

### 1-GLYCOSYLINDAZOLES

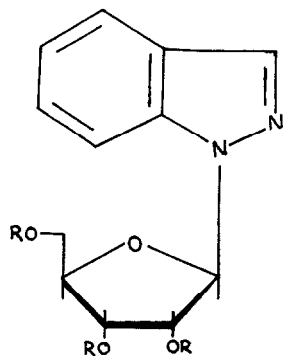
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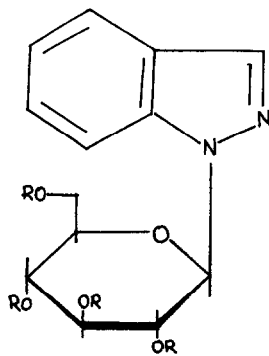
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Glycosylation of indazole, 4-, 5- and 6-nitroindazoles, 3-cyanoindazole via "trimethylsilyl" or "Hg(CN)<sub>2</sub>-nitromethane" methods afforded corresponding 2-glycosylindazoles<sup>[1-4]</sup>. In this paper we describe the methods of synthesis of 1-glycosylindazoles. These nucleosides are more interesting than the 2-isomers as potential antimetabolites because of their greater structural similarity to the naturally occurring purine nucleosides.

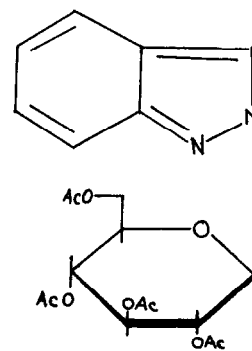
Fusion of indazole with tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribofuranose or with penta-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose in vacuo at 160° in the presence of I<sub>2</sub> gave in 70% yield 1-(2,3,5-tri-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl)indazole (I), syrup,  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -43° (1.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) or 1-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)indazole (II), m.p. 164-165°,  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -51° (1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Deacetylation of I and II with methanolic ammonia furnished 1-( $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl)indazole (III), m.p. 174-175°,  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -136° (1.36, pyridine) and 1-( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)indazole (IV), m.p. 205-207°,  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -27° (1.0, pyridine). UV-spectral data for I-IV are similar :  $\lambda_{\max}^{\text{EtOH}}$  250( $\epsilon$  4800), 257( $\epsilon$  4200), 288( $\epsilon$  4100), 299( $\epsilon$  4600) nm. The site of glycosylation was readily determined as 1-N by comparison between these data with the UV-spectral data reported for 1- and 2-methylindazoles and 2-glycosylindazoles<sup>[2,4,5]</sup>. PMR-spectral data also confirm the identification of I-IV as 1-glycosylindazoles. The values of  $\Delta \delta = \delta_{\text{d-DMSO}} - \delta_{\text{CDCl}_3}$  of C<sub>3</sub>H for I and II (0.12 ppm and 0.23 ppm) are close to 0.1 ppm for 1-methylindazole, whereas those for 2-methylindazole and 2-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)indazole (V) are 0.47 ppm and 0.37 ppm<sup>[4,6]</sup>. In PMR spectra of



I R=Ac, III R=H



II R=Ac, IV R=H



V

Table. PMR spectra (JNM 4H-100 instrument, TMS internal standart).

Comp.	Chemical Shifts ( $\delta$ ppm)								$J_{vic}$ (Hz)		
	C <sub>3</sub> H	C <sub>1</sub> ,H	C <sub>2</sub> ,H	C <sub>3</sub> ,H	C <sub>4</sub> ,H	C <sub>5</sub> ,H	C <sub>6</sub> ,H	CH <sub>3</sub> CO-	J <sub>1,2</sub>	J <sub>2,3</sub>	J <sub>3,4</sub> (J <sub>4,5</sub> )
I <sup>a</sup>	8.24	6.53	5.99	5.72	3.95-4.50			1.89;2.05; 2.13	3.0		
I <sup>b</sup>	8.01	6.26	6.07	5.82	4.00-4.50			1.96;2.06; 2.08	3.2		
II <sup>a</sup>	8.12	6.38	5.76; 5.52; 5.16		4.36	4.11		1.63;1.96; 1.96;2.05	8.6	8.6	8.6 (8.6)
II <sup>b</sup>	8.00		5.15	6.10		3.80-4.35		1.69;2.00; 2.03;2.06			
III <sup>c</sup>	8.03	6.62	5.36	4.95	4.59	4.06			4.2	4.0	4.0
IV <sup>c</sup>	8.05	6.10	5.00		3.95	4.45			8.0	9.0	
V <sup>c</sup>	8.02	6.70	5.02	4.70		3.94			6.3		
VII <sup>a</sup>	8.31	6.74	5.45	6.42	5.18	3.70	4.45	1.65;1.90; 1.98;2.02	6.0	10.0	9.0 (10.0)
VIII <sup>c</sup>	7.98	6.58	4.50	4.35	4.05-4.35				6.0	9.7	7.0

Solvent at 50°C : a d-DMSO, b CDCl<sub>3</sub>, c C<sub>5</sub>D<sub>5</sub>N. Shifts for benzene nucleus protons in range of 6.90-7.90 ppm.

glucosides II and IV the values of  $J_{vic}$  for protons of glucopyranose fragment indicate their  $\beta$ -configuration in conformation C1. Periodate oxidation followed by reduction with  $NaBH_4$  of both glucoside IV and riboside III gave products with approximately equal large positive  $[M]_D^{25}$  ( $+60^\circ$  for IV and  $+70^\circ$  for III). This allows to conclude on  $\beta$ -configuration of riboside III. Both nucleosides III and IV demonstrate negative long-wavelength Cotton-effect in CD spectra.

The fusion method may be considered as a general method for synthesis of 1-N-glycosides of fused pyrazoles - indazoles, pyrazolo(3,4-b)pyridines and pyrazolo(3,4-b)pyrazines<sup>[7-9]</sup>. The formation of 1-glycosides at  $160-170^\circ$  in the presence of  $I_2$  may be determined by their greater thermostability compared to 2-isomers as well as by  $I_2$  catalysis. This suggestion is confirmed by the fact, demonstrated in our experiments, that by heating at  $160^\circ$  in the presence of  $I_2$  during 25 min 2-glucosylindazole V was completely isomerized to 1-isomer II. We have also found that it is the addition of molecular sieve (Zeosorb 4 Å) to a solution of indazole, acetobromglucose and  $Hg(CN)_2$  in boiling nitromethane that produced II in 70% yield. Experiments without addition of molecular sieve yielded only 2-glucoside V<sup>[4]</sup>. Recently molecular-sieve catalysed N→N glycosyl migration was demonstrated for vic-triazolo(4,5-d)pyrimidines<sup>[10]</sup>.

By deacetylation of the mother liquors of crystallisation of I we prepared in 1% yield the isomer of riboside III the glycoside VI, m.p.  $202^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +90^\circ$  (2.3, pyridine). Respectively while obtaining II we separated the minor product tetraacetate VII,  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +56^\circ$  (3.6, pyridine), which when deacetylated produced glycosylindazole VIII, m.p.  $200^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +60^\circ$  (0.2, pyridine). UV-spectral data of VI-VIII indicate that they are 1-glycosylindazoles. The values of  $[M]_D^{25}$  of periodate oxidation -  $NaBH_4$  reduction products for VI ( $-60^\circ$ ) and VIII ( $-70^\circ$ ) are equal in magnitude and opposite in signs to those for III and IV respectively. These data permit to conclude that glycosides III and VI, IV and VIII are C-1' epimers. One can suppose that VI is 1-( $\alpha$ -D-ribofuranosyl)indazole and VIII is 1-( $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)indazole. However it is difficult to explain a large magnitude of  $J_{1,2'}$  (6.0 Hz) observed for VIII.  $J_{vic}$  for other carbohydrate protons are 9-10 Hz, this indicates to their trans-diaxial orientation. Recently large values of  $J_{1,2'}$  (5.7 Hz and 5.3 Hz) was observed for 1-( $\alpha$ -D-glucopyrano-

sy)imidazole and for its tetra-acetate [11]. Glycoside VI gave a metaperiodate-benzidine test [12] typical of ribonucleosides. Both glycosides VI and VIII demonstrate negative long-wavelength Cotton-effect in CD spectra.

It is interesting that Revancar and Townsend [2] have described their "1-( $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl)imidazole", m.p. 205°,  $[\alpha]_D^{23} +9.22^\circ$  (1.0, pyridine) isolated in 5% yield as minor product by ribosylation of N-trimethylsilyl-imidazole. The anomeric configuration of that compound was tentatively assigned as  $\beta$ - on the basis of trans-rule and a comparison of its specific rotation with that (+16.0°) reported for 1-( $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl)benzimidazole. The 1-( $\beta$ -D-ribofuranosyl)imidazole (III) obtained in our experiments differs from Revancar and Townsend's compound in the values of m.p. and  $[\alpha]_D$ .

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