Preparation of 6-Deoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-D-mannose and D-Allose from Enzymatically Resolved 2-Butenolides

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Abstract: Both 6-deoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-D-mannose and D-allose, possessing a diastereomeric relationship, were conveniently prepared from trifluorinated 2-butenolides, which was prepared via the enzymatic resolution with high efficiency.

6-Deoxy sugars are recognized as one of the most important class of materials because a various type of naturally occurring antibiotics contain such sugars, which also play a significant role on their biological activities or stabilities.¹ On the other hand, in connection with the fact that introduction of fluorine(s) is the widely accepted strategy for the modification of biological activities,² many kinds of fluorine-containing sugars have been reported thus far, while most of them have been the ones possessing only one or two fluorines in their framework.³ This is mainly because such mono- or difluorosugars are relatively easy to be obtained through the well developed fluorination methodology by employing such a reagent as DAST⁴ (Et₂NSF₂) for the transformation of a carbonyl group (ketones or aldehydes) to difluoromethylene or difluoromethyl groups, respectively, or alkaline metal fluorides⁵ for the preparation of monofluorinated compounds via, for example, the corresponding tosylates in a high degree of retention of stereochemistry. However, the corresponding trifluoromethyl analogs have been rare in the literature.⁶ which might stem from the fact that there are no convenient method for their construction in stereo- as well as chemoselective manners. Our basic strategy to prepare compounds with this group is the employment of the appropriately functionalized chiral building blocks,⁷ and here, during our continuing study, the authors would like to describe our result for the preparation of 6-deoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-Dmannose and D-allose from the same starting material, trifluorinated 2-butenolide anti-3 obtained from the corresponding furanol 2 by highly efficient enzymatic resolution.⁸

The key intermediate in the present study, 2-butenolide *anti-3*⁸ was prepared as shown in Scheme 1. The asymmetric transformation of *rac-1* by lapse PS (Amano Pharmaceutical Co., Japan) showed its *E* value of 189, suggesting the very effective optical resolution. Thus, at 50% conversion, 50% (98% ee) of (*S*)-2 and 48% (94% ee) of (*R*)-1 were obtained after silica gel chromatography. The former was silylated as usual (93% yield) and was further oxidized by the modified Kuwajima-Urabe procedure⁹ to furnish the desired trifluoromethylated 2-butenolide 3 as a 1:1 diastereomer mixture. For the purpose of obtaining one of the either isomer selectively, this mixture (*syn-* and *anti-3*) was subjected under the basic conditions (treated with LDA at -78 °C, followed by quenching the reaction mixture by acetic acid) to be successfully epimerized at their γ -position and 84% of *anti-selectivity* was attained (89% yield). Another important material, *anti-4*, was also produced by oxidation with potassium permanganate in the presence of a catalytic amount of 18-crown-6¹⁰ with excellent diastereoselectivity¹¹ (42% yield with recovery of 33% of *anti-3*). This would be the reflection of the effective shielding of the butenolide ring by such a sterically demanding substituent as 1-*t*-butyldimethylsiloxy-2,2,2-trifluoroethyl group.

The access to the CF₃ analog of D-allose from anti-4 was realized by the ready three-step process. Thus,



a) lipase PS, b) TBSCI, imidazole, c) MMPP / AcOH, d) KMnO₄, cat. 18-crown-6 e) Me₂C(OM)₂, H^+ , f) DIBALH, g) KOBu⁻⁷, h) K₂CO₃, MeOH

protection of diol function of *anti-4* as its acetonide followed by the DIBALH reduction furnished *anti-5*, which was then subjected to the previously reported base-promoted isomerization conditions (Scheme 2).¹² The driving force of this process is usual to be the difference of the alkoxide stability between Int-B and Int-C, the latter being more favorable due to the effect of the strongly electron withdrawing CF₃ group and eventually recyclized to be converted to Int-II. The sequence shown in Scheme 1 transformed *anti-5* into a mixture of the desired product *anti-6*,¹³ starting material *anti-5*, and another type of TBS migration product *anti-7* in 35, 46, and 17% yield, respectively.

Scheme 2



acetonide five-membered ring prohibiting the smooth ring opening (see, for example, the step from Int-A to Int-B in Scheme 2), which is in sharp contrast to the previous cases observed for the preparation of p-amicetose and p-rhodinose with a CF_3 moiety. In spite of the lower conversion, since each product was easily separated by silica gel column chromatography, the recovered *anti-5* could be again subjected to the same reaction conditions.

On the other hand, the preparation of 6-deoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-D-mannose requires dihydroxylation from the opposite olefinic face. From the mechanistic consideration, this might be solved by simply changing the order of dihydroxylation and isomerization steps: thus, if the transformation of **anti-3** into **anti-8** is successful, then a bulky TBSO moiety would cover the β -face of the latter and the proximity of potassium permanganate to the less hindered α -face could realize the construction of the desired stereostructure (Scheme 3).

This hypothesis was in fact verified as depicted in Scheme 3. DIBALH reduction of **anti-3** followed by the action of KOBu⁻¹ effected the isomerization to furnish **anti-8** in 63% yield along with the lactol from **anti-** 3^{14} (33% yield). After separation and derivatization into methyl glycoside, permanganate oxidation has led to a stereochemically pure diol as our expectation (55% yield and 14% of recovery) and the product was isolated as the diacetate form (**anti-9**). Desilylation of **anti-9** afforded **anti-10** (62%) along with a mixture of unidentified materials. The fact that this mixture and **anti-10**, after separation, were acetylated to produce the same compound **anti-11**¹³ allowed us to speculate that the above unknown mixture was consisted from regioisomeric acetates as described in Scheme 3 (92% total yield for the deprotection-acetylation steps).

The present work describes the novel and easy pathway to access both trifluoromethylated 6-deoxymannose (D-rhamnose) and D-allose in a highly stereoselective manner via the base-promoted TBS migration as the key step. The preparation of other deoxy-6,6,6-trifluorinated sugars are in progress in our laboratory, whose results as well as the full detail of this work will be published elsewhere.



a) DIBALH, b) KOBu^{-t}, c) MeOH, H⁺, d) KMnO₄, cat. 18-crown-6, e) Ac₂O, pyr, f) TBAF

Scheme 3

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- 13) anti-6: mp 87.5-88.0 °C. ¹H NMR δ 0.08 and 0.11 (3 H each, s, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.88 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 1.33 and 1.50 (3 H each, s, $C(CH_3)_2$), 3.26 (1 H, d, J = 3.85 Hz, OH), 4.12 and 4.43 (1 H each, dd and m, J = 3.12, 6.80 Hz, CHCHCHOH), 4.16 (1 H, dq, J = 8.60, 7.21 Hz, CF₃CH), 4.47 (1 H, dd, J = 2.75, 8.51 Hz, CF₃CHCH), 5.02 (1 H, t, J = 3.45 Hz, CHOCH₃). ¹³C NMR δ -4.99 and -4.70 (s each, Si(CH₃)₂), 18.02 (s, C(CH₃)₃), 24.84 and 26.78 (s each, C(CH₃)₂), 25.61 (s, C(CH₃)₃), 64.47, 74.17, and 76.08 (\$ each, CHCHCHCHOCH₂), 71.12 (q, J = 29.6 Hz, CF₃CH), 93.98 (\$, CHOCH₂), 112.50 (s, C(CH₂)_b), 123.53 (q, J = 281.8 Hz, CF₂). ¹⁹F NMR δ 4.2 (d, J = 6.2 Hz). IR (KBr) v 3400, 3000, 2950, 2900, 2875. HRMS calcd for C15H28F3O5Si m/e (M+H) 373.1658, found 373.1660. anti-11: $R_f 0.49$ (AcOEt:Hex = 1:2). ¹H NMR δ 2.01, 2.05, and 2.17 (3 H each, s, $C(O)CH_3$, 3.47 (3 H, s, OCH_3), 4.15 (1 H, ddq, J = 0.59, 9.83, 6.00 Hz, CF_3CH), 4.81 (1 H, d, J = 0.59, 9.83, 9.8 1.84 Hz, CHOCH₄), 5.24 (1 H, dd, J = 1.79, 3.36 Hz, CHCHOCH₃), 5.35 (1 H, dd, J = 3.40, 9.93 Hz, CHCHCHOCH₃), 5.54 (1 H, t, J = 9.84 Hz, CF₃CHCH). ¹³C NMR δ 20.51, 20.63, and 20.83 (s each, C(O)CH₃), 55.89 (s, OCH₃), 64.04, 68.33, and 68.84 (s each, CF₃CHCHCHCH), 68.33 (q, J =31.3 Hz, $CF_{3}CH$, 98.68 (s, $CHOCH_{3}$), 123.32 (q, J = 280.3 Hz, CF_{3}), 169.16, 169.82, and 170.04 (s each, C=O). ¹⁹F NMR δ 5.4 (d, J = 6.9 Hz). IR (neat) v 2950, 2850, 1765, 1750. HRMS calcd for C13H18F3O8 m/e (M+H) 359.0953, found 359.0977.
- 14) The lactol from anti-3 itself could not be recovered because of its unstable nature under the isolation conditions, giving furan shown in the right.

