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An expeditious entry to carbohydrate derived enynes and ene-diynes via Sonogashira coupling of halo-*exo*-glycals

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Abstract—Sonogashira coupling of bromo or iodo-*exo*-glycals, readily prepared from 1-*exo*-methylene furanoses and pyranoses, provides an efficient entry to furanose- and pyranose-derived enyne and ene-diyne moieties found in biologically relevant structures. © 2004 Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.

Enyne is an important structural unit for biologically active organic compounds, including anticancer antibiotics,¹ natural products,² and also for new functional materials.³ In this context, tetrahydrofuran containing exocyclic enyne and ene-diyne moieties (e.g., **1**, Fig. 1)



Figure 1. Enyne and ene-diyne derived tetrahydrofurans.

have been found as substructures in natural products $(2, {}^{4}3, {}^{4a}4, {}^{5}5, {}^{6}6, {}^{7})$ or have been synthesized to evaluate their potential biological activities⁸ (7, 8). Our group has recently been interested in the synthesis of substituted furanosidic *exo*-glycals (2,5-anhydro-1-deoxy-hex-1-enitols), {}^{9,10} and in this Letter, we wish to report (a) that Sonogashira coupling¹¹ of carbohydrate derived halo-*exo*-glycals, for example, 9, with terminal alkynes can be successfully applied for the preparation of furanosidic and pyranosidic enynes, **10a** and **10b**, respectively, and (b) the preparation of furanose and pyranose derived ene-diynes (**10a,b** R==-Ph, Scheme 1).

During the course of this work we have illustrated the potential of the method with the preparation of substituted *exo*-glycals 17–22 from D-glucofuranose (11a,¹⁰ 11b¹⁰) and D-galacto and D-glucopyranose-derived halo-*exo*-glycals (12,¹² 13¹²) (See Table 1, Fig. 2).

The coupling reactions of halo-*exo*-glycals **11a**,**b**, **12**, and **13**, with trimethylsilyl acetylene (**14**), 1-dodecyne (**15**) and phenyl acetylene (**16**) took place smoothly to



Scheme 1. Synthesis of furanosidic enynes from halo-exo-glycals.

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Entry	Glycal	Alkyne	Product	Yield (%)
i	11a	Si(CH ₃₎₃	Si(CH ₃) ₃	87 ^a
ii	11a	(CH ₂) ₉ -CH ₃	17 (CH ₂) ₉ -CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₉ -CH ₃	93 ^a
iii	11a	Ph 16		88 ^a
			19	
iv	11b	14	17	90 ^a
v vi	110 11b	15	18 19	96 ⁻ 91 ^a
viii	12	14	_	0 ^a
ix	12	14	BnO BnO BnO OBn	84 ^b
x	12	16	20	0^{a}
Δ	12	10		U
xi	12	16	BnO BnO BnO OBn	92 ^b
xii	13	14	21 BnO BnO BnO OBn 22	84 ^b

 Table 1. Preparation of enynes by reaction of halo-exo-glycals 11–13 with terminal alkynes 14–16

^a Et₂NH, CuI (5%), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (10%). ^b Et₂NH, CuI (10%), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5%).



Figure 2. Halo-exo-glycals starting materials.

give high yields of the corresponding substituted *exo*glycals.^{13,14} Several aspects of these reactions, however, deserve further comment: (a) the use of iodo-*exo*-glycals, compared with that of bromo-*exo*-glycals, resulted in slightly higher yields of substituted *exo*-glycals (Table 1, compare entries (i)–(iii) with (iv)–(vi)); (b) furanosidic halo-derivatives underwent coupling reactions under standard Sonogashira–Hagihara conditions (Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂, Et₂NH, CuI, THF);¹⁵ (c) the corresponding pyranosidic iodo-derivatives, however, did



Scheme 2. Synthesis of pyrano- and furanosidic ene-diynes.

not undergo any coupling reaction under the above mentioned conditions and required the presence of $Pd(0)^{16,17}$ ($Pd(PPh_3)_4$, Et_2NH , CuI, THF), rather than Pd(II), as catalyst¹⁸ (Table 1, compare entries (viii) and (x) with entries (ix), (xi)), (d) the coupling reactions, which are described to take place with retention of the configuration,¹⁹ afforded one single stereoisomeric *exo*-glycal from the single starting halo-*exo*-glycal.

The synthesis of ene-diyne moieties was next studied. An approach based on, the sometimes unreliable,¹⁶ sp–sp Sonogashira coupling²⁰ was first evaluated (Scheme 2). Accordingly, terminal alkyne **23** (readily prepared from enyne **22** by desilylation) was treated (Pd(PPh₃)₄, CuI, Et₂NH) with alkynyl iodide **24**²¹ to yield ene-diyne **25**. In order to assure the feasibility of the synthesis of ene-diynes we decided to investigate an alternative approach for the synthesis of furanose ene-diynes. In this context we found that ene-diyne **27** could be obtained in excellent yield by Sonogashira coupling of iodo-*exo*-glycal **11** with diyne **26**.²²

In summary, we have reported an efficient strategy for the preparation of synthetically useful carbohydrate derived ene-ynes by Sonogashira coupling of halo-exo-glycals and terminal alkynes. Furanose derivatives undergo the coupling reaction under standard Sonogashira-Hagihara conditions whereas pyranose derivatives required the use of Pd(0) as catalyst. Finally, two convergent approaches for the preparation of the ene-diyne moiety, present in several natural products, have been disclosed. The first approach involved Sonogashira coupling of halo-exo-glycals^{23,24} with a terminal alkyne followed by sp-sp Sonogashira coupling of the ensuing envne with a iodo-alkyne. The second, and more direct, strategy implied direct Sonogashira coupling of a iodoexo-glycal with a terminal divne. The use of these protocols for the preparation of naturally occurring natural products is underway in our laboratory and will be described in due course.

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- 23. General procedure for the Sonogashira coupling reaction. Method (a): To a thoroughly degassed (argon, 10min) solution of halo-exo-glycal (0.17 mmol) in Et₂NH, were added CuI (5%) and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (10%). The reaction mixture was kept at room temperature with stirring for 5min. The appropriate terminal alkyne (1 equiv) dissolved in Et₂NH (3 mL) was then added via cannula. The reaction was then stirred at room temperature until complete disappearance of the starting material. The solution was treated with H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate (EtOAc). The organic layer was then dried (magnesium sulfate) and evaporated to furnish a residue, which was purified by flash chromatography using hexane-EtOAc mixtures as eluant. Method (b): To a thoroughly degassed (argon, 10min) solution of iodo-exo-glycal (0.1 mmol) in Et₂NH (4 mL/ mmol) were added successively Pd(PPh₃)₄ (5µmol), CuI (0.01 mmol) and the corresponding alkyne (1.1 equiv, 0.11 mmol). The reaction was then stirred at room temperature until complete disappearance of the starting material (1-2h). The solution was diluted with ethyl acetate and washed successively with saturated NH₄Cl and brine. The organic layer was dried (magnesium sulfate) and evaporated to furnish a residue, which was purified by flash chromatography using hexane-EtOAc mixtures as eluant.
- 24. Data for selected compounds: Enyne **17**: $[\alpha]_D^{21} + 21.0$ (c 0.15, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 5.48 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (dd, J = 1.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 4.57 (dd, J = 3.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (ddd, J = 5.3, 5.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (m, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 0.20 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.3, 169.1, 162.5, 109.7, 98.9, 85.2, 83.2, 82.2, 75.1, 74.1, 72.3, 66.7, 26.8, 25.5, 20.9 (×2), 0.0. API-ES: 397 [M⁺+1], 419.0 [M⁺+Na].

Enyne **18**: $[\alpha]_D^{21} + 23.4$ (*c* 0.83, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 5.45 (s, 1H), 5.29 (d, $J=3.6\,\text{Hz}, 1\text{H}$), 4.90 (s, 1H), 4.46 (dd, $J=3.9, 7.9\,\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.32 (ddd, J=5.4, 6.3, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (m, 2H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.11 (m, 16H), 0.87 (t, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.5, 169.3, 160.6, 109.8, 96.3, 86.0, 83.0, 75.1, 74.4, 74.3, 72.4, 67.2, 32.1, 29.8 (×2), 29.5, 29.4, 29.1, 28.9, 27.0, 25.5, 22.9, 21.1, 21.0, 20.0, 14.3. API-ES: 451.6 [M⁺+1]. *Enyne* **19** : $[\alpha]_D^{21}$ + 31.5 (*c* 0.9, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.32 (m, 5H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.37 (d, J=4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 1H), 4.58 (dd, J=4.0, 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (ddd, J=5.3, 5.6, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (m, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.3, 169.2, 161.3, 131.4, 128.3, 128.1, 123.7, 109.8, 94.7, 85.4, 83.6, 83.3, 75.2, 74.2, 72.4, 67.0, 26.9, 25.4, 20.9, 20.8. API-ES: 401.2 [M⁺+1], 423.3 $[M^++Na].$ *Enyne* **20**: $[\alpha]_{D}^{21}$ + 31.4 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.41–7.25 (m, 20H), 5.24 (d, J=1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J=11.4Hz, 1H), 4.71–4.42 (m, 7H), 4.35 (dd, J=9.0, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (t, J=2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (dt, J=6.3, 2.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.70 (d, J=6.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.62 (dd, J=9.0, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 0.16 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 162.1, 138.4, 138.1, 137.9, 137.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9 (×2), 127.7, 127.6, 127.5 (×2), 99.9, 98.7, 90.2, 81.6, 78.7, 76.5, 74.3, 74.1, 74.0, 73.5, 72.7,68.3, 0.0 (×3); API-ES: m/e: 633.3 [M+1]⁺. Enyne **21**: $[\alpha]_{D}^{21}$ + 33.9 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.44–7.23 (m, 25H), 5.42 (d, J=1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.71-4.55 (m, 6H), 4.45 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (dd, J=9.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (t, J=2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dt, J=6.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82-3.70 (m, 2H), 3.68 (dd, J=9.0, 2.0Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 160.7, 138.3, 138.1, 138.0, 137.8, 131.4, 128.4, 128.3 (×2), 128.1 (×2), 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6 (×2), 127.5, 123.9, 93.6, 90.7, 84.4, 81.6, 78.9, 76.7, 74.3, 74.1,74.0, 73.5, 72.8, 68.8; API-ES: m/e: 659.3 $[M+Na]^+$ *Enyne* **22**: $[\alpha]_{D}^{21}$ + 33.6 (*c* 1.2, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.42–7.19 (m, 20H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 4.80– 4.51 (m, 8H), 4.18 (ddd, J=9.7, 3.1, 2.4Hz, 1H), 3.91 (d, J=4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.89–3.79 (m, 4H), 0.18 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 159.8, 138.3, 138.0, 137.8, 137.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 99.7, 98.7, 89.8, 83.6, 77.6 (×2), 77.5, 73.8 (×2), 73.0, 71.4, 68.4, 0.4 (×3); API-ES: m/e: 633.3 [M+1]⁺, 655.3 $[M+Na]^+$. Ene-diyne **25**: $[\alpha]_D^{21} + 3.0$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR $(a_1, b_2) = (a_2, b_3) = (a_3, b_4) = (a_4, b_3) = (a_3, b_4) = (a_4, b_3) = (a_4, b_3) = (a_4, b_4) = ($ $(300 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3) \delta$ (ppm): 7.71–7.26 (m, 25H), 5.04 (d, J=0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.80–4.53 (m, 8H), 4.24–4.18 (m, 1H), 3.95–3.80 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 162.7, 138.3, 137.9, 137.7, 137.2, 132.3, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3 (×2), 128.0, 127.9, 127.8 (×2), 127.7 (×2), 127.6, 127.4, 122.2, 88.5, 83.4, 81.5, 77.8, 77.7, 77.4 (×2), 77.1, 74.6, 73.8, 73.5, 73.1, 71.6, 68.1; API-ES: m/e: 683.3 $[M+Na]^+$. *Ene-diyne* **27**: $[\alpha]_D^{21} + 11.5$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃), ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.32 (m, 5H), 5.50 (s, 1H, J=0.98 Hz), 5.34 (dd, 1H, J=0.98 Hz, J=3.7 Hz, H-3), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.53 (dd, 1H, J=3.7, 8.5 Hz), 4.34 (ddd, 1H, J=4.6, 5.4, 8.3 Hz, H-5), 4.19 (dd, 1H, J=5.6, 8.9 Hz), 4.13 (dd, 1H, J=4.6, 8.8 Hz), 2.13 (s, 3H, Me),2.11 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 169.5, 169.3, 164.9, 132.6, 129.3, 128.6, 122.2, 110.0, 84.3, 83.9, 82.4, 78.9, 76.3, 75.3, 74.4, 74.1, 72.3, 67.3, 27.1, 25.5, 21.1, 20.1. API-ES: 425.2 [M⁺+1].