



Synthesis and monolayer behavior of amphiphilic per(2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)- α - and β -cyclodextrins and hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)- α -cyclodextrin at an air–water interface

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Abstract

A synthesis of amphiphilic per(2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)- α - and β -cyclodextrins and hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)- α -cyclodextrin and their monolayer behavior on a water surface is presented. Long alkyl chains were introduced by a treatment of the per(6-*O*-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl) derivatives with an appropriate alkyl iodide in dimethylformamide in the presence of sodium hydride. A standard desilylation procedure followed by an iodination reaction afforded per(6-deoxy-6-iodo) analogues. In the latter reaction step, sulphur containing groups were introduced by nucleophilic substitution of the iodine with benzothiolate ion in dimethylformamide. The hexakis(6-deoxy-6-*S*-benzyl-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)- α -cyclodextrin was transformed into extremely interesting hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)- α -cyclodextrin. The surface pressure–mean molecular area (π -*A*) isotherms indicated that the synthesised amphiphilic cyclodextrin derivatives were capable of forming stable monolayers at the air–water interface. The shapes of the isotherms were typical for solid-like monolayers except for hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)cyclomaltohexaoses which formed a more liquid monolayer. © 2000 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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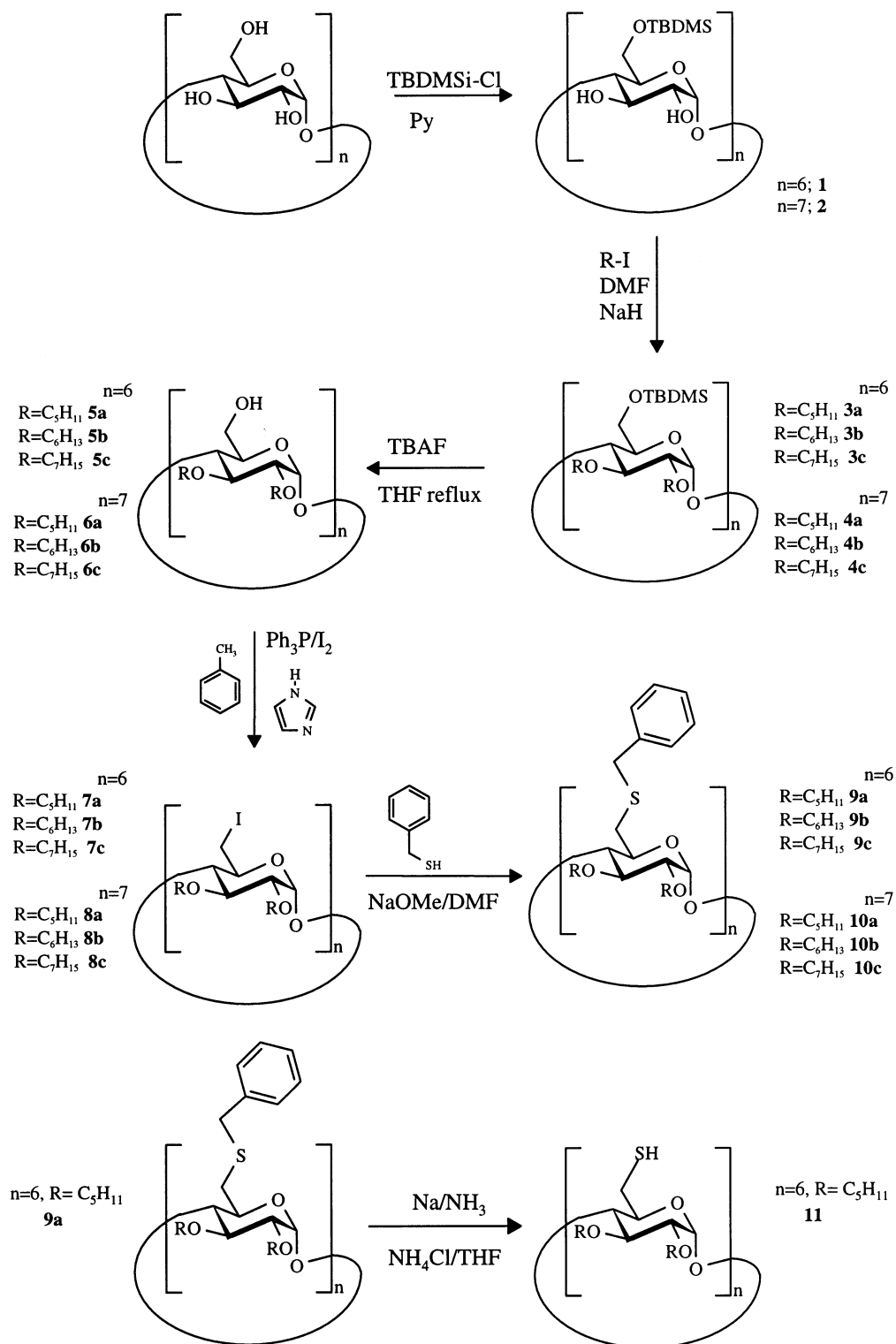
In continuation of our interest in the synthesis and application of amphiphilic cyclodextrins,^{1,2} we have designed supramolecular systems which would be capable of acting in a double fashion, as an amphiphile and as a receptor to anchor on the surface of the electrode. Amphiphilic cyclodextrins, in general, may be formed in two ways using chemical modifications: hydrophobic

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substituents can be introduced at the primary or secondary rim of the cyclodextrin torus. Amphiphilic cyclodextrins which have been described so far, include per-derivatives with alkyl-amino,³ alkyl-thio,⁴ and alkyl-sulfoxo⁵ substituents at the primary positions of each glucose unit of the cyclodextrin. The second type of amphiphilic cyclodextrin possesses the hydrophobic functionality attached to the secondary hydroxyl position by an ester⁶ or ether⁷ linkage. Long alkyl chains (five–seven carbon atoms) attached via an ether linkage were chosen to introduce lipophilic character to the secondary face of the cyclodextrin molecule. In our synthetic approach (Scheme 1), we have regioselectively 6-*O*-protected the starting α - and β -cyclodextrins using *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride in pyridine.⁸ Treatment of **1** with a 10-fold excess of alkyl (*n*-pentyl, *n*-hexyl, *n*-heptyl) iodide in DMF in the presence of a 12-fold excess of sodium hydride for 3 days,⁹ gave per(6-*O*-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)-cyclomaltooligosaccharides (**3a–c**) and (**4a–c**). Derivatives **3a–c** and **4a–c** were desilylated using a standard procedure (tetrabutylammonium fluoride in boiling tetrahydrofuran)¹⁰ to give amphiphilic per(2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)- α , β -cyclodextrins (**5a–c**) and (**6a–c**). All the free hydroxy groups at position C-6 were exchanged to iodo functions by treatment with a toluene solution of triphenylphosphine/I₂ and stoichiometric amounts of imidazole,¹¹ to give per(6-deoxy-6-iodo-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl) derivatives (**7a–c**) and (**8a–c**). The *S*-alkylation reactions between an excess of benzyl mercaptan and per(6-deoxy-6-iodo) cyclodextrin derivatives **7a–c** or **8a–c**, were carried using 3 M sodium methoxide at 60°C in DMF for 24 h to give hexakis(6-thiobenzyl-6-deoxy-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)cyclomaltohexaoses (**9a–c**) in 94, 95, and 85% yield, respectively[†] and heptakis(6-deoxy-6-*S*-benzyl-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl)cyclomaltoheptaoses (**10a–c**).[‡] *S*-Benzyl functionalities were introduced at the primary rim of the amphiphilic cyclodextrins in order to recover the anchoring SH groups by the reductive cleavage of benzyl groups using sodium in liquid ammonia to give

[†] Hexakis(6-deoxy-6-*S*-Bzl-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl) α -CD selected data: **9a** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +139.0^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 97.80 (C-1), 81.13 (C-4), 80.08, 71.74 (C-2,3,5), 33.59 (C-6), 37.69 (CH₂-Ph), 138.93, 129.07, 128.24, 126.65 (Aromatic), 73.92, 71.58 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 30.21, 29.97 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 28.26, 28.19 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 22.81, 22.65 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 14.07, 14.04 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS(+) NBA *m/z* 2450.2 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₃₈H₂₁₆O₂₄S₆ 2450.4 [M+H]⁺. Compound **9b** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +107.4^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 97.96 (C-1), 81.28 (C-4), 80.16, 80.05, 71.79 (C-2,3,5), 33.62 (C-6), 37.72 (CH₂-Ph), 138.97, 129.12, 128.29, 126.69 (Aromatic), 74.02, 71.70 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 32.10, 31.90 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 30.56, 30.28 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 25.85, 25.74 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 22.77, 22.70 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 14.08, 14.05 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS (+) NBA *m/z* 2618.0 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₅₀H₂₄₀O₂₄S₆ 2620.6 [M+H]⁺. Compound **9c** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +212.2^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 98.00 (C-1), 81.36 (C-4), 80.18, 80.00, 71.81 (C-2,3,5), 33.60 (C-6), 37.72 (CH₂-Ph), 138.98, 129.12, 128.28, 126.69 (Aromatic), 74.03, 71.70 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 32.08, 31.95 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 30.66, 30.34 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 29.66, 29.40 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 26.21, 26.04 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 22.70, 22.69 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 14.10(d) (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS (+) NBA *m/z* 2788.8 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₆₂H₂₆₄O₂₄S₆ 2789.2 [M+H]⁺.

[‡] Heptakis(6-deoxy-6-*S*-Bzl-2,3-di-*O*-alkyl) β -CD selected data: **10a** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +220.9^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 97.83 (C-1), 80.91 (C-4), 80.23, 80.02, 71.75 (C-2,3,5), 33.66 (C-6), 37.69 (CH₂-Ph), 138.85, 129.06, 128.30, 126.65 (Aromatic), 73.98, 71.54 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 30.18, 29.91 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 28.32, 28.17 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 22.82, 22.62 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 14.07 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS (+) NBA *m/z* 2859.5 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₆₁H₂₅₂O₂₈S₇ 2861.2 [M+H]⁺. Compound **10b** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +112.5^\circ$ (*c* 1, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 97.90 (C-1), 80.99 (C-4), 80.29, 80.05, 71.78 (C-2,3,5), 33.67 (C-6), 37.71 (CH₂-Ph), 138.88, 129.11, 128.35, 126.71 (Aromatic), 74.10, 71.68 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 32.13, 31.87 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 30.54, 30.23 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 25.93, 25.72 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 22.77, 22.73 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 14.09, 14.07 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS (+) NBA *m/z* 3054.0 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₇₅H₂₈₀O₂₈S₇ 3057.8 [M+H]⁺. Compound **10c** oil, $[\alpha]_D^{22} +94.6^\circ$ (*c* 0.56, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 97.92 (C-1), 81.03 (C-4), 80.32, 80.05, 71.71 (C-2,3,5), 33.67 (C-6), 37.71 (CH₂-Ph), 138.88, 129.11, 128.35, 126.71 (Aromatic), 74.13, 71.71 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 32.07, 31.98 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 30.65, 30.30 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 29.69, 29.39 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 26.27, 26.03 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 22.70 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂), 14.10 (2 \times C _{ϵ} H₂); LSIMS(+) NBA *m/z* 3254.9 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₁₈₉H₃₀₈O₂₈S₇ 3253.9 [M+H]⁺.



Scheme 1.

hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl)cyclomaltohexaoses (**11**).[§] Compound **11** has two important properties: the ability to act as an amphiphile and the ability for chemisorption on metal substrates. The electrochemical studies of the modified surfaces are in progress now in our laboratory.

The surface pressure–mean molecular area (π - A) isotherms[¶] indicate that the amphiphilic cyclodextrin derivatives **5a**, **5c**, **6c**, and **11** are capable of forming monolayers at the air–water interface. The isotherms recorded for these cyclodextrin derivatives are shown in Fig. 1. The compounds formed stable monolayers with high collapse pressure. The collapse pressure values for **5a**, **5c**, **6c** were close to 42 mN/m, whilst the monolayer formed by **11** collapsed at a lower pressure of 21 mN/m. The extrapolated areas per molecule at zero pressure of **5a**, **5c**, **6c**, **11**, were 2.66, 2.77, 3.74, 3.44 nm², respectively. Substitution of all primary –OH groups of α -cyclodextrin derivatives by –SH groups lead to increase of molecular area (2.66 nm² for **5a** and 3.44 nm² for **11**). The isotherms were typical of a solid-like monolayer, except for compound **11**, which formed a more liquid monolayer. This difference was connected with the lower stability

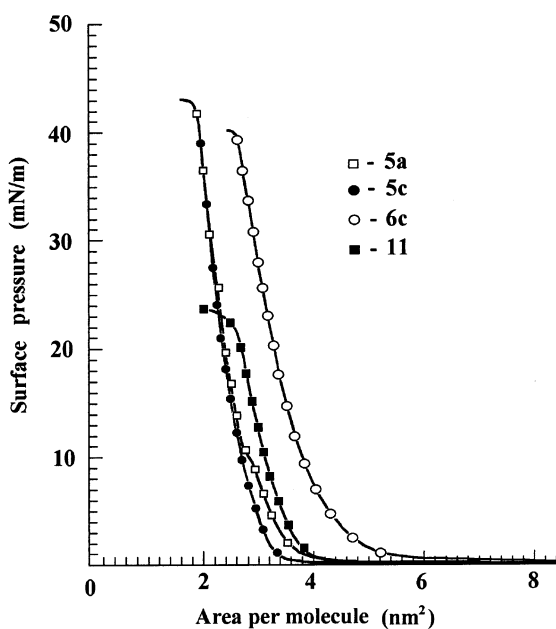


Figure 1. Surface pressure–area isotherms for compounds **5a**, **5c**, **6c** and **11** on pure water

[§] Hexakis(6-deoxy-6-thio-2,3-di-*O*-pentyl) α -CD selected data: **11a** [α]_D²² +94.7° (c 0.9, CHCl₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 98.19 (C-1), 81.27 (C-4), 80.07, 80.01 (C-2,3), 74.02, 71.80 (2 \times C _{α} H₂), 71.14 (C-5), 30.26, 29.97 (2 \times C _{β} H₂), 28.31, 28.19 (2 \times C _{γ} H₂), 27.51 (C-6), 22.84, 22.66 (2 \times C _{δ} H₂), 14.11, 14.06 (2 \times C _{θ} H₃); LSIMS(+) NBA m/z 1908.2 [M+H]⁺, calc. for C₉₆H₁₈₁O₂₄S₆ 1910.1 [M+H]⁺.

[¶] All solutions were prepared by dissolving the cyclodextrin derivatives (**5a**, **5c**, **6c**, **11**) in pure chloroform (c = 1.2 mg/ml). Distilled water used as the subphase was passed through a Milli-Q water purification system. The π - A isotherms were recorded using the KSV Langmuir–Blodgett Trough 5000 equipped with two barriers, and Wilhelmy balance as a surface-pressure sensor. To protect the experimental setup from dust it was placed in the laminar flow hood in which temperature was kept constant 20 \pm 1°C. The accuracy of measurements was \pm 0.1 nm² for area per molecule, \pm 1 mN/m for surface pressure. The procedures of cleaning the trough and monolayer spreading have been described earlier.¹²

of the thiol monolayers on the air–water interface due to less polar properties of the –SH terminal group compared to the more polar hydroxyl headgroups of the other amphiphiles.¹³

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