was isolated in 92% yield (entry 4). Unfortunately, this transformation was not robust toward upscale. When the amount of starting material was raised ca. 20-fold, byproduct (*S*)-25 was formed in 30% again (entry 5). Overall, the practical applicability of the deprotection reaction was therefore limited by two drawbacks: first, the costs of high amounts of palladium black needed for selective hydrogenolysis, and second, the reaction being tied to small scales in the range of ca. 30–50 mg starting material.

Similar observations were made for the hydrogenolytic deprotection of (*R*)-23 providing NAA (*R*)-24. The tendency to display formation of byproduct (*R*)-25 resulting from overreduction was even slightly more pronounced (Table 1, entries 6 and 7 vs entries 2 and 3). An attempt to replace methanol as solvent with ethyl acetate, speculating for milder hydrogenation conditions in this solvent, gave a surprisingly high amount of (*R*)-25 (ca. 90%, Table 1, entry 8). However, the previously successful strategy (vide supra) could also be applied for this diastereomer. An excess of palladium black led to high conversion in a short reaction time and minimal byproduct formation. The deprotected NAA (*R*)-24 was thus isolated in 96% yield, but again on a small scale only (40 mg (*R*)-23 as starting material, entry 9). Two other palladium

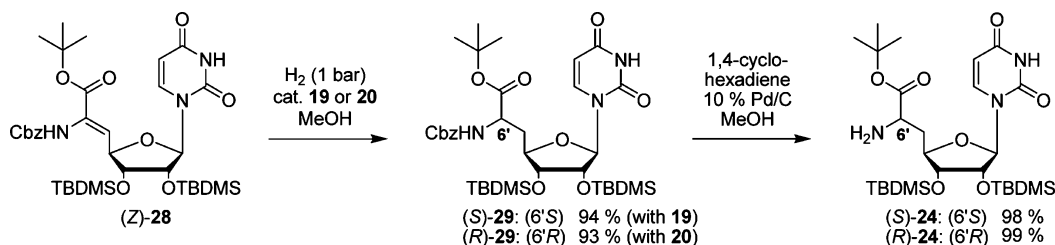
catalysts were also tested for the deprotection of (*R*)-23. Using Pearlman's catalyst (20% palladium hydroxide on charcoal), it was anticipated that reaction times might be reduced to such an extent that overreduction might be avoided. In contrast, (*R*)-25 was furnished in ca. 90% in this reaction (entry 10). Even with the usually mild and selective poisoned Lindlar catalyst, ca. 70% formation of (*R*)-25 was observed (entry 11). It was therefore decided not to continue any attempts to further optimize the hydrogenolysis reaction.

Due to the practical limitations of concomitant Cbz and BOM cleavage from (*S*)-23 and (*R*)-23 (vide supra), alternative strategies were sought. It was obvious from the straightforward deprotection of the Cbz group in (*S*)-21 and (*R*)-21 (see Scheme 3) that problems were caused by the BOM group. However, only few protecting groups for the uracil-N-3 are established. It would therefore be an attractive option to perform the synthesis of NAAs (*S*)-24 and (*R*)-24 without protection of the uracil-N-3 position. It was anticipated though that a Wittig–Horner transformation of a uridine derivative lacking nucleobase protection should be hindered in terms of yield and/or stereoselectivity due to the acidity of the uracil-3-NH (vide supra). However, after selectively silylated uridine 26²⁰ (obtained by 5'-O-deprotection of 9 in 93% yield) had been oxidized to the corresponding 5'-aldehyde 27 with IBX in 98% yield,^{15,29} aldehyde 27 could be reacted with phosphonate 16 in the presence of base to furnish didehydro amino acid (*Z*)-28 with a yield of 85% (Scheme 4). This surprisingly efficient

Scheme 4. Synthesis of (*Z*)-28 and Proof of the Stereochemical Assignment



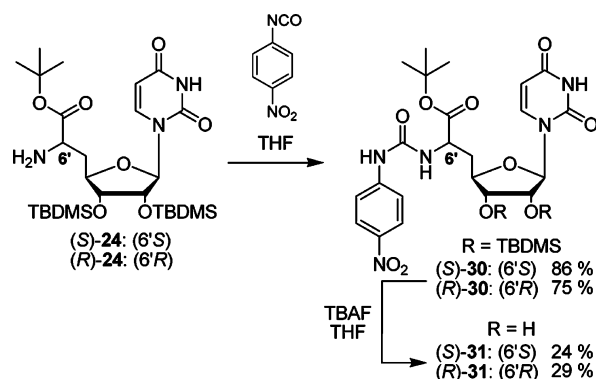
Wittig–Horner reaction did not provide any (*E*)-isomer at all. Even without the (*E*)-isomer as a reference compound, the assignment of the double-bond configuration of (*Z*)-28 was supported by similar ¹H NOE NMR experimental results as observed for (*Z*)-18. Furthermore, when (*Z*)-28 was reacted with benzyloxymethyl chloride in the presence of base, material identical to (*Z*)-18 (as proven by rigorous NMR analysis) could

Scheme 5. Synthesis of Nucleosyl Amino Acids (*S*)-24 and (*R*)-24

be isolated in 51% yield (Scheme 4). This alkylation of (*Z*)-**28** proceeded without isomerization of the double bond. This was demonstrated by treatment of (*Z*)-**28** with all reagents used for the transformation into (*Z*)-**18** except of benzyltrimethylsilyl chloride, which led to the reisolation of (*Z*)-**28** in nearly quantitative yield (reaction not shown).

With key intermediate (*Z*)-**28** obtained by the Wittig–Horner reaction in hand, asymmetric hydrogenation was performed (Scheme 5). Similar to the transformations carried out with uracil-N-3 protected precursors (*Z*)-**17** and (*Z*)-**18** (vide supra), high diastereoselectivities (*dr* > 98:2 as determined by ^1H NMR) were obtained with chiral catalysts **19** and **20**, furnishing nucleosyl amino acids (*S*)-**29** and (*R*)-**29** in excellent yields of 94% and 93%, respectively. The subsequent hydrogenolytic Cbz cleavage was hindered by the pronounced tendency of both diastereomers of **29** to undergo unwanted hydrogenation of the uracil-C5–C6 double bond. However, under transfer hydrogenation conditions using 1,4-cyclohexadiene as hydrogen source, this undesired side reaction was avoided, and target nucleosyl amino acids (*S*)-**24** and (*R*)-**24** were isolated in nearly quantitative yields (Scheme 5).

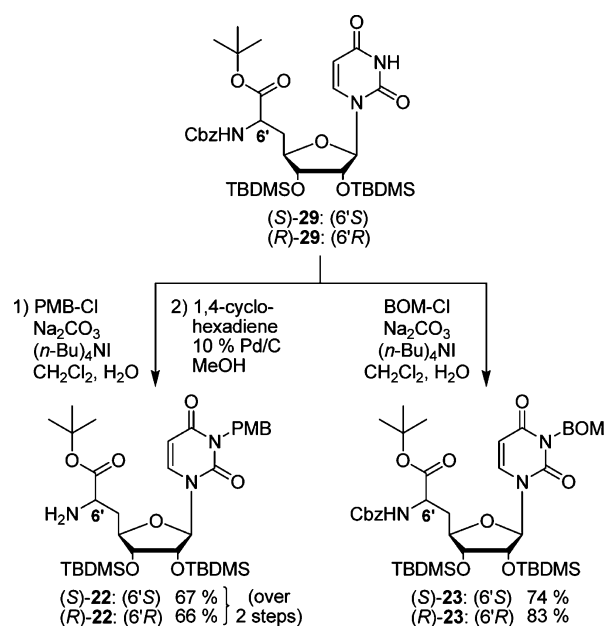
Though the stereochemical assignment of all nucleosyl amino acids synthesized in this study was clearly supported by literature precedent regarding rhodium(I) catalysts **19** and **20**,^{18,26,27} further proof by X-ray crystallography was desired. The growth of single crystals of nucleosyl amino acid derivatives was limited by their low crystallization tendency though. In the course of our synthetic studies on the native nucleoside core structure of muraymycin antibiotics, we have already noticed that N-3-unprotected analogues of this type of compounds appear to crystallize more easily,^{15b} and consequently, both diastereomers of **24** were suitable candidates for single crystal growth. In order to further support crystal formation, the 6'-amino group of (*S*)-**24** and (*R*)-**24** was transformed into a *p*-nitrophenylurea moiety¹³ to provide (*S*)-**30** and (*R*)-**30** in yields of 86% and 75%, respectively (Scheme 6). Unfortunately, neither diastereomer of **30** gave suitable crystals. However, after both (*S*)-**30** and (*R*)-**30** had been desilylated to (*S*)-**31** and (*R*)-**31** (24% and 29% yield, respectively, reactions not optimized), single crystals of (*R*)-**31** suitable for X-ray diffraction could be obtained.³⁰ Although the absolute structure determination based on the Flack- x parameter^{30g} refinement was bound to fail, the consideration of the inherent stereochemical configuration of the ribose moiety enabled the relative assignment of the stereogenic center at the 6'-position of (*R*)-**31** (*R*) as postulated, structure displayed in the Supporting Information). Crystal structure analysis thus demonstrated that the proposed stereochemical assignment of (*R*)-**24** and therefore also diastereomer (*S*)-**24** (as well as their respective precursors (*R*)-**29** and (*S*)-**29**) had indeed been correct.

Scheme 6. Synthesis of Nucleosyl Amino Acids (*S*)-31 and (*R*)-31

Further transformations of **29** into NAAs **22** and **23** demonstrated that this stereochemical assignment was valid throughout regardless of the protecting group pattern of the dihydro amino acid precursor. When both (*S*)-**29** and (*R*)-**29** were alkylated at the uracil-N-3 with *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride under mildly basic conditions and subsequently selectively deprotected by hydrogenolysis, (*S*)-**22** and (*R*)-**22** were obtained in yields of 67% and 66%, respectively, over two steps. Similar transformations of (*S*)-**29** and (*R*)-**29** using benzyltrimethylsilyl chloride as alkylating agent and leaving out the Cbz cleavage step gave (*S*)-**23** and (*R*)-**23** in yields of 74% and 83%, respectively (Scheme 7). The identity of the thus obtained compounds with the material furnished from asymmetric hydrogenation of PMB- or BOM-protected precursors (*Z*)-**17** and (*Z*)-**18** (vide supra) was proven by rigorous NMR analyses and HPLC coinjections.

Based on the efficient synthesis of N-3-unprotected nucleosyl amino acids **24**, the preparation of novel muraymycin analogues **7b,c** and **8b,c** was feasible (Scheme 8). In principle, two routes can be employed to install the truncated muraymycin side chain: (i) reductive amination with a building block already containing the terminal amino acid moiety and the amino-propyl linker or (ii) reductive amination with an N-3-protected 3-aminopropanal derivative, thus allowing the introduction of different amino acid or peptide motifs by standard coupling procedures following selective deprotection. In contrast to our previous report,¹⁸ we have opted for the latter strategy with respect to its convergent nature, thus potentially enabling synthetic access to a variety of diverse muraymycin analogues with different peptide structures. Consequently, both (*S*)-**24** and (*R*)-**24** were reacted with aldehyde **32** in reductive amination transformations, leading to the isolation of key intermediates (*S*)-**33** and (*R*)-**33** in 91% and 85% yield, respectively. Selective hydrogenolytic removal of the Cbz group under transfer hydrogenation conditions, followed by peptide coupling with *N*-Cbz-leucine, furnished (*S*)-**34** and (*R*)-**34** in

Scheme 7. Transformations of Nucleosyl Amino Acids 29 into 22 and 23



70% and 75% yield, respectively, over two steps. Cbz deprotection by hydrogenolysis then provided novel N-3-unprotected target structures **7b** and **8b** in nearly quantitative yields. Finally, global acidic deprotection with TFA in water led to target compounds **7c** and **8c** in the form of the corresponding bis-TFA salts in yields of 80% and 83%, respectively (Scheme 8).

The target muraymycin analogues **7c** and **8c** as well as previously reported compounds **7a** and **8a**¹⁸ were subjected to a preliminary screen for antibacterial activity using agarose plate techniques and a variety of different bacterial strains. No significant activity could be detected so far.

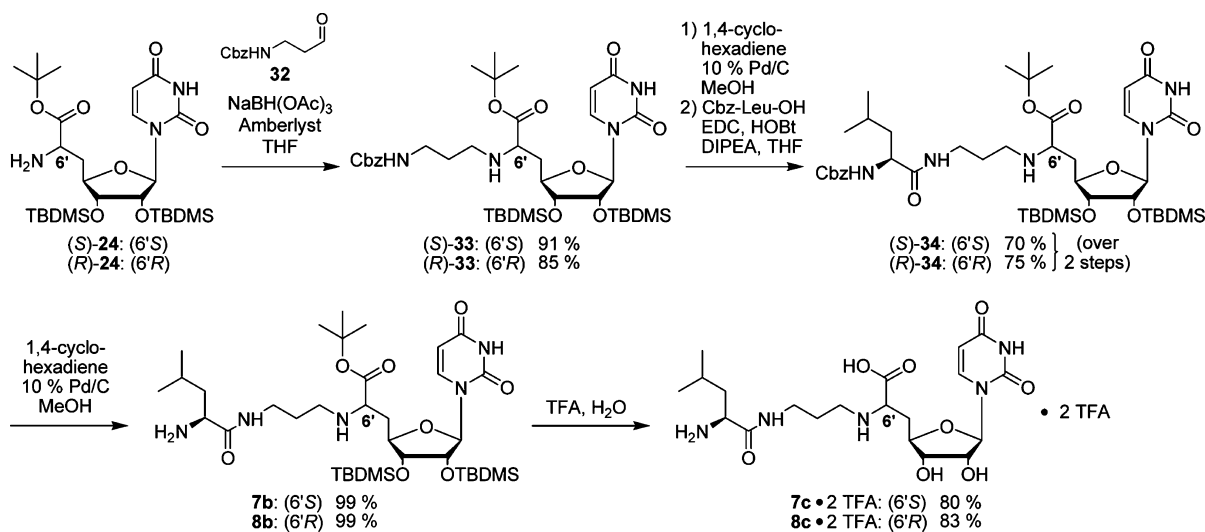
CONCLUSION

In summary, we have accomplished the concise and efficient synthesis of uridine-derived nucleosyl amino acids (NAAs) as formal hybrids of nucleoside and amino acid structures. The

design of these compounds had been inspired by the core structure of naturally occurring muraymycin nucleoside antibiotics. Employing a highly stereoselective asymmetric hydrogenation of didehydro amino acid precursors, synthetic access to protected NAA building blocks such as (S)-**24** and (R)-**24** was achieved with perfect stereocontrol and overall yields of 71% each in just six steps from uridine. However, the protecting group strategy regarding the uracil-N-3 played an essential role. Although N-3-alkylated muraymycin derivatives can display antibacterial activity,¹³ it was desired to establish a synthetic route suitable for the synthesis of N-3-unprotected NAAs as building blocks for novel muraymycin analogues. As both PMB- and BOM-protection of the uracil moiety gave unsatisfactory results regarding deprotection, an approach completely avoiding N-3 protection proved to be optimal. This highlights that transformations of uridine derivatives requiring basic conditions, such as the Wittig–Horner reaction used for the synthesis of the didehydro amino acid precursors, can be performed efficiently with good yields and stereoselectivities without protection of the reasonably acidic uracil-3-NH. Based on these results, it appears recommendable to try reactions of uridine or thymidine derivatives without nucleobase protection first, even if the NH acidity is anticipated to represent a hurdle for the envisaged transformation.

The N-3-unprotected NAA building blocks (S)-**24** and (R)-**24** were employed for the synthesis of novel 5'-deoxy analogues of the muraymycin antibiotics. Target compounds **7b,c** and **8b,c** were obtained in overall yields of 50–63% over three or four steps from (S)-**24** and (R)-**24**, respectively. A preliminary biological screening of some selected compounds indicated no potent antibiotic to be among the synthesized muraymycin analogues. This lack of activity does not necessarily indicate poor biological potential though as it might be owed to the polarity, e.g., of **7c** and **8c**, which might limit cellular uptake. In future work, the novel 5'-deoxy muraymycin analogues will therefore also be investigated in an *MraY* enzyme assay³¹ to evaluate their binding potency to the biological target *MraY* itself. If strong *MraY* binders are identified, their cellular uptake will potentially be enhanced by the application of prodrug methodology.

Scheme 8. Synthesis of Target Muraymycin Analogues 7b,c and 8b,c



EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Methods. Compounds **9**,¹⁹ **16**,²² and **26**²⁰ were prepared according to established procedures. Reactions involving oxygen and/or moisture sensitive reagents were carried out under an atmosphere of argon using anhydrous solvents. Anhydrous solvents were obtained in the following manner: THF was dried over sodium/benzophenone and distilled, MeOH was dried over activated molecular sieves (3 Å) and degassed, MeCN was dried over P₂O₅ and distilled, and DMF was dried over activated molecular sieves (4 Å) and degassed. All other solvents were of technical quality and distilled prior to use, and deionized water was used throughout. Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel 60 (0.040–0.063 mm, 230–400 mesh ASTM) under flash conditions. TLC was performed on aluminum plates precoated with silica gel 60 F₂₅₄. Visualization of the spots was carried out using UV light (254 nm) and/or staining under heating (H₂SO₄ staining solution: 4 g of vanillin, 25 mL of concd H₂SO₄, 80 mL of AcOH, and 680 mL of MeOH; KMnO₄ staining solution: 1 g of KMnO₄, 6 g of K₂CO₃, and 1.5 mL of 1.25 M NaOH solution, all dissolved in 100 mL of H₂O; ninhydrin staining solution: 0.3 g of ninhydrin, 3 mL of AcOH, and 100 mL of 1-butanol). Analytical HPLC was performed on a standard system with a diode array UV detector and equipped with a LiChroCart column (4 × 125 mm) containing reversed-phase silica gel Purospher RP18e (5 μm). Method I: eluent A water (0.1% TFA), eluent B MeCN; 0–15 min gradient of B (3–30%), 15–20 min 100% B, 20–22 min gradient of B (100–3%), 22–30 min 3% B; flow 1.0 mL/min. Method II: eluent A water (0.1% TFA), eluent B MeCN; 0–18 min gradient of B (84–95%), 18–24 min 100% B, 24–30 min 84% B; flow 1.0 mL/min. Method III: eluent A water (0.1% TFA), eluent B MeCN; 0–15 min gradient of B (60–100%), 15–20 min 100% B, 20–30 min 60% B; flow 1.0 mL/min. Preparative HPLC was carried out on a standard system with a UV/vis detector (detection at 260 nm) and equipped with a column (10 × 250 mm) containing reversed-phase silica gel Nucleodur 100–5 C18ec (5 μm). Eluent A water (0.1% TFA), eluent B 80:20 MeCN–water (0.1% TFA); 0–20 min gradient of B (5–10%), 20–30 min 100% B, 30–35 min 5% B; flow 3.0 mL/min. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 or 600 MHz. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 75, 76, or 126 MHz and were ¹H-decoupled. ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 283 MHz and were ¹H-decoupled. All spectra were measured at room temperature except of samples in DMSO-*d*₆ and D₂O (standard 35 °C). All NMR spectra were referenced internally to solvent reference frequencies wherever possible. Chemical shifts (δ) are quoted in ppm, and coupling constants (*J*) are reported in Hz. Assignment of signals was carried out using ¹H,¹H–COSY, HSQC, and HMBC spectra. Infrared spectroscopy (IR) was either performed on a spectrometer equipped with an ATR unit or on a machine lacking the ATR unit, with solids being measured as KBr pills. Peaks are given as wavenumbers (ν) in cm⁻¹. UV/vis spectroscopy: wavelengths of maximum absorption (λ_{max}) are reported in nm with the corresponding logarithmic molar extinction coefficient (log (ε/dm³ mol⁻¹ cm⁻¹)) given in parentheses. Melting points (mp) are not corrected. Optical rotations were recorded with a Na source using a 10 cm cell (concentrations in g/100 mL).

General Procedure A (Oxidation of 5'-O-Unprotected Uridine Derivatives). To a solution of the 5'-O-unprotected uridine derivative in MeCN was added IBX, and the reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C for 45 min. After cooling to 0 °C, the insoluble material was filtered off and washed with EtOAc (3×). The filtrate was evaporated to dryness under reduced pressure. The resultant products were sufficiently pure (>95% as judged by ¹H NMR) without further purification. With respect to the poor stability of the uridine 5'-aldehydes, they were prepared freshly and directly used for subsequent Wittig–Horner transformations. For the same reason, characterization of the aldehydes was limited to ¹H NMR and MS.

General Procedure B (Wittig–Horner Reaction of Uridine 5'-Aldehydes). To a solution of KHMDS in THF was added a solution of the phosphonate in THF at –78 °C. After 15 min, a solution of the protected uridine 5'-aldehyde in THF was added dropwise at –78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 17 h and slowly warmed to rt during this period. The reaction was quenched by addition of MeOH

at 10 °C. After the addition of EtOAc, the organic layer was washed with half-saturated NaCl solution (1×), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography.

General Procedure C (Asymmetric Hydrogenation of Didehydro Amino Acids). Under strictly anaerobic conditions, the respective Me-DUPHOS-Rh catalyst was added to a solution of the (*Z*)-didehydro amino acid in MeOH. The reaction mixture was stirred under an atmosphere of H₂ (1 bar) at rt for the listed time. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography.

General Procedure D (Hydrogenolytic Deprotection Using Transfer Conditions). To a solution of the protected compound in MeOH, 10% Pd/C, and 1,4-cyclohexadiene were added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h. After filtration through a syringe filter and rinsing of the filter with MeOH (3×), the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant products were sufficiently pure (>97% as judged by ¹H NMR) without further purification.

General Procedure E (N-3 Alkylation of Uridine Derivatives under Mild Conditions). To a solution of the uridine derivative in CH₂Cl₂, tetra-*n*-butylammonium iodide (TBAI), the alkylating agent (*p*-methoxybenzyl chloride or benzyloxymethyl chloride), and aqueous Na₂CO₃ solution were added and stirred at rt for the listed time with TLC control. The reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ or EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with sat NaHCO₃ solution (1×), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography.

N-Unprotected (6'S)-Configured Muraymycin Analogue (7b). General procedure D with *N*-Cbz-protected muraymycin analogue (*S*)-**34** (150 mg, 0.168 mmol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (159 μL, 1.68 mmol), 10% Pd/C (25 mg, 23 μmol), and MeOH (5 mL) to give **7b** as a colorless solid (126 mg, 99%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.12 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.91 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.92 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 1.37 (ddd, *J* = 13.5, 7.9, 6.6 Hz, 1H, Leu-3-H_a), 1.49 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.52 (ddd, *J* = 13.5, 7.7, 6.4 Hz, 1H, Leu-3-H_b), 1.65–1.73 (m, 3H, propylene-2-H, Leu-4-H), 1.90 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 11.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.04 (ddd, *J* = 13.9, 9.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 2.53 (ddd, *J* = 11.6, 7.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.64 (ddd, *J* = 11.6, 7.2, 6.9 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.20–3.36 (m, 4H, 6'-H, propylene-3-H, Leu-2-H), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 4.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.06 (ddd, *J* = 11.1, 4.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.33 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ –4.5, –4.4, –4.4, –4.0, 18.9, 18.9, 22.6, 23.4, 25.9, 26.4, 26.5, 28.5, 30.4, 38.1, 38.1, 45.7, 46.1, 54.7, 60.7, 75.9, 76.6, 82.6, 82.8, 91.9, 103.0, 142.8, 152.2, 166.1, 174.9, 178.1; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 756.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₆H₇₀N₅O₈Si₂ 756.4757 (M + H⁺), found 756.4766 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1687, 1253, 1153, 1118, 1066, 867, 836, 812, 775; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 259 (4.25); mp 68 °C; [α]_D²⁰ +25.9 (*c* 1.0, MeOH).

Fully Deprotected (6'S)-Configured Muraymycin Analogue (7c·2TFA). A solution of *N*-unprotected (6'S)-configured muraymycin analogue **7b** (33 mg, 44 μmol) in 80% aqueous TFA (6.6 mL) was stirred at rt for 24 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (20 mL), and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by preparative HPLC to give **7c·2TFA** as a colorless solid (24 mg, 80%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, D₂O) δ 1.06 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 1.07 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 1.75 (dq, *J* = 7.1, 6.8, 6.7 Hz, 1H, Leu-4-H), 1.83 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.1 Hz, 2H, Leu-3-H), 2.06 (dddd, *J* = 7.6, 7.4, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 2H, propylene-2-H), 2.42 (ddd, *J* = 15.0, 10.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.59 (ddd, *J* = 15.0, 6.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.22 (ddd, *J* = 12.6, 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 3.26 (ddd, *J* = 12.6, 7.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.42 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, propylene-3-H_a), 3.48 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, propylene-3-H_b), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H, Leu-2-H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 6.1 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 4.21 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.28 (ddd, *J* = 10.4, 6.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.55

(dd, $J = 5.9, 3.8$ Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.87 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.01 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.76 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 6-H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, D_2O) δ 23.7, 24.2, 26.6, 28.1, 35.3, 38.9, 42.5, 47.0, 54.6, 61.9, 75.2, 75.5, 82.4, 94.5, 104.9, 119.0 (q, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 291.6$ Hz, F_3CCOO), 145.4, 154.0, 165.5 (q, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 35.2$ Hz, F_3CCOO), 168.7, 173.3, 174.1; ^{19}F NMR (283 MHz, D_2O) δ -75.4; MS (ESI⁺) m/z 472.3 (M - (2 TFA)+H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_5\text{O}_8$ 472.2402 (M - (2 TFA) + H⁺), found 472.2405 (M - (2 TFA) + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1665, 1184, 1130, 1060, 835, 798, 720, 551, 519; UV (H_2O) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 260 (3.94); mp 69 °C; analytical HPLC t_{R} 6.5 min (method I); preparative HPLC t_{R} 15.3 min; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +29.2$ (c 0.77, H_2O).

N-Unprotected (6'R)-Configured Muraymycin Analogue (8b). General Procedure D with *N*-Cbz-protected muraymycin analogue (R)-34 (135 mg, 0.152 mmol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (144 μL , 1.52 mmol), 10% Pd/C (25 mg, 23 μmol), and MeOH (4.5 mL) to give **8b** as a colorless solid (114 mg, 99%): ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 0.08 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.12 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.14 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.92 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 0.94 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 1.37 (ddd, $J = 13.5, 8.0, 6.6$ Hz, 1H, Leu-3-H_a), 1.47 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.52 (ddd, $J = 13.5, 7.6, 6.4$ Hz, 1H, Leu-3-H_b), 1.63–1.73 (m, 3H, propylene-2-H, Leu-4-H), 1.93–2.01 (m, 2H, 5'-H), 2.48 (ddd, $J = 11.6, 7.6, 6.5$ Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.66 (ddd, $J = 11.6, 7.3, 6.7$ Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.20–3.31 (m, 4H, 6'-H, propylene-3-H, Leu-2-H), 3.93 (dd, $J = 4.5, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.16 (ddd, $J = 9.8, 4.3, 4.1$ Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.31 (dd, $J = 4.9, 4.5$ Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.74 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.82 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.65 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 6-H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CD_3OD) δ -4.4, -4.4, -4.4, -4.0, 18.9, 19.0, 22.6, 23.4, 25.9, 26.4, 26.5, 28.4, 30.6, 37.7, 38.2, 45.7, 46.2, 54.7, 61.1, 75.8, 76.7, 82.7, 83.0, 91.4, 103.0, 142.7, 152.3, 166.1, 175.3, 178.1; MS (ESI⁺) m/z 756.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{70}\text{N}_5\text{O}_8\text{Si}_2$ 756.4757 (M + H⁺), found 756.4756 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1692, 1252, 1151, 1085, 1063, 866, 835, 812, 775; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 260 (4.25); mp 72 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +27.1$ (c 1.0, MeOH).

Fully Deprotected (6'R)-Configured Muraymycin Analogue (8c·2TFA). A solution of *N*-unprotected (6'R)-configured muraymycin analogue **8b** (36 mg, 48 μmol) in 80% aqueous TFA (7.2 mL) was stirred at rt for 24 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (20 mL) and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by preparative HPLC to give **8c·2TFA** as a colorless solid (28 mg, 83%): ^1H NMR (600 MHz, D_2O) δ 1.06 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 1.08 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 1.76 (dq, $J = 7.2, 6.7, 6.6$ Hz, 1H, Leu-4-H), 1.84 (dd, $J = 7.4, 7.2$ Hz, 2H, Leu-3-H), 2.03 (dddd, $J = 8.3, 7.5, 7.0, 6.8$ Hz, 2H, propylene-2-H), 2.48 (ddd, $J = 15.6, 11.1, 4.7$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.60 (ddd, $J = 15.6, 5.6, 2.8$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.19 (ddd, $J = 12.6, 8.3, 7.5$ Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 3.24 (ddd, $J = 12.6, 8.3, 7.5$ Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.39 (ddd, $J = 14.0, 7.0, 7.0$ Hz, 1H, propylene-3-H_a), 3.45 (ddd, $J = 14.0, 6.8, 6.8$ Hz, 1H, propylene-3-H_b), 4.08 (dd, $J = 7.4, 7.4$ Hz, 1H, Leu-2-H), 4.12 (dd, $J = 5.6, 4.7$ Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 4.16 (ddd, $J = 11.1, 6.6, 2.8$ Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.24 (dd, $J = 6.6, 6.1$ Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.56 (dd, $J = 6.1, 3.7$ Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.85 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.01 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.78 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H, 6-H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, D_2O) δ 23.7, 24.2, 26.5, 28.1, 34.5, 39.0, 42.5, 47.3, 54.6, 62.4, 75.0, 75.4, 82.1, 94.9, 105.0, 119.0 (q, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 292.1$ Hz, F_3CCOO), 145.8, 154.1, 165.46 (q, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 35.2$ Hz, F_3CCOO), 168.7, 173.3, 174.1; ^{19}F NMR (283 MHz, D_2O) δ -75.4; MS (ESI⁺) m/z 472.3 (M - (2 TFA)+H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_5\text{O}_8$ 472.2402 (M - (2 TFA)+H⁺), found 472.2396 (M - (2 TFA)+H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1665, 1182, 1130, 1054, 834, 798, 767, 720, 551; UV (H_2O) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 261 (3.77); mp 68 °C; analytical HPLC t_{R} 6.2 min (method I); preparative HPLC t_{R} 14.9 min; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +22.3$ (c 0.61, H_2O).

2',3',5'-Tris(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-(p-methoxybenzyl)uridine (10). To a suspension of NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 97 mg, 2.4 mmol) in DMF (3 mL) was slowly added a solution of trisilylated uridine **9**¹⁹ (950 mg, 1.62 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) at 0 °C and the mixture stirred at 0 °C for 15 min. *p*-Methoxybenzyl chloride (0.44 mL, 3.2 mmol) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 11 h. Water (5 mL) and

EtOAc (150 mL) were added. The organic layer was washed with satd NaHCO₃ solution (3 × 50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether–Et₂O) to give **10** as a colorless oil (972 mg, 85%): ^1H NMR (300 MHz, C_6D_6) δ -0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.04 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.18 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.24 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.01 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 3.25 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.52 (dd, $J = 11.8, 1.6$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 3.76 (dd, $J = 11.8, 2.1$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 4.08 (ddd, $J = 6.0, 2.1, 1.6$ Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.13 (dd, $J = 6.0, 3.9$ Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.22 (dd, $J = 3.9, 3.2$ Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.04 (d, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 5.15 (d, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.77 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.07 (d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.72 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.70 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H), 7.88 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, 6-H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, C_6D_6) δ -5.5, -5.2, -4.7, -4.5, -4.0, -3.9, 18.4, 18.4, 18.7, 26.2, 26.2, 26.3, 43.7, 54.7, 61.8, 70.9, 76.8, 84.2, 90.3, 101.8, 114.0, 129.9, 131.5, 137.8, 151.5, 159.6, 162.1; MS (ESI⁺) m/z 729.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{62}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_7\text{Si}_3$ 729.3757 (M + Na⁺), found 729.3776 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1665, 1247, 1132, 1105, 1068, 831, 808, 773, 748; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 223 (4.14), 263 (3.97); TLC R_f 0.38 (7:3 petroleum ether–Et₂O); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +26.5$ (c 1.1, CHCl₃).

2',3',5'-Tris(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-benzoyloxymethyl)uridine (11). To a suspension of NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 960 mg, 24.0 mmol) in DMF (60 mL) was slowly added a solution of trisilylated uridine **9**¹⁹ (9.42 g, 16.0 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) at 0 °C. Benzoyloxymethyl chloride (2.67 mL, 3.01 g, 19.2 mmol) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 h. Et₂O (600 mL) and satd NaHCO₃ solution (100 mL) were added. The organic layer was washed with water (4 × 250 mL), satd NaHCO₃ solution (1 × 250 mL), and brine (1 × 250 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (19:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) to give **11** as a colorless oil (9.84 g, 87%): ^1H NMR (300 MHz, C_6D_6) δ -0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.05 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.21 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.33 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.94 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.04 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 3.54 (dd, $J = 11.8, 1.3$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 3.79 (dd, $J = 11.8, 2.2$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 4.08–4.17 (m, 2H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 4.25 (dd, $J = 3.6, 2.9$ Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.67 (d, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_a), 4.72 (d, $J = 13.2$ Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_b), 5.45 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.48 (d, $J = 16.4$ Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.73 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.99 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.03–7.15 (m, 3 H, BOM-3-H, BOM-4-H, BOM-5-H), 7.36 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H, BOM-2-H, BOM-6-H), 7.92 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, 6-H); ^{13}C NMR (76 MHz, C_6D_6) δ -5.7, -5.4, -4.9, -4.8, -4.0, -4.0, 18.2, 18.3, 18.5, 26.0, 26.1, 26.1, 61.4, 70.4, 70.5, 72.3, 76.7, 83.9, 90.6, 101.5, 127.5, 127.9, 128.2, 138.6, 139.0, 151.2, 162.2; MS (ESI⁺) m/z 729.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{62}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_7\text{Si}_3$ 729.3757 (M + Na⁺), found 729.3755 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1667, 1253, 1129, 1100, 1067, 832, 808, 775, 734; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 264 (3.97); TLC R_f 0.48 (4:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +26.4$ (c 0.9, CHCl₃).

3',5'-Bis(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-(p-methoxybenzyl)uridine (12). To a solution of uridine derivative **10** (9.63 g, 13.6 mmol) in THF (100 mL) was added dropwise a 1:1 TFA–water mixture (50 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 8 h and adjusted to pH 9 by the addition of satd NaHCO₃ solution (400 mL) and solid Na₂CO₃, and EtOAc (600 mL) was added. The organic layer was washed with satd NaHCO₃ solution (2 × 200 mL), and the combined aqueous solutions were extracted with EtOAc (1 × 100 mL). The combined organics were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (9:1 CH₂Cl₂–EtOAc) to give **12** as a colorless solid (6.36 g, 79%): ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.00 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.08 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.81 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 3.40 (dd, $J = 8.2, 2.7$ Hz, 1H, OH), 3.70 (ddd, $J = 12.3, 8.2, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.91 (ddd, $J = 12.3, 2.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1H,

5'-H_b), 4.06 (ddd, *J* = 2.4, 2.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.16 (dd, *J* = 4.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.57 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 4.7 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 5.05 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.45 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -5.1, -4.8, -4.7, -4.5, 17.9, 18.0, 25.7, 25.8, 43.6, 55.2, 62.0, 72.2, 73.1, 86.7, 94.8, 102.0, 113.6, 128.8, 131.0, 141.1, 151.0, 159.1, 162.5; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 615.7 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₉H₄₉N₂O₇Si₂ 593.3073 (M + H⁺), found 593.3073 (M + H⁺); IR (KBr) ν 2931, 1666, 1514, 1461, 1250, 1097, 837, 776, 582; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 194 (4.72), 222 (4.17), 263 (4.00); mp 69 °C; TLC R_f 0.57 (1:1 CH₂Cl₂-EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +32.6 (c 1.2, CHCl₃).

3',5'-Bis(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-benzyloxymethyl)uridine (13). To a solution of uridine derivative 11 (3.53 g, 4.99 mmol) in THF (50 mL) was added dropwise a 1:1 TFA-water mixture (25 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 7 h and then adjusted to pH 9 by the addition of satd NaHCO₃ solution (400 mL) and solid Na₂CO₃ and EtOAc (600 mL) was added. The organic layer was washed with satd NaHCO₃ solution (1 × 200 mL) and brine (1 × 200 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (9:1 CH₂Cl₂-EtOAc) to give 13 as a colorless solid (2.13 g, 72%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.82 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 3.58 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 4.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 3.70 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 4.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.92 (ddd, *J* = 3.4, 3.2, 3.0 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 4.3, 3.2 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.58 (s, 2H, BOM-CH₂), 5.24 (dd, *J* = 4.6, 4.4 Hz, 1H, OH), 5.33 (s, 2H, NCH₂O), 5.85 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.22-7.36 (m, 5H, Aryl-H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -5.0, -4.9, -4.9, -4.6, 17.5, 17.7, 25.5, 25.6, 60.1, 69.8, 70.9, 71.5, 74.6, 85.3, 87.8, 101.1, 127.0, 127.2, 127.9, 137.8, 139.5, 150.7, 161.6; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 615.3 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₉H₄₈N₂NaO₇Si₂ 615.2892 (M + Na⁺), found 615.2891 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1715, 1666, 1151, 1100, 1084, 1054, 876, 830, 771; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 206 (4.22), 264 (3.98); mp 105 °C; TLC R_f 0.40 (4:1 CH₂Cl₂-EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ -15.3 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

3',5'-Bis(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-(p-methoxybenzyl)uridine-5'-aldehyde (14). General procedure A with uridine derivative 12 (100 mg, 0.170 mmol), IBX (118 mg, 0.420 mmol), and MeCN (3 mL) to give 14 as a colorless solid (98 mg, 98%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -0.19 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.06 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.78 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.20-4.49 (m, 3H, 2'-H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 4.99-5.03 (m, 2H, PMB-CH₂), 5.75 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 9.79 (s, 1H, 5'-H); MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 645.3 (M + MeOH + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₀H₅₀N₂NaO₈Si₂ 645.2998 (M + MeOH + Na⁺), found 645.3004 (M + MeOH + Na⁺).

3',5'-Bis(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)-3-(N-benzyloxymethyl)uridine-5'-aldehyde (15). General procedure A with uridine derivative 13 (4.11 g, 6.93 mmol), IBX (4.85 g, 17.3 mmol), and MeCN (60 mL) to give 15 as a colorless solid (4.01 g, 98%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.84 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.91 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 4.21 (dd, *J* = 4.1, 3.3 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.32 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.66 (s, 2H, BOM-CH₂), 5.43 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.48 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.72 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.25-7.35 (m, 5H, Aryl-H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 9.82 (s, 1H, 5'-H); MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 613.3 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₉H₄₆N₂NaO₇Si₂ 613.2736 (M + Na⁺), found 613.2729 (M + Na⁺).

3-(N-PMB)-Protected Didehydro Nucleosyl Amino Acid (17). General procedure B with aldehyde 14 (1.99 g, 3.37 mmol), phosphonate 16²² (1.21 g, 3.24 mmol), KHMDS (0.5 M in toluene, 6.48 mL, 3.24 mmol), and THF (12 mL (14), 25 mL (16), 20 mL

(KHMDS)). Purification by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc) gave (Z)-17 as a colorless solid (1.82 g, 67%) and (E)-17 as a colorless solid (159 mg, 6%). (Z)-17: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.04 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.05 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.83 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 5.5, 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.28 (dd, *J* = 4.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.82 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 5.04 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.11 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.62 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.28 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, 5'-H), 6.70 (s, 1H, NH), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.28-7.35 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.7, -4.5, -4.3, 18.1, 18.2, 25.8, 25.9, 27.9, 43.5, 55.3, 67.5, 74.6, 76.2, 79.6, 82.6, 92.9, 102.1, 113.6, 124.8, 128.1, 128.2, 128.4, 128.9, 130.7, 130.8, 135.7, 138.2, 150.5, 153.5, 159.0, 162.3, 162.7; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 860.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₃N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 860.3944 (M + Na⁺), found 860.3952 (M + Na⁺); IR (KBr) ν 2957, 1715, 1666, 1514, 1456, 1251, 1157, 1055, 839; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 225 (4.31), 257 (4.14); mp 72 °C; TLC R_f 0.42 (7:3 petroleum ether-EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +39.1 (c 1.1, CHCl₃). (E)-17: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -0.25 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.05 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.04 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.77 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.44 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.51 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 3.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 4.99 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 5.04 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.09 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.18 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.76 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.77 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.43 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H), 6.68 (s, 1H, NH), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.30-7.36 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -5.1, -4.2, 18.0, 18.2, 25.9, 26.0, 28.0, 43.6, 55.3, 67.5, 74.5, 75.4, 79.1, 82.8, 92.6, 102.2, 113.6, 126.0, 127.9, 128.0, 128.2, 128.5, 128.8, 130.4, 135.8, 139.6, 150.6, 154.1, 158.9, 162.5, 163.0; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 860.5 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₃N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 860.3944 (M + Na⁺), found 860.3948 (M + Na⁺); IR (KBr) ν 2959, 2935, 1673, 1391, 1339, 1251, 1161, 1051, 839; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 224 (4.28), 257 (4.09); mp 69 °C; TLC R_f 0.35 (7:3 petroleum ether-EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ -21.9 (c 1.1, CHCl₃).

3-(N-BOM)-Protected Didehydro Nucleosyl Amino Acid (18). Synthesis of (Z)-18 from 15. General procedure B with aldehyde 15 (500 mg, 0.846 mmol), phosphonate 16²² (265 mg, 0.710 mmol), KHMDS (0.5 M in toluene, 1.42 mL, 0.710 mmol), and THF (4.2 mL (15), 5.0 mL (16), 6.7 mL (KHMDS)). Purification by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether-EtOAc) gave (Z)-18 as a colorless solid (483 mg, 82%) while (E)-18 could not be isolated. (Z)-18: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.06 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.08 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.11 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 3.92 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.28 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.67 (s, 2H, BOM-CH₂), 4.86 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 6.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 5.12 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.42 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.46 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.58 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.24 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H), 6.74 (s, 1H, NH), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.26-7.37 (m, 10H, BOM-aryl-H, Cbz-aryl-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.7, -4.7, -4.3, -4.3, 18.1, 18.2, 25.9, 25.9, 27.9, 67.5, 70.2, 72.2, 74.7, 76.1, 79.2, 82.6, 93.2, 101.9, 124.4, 127.6, 128.1, 128.2, 128.2, 128.2, 131.2, 135.7, 137.8, 138.8, 150.5, 153.4, 162.4, 162.6; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 860.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₃N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 860.3944 (M + Na⁺), found 860.3950 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1663, 1254, 1221, 1151, 1054, 836, 775, 734, 696; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 205 (4.46), 258 (4.12); mp 43 °C; TLC R_f 0.52 (7:3 petroleum ether-EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +50.1 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

Synthesis of (Z)-18 from (Z)-28. General procedure E with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (Z)-28 (20 mg, 28 μmol), benzyloxymethyl chloride (0.42 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.10 mL, 42 μmol), TBAI (0.5 mg, 1 μmol), Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water,

0.13 mL, 0.11 mmol), CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL), and a reaction time of 18 h. Purification by column chromatography (17:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (*Z*)-**28** as a colorless solid (12 mg, 51%). Analytical data were identical to those given above.

Synthesis of (*E*)-18**.** To a solution of didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (*Z*)-**18** (100 mg, 0.120 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added dropwise KHMDS (0.5 M in toluene, 72 μ L, 36 μ mol) at 0 °C, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h. Water (2 mL) and EtOAc (100 mL) were added. The organic layer was washed with half-saturated NaCl solution (1 \times 150 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) to give (*E*)-**18** as a colorless solid (23 mg, 23%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –0.08 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.05 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.11 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.84 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 4.45–4.50 (m, 1H, 3'-H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_a), 4.65 (d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_b), 4.68 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 3.5 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.06 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.7 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 5.11 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.16 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.42 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.48 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.9 Hz, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.66 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.45 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, 5'-H), 6.69 (s, 1H, NH), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.23–7.37 (m, 10H, BOM-aryl-H, Cbz-aryl-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –5.0, –4.3, –4.2, –4.2, 18.0, 18.2, 25.9, 26.0, 28.0, 67.6, 70.1, 72.0, 74.5, 75.0, 79.2, 82.8, 93.9, 101.9, 126.0, 127.5, 127.6, 128.0, 128.2, 128.2, 128.5, 135.7, 137.7, 140.9, 140.9, 150.6, 154.2, 162.6, 163.1; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 860.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₃N₃NaO₁₀Si₂, 860.3944 (M + Na⁺), found 860.3968 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1714, 1666, 1251, 1152, 1050, 838, 775, 735, 697; UV (MeCN) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 259 (4.05); mp 47 °C; TLC R_f 0.38 (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ –24.0 (c 0.7, CHCl₃).

3-(*N*-PMB)-Protected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((*S*)-22**).** **Synthesis of (*S*)-**22** from (*Z*)-**17**.** General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (*Z*)-**17** (1.00 g, 1.19 mmol), (*S,S*)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (12 mg, 20 μ mol), and MeOH (25 mL) and a reaction time of 3 d. In contrast to the general procedure, the reaction mixture was not evaporated under reduced pressure, but 10% Pd/C (136 mg, 0.128 mmol) was added and stirring under an H₂ atmosphere (1 bar) was continued for 5 h. The reaction mixture was then filtered through a pad of Celite, the Celite washed with hot MeOH (100 mL), and the filtrate evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (40:40:19:1 petroleum ether–CH₂Cl₂–EtOAc–NEt₃) to give (*S*)-**22** as a colorless solid (723 mg, 86%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ –0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.12 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.85 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.47 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.86 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 11.3, 5.3 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.13 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 8.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.55 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 5.3 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.14 (ddd, *J* = 11.3, 5.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.96 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 5.06 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.80 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.84 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ –4.5, –4.5, –4.3, –4.0, 18.8, 19.0, 26.4, 26.5, 28.3, 39.1, 44.5, 53.6, 55.7, 76.0, 76.6, 82.8, 83.0, 92.7, 102.5, 114.7, 130.3, 131.4, 140.8, 152.2, 160.7, 164.7, 174.6; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 706.2 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₆₀N₃O₈Si₂, 706.3913 (M + H⁺), found 706.3915 (M + H⁺); IR (KBr) ν 2931, 1670, 1513, 1456, 1391, 1250, 1159, 839, 777; UV (MeCN) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 194 (4.72), 223 (4.16), 263 (3.99); mp 69 °C; TLC R_f 0.17 (40:40:19:1 petroleum ether–CH₂Cl₂–EtOAc–NEt₃); analytical HPLC t_R 10.6 min (Method III); [α]_D²⁰ +44.6 (c 1.2, MeOH).

Synthesis of (*S*)-22** from (*S*)-**29**.** General procedure E with nucleosyl amino acid (*S*)-**29** (42 mg, 58 μ mol), *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.44 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.25 mL, 0.11 mmol), TBAI (1 mg, 3 μ mol), Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.28 mL, 0.23 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and a reaction time of 30 h. In contrast to the general procedure, more *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.44 M

solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.25 mL, 0.11 mmol) and Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.28 mL, 0.23 mmol) were added after 15 h. Purification by double column chromatography (1) 17:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc, (2) 9:1 CH₂Cl₂–Et₂O furnished the 3-alkylated derivative as a colorless solid (35 mg). This was then deprotected by application of general procedure D with the Cbz-protected 3-alkylated nucleosyl amino acid (10 mg, 12 μ mol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (11 μ L, 0.12 mmol), 10% Pd/C (5 mg, 5 μ mol), and MeOH (3 mL) to give (*S*)-**22** as a colorless solid (7.9 mg, 67% over two steps from (*S*)-**29**). Analytical data were identical to those given above.

3-(*N*-PMB)-Protected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((*R*)-22**).** **Synthesis of (*R*)-**22** from (*Z*)-**17**.** General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (*Z*)-**17** (1.00 g, 1.19 mmol), (*R,R*)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (24 mg, 40 μ mol), and MeOH (25 mL) and a reaction time of 14 d. In contrast to the general procedure, the reaction mixture was not evaporated under reduced pressure, but 10% Pd/C (120 mg, 0.113 mmol) was added and stirring under an H₂ atmosphere (1 bar) was continued for 5 h. The reaction mixture was then filtered through a pad of Celite, the Celite washed with hot MeOH (100 mL), and the filtrate evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (40:40:19:1 petroleum ether–CH₂Cl₂–EtOAc–NEt₃) to give (*R*)-**22** as a colorless solid (675 mg, 80%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ –0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.84 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.94 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.07 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 5.7 Hz, 2H, 5'-H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 5.7 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.89 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.13 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.32 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_a), 5.05 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H, PMB-CH₂-H_b), 5.77 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.83 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-3-H, PMB-5-H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H, PMB-2-H, PMB-6-H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ –4.5, –4.5, –4.3, –4.0, 18.8, 19.0, 26.4, 26.5, 28.3, 37.4, 44.5, 53.8, 55.7, 75.5, 76.6, 82.6, 83.1, 93.0, 102.4, 114.7, 130.3, 131.4, 141.0, 152.2, 160.7, 164.7, 174.3; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 706.3 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₆₀N₃O₈Si₂, 706.3913 (M + H⁺), found 706.3909 (M + H⁺); IR (KBr) ν 2931, 1670, 1514, 1456, 1391, 1250, 1160, 839, 777; UV (MeCN) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 223 (4.14), 263 (3.96); mp 52 °C; TLC R_f 0.17 (40:40:19:1 petroleum ether–CH₂Cl₂–EtOAc–NEt₃); Analytical HPLC t_R 10.9 min (method III); [α]_D²⁰ +30.1 (c 0.9, MeOH).

Synthesis of (*R*)-22** from (*R*)-**29**.** General procedure E with nucleosyl amino acid (*R*)-**29** (42 mg, 58 μ mol), *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.44 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.25 mL, 0.11 mmol), TBAI (1 mg, 3 μ mol), Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.28 mL, 0.23 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and a reaction time of 30 h. In contrast to the general procedure, more *p*-methoxybenzyl chloride (0.44 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.25 mL, 0.11 mmol) and Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.28 mL, 0.23 mmol) were added after 15 h. Purification by double column chromatography ((1) 17:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc, (2) 9:1 CH₂Cl₂–Et₂O) furnished the 3-alkylated derivative as a colorless solid (34 mg). This was then deprotected by application of general procedure D with the Cbz-protected 3-alkylated nucleosyl amino acid (10 mg, 12 μ mol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (11 μ L, 0.12 mmol), 10% Pd/C (5 mg, 5 μ mol), and MeOH (3 mL) to give (*R*)-**22** as a colorless solid (8.0 mg, 66% over two steps from (*R*)-**29**). Analytical data were identical to those given above.

3-(*N*-BOM)-Protected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((*S*)-23**).** **Synthesis of (*S*)-**23** from (*Z*)-**18**.** General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (*Z*)-**18** (730 mg, 0.871 mmol), (*S,S*)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (8.0 mg, 10 μ mol), and MeOH (20 mL) and a reaction time of 4 d. Purification by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (*S*)-**23** as a colorless solid (690 mg, 94%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, C₆D₆) δ –0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.98 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.32 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.09 (ddd, *J* = 15.1, 10.9, 4.8 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.23 (ddd, *J* = 15.1, 7.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.72 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.37 (dd, *J* = 4.1, 3.8 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.42 (ddd, *J* = 10.9, 5.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.61 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 6.5, 4.8 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_a), 4.68 (d, *J*

= 14.3 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_b), 5.00 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.42 (d, *J* = 18.2 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.44 (d, *J* = 18.2 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.64 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.70 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.03–7.20 (m, 8H, BOM-3-H, BOM-4-H, BOM-5-H, Cbz-aryl-H) 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, BOM-2-H, BOM-6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -4.6, -4.5, -4.1, -3.9, 18.4, 18.4, 26.1, 26.2, 28.0, 36.9, 52.8, 67.1, 70.5, 72.3, 75.3, 76.0, 81.0, 82.3, 92.9, 102.1, 127.6, 127.7, 128.4, 128.5, 128.6, 136.9, 138.9, 139.2, 151.2, 155.8, 162.1, 170.8; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 862.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₅N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 862.4101 (M + Na⁺), found 862.4103 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1713, 1665, 1252, 1153, 1058, 837, 775, 734, 696; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 205 (4.45), 264 (4.01); mp 38 °C; TLC R_f 0.27 (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc); analytical HPLC t_R 15.1 min (method II); [α]_D²⁰ +51.3 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

Synthesis of (S)-23 from (S)-29. General procedure E with nucleosyl amino acid (S)-29 (21 mg, 29 μmol), benzyloxymethyl chloride (0.44 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.10 mL, 44 μmol), TBAI (0.5 mg, 1 μmol), Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.14 mL, 0.12 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) and a reaction time of 23 h. Purification by column chromatography (17:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (S)-23 as a colorless solid (18 mg, 74%). Analytical data were identical to those given above.

3-(N-BOM)-Protected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((R)-23). *Synthesis of (R)-23 from (Z)-18.* General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (Z)-18 (730 mg, 0.871 mmol), (R,R)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (8.0 mg, 10 μmol), and MeOH (20 mL) and a reaction time of 7 d. In contrast to the general procedure, more (R,R)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (8.0 mg, 10 μmol) was added after 5 d. Purification by column chromatography (4:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (R)-23 as a colorless solid (680 mg, 93%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -0.04 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), -0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.11 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.20 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.92 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.96 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.36 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.91 (ddd, *J* = 14.7, 11.6, 3.9 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.23 (ddd, *J* = 14.7, 5.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.72 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.25–4.30 (m, 2H, 2'-H, 4'-H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_a), 4.66 (d, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 1H, BOM-CH₂-H_b), 4.73 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 5.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 4.97 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.14 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.34 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.36 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_a), 5.38 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, NCH₂O-H_b), 5.39 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.00–7.22 (m, 8H, BOM-3-H, BOM-4-H, BOM-5-H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H, BOM-2-H, BOM-6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -4.7, -4.7, -3.9, -3.9, 18.3, 18.3, 26.2, 26.2, 28.1, 34.8, 53.6, 67.0, 70.4, 72.4, 74.7, 75.7, 81.0, 82.0, 93.7, 101.9, 127.6, 127.7, 128.3, 128.4, 128.5, 128.6, 137.0, 138.9, 138.2, 150.9, 156.2, 161.9, 170.4; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 862.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₃H₆₅N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 862.4101 (M + Na⁺), found 862.4098 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1714, 1665, 1151, 1061, 865, 837, 775, 735, 696; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 205 (4.40), 263 (3.96); mp 41 °C; TLC R_f 0.38 (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc); Analytical HPLC t_R 14.7 min (method II); [α]_D²⁰ +50.7 (c 1.2, CHCl₃).

Synthesis of (R)-23 from (R)-29. General procedure E with nucleosyl amino acid (R)-29 (21 mg, 29 μmol), benzyloxymethyl chloride (0.44 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.10 mL, 44 μmol), TBAI (0.5 mg, 1 μmol), Na₂CO₃ (0.82 M solution in water, 0.14 mL, 0.12 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) and a reaction time of 23 h. Purification by column chromatography (17:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (R)-23 as a colorless solid (20 mg, 83%). Analytical data were identical to those given above.

3-Unprotected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((S)-24). General procedure D with Cbz-protected nucleosyl amino acid (S)-29 (150 mg, 0.208 mmol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (197 μL, 2.08 mmol), 10% Pd/C (20 mg, 19 μmol), and MeOH (4 mL) to give (S)-24 as a colorless solid (119 mg, 98%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.11 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.47 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.84 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 11.2, 5.1 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.11 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 8.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 5.1 Hz, 1H, 6'-

H), 3.88 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.12 (ddd, *J* = 11.2, 5.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.73 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ -4.5, -4.4, -4.4, -4.0, 18.9, 18.9, 26.4, 26.5, 28.3, 39.5, 53.8, 76.0, 76.6, 82.6, 82.9, 92.0, 103.0, 142.6, 152.3, 166.3, 175.2; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 586.4 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₅₂N₃O₇Si₂ 586.3338 (M + H⁺), found 586.3337 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1687, 1252, 1153, 1056, 867, 835, 812, 774, 735; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 207 (3.96), 262 (4.00); mp 48 °C; TLC R_f 0.27 (19:1 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +42.6 (c 1.1, MeOH).

3-Unprotected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((R)-24). General procedure D with Cbz-protected nucleosyl amino acid (R)-29 (150 mg, 0.208 mmol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (197 μL, 2.08 mmol), 10% Pd/C (20 mg, 19 μmol), and MeOH (4 mL) to give (R)-24 as a colorless solid (120 mg, 99%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.11 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.12 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.14 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.99–2.06 (m, 2H, 5'-H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 3.90 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.14 (ddd, *J* = 8.3, 5.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.73 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ -4.5, -4.5, -4.3, -4.0, 18.9, 18.9, 26.4, 26.5, 28.3, 38.3, 54.1, 75.8, 76.7, 82.5, 82.6, 91.9, 102.9, 142.4, 152.4, 166.4, 175.7; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 586.3 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₇H₅₂N₃O₇Si₂ 586.3338 (M + H⁺), found 586.3334 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1687, 1252, 1153, 1087, 1053, 866, 835, 812, 775; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 207 (3.94), 262 (3.99); mp 54 °C; TLC R_f 0.27 (19:1 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +25.1 (c 0.9, MeOH).

3',5'-Bis(O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl)uridine-5'-aldehyde (27). General procedure A with uridine derivative 26²⁰ (2.30 g, 4.87 mmol), IBX (3.41 g, 12.2 mmol), and MeCN (46 mL) to give 27 as a colorless solid (2.25 g, 98%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.85 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.91 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 4.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 8.54 (s, 1H, NH), 9.80 (s, 1H, 5'-H); MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 493.2 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₃₈N₂NaO₆Si₂ 493.2161 (M + Na⁺), found 493.2160 (M + Na⁺).

3-Unprotected Didehydro Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((Z)-28). General procedure B with aldehyde 27 (2.93 g, 6.22 mmol), phosphonate 16²² (1.86 g, 4.98 mmol), KHMDS (0.5 M in toluene, 9.96 mL, 4.98 mmol), and THF (30 mL (27), 25 mL (16), 25 mL (KHMDS)). Purification by column chromatography (3:1 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (Z)-28 as a colorless solid (3.03 g, 85%) while the (E)-isomer could not be isolated: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.12 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.89 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.48 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 3.8 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.34 (dd, *J* = 3.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.88 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 6.3 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 5.14 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.58 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.73 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.26 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H, 5'-H), 6.75 (s, 1H, 6'-NH), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.30–7.39 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 8.56 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.9, -4.8, -4.5, -4.4, 18.0, 18.1, 25.8, 25.8, 27.8, 67.5, 74.7, 76.1, 79.1, 82.6, 92.8, 102.3, 124.6, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 131.3, 135.8, 140.4, 149.8, 162.7, 163.1; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 740.3 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₃H₅₅N₃NaO₉Si₂ 740.3369 (M + Na⁺), found 740.3379 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1686, 1254, 1222, 1152, 1051, 833, 814, 776, 735; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 255 (4.20); mp 65 °C; TLC R_f 0.29 (3:2 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +47.9 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

3-Unprotected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((S)-29). General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (Z)-28 (1.26 g, 1.75 mmol), (S,S)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (12 mg, 20 μmol), and MeOH (30 mL) and a reaction time of 6 d. In contrast to the General Procedure, more (S,S)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (9.0 mg, 15 μmol) was added after 5 d. Purification by column chromatography (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (S)-29 as a colorless solid (1.19 g, 94%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.01 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.05 (s, 3H,

Si(CH₃)₃, 0.16 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.20 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.00 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.33 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.14 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 10.7, 5.2 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.28 (ddd, *J* = 14.1, 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.76 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.38–4.46 (m, 2H, 2'-H, 4'-H), 4.61 (ddd, *J* = 7.1, 6.3, 5.2 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.02 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.61 (s, 1H, 1'-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H, 6'-NH), 7.05–7.28 (m, 6H, 6-H, Cbz-aryl-H) 9.60 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -4.8, -4.7, -4.3, -4.1, 18.2, 18.2, 26.0, 26.1, 27.8, 36.5, 52.8, 67.0, 75.0, 75.9, 80.9, 82.2, 92.8, 102.4, 128.3, 128.4, 128.6, 137.0, 140.8, 150.6, 155.9, 163.0, 171.0; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 742.3 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₅₇N₃NaO₉Si₂ 742.3526 (M + Na⁺), found 742.3527 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1683, 1252, 1153, 866, 836, 775, 735, 697; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 206 (4.20), 261 (3.99); mp 70 °C; TLC R_f 0.23 (3:2 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +54.9 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

3-Unprotected Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((R)-29). General procedure C with didehydro nucleosyl amino acid (Z)-28 (270 mg, 0.376 mmol), (R,R)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (9.0 mg, 15 μmol), MeOH (20 mL) and a reaction time of 14 d. In contrast to the general procedure, more (R,R)-Me-DUPHOS-Rh (6.0 mg, 9.9 μmol) was added both after 7 and 11 d. Purification by column chromatography (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc) gave (R)-29 as a colorless solid (253 mg, 93%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, C₆D₆) δ 0.03 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.04 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.18 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.24 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.95 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.00 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.39 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.04 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 10.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.30 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 4.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.74 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 3.9 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.29 (ddd, *J* = 10.9, 6.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.39 (dd, *J* = 3.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.75 (ddd, *J* = 8.6, 4.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.16 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.31 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.39 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H, 6'-NH), 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.04–7.27 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H) 10.34 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, C₆D₆) δ -4.8, -4.8, -4.1, -4.1, 18.2, 18.2, 26.0, 26.0, 27.9, 34.6, 53.6, 66.9, 74.5, 75.5, 80.9, 81.9, 93.6, 102.3, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 137.1, 140.0, 150.6, 156.3, 163.4, 170.7; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 742.3 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₅₇N₃NaO₉Si₂ 742.3526 (M + Na⁺), found 742.3527 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1685, 1252, 1154, 1064, 866, 836, 813, 775, 736; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 206 (4.19), 261 (3.98); mp 63 °C; TLC R_f 0.24 (3:2 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +44.1 (c 1.1, CHCl₃).

Silylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid Urea Derivative ((S)-30). To a solution of nucleosyl amino acid (S)-24 (70 mg, 0.12 mmol) in THF (6 mL), 4-nitrophenyl isocyanate (23 mg, 0.14 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether–EtOAc gradient (25–30%)) to give (S)-30 as a colorless solid (77 mg, 86%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.05 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.05 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.03–2.18 (m, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.21–2.31 (m, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.4 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.21–4.28 (m, 1H, 4'-H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.57 (ddd, *J* = 6.6, 6.1, 6.0 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.64 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 6'-NH), 7.54 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-2-H, urea-aryl-6-H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 8.03 (s, 1H, urea-aryl-NH), 8.11 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-3-H, urea-aryl-5-H), 9.93 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.8, -4.8, -4.7, -4.3, 17.9, 18.0, 25.7, 25.7, 27.9, 35.8, 52.0, 74.0, 75.2, 82.0, 83.0, 92.2, 102.4, 117.6, 125.2, 141.9, 141.9, 141.9, 150.5, 154.0, 163.8, 171.8; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 772.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₄H₅₅N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 772.3380 (M + Na⁺), found 772.3377 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1681, 1329, 1252, 1155, 1110, 867, 835, 776, 751; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 262 (3.99), 332 (4.16); mp 102 °C; TLC R_f 0.05 (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +53.6 (c 1.1, CHCl₃).

Silylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid Urea Derivative ((R)-30). To a solution of nucleosyl amino acid (R)-24 (66 mg, 0.11 mmol) in THF (6 mL), 4-nitrophenyl isocyanate (21 mg, 0.13 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was

purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether–EtOAc gradient (25–30%)) to give (R)-30 as a colorless solid (62 mg, 75%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, 55 °C) δ 0.05 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.10 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.92 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.49 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.07 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 11.4 Hz, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.39 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.77 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.17 (ddd, *J* = 11.4, 4.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.32 (dd, *J* = 4.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.73 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 5.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.48 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 6.49 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 6'-NH), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-2-H, urea-aryl-6-H), 8.03 (s, 1H, urea-aryl-NH), 8.09 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-3-H, urea-aryl-5-H), 9.70 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 50 °C) δ -4.7, -4.7, -4.6, -4.2, 17.9, 18.1, 25.8, 25.9, 28.1, 34.8, 51.9, 73.7, 75.3, 81.8, 82.8, 93.1, 102.2, 117.8, 125.1, 141.6, 142.2, 142.2, 150.1, 154.3, 163.8, 170.8; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 772.4 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₄H₅₅N₃NaO₁₀Si₂ 772.3380 (M + Na⁺), found 772.3377 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1682, 1329, 1253, 1154, 1110, 865, 836, 776, 751; UV (MeCN) λ_{max} (log ε) 261 (3.99), 332 (4.16); mp 92 °C; TLC R_f 0.06 (7:3 petroleum ether–EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ +11.1 (c 1.0, CHCl₃).

Desilylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid Urea Derivative ((S)-31).

To a solution of nucleosyl amino acid urea derivative (S)-30 (61 mg, 81 μmol) in THF (4 mL) was added TBAF trihydrate (101 mg, 0.320 mmol) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h, and then petroleum ether (1 mL) was added. The resultant mixture was directly applied on a silica gel column and purified twice by column chromatography ((1) 1:4 petroleum ether–THF, (2) CH₂Cl₂–MeOH gradient (5–10%)) to give (S)-31 as a colorless solid (10 mg, 24%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.46 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.16 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 9.3, 5.9 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 2.34 (ddd, *J* = 14.4, 6.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 3.95 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 5.7 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.03 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 6.7, 3.3 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 4.19 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 3.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.73 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-2-H, urea-aryl-6-H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-3-H, urea-aryl-5-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 28.2, 36.5, 52.8, 74.8, 74.8, 81.2, 83.3, 92.8, 102.9, 118.6, 126.0, 143.3, 147.5, 152.1, 156.3, 166.1, 172.6; MS (ESI⁻) *m/z* 520.2 (M - H⁻); HRMS (ESI⁻) *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₆N₃O₁₀ 520.1685 (M - H⁻), found 520.1683 (M - H⁻); IR (ATR) ν 1678, 1335, 1111, 1093, 1055, 851, 566, 548, 526; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202 (4.40), 263 (4.08), 327 (4.13); mp 215 °C; TLC R_f 0.13 (92:8 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +60.9 (c 0.35, MeOH).

Desilylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid Urea Derivative ((R)-31).

To a solution of nucleosyl amino acid urea derivative (R)-30 (52 mg, 69 μmol) in THF (4 mL) was added TBAF trihydrate (88 mg, 0.28 mmol) at 10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3.5 h, and then petroleum ether (1 mL) was added. The resultant mixture was directly applied on a silica gel column and purified twice by column chromatography ((1) 1:4 petroleum ether–THF, (2) CH₂Cl₂–MeOH gradient (5–10%)) to give (R)-31 as a colorless solid (10 mg, 29%): ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.49 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 2.18–2.19 (m, 2H, 5'-H), 3.92–4.03 (m, 2H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 3.8 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 4.49 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 5.7 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 5.65 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.55–7.60 (m, 3H, 6-H, urea-aryl-2-H, urea-aryl-6-H), 8.14 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H, urea-aryl-3-H, urea-aryl-5-H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 28.3, 36.1, 53.0, 74.7, 74.7, 81.6, 83.3, 92.8, 103.0, 118.6, 126.0, 142.9, 143.2, 147.5, 152.2, 156.6, 166.0, 172.9; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 544.2 (M + Na⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₇N₃NaO₁₀ 544.1650 (M + Na⁺), found 544.1641 (M + Na⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1668, 1503, 1327, 1221, 1149, 1108, 1032, 750, 551; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202 (4.41), 263 (4.01), 328 (4.16); mp 218 °C; TLC R_f 0.11 (92:8 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +33.2 (c 0.90, MeOH).

6'-N-Alkylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((S)-33). To a solution of 3-unprotected nucleosyl amino acid (S)-24 (66 mg, 0.11 mmol) in THF (3.5 mL) were added anhydrous molecular sieves (4 Å), and the mixture was stirred at rt for 5 min. Aldehyde 32 (23 mg, 0.11 mmol) was then added and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h with

MeCN (1 mL) being added after 15 h. Subsequently, Amberlyst-15TM (4.9 mg, 23 μ mol), sodium triacetoxyborohydride (47 mg, 0.22 mmol) and THF (2 mL) were added and stirring at rt was continued for further 18 h. The insoluble material was then filtered off and washed with EtOAc (3 \times 10 mL). The filtrate was washed with satd Na₂CO₃ solution (1 \times 50 mL) and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (1 \times 30 mL). The combined organics were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (98:2 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH) to give (S)-33 as a colorless solid (78 mg, 91%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.00 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.83 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.52 (dddd, *J* = 7.0, 6.9, 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 2H, propylene-2-H), 1.85–1.97 (m, 3H, 5'-H, 6'-NH), 2.39 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.52 (ddd, *J* = 11.5, 6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.03 (ddd, *J* = 6.7, 6.7, 5.6 Hz, 2H, propylene-3-H), 3.12 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 6.1 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 3.88 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 4.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H, 4'-H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 4.3 Hz, 1H, 3'-H), 4.33 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.00 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.67 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.71 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 5.6 Hz, 1H, Cbz-NH), 7.30–7.37 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 11.32 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -5.0, -5.0, -4.9, -4.6, 17.5, 17.6, 25.5, 25.6, 27.6, 29.9, 36.3, 38.4, 44.6, 59.1, 65.0, 73.5, 74.5, 80.2, 80.9, 88.5, 102.0, 127.6, 127.6, 128.2, 137.2, 140.9, 150.5, 156.0, 162.9, 173.3; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 777.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₈H₆₅N₄O₉Si₂ 777.4285 (M + H⁺), found 777.4298 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1686, 1251, 1151, 1065, 866, 835, 812, 774, 695; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 207 (4.21), 263 (3.99); mp 57 °C; TLC *R*_f 0.07 (96:4 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +26.5 (c 0.84, MeOH).

6'-N-Alkylated Nucleosyl Amino Acid ((R)-33). To a solution of 3-unprotected nucleosyl amino acid (R)-24 (74 mg, 0.13 mmol) in THF (4 mL) were added anhydrous molecular sieves (4 Å), and the mixture was stirred at rt for 5 min. Aldehyde 32 (27 mg, 0.13 mmol) was then added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h with MeCN (1 mL) being added after 15 h. Subsequently, Amberlyst-15 (5.7 mg, 27 μ mol), sodium triacetoxyborohydride (55 mg, 0.26 mmol), and THF (2 mL) were added and stirring at rt was continued for further 18 h. The insoluble material was then filtered off and washed with EtOAc (3 \times 10 mL). The filtrate was washed with satd Na₂CO₃ solution (1 \times 50 mL), and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (1 \times 30 mL). The combined organics were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (98:2 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH) to give (R)-33 as a colorless solid (83 mg, 85%): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.04 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.83 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.89 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.47–1.54 (m, 2H, propylene-2-H), 1.78 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 8.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 1.83 (s, 1H, 6'-NH), 1.88 (ddd, *J* = 13.8, 8.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 2.34 (ddd, *J* = 11.3, 7.1, 7.0 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.54 (ddd, *J* = 11.3, 7.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.02 (ddd, *J* = 6.6, 6.5, 5.7 Hz, 2H, propylene-3-H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 6'-H), 3.99–4.04 (m, 2H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 4.34 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.00 (s, 2H, Cbz-CH₂), 5.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 5.7 Hz, 1H, Cbz-NH), 7.28–7.38 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 11.32 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -5.1, -4.9, -4.8, -4.7, 17.4, 17.6, 25.5, 25.6, 27.6, 30.0, 36.3, 38.4, 44.5, 59.0, 65.0, 73.4, 74.9, 80.2, 81.7, 88.0, 102.0, 127.6, 127.6, 128.2, 137.2, 140.8, 150.6, 156.0, 162.8, 173.7; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 777.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₃₈H₆₅N₄O₉Si₂ 777.4285 (M + H⁺), found 777.4291 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1687, 1251, 1149, 1086, 1063, 866, 835, 812, 774; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 256 (4.28), 305 (3.98); mp 59 °C; TLC *R*_f 0.09 (96:4 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); [α]_D²⁰ +15.6 (c 0.67, MeOH).

N-Cbz-Protected Muraymycin Analogue ((S)-34). General procedure D with 6'-N-alkylated nucleosyl amino acid (S)-33 (60 mg, 77 μ mol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (73 μ L, 0.77 mmol), 10% Pd/C (10 mg, 9.4 μ mol), and MeOH (4 mL) to give the N-deprotected derivative as a colorless solid (48 mg). Some of this material (36 mg,

56 μ mol) was then dissolved in THF (4 mL). To a solution of N-Cbz-L-leucine (13 mg, 50 μ mol) in THF (2 mL) were added HOBt (6.8 mg, 50 μ mol), EDC hydrochloride (9.6 mg, 50 μ mol), and DIPEA (8.7 μ L, 50 μ mol). The resultant suspension was stirred at rt for 45 min and then added to the aforementioned solution of the amine at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 10 h and at rt for 6 h. It was then diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with satd Na₂CO₃ solution (1 \times 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (97.5:2.5 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH) to give (S)-34 as a colorless solid (32 mg, 70% over two steps from (S)-33): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -0.00 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.83 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.35 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.40–1.53 (m, 4H, propylene-2-H, Leu-3-H), 1.55–1.62 (m, 1H, Leu-4-H), 1.86–1.90 (m, 2H, 5'-H), 2.35–2.41 (m, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.48–2.53 (m, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 3.00–3.06 (m, 1H, propylene-3-H_a), 3.08–3.14 (m, 2H, 6'-H, propylene-3-H_b), 3.87–3.91 (m, 2H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 3.95–4.00 (m, 1H, Leu-2-H), 4.33 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.03 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.67 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.70 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Leu-NH), 7.28–7.38 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.79 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 5.5 Hz, 1H, propylene-NH), 11.31 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -5.0, -5.0, -4.9, -4.6, 17.5, 17.6, 21.5, 22.8, 24.1, 25.5, 25.6, 27.6, 29.6, 36.3, 36.6, 40.9, 44.6, 53.1, 59.1, 65.2, 73.5, 73.5, 80.2, 80.8, 88.5, 102.0, 127.5, 127.6, 128.2, 137.0, 140.9, 152.2, 155.8, 162.9, 171.9, 173.3; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 890.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₄H₇₆N₅O₁₀Si₂ 890.5125 (M + H⁺), found 890.5124 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1686, 1251, 1153, 1043, 867, 835, 813, 775, 696; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 204 (4.34), 262 (4.01), 318 (2.62); mp 71 °C; TLC *R*_f 0.24 (19:1 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); analytical HPLC *t*_R 9.9 min (method III); [α]_D²⁰ +14.8 (c 1.1, MeOH).

N-Cbz-Protected Muraymycin Analogue ((R)-34). General procedure D with 6'-N-alkylated nucleosyl amino acid (R)-33 (63 mg, 81 μ mol), 1,4-cyclohexadiene (77 μ L, 0.81 mmol), 10% Pd/C (10 mg, 9.4 μ mol) and MeOH (4 mL) to give the N-deprotected derivative as a colorless solid (51 mg). Some of this material (41 mg, 64 μ mol) was then dissolved in THF (4 mL). To a solution of N-Cbz-L-leucine (15 mg, 58 μ mol) in THF (2.3 mL), HOBt (7.8 mg, 58 μ mol), EDC hydrochloride (11 mg, 58 μ mol) and DIPEA (10 μ L, 58 μ mol) were added. The resultant suspension was stirred at rt for 45 min and then added to the aforementioned solution of the amine at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 10 h and at rt for 6 h. It was then diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with satd Na₂CO₃ solution (1 \times 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure. The resultant crude product was purified by column chromatography (97.5:2.5 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH) to give (R)-34 as a colorless solid (39 mg, 75% over two steps from (R)-33): ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -0.02 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.03 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.09 (s, 3H, SiCH₃), 0.83 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_a), 0.86 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H, Leu-5-H_b), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 1.37–1.52 (m, 4H, propylene-2-H, Leu-3-H), 1.41 (s, 9H, OC(CH₃)₃), 1.55–1.62 (m, 1H, Leu-4-H), 1.77 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 8.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_a), 1.88 (ddd, *J* = 14.0, 9.4, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 5'-H_b), 2.30–2.35 (m, 1H, propylene-1-H_a), 2.51–2.55 (m, 1H, propylene-1-H_b), 2.99–3.13 (m, 3H, 6'-H, propylene-3-H), 3.95–4.05 (m, 3H, Leu-2-H, 3'-H, 4'-H), 4.34 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_a), 5.03 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H, Cbz-CH₂-H_b), 5.66 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Leu-NH), 7.28–7.37 (m, 5H, Cbz-aryl-H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, 6-H), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 5.6 Hz, 1H, propylene-NH), 11.31 (s, 1H, 3-NH); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ -5.1, -4.9, -4.8, -4.7, 17.4, 17.6, 21.5, 22.8, 24.1, 25.5, 25.6, 27.6, 29.8, 36.4, 36.6, 41.0, 44.7, 53.1, 59.0, 65.2, 73.4, 74.9, 80.2, 81.7, 88.0, 102.0, 127.5, 127.6, 128.2, 137.0, 140.8, 150.6, 155.7, 162.8, 171.9, 173.7; MS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 890.5 (M + H⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* calcd for C₄₄H₇₆N₅O₁₀Si₂ 890.5125 (M +

H⁺), found 890.5122 (M + H⁺); IR (ATR) ν 1686, 1551, 1151, 1049, 866, 836, 812, 775, 696; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 204 (4.32), 263 (4.01); mp 69 °C; TLC R_f 0.27 (19:1 CH₂Cl₂–MeOH); Analytical HPLC t_R 10.5 min (method III); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +15.9$ (c 1.0, MeOH).

Optimization of the Hydrogenolytic Deprotection of (S)-23 and (R)-23. Hydrogenolysis reactions described in Table 1 were carried out as follows. To a solution of (S)-23 or (R)-23 in the listed solvent (0.125 mL/mg starting material) was added the listed catalyst. The reaction mixture was stirred under an atmosphere of H₂ (1 bar, balloon) at rt for the listed time. After filtration through a syringe filter and rinsing of the filter with MeOH (3×), the solvent of the filtrate was removed under reduced pressure. The resultant products were analyzed by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

X-ray Structure Determination of (R)-31. A single crystal was selected from the Schlenk flask under argon atmosphere and covered with perfluorinated polyether oil on a microscope slide, which was cooled with a nitrogen gas flow using the X-TEMP 2.^{30a,b} An appropriate crystal was selected using a polarize microscope, mounted on the tip of a MiTeGen MicroMount, fixed to a goniometer head and shock-cooled by the crystal cooling device. The data of (R)-31 were collected on a Bruker SMART APEXII Quazar diffractometer with D8 goniometer (100 K, Mo K α radiation, λ = 71.073 pm; mirror optics).^{30c} The data were integrated with SAINT,^{30d} and an empirical absorption correction (SADABS) was applied.^{30e} The structure was solved by direct methods (SHELXS) and refined on F² using the full-matrix least-squares methods of SHELXL.^{30f} All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The hydrogen atoms at the nitrogen and oxygen atoms are refined freely using distance restraints, all carbon bonded hydrogen atoms bonded to sp² (sp³) carbon atoms were assigned ideal positions and refined using a riding model with U_{iso} constrained to 1.2 (1.5) times the U_{eq} value of the parent carbon atom. The crystallographic data (excluding structure factors) have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Centre and are available under no. 840892. Copies of the data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

■ Supporting Information

¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR spectra of all new compounds (including details of the ¹H NOE NMR experiments) and data on the X-ray crystal structure of (R)-31 including a full-page size thermal ellipsoid and packing plot. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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