

## **SPECTROSCOPIC AND THERMAL CHARACTERIZATION OF SOME 5-ACETYL-4- $\beta$ -D-GLYCOPYRANOSYLAMINOPYRIMIDINE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR ACETYLATED SUGAR HOMOLOGUES**

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### **ABSTRACT**

Six 5-acetyl-4- $\beta$ -D-glycopyranosylaminopyrimidine derivatives and their acetylated sugar homologues have been characterized by elemental analysis, IR and  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectroscopy. Thermal study of the compounds shows four types of process: (i) desolvation; (ii) solid–solid transition; (iii) melting; (iv) pyrolytic decomposition. Probable mechanisms for the onset of pyrolytic decomposition are proposed.

### **INTRODUCTION**

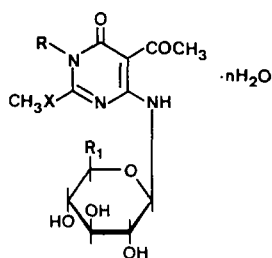
Pyrimidine derivatives, their nucleosides and some of their metal complexes are active in many biological processes [1,2] and the synthesis and characterization of these compounds are of increasing interest. In this paper we report the spectral and thermal characterization of the following two series of pyrimidine derivatives.

Apart from the essential interest of these compounds as potential anti-tumor agents, they may also be considered as possible ligands for transition metal ions. The data presented herein should be useful in assessing this property.

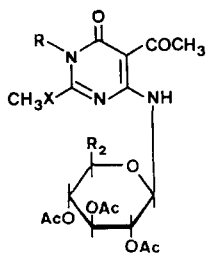
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Compound	X	R	R <sub>1</sub>	n
1A	O	H	CH <sub>2</sub> OH	
1B	O	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	1
1C	O	CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> OH	
1D	S	H	CH <sub>2</sub> OH	
1E	S	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	1/2
1F	S	CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> OH	1



Compound	X	R	R <sub>2</sub>
2A	O	H	CH <sub>2</sub> OAc
2B	O	CH <sub>3</sub>	H
2C	O	CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> OAc
2D	S	H	CH <sub>2</sub> OAc
2E	S	CH <sub>3</sub>	H
2F	S	CH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> OAc



## EXPERIMENTAL

All the compounds were obtained by reported methods [3]. Microanalyses were carried out at the Department of Inorganic Chemistry, University of Extremadura, Badajoz. The analytical and yield data obtained, together with the corresponding formulae, are listed in Tables 1 and 2.

TABLE 1

Analytical and yield data of compounds of series 1

Com- pound	%C	%H	%N	Formula	Yield (%)
1A	45.73 (45.22)	5.69 (5.55)	11.72 (12.17)	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	74
1B	45.25 (44.96)	5.66 (6.09)	11.81 (12.10)	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>7</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O	79
1C	46.50 (46.80)	5.97 (5.89)	11.27 (11.69)	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	91
1D	42.88 (43.21)	5.32 (5.30)	11.28 (11.63)	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>7</sub> S	89
1E	44.92 (44.06)	5.93 (5.69)	12.38 (11.86)	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S·1/2H <sub>2</sub> O	98
1F	43.12 (42.74)	5.86 (5.89)	10.66 (10.68)	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>7</sub> S·H <sub>2</sub> O	77

The analytical data in parentheses are theoretical values.

TABLE 2

Analytical and yield data of compounds of series 2

Com- pound	%C	%H	%N	Formula	Yield (%)
2A	48.91 (49.12)	5.34 (5.30)	8.02 (8.18)	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	32
2B	50.41 (50.11)	5.75 (5.53)	9.12 (9.23)	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	24
2C	50.33 (50.09)	5.65 (5.54)	7.87 (7.97)	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	60
2D	47.90 (47.63)	5.29 (5.14)	7.87 (7.94)	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>11</sub> S	46
2E	48.54 (48.40)	5.50 (5.34)	8.65 (8.91)	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>9</sub> S	57
2F	48.68 (48.61)	5.49 (5.38)	7.67 (7.73)	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>11</sub> S	71

The analytical data in parentheses are theoretical values.

The IR spectra were recorded with a Beckman 4250 spectrophotometer in the range 4000–200 cm<sup>-1</sup>, with the compounds in KBr pellet form. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR were obtained with a Hitachi Perkin-Elmer R-600 spectrophotometer in the range 0–20 ppm, using DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> and Cl<sub>3</sub>CD solutions of each compound and TMS as internal standard.

TG curves were obtained with a Mettler TG 50 thermobalance in a static pure air atmosphere at a heating rate of 10°C min<sup>-1</sup>, with samples of 6.68–14.17 mg. DSC plots were obtained with a Mettler DSC 20 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 5°C min<sup>-1</sup>, using samples of 0.949–1.348 mg.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### *Spectral study*

The IR spectra of the six compounds of series 1 (Table 3) show several bands between 3700 and 3000 cm<sup>-1</sup>, which have been assigned to  $\nu$ (N–H) and  $\nu$ (O–H) stretching vibrations and correspond to the N<sub>1</sub>–H amino



1D	3540 w	2930 w	1670 s	1610 s	1580 s	1315 m	1105 m	650 w	730 w
	3510 m	2910 w			1550 s	1295 m	1080 s		675 w
	3400 m					1270 m	1060 m		980 m
	3360 m					1230 m	1045 s		940 w
	3250 w					1200 m			890 w
	3140 w								815 w
	3520 w	2920 w	1670 s	1610 s	1570 s	1305 m	1060 s	630 w	725 w
	3480 w	2840 w			1530 s	1275 m	1025 m		980 w
	3360 m					1255 m			960 m
	3280 w								930 w
1E	3100 w								890 w
									740 w
									665 w
									985 w
									960 w
									940 w
									900 w
									740 w
									700 w
1F	3440 s	2960 w	1660 s	1625 s	1570 s	1310 m	1105 s	615 w	
	3360 s,wi	2920 w			1535 s	1290 m	1075 s		
		2880 w				1270 m	1040 s		
						1250 m			

$\nu$  in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : w, weak; m, medium; s, strong; wi, wide.

groups (in compounds 1A and 1D), the C<sub>4</sub>-NH amino groups, the -OH groups of the sugar molecules and the water of hydration molecules (in 1B, 1E and 1F). The high wavenumber values of these bands can be related to the intramolecular interactions through hydrogen bridges [4].

The bands appearing in the ranges 1685–1660 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1670–1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> have been assigned to  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$  stretching vibrations of C<sub>5</sub>-COCH<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>6</sub>=O carbonyl groups, respectively. The wavenumber values of stretching vibrations of C<sub>6</sub>=O carbonyl groups are lower than those in the corresponding homologous compounds glycopyranosylaminopyrimidine derivatives [5]; this suggests probable intermolecular hydrogen bridge interactions through the C<sub>6</sub>=O group.

The bands assigned to  $\nu(\text{C}-\text{O})$  and  $\delta(\text{O}-\text{H})$  vibrations are mainly due to the -OH groups linked to the carbon atoms of the pyranose ring. These bands occur at a lower wavenumber than those assigned to  $\nu(\text{C}-\text{N})$  stretching vibrations. The bands originating from the skeletal pyranose ring, which should appear in the range 960–750 cm<sup>-1</sup> [6], have not been assigned because of the complexity of the spectra in this range.

On considering the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectral data from the compounds of series 1 [3], it is interesting to note that the chemical shift values of the signal due to C<sub>4</sub>-NH groups in these compounds (between 10.80 ppm in compound 1F and 11.10 ppm in 1A) are higher than those corresponding to the respective homologous glycopyranosylaminopyrimidine derivatives (which occur in the range 7.25–7.40 ppm) [7]. This is probably due to the hydrogen bridge linking the C<sub>4</sub>-NH amino groups and the oxygen atom of the acetyl groups substituted on carbon five, which weakens the N-H bond. Likewise, the resonance values for the C<sub>4</sub>-NH signals in some homologous glycopyranosylamino-5-nitrosopyrimidine derivatives occur in a similar range (12.25–12.60 ppm) due to the fact that in those compounds the 4-amino and 5-nitroso groups also interact by hydrogen bridge. Moreover, coordinating the 5-nitroso compounds to the metallic ions Pd(II) and Au(III) through the -NO groups breaks the hydrogen bridge and the corresponding C<sub>4</sub>-NH signals in the corresponding <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra are shifted to higher field values ( $\Delta\delta \approx 3.5$  ppm) [8].

The signals corresponding to the N<sub>1</sub>-H groups in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of the compounds 1A and 1D have not been observed probably due to the relative high protic character of such hydrogen atoms, so that the corresponding signals are probably included in those from the DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> water. The study of the acid behaviour of 5-nitroso derivatives which are homologous with 1A and 1D shows that those nitrogen atoms are more basic than the nitrogen atoms of the amino groups.

From this <sup>1</sup>H-NMR data, it could be expected that the compounds with a hydrogen atom substituted on nitrogen have a medium intensity acidic character (similar to that of the homologous 5-nitroso derivatives) and those with a methyl group on nitrogen one have a weak acidic character.

The assignments of bands corresponding to the 5-acetyl-4- $\beta$ -D-(*O*-acetyl)glycopyranosylaminopyrimidine derivatives (series 2) are summarized in Table 4. Given that all the compounds are anhydrous, the bands appearing in the range 3200–3000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  have been assigned to  $\nu(\text{N-H})$  stretching vibrations. The most noticeable fact, on comparing these spectra to those of the corresponding deacetylated sugars already discussed, is the appearance of a new band at about 1750  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which has been assigned to  $\nu(\text{C=O})$  stretching vibrations of the acetate groups of the sugar residue. Finally, all the compounds present a new strong band at about 1240  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which can be assigned to  $\nu(\text{C-O})$  stretching vibrations of the acetate sugar groups.

Considering signals from the  $\text{N}_1\text{-H}$  (in the compounds 2A and 2D) and  $\text{C}_4\text{-NH}$  amino groups in the  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of these compounds [3], the corresponding resonance values are similar to those of the series 1 homologues (compound 2A,  $\delta_{\text{N}_1\text{-H}} = 12.20$  ppm; compound 2D,  $\delta_{\text{N}_1\text{-H}} = 12.50$  ppm. The resonance values of the  $\text{C}_4\text{-NH}$  groups occur between 10.80 ppm in 2F and 11.10 ppm in 2A). Thus, in these compounds also there will exist hydrogen bridge interactions between the  $\text{C}_4\text{-NH}$  amino groups and the  $\text{C=O}$  of the acetyl groups substituted on carbon five. Furthermore, the resonance values for the signals under consideration are similar, suggesting similar acid strengths for both the acetylated and non-acetylated sugar compounds

### *Thermal study*

The TG curves of the compounds of series 1 and 2 are given in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively, and the corresponding DSC plots are given in Figs. 3 and 4, respectively. From all these curves, the thermal data given in Tables 5 and 6 were obtained.

#### *Compounds of series 1*

The TG and DSC curves of the six compounds of this series allow us to identify four types of process: (i) desolvation; (ii) solid–solid transition; (iii) melting; (iv) pyrolytic decomposition.

(i) *Desolvations* Compound 1B and 1F have a water molecule of hydration. The temperature values for dehydration (Table 5) have been obtained from the corresponding endothermic peak (Fig. 3). The  $\Delta H$  values are relatively high in both cases (46.3  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  for 1B and 58.5  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  for 1F), which suggests hydrogen bonds occur between  $\text{HO}_2$  molecules and the compounds.

Compound 1E has half a water molecule of hydration per molecule of compound. The expected endothermic peak gives an energy of 60.4  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  per mole of water, which also suggests the presence of hydrogen bridges.

(ii) *Solid–solid transitions* The compound 1D shows a weak endothermic peak (3.0  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ) at 198°C, and compound 1F shows a weak exothermic effect at 217°C (–7.7  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ). The corresponding TG curves do not show





2D	3360 s	2930 w	1750 s	1655 s	1625 s	1560 s,wi	1310 w	1070 m	600 w	970 w
	3190 w						1250 s	1045 s,wi	905 w	
							1225 s		880 w	
2E	3180 w	2940 w 2930 w	1750 s	1685 s	1625 s,wi	1575 s 1545 s	1310 w	1065 s	605 w	985 w
	3080 w						1280 w	1035 s	930 w	
							1250 s		905 w	
2F	3200 w	2950 w	1760 s,wi	1680 s	1625 s	1580 s 1535 s	1310 w	1070 m	605 w	1105 w
	3080 w						1245 s	1040 s	980 w	
							1220 s		955 w	
										910 w

$\nu$  in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; w, weak; m, medium; s, strong; wi, wide.

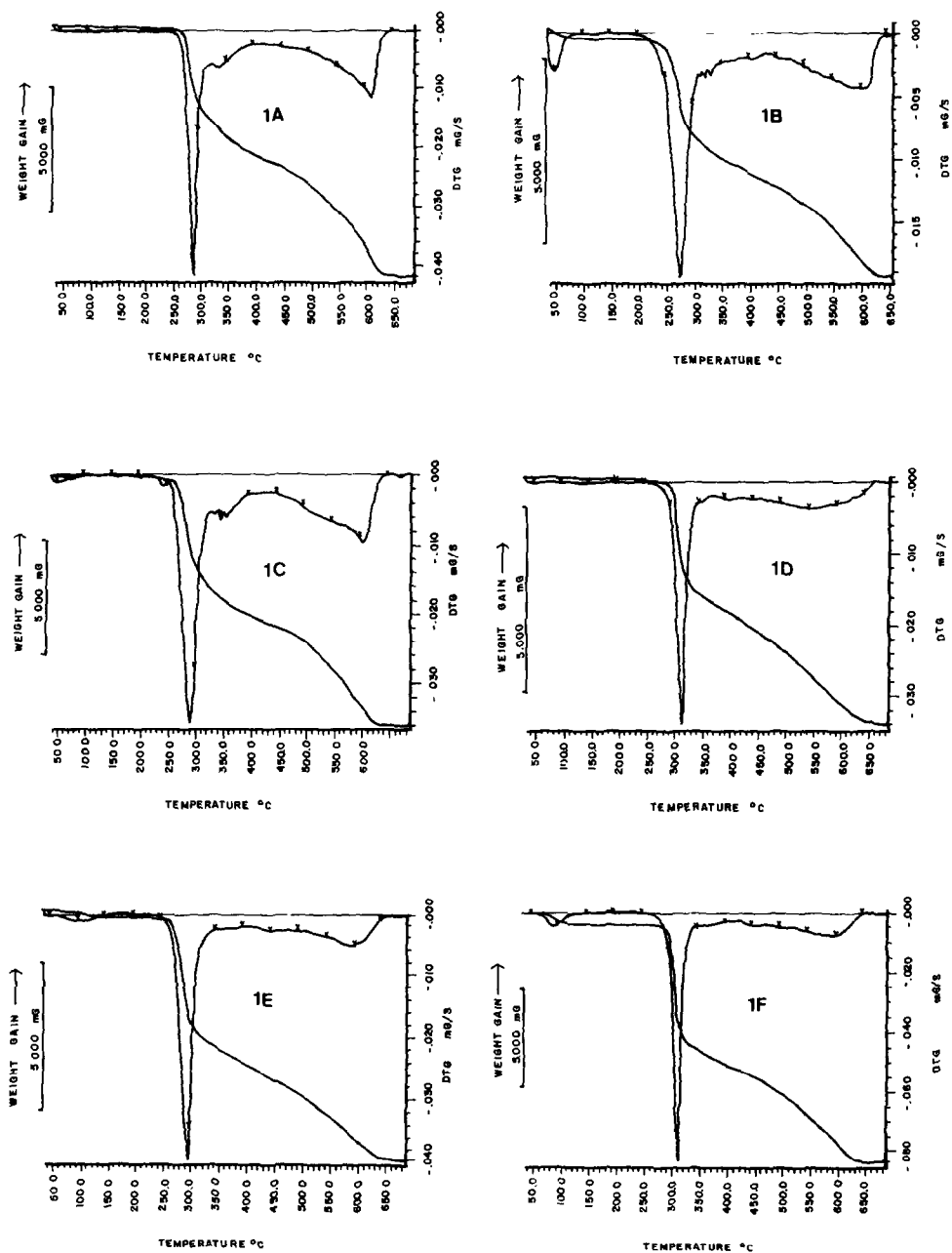


Fig. 1. TG curves of the compounds of series 1.

noticeable effects at these temperatures, and thus it is probable that they are caused by solid–solid changes of phase [9]. When a sample of each of the above compounds was heated up to the corresponding transition temperatures and their DSC plots were obtained after two hours, no noticeable

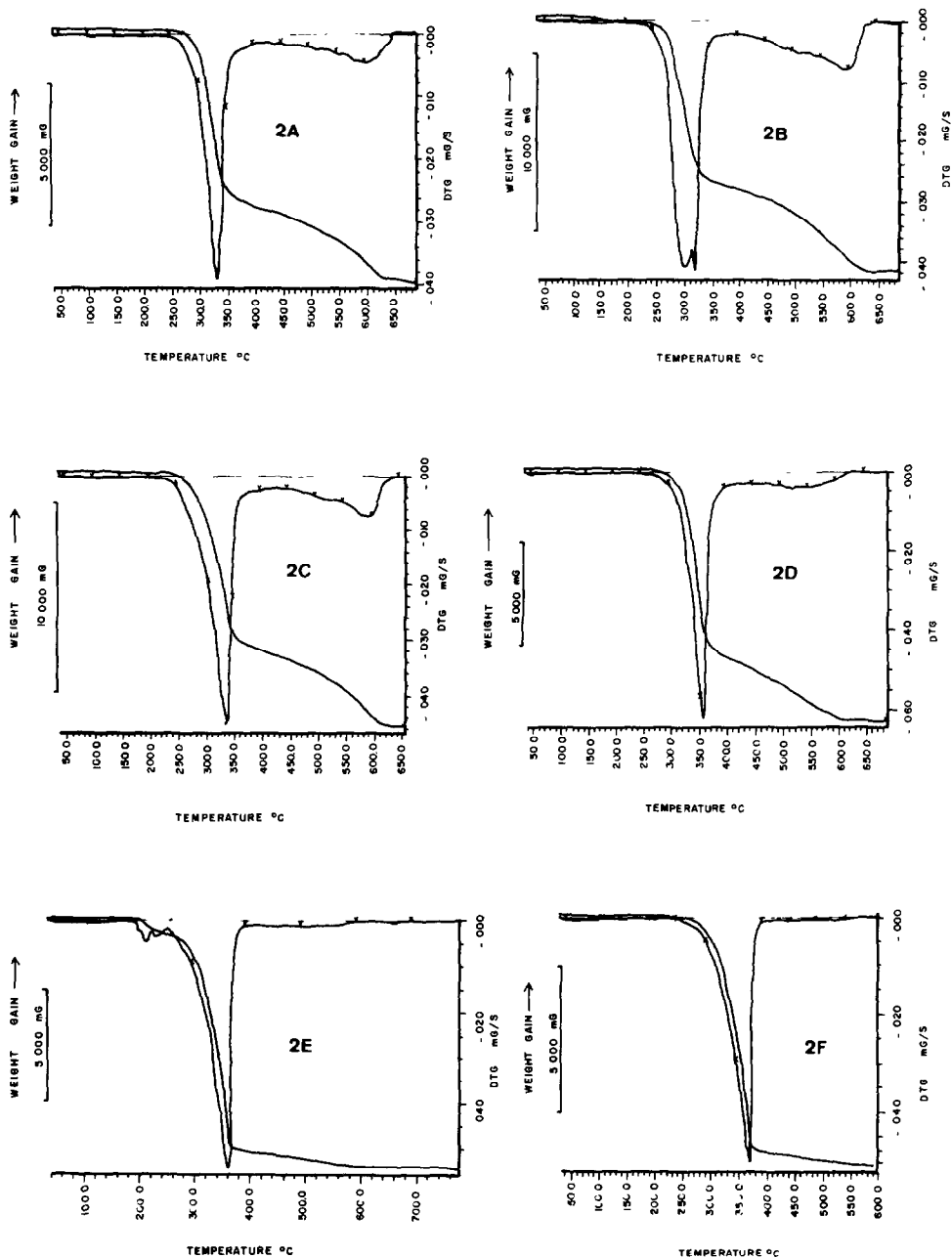


Fig. 2. TG curves of the compounds of series 2.

effects were observed at these temperatures. However the IR spectra of the heated samples were identical to those of the unheated samples.

All these data suggest that these effects correspond to some probably

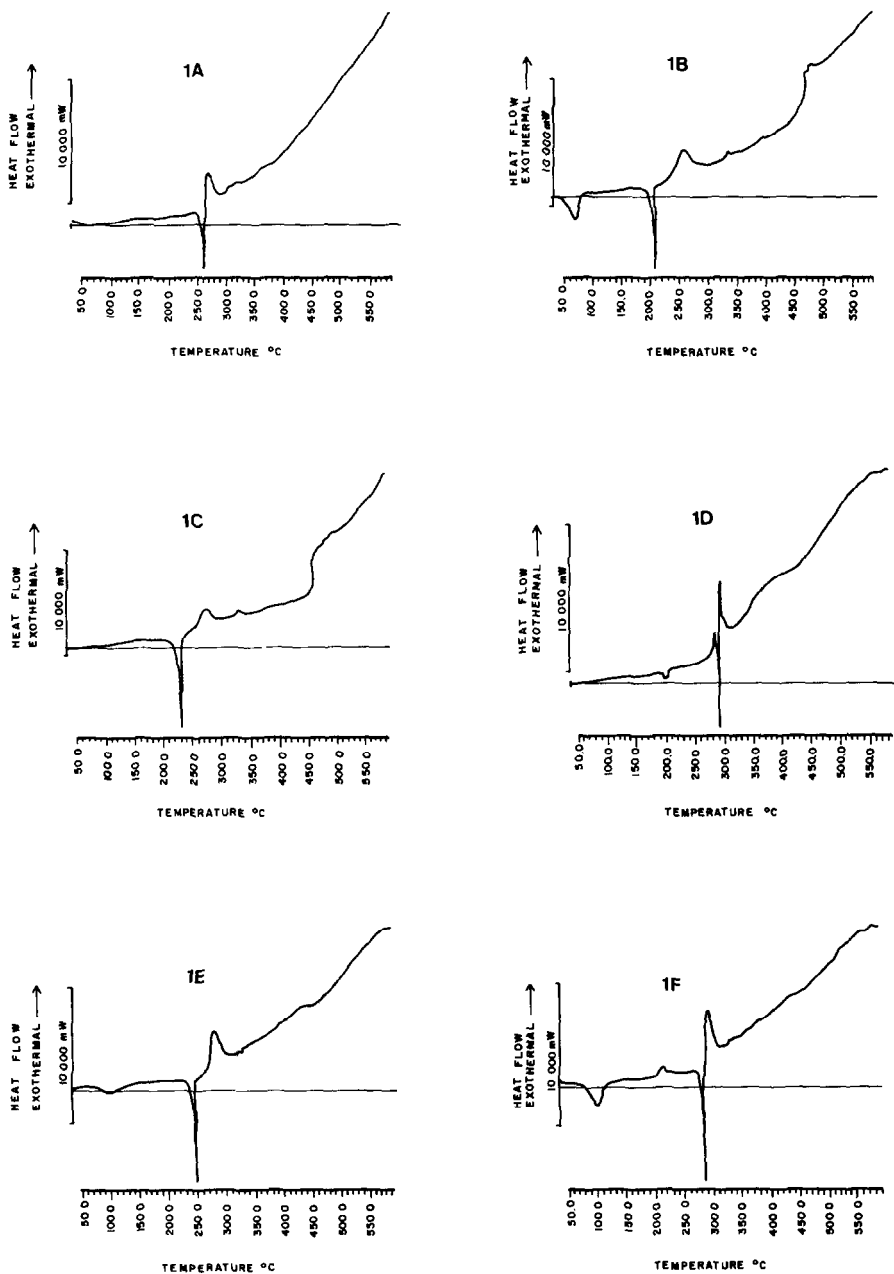


Fig. 3. DSC curves of the compounds of series 1.

irreversible solid–solid transitions, and do not imply any profound changes in the molecular structure of the compounds.

(iii) *Melting* All the compounds show melting processes before the start of their pyrolytic decomposition. The peak temperatures of the corresponding

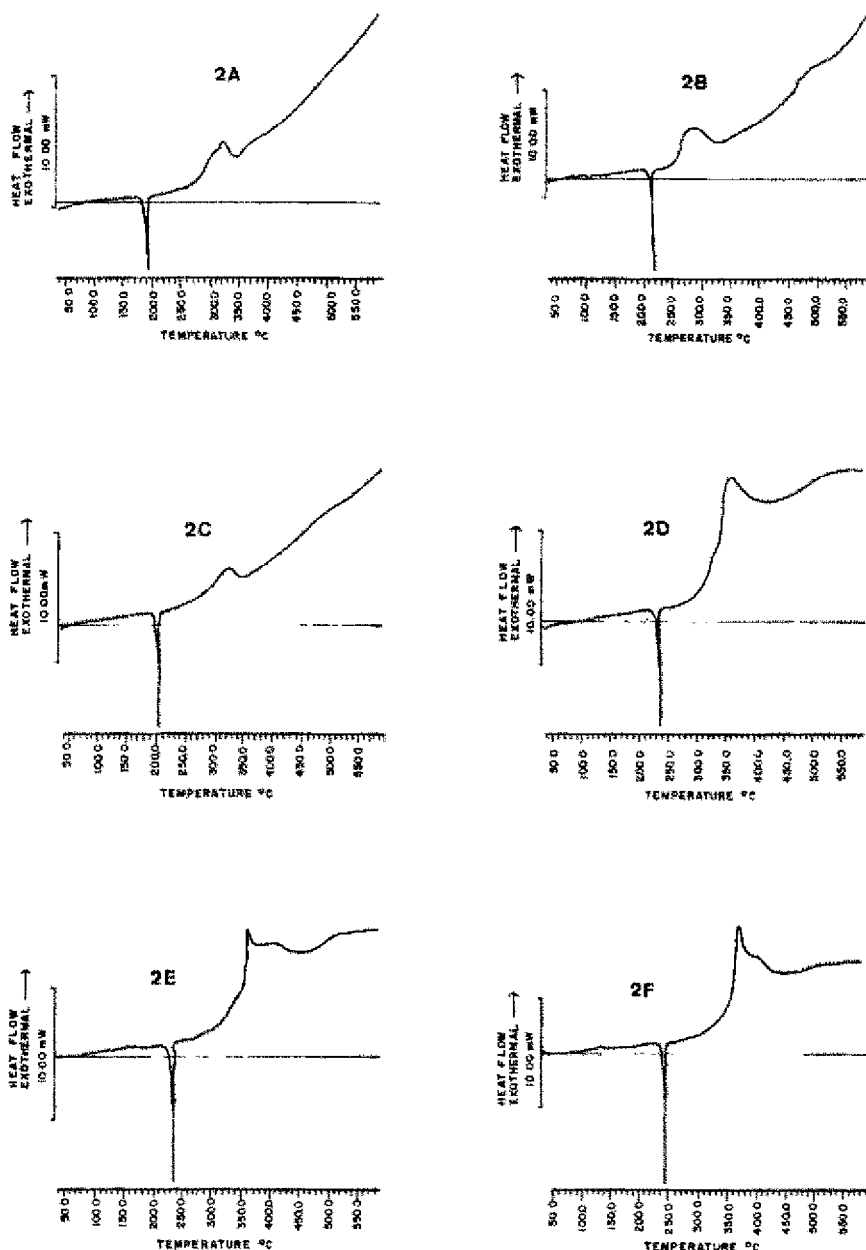


Fig. 4. DSC curves of the compounds of series 2.

endothermic effects (Fig. 3) are listed in Table 5. No weight losses occur in the TG plots over the temperature ranges in which the corresponding endothermic peaks occur.

The melting points do not increase in the same order as the molecular weights. This may be due to the importance of the hydrogen bridge inter-

TABLE 5  
TG and DSC data of compounds of series 1

Com- pound	Desolvations		Solid-solid transitions		Melting		Start of pyrolysis		Other effects	
	T (°C)	Wt. loss (%)	T (°C)	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	T (°C)	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	T (°C)	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	T (°C)	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )
1A					264 (258) <sup>b</sup>	29.0	273 exo <sup>c</sup>	-32.8	325 exo	-
1B	73	5.07 (5.18) <sup>a</sup>	46.3		209 (206) <sup>b</sup>	37.2	260 exo <sup>c</sup>	-89.3	337 exo	-
1C					231 (227) <sup>b</sup>	55.4	271 exo <sup>c</sup>	-59.2	473 exo	-
1D					292 (288) <sup>b</sup>	21.9	295 exo <sup>c</sup>	-19.6	331 exo	-8.9
1E	101	2.78 (2.54) <sup>a</sup>	30.2	198 endo	247 (236) <sup>b</sup>	39.4	281 exo <sup>c</sup>	-76.2	493 exo	-
1F	102	4.65 (4.58) <sup>a</sup>	58.5	217 exo	286 (275) <sup>b</sup>	43.3	298 exo <sup>c</sup>	-73.9	435 exo	-23.3

<sup>a</sup> Theoretical values. <sup>b</sup> Melting temperature measured in a capillary. <sup>c</sup> Probable deacetylation and dehydroxylation.

TABLE 6

TG and DSC data of compounds of series 2

Compound	Melting		Start of pyrolysis		Other effects	
	$T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol $^{-1}$ )	$T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol $^{-1}$ )	$T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$\Delta H$ (kJ mol $^{-1}$ )
2A	192 (187)	33.3	324 exo	-112.0		
2B	217 (212)	37.4	281 exo	-149.8		
2C	205 (202)	45.0	312 exo	-187.2		
2D	238 (231)	45.3	359 exo	-535.1		
2E	237 (231)	42.9	360 exo	-146.6	420 exo	-17.8
2F	242 (239)	54.9	377 exo	-643.2		

The melting temperatures in parentheses were measured in a capillary.

molecular interactions in the fusion processes. On comparing the melting points of compounds 1A, 1B and 1C (all with a methoxy substituent on carbon two) it can be seen that they increase in the same order as the number of potential hydrogen-bridging positions in the molecules (1B < 1C < 1A). At this point, only the hydroxyl groups on the sugar residues and on the nitrogen of the pyrimidine rings must be taken into account; the remaining potential hydrogen bridging positions (6-oxo, acetyl and amino groups) are present equally in all three compounds. The same is true of the melting points of compounds 1D, 1E and 1F, which are in the order 1E < 1F < 1D.

Finally, it is interesting to point out that the melting points of the compounds with methylthio groups on carbon two (1D, 1E and 1F) are higher than those of their homologues with methoxy substituents (e.g.,  $Pf_{1D} > Pf_{1A}$ ). This is due probably to the higher molecular weight of the methylthio derivatives.

(iv) *Pyrolytic decomposition* The temperatures corresponding to the onset of pyrolytic decomposition of all the compounds have been measured from the corresponding TG plots. For the compounds of series 1 these temperatures range between 220 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (compound 1C) and 280 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (compound 1D). The TG curves are quite alike in accordance with the similarity of their structures and this suggests analogous mechanisms for pyrolytic decomposition. In all the TG curves there appear three steps: the first is characterized by an abrupt weight loss, which ranges between 34.1% (compound 1A) and 41.2% (compound 1E); this step ends at temperature values between 270 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (compound 1B) and 320 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (compound 1D). The second step is characterized by a slow weight loss in the temperature range 300–390 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Finally, abrupt weight losses between the last temperature and 650 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  occur in all cases. At the final temperature there is no residue in the crucible.

The DSC plots of the six compounds of series 1 are also very similar. The abrupt weight losses corresponding to the first step in the TG plots are

accompanied by an exothermic effect in the corresponding DSC. The six compounds under study were heated to the final temperature of this step and their IR spectra were recorded. In spite of the low resolution of these spectra (due probably to the carbon accumulated in the samples) the loss of the  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$  and  $\nu(\text{C}-\text{O})$  stretching vibration bands of the acetyl groups and hydroxyl groups of the sugar residues respectively, is clear, while the other bands were practically unaffected. It was not possible to draw conclusions in the case of the weak  $\nu(\text{C}-\text{H})$  stretching vibration bands. The weight loss at the first TG step measured in the TG plots of the six compounds corresponds therefore to the loss of the acetyl groups, hydroxyl sugar groups and, if applicable the  $\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  sugar group.

After the first exothermic effect, a second effect appears in all DSC plots (except that of compound 1D). Details are given in Table 5.

### *Compounds of series 2*

The TG and DSC curves of the six compounds of this series are given in Figs. 2 and 4 respectively. All the compounds are anhydrous in accordance with the analytical data. The absence of water molecules could be due to the blocking of the oxygen atoms of the sugar residues by the acetate groups, resulting in a smaller number of hydrogen binding sites.

These compounds show two types of process: (i) melting; (ii) pyrolytic decompositions.

(i) *Melting* The six compounds of this series present a sharp endothermic effect at temperatures below their pyrolytic decomposition and no weight losses accompanying these effects appear in the corresponding TG plots. They were thus assigned to the corresponding melting processes. The temperature values for melting processes are generally lower (except for compound 2B) than those of the corresponding analogues of series 1; this is due to the blocking of the hydroxyl groups of the sugar residues, resulting in a diminution in the intensity of intermolecular interactions. On the other hand, compounds having methylthio groups as substituents on carbon two have higher melting points than their homologues with methoxy substituents, in accordance with the relative values of the molecular weights.

(ii) *Pyrolytic decompositions* The pyrolytic decomposition of all these compounds starts at about  $250^\circ\text{C}$ , similar to the series 1 compounds. All the processes occur in two steps, as can be seen in the corresponding TG plots. The first is characterized by an abrupt and considerable weight loss, which ends between  $320^\circ\text{C}$  (compound 2B) and  $370^\circ\text{C}$  (compound 2F). The second consists of a slow weight loss, which becomes complete at about  $650^\circ\text{C}$  with the total combustion of the samples.

The IR spectral study of samples from all the compounds, which were heated at increasing temperatures in the range corresponding to the first step of the pyrolytic decomposition, shows the progressive disappearance of the  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$  stretching vibration bands assigned to acetyl groups together with



those assigned to  $\nu(\text{C}=\text{O})$  and  $\nu(\text{C}-\text{O})$  of the sugar acetate groups. However, the progressive loss of resolution in the IR spectra of the heated samples, due to the accumulation of carbon in the samples, prevented establishment of the final temperature for these processes.

The DSC plots of the six compounds of this series show an exothermic effect approximately in the same temperature range as the first abrupt weight loss. The final temperatures of these exothermic effects are equal to those of the end of the first step in the TG plots in the cases of compounds 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D. However, the weight losses found in TG are slightly higher (about 5%) than those calculated for the theoretical whole deacetylation of the compounds.

In compounds 2E and 2F, the exothermic effects under study are asymmetrical, ending at higher temperature values than those corresponding to the end of the first step in the respective TG plots.

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