Structure–Activity Relationships of Sialyl Lewis x-Containing Oligosaccharides. 1. Effect of Modifications of the Fucose Moiety

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Leukocyte adhesion to the vasculature is mediated by E-, P-, and L-selectins. The natural ligands for E- and P-selectins have not been fully characterized but have been shown to contain the tetrasaccharide sialyl Lewis x structure (SLe^x). To determine the importance of the fucose moiety of SLe^x, various analogs of SLe^x containing modifications thereof were prepared and tested as inhibitors of E-selectin-mediated cell adhesion. Cellular experiments indicate that replacement of the hydroxyl groups of fucose by hydrogen abrogated E-selectin binding. However, the arabinose analog of fucose (CH₃ Δ H) inhibited cell adhesion but was 5-fold less potent than native SLe^x. This data suggests that modifications of fucose on SLe^x are generally deleterious toward E-selectin binding.

The selectins¹ are C-type Ca^{2+} -dependent animal lectins which play an important role in the recruitment of leukocytes to sites of inflammation.² Although the natural ligand for the selectins has not been fully characterized, the terminal oligosaccharide glycotope recognized by E-, P-, and L-selectin has been shown to be the tetrasaccharide sialyl Lewis x³ (SLe^x), although, sialyl Lewis a⁴ (SLe^a), Le^x 3'-O-sulfate,⁵ and Le^a 3'-Osulfate may also function as ligands for these receptors. Conformational analysis of SLe^x using 2-D NMR suggests that the carboxylate of sialic acid, fucose, and the galactose may be directly involved in binding to selectins.^{3,4a,5} In addition, it has been proposed that one or more hydroxyl substituents on fucose play a role in binding to Ca²⁺ on the selectins.^{6,7} Several analogs of SLe^x that maintain E- and P-selectin avidity, in vitro, have been reported and include substitutions of sialic acid with sulfate,^{3b,8} other sialic acid analogs,⁹ and N-substituted glucosamine derivatives.⁹ As part of a comprehensive structure-activity relationship study of the requirements for SLe^x binding to selectins, we prepared a series of fucose analogs and examined their effect on human E-selectin-mediated cellular adhesion.

The fluoro deoxy fucosides 1, 2, and 3 were prepared using DAST reaction conditions¹⁰ starting with the respective reducing sugars¹¹ (Scheme 1). Glycosidation of the linear tetrasaccharide 5^{12} with 1-3 was performed using AgClO₄/SnCl₂¹⁰ with tetramethylurea (TMU) providing the pentasaccharides 6, 8, and 11.¹³ If TMU was not present in the reaction medium, the acidic conditions caused a slow hydrolysis of the labile α -fucoside, furnishing primarily starting material 5 as the isolable product. Deprotection of 6, 8, and 11 by hydrogenation of the benzyl ethers and deacetylation then provided the free pentasaccharides 7, 10, and 13.

The SLe^x arabinoside analog (CH₃ Δ H) was prepared by glycosidation of the tetrasaccharide 5 with D-arabi-

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^a Reagents and conditions: (a) (i) AgClO₄, SnCl₂, TMU, ClCH₂CH₂Cl, -20 °C (**6**, 90%; **8**, 84%; 11, 85%) or (ii) Et₄NBr, CH₂Cl₂ (14, 85%); (b) Pd(OH)₂/C, H₂, ethanol (**9**, 91%; 12, 56%; 15, 88%); (c) NaOMe, MeOH then H₂O (7, 90%; 10, 87%; 13, 88%; 16, 92%).

nosyl bromide 4¹⁴ using the standard conditions¹⁵ of Et₄-NBr to produce the pentasaccharide 14 (Scheme 1). Hydrogenation and deacetylation then provided the free arabinoside 16.

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Figure 1. Inhibition of HL-60 cell binding to rsE-selectin by SLe^x fucose analogs. The assay is described in the supplementary material. Each data point is the average of duplicates. Binding is expressed as the percentage of rsE-selectin binding in the absence of inhibitor. The SLe^x analogs tested were (\bullet) SLe^x pentasaccharide 17; (\Box) linear tetrasaccharide 18; (\bigcirc) SLe^x arabinoside 16; (\triangle) SLe^x 2-deoxy fucoside 7; (\blacksquare) SLe^x 3-deoxy fucoside 10; (\blacktriangle) SLe^x 4-deoxy fucoside 13.



Figure 2. Sialyl Lewis x binding site interactions.

The SLe^x pentasaccharide 17^{12,16} was found to inhibit the cell adhesion of HL-60 cells containing SLex to purified recombinant human E-selectin¹⁷ with an IC_{50} of 1.0 mM (Figure 1). In contrast, compound 18,^{12,16} a sialylated tetrasaccharide that lacks the fucose group, did not inhibit E-selectin-mediated cell adhesion up to concentrations of 6.5 mM, which clearly demonstrates the need for the fucose moiety. The role of the methyl group of fucose of SLe^x in E-selectin binding was examined by the arabinoside SLe^x analog 16 (CH₃ Δ H) which was found to be 5-fold less potent ($IC_{50} = 5.0 \text{ mM}$) than the parent pentasaccharide 17 (IC₅₀ = 1 mM). In addition, the pentasaccharides 7, 10, and 13, each lacking one of the fucose hydroxyl groups, did not inhibit cell adhesion at concentrations up to 6.5 mM. These results are interesting since the solution conformations of SLe^x, SLe^a, bivalent SLe^x, and their similar predicted topostructures which include the fucose, carboxylate, and galactose residues suggest that the hydroxyl groups on fucose would be important for selectin interactions (Figure 2).^{5b,c} The crystal structure of E-selectin and its structural homology with the mannose binding protein (MBP) has also suggested that the hydroxyl groups of fucose would be critical for SLe^x lectin interactions.⁶ Although speculative, docking of SLe^x to the E-selectin surface utilizing a configuration of fucose similar to that of mannose bound to the MBP predicts that two of the fucose hydroxyls would bind directly to the calcium ion on E-selectin. Our results clearly indicate that all of the hydroxyl groups on fucose are essential for SLe^x binding to E-selectin although the actual points of interaction remain unresolved. It is interesting to note that SLe^x itself can coordinate directly with calcium via interactions with the 2-position hydroxyl group of fucose.⁷

In summary, this study supports the concept that the interaction between E-selectin and SLe^x involves the entire fucose moiety, and the fucose interaction with E-selectin may be similar to that of mannose binding to the mannose binding protein. Although the role of the E-selectin Ca²⁺ ion in ligand interactions has not been firmly established, further experiments employing additional fucose modifications should provide some insight into the process of E-selectin-mediated cell adhesion and may provide a basis for the development of other antiadhesion inhibitors.

Experimental Section

All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography carried out on 0.25 mm Whatman silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light and anisaldehyde reagent¹ as developing agent. E. Merck silica gel (60, particle size 0.040-0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography, and Biorad Biogel P-2 (500-2000 Da) resin was used for gel filtration chromatography.

All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with anhydrous solvents from Aldrich unless otherwise noted. The L-fucose was purchased from Aldrich. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (¹H NMR) homogeneous materials unless otherwise stated. NMR spectra were recorded on a 300 MHz General Electric QE-300 NMR. The FAB mass spectra and exact mass calculations were acquired on a VG Fisons ZAB 2SE mass spectrometer. Analytical HPLC was performed on a Dionex LC 20 system with pulsed amperometric detection, a Dionex MA-1 column (4×250 mm), and an isocratic 0.1 M NaOH mobile phase.

General Glycosidation Conditions for the Preparation of Compounds 6, 8, and 11: Ethyl (Methyl 4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy- α -D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -Dgalactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[2-deoxy-3,4-di-O-benzoyl- α -L-fucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O]-(6-O-acetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -Dgalactopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -Dgalactopyranoside (6). Ethyl (methyl 4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy- α -D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-(6-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl) (1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)

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mmol, 76 μ L) were dissolved in 1,2-dichloroethane (2 mL), and activated 4 Å sieves (100 mg) were added. Stirring was continued for 6 h. The reaction flask was wrapped in aluminum foil and cooled to -20 °C, at which time $\overline{AgClO_4}$ (42 mg, 0.20 mmol) and SnCl₂ (38 mg, 0.20 mmol) were added. Stirring was then continued at -20 °C for 1 h and the mixture warmed slowly to room temperature over 18 h. The reaction was diluted with ethyl acetate (500 mL), washed with H_2O (2) imes 100 mL) and saturated NaCl (2 imes 100 mL), and dried (MgSO₄). Concentration and chromatography (silica, 93% CH₂-Cl₂/MeOH) afforded 81 mg (85%) of a waxy solid: $R_f = 0.35$ (93% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ 8.11-7.22 (m, 10H, aromatic), 6.15 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H), 5.51–5.35 (m, 8H), 5.34 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 5.19-4.82 (m, 7H), 4.79-3.39 (m, 7H)20H), 3.82 (s, 3H, COOMe), 3.25 (m, 1H), 2.57 (dd, J = 3, 10Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 2.27 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.18 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.15 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.09 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.05 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.01 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.99 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.95 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.82 (s, 3H OAc), 1.67 (dd, J = 10, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}-sialic acid), 1.21 (m, 6H, CH₂CH₃, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₇₆H₉₈N₂O₄₀Cs⁺ 1811.4750, found 1811.4862.

Compounds 8 and 11 were similarly prepared. Yields and ¹H NMR and analytical data for the compounds are reported as follows.

Ethyl (methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-Oacetyl-a-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyronosylonate)- $(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-\beta-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1,4)-O-$ [2-O-benzyl-3-deoxy-4-O-benzoyl-a-L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(6-O-acetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopy $ranosyl) - (1-3) - O - 2, 4, 6 - tri - O - acetyl - \beta - D - galactopyrano$ side (8): yield 281 mg (84%); $R_f = 0.39$ (93% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ 8.01-7.21 (m, 10H, aromatic), 5.87 (d, J = 5 Hz, 1H), 5.51–5.31 (m, 6H), 5.38 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19–5.04 (m, 2H), 4.95–4.76 (m, 9H), 4.61-3.42 (m, 20H), 3.81 (s, 3H, COOMe), 2.95 (m, 1H), 2.57 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.21 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.17 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.11 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.09 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.01 (s, 9H, 3 OAc), 1.99 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.91 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.82 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.67 (dd, J = 10, 10 Hz, H-3ax-sialic acid, 1H), 1.19 (m, 6H, CH₂CH₃, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for $C_{76}H_{100}N_2O_{39}Cs^+$ 1797.4958, found 1797.5037.

Ethyl (methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-Oacetyl-a-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyronosylonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O- $[2,3-di-O-benzy]-4-deoxy-\alpha-L-fucopyranosy]-(1-3)-O]-(6-$ O-acetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-**O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranoside** (11): yield 435 mg (90%); $R_f = 0.39$ (93% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ 7.42–7.19 (m, 10H, aromatic), 5.91 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.55–5.35 (m, 4H), 5.25 (d, J =3 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.15-4.39 (m, 17H), 4.37-3.25 (m, 16H), 3.82 (s, 3H, COOMe), 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.55 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H, H- 3_{eq} -sialic acid), 2.29 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.19 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.16 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.11 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.07 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.01 (s, 9H, 3 OAc), 1.99 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.91 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.85 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.58 (dd, J = 10, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}sialic acid), 1.19 (m, 6H, CH₂CH₃, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₇₆H₁₀₂N₂O₃₈Cs⁺ 1783.5165, found 1783.5173.

Ethyl (Methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-Oacetyl-a-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosylonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-β-D-arabinopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(6-Oacetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-**2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-\beta-D-galactopyranoside** (14). Ethyl (methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl-a-D-glycero-Dgalacto-2-nonulopyranosonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D $galactopyranosyl) - (1-4) - O - (6 - O - acetyl - 2 - acetamido - 2 - deoxy - \beta - acetyl - 2 - acetamido - 2 - deoxy - \beta - acetyl - 2 - acetyl - 2$ D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranoside³ (5) (100 mg, 0.075 mmol) and tetra-n-butylammonium bromide were dissolved in anhydrous dichloromethane (5 mL) and DMF (0.5 mL) under an argon atmosphere at 25 °C. Activated 4 Å sieves (500 mg) were added, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h. Bromide 4 (0.5 mmol, freshly prepared) was then added in anhydrous dichloromethane (1.0 mL). Stirring was then continued at room temperature for 3 days

(72 h). The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and the filtrate concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (silica, dichloromethane/methanol (15:1)) and afforded 100 mg (76%) of a waxy solid: $R_f = 0.32$ (15:1, CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ 7.4–7.0 (m, 15H, aromatic), 5.75 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.5–5.2 (m, 4H), 5.1–4.4 (m, 7H), 4.4–3.3 (m, 20H), 3.80 (s, 3H, COOMe), 3.1 (m, 1H), 2.58 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 2.27–1.6 (13 acetyl groups), 1.15 (t, 3H, CH₂CH₃).

General Procedure for the Deprotection of the Fucose Benzyl Groups of Compounds 8, 12, and 15: Ethyl (Methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl- $\alpha \text{-} D \textbf{-} \textbf{glycero} \text{-} D \textbf{-} \textbf{galacto-2-nonulopyronosylonate}) \text{-} (2-3) \textbf{-} O \text{-}$ (2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[3-deoxy-4-O-benzoyl-α-L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(6-O-acetyl-2acetamido-2-deoxy-\$\beta-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (9). Palladium hydroxide on carbon (32 mg, 50% by weight palladium) was added to a solution of 8 (65 mg, 39 μ mol) in 5 mL of methanol. The suspension was purged three times with hydrogen gas and then placed under hydrogen atmosphere (1 atm) for 72 h. The mixture was then degassed, filtered through Celite, and concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (silica, 92% CH_2Cl_2 /methanol) to afford 9 (55 mg, 89%) as a white waxy solid: $R_f = 0.41$ (silica, 92% CH₂Cl₂/methanol); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ 8.01–7.39 (m, 10H, aromatic), 5.97 (d, J = 5Hz, 1H), 5.57-5.31 (m, 7H), 5.19-5.04 (m, 6H), 4.95-4.61 (m, 7H), 5.19-5.04 (m, 6H), 5.57-5.31 (m, 7H), 5.19-5.04 (m, 6H), 5.19-5.04 (m, 7H), 5.18H), 4.58 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.37 - 100 Hz, 4.58 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H), 4.37 - 100 Hz, 100 Hz3.82 (m, 7H), 3.81 (s, 3H, COOMe), 3.79-3.33 (m, 8H), 2.57 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 2.27 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.24 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.15 (s, 3H OAc), 2.11 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.09 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.01 (s, 9H, 3 OAc), 1.99 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.91 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.87 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.77 (dd, J = 10, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}sialic acid), 1.19 (m, 6H, CH₂CH₃, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₆₉H₉₄N₂O₃₉Cs⁺ 1707.4488, found 1707.4496.

Compounds 12 and 15 were similarly prepared. Yields and ¹H NMR and analytical data for the compounds are reported as follows.

Ethyl (methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-Oacetyl-a-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyronosylonate)- $(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-\beta-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-$ [4-deoxy-a-L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(6-O-acetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-\$\beta-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-Oacetyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (12): yield 78 mg (56%); R_f = 0.41 (92% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CHCl₃) δ (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.58-5.35 (m, 5H), 5.24 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (m, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (m, 4H), 4.78– 4.21 (m, 12H), 4.19-3.39 (m, 15H), 3.79 (s, 3H, COOMe), 3.35 (m, 1H), 2.59 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 2.29 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.19 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.15 (s, 3H, OAc), 2.11 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.04 (s, 6H, 2 OAc), 2.01 (s, 9H, 3 OAc), 1.99 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.91 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.85 (s, 3H, OAc), 1.77 (dd, J = 10, 10 Hz, 1H, H- 3_{ax} -sialic acid), 1.21 (m, 6H, CH₂CH₃ and H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for $C_{62}H_{90}N_2O_{38}Cs^+$ 1603.4226, found 1603.4319

Ethyl (methyl 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-4,7,8,9-tetra-O-acetyl- α -D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosylonate)-(2-3)-O-(2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[β -D-arabinopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(6-O-acetyl-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-2,4,6-tri-O-acetyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (15): crude yield 85 mg (100%); $R_f = 0.45$ (92% CH₂Cl₂/MeOH). The ¹H NMR of this crude compound showed complete disappearance of all aromatic protons. This compound was not purified but was instead converted directly to 16.

General Procedure for the Deprotection of the Acyl and Methyl Ester Groups of Compounds 7, 10, 13, and 16: Ethyl (Ammonium 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy- α -D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosonate)-(2-3)-O-(β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-(2-deoxy- α -L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O)-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O- β -D-galactopyranoside (7). To a stirred solution of compound 6 (39 mg, 23 μ mol) in 5 mL of 4:1 MeOH/H₂O at room temperature was added a methanolic solution of sodium methoxide (1.25 mg, 23 μ mol, 1 μ L). After 72 h, the mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (Biogel P-2, 0.1 M NH₄HCO₃) to afford after lyophylization 21 mg (90%) of a white solid: $R_f = 0.54$ (70% 2-propanol/1 M NH₄OAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O) δ 5.09 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1H, H-1 fucose), 4.63 (d, 1H, H-1 glucosamine), 4.43 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.63 (d, 1H, H-1 glucosamine), 4.43 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.05 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 3.99–3.39 (m, 30H), 2.65 (dd, J = 3, 11 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 1.95 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.91 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.78–1.57 (m, 3H, H-3_{ex}-sialic acid, H-2 and H-2' fucose), 1.14 (t, J = 6 Hz, 3H, CH₂CH₃), 1.05 (d, J = 6 Hz, 3H, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₃₉H₆₆N₂O₂₇Cs⁺ 1127.2907, found 1127.2850; HPLC (0.1 M NaOH, 1 mL/min) $t_{\rm R}$ 20.2 min (98%).

Compounds 10, 13, and 16 were similarly prepared. Yields and 1 H NMR and analytical data for the compounds are reported as follows.

Ethyl (ammonium 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-α-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosonate)-(2-3)-O-(β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[3-deoxy-α-L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-β-D-galactopyranoside (10): yield 32 mg (87%) of a white solid; $R_f = 0.54$ (70% i-PrOH/1 M NH₄OAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O) δ 5.09 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1H, H-1 fucose), 4.63 (m, 2H), 4.49 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.39 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.09 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (dd, J = 3 11 Hz, 1H), 3.99-3.41 (m, 28H), 2.65 (dd, J = 3, 11 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 1.98 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.95 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.85-1.77 (m, 3H, H-3_{ax}-sialic acid, H-3 and H-3' fucose), 1.19 (t, J = 6 Hz, 3H, CH₂CH₃), 1.05 (d, J = 6 Hz, 3H, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₃₉H₆₆N₂O₂₇Cs⁺ 1127.2907, found 1127.2881; HPLC (0.1 M NaOH, 1 mL/min) t_R 16.5 min, (99%).

Ethyl (ammonium 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-α-D-*glyc-ero-D-galacto-2-***nonulopyranosylonate**)-(2-3)-O-(β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[4-deoxy-α-L-fucopyranosyl-(1-3)-O]-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-β-D-galactopyranoside (13): yield 47 mg (88%) of a white solid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O) δ 5.05 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1H, H-1 fucose), 4.63 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H, H-1 glucosamine), 4.49 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.39 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, H-1 galactose), 4.39 (d, J = 3, 11 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.37 (m, 28H), 3.25 (m, 1H), 2.62 (dd, J = 3, 11 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 1.98 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.95 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.85-1.77 (m, 3H, H-3_{ex}-sialic acid, H-4 and H-4' fucose), 1.19 (t, J = 6 Hz, 3H, CH₂CH₃), 1.05 (d, J = 6 Hz, 3H, H-6 fucose); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₃₉H₆₆N₂O₂₇Cs⁺ 1127.2907, found 1127.2881; HPLC (0.1 M NaOH, 1 mL/min) t_R 20.2 min (99%).

Ethyl (ammonium 5-acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-α-D-glycero-D-galacto-2-nonulopyranosylonate)-(2-3)-O-(β-D-galactopyranosyl)-(1-4)-O-[β-D-arabinopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O]-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1-3)-O-β-Dgalactopyranoside (16): yield 50 mg (88%) of a white solid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O) δ 5.15 (d, J = 4 Hz, 1H, H-1 fucose), 4.63 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, J = 8Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (dd, J = 3, 10 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.4 (m, 37H), 2.72 (dd, J = 3, 12 Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}-sialic acid), 1.98 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.97 (s, 3H, NAc), 1.77 (t, J = 12 Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}-sialic acid), 1.19 (t, J = 6 Hz, 3H, CH₂CH₃); HRMS (FAB) m/z calcd for C₃₈H₆₄N₂O₂₈Cs⁺ 1129.2700, found 1129.2719; HPLC (0.1 M NaOH, 1 mL/min) t_R 24.1 min (86%).

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