Formal Synthesis of Anticoagulant Drug Fondaparinux Sodium

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Supporting Information



ABSTRACT: The practical formal synthesis of the anticoagulant drug fondaparinux sodium 1 was accomplished using an optimized modular synthetic strategy. The important pentasaccharide 2, a precursor for the synthesis of fondaparinux sodium, was synthesized on a 10 g scale in 14 collective steps with 3.5% overall yield from well-functionalized monosaccharide building blocks. The strategy involved a convergent [3 + 2] coupling approach, with excellent stereoselectivity in every step of glycosylation from the monosaccharide building blocks. Efficient routes to the syntheses of these fully functionalized building blocks avoided rigorous reaction conditions and the use of expensive reagents. In addition, common intermediates and a series of one-pot reactions were employed to enhance synthetic efficiency, improving the yield considerably. In the monosaccharide-to-oligosaccharide assembly reactions, cheaper activators (e.g., NIS/TfOH, TESOTf, and TfOH) were used to facilitate highly efficient glycosylations. Furthermore, crystallization of several monosaccharide and oligosaccharide intermediates significantly simplified purification procedures, which would be greatly beneficial to the scalable synthesis of fondaparinux sodium.

1. INTRODUCTION

Heparin and its structurally related heparan sulfate are linear polysulfated polysaccharides with alternating D-glucosamine and either D-glucuronic acid or L-iduronic acid units.¹ They are present on the surface of most animal cells as well as in the basement membranes and extracellular matrixes² and play significant roles in diverse biological processes such as blood coagulation, bacterial and viral infections, tumor metastasis, cell growth, cell adhesion, wound healing, inflammation, lipid metabolism, and diseases of the nervous system.^{1c,3} Heparin, which is isolated from animal organs, has been widely used clinically as an anticoagulant drug for major cardiovascular and orthopedic surgeries such as knee surgery and in repairing hip fractures or hip replacement. Since the 1940s, it has also been used to prevent the occurrence of venous thrombosis, owing to its high affinity to bind with antithrombin III.⁴ Despite its widespread use, current heparin therapies present challenges in product quality control and material supply safety, due to the many diverse sources and nonuniformity of the organs used to

produce the drug.⁵ Furthermore, serious complications such as heparin-induced thrombocytopenia, uncontrolled bleeding, and osteoporosis may occur during administration of heparin.⁶ In the early 1980s, a unique pentasaccharide domain in heparin chains capable of activating antithrombin III was discovered. This domain is a serine protease inhibitor that blocks factor Xa in the coagulation cascade.⁷ Two pharmaceutical companies, Sanofi and Organon, synthesized an analogue of this pentasaccharide, which was developed into a novel antithrombotic drug, fondaparinux sodium (1, Arixtra, Figure 1) in 2002.⁸ Fondaparinux sodium displays superior antithrombotic activity to unfractionated heparin (molecular weight average 14 000) and its low-molecular-weight variants (molecular weight average 6000),9 and brings about antithrombin-mediated activity exclusively against factor Xa but with no effect on thrombin.¹⁰ Moreover, it is much easier to control product

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Figure 1. Structure of fondaparinux sodium (Arixtra).

quality during the production process of the artificial synthetic pentasaccharide agent, which also has several advantages over the aforementioned naturally derived heparins in terms of pharmacokinetics.¹¹

Scheme 1. Retrosynthetic Analysis of Fondaparinux Sodium 1

Although fondaparinux sodium is an outstanding anticoagulant drug compared to traditional heparins, its high manufacturing cost restricts widespread use as the synthesis is difficult and tedious.^{7,8} Indeed, fondaparinux sodium and other heparin oligosaccharides are generally perceived to be difficult to synthesize.^{7,8,12d} Most of the time, lengthy chemical processes are required because of the repeated introduction and removal of protecting groups, and the separation of side products from desired intermediates is often inefficient, both of which drastically decrease the synthetic efficiency. Therefore, it is imperative to develop highly efficient strategies for producing the homogeneous pentasaccharide for clinical applications.



Recently, some progress toward a more efficient synthesis of this pentasaccharide has been made:¹² Hung and co-workers elegantly applied a [4 + 1] approach to finish the total synthesis of fondaparinux sodium in 22 linear steps from D-glucosamine-HCl, and the use of common intermediates and a series of onepot reactions considerably reduced the synthetic steps and improved the yield.^{12a} Moreover, Lin^{12b} and Wang^{12c} completed the synthesis of this pentasaccharide by a convergent [3+2] manner separately. In contrast to the chemical methods mentioned above, Linhardt and Liu used a chemoenzymatic synthesis to obtain heparin pentasaccharide in their syntheses of two structurally homogeneous ultralow molecular weight heparins in 45% and 37% overall yield over 10 and 12 steps, respectively.^{12d} Herein, we describe the formal synthesis of fondaparinux sodium using a [3 + 2] optimized modular synthetic strategy from well-functionalized building blocks, which significantly decreases the number of total synthetic steps and enhances the synthetic efficiency.

2. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

2.1. Retrosynthetic Analysis for Fondaparinux Sodium. Our synthetic route to the pentasaccharide required a modular and convergent strategy using a set of suitably functionalized monosaccharide building blocks. These were readily accessible and convenient for regioselective placement of multiple sulfonate groups, allowing the critical stereochemical aspects of glycosylation to be controlled by the anomeric effect and neighboring group participation. Through retrosynthetic design (Scheme 1), fondaparinux sodium 1 could be generated from pentasaccharide 2 via the well-known Osulfation/hydrogenation/N-sulfation process, with free hydroxyl groups and carboxylic groups.¹³ The latter was accessible from fully protected pentasaccharides 3 or 4 under hydrolysis conditions. To provide efficient access to pentasaccharides 3 or 4, we conceived a [3 + 2] coupling approach through the disaccharide acceptor 7 (building block AB) and trisaccharide donors 5 or 6 (building block CDE). Compounds 5 and 6 could be prepared from condensation of the known glucosazide trichloroacetimidate 8 (building block E)14 and disaccharide acceptors 9 or 10 (building block CD). These latter disaccharides could be constructed by functionalized monosaccharide donor 14 (building block D)^{12c} and acceptor 13 (building block C). In contrast, disaccharide 7 may also be assembled through 1-thio iduronic acid donor 11 (building block B) and glucosamine acceptor 12 (building block A).¹

The aforementioned five monosaccharide building blocks (8,11, 12, 13, and 14) can be prepared from two convenient starting materials with several different methods. In detail, the glucosazide units 8, 13 and glucosamine unit 12 are all readily attainable from commercially available D-glucosamine HCl 17. The iduronic acid unit 11 can be prepared from the known anhydro-L-idose 15, which was obtained from diacetone Dglucose 16 in five steps,¹⁶ while 16 could also be converted into glucose derivative 14 in several steps.^{12c} Furthermore, a protection strategy was established for O-sulfation and selective N-sulfation, as well as for glycosylation stereoselectivity. Acetyl and benzoyl protecting groups allowed the introduction of the crucial sulfate groups at the corresponding hydroxy groups. Benzoyl and levulinoyl (Lev) groups (building blocks 11 and 14a) were selected to facilitate neighboring-group participation for the stereoselective introduction of 1,2-trans-glycosidic linkages, while benzyl ethers were used as permanent protecting groups for releasing the hydroxy groups in a later stage of the

synthesis. Azido groups in building blocks **8**, **9**, and **10** were used as amino functionalities for subsequent *N*-sulfation, as well as for utilizing the anomeric effect (bearing a C2-non-participating group) to install 1,2-*cis*-glycosidic linkages between the E and CD fragments.^{12a} Furthermore, ester groups (acetyl or benzoyl) at the *O6* position of these intermediates potentially enhance the stereochemical aspects of the glycosylation by remote participation.

2.2. Preparation of Building Block A (Monosaccharide 12). From the retrosynthetic perspective, we began our synthesis with the preparation of disaccharide 7 (building block AB), obtained from the coupling of 1-thio iduronic acid donor 11 and glucosamine acceptor 12. The α -methyl glycoside 12 (building block A) was prepared from known 2-azidoglucoside 18 (Scheme 2), the latter was synthesized from D-

Scheme 2. Synthesis of Glucosamine 12 (Building Block A)^a



"Reagents and conditions: (a) (1) PPh₃, silical gel, THF-H₂O (9:1), RT, 3 h; (2) CbzCl, NaHCO₃, THF-H₂O (9:1), 0 °C, 3 h, 56% for 12 and 11% for 19.

glucosamine·HCl 17 in six steps.^{16c,17} However, at this stage, the anomeric mixture 18 (α/β = 6:1) proved difficult to separate by chromatography: eluting with 33% ethyl acetate/ petroleum ether, the desired α -methyl glycoside anomer had an R_{f} value of 0.40, in contrast to the β -anomer with an R_{f} value of 0.35. We were fortunately able to circumvent this problem using an azide reduction-protection protocol. Staudinger reaction of the azide anomeric mixture with PPh₂ and silica gel in a THF-water mixture proceeded smoothly, and the resulting crude products were carried forward without further purification. After the protection of the amino group with CbzCl and NaHCO₃, the desired α -methyl glycoside 12 ($J_{1,2}$ = 3.6 Hz) could be separated easily in 56% yield via column chromatography, due to the significantly different R_f values of 12 and 19 (0.40 for 12 and 0.05 for 19, eluting with 50% ethyl acetate/petroleum ether), while β -anomer iminophosphorane **19** ($J_{1,2}$ = 8.4 Hz) was also obtained in 11% yield. We note that, because the iminophosphorane group in 19 cannot be further hydrolyzed to the corresponding amine under these mild conditions, this efficient separation is highly suitable for scalable preparation of α -methyl glycoside 12 (building block A).

2.3. Preparation of Building Block B (Monosaccharide 11). The generation of rare L-idose was one of the most frequently encountered problems in the synthesis of heparin derivatives.^{16c,18} To minimize functional-group transformations and circumvent the oxidation steps at subsequent oligosaccharide stages, we prepared donor **11** (building block B) with suitable protecting groups and a C5 methyl ester to enhance the efficiency of the entire synthesis. Wang and co-workers prepared a similar building block B from commercially available Scheme 3. Initial Synthesis of Monosaccharide 11 (Building Block B)^a



^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) TolSH, BF₃·Et₂O, DCM, 0 °C to RT, 12 h, 65%, α/β = 5:2; (b) MeONa, MeOH, RT, 76%; (c) (1) Bu₂SnO, MeOH, reflux, 1 h; (2) BzCl, Et₃N, dioxane, 0 °C, 1 h, 65%; (d) TBSOTf, 2,6-lutidine, DCM, 0 °C to RT, 30 min, 86%.





^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) Ac₂O–TFA (6:1), 60 °C, overnight; (b) TolSH, TfOH, DCM, 0 °C; (c) AcCl, MeOH, 0 °C to RT, overnight, 60% over 3 steps, $\alpha/\beta = 5:1$; (d) (1) PhI(OAc)₂, TEMPO, DCM–H₂O (2:1), RT; (2) Me₂SO₄, K₂CO₃, acetone, RT, 80%. TFA = trifluoroacetic acid, TEMPO = 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxyl free radical.

diacetone glucose 16 in 11 steps in their fondaparinux sodium synthesis;^{12c} however, the repeated introduction and removal of protecting groups decreased the overall synthetic yield of the building block to 6%. In our initial synthesis of building block B, we also prepared 1-thio iduronic acid donor 11 from known compound 20 (Scheme 3), which was synthesized from 16 via seven steps as in reported methods.¹⁹ Treatment of 20 with ptoluenethiol in the presence of $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ gave thioglycoside 21 in 65% yield as an anomeric mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 5:2$). Removal of the acetyl groups in 21, followed by the Bu2SnO-mediated regioselective protection of the C2 hydroxyl as a benzoate ester, afforded alcohol 23. The benzoate ester in 23 served as a participating group to assist the later glycosylation reaction. Finally, blocking the remaining C4 hydroxyl group with tbutyldimethylsilyl ether led to the desired 1-thio iduronic acid donor 11 in 86% yield. However, this synthesis was inefficient (11 steps and 4% overall yield) and required expensive reagents and rigorous reaction conditions (low temperature, anhydrous environments, strong bases, etc.). These issues prompted us to look for a superior approach more amenable to large-scale preparation.

Anhydro-L-idopyranoside **15**, a crystallizable L-idose intermediate generated from **16** in five steps with 37% overall yield,^{16c} was chosen as a building block for glycosylation in Hung's elegant synthesis of fondaparinux sodium.^{12a} We were thus inspired to employ **15** as an intermediate for our optimized synthesis of building block B. Unlike Hung's strategy, we converted **15** into fully functionalized **11** to reduce oligosaccharide-stage modifications (Scheme 4). Acetolysis of the anhydro ring with an Ac_2O/TFA mixture (24),²⁰ followed by preparation of thioglycoside in the presence of ptoluenethiol and TfOH (25) with subsequent removal of the acetyl groups with acetyl chloride in methanol, was accomplished in a one-pot reaction to give known compound 26^{8e} in 60% overall yield as an anomeric mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 5:1$). Selective oxidation of 26 with TEMPO-PhI(OAc)₂ and subsequent esterification with Me₂SO₄ provided intermediate 23 in 80% yield. This approach toward 11 (10 steps and 15% overall yield from 16) was more straightforward and gave better overall yield compared to the original procedure. Moreover, our one-pot protocol $(15 \rightarrow 26)$ and crystallization procedure (16 \rightarrow 15) considerably simplified the overall synthetic procedures and minimized wasteful purification steps. Furthermore, mild reaction conditions and inexpensive reagents were used throughout the process. These advantages make this approach more convenient for scalable preparation.

2.4. Preparation of Building Block AB (Disaccharide 7). With suitably functionalized donor 11 and acceptor 12 in hand, we investigated the synthesis of disaccharide 7. In Wang's synthesis, the glucosazide uronate disaccharide (building block AB) was prepared via a BSP/Tf₂O-mediated condensation, which proceeded in 56% yield with excellent α -selectivity.^{12c} Lin and co-workers employed more reactive L-idosyl donors to deliver a series of disaccharides with satisfactory stereochemical outcome in higher yield,^{12b} but this route required the inevitable protection and oxidation reactions at the disaccharide

Scheme 5. Synthesis of Disaccharide 7 (Building Block AB)^a



^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) NIS, TfOH, 4 Å molecular sieve, DCM, -40 °C, 1 h, 67%; (b) HF·pyridine, RT, 1 h, 90%. NIS = *N*-iodosuccinimide, TfOH = trifluoromethanesulfonic acid.

Scheme 6. Synthesis of Building Blocks C and E^a



"Reagents and conditions: (a) Bu₂SnO, PMBCl (2.5 equiv), TBAI, PhMe, reflux, 11 h, 70%; (b) Bu₂SnO, BzCl (2.1 equiv), TBAI, PhMe, reflux, 4 h, then RT overnight, 50%. TBAI = tetrabutylammonium iodide.

stage for the preparation of suitable uronate acceptors. In our work, we adopted a similar strategy to Wang's synthesis for preparing glucosamine uronate disaccharide acceptor 7, without the additional transformations of functional groups for the designed glycosylation between building blocks AB and CDE. As shown in Scheme 5, activation of the anomeric thiophenyl group of idouronate **11** with the NIS/TfOH reagent proceeded efficiently for condensation with the glucosamine building block **12** to afford desired disaccharide **27** with full α -selectivity in 67% yield ($J_{1,2} = 5.6$ Hz). Subsequently, the TBS ether group could be readily removed with HF·pyridine to give 7 as an acceptor for the next glycosylation with trisaccharides **5** and **6** (building block CDE).

2.5. Preparation of Building Blocks C and E (Monosaccharides 13 and 8). On the basis of the synthetic plan shown in Scheme 1, an intensive investigation on the synthesis of crucial trisaccharides 5 and 6 (building block CDE) was carried out. Target trisaccharides 5 and 6 can be assembled through the glucosazide trichloroacetimidate acceptor 8 (building block E)¹⁴ and disaccharide acceptors 9 or 10 (building block CD). Disaccharides 9 and 10 (building block CD) can be prepared from the condensation of monosaccharide donor 14 (building block D) with glucosazide acceptor 13 (building block C). In our synthetic scheme, the glucosazide monosaccharides 13 (building block C) and 8

(building block E) were readily prepared using the common intermediate 28 (Scheme 6), which could be easily synthesized over a 500 g scale from 17 in five steps based on previously reported methods.^{19b} First, Bu₂SnO-mediated protection of the C4 and C6 hydroxyl groups in the presence of excess PMBCl or BzCl generated the desired monosaccharide acceptors 13a (70%) and 13b (50%), respectively. Then, the known azidoglucose trichloroacetimidate acceptor 8 (building block E) was readily synthesized by the reported procedures^{14,19b} or the alternative method (see the Experimental Section). The synthetic approaches employing a common intermediate significantly reduce the number of steps and enhance synthetic efficiency.

2.6. Preparation of Building Block D (Monosaccharides 14, 30, and 35). To provide the crucial β -selectivity in the coupling of building block C with building block D, four types of monosaccharides (14a, 14b, 30, and 35) were prepared as donors to probe the critical glycosylations (Scheme 7). Three of the monosaccharides (14b, 30, and 35) have a Bn group at the O2 and O3 positions, which serve as permanent protecting groups for this synthesis. The C5 ester group in 35 was installed at the monosaccharide stage to avoid additional oxidation operations in the subsequent oligosaccharide stage. Moreover, the Lev group in monosaccharide 14a was employed to facilitate neighboring-group participation in the stereo-

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Scheme 7. Synthesis of Building Block D^a



^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) TCCA, acetone–H₂O (3:1), RT, 1 h, 81%; (b) Cl₃CCN, DBU, DCM, 0 °C to RT, 85% for **30** (α/β = 2:1), 64% for **35** (α/β = 7:1); (c) TFA, DCM–H₂O (5:1), 0 °C to RT, 1 h, 85%; (d) (1) PhI(OAc)₂, TEMPO, DCM–H₂O (2:1), RT, 2.5 h; (2) K₂CO₃, BnBr, Et₃N, acetone, 55 °C, 2 h, 50%; (e) TBSOTf, 2,6-lutidine, DCM, 0 °C to RT, 30 min, 82%; (f) NBS, acetone–H₂O (9:1), RT, 1 h, 85%, α/β = 5:2. TCCA = trichloroisocyanuric acid, DBU = 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene, TFA = trifluoroacetic acid, TEMPO = 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxyl free radical, NBS = *N*-bromosuccinimide.

Scheme 8. Glycosylations of Donor 35 with Glucosazide Acceptors 13a and 13b^a



"Reagents and conditions: (a) TESOTf, 4 Å molecular sieve, cyclohexane, RT, overnight, 45% for 36 and 38% for 37.

selective introduction of the β -glycosidic linkage. Two known thioglycoside donors **14a** and **14b** were readily synthesized without column chromatography purification from **16** using the reported procedures.^{12c,21} (Scheme 7). The other two donors with different anomeric leaving groups, trichloroacetimidates **30** and **35**, were also prepared from the common intermediate **14b**. Monosaccharide **30** could be readily prepared from the corresponding thioglycoside **14b** by the TCCA-mediated removal of the *p*-tolylthio group and a trichloroacetimidate formation sequence.²² In contrast, selective removal of the 4,6-*O*-benzylidene group in **14b** with TFA generated the corresponding diol **31**.²³ TEMPO-PhI(OAc)₂ oxidation of the primary hydroxyl group, followed by esterification, delivered **32**. After TBS protection, the resulting thioglycoside **33** was

converted into trichloroacetimidate **35** by a similar sequence with p-tolylthio group removal and trichloroacetimidate formation.

2.7. Preparation of Building Block CD (Disaccharides 9 and 10). With compounds 14, 30, and 35 (building block D) in hand, the glycosylation step with azidoglucose acceptors 13a and 13b (building block C) was then carefully investigated. The Ag_2CO_3 -mediated coupling of the glycosyl bromide donor with a 1,6-anhydro glucosazide acceptor was used by Wang and coworkers to form the desired disaccharide (building block CD) with moderate yield, in a 7:1 β/α ratio.^{12c} Although this mild glycosylation proceeded slowly (4 days), the resulting disaccharide could be employed in the forthcoming glycosylation reaction without further modification other than a one-

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Scheme 9. Glycosylations of Donors 14b and 30 with Glucosazide Acceptor $13b^a$



^aReagents and conditions: (a) NIS, TfOH, 4 Å molecular sieve, DCM, -40 °C, 1 h, 80%; (b) TESOTf, 4 Å molecular sieve, DCM, -40 °C, overnight, 35%. NIS = N-iodosuccinimide, TfOH = trifluoromethanesulfonic acid.





^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) (1) DDQ, DCM-H₂O (9:1), RT, 3 h; (2) Bz_2O , DMAP, PhMe, reflux, 30 h, 56% (when using **36**), 52% (when using **37**); (b) (1) TFA, DCM-H₂O (15:1), 0 °C to RT; (2). PhI(OAc)₂, TEMPO, DCM-H₂O (2:1), RT; (3) K₂CO₃, BnBr, Et₃N, acetone, 50 °C, 61%; (c) TBSOTf, 2,6-lutidine, DCM, 0 °C to RT, 30 min, 80%. DDQ = 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone, TFA = trifluoroacetic acid, TEMPO = 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxyl free radical.

step deprotection. Unlike Wang's strategy, the Lin group straightforwardly synthesized building block CD from cellobiose,^{12b} with a subsequent selective oxidation that effectively yielded the required uronate disaccharide. Ideally, we planned to choose uronate donor **35** for the construction of the β -1,4-linked disaccharide with azidoglucose acceptors, because the essential permanent protection of C2, C3 hydroxy groups and an ester group at the C5 position in this synthesis had been performed at the monosaccharide stage. With respect to acceptors (building block C), the Bz-acceptor **13b** was preferable to the PMB-acceptor **13a** because no further conversion of the PMB group to a Bz group was needed after formation of the disaccharide. Unfortunately, the glycosylation of **35** with **13b** did not work under various conditions, and we were not able to generate the desired product (Scheme 8). To our delight, by using PMB-acceptor **13a** instead of **13b**, the glycosylation with **35** in the presence of TESOTf proceeded smoothly to afford the corresponding glycoside products **36** ($J_{1,2} = 7.2$ Hz) and **37** ($J_{1,2} = 3.2$ Hz) in 83% combined yield. This reaction had poor stereoselectivity ($\beta/\alpha = 1.2:1$), but the anomers could be separated by silica gel column chromatography. In contrast, using thioglycoside glycosyl donor **14b** instead of uronate donor **35**, the NIS/TfOH-assisted glycosylation of azidoglucose acceptor **13b** led to disaccharide **38** as the sole product in 80% yield (Scheme 9). However, at this stage, the product stereochemistry in **38** could

Scheme 11. Glycosylations of Donor 14 with Glucosazide Acceptors 13a and 13b^a



"Reagents and conditions: (a) NIS, TfOH, 4 Å molecular sieve, DCM, RT, 1 h, then -40 °C, 1 h, 80%. NIS = N-iodosuccinimide, TfOH = trifluoromethanesulfonic acid.

Scheme 12. Synthesis of Disaccharide Acceptors 9 and 10^a



^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) N_2H_4 · H_2O , pyridine–AcOH (3:1), RT, 1 h; (b) BnBr, NaH, TBAI, DMF, RT, 50 min, 70% over 2 steps; (c) DDQ, DCM– H_2O (10:1), RT, 30 min, 81%; (d) preparation of 47, Bz₂O, DMAP, PhMe, 60 °C, 12 h; (e) preparation of 48, Ac₂O, DMAP, PhMe, 60 °C, 12 h; (f) TFA, DCM– H_2O (10:1), RT, 75% over 2 steps for 49, 78% over 2 steps for 50; (g) preparation of 9, (1) TEMPO, PhI(OAc)₂, DCM– H_2O (2:1), RT; (2) BnBr, K₂CO₃, Et₃N, acetone, 60 °C, 93%; (h) preparation of 10, (1) TEMPO, PhI(OAc)₂, DCM– H_2O (2:1), RT; (2) Me₂SO₄, K₂CO₃, Et₃N, acetone, RT, 65%. TBAI = tetrabutylammonium iodide, DDQ = 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone, TFA = trifluoroacetic acid, TEMPO = 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxyl free radical.

not be determined on the basis of the coupling constant between the protons at C1 and C2 positions due to the complicated overlapping in the ¹H NMR spectrum of **38**. Meanwhile, the trichloroacetimidate **30** (anomeric mixture, α/β = 2:1) was also used for the critical glycosylation. Subjecting **30** and **13b** to the TESOTf-promoted glycosylation provided the same product **38** in 35% yield, together with a large amount of starting material, which could be recycled.

In order to confirm the glycosidic bond configuration of disaccharide **38**, we conducted the following experiments. As shown in Scheme 10, PMB cleavage of glycoside products **36** and **37** with DDQ, followed by benzoylation with Bz₂O and DMAP in one pot, provided the β -disaccharide **39** and α -disaccharide **40** in 56% and 52% yield, respectively. In contrast,

the sequential 4,6-O-benzylidene removal of disaccharide **38** with TFA and PhI(OAc)₂-TEMPO-mediated oxidation, followed by esterification, gave compound **41**. Blocking the remaining 4-hydroxyl group in **41** by replacement with the TBS group delivered the corresponding α -disaccharide **40** in 80% yield, which unambiguously demonstrated that the glycosylation of donors **14b** or **30** with acceptor **13b** exhibited full α -selectivity, contrary to our expectations.

Using 2-O-Bn donors (14b, 30, and 35) proved challenging for the stereochemical aspect of the glycosylations, presumably due to the anomeric effect. To circumvent this problem, we turned to use a Lev group in place of Bn at the donor O2 position to achieve a β -selectivity resulting from neighboring participation in the glycosylation. To test this hypothesis, we

first carried out the condensation of Lev-donor 14a with Bzacceptor 13b. Unfortunately, the desired product 42 was not formed under various conditions, and we observed substantial decomposition of the starting materials (Scheme 11). The inefficient glycosylation likely results from the electronwithdrawing esters in both the glycosyl donor and the azidoglucose acceptor.^{12a} Pleasingly, use of the PMB-acceptor 13a instead of 13b allowed the NIS/TfOH-promoted glycosylation to proceed well, delivering desired disaccharide 43 with complete β -selectivity (no α -anomer detected) in 80% yield ($J_{1,2} = 7.6$ Hz).

Following our synthetic plan, functional-group transformations were then carried out to complete the synthesis of suitable acceptors 9 and 10 (Scheme 12). Hydrazine-mediated cleavage of the Lev group in 43, followed by benzylation with BnBr for permanent protection, furnished disaccharide 45 in 70% overall yield for the two steps. After removal of the PMB groups in 45 with DDQ in a mixture of DCM and water, the obtained diol 46 was esterified as a benzoate ester or acetate ester to give 47 or 48, respectively. Subsequently, the 4,6-O-benzylidene group in 47 and 48 was selectively removed using TFA to yield diols 49 and 50, respectively. Selective oxidation of the primary alcohol, followed by esterification, delivered acceptors 9 and 10 for the later glycosylation in 93% and 65% yield over two steps, respectively. The preparation of building block CD required 6step adjustment of protecting groups. However, the mild conditions, easy operation, crystallizable intermediates (e.g., 43, 45, and most of intermediates toward 14a), and high synthetic yield (32% overall for 9 and 23% overall for 10 from 14a) demonstrate that this route is scalable. Indeed, in our laboratory, disaccharides 9 and 10 were successfully prepared on a 100 g scale.

2.8. Preparation of Building Block CDE (Trisaccharides 5 and 6). With the crucial disaccharide acceptors 9 and 10 in hand, the construction of trisaccharides 5 and 6 were investigated next (Scheme 13). As anticipated, the highly stereoselective glycosylations of 9 or 10 with azidoglucose donor 8 worked well. The combined effects of the anomeric effect and potentially remote participation, as caused by the orthogonal protecting groups in 8 (N₃, O6-Bz, and Bn), induced exclusive α -selectivity for this TfOH-promoted glycosylation and delivered the corresponding trisaccharides **51** ($J_{1,2}$ = 3.6 Hz) and **52** ($J_{1,2}$ = 3.2 Hz) in 64% and 85% yield, respectively. Selective removal of the anomeric TBS ether group with HF pyridine in MeCN afforded alcohols 53 (85%, $\alpha/\beta = 3:2$) and 54 (84%, $\alpha/\beta = 2:1$). These compounds were converted by addition of CCl₃CN to trichloroacetimidate donors 5 (85%, α/β = 4:1) and 6 (77%, α/β = 5:1) for the ultimate glycosylation step. Because of the functionalization of monosaccharide donor 8 and disaccharide acceptors 9 and 10, the condensation proceeded quickly (within 2 h) in high yield and with excellent α -selectivity. The obtained trisaccharides 51 and 52 could be readily converted to donors 5 and 6 simply by minor modifications at the anomeric position.

2.9. Preparation of Pentasaccharide 2. To complete the synthesis, the convergent [3 + 2] couplings of trichloroacetimidate donors **5** and **6** with acceptor 7 in the presence of TfOH effectively achieved both fully protected pentasaccharide targets **3** ($J_{1'',2''} = 3.6 \text{ Hz}$) and **4** ($J_{1'',2''} = 3.6 \text{ Hz}$), with complete α -selectivity, in 65% and 57% yield, respectively (Scheme 14). The glycosylations were exclusively stereoselective, presumably as a result of the dual effects of the ester (R) and N₃ groups in building block CDE. Subsequent removal of the ester groups



Scheme 13. Synthesis of Trisaccharides 5 and 6 (Building

^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) TfOH, 4 Å molecular sieve, PhMe, -40 °C, 2 h, 64% for **51** and 85% for **52**; (b) HF·pyridine, MeCN, RT, 1 h, 85% for **53** (α/β = 3:2) and 84% for **54** (α/β = 2:1); (c) Cl₃CCN, DBU, MeCN, 0 °C to RT, overnight, 85% for **5** (α/β = 4:1) and 77% for **6** (α/β = 5:1). TfOH = trifluoromethanesulfonic acid, DBU = 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene.

from pentasaccharides **3** and **4** under a careful LiOH/H₂O₂-NaOH-mediated hydrolysis condition resulted in reported compound **2** in acceptable yields after crystallization (60% from **3** and 65% from **4**).^{12b,c} Notably, pentasaccharide **2** can then be readily converted into the anticoagulant drug fondaparinux sodium **1** by the well-known *O*-sulfation/hydrogenation/*N*-sulfation process.¹³

3. CONCLUSION

Pentasaccharide 2, an important precursor for the synthesis of fondaparinux sodium, has been synthesized in 14 steps with 3.5% overall yield from well-functionalized monosaccharide building blocks and in 48 collective steps from commercially available starting materials. We have established a modular and convergent [3 + 2] strategy using a series of appropriately orthogonal protecting groups and readily accessible monosaccharide building blocks. Pentasaccharide 2 could then be easily converted into fondaparinux sodium in 41% overall yield over 3 steps based on previously reported methods.¹³

At the monosaccharide stage, several new and efficient routes to these building blocks were developed, in particular, the use of 1-thio iduronic acid donor 11 (building block B), glucosamine acceptor 12 (building block A), and azidoglucose acceptor 13 (building block C). All reactions avoided rigorous reaction conditions (avoiding low temperature, anhydrous environments, strong bases, etc.). The use of common

Scheme 14. Synthesis of Pentasaccharide 2^{a}



^{*a*}Reagents and conditions: (a) TfOH, 4 Å molecular sieve, PhMe, -40 °C, 2 h, 65% for 3 and 57% for 4; (b) 1.25 M LiOH (aq.), H₂O₂ (30%), THF, -5 °C to RT, 16 h, then 4 M NaOH (aq.), MeOH, RT to 35 °C, 26 h, 60% (when using 3), 65% (when using 4). TfOH = trifluoromethanesulfonic acid.

intermediates and a series of one-pot operations considerably enhanced the synthetic efficiency and improved the overall yield. Moreover, many intermediates, such as those used to prepare 15, 14, and 30, could be purified by crystallization, simplifying purification procedures and minimizing waste.

Using these suitably functionalized monosaccharide and oligosaccharide building blocks, all crucial glycosylations proceeded efficiently in a short time with satisfactory yield (ranging from 57% to 85%) and excellent stereoselectivity; i.e., the desired coupling product was delivered as a sole anomer in every glycosylation. Cheaper activators (e.g., NIS/TfOH, TESOTF, and TfOH) were employed, and metallic and expensive reagents were successfully avoided throughout the glycosylation procedures.

Given such improved purification and efficiency of the glycosylations, our developed synthetic strategy has great potential for use in the mass production of pentasaccharide **2**. As a common intermediate for the preparation of fondaparinux sodium, these results can significantly improve the scalability of this important drug.

4. EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Methods. All commercially available reagents were used without further purification. All solvents were dried and distilled before use. THF and PhMe were distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl; dichloromethane was distilled from calcium hydride; and MeOH was distilled from magnesium methoxide. Chromatography was conducted by using 200–300 mesh silica gel. Petroleum ether refers to the 60–90 °C boiling fraction. All new compounds gave satisfactory spectroscopic analyses (¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, HRMS). IR spectra were recorded on an FT IR spectrometer. NMR spectra were recorded on 600/400 MHz NMR spectrometers. HRMS spectra were obtained by the ESI-TOF method.

Synthetic Procedures and Characterization Data. Methyl 2-Benzyloxy Carbonylamino-3-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -*D*glucopyranoside (12) and Methyl 2-(Triphenylphosphoranylidene)amino-3-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -*D*-glucopyranoside (19). The known intermediate methyl 2-azido-3-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2deoxy-D-glucopyranoside (18) was prepared from D-glucosamine hydrochloride 17 by the reported methods.^{16c,17a,e} To a solution of α/β anomers 18 (270 g, 654 mmol) in a THF–water mixture (9:1, 2.5 L) were added PPh₃ (257 g, 981 mmol) and silica gel (28 g) at room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 3 h, the reaction was cooled to 0 °C and NaHCO₃ (110 g, 1310 mmol) and CbzCl (138 mL, 1012 mmol) were sequentially added. The resulting solution was kept for 3 h at 0 °C, and then water (1 L) and EtOAc (1 L) were

added. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 1 \text{ L})$. The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1 to dichloromethane/methanol = 50:1) to yield **12** (190 g, 56%)¹⁵ and **19** (46 g, 11%).

Compound **12**. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); mp 152–154 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +63.2 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3496, 3316, 2909, 1706, 1689, 1541, 1320, 1298, 1267, 1118, 1053, 1028, 711, 695; NMR data in CDCl₃: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.97 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7. 50 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.19 (m, 10H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 4.67 (s, 2H), 4.65-4.59 (m, 2H), 4.44 (dd, I = 12.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.96-3.90 (m, 1H), 3.80-3.76 (m, 1H), 3.60 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 2.95 (br s, 1H, OH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.9, 155.9, 138.2, 136.2, 133.2, 129.7, 129.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 99.0, 80.4, 74.7, 70.3, 70.0, 67.0, 63.5, 55.1, 54.3. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.¹⁵ NMR data in Acetone-d6: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, Acetone-d6) δ 8.07 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.23 (m, 10H), 6.30 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.93-4.90 (m, 2H), 4.79 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dd, J = 12.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (dd, J = 12.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.88 (m, 2H), 3.78-3.70 (m, 2H), 3.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, Acetone-d6) δ 166.7, 157.0, 140.3, 138.3, 133.9, 131.2, 130.2, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 100.0, 81.4, 75.3, 71.0, 66.6, 64.8, 55.9, 55.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₃₁NO₈Na 544.1947, found 544.1958.

Compound **19**. $R_f = 0.05$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v), $R_f = 0.25$ (dichloromethane/methanol, 50/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 7.1$ (*c* 0.2, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3476, 2924, 2107, 1720, 1453, 1276, 1116, 1056, 740, 713; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01–7.99 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 7.81–7.76 (m, 6H), 7.69–7.65 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 7.55–7.51 (m, 7H), 7.42–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.23 (m, 5H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.55–4.49 (m, 2H), 3.83–3.79 (m, 1H), 3.35 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 2.63 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 166.8, 138.9, 134.2, 134.1, 134.0, 133.9, 133.0, 129.8, 129.5, 129.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 122.9, 122.2, 102.9, 82.4, 75.2, 73.7, 72.0, 64.0, 59.5, 56.3; HRMS [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₉H₃₉NO₆P 648.2510, found 648.2504.

Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 2,4-di-O-acetyl-3-O-benzyl-1-thio-Lidopyranoside)uronate (21). The known intermediate methyl 1,2,4tri-O-acetyl-3-O-benzyl-L-idopyranoate (20) was prepared from diacetone glucose 16 by the reported methods.¹⁹ Under nitrogen, to a solution of 20 (50 g, 118 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 L) were successively added BF₃·OEt₂ (75 mL, 594 mmol) and *p*-toluenethiol (TolSH, 16 g, 155 mmol) at 0 $^\circ$ C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. Et₃N (72 mL) was added to quench the reaction, and water (100 mL) was subsequently added into the reaction flask. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to afford compound 21 (37 g, 65%, α/β = 5:2). R_f = 0.4 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 7.48-7.23 (m, 9.8H), 7.13-7.07 (m, 2.8H), 5.64 (br s, 0.4H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.39 (br s, 1H), 5.19 (br s, 1H), 5.16 (br s, 0.4 H), 5.13 (br s, 1H), 5.09 (s, 0.8H), 4.82 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.74-4.70 (m, 1.8H), 3.91-3.89 (m, 0.4H), 3.85-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.77 (s, 4.2H), 2.32 (s, 1.2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 1.2H), 2.04 (s, 1.2H), 2.03 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8, 169.5, 168.7, 137.5, 136.9, 136.8, 133.2, 132.5, 131.8, 131.3, 130.2, 129.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 86.4, 85.1, 74.3, 72.9, 72.7, 72.2, 71.4, 69.0, 68.6, 67.9, 66.9, 66.8, 52.5, 21.0, 21.0, 20.9, 20.7; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{25}H_{28}O_8SNa$ 511.1403, found 511.1405. Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 3-O-benzyl-1-thio-L-idopyranoside)-

uronate (22). To a solution of 21 (42 g, 86 mmol) in MeOH (550 mL) was added MeONa (3.7 g, 68 mmol) at room temperature, and

the reaction was stirred at the same temperature. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was neutralized with 2 M HCl (aq.) at 0 °C, and then extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 500 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to afford compound 22 (26 g, 76%, α/β = 5:2). R_f = 0.3 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47–7.25 (m, 9.8H), 7.14–7.09 (m, 2.8H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 5.24 (br s, 1H), 5.12 (s, 0.4 H), 4.78 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1.4H), 4.49 (s, 0.4 H), 4.18-4.10 (m, 2H), 3.95-3.90 (m, 0.8H), 3.82 (s, 4.2H), 3.60 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.4H), 3.45 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 0.4H), 2.34 (s, 1.2H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 137.5, 137.3, 132.4, 132.3, 131.6, 129.8, 129.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 90.0, 87.1, 75.2, 74.5, 72.5, 72.4, 69.0, 68.6, 68.5, 67.4, 52.6, 21.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₄O₆SNa 427.1191, found 427.1193.

Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-1-thio-Lidopyranoside)uronate (23). To a solution of diol 22 (45 g, 111 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (800 mL) was added dibutyltin oxide (Bu₂SnO, 30 g, 120 mmol). The resulting reaction mixture was refluxed under nitrogen for 1 h and then concentrated and dried under vacuum. Next, the residue was dissolved in 1,4-dioxane (1.5 L); benzoyl chloride (120 mL, 1042 mmol) and Et₃N (150 mL, 1082 mmol) were added sequentially into the reaction vessel at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h and neutralized with 2 M HCl (aq.). After concentration, water (200 mL) was added and then extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 150 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) to afford compound 23 (37 g, 65%, α/β = 5:2). R_f = 0.4 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.8H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60–7.30 (m, 14H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2.8H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.50 (br s, 1H), 5.42 (br s, 1.4H), 5.25 (s, 0.4H), 4.92 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 0.4H), 4.72 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 0.4H), 4.70 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (br s, 0.4H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 1.4H), 4.04-4.02 (m, 0.4H), 3.95-3.92 (m, 1H), 3.84 (s, 4.2H), 2.84 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1.4H, OH), 2.33 (s, 4.2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.5, 168.6, 165.2, 164.7, 137.9, 137.7, 136.9, 133.6, 132.4, 132.0, 131.7, 131.6, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 87.0, 85.4, 76.2, 74.4, 73.5, 72.5, 72.2, 70.2, 69.5, 68.8, 68.1, 67.3, 52.4, 20.9; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₈H₂₈O₇SNa 531.1453, found 531.1458.

Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl-1-thio-1-idopyranoside)uronate (11). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, to a solution of 23 (10 g, 20 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (500 mL) was added 2,6-lutidine (7 mL, 60 mmol). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, and TBSOTf (5.5 mL, 24 mmol) was added slowly. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 30 min; then water (100 mL) was added to quench the reaction. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to afford compound **11** (10.7 g, 86%, α/β = 9:1). R_f = 0.6 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 0.2H),8.07 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1.8H), 7.56–7.27 (m, 10H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.76 (br s, 0.9H), 5.37 (br s, 0.9H), 5.30 (s, 0.1H),5.26 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, J = 12.0, 0.9H), 4.85 (d, J = 11.6, 0.1H), 4.71 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12-4.10 (m, 0.9H), 4.01 (br s, 0.1H), 3.92 (br s, 0.1H), 3.84-3.82 (m, 0.9H), 3.80 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 0.68 (s, 9H), -0.10 (s, 3H), -0.33 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.7, 165.6, 137.3, 137.2, 133.2, 131.6, 131.5, 130.0, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 86.4, 73.6, 72.3, 70.0, 69.3, 68.9, 52.0, 25.4, 21.0, 17.6, -4.4, -6.0; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C34H42O7SSiNa 645.2318, found 645.2325.

1,4,6-Tri-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-L-idopyranose (24).^{17b} 1,6-Anhydride 15 (230 g, 646 mmol), prepared from diacetone glucose 16 by the reported methods,^{16c} was dissolved in the mixed

solvent Ac₂O-TFA (6:1, 480 mL), and the reaction was stirred at 60 °C overnight. When TLC showed that the reaction was complete, the mixture was neutralized with saturated NaHCO₃ (aq.) (600 mL) and then water (500 mL) was added as well. The resulting reaction mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5 \times 800 mL). The combined organic layers were sequentially washed with brine and saturated NaHCO₃ (aq.), dried over Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford crude compound 24^{17b} as an α/β mixture (5:4), which was directly used without further purification for the ensuing reaction. An analytic sample was obtained by column chromatography. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1.6H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.20 (m, 14.4H), 6.19 (br s, 1H), 6.16 (br s, 0.8H), 5.28 (br s, 0.8H), 5.18 (br s, 1H), 4.97 (br s, 1H), 4.91 (br s, 0.8H), 4.78-4.67 (m, 3.6H), 4.58 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, J =6.4 Hz, 0.8H), 4.28-4.16 (m, 3.6H), 3.97 (br s, 0.8H), 3.88 (br s, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.96 (br s, 3 × OAc, 7.8H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 1.85 (s, 2.4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 170.0, 169.6, 168.4, 168.2, 164.9, 164.5, 137.1, 136.6, 133.3, 133.1, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.8, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 90.9, 90.1, 73.2, 72.6, 71.9, 71.6, 71.4, 66.4, 66.0, 65.8, 65.6, 65.2, 61.9, 20.5, 20.4, 20.3, 20.2, 20.1. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.^{17b}

4-Methylphenyl 2-O-Benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-4,6-di-O-acetyl-1-thio-Lidopyranoside (25). Under nitrogen, to a solution of crude 24 in CH₂Cl₂ (1.7 L) were successively added *p*-toluenethiol (TolSH, 75 g, 681 mmol) and triflic acid (TfOH, 5.9 mL, 67 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature. Once the reaction was complete, Et₃N (15 mL) was added to quench the reaction and evaporated in vacuo. The resulting oil 25 was directly used without further purification for the ensuing reaction. An analytic sample was obtained by column chromatography ($\alpha/\beta = 5:1$). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.18 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.4H), 8.06 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.59–7.29 (m, 12H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.4H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (br s, 1H), 5.46 (br s, 1H), 5.34 (br s, 0.2H), 5.29 (br s, 0.2H), 5.13-5.10 (m, 1.2H), 4.99 (br s, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1.2H), 4.81 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 0.2H), 4.76 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.33-4.22 (m, 2.4H), 4.02 (br s, 0.2H), 3.91 (br s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3.6H), 2.07 (s, 3.6H), 1.95 (s, 3.6H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.5, 169.9, 164.9, 137.7, 137.0, 133.4, 132.3, 131.9, 131.3, 129.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 86.4, 84.5, 72.9, 72.6, 71.6, 69.6, 68.7, 67.0, 65.8, 64.4, 62.9, 21.0, 20.7, 20.6, 20.4; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{31}H_{32}O_8SNa$ 587.1716, found 587.1721.

4-Methylphenyl 2-O-Benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-1-thio-L-idopyranoside (26).^{8e} To a solution of crude 25 in MeOH (2.3 L) was added AcCl (80 mL, 1131 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction was cooled to 0 °C and neutralized with saturated NaHCO3 (aq.). The resulting mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 800 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) to afford compound **26**^{8e} (186 g, α/β = 5:1, 60% from compound 15) as a light yellow syrup. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/ 1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 0.4H), 8.05 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.29 (m, 12H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2.4H), 5.57 (br s, 1H), 5.53 (br s, 1H), 5.44 (br s, 0.2H), 5.33 (br s, 0.2H), 4.91 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.81-4.79 (m, 1.2H), 4.67 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1.2H), 4.15-4.03 (m, 0.4H), 3.96-3.88 (m, 4H), 3.72 (br s, 0.2H), 2.98 (br s, OH), 2.32 (s, 3.6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.3, 164.9, 137.8, 137.2, 133.5, 132.4, 131.8, 131.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.7, 87.0, 85.1, 74.9, 74.1, 72.5, 72.2, 70.8, 69.8, 68.2, 68.0, 66.7, 63.0, 62.6, 21.0. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.

Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-1-thio-Lidopyranoside)uronate (23). To a solution of diol 26 (281g, 585 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH_2Cl_2 -water (2:1, 5.2 L) containing TEMPO (18.3 g, 117 mmol) was added iodobenzene diacetate (PhI(OAc)₂, 468 g, 1453 mmol); the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature. After TLC indicated complete conversion of the starting material, the reaction was quenched by the addition of a saturated solution of Na₂SO₃ (1.0 L). After further stirring for 5 min, HCl (aq.) was added to adjust the final pH value of the mixture to pH 3. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (1.5 L). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 500 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried with Na2SO4, and then filtered and concentrated in vacuo to yield the corresponding crude glucuronic acid, which was used without further purification. The crude glucuronic acid was dissolved in acetone (2.6 L) and treated with dimethyl sulfate (Me₂SO₄, 77 mL, 813 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (164 g, 1187 mmol) at 0 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. After complete disappearance of the glucuronic acid, the mixture was neutralized with 1 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 × 500 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO4, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) to afford compound 23 (238 g, α/β = 5:1, 80%). R_f = 0.4 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.4H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60–7.30 (m, 12H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2.4H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 5.50 (br s, 1H), 5.42 (br s, 1.2H), 5.24 (s, 0.2H), 4.92 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 0.2H), 4.72 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 0.2H), 4.70 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (br s, 0.2H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 1.2H), 4.04-4.02 (m, 0.2H), 3.95-3.92 (m, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3.6H), 2.84 (d, I = 11.6 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.33 (s, 3.6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) *δ* 169.5, 168.6, 165.2, 164.7, 137.7, 136.9, 133.6, 132.4, 132.0, 131.7, 131.6, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 87.0, 85.4, 76.2, 74.4, 73.5, 72.5, 72.2, 70.2, 69.5, 68.8, 68.1, 67.3, 52.4, 20.9; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{28}H_{28}O_7SNa$ 531.1453, found 531.1460.

Methyl (4-Methylphenyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl-1-thio-L-idopyranoside)uronate (11). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, to a solution of 23 (238 g, 468 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.0 L) was added 2,6-lutidine (160 mL, 1373 mmol). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, and TBSOTf (126 mL, 550 mmol) was added slowly. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 1 h; then water (1.0 L) was added to quench the reaction. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 × 800 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over an hydrous $\mathrm{Na_2SO_4},$ filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to afford compound 11 (250 g, 86%, $\alpha/\beta > 9:1$). The product could be recrystallized from petroleum ether in 78% yield. The dominant anomer (11α) was obtained by column chromatography for spectrographic analysis. $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v). 11 α : $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ -81.1 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3064, 3032, 2953, 2929, 2858, 1770, 1737, 1719, 1602, 1494, 1454, 1438, 1373, 1317, 1299, 1270, 1213, 1179, 1127, 1095, 1074, 1028, 942, 921, 904, 839, 811, 778, 739, 713, 630, 565, 500; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.07 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.56–7.24 (m, 10H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.76 (br s, 1H), 5.37 (br s, 1H), 5.26 (br s, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 12.4, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.13-4.09 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.79 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 0.67 (s, 9H), -0.12 (s, 3H), -0.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.7, 165.6, 137.3, 137.2, 133.2, 131.6, 131.5, 130.0, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 86.4, 73.6, 72.3, 70.0, 69.3, 68.9, 52.0, 25.4, 21.0, 17.6, -4.4, -6.0; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{34}H_{42}O_7SSiNa$ 645.2318, found 645.2323.

Methyl O-(Methyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl- α -L-idopyanosyluronate)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-benzyloxy Carbonylamino-3-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside (27). A mixture of the thioglycoside 11 (39 g, 63 mmol) and acceptor 12 (36 g, 69 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 L) was added to a reaction flask containing freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves (60 g) under a N₂ atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. NIS (19 g, 84 mmol) and TfOH (7 mL, 79 mmol) were added to the reaction flask. The resulting solution was kept stirring for 1 h, and Et₃N (22 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH₂Cl₂, and the filtrate was sequentially washed with saturated Na₂SO₃ (aq.) and NaHCO₃ (aq.). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated

under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to get the disaccharide 27 (43 g, 67%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 4/1, v/v); mp 72–73 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +30.7 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3033, 2930, 2857, 2353, 1765, 1723, 1646, 1602, 1517, 1453, 1366, 1315, 1269, 1212, 1099, 1070, 1026, 911, 839, 778, 737, 712, 529, 467, 438; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 7.56-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.36 (m, 4H), 7.31-7.16 (m, 15H), 5.61 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 11.6Hz, 1H), 4.69–4.57 (m, 4H), 4.48 (dd, J = 12.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.04-3.98 (m, 2H), 3.89 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (s, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 0.74 (s, 9H), -0.05 (s, 3H), -0.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₂) δ 170.0, 166.0, 165.4, 155.8, 138.5, 137.7, 136.3, 133.2, 132.8, 129.8, 129.7, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.2, 98.6, 98.1, 78.4, 76.4, 74.6, 73.6, 72.7, 71.9, 69.8, 69.1, 66.8, 62.6, 55.1, 54.3, 51.5, 25.5, 17.6, -4.7, -5.5; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C56H65NO15SiNa 1042.4016, found 1042.4007.

Methyl O-(Methyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- α -L-idopyanosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-benzyloxy carbonylamino-3-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside (7). A 70% solution of HF in pyridine (200 mL) was added to an ice-cooled solution of compound 27 (43 g, 42 mmol). The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. Next, the mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (150 mL) and quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO₃ (aq.). After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 150 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The product was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/isopropyl ether to afford the desilylated compound 7 as a white solid (32 g, 84%). The yield increased to 90% when residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/2, v/v); mp 146–147 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +42.0 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 2961, 1723, 1601, 1515, 1453, 1315, 1263, 1214, 1098, 1051, 1026, 800, 739, 712; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.49 (m, 2H),7.43-7.18 (m, 19H), 5.35 (br s, 1H), 5.20 (br s, 1H), 5.02-4.98 (m, 3H), 4.90 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.83-4.66 (m, 4H), 4.57-4.47 (m, 2H), 4.10-4.03 (m, 3H), 3.97-3.88 (m, 2H), 3.68-3.62 (m, 1H), 3.47 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.4, 166.0, 164.9, 155.7, 138.0, 137.3, 136.1, 133.5, 133.0, 129.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.4, 127.1, 98.7, 98.1, 79.1, 75.4, 75.0, 74.4, 72.5, 69.3, 68.7, 68.1, 67.9, 66.9, 62.8, 55.2, 54.6, 52.0; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₀H₅₁NO₁₅Na 928.3156, found 928.3179.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl 3,6-Di-O-p-methoxybenzyl-2-azido-2deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (13a). The known intermediate tertbutyldimethylsilyl 2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (28) was successfully prepared over a 500 g scale with only one time column chromatography from D-glucosamine hydrochloride 17 by the reported methods.^{19b} To a solution of triol 28 (60 g, 188 mmol) in toluene (1.0 L) was added dibutyltin oxide (Bu₂SnO, 94 g, 377 mmol), and the mixture was refluxed with azeotropic removal of water for 6 h using a Dean-Stark tube. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, PMBCl (64 mL, 472 mmol) and tetrabutylammonium iodide (TBAI, 35 g, 95 mmol) were added, and the reaction was kept faint boiling for 5 h. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was concentrated and the residue was dissolved in EtOAc (500 mL) again. The resulting mixture was washed with water (3 \times 500 mL), and the organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to give compound 13a (73.2 g, 70%) as a light yellow oil. $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -32.0 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3489, 3000, 2955, 2930, 2858, 2218, 1613, 1587, 1514, 1464, 1391, 1362, 1303, 1251, 1175, 1113, 1080, 1038, 956, 842, 784, 691, 597, 517; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.32–7.20 (m, 4H), 6.90–6.86 (m, 4H), 4.82 (d, J = 10.8Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.52-4.45 (m, 3H), 3.80 (s, 6H), 3.67-3.56 (m, 3H), 3.40-3.35 (m, 1H), 3.31-3.26 (m, 1H), 3.19 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (br s, 1H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 159.3, 130.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.3, 114.0, 113.8, 97.2, 81.9, 74.6, 73.9, 73.2, 72.1, 70.1, 68.1, 55.3, 25.60, 18.0, -4.3, -5.2; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{28}H_{41}N_3O_7SiNa$ 582.2611, found 582,2618.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl 2-Azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy-β-D-alucopyranoside (13b). To a solution of triol 28 (54 g, 169 mmol) in toluene (900 mL) was added Bu₂SnO (85 g, 341 mmol), and the mixture was refluxed with azeotropic removal of water for 4 h using a Dean-Stark tube. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, BzCl (42 mL, 364 mmol) and TBAI (32 g, 87 mmol) were added, and the reaction was kept at room temperature for overnight. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was concentrated and the residue was dissolved in EtOAc (500 mL) again. The resulting mixture was washed with water $(3 \times 500 \text{ mL})$, and the organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to give compound 13b (44.5 g, 50%) as a white powder. $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); mp 153-155 °C; [a]_D²³ +30.7 (c 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3646, 2925, 2112, 1721, 1452, 1270, 1178, 1119, 841, 784, 710; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09–8.03 (m, 4H), 7.61–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.42 (m, 4H), 5.07 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.68-4.57 (m, 2H), 3.75-3.68 (m, 1H), 3.57-3.52 (m, 1H), 3.43 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.73 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 0.92 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.1, 166.7, 133.7, 133.2, 130.00, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 97.2, 76.1, 74.4, 69.9, 66.2, 63.8, 25.5, 17.9, -4.4, -5.2; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₃₃N₃O₇SiNa 550.1985, found 550.1987.





benzaldehyde dimethyl acetal (4.7 mL, 31.3 mmol). After stirring at room temperature for 4 h, Et_3N (1 mL) was added and the resulting mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by

column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give compound S1 (5.6 g, 87%). R_f = 0.5 (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.36 (m, 5H), 5.53 (s, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3.53 (m, 2H), 3.43–3.37 (m, 1H), 3.32 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 0.95 (s, 9H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.8, 129.3, 128.4, 126.3, 102.0, 97.5, 80.7, 71.7, 69.0, 68.5, 66.3, 25.5, 17.9, -4.4, -5.2.

S1 (5 g, 12.2 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL), and freshly activated 4 Å molecular sieves (10 g) and benzyl bromide (3 mL, 25 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred for 30 min. Silver(I) oxide (Ag₂O, 8.3 g, 36 mmol) was added, and the reaction vessel was covered in aluminum foil to exclude light. After 10 h, the reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50:1) afforded S2 (5 g, 82%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 20/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.27 (m, 10H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.91 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (dd, J = 10.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (t, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.42-3.34 (m, 2H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.17 (s, 3H), 0.16 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.0, 137.2, 129.0, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 126.0, 101.3, 97.5, 81.6, 78.8, 74.8, 68.7, 68.6, 66.3, 25.5, 17.9, -4.4, -5.2. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.^{14d}

S2 (4.2 g, 8.5 mmol) was dissolved in BH₃·THF (1.0 M, 85 mL, 85 mmol) under nitrogen and cooled to 0 °C. After 15 min, Bu₂B·OTf (1 M, 8.8 mL, 8.8 mmol) was added dropwise, and stirring was continued at 0 °C for 4 h. The reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of Et₃N (5 mL), and the excess BH₃·THF was consumed by slowly adding methanol. The solvent was removed in vacuo, coevaporated with methanol twice, affording S3, which was used for the next step without further purification. An analytic sample was obtained by column chromatography. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41–7.30 (m, 10H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 7.8, 1H), 3.89–3.69 (m, 3H), 3.59 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.88–3.33 (m, 2H), 0.98 (s, 9H), 0.20 (s, 3H), 0.19 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.9, 137.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 97.0, 82.8, 77.4, 75.4, 75.3, 75.0, 68.8, 61.9, 25.6, 17.9, -4.3, -5.2.

To a solution of crude S3 in the mixed solvent CH_2Cl_2 -pyridine (1:1, 90 mL) were added benzoyl chloride (1.8 mL, 15.6 mmol) and DMAP (500 mg, 4 mmol) under nitrogen at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature. Stirring was continued until TLC indicated the disappearance of the starting material. The reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of water. The mixture was poured into CH_2Cl_2 and washed with brine twice. The organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to

give S4 (3.3 g, 65% from compound S2). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J =8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.24 (m, 12H), 4.92 (d, J =10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.63–4.55 (m, 3H), 4.37 (dd, J = 12.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3.61 (m, 1H), 3.56 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.9–3.35 (m, 1H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 137.8, 137.4, 133.1, 129.8, 129.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 97.1, 83.0, 77.7, 75.6, 75.1, 73.3, 68.7, 63.5, 25.5, 17.9, -4.3, -5.2. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.^{14a}

TBAF (165 g, 631 mmol) and acetic acid (15 mL, 262 mmol) were added to an ice-cooled solution of compound S4 (225 g, 373 mmol; S4 could be synthesized over a 200 g scale by the undermentioned alternative method) in THF (5 L). The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 h. Next, the mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (500 mL) and quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO₃ (aq.). After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to afford the desilylated compound S5 (150 g, 82%) as an α/β mixture (α/β = 3:1). R_f = 0.5 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/ v); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.02-8.00 (m, 2.6H), 7.58-7.54 (m, 1.3H), 7.47-7.22 (m, 16H), 5.33 (br s, 1.3H), 4.96-4.83 (m, 4H), 4.67-4.59 (m, 2.6H), 4.49-4.43 (m, 1.3H), 4.25-4.23 (m, 1H), 4.09 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.77-3.63 (m, 1.6H), 3.54-3.39 (m, 1.6H), 3.03 (br s, 1H); 13 C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.2, 137.5, 137.4, 137.3, 133.2, 133.1, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 96.2, 92.1, 83.1, 80.2, 78.2, 75.8, 75.7, 75.2, 75.2, 73.5, 69.5, 67.6, 64.1, 63.0, 62.9.

Under a nitrogen atmosphere, the lactol S5 (150 g, 307 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (3 L), and trichloroacetonitrile (93 mL, 927 mmol)) and DBU (16.5 mL, 110 mmol) were added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for 2 h. Then, the reaction was quenched by the addition of water (500 mL), and the separated aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 150 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to deliver trichloroacetimidate 8 (159 g, 82%) as an α/β mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 10:1$). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.73 (s, 1.1H), 7.98 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2.2H), 7.58–7.13 (m, 14.3H), 6.44 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 0.1H), 5.02–4.75 (m, 3.3H), 4.65 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1.1H), 4.58–4.54 (m, 1.1H), 4.50–4.46 (m, 1.1H), 4.24– 4.08 (m, 2.2H), 3.82–3.70 (m, 2.2H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.0, 160.7, 137.3, 137.0, 133.2, 129.7, 129.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 94.5, 90.8, 80.3, 77.6, 75.8, 75.5, 72.0, 63.1, 62.6. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.¹



Alternative synthesis of S4: To a solution of triol 28 (295 g, 925 mmol) in toluene (1.0 L) was added dibutyltin oxide (Bu_2SnO , 276 g, 1108 mmol), and the mixture was refluxed with azeotropic removal of water for 6 h using a Dean–Stark tube. The reaction was cooled to 60 °C, tetrabutylammonium iodide (TBAI, 34 g, 92 mmol) and PMBCl (126 mL, 929 mmol) were added, and the reaction was kept faint boiling overnight. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was concentrated and the residue was dissolved in EtOAc (1.0

L) again. The resulting mixture was washed with water (3 × 500 mL), and the organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to give compound **S6** (284 g, 70%) as a brown oil. $[\alpha]_{23}^{D3}$ -8.9 (*c* 1.1, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3406, 2956, 2930, 2858, 1614, 1587, 1515, 1464, 1391, 1364, 1252, 1176, 1113, 1078, 842, 784, 691; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz,

2H), 4.53–4.49 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.69–3.67 (m, 2H), 3.56–3.52 (m, 2H), 3.41–3.37 (m, 1H), 3.34–3.29 (m, 1H), 3.24–3.19 (m, 1H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.3, 129.6, 129.3, 113.8, 113.8, 97.1, 74.5, 73.9, 73.4, 71.9, 69.8, 68.0, 55.2, 25.5, 17.9, –4.3, –5.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₃₃N₃O₆SiNa 462.2036, found 462.2032.

To a cooled (0 °C) solution of diol S6 (122 g, 278 mmol) in DMF (1.2 L) was added NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 28 g, 700 mmol). After the mixture had been stirred for 30 min, TBAI (5.1 g, 14 mmol) and benzyl bromide (BnBr, 132 mL, 1111 mmol) were added. After stirring for 50 min at 0 °C, to the reaction mixture was added water (800 mL), and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×1 L). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. To the resulting mixture was added Et₃N (170 mL), and the mixture was stirred for another 6 h. Next, the solvent was evaporated in vacuo and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% to 10%, ethyl acetate/petroleum ether) to afford S7 (120.5 g, 70%) as a light yellow oil. $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ –17.0 (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3065, 3032, 2930, 2858, 2212, 1744, 1613, 1587, 1514, 1498, 1455, 1391, 1361, 1303, 1251, 1208, 1174, 1150, 1117, 1066, 1038, 1006, 841, 784, 736, 698, 574, 513; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42-7.22 (m, 12H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.92 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85-4.81 (m, 2H), 4.61-4.48 (m, 4H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.72-3.64 (m, 3H), 3.46-3.39 (m, 3H), 1.00 (s, 9H), 0.23 (s, 3H), 0.21 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.1, 138.1, 138.0, 130.1, 129.7, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 113.7, 97.2, 82.9, 77.7, 75.4, 75.0, 74.9, 73.0, 68.7, 68.3, 55.2, 25.6, 18.0, -4.2, -5.3; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{34}H_{45}N_3O_6SiNa$ 642.2969, found 642.2955.

To a solution of S7 (148 g, 239 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 L) was added $SnCl_4$ (5.6 mL, 50 mmol), and the resulting solution was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. Then, to the reaction mixture was added water (500 mL). After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 × 300 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and evaporated in vacuo to provide pure S3 (98 g, 82%) for the next reaction without further purification.

Alcohol S3 (273 g, 547 mmol) was dissolved in the mixed solvent CH_2Cl_2 -pyridine (1:1, 1.0 L), and DMAP (33.3 g, 272 mmol) and benzoyl chloride (95 mL, 824 mmol) were added consecutively at 0 °C. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature for stirring overnight, and then quenched by the addition of water (500 mL). After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 800 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with 1 N HCl (aq.) and brine, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to give compound S4 (249 g, 75%) as a colorless oil.

4-Methylphenyl 2-O-Levulinyl-3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-1thio- β -D-glucopyranoside (**14a**) and **4**-Methylphenyl 2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene-1-thio- β -D-glucopyranoside (**14b**).^{12c,21} The known thioglycoside donors 14a and 14b were synthesized from 16 using the reported procedures without column chromatog-raphy in the whole course.^{12c,21} Compound 14a (14a could be synthesized on a 160 g scale, and could be recrystallized in petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 4/1, v/v): $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); mp 139–140 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ –46.0 (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3064, 3032, 2922, 2882, 1957, 1906, 1739, 1711, 1606, 1493, 1472, 1453, 1419, 1398, 1372, 1315, 1273, 1189, 1155, 1102, 1068, 1028, 1003, 982, 936, 923, 876, 839, 810; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48–7.24 (m, 12H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 4.98 (dd, J = 10.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 12.0, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 12.0, 1H), 4.62 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (dd, J = 10.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.81-3.67 (m, 10.10 Hz)3H), 3.50-3.44 (m, 1H), 2.76-2.72 (m, 2H), 2.59-2.53 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.1, 171.2, 138.5, 138.0, 137.1, 133.5, 129.6, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 125.9, 101.1, 87.0, 81.2, 79.7, 74.3, 71.6, 70.4, 68.5, 37.8, 29.9, 28.0, 21.2; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{32}H_{34}O_7SNa$ 585.1923, found 585.1930; Compound 14b (14b was synthesized on a 200 g scale easily in our laboratory): $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); mp 138-139 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53-7.31 (m, 17H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 4.97 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (dd, J = 10.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.88–3.80 (m, 2H), 3.72 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.54–3.45 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3, 138.1, 138.0, 137.2, 133.0, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 125.9, 101.1, 88.5, 83.0, 81.4, 80.4, 75.8, 75.3, 70.2, 68.7, 21.1. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data. ^{12c,21}

2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranose (**29**).^{22a} To a solution of 14b (5.1 g, 9.2 mmol) in the mixed solvent acetone-water (3:1, 200 mL) was added TCCA (3.2 g, 13.8 mmol); the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature for 1 h. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate = 3:1) to afford compound **29** (3.5 g, 85%, α/β = 2:1).^{22a} $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 6/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.54–7.30 (m, 22.5H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 0.5H), 4.99-4.71 (m, 7.5H), 4.37-4.30 (m, 1.5H), 4.13-4.02 (m, 1.5H), 3.81-3.60 (m, 4.5H), 3.48-3.42 (m, 1.5H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.5, 138.4, 138.2, 137.6, 137.3, 137.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 126.0, 125.9, 101.2, 101.1, 97.7, 92.1, 83.0, 81.9, 81.5, 80.8, 79.3, 78.3, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 73.7, 69.0, 68.6, 66.2, 62.5. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.^{22a}

2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranosyl trichlor-oacetimidate (**30**).^{22b} Under a nitrogen atmosphere, the lactol **29** (880 mg, 1.96 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (20 mL), and trichloroacetonitrile (1.2 mL, 12.0 mmol) and DBU (105 uL, 0.70 mmol) were added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for 2 h. Then, the reaction was guenched by the addition of water (10 mL), and the separated aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to deliver trichloroacetimidate 30^{22b} (980 mg, 85%) as an α/β mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 2:1$). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/ v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (s, 0.5H), 8.65 (s, 1H), 7.55-7.31 (m, 22.5H), 6.48 (br s, 1H), 5.97 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.5H), 5.60 (s, 1.5H), 4.99–4.75 (m, 6H), 4.44 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 0.5H), 4.36 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19–4.04 (m, 1.5H), 3.94–3.62 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.3, 161.0, 138.5, 138.2, 137.8, 137.7, 137.1, 128.9, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.0, 125.9, 101.2, 98.2, 94.6, 91.0, 90.7, 81.4, 81.1, 80.8, 80.6, 78.6, 77.9, 75.2, 75.2, 75.0, 73.3, 68.7, 68.6, 66.6, 65.0. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.²

4-Methylphenyl 2, 3-Di-O-benzyl-1-thio- β -D-glucopyranoside (31).²³ To a solution of 14b (10.1 g, 18.2 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (5:1, 48 mL) was added TFA (14 mL, 188.5 mmol) at 0 °C, and the resulting solution was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for 1 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with Et₃N and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (dichloromethane/ethyl acetate = 12:1) to give the corresponding diol 31 (7.2 g, 85%).²³ $R_f = 0.4$ (dichloromethane/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.43–7.29 (m, 12H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.97 (d, J = 10.2, 1H), 4.95 (d, J = 12.0, 1H), 4.75 (d, J = 10.2, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 11.4, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, J = 11.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.34-3.31 (m, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3, 138.0, 137.8, 132.5, 129.8, 129.5, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 88.0, 86.1, 80.8, 79.1, 75.4, 75.3, 70.4, 62.7, 21.1. The spectral data were in agreement with the reported data.²³

Benzyl (4-Methylphenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-1-thio-Dglucopyranoside)uronate (32). To a solution of diol 31 (10 g, 21.5 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH_2Cl_2 -water (2:1, 450 mL) containing TEMPO (672 mg, 4.30 mmol) was added PhI(OAc)₂ (17.3 g, 53.7

mmol), and the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature for 2.5 h. After TLC indicated complete conversion of the starting material, the reaction was quenched by the addition of a saturated solution of Na₂SO₃ (200 mL). After further stirring for 5 min, HCl (aq.) was added to adjust the final pH value of the mixture to pH 3. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried with Na2SO4, and then filtered and concentrated in vacuo to yield the corresponding crude acid, which was used without further purification. The crude acid was dissolved in acetone (300 mL) and treated with BnBr (5.1 mL, 42.9 mmol), K2CO3 (4.5 g, 32.6 mmol), and Et₃N (3.2 mL, 23.1 mmol) at 55 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. After complete disappearance of the acid, the mixture was neutralized with 1 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 × 300 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO4, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to afford compound 32 (6.1 g, 50%). $R_f = 0.3$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -29.1 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3445, 2910, 2850, 2050, 1737, 1650, 1500, 1458, 1399, 1354, 1268, 1240, 1209, 1176, 1123, 1101, 1061, 1020, 920, 938, 862, 735, 664; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.29 (m, 15H), 7.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 4.91–4.84 (m, 3H), 4.75 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H),2.95 (br s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.9, 138.3, 138.2, 137.9, 135.0, 133.3, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 88.4, 85.2, 79.7, 77.5, 75.6, 75.5, 71.9, 67.4, 21.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₄H₃₄O₆SNa 593.1974, found 593.1984.

Benzyl (4-Methylphenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl 1-thio-D-qlucopyranoside)uronate (33). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, to a solution of 32 (5.6 g, 9.8 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL) was added 2,6-lutidine (6.8 mL, 58.4 mmol), and the reaction was cooled to 0 °C. TBSOTf (6.8 mL, 29.6 mmol) was added slowly. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 30 min; then water (100 mL) was added to quench the reaction. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1) to afford compound 33 (5.5 g, 82%). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 10/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23} + 13.4$ (c 0.5, CH_2Cl_2); IR (KBr) 3033, 2952, 2928, 2875, 1752, 1598, 1528, 1492, 1455, 1400, 1352, 1322, 1270, 1258, 1200, 1151, 1082, 1026, 930, 837, 814, 781, 734, 674; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.42–7.27 (m, 15 H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.27 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.67-4.65 (m, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.01-3.98 (m, 1H), 3.92 (d, J = 9.6, 1H), 3.55-3.51 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 0.84 (s, 9H), 0.03 (s, 3H), 0.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 138.5, 138.0, 137.7, 135.1, 132.9, 129.7, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.2, 126.7, 88.1, 85.9, 80.5, 80.1, 75.1, 75.0, 71.9, 67.1, 25.7, 21.1, 17.9, -4.0, -5.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₄₀H₄₈O₆SSiNa 707.2833, found 707.2821.

Benzyl (2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl-*D*-glucopyranosyl)uronate (**34**). To a solution of **33** (9.5 g, 13.9 mmol) in the mixed solvent acetone–water (9:1, 250 mL) was added NBS (12.4 g, 71.4 mmol), and the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of a saturated solution of Na₂SO₃ (200 mL). After further stirring for 5 min, the resulting mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 200 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to afford compound **34** (6.8 g, 85%, α/β = 5:2). R_f = 0.4 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39–7.26 (m,

21H), 5.28 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 0.4H), 5.26 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (t, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 0.4H), 5.09 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 0.4H), 4.99 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 0.4H), 4.81 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 0.4H), 4.75 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 0.4H), 4.60 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 0.4H), 3.98–3.94 (m, 1.4H), 3.78 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (dd, J = 9.0, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.52–3.46 (m, 0.8H), 3.40 (dd, J = 6.0, 1.8 Hz, 0.4H), 3.16 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1.0H), 0.85 (s, 9H), 0.84 (s, 3.6H), 0.02 (s, 3H), 0.01 (s, 4.2H), 0.00 (s, 1.2H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6, 168.8, 138.7, 138.6, 137.9, 137.4, 135.0, 134.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 97.7, 91.3, 83.6, 82.9, 80.5, 79.7, 76.7, 74.9, 74.8, 74.5, 73.2, 72.7, 72.0, 71.9, 67.4, 67.2, 25.7, 17.9, -4.1, -5.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₃H₄₂O₇SiNa 601.2597, found 601.2608.

Benzyl (2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilvl-Dglucopyranosyl)uronate Trichloroacetimidate (35). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, the lactol 34 (6.4 g, 11.1 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (60 mL), and trichloroacetonitrile (11.1 mL, 110.7 mmol) and DBU (0.6 mL, 4.0 mmol) were added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred until TLC analysis showed disappearance of starting material. Then, the reaction was quenched by the addition of water (60 mL), and the separated aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 60 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to deliver trichloroacetimidate 35 (5.1 g, 64%) as an α/β mixture $(\alpha/\beta = 7:1)$. $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.71 (s, 0.14H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.46–7.14 (m, 17.1H), 6.52 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.14H), 5.22 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 0.14H), 5.10 (d, J = 12.8 Hz)Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.97–4.86 (m, 0.42H), 4.73 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (overlapped, 0.14H), 4.57 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.23-4.11 (m, 0.28H), 3.99 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85-3.78 (m, 2.28H), 3.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.14H), 0.82 (s, 10.26H), 0.01 (s, 3.42H), -0.01 (s, 3.42); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.6, 161.1, 138.6, 137.5, 134.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 127.2, 126.9, 97.6, 93.9, 93.3, 91.0, 83.8, 80.4, 80.1, 79.3, 75.0, 74.7, 74.4, 74.3, 72.9, 71.8, 71.6, 67.4, 67.2, 25.8, 18.0, -4.0, -5.2; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₄₂Cl₃NO₇SiNa 744.1694, found 744.1711.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl- β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-Op-methoxybenzyl-2-deoxy-β-o-glucopyranoside (36) and tert-Bu-tyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsil $yl-\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyluronate)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-Ó-p-methoxybenzyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (37). A mixture of glycosyl imidate 35 (630 mg, 0.87 mmol 53 mg, 0.07 mmol), sugar alcohol 13a (600 mg, 1.07 mmol 50 mg, 0.09 mmol), and freshly activated 4 Å molecular sieves (1.2 g) in dry cyclohexane (25 mL) was stirred at room temperature under a nitrogen atmosphere for 30 min. Then, TESOTf (24 uL, 0.1 mmol) was added dropwise. After stirring overnight at room temperature, the reaction was quenched by the addition of Et₃N (0.1 mL). The mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was subjected to silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1) to provide β -disaccharide 36 (442 mg, 45%) and α -disaccharide 37 (370 mg, 38%), respectively. Compound 36: $R_f = 0.7$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ –7.0 (c 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3033, 2954, 2929, 2857, 1753, 1613, 1587, 1514, 1462, 1391, 1360, 1303, 1250, 1212, 1175, 1144, 1087, 1038, 839, 782, 750, 697; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.21 (m, 17H), 7.14-7.12 (m, 2H), 6.86 (dd, J = 10.4, 8.0 Hz, 4H), 5.14 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.74-4.65 (m, 2H), 4.60-4.50 (m, 5H), 4.41 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.03-3.94 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.77 (overlapped, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.46 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.31-3.20 (m, 3H), 3.13 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.83 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.01 (s, 3H), -0.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 159.2, 159.1, 138.7, 138.1, 134.9, 130.6, 130.4, 129.9, 129.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.1, 126.8, 113.8, 113.6, 102.4, 97.1, 83.9, 82.8, 80.1, 76.4, 76.3, 75.0, 74.8, 74.7, 74.5, 73.0, 72.1, 68.2, 67.2, 67.1, 55.2, 55.1, 25.8, 25.6, 25.62, 18.0, 17.9, -4.0, -4.2, -5.1, -5.2; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₆₁H₈₁N₃O₁₃Si₂Na 1142.5200, found 1142.5179; Compound 37: $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); [α]_D²³-30.3 (c 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 2929, 2857, 1752, 1614, 1514, 1464, 1362, 1250, 1177, 1072, 1040, 840, 783, 737, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.09 (m, 19H), 6.81 (dd, J = 11.2, 8.0 Hz, 4H), 5.52 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76-4.66 (m, 3H), 4.53 (d, I = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.48-4.30 (m, 3H), 4.32-4.29 (m, 3H)2H), 4.02 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.75-3.64 (m, 3H), 3.55-3.47 (m, 3H), 3.39 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.83 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H), -0.01 (s, 3H), -0.02 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.5, 159.0, 158.9, 138.7, 137.5, 135.0, 130.4, 130.3, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.0, 126.8, 113.7, 113.6, 97.1, 97.0, 82.5, 80.6, 79.3, 74.7, 74.6, 73.9, 73.4, 72.9, 72.9, 72.7, 72.1, 68.6, 68.0, 67.2, 55.2, 25.8, 25.6, 18.0, -4.0, -4.3, -5.1, -5.2; HRMS [M + Na] calcd for C₆₁H₈₁N₃O₁₃Si₂Na: 1142.5200, found: 1142.5205.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -Dglucopyranoside (38). A mixture of the thioglycoside 14b (2.2 g, 4.0 mmol) and acceptor 13b (2.3 g, 4.4 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (80 mL) was added to a reaction flask containing freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves (8 g) under a N₂ atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. NIS (1.2 g, 5.3 mmol) and TfOH (40 uL, 0.45 mmol) were added to the reaction flask. The resulting solution was kept stirring for 1 h, and Et₃N (0.8 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH2Cl2, and the filtrate was sequentially washed with saturated Na2SO3 (aq.) and NaHCO₃ (aq.). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 8:1) to get the disaccharide 38 (3.1 g, 80%) as a light yellow oil. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); ³ –9.6 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3033, 2930, 2859, 2112, 1728, $|\alpha|_{\rm D}^{\perp}$ 1602, 1495, 1453, 1367, 1315, 1266, 1176, 1089, 1070, 1028, 993, 840, 784, 748, 710; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.60-7.08 (m, 21H), 5.48-5.43 (m, 2H), 4.86 (dd, J = 12.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.79-4.74 (m, 3H), 4.60 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (dd, J = 10.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.02-3.81 (m, 5H), 3.63-3.55 (m, 2H), 3.46 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 165.2, 138.5, 138.0, 137.3, 133.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.5, 126.1, 101.3, 100.1, 97.1, 81.8, 78.4, 78.2, 75.3, 73.5, 73.4, 73.2, 68.7, 66.7, 64.0, 63.3, 25.5, 17.9, -4.4, -5.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C53H59N3O12SiNa 980.3760, found 980.3735.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl- β -D-qlucopyranosyluronate)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-Obenzoyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (39) and tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl- α -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-Ó-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -Dglucopyranoside (40). To a solution of disaccharide 36 (75 mg, 0.07 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (9:1, 3.0 mL) was added 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ, 38 mg, 0.17 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3 h, and the whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH2Cl2. The filtrate was sequentially washed with saturated aqueous Na2S2O3 solution and brine. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 8:1) to get the corresponding alcohol (47 mg). To the solution of obtained alcohol (47 mg, 0.53 mmol) in toluene (5 mL) was added DMAP (3

mg, 0.03 mmol) and $\mathrm{Bz_2O}$ (45 mg, 0.20 mmol). The resulting reaction was heated to reflux for 30 h and then cooled to room temperature. The solution was concentrated in vacuo to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to provide compound 39 (41 mg, 56% from compound **36**). $R_f = 0.3$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 8/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{23}$ -18.4 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3034, 2929, 2857, 1727, 1603, 1498, 1454, 1361, 1315, 1211, 1177, 1092, 1070, 1028, 839, 783, 736, 711; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.55–7.06 (m, 21H), 5.21 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.72-4.66 (m, 3H), 4.58 (dd, J = 11.2, 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.52-4.49 (m, 1H), 4.40 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84-3.76 (m, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.58-3.53 (m, 1H), 3.46 (dd, J = 10.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.39-3.33 (m, 2H), 0.86 (s, 9H), 0.72 (s, 9H), 0.11 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), -0.14 (s, 3H), -0.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.4, 165.8, 165.7, 138.5, 137.9, 135.0, 133.1, 133.0, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.6, 127.4, 127.1, 126.7, 102.8, 97.2, 83.6, 82.5, 75.1, 75.0, 74.6, 73.5, 72.2, 71.7, 70.0, 66.7, 62.6, 25.7, 25.5, 17.9, -4.1, -4.4, -5.2, -5.3; HRMS [M + $Na]^{\scriptscriptstyle +}$ calcd for $C_{59}H_{73}N_3O_{13}Si_2Na$ 1110.4574, found 1110.4560.

The same procedure was employed for the preparation of 40 from 37 (75 mg, 0.07 mmol). Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 8:1) afforded 40 (38 mg, 52%). $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -15.4 (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 2929, 2857, 1603, 1497, 1454, 1363, 1315, 1266, 1178, 1070, 840, 783, 736, 711; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58–7.05 (m, 21H), 5.42 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.74-4.72 (m, 2H), 4.58 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.51–4.46 (m, 2H), 4.26 (d, J =8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83-3.74 (m, 3H), 3.61–3.54 (m, 2H), 3.22 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.76 (s, 9H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), -0.08 (s, 3H), -0.09 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.2, 165.7, 165.3, 138.6, 137.9, 135.0, 133.1, 132.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.0, 126.9, 100.0, 97.1, 79.7, 78.3, 78.2, 74.1, 74.0, 73.5, 73.4, 73.1, 71.4, 67.2, 66.5, 63.2, 25.7, 25.5, 17.9, 17.8, -4.1, -4.4, -5.3, -5.4; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₉H₇₃N₃O₁₃Si₂Na 1110.4574, found 1110.4550.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (41). To a solution of 38 (5.5 g, 5.8 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (15:1, 80 mL) was added TFA (12.0 mL, 161.6 mmol) at 0 °C, and the resulting solution was allowed to warm up to room temperature. Once the reaction was complete, the reaction mixture was neutralized with a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (50 mL), and the resulting mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 × 30 mL). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product as a colorless oil. To a solution of the obtained diol in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (2:1, 120 mL) containing TEMPO (156 mg, 1.00 mmol) was added $\mathrm{PhI}(\mathrm{OAc})_2$ (4.6 g, 14.3 mmol), and the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature. After TLC indicated complete conversion of the starting material, the reaction was quenched by the addition of a saturated solution of Na₂SO₃ (20 mL). After further stirring for 5 min, HCl (aq.) was added to adjust the final pH value of the mixture to pH 3. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, and then filtered and concentrated in vacuo to yield the corresponding crude acid, which was used without further purification. The crude acid was dissolved in acetone (50 mL) and treated with BnBr (1.4 mL, 11.8 mmol), K_2CO_3 (1.2 g, 8.6 mmol), and Et_3N (0.8 mL, 5.8 mmol) at 50 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. After complete disappearance of the acid, the mixture was neutralized with 1 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 \times 20 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO4, filtered, and evaporated

under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to afford compound 41 (3.4 g, 61% from compound 38). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -32.1 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3340, 2930, 2858, 2111, 1727, 1602, 1496, 1453, 1315, 1265, 1176, 1129, 1094, 1068, 1043, 840, 784, 743, 711; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.57–7.15 (m, 19H), 6.75 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.36 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 1H), 4.99 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.73-4.64 (m, 2H), 4.49 (br s, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, I = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.99-3.94 (m, 1H), 3.90 (br s, 2H), 3.85-3.80 (m, 2H), 3.51-3.45 (m, 2H), 3.30 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.9, 166.0, 165.3, 137.4, 136.9, 135.1, 133.3, 132.7, 130.1, 129.8, 129.6, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.1, 97.4, 97.1, 76.5, 76.4, 74.8, 74.7, 74.4, 74.0, 73.1, 71.4, 67.6, 66.8, 66.2, 63.6, 25.4, 18.0, -4.5, -5.4; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C53H59N3O13SiNa 996.3709, found 996.3685.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyldimethylsilyl- α -D-glucopyranosyluronate)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-Obenzoyl-2-deoxy- β -D-qlucopyranoside (40). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, to a solution of 41 (1.0 g, 1.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) was added 2,6-lutidine (460 uL, 4.0 mmol). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, and TBSOTf (460 uL, 2.0 mmol) was added slowly. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 30 min; then water (100 mL) was added to quench the reaction. After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 150 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) to afford compound 40 (894 mg, 80%). $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 15.4$ (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 2929, 2857, 1603, 1497, 1454, 1363, 1315, 1266, 1178, 1070, 840, 783, 736, 711; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58–7.05 (m, 21H), 5.42 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.74-4.72 (m, 2H), 4.58 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.51-4.46 (m, 2H), 4.26 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.83–3.74 (m, 3H), 3.61– 3.54 (m, 2H), 3.22 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.76 (s, 9H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), -0.08 (s, 3H), -0.09 (s, 3H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.2, 165.7, 165.3, 138.6, 137.9, 135.0, 133.1, 132.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.0, 126.9, 100.0, 97.1, 79.7, 78.3, 78.2, 74.1, 74.0, 73.5, 73.4, 73.1, 71.4, 67.2, 66.5, 63.2, 25.7, 25.5, 17.9, 17.8, -4.1, -4.4, -5.3, -5.4; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{59}H_{73}N_3O_{13}Si_2Na$ 1110.4574, found 1110.4550.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2-O-Levulinyl-3-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-azido-3,6-di-O-p-methoxyben*zyl-2-deoxy-\beta-D-qlucopyranoside* (43). A mixture of the thioglycoside 14a (87 g, 155 mmol) and acceptor 13a (72 g, 129 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (800 mL) was added to a reaction flask containing freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves (50 g) under a N_2 atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. NIS (58 g, 258 mmol) and TfOH (0.3 mL, 3.4 mmol) were added to the reaction flask. The resulting solution was kept stirring for 1 h, and Et₃N (0.3 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH₂Cl₂, and the filtrate was sequentially washed with saturated Na2SO3 (aq.) and NaHCO3 (aq.). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/acetone = 8:1) to get the disaccharide 43 (103 g, 80%) as a white solid. This product could be crystallized in methanol with 70% yield. $R_f = 0.3$ (petroleum ether/ acetone, 6/1, v/v); mp 102–103 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ –38.4 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 2956, 2931, 2859, 2110, 1751, 1720, 1612, 1513, 1463, 1362, 1250, 1174, 1096, 1070, 840, 783, 750, 699; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48–7.23 (m, 14H), 6.88–6.85 (m, 4H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 4.91 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 10.0 Hz)

1H), 4.68–4.59 (m, 3H), 4.48 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.45–4.43 (m, 1H), 4.34 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.24–4.20 (m, 1H), 3.95–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.67–3.13 (m, 8H), 2.78–2.30 (m, SH), 2.14 (s, 3H), 0.92 (s, 9H), 0.14 (br s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.0, 171.1, 159.3, 159.2, 138.4, 137.2, 130.6, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 128.2, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 126.0, 113.9, 113.6, 101.2, 100.5, 97.0, 81.6, 80.5, 78.9, 76.2, 74.9, 74.8, 74.3, 73.6, 73.2, 68.7, 68.2, 67.4, 66.0, 55.3, 55.2, 37.6, 29.8, 27.7, 25.6, 18.0, –4.3, –5.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₃H₆₇N₃O₁₄SiNa 1020.4290, found 1020.4292.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(3-O-Benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-O-p-methoxybenzyl-2-deoxy- β -*D-glucopyranoside* (44). To a solution of 43 (160 g, 160 mmol) in the mixed solvent pyridine-AcOH (3:1, 800 mL) was added hydrazine hydrate (16 mL, 330 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 L) and was sequentially washed with 2 M HCl (aq.), saturated NaHCO3 (aq.), and brine. The resulting organic phase was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the pure disaccharide 44 (138 g), which was used for the next step without further purification. $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); mp 59–61 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ –116.5 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3034, 2931, 2859, 2111, 1613, 1586, 1514, 1464, 1364, 1303, 1251, 1174, 1068, 1033, 841, 785, 751, 699; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49-7.25 (m, 14H), 6.91–6.87 (m, 4H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.81-4.73 (m, 3H), 4.64-4.61 (m, 2H), 4.49-4.46 (m, 2H), 4.13 (dd, J = 10.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (dd, J = 11.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.67 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.52-3.46 (m, 2H), 3.38 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.35-3.29 (m, 2H), 3.25 (br s, 1H, OH), 3.20-3.16 (m, 1H), 0.95 (s, 9H), 0.17 (s, 3H), 0.16 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 159.2, 138.5, 137.3, 130.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 126.0, 113.8, 113.7, 103.4, 101.1, 97.3, 81.4, 81.3, 80.4, 75.2, 74.7, 74.6, 74.6, 73.3, 68.7, 68.5, 68.0, 66.4, 55.3, 55.2, 25.6, 18.0, -4.3, -5.2; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{48}H_{61}N_3O_{12}SiNa$ 922.3922, found 922.3914.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D $q|ucopyranosyl) - (1 \rightarrow 4) - 2 - azido - 3, 6 - di - O - p - methoxybenzyl - 2 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di - 0 - azido - 3, 6 - di$ deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (45). To a cooled (0 °C) solution of crude 44 (138 g, 154 mmol) in DMF (1.5 L) was added NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 20 g, 500 mmol). After the mixture had been stirred for 30 min, TBAI (12 g, 32 mmol) and BnBr (55 mL, 463 mmol) were added. After stirring for 50 min at room temperature, to the reaction mixture was added water (4.0 L), and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×5.0 L). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_2\mathrm{SO}_4$ and filtered. To the resulting mixture was added Et₃N (60 mL), and the mixture was stirred for another 6 h. Next, the solvent was evaporated in vacuo and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/acetone = 8:1) to afford 45 (111 g, 70% from compound 43). Compound 45 could be crystallized from anhydrous methanol as a white solid. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/acetone, 5/1, v/v); mp 136–137 °C; $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{23}$ –29.3 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3732, 3608, 3307, 3033, 2929, 2857, 2110, 1513, 1548, 1362, 1265, 1249, 1173, 1088, 1071, 840, 743, 699; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.50 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.26 (m, 15H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.81–4.73 (m, 3H), 4.64 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (dd, J = 10.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.83-3.80 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.64-3.56 (m, 3H), 3.53 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.32-3.18 (m, 4H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.2, 159.1, 138.5, 138.4, 137.4, 130.6, 130.1, 129.7, 129.5, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.6, 126.0, 113.8, 113.6, 102.7, 101.1, 97.1, 82.6, 81.8, 81.3, 80.6, 76.2, 75.5, 75.2, 75.1, 74.7, 72.9, 68.8, 68.1, 67.4, 65.8, 55.3, 55.2, 25.6, 18.0, -4.2, -5.1; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₆₇N₃O₁₂SiNa 1012.4392, found 1012.4383.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -Dglucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (46). To a solution of disaccharide 45 (196 g, 198 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (10:1, 2.0 L) was added DDQ (112 g, 492 mmol) at ambient temperature. The mixture was stirred for 30 min, and the whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH2Cl2. The filtrate was sequentially washed with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ solution and brine. The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to get the corresponding diol 46 as a light yellow oil (120 g, 81%). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 26.8$ (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3034, 2930, 2859, 1497, 1455, 1384, 1369, 1257, 1170, 1088, 1074, 784, 749; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.25 (m, 10H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (dd, J = 10.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 1H), 3.81 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.73-3.69 (m, 3H), 3.61 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.54-3.50 (m, 1H), 3.48-3.43 (m, 2H), 3.32 (dt, J = 9.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.1, 137.7, 136.9, 129.1, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 126.0, 103.8, 101.3, 96.8, 81.5, 81.3, 81.0, 80.2, 75.8, 75.1, 74.6, 72.7, 68.2, 67.8, 66.3, 60.9, 25.6, 17.9, -4.3, -5.1; HRMS [M + Na] calcd for C₃₉H₅₁N₃O₁₀SiNa 772.3241, found 772.3254.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -Dglucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (47). To a solution of disaccharide 46 (119 g, 159 mmol) in toluene (900 mL) were added benzoic anhydride (Bz₂O, 215 g, 950 mmol) and DMAP (9 g, 74 mmol). After stirring for 12 h at 60 °C, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and water was added (900 mL), and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 1.0 L). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get 47, which was used for the next step without further purification. An analytic sample was obtained by column chromatography. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); mp 175–177 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -7.6 (c 0.2, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3064, 2963, 2928, 2858, 2112, 1727, 1603, 1495, 1453, 1365, 1315, 1263, 1176, 1094, 1027, 839, 801, 747, 710, 466; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.0 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.66-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.40-7.33 (m, 5H), 7.30-7.10 (m, 10H), 5.30-5.24 (m, 2H), 4.85-4.66 (m, 6H), 4.49 (dd, J = 12.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.75–3.64 (m, 3H), 3.56 (dd, J = 10.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.40-3.33 (m, 2H), 3.17-3.11 (m, 1H), 2.69 (t, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 165.1, 138.3, 137.9, 137.0, 133.3, 133.1, 130.1, 129.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.0, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 125.9, 103.7, 100.8, 97.0, 82.1, 81.1, 80.9, 75.8, 74.9, 73.5, 72.7, 67.9, 66.3, 65.8, 62.7, 25.4, 17.8, -4.5, -5.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C53H59N3O12SiNa 980.3766, found 980.3763.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl-4,6-O-benzylidene- β -D-pyranoside (48). Disaccharide 46 (195 g, 260 mmol) was dissolved in the mixed solvent toluene-Ac2O (8:1, 1.3 L), and DMAP was added (16 g, 131 mmol). After stirring for 12 h at 60 °C, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and water was added (1.2 L), and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 1.5 \text{ L})$. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide 48, which was used for the next step without further purification. An analytic sample was obtained by column chromatography. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 4/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23} - 3.9$ (c 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3643, 2926, 2858, 2111, 1748, 1455, 1367, 1227, 1089, 1034, 842, 786, 746, 698; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48-7.24 (m, 15H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 4.94–4.87 (m, 2H), 4.81 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.75–4.69 (m, 2H), 4.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.40-4.34 (m, 3H), 4.16 (dd, J = 11.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.75–3.69 (m, 2H), 3.64 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (d, J =

9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.47–3.42 (m, 1H), 3.39–3.30 (m, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 169.6, 138.2, 138.0, 137.1, 129.0, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.0, 103.7, 101.2, 96.9, 82.0, 81.5, 80.9, 76.9, 75.6, 74.9, 73.2, 72.1, 68.7, 66.1, 66.0, 62.1, 25.5, 21.1, 20.7, 17.9, -4.5, -5.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₄₃H₅₅N₃O₁₂SiNa 856.3453, found 856.3443.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1\rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (**49**). To a solution of the obtained crude 47 (136 g) in the mixed solvent CH₂Cl₂-water (10:1, 5.0 L) was added TFA (226 mL, 3042 mmol) at 0 $\,^{\circ}\text{C}\text{,}$ and the resulting solution was allowed to warm up to room temperature. Once the reaction was complete, the mixture was washed with water $(4 \times 1 \text{ L})$ and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ $(3 \times 1 L)$. The combined organic layer was washed with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous $(3 \times 800 \text{ mL})$, then dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product as a colorless oil. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) to give the corresponding diol 49 as a light yellow oil (104 g, 75% from compound 46). $R_f = 0.3$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -17.2 (c 0.2, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3334, 3064, 3033, 2961, 2927, 2857, 2113, 1724, 1603, 1495, 1453, 1411, 1362, 1316, 1264, 1177, 1097, 1070, 1027, 840, 801, 735, 710, 458; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.11 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.64–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.51-7.44 (m, 4H), 7.32-7.12 (m, 10H), 5.22 (t, J = 10.0Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.75–4.69 (m, 3H), 4.60 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (dd, J = 12.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H),4.38 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.71–3.67 (m, 1H), 3.60 (dd, J = 10.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.33-3.24 (m, 4H), 3.11-3.03 (m, 2H), 2.25 (br s, 1H, OH), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 165.2, 138.3, 138.0, 133.5, 133.2, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 103.0, 97.1, 83.8, 82.1, 75.9, 75.2, 75.1, 73.5, 72.9, 69.9, 66.2, 62.7, 61.9, 25.5, 17.8, -4.4, -5.3; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for C46H55N3O12SiNa 892.3453, found 892.3473.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2,3-Di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (**50**). The same procedure described for the preparation of diol 49 (from 47) was employed for the preparation of 50 from 48. Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) afforded 50 (151 g, 78% from compound 46). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 9.2$ (c 0.5, CH_2Cl_2); IR (KBr) 3033, 2930, 2859, 2112, 1746, 1497, 1365, 1232, 1109, 1065, 840, 785, 739, 700; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38–7.26 (m, 10H), 4.95–4.87 (m, 2H), 4.77 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (dd, *J* = 11.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J = 11.6, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.72–3.63 (m, 2H), 3.52– 3.27 (m, 6H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 0.92 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 170.0, 138.3, 137.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 103.0, 97.0, 83.9, 82.0, 76.1, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 73.2, 72.0, 70.7, 66.2, 62.9, 62.3, 25.5, 20.9, 20.7, 17.9, -4.5, -5.3; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{36}H_{51}N_3O_{12}SiNa$ 768.3140, found 768.3137.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranosyluronate)-(1→4)-2-azido-3,6-dibenzoyl-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranoside (9). To a solution of diol 49 (104 g, 119 mmol) in the mixed solvent CH_2Cl_2 -water (2:1, 1.0 L) containing TEMPO (3.7 g, 24 mmol) was added PhI(OAc)₂ (96 g, 297 mmol), and the mixture was stirred vigorously at ambient temperature. After TLC indicated complete conversion of the starting material, the reaction was quenched by the addition of a saturated solution of Na₂SO₃ (900 mL). After further stirring for 5 min, HCl (aq.) was added to adjust the final pH value of the mixture to pH 3. The resulting mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (1.2 L). The organic phase was separated, and the remaining aqueous phase was washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, and then filtered and concentrated in vacuo to yield the corresponding crude acid, which was used without further purification. The crude acid

was dissolved in acetone (2.0 L) and treated with BnBr (58 mL, 490 mmol), K₂CO₃ (27 g, 193 mmol), and Et₃N (18 mL, 130 mmol) at 60 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. After complete disappearance of the acid, the mixture was neutralized with 1 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 × 1.0 L). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO4, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to afford compound 9 (108 g, 93%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); mp 63-64 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ -14.0 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3856, 3727, 3518, 3064, 3033, 2928, 2858, 2112, 1726, 1602, 1496, 1453, 1361, 1315, 1267, 1212, 1177, 1094, 1068, 1028, 840, 785, 738, 710, 586, 500, 460; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.55 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.44-7.17 (m, 19H), 5.31-5.26 (m, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.81-4.71 (m, 6H), 4.51 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.71-3.61 (m, 3H), 3.52 (dd, J = 10.8, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (br s, 1H, OH), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.17 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 165.6, 165.5, 138.2, 138.0, 134.9, 133.1, 132.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 102.4, 97.1, 83.0, 81.5, 75.3, 75.2, 74.5, 74.3, 73.3, 72.1, 71.2, 66.9, 66.5, 62.6, 25.4, 17.8, -4.5, -5.4; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C53H59N3O13SiNa 996.3709, found 996.3690.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(Methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-diacetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-alucopyranoside (10). The same procedure described for the preparation of the acid (from diol 49) was employed for the preparation of the corresponding acid from 50 (151 g, 203 mmol). The crude acid was dissolved in acetone (3.5 L) and treated with dimethyl sulfate (Me₂SO₄, 43 mL, 452 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (33 g, 238 mmol) at room temperature under a nitrogen atmosphere. After complete disappearance of the acid, the mixture was neutralized with 1 N HCl and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4 × 2.0 L). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to afford compound 10 (102) g, 65%). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 1/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -12.2 (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3031, 2955, 2931, 2859, 2360, 2341, 2112, 1748, 1365, 1230, 1133, 1067, 1039, 841, 785, 741, 699, 669; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33–7.25 (m, 10H), 4.93 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (br s, 2H), 4.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.39–4.32 (m, 1H), 4.29 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (dd, J = 11.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.78–3.73 (m, 2H), 3.63 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.48-3.42 (m, 2H), 3.37-3.31 (m, 2H), 2.74 (br s, 1H, OH), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 168.9, 138.3, 137.9, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 103.3, 96.9, 83.2, 81.4, 76.4, 75.3, 75.2, 74.5, 73.1, 71.6, 71.5, 66.1, 62.1, 52.5, 25.5, 20.7, 20.6, 17.9, -4.5, -5.3; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{37}H_{51}N_3O_{13}SiNa$ 796.3089, found 796.3103.

tert-Butyldimethylsilyl O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-qlucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -Dglucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-dibenzoyl-2-deoxy- β -Dglucopyranoside (51). A mixture of trichloroacetimidate 8 (8.3 g, 13.1 mmol) and acceptor 9 (9.9 g, 10.2 mmol) in dry toluene (90 mL) was added to a reaction flask containing freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves (20 g) under a N₂ atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. Then, TfOH (0.35 mL, 4.0 mmol) was added dropwise. The resulting solution was kept stirring for 2 h, and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH2Cl2, and the solution was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 12:1) to get the trisaccharide 51 (9.4 g, 64%) as a light yellow oil. $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 5/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +13.0 (c 0.3, $CH_{2}Cl_{2}$); IR (KBr) 2956, 2923, 2852, 2110, 1724, 1496, 1454, 1363, 1315, 1265, 1210, 1177, 1069, 1027, 840, 803, 739, 711; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

8.03–7.97 (m, 6H), 7.57–7.11 (m, 34H), 5.35 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.81–4.64 (m, 9H), 4.55–4.37 (m, 5H), 4.02 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77–3.73 (m, 1H), 3.66–3.56 (m, 4H), 3.47 (dd, J = 10.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (dd, J = 10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0, 166.1, 165.8, 165.7, 138.0, 137.8, 137.5, 137.4, 134.7, 133.2, 133.1, 133.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 102.7, 97.3, 97.2, 83.6, 82.0, 80.2, 77.7, 75.6, 75.3, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.5, 73.4, 72.1, 69.7, 67.4, 66.6, 63.4, 62.5, 25.5, 17.9, -4.4, -5.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₈₀H₈₄N₆O₁₈SiNa 1467.5503, found 1467.5478.

tert-Butvldimethylsilvl O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzvl-6-O-benzovl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -*D*-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-diacetyl-2-deoxy- β -Dglucopyranoside (52). The same procedure described for the preparation of trisaccharide 51 (from 8 and 9) was employed for the preparation of 52 from 8 (9.1 g, 14.4 mmol 2.6 g, 4.1 mmol) and 10 (8.8 g, 11.4 mmol). Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1) afforded trisaccharide 52 (12.1 g, 85%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.6$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); mp 74-66 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +26.0 (c 0.3, CH₂Cl₂). IR (KBr) 3032, 2928, 2858, 2110, 1750, 1724, 1454, 1364, 1274, 1224, 1066, 1038, 841, 786, 746, 699; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.20 (m, 20H), 5.48 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.96–4.82 (m, 6H), 4.75 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.61-4.30 (m, 6H), 4.17–4.11 (m, 1H), 4.07 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.93–3.86 (m, 2H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.71 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.67-3.59 (m, 3H), 3.43-3.30 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.14 (s, 3H), 0.12 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 170.1, 168.3, 166.1, 138.0, 137.6, 137.4, 133.1, 129.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 103.2, 97.6, 97.0, 83.7, 81.9, 80.1, 77.8, 76.3, 75.6, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.5, 73.1, 71.5, 69.8, 66.1, 63.4, 62.7, 61.9, 52.7, 25.5, 20.7, 20.6, 17.9, -4.5, -5.3; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{64}H_{76}N_6O_{18}SiNa$ 1267.4883, found 1267.4896.

O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(benzyl 2, 3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-dibenzoyl-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranose (53). A 70% solution of HF in pyridine (8 mL) was added to an icecooled solution of compound 51 (10 g, 6.9 mmol) in MeCN (20 mL). The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. Next, the mixture was diluted with CH2Cl2 (40 mL) and quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO3 (aq.). After separation, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 40 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to afford the desilylated compound 53 (7.8 g, 85%) as an α/β mixture (α/β = 3:2). $R_f = 0.3$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06-7.98 (m, 15H), 7.59-7.18 (m, 85H), 5.79 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1.5H), 5.40–5.35 (m, 4H), 5.29 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.04– 4.98 (m, 2.5H), 4.91–4.84 (m, 5H), 4.82–4.65 (m, 16H), 4.60–4.52 (m, 4.5H), 4.48-4.37 (m, 8H), 4.24-4.10 (m, 4.5H), 4.01-3.92 (m, 2.5H), 3.82-3.74 (m, 6H), 3.68-3.56 (m, 8H), 3.51 (dd, J = 10.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.41–3.24 (m, 8H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.1, 167.0, 166.1, 166.0, 165.9, 138.0, 138.0, 137.8, 137.7, 137.5, 137.4, 134.7, 133.3, 133.2, 133.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.6, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 102.5, 102.3, 97.3, 96.3, 92.3, 83.6, 83.5, 82.0, 82.0, 80.2, 77.7, 75.6, 75.3, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.9, 74.5, 74.4, 74.0, 73.5, 72.2, 70.2, 69.7, 69.2, 67.4, 65.5, 63.4, 62.5, 62.1, 62.0; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C74H70N6O18Na 1353.4639, found 1353.4616.

O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy-α-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1→4)-O-(methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranosyluronate)-(1→4)-2-azido-3,6-diacetyl-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranose (54). The same procedure described for the preparation of trisaccharide 53 (from 11) was employed for the preparation of 54 from 52 (10 g, 8.0 mmol). Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) afforded trisaccharide 54 (7.6 g, 84%) as an α/β mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 2:1$). $R_f = 0.2$ (petroleum ether/ ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.5H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 4.5H), 7.37–7.19 (m, 28.5H), 5.54–5.47 (m, 2.5H), 5.30 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.02-4.83 (m, 9H), 4.79-4.58 (m, 5H), 4.52-4.31 (m, 5H), 4.17-4.02 (m, 4H), 3.92-3.87 (m, 3H), 3.78 (s, 4.5H), 3.75-3.60 (m, 5.5H), 3.45-3.28 (m, 5.5H), 2.06, 2.05, 2.04 (each s, 9H); ¹³C NMR $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta$ 170.4, 170.2, 170.1, 168.4, 168.3, 166.1, 138.0, 138.0, 137.6, 137.5, 137.4, 133.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 103.2, 103.1, 97.5, 96.0, 92.0, 83.7, 83.6, 81.9, 81.8, 80.1, 80.0, 77.7, 76.1, 75.7, 75.6, 75.3, 75.1, 75.0, 74.5, 74.4, 73.1, 71.8, 69.8, 69.5, 68.8, 64.8, 63.4, 62.7, 61.7, 61.6, 61.5, 52.7, 52.6, 20.9, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₅₈H₆₂N₆O₁₈Na 1153.4018, found 1153.4023.

O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(benzyl 2, 3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-alucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-dibenzoyl-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranosyl Trichloroacetimidate (5). Under a nitrogen atmosphere, the lactol 53 (5.5 g, 4.1 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeCN (30 mL), and trichloroacetonitrile (4.9 mL, 49 mmol) and a catalytic amount of DBU (0.3 mL, 2.0 mmol) were added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for overnight until TLC analysis showed the disappearance of starting material. Then, the reaction was quenched by the addition of water (40 mL), and the separated aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 $(3 \times 50 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) to deliver trichloroacetimidate 5 (5.1 g, 85%) as an α/β mixture ($\alpha/\beta = 4.1$). $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/1, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.83 (s, 0.8H), 8.76 (s, 0.2H), 8.06-7.96 (m, 6H), 7.58-7.11 (m, 34H), 6.50 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 0.8H), 5.83 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.41-5.32 (m, 1.2H), 4.97 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 0.2H), 4.96 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 0.8H), 4.90 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 0.8H), 4.85 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 0.2H), 4.82-4.64 (m, 8H), 4.59-4.53 (m, 2H), 4.47-4.38 (m, 3H), 4.30-4.20 (m, 2H), 4.00-3.87 (m, 1H), 3.82-3.74 (m, 3H), 3.69-3.62 (m, 3H), 3.42-3.34 (m, 1H), 3.27 (dd, J = 10.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.0, 166.1, 165.7, 165.7, 165.6, 163.5, 160.5, 137.9, 137.6, 137.4, 137.4, 134.6, 133.3, 133.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.6, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 102.6, 102.4, 97.3, 96.5, 94.4, 91.8, 90.6, 83.4, 81.9, 81.7, 80.2, 77.7, 75.5, 75.2, 75.2, 75.1, 74.9, 74.9, 74.6, 74.4, 74.3, 73.9, 73.8, 72.5, 71.8, 70.3, 69.7, 67.4, 63.7, 63.3, 62.5, 62.0, 61.9, 61.2. HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for $C_{76}H_{70}Cl_3N_7O_{18}Na$ 1496.3741, found 1496.3754.

 $O-(2-Azide-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy-\alpha-D-qlucopyra$ nosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-azido-3,6-diacetyl-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranosyl Trichloroacetimidate (6). The same procedure described for the preparation of trichloroacetimidate 5 (from 53) was employed for the preparation of 6 from 54 (7.2 g, 6.4 mmol). Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 6:1) afforded trisaccharide 6 (6.2 g, 77%) as an α/β mixture (α/β = 5:1). R_f = 0.6 (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3/2, v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.81 (s, 1H), 8.81 (s, 0.2H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2.4H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1.2H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2.4H), 7.38-7.17 (m, 24H), 6.41 (d, I = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, I = 8.4 Hz, 0.2H), 5.56–5.49 (m, 2.4H), 4.96 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1.2H), 4.92–4.83 (m, 4.8H), 4.76 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1.2H), 4.71 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1.2H), 4.60 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1.2H), 4.52 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1.2H), 4.43 (dd, J = 12.4, 2.8 Hz, 1.2H), 4.38-4.32 (m, 2.4H), 4.19-4.04 (m, 3.6H), 3.93-3.88 (m, 2.4H), 3.83 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1.2H), 3.79 (s, 3.6H), 3.73 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1.2H), 3.67-3.61 (m, 3.6H), 3.44 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1.2H), 3.34 (dd, J = 10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1.2H), 2.07 (s, 3.6H), 2.04 (s, 3.6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 170.1, 169.9, 168.3, 166.1, 160.5, 138.0, 137.5, 137.4, 133.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 103.1, 97.5, 94.1, 90.6, 83.7, 81.7, 80.1, 77.7,

75.6, 75.4, 75.2, 75.1, 75.0, 74.6, 71.3, 69.8, 69.7, 63.4, 62.6, 61.2, 60.6, 60.4, 52.7, 21.0, 20.8, 20.6; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{60}H_{62}Cl_3N_7O_{18}Na$ 1296.3115, found 1296.3121.

Methyl O-(2-Azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(benzyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2-azido-3,6-di-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -p-gluco-pyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(methyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- α -L-idopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-benzyloxy Carbonylamino-3-O-benzyl-6-Obenzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside (3). A mixture of trichloroacetimidate 5 (13.7 g, 9.2 mmol) and acceptor 7 (6.7 g, 7.4 mmol) in dry toluene (300 mL) was added to a reaction flask containing freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves (20 g) under a N_2 atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and the solution was cooled to -40 °C. Then, TfOH (0.3 mL, 3.4 mmol) was added dropwise. The resulting solution was kept stirring for 2 h, and Et₃N (0.3 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The whole mixture was filtered through Celite, followed by washing with CH₂Cl₂, and the solution was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to get the crude product, which was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 5:1) to get the pentasaccharide 3 (10.7 g, 65%) as a white solid. $R_f = 0.5$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); mp 81-83 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +59.4 (c 0.2, CH₂Cl₂); IR (KBr) 3064, 3033, 2926, 2109, 1602, 1585, 1511, 1498, 1454, 1363, 1315, 1272, 1213, 1177, 1109, 1069, 1027, 913, 803, 739, 712, 619, 480; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08–7.96 (m, 10H), 7.57-7.35 (m, 14H), 7.31-7.13 (m, 41H), 5.72 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.89-4.66 (m, 13H), 4.64-4.50 (m, 6H), 4.46-4.35 (m, 4H), 4.23–4.16 (m, 3H), 4.10 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.06–3.89 (m, 2H), 3.78-3.71 (m, 3H), 3.64-3.58 (m, 4H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 3.32 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.27-3.22 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) *b* 169.7, 167.0, 166.1, 166.0, 165.8, 165.6, 165.4, 155.8, 138.4, 138.0, 137.4, 137.4, 137.3, 136.3, 134.7, 133.4, 133.3, 133.2, 133.1, 132.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.8, 129.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 102.6, 98.7, 98.3, 97.9, 97.3, 83.4, 81.7, 80.2, 78.5, 77.7, 75.6, 75.2, 75.1, 74.9, 74.8, 74.4, 74.3, 74.1, 73.1, 72.1, 71.4, 70.0, 70.0, 69.7, 69.2, 67.4, 66.9, 63.4, 62.5, 61.9, 61.2, 55.2, 54.5, 52.3; HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂₄H₁₁₉N₇O₃₂Na 2240.7797, found 2240.7803.

Methyl O-(2-Azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-qlucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(methyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosy*luronate*)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2-*azido*-3,6-*di*-O-*acety*]-2-*deoxy*- α -*D*-*g*]*ucopy*anosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(methyl 2-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- α -L-idopyranosyluronate)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-benzyloxy Carbonylamino-3-O-benzyl-6-Obenzoyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside (4). The same procedure described for the preparation of pentasaccharide 3 (from 5) was employed for the preparation of 4 from 6 (17.6 g, 13.8 mmol) and 7 (10.4 g, 11.5 mmol). Purification by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 4:1) afforded pentasaccharide 4 (13.2 g, 57%). $R_f = 0.4$ (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2/1, v/v); $[\alpha]_D^{23}$ +69.5 (c 0.7, CH₂Cl₂). IR (KBr) 3064, 3032, 2952, 2108, 1724, 1453, 1366, 1315, 1271, 1220, 1141, 1107, 1066, 1027, 740, 712, 699; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 8.03–8.00 (m, 4H), 7.57 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.16 (m, 41H), 5.72 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (t, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.05-5.00 (m, 2H), 4.97 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.91-4.83 (m, 6H), 4.78-4.74 (m, 2H), 4.73-4.69 (m, 2H), 4.68-4.59 (m, 4H), 4.57-4.50 (m, 2H), 4.48-4.43 (m, 2H), 4.37 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19-4.15 (m, 2H), 4.12-4.02 (m, 3H), 3.97 (td, J = 10.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.91–3.88 (m, 1H), 3.87 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.78–3.75 (m, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.71 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.62 (m, 3H), 3.60–3.57 (m, 1H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.41 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.20 (dd, J = 10.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 169.9, 169.6, 168.3, 166.1, 166.0, 165.4, 155.8, 138.4, 138.0, 137.4, 137.3, 137.3, 136.3, 133.4, 133.1, 132.9, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 127.1,

103.3, 98.7, 98.3, 97.6, 97.5, 83.6, 81.6, 80.1, 78.6, 77.7, 76.9, 76.6, 75.9, 75.6, 75.1, 75.1, 74.8, 74.5, 74.4, 73.2, 72.1, 71.3, 69.8, 69.6, 69.3, 69.1, 66.9, 63.4, 62.6, 62.5, 61.4, 60.7, 55.2, 54.4, 52.7, 52.2, 20.8, 20.6; HRMS $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{108}H_{111}N_7O_{32}Na$ 2040.7171, found 2040.7148.

Methyl O-(2-Azido-3,4-di-O-benzyl-2-deoxy-α-D-glucopyranosyl)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -O-(2,3-di-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyluronic acid)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(2-azido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(3-O-benzyl- α -Lidopyranosyluronic acid)- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ -2-benzyloxy Carbonylamino-3-benzyl-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside (2).¹³ To the solution of 3 (24.4 g, 11.0 mmol) in THF (100 mL) were added 30% H₂O₂ (50 mL) and 1.25 M LiOH (aq.) (260 mL) at -5 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 16 h. Then, MeOH (500 mL) and 4 M NaOH (aq.) (330 mL) were added, and the resulting mixture was stirred for another 10 h. After that, the reaction was heated to 35 °C for an additional 16 h; then the reaction mixture was acidified (6 M HCl) and diluted with water (500 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 1.5 L) and washed with 10% Na₂SO₃ (aq.) and water. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (6 × 2.0 L). The organic layers were combined, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and the resulting crude was purified by reverse phase C18 column chromatography (CH₃CN/H₂O 1:9 to 7:3) to obtain pentasaccharide as a white powder. Subsequent recrystallization (*i*-PrOH/*n*-hexane/ EtOAc = 5:10:1) afforded pure 2 (10.5 g, 60%).¹³ Moreover, using pentasaccharide 4 as starting material, pentasaccharide 2 could be obtained in 65% yield through the same procedure described above. R_{f} = 0.6 (EtOAc/pyridine/HOAc/H₂O, 12/2/0.6/1, v/v); mp 124–126 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ –54.5 (c 0.3, MeOH); IR (KBr) 3405, 2923, 2107, 1721, 1512, 1496, 1454, 1358, 1310, 1142, 1025, 736, 697; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.43 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.09 (m, 33H), 5.54 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01-4.95 (m, 3H), 4.92-4.82 (overlapped), 4.81-4.74 (m, 6H), 4.71-4.66 (m, 4H), 4.64 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.05–3.61 (m, 21H), 3.50 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 3.34–3.27 (overlapped); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 172.6, 158.6, 140.0, 139.8, 139.7, 139.6, 139.5, 139.4, 138.2, 129.5, 129.4, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 103.9, 102.3, 100.4, 99.2, 98.5, 85.4, 83.1, 81.0, 80.3, 79.5, 79.2, 77.8, 77.4, 76.4, 76.3, 76.2, 76.1, 76.0, 75.9, 75.7, 75.1, 74.6, 73.5, 73.2, 72.8, 71.7, 71.4, 71.3, 67.6, 64.8, 64.7, 61.9, 61.2, 60.6, 56.6, 55.6; The NMR data match those reported in the literature; 13 HRMS [M + Na]⁺ calcd for $C_{81}H_{91}N_7O_{27}Na$ 1616.5861, found 1616.5856.

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