

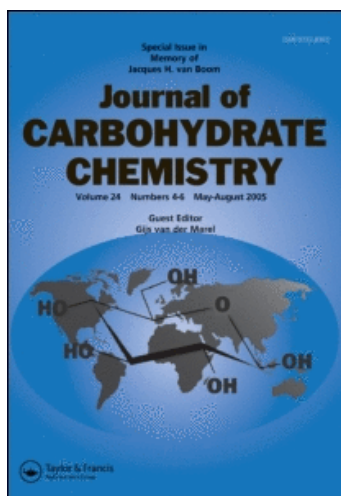
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Glucosaxazolines with appended heterocyclic rings have been prepared in a two-step process involving iodoamidation of protected D-glucals and subsequent basic cyclization.

Keywords Iodoamidation, Glycosaxazolines, Conformational effect, Heterocycles, Carbohydrate-fused oxazolines

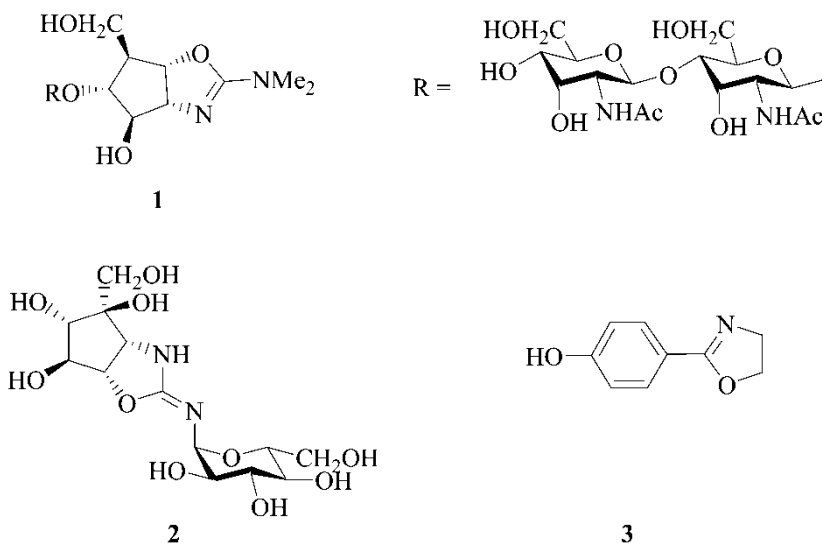
INTRODUCTION

The importance of carbohydrates in living systems cannot be understated. This is particularly true for their roles in cellular recognition and signal transduction processes in the body. Enzymes such as glycosyltransferases and glycosidases regulate the activities of carbohydrate conjugates in these processes. Molecules such as allosamidin^[1] **1** and trehazolin^[2] **2** have been shown to be potent inhibitors of the glycosidase enzymes called chitinases and as such show promise as insecticides and antifungal agents. The activity of these molecules is believed to be due to their shape, which mimics the flattened transition state geometry of the transient oxocarbenium ion formed during glycoside hydrolysis.^[3] Specifically, both of these molecules contain 2-oxazoline moieties; stabilized analogues of the intermediates formed from N-acetylated sugars present in chitin. Other oxazoline-containing molecules have also been reported to possess a range of biological activities. Aryl- and heteroaryl-substituted oxazolines have been developed as antibacterial,^[4] antiviral,^[5]

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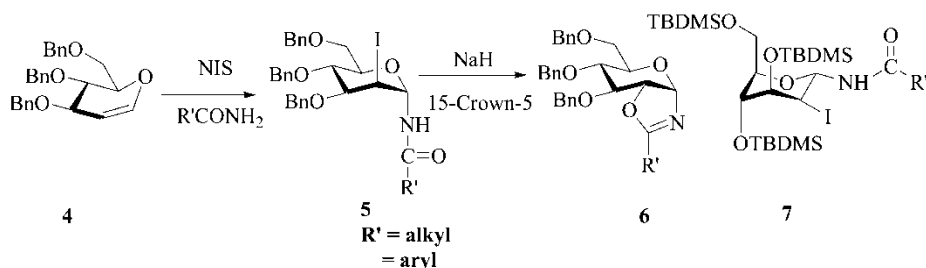
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antimuscarinic,^[6] and antidepressant^[7] agents. Compounds such as **3** have been shown to be potent inhibitors of human rhinovirus.^[8]



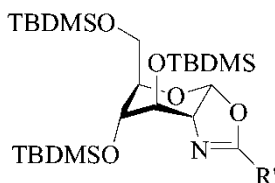
Because of the medicinal importance of the oxazoline moiety, we became interested in the synthesis of molecules containing this functionality. In particular, we wanted to explore the synthesis of carbohydrate-fused oxazolines because of their potential enhanced solubility and specificity for cellular targets. We believed that they were readily accessible from sugar precursors using a variation of the well-established iodoglycosylation reaction developed by Lemieux^[9] and Thiem.^[10] In this reaction, glycals are treated with N-iodosuccinimide (or other source of I⁺) and an alcohol acceptor to afford predominately the *trans*-2-deoxy-2-iodoglycosides. Addition to D-glucal derivatives affords predominately the α -manno diastereoisomers that can subsequently be deiodinated under free radical conditions to afford the 2-deoxy- α -glycosides. This methodology has been expanded to include the incorporation of a variety of other anomeric groups such as esters,^[11] amino acids,^[12] water,^[13] and isothiocyanates.^[14] Most relevant to our work were the reports from the Danishefsky group,^[15] where they had employed this methodology to prepare 2-deoxy-2-iodo-benzenesulfonamido carbohydrate derivatives that were later converted to 2-amino-2-deoxyglycosides by treatment with base in the presence of a nucleophile. We decided to explore this addition chemistry with simple amide precursors. Subsequent treatment of the iodoamides with base should afford a range of glycooxazolines with nitrogen at the anomeric position of the sugar (Sch. 1).^[16]

In prior studies, we determined that the yields and selectivities of glycal addition reactions were dramatically enhanced with the use of electron-rich amides (e.g., benzamide) and with the use of electron releasing (e.g., benzyl or silyl) protecting groups on the glycal hydroxyl groups. We also were successful



Scheme 1: Oxazoline formation from glucals.

in cyclizing these precursors to the desired glycooxazolines with a nitrogen at C1 of the sugar. An unusual protecting group effect in the addition reactions of *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-protected glucals was observed. *trans*-Iodoamides were isolated in which the pyranose ring existed in the ${}^1\text{C}_4$ conformation **7**. When the TBDMS-protected iodoamides were treated with base, the glycooxazolines with oxygen at the anomeric position **8** were obtained. We believe this to be due to the formation of unstable, *N*-acylaziridine intermediates that rearrange to the observed products. The formation of these intermediates is favored by the equatorial disposition of nitrogen at C1 in the altered conformer.








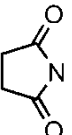






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In this paper we describe further synthetic efforts utilizing novel aryl- and heteroaryl amides in reactions with 3,4,6-*tris*-*O*-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-D-glucal. The preparation of glucooxazolines from these precursors will be described. The biological testing of these compounds will be reported in due course.

RESULTS

Glucal addition reactions were carried out with *N*-iodosuccinimide and benzamide, picolinamide, isonicotinamide, pyrazinecarboxamide, 2-thiophenecarboxamide, and furamide using an excess (2 equivalents) of iodinating agent and amide (6 equivalents). Because of the poor solubility of many of the amides in propionitrile, DMF was employed as the reaction solvent. The distribution and yields of products obtained from these addition reactions are shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Ratios of diastereomeric iodoamides **7** obtained from glucals.^{a,b}

Entry	Amide R' =	Iodoamide 7 R' =	α - manno	β - manno	α - gluco	β - gluco	Isolated yield (%) ^c
a			2	0	0	1	79 ^d
b			1	0	0	0	82
c			1	0	0	0	90
d			1	0	0	1	85
e			1	0	0	0	90
f			1	0	0	0	25 ^e

^aDetermined by integration of the anomeric protons in the ¹H NMR spectrum obtained in CDCl₃.

^bFor sugar in ¹C₄ conformation.



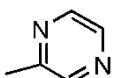

^cRepresents product recovered following extractive workup and subsequent chromatographic purification (SiO₂).

^dPropionitrile was used as a solvent in the case of benzamide.

^eFuramide reactions were carried out using two different solvents, propionitrile @ -78°C and DMF @ 0°C. Similar yields were obtained.

In most instances, good yields of the desired addition products were obtained. With isonicotinamide (Table 1, entry c), the amide failed to react; instead, the only addition product that was obtained was the succinimide adduct.^[17] This was somewhat surprising in light of the fact that the 2-substituted analog, picolinamide (Table 1, entry b), gave good yields of addition product in this reaction. One possible explanation for the enhanced nucleophilicity of picolinamide is the ability of the amide protons to form a hydrogen bond with the pyridine ring nitrogen. This would prevent delocalization of electrons into the carbonyl, thereby increasing the nucleophilicity of the amide nitrogen relative to its isomer. Furamide gave only low yields of product under a variety of reaction conditions (Table 1, entry f). This could possibly be attributed to the nucleophilicity of the heterocyclic ring of the amide and its competition for iodonium ion.^[18] All of the addition reactions gave the

Table 2: Yields of oxazolines 8 from basic cyclization of iodoamides.

Entry	R' =	Isolated yield (%) ^a
a		75
b		80
c		82
d		95

^aRepresents product recovered following extractive workup and subsequent chromatographic purification (SiO₂).

α -manno diastereomers as the major products, with the exception of pyrazine-carboxamide, which gave a 1:1 mixture of the two *trans* addition products. The product stereochemistries were determined by the analysis of vicinal coupling constants (³J) for the carbohydrate ring protons. This analysis showed that the sugar addition products existed in distorted chair conformers as evidenced by the smaller coupling constants for H3–H5 (5.5–7.5 Hz) and a large ³J_{1,2} (10.0 Hz).

Cyclization of the iodoamides was affected using sodium hydride/15-crown-5 in THF. The yields from these reactions are shown in Table 2.

In all cases, the oxazoline with a C1 oxygen linkage was isolated. Spectroscopic data supported these assignments; the anomeric proton resonance was observed at a higher field than would be predicted for nitrogen at the C1 position.^a Also, the chemical shifts observed are consistent with values reported for

Representative data. 1-Deoxy-2-iodo-1-[[2-thienylcarbonyl]amino]-3,4,6-*tris*-O-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl- α -D-mannopyranose **7e** (¹C₄): ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.06–7.56 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.38 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.5 Hz, N-H), 5.79 (dd, 1H, *J* = 9.5, 10 Hz, H-1), 4.65 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 5.5 Hz, H-2), 4.09 (appar. d, 1H, *J* = 5.5 Hz, H-3), 4.28 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.0, 7.3 Hz, H-4), 3.95 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz, H-5), 3.90–3.85 (m, H-6). ¹³C NMR: δ 164.1, 131.1, 128.9, 127.8, 82.0, 76.7, 73.0, 68.9, 61.5, 34.1, 26.4, 26.1, 26.0, 18.5, 18.4, 18.2. HRMS-ESI (+): Calcd: 742.2231. Found: 742.2310. Data for C1 O-linked oxazoline **8d**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.60–7.40 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.14 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.5 Hz, H-1), 4.22 (dd, 1H, *J* = 6.0, 2.0 Hz, H-2), 3.73 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.0, 3.0 Hz, H-3), 3.70 (appar.d, 1H, *J* = 2.5 Hz, H-4), 3.66 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.0, 5.0 Hz, H-5), 3.32 (m, 2H, H-6). ¹³C NMR: δ 165.1, 137.4, 130.8, 110.0, 101.2, 74.6, 71.7, 70.4, 67.7, 64.1, 26.1, 25.8, 18.6, 18.0, 17.9. HRMS-ESI (+) Calcd: 614.3108. Found: 614.3187.

analogous structures.^[19] Again, the conformation of the sugar rings were distorted, with medium to large $^3J_{1,2}$ (6.5–9.0 Hz) and medium to small vicinal couplings observed for the remainder of the ring protons (1.5–3.0 Hz). Because of the low yields of furamide addition product, no attempts were made to form the oxazoline from this precursor.

In conclusion, a novel series of aryl- and heteroaryl-substituted glucosylamides have been prepared that exist in the altered 1C_4 chair conformation. Cyclization of these molecules under basic conditions affords the C1 equatorially disposed oxazolines with oxygen at the anomeric center. They represent unique structures that may possess inhibitory activity for β -glycosidases and glycosyltransferases. The further transformations and bioassays of these molecules are ongoing.

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