

## STERESELECTIVE LINKAGES OF 2-DEOXYGLYCOSIDES WITH HINDERED ACCEPTORS

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**Abstract:** The use of 2-deoxyglycosyl phosphoramidites as glycosyl donors allows the construction of 2-deoxyglycosidic linkages in high yield and excellent  $\alpha$ -stereoselectivity. © 1997 Elsevier Science Ltd.

We have developed an approach employing the Staudinger reaction of phenyl azide with glycosyl phosphites or phosphoramidites for preparing a range of glycosyl donors.<sup>1</sup> These donors are versatile, as they allow the attachment of multiple variable substituents on the phosphorus for the potential construction of diversified glycosidic bonds.<sup>2</sup> Herein, we report the preliminary studies of using 2-deoxyglycosyl phosphoramidites as glycosyl donors for their stereoselective coupling with hindered glycosyl acceptors.<sup>3</sup>

**Table.** Glycosidation of 2-deoxyglycosyl phosphoramidites **1** with acceptors **2-5**.

**1a:** X=OBn, Y=H;  
**1b:** X=H, Y=OBn

**6-11**      **2:** R'=Bn; **3:** R'=Bz      **4**      **5**

entry	donor <sup>a</sup>	acceptor	solvent	product	yield <sup>b</sup>	$\alpha$ : $\beta$ <sup>c</sup>
1	<b>1a</b>	<b>2</b>	EtCN	<b>6</b>	82	98:2
2	<b>1a</b>	<b>2</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	<b>6</b>	83	99:1
3	<b>1a</b>	<b>3</b>	EtCN	<b>7</b>	77	96:4
4	<b>1a</b>	<b>3</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	<b>7</b>	94	95:5
5	<b>1a</b>	<b>4</b>	EtCN	<b>8</b>	82	94:6
6	<b>1a</b>	<b>4</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	<b>8</b>	83	99:1
7	<b>1b</b>	<b>4</b>	EtCN	<b>9</b>	82	94:6
8	<b>1b</b>	<b>4</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	<b>9</b>	83	96:4
9	<b>1a</b>	<b>5</b>	EtCN	<b>10</b>	81	98:2
10	<b>1b</b>	<b>5</b>	EtCN	<b>11</b>	84	91:9
11	<b>1b</b>	<b>5</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	<b>11</b>	88	94:6

<sup>a</sup> Anomeric composition of **1a**:  $\alpha$  only, **1b**:  $\alpha$ :  $\beta$  = 1.6:1. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yields are based on the acceptors used. Glycosidation conditions: the reaction was conducted at -78 °C with donor/acceptor/promoter molar ratios = 1.5/1.0/1.5; typical reaction times were 1-3 h. <sup>c</sup> The ratios were determined by 200 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR (Gemini, Varian) and HPLC (column, adsorbosphere silica 5u, 4.6 x 250 mm; eluent, 20% ethyl acetate in hexanes; flow rate, 1.5 ml/min; detection, 254 nm).

The desired 2-deoxyglycosyl donors, 3,4,6-tri-*O*-benzyl-2-deoxy-glucopyranosyl and galactopyranosyl *N,N*-diisopropyl phosphoramidites (**1a-b**), were readily prepared by treatment of the corresponding pyranoses<sup>4a</sup> with ethoxy bis(diisopropylamino)phosphite (1.2 equiv.) in the presence of diisopropylammonium tetrazolide (1.5 equiv. CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt, 12h).<sup>4b</sup> After silica-gel column

chromatography [petroleum ether/ethyl acetate/Et<sub>3</sub>N (20:4:1)], the donors (**1a-b**) were obtained in the range of 75-85% yields, and could be stored at -10 °C for months without any detectable deterioration.

In our preliminary survey of the glycosidation conditions, the acceptors (**2-5**) ranging from primary to hindered alcohols, two solvents (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and EtCN) and a catalyst (TMSOTf) defined the reaction parameters. The glycosidation of donors (**1a-b**) proceeded smoothly to efficient formation of glycoside linkages to disaccharides (**6-11**) in good yield. As summarized in the table, the stereochemical outcome of the glycosidation, which is independent of the anomeric configuration of the donors, appears to be under kinetic control.<sup>5</sup> Of the two solvents, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> appears to promote higher  $\alpha$ -selectivity than EtCN. In general, the  $\alpha$ -selectivity was observed from both galactosyl compound (**1a**) and glucosyl derivative (**1b**).<sup>6,7</sup> Particularly important feature of this method is the high  $\alpha$ -selectivity observed even with hindered alcohols (**4-5**) in comparison with other phosphorus-containing donors. The examples listed in the table document the considerable scope and versatility of this method.

In summary, we have demonstrated the effectiveness of *N,N*-diisopropyl phosphoramidites as 2-deoxyglycosyl donors in the construction of  $\alpha$ -glycosidic bonds. Further extension of this work to include steroidal alcohols and anthracyclines is currently in progress.

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