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## ABBREVIATIONS

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Ac = Acetyl  
AcOH = Acetic acid  
Ac<sub>2</sub>O = Acetic anhydride  
AlOH = Allyl alcohol  
AT = Antithrombin  
BAIB = Bis(acetoxy)iodobenzene  
BF<sub>3</sub>.Et<sub>2</sub>O = Boron trifluoride diethyl etherate  
BnBr = Benzyl bromide  
BzCl = Benzoyl Chloride  
CSA = Camphor sulfonic acid  
(ClAc)<sub>2</sub>O = Chloroacetic anhydride  
CDCl<sub>3</sub> = Deuterated chloroform  
CH<sub>3</sub> = methyl  
CH<sub>3</sub>CN = Acetonitrile  
CHCl<sub>3</sub> = Chloroform  
CS = Chondroitin Sulfate  
DCM = Dichloromethane  
DCC = *N, N*-dicyclohexyl carbodiimide  
DMF = *N, N*-Dimethylformamide  
DMAP = 4-Dimethylaminopyridine  
NEt<sub>3</sub> = Triethylamine  
EtOAc = Ethyl acetate  
GAGs = Glycosaminoglycans  
GlcA = Glucuronic Acid  
GlcNAc = *N*-acetylglucosamine  
H = Hydrogen  
HCl = Hydrochloric Acid  
H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> = Sulfuric Acid  
HPLC = High-Performance Liquid Chromatography  
HP = Heparin  
HRMS = High-resolution mass spectroscopy  
HS = Heparan Sulfate

$J$  = Coupling constant  
IdoA = Iduronic Acid  
LevOH = Levulinic Acid  
LMWH = Low Molecular Weight Heparin  
 $m/z$  = Mass to charge ratio  
MALDI = Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization  
MeOH = Methanol  
MHz = Mega Hertz  
mL = Mille Liter  
mM = Millimolar  
M.S. = Molecular Sives  
Mw = Molecular weight  
NAP-Br = Naphthyl Bromide  
NIS = *N*-Iodosuccinimide  
NaOH = Sodium hydroxide  
NaOMe = Sodium methoxide  
NIS = *N*-Iodosuccinimide  
nm = Nanometer  
NMR = Nuclear magnetic resonance  
ppm = parts per million  
Py = Pyridine  
*P*-TsOH = Para-tolunesulfonic acid  
R.T = room temperature  
NaCl = Sodium chloride  
TBAI = Tetrabutylammonium iodide  
<sup>t</sup>BuOK = Tertiary butoxide  
TBDPSCl = Tertiary-butyl-di-phenyl-silyl chloride  
TLC = Thin Layer Chromatography  
TMSOTf = Trimethylsilyltrifluoromethanesulfonate  
TMSSPh = Trimethyl(thiophenol)silane  
UFH = Unfractionated Heparin  
ULMWH = Ultra-low molecular weight heparin  
ZnI<sub>2</sub> = Zinc Iodide

## ABSTRACT

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Heparin is a linear polysaccharide comprised of alternating  $\alpha$  (1,4)-D-glucosamine (GlcN) and  $\beta$  (1-4) glucuronic acid (GlcA) or  $\alpha$ (1,4)-L-iduronic acid (IdoA) units. It is used as an anticoagulant to treat arterial thrombosis. There are three approved heparin-based anticoagulant drugs for clinical use: unfractionated heparin (UFH), low-molecular-weight heparin (LMWH), and pentasaccharide fondaparinux. UFH, which is derived from animal sources such as porcine intestine or bovine lung, has a rapid anticoagulant effect to treat acute thrombotic events but can cause heparin-induced thrombocytopenia and osteoporosis. LMWH, which is prepared by chemically or enzymatically degrading UFH, has a longer half-life and can be administered subcutaneously. However, its anticoagulant effect is only partially neutralized by protamine, which may result in bleeding risks. Fondaparinux, a pure synthetic pentasaccharide, has better antithrombotic efficacy and biosafety than UFH and LMWH but lacks an effective neutralizable agent, limiting its clinical use. Moreover, fondaparinux also possesses anti-inflammatory activity. Therefore, there is an immediate need to improve its bioavailability and reduce its anti-inflammatory activity and neutralization of the drug. To address this issue, we propose incorporating different protection/deprotection strategies to synthesize well-defined fondaparinux (FA) analogues with an amine linker. The synthetic FA will then be conjugated to different proteins through bioconjugation techniques, and the drug loading will be optimized. Finally, the chemically prepared fondaparinux conjugates will be tested for its anti-FXa, neutralizable, and anti-inflammatory activity.



## 1. INTRODUCTION:

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Heparin is known for its anticoagulant or anti-thrombotic activity and is composed of alternative arrangements of  $\alpha$ -1,4-D-glucosamine (GlcN) and  $\alpha$ -1,4-D-glucuronic acid (GlcA) or  $\beta$ -1,4-L-iduronic acid (IdoA). There are three clinically approved heparin drugs available in the market, and they are unfractionated heparin (UFH), low molecular weight heparin (LMWH), and ultra-low molecular weight heparin (ULMWH). Heparin shows a quick anti-thrombotic action; however, it is associated with side effects, i.e., thrombocytopenia. Therefore, with heparin-based drugs, there must be some neutralizing agent to control its over anti-coagulation to improve its pharmacokinetics performance.

From the studies, it was observed that the LMWH, i.e., Enoxaparin, has the benefit of a long half-life over UFH and can also be neutralized. <sup>5</sup>For instance, in 2021, when COVID-19 was at its highest peak, clinical trial experiments were performed with COVID-19 patients from several Italian hospitals with their permission. Here, the patients were administrated with different drugs, including enoxaparin, for the anti-thrombotic action. While evaluating the experiments, they noticed that Enoxaparin was the drug that reached to 100% of patients. Additionally, after 3 weeks of administration, the fibrinogen level was decreased in the case of Enoxaparin and through this observation, it was concluded that Enoxaparin is able to exert the anti-coagulation action.

However, the LMWH is derived through chemical depolymerization of UFH, which is an animal-sourced heparin form, and this causes contamination and quality issues of the drug. Moreover, these are partially neutralized by protamine; therefore, due to a lack of neutralization, its clinical use is limited. This limitation has diverted people to find other alternative options, and with the studies, <sup>1</sup>it was found that heparins contain a unique pentasaccharide sequence of glucosamine, glucuronic acid and iduronic acid. It was observed that this specific unit efficiently binds with Factor Xa to show anti-coagulation action. The excellent discovery showed the way for its chemical synthesis, which later on in 2004, showed for the first time the chemically synthesized anticoagulant drug,

Fondaparinux, also known as Arixtra<sup>3</sup>. It comes under the ULMWH form of heparin. From the studies, it was shown that it is able to show a longer half-life and greater anti-coagulant action than the formal two drugs. It is an industrially obtained heparin-based drug through chemical synthesis. It shows anti-coagulant action by exhibiting antithrombin III-mediated exclusive factor Xa (FXa) inhibition activity.

For instance, <sup>6</sup>in 2022, the fondaparinux-based biotin conjugates were synthesised for the biological evaluation of the anti-coagulant activity through incorporation with protamine and avidin. Initially, the Fondaparinux was synthesised, which was further conjugated with biotin to make the analogues. These conjugates were further incorporated into avidin and protamine proteins for the evaluation of neutralization. From their biological studies, they found that the anti-thrombotic activity is efficiently neutralized by biotinylated fondaparinux with avidin.

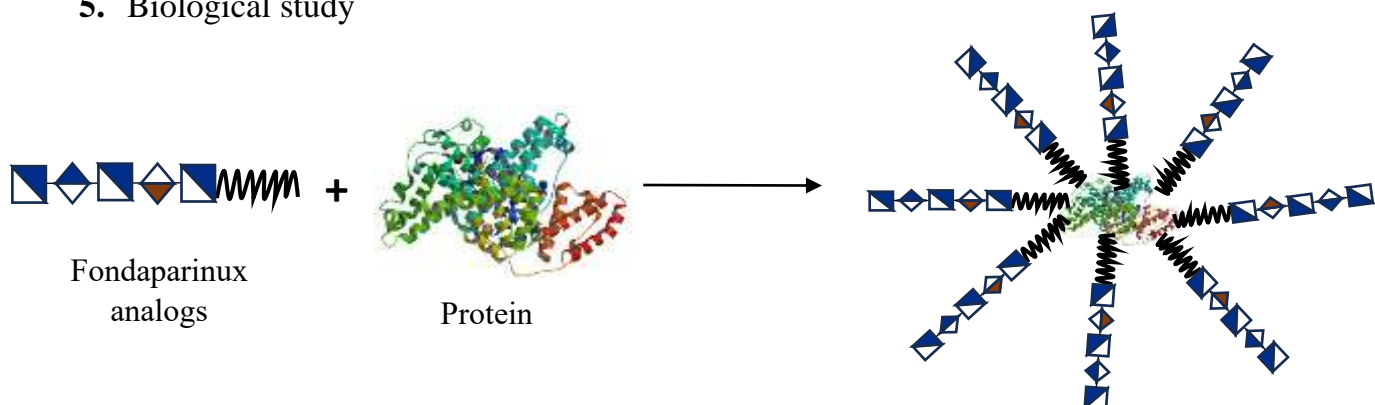
Therefore, inspired by them, we are also aiming to make fondaparinux conjugates to deal with the neutralization action. Although many glycosylation methods and synthetic strategies were published for its synthesis in the past few decades, most of these strategies are facing challenges of multi-step synthesis and cost effectivity. These are the motivations of our synthetic route. Moreover, heparin is known to show its anti-coagulation due to the 3-O sulfation pattern in glucosamine; still, the Fondaparinux contains only one glucosamine with 3-O sulfation and that intrigued us to investigate the specificity of 3-O sulfation pattern in Fondaparinux.

Therefore, we are initially aiming for the actual fondaparinux molecule, tackling its synthetic challenges. After optimization of the synthetic pattern, the same scheme will be followed for making the analogues, and these analogues will be conjugated to different proteins for biological studies.

The particular aims are:

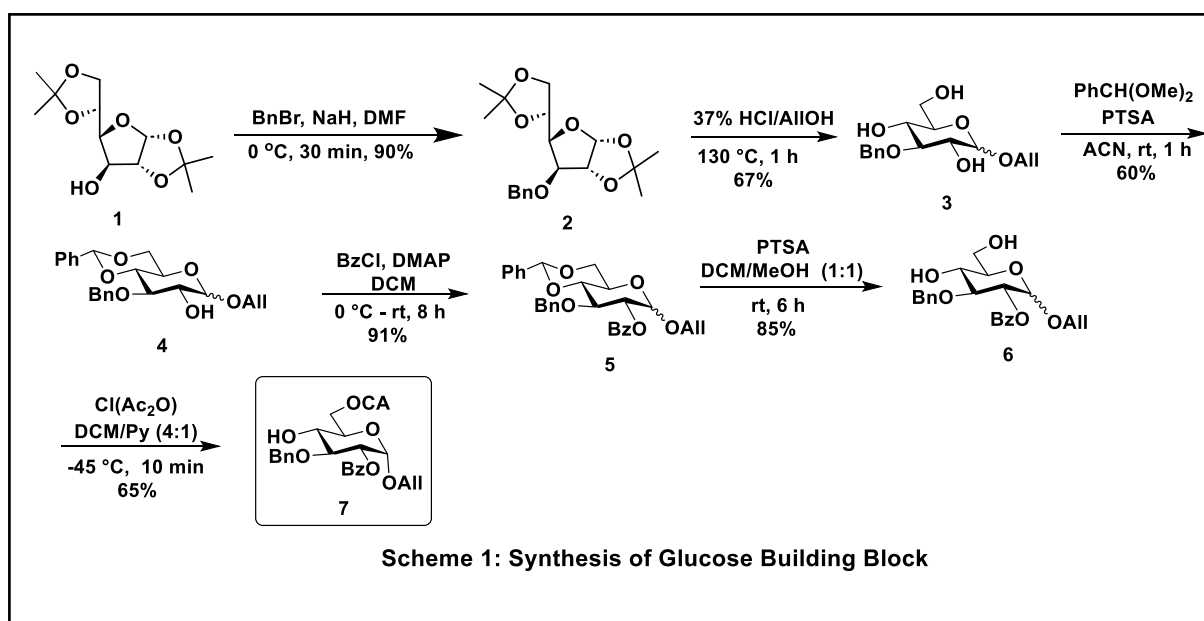
1. Synthesis of disaccharide donor
2. Synthesis of trisaccharide acceptor
3. 3+2 integration of disaccharide donor and trisaccharide acceptor
4. Synthesis of Fondaparinux analogues

## 5. Biological study



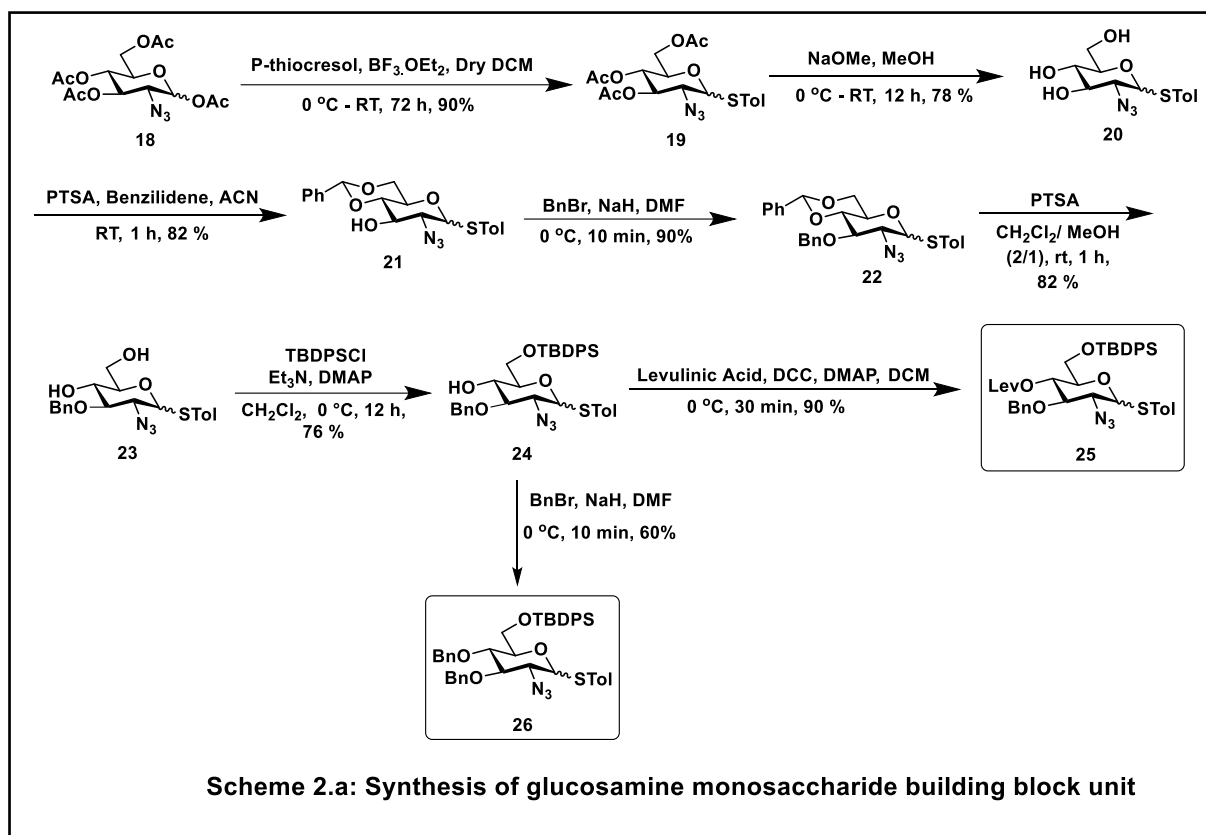
## 2. RESULT AND DISCUSSION:

### 2.1 Synthesis of Glucose building block:



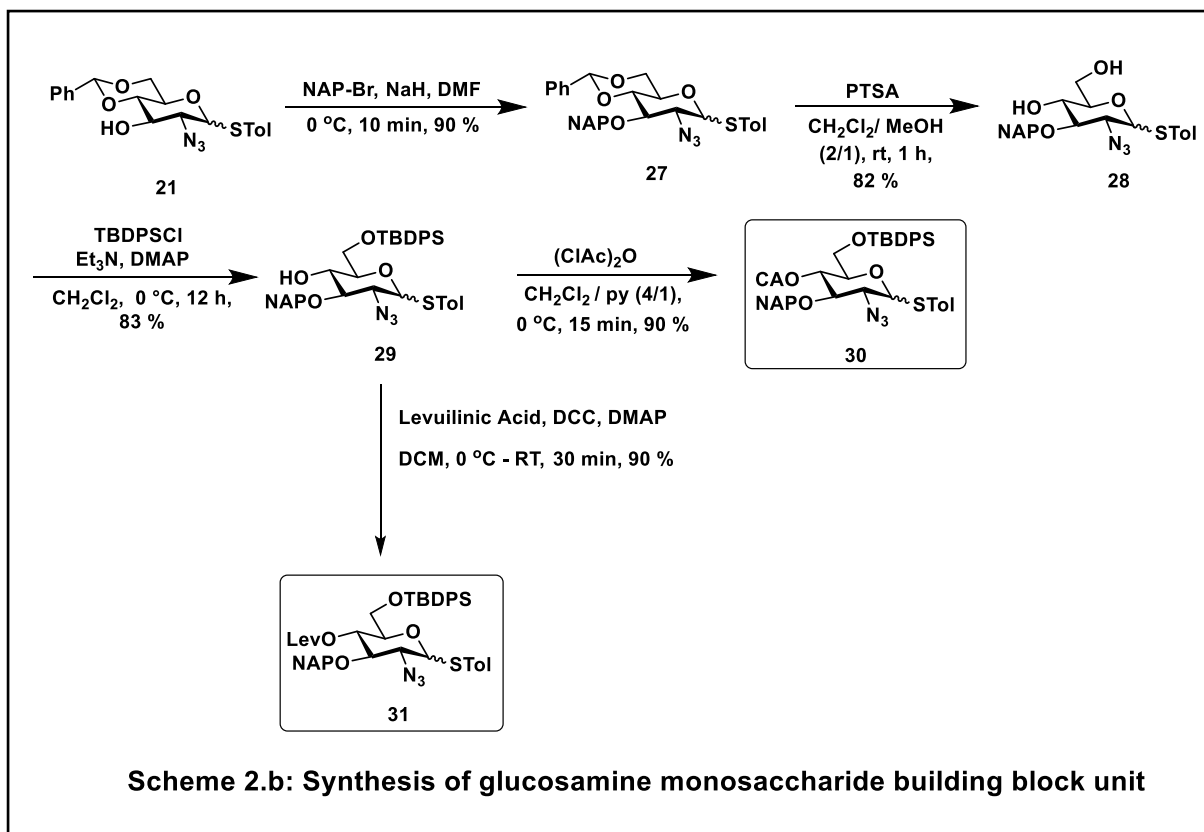
We are synthesising the disaccharide donor building block, for which glucose monosaccharide building block is required. We started from compound **1**, which was first benzylated. Then, compound **2** was taken for allyl glycosylation using 37% HCl in allyl alcohol. Compound **3** was taken further for benzylidene protection, followed by benzylation using benzoyl chloride in DMAP. Then, compound **5** was subjected to benzylidene deprotection with 85% yield. Finally, compound **6** was subjected to chloroacetate protection using chloroacetic anhydride in pyridine to get the final glucose acceptor **7** with a 65% yield.

## 2.2 Synthesis of Glucosamine building block:



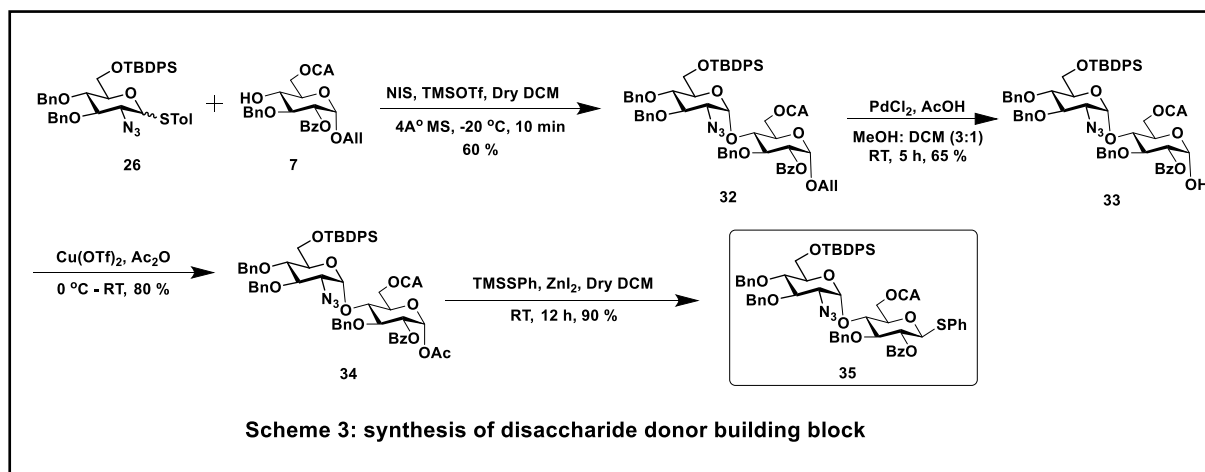
Scheme 2.a: Synthesis of glucosamine monosaccharide building block unit

We require four different glucosamine building blocks for the fondaparinux pentasaccharide unit. We began with the per-acetylated form of glucosamine. Compound **1** was initially taken for thio-glycosylation using p-thiocresol and  $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ , followed by deacetylation using methanol and sodium methoxide with 78% yield. Compound **20** was subjected to benzylidene protection using pTSA and benzaldehyde dimethyl acetal in acetonitrile with 82% yield. Next, compound **21** was used for benzylation. Compound **22** was subjected to benzylidene ring opening using pTSA with an 82% yield. Compound **23** was taken for TBDPS protection using tert-butyl di-phenyl silane chloride (TBDPS-Cl) with 76% yield. Compound **24** was further divided into two batches; one batch was subject to Lev protection using levulinic acid, DCC and DMAP with a 90% yield. Another batch of compound **24** was used for benzylation with a 60% yield.



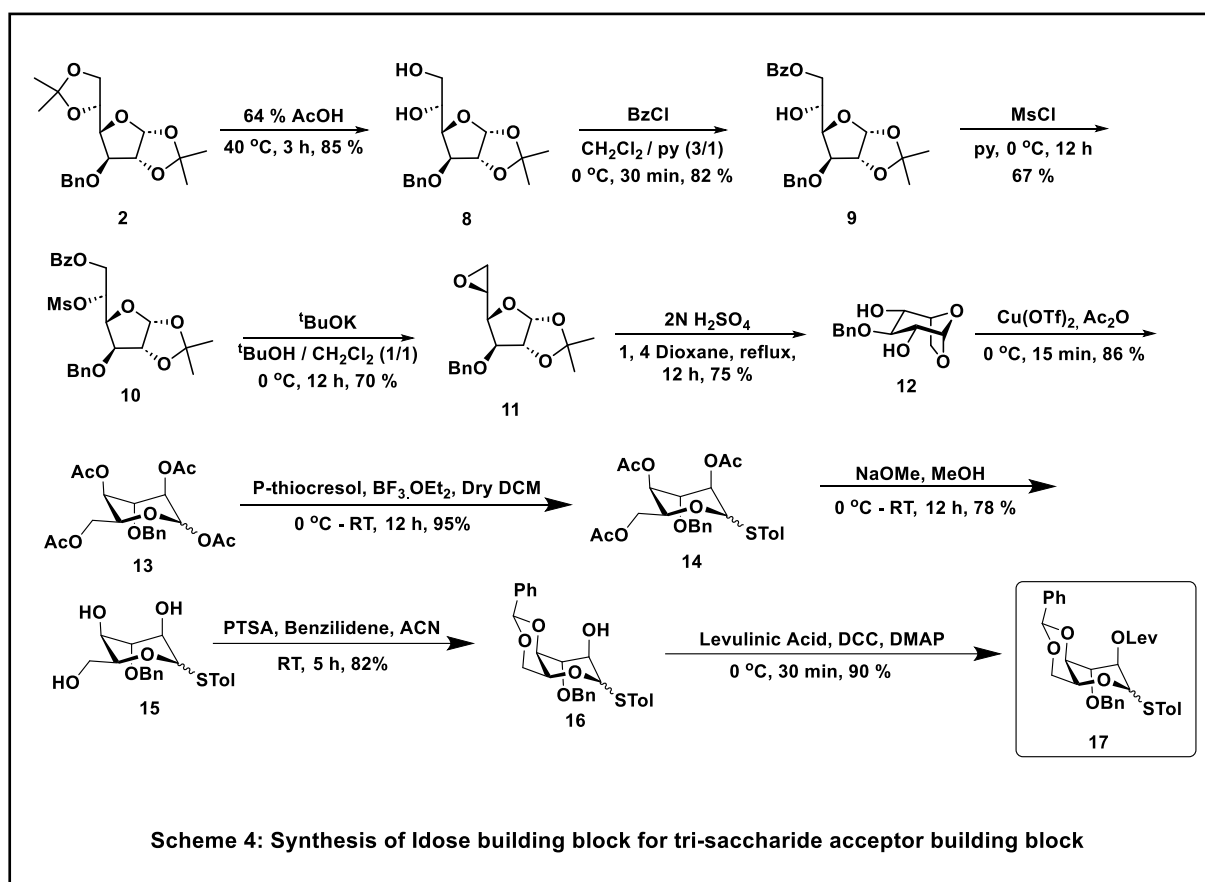
Next, compound **21** was taken for naphthyl protection using sodium hydride and naphthyl bromide, respectively. Compound **27** was subjected to benzylidene ring opening using pTSA with an 82% yield. Compound **28** was taken for TBDPS protection using tert-butyl di-phenyl silane chloride with 83% yield. Compound **29** was further divided into two batches; one batch was subject to Lev protection using levulinic acid, DCC and DMAP with a 90% yield. Another batch was used for chloroacetate protection.

### 2.3 Synthesis of Disaccharide building block:



Once we synthesised the required monosaccharide building blocks compounds **26** and **7**, we proceeded for glycosylation using N-iodosuccinamide and TMSOtf at  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  with 60% yield. Compound **32** was subjected to allyl deprotection using palladium chloride in acetic acid, followed by acetylation using copper triflate in acetic anhydride with 80% yield. Finally, compound **34** was treated with TMSSPh and  $\text{ZnI}_2$  in dry DCM to get the thio-phenyl disaccharide donor with a 90% yield.

## 2.4 Synthesis of Iduronic acid building block:



For the tri-saccharide building block synthesis, we require an idose building block. We initiated from the di-acetal-protected glucofuranose sugar. The compound **2** was subjected to selective ketal deprotection using 64% acetic acid in water, followed by selective benzoylation at C6 by benzoyl chloride and pyridine. Compound **9** was taken for mesitylation using methane sulfonyl chloride. Then compound **10** was subjected to epoxidation, followed by ring expansion using 2 N  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  with 75% yield. Compound **12** was further subjected to acetylation using copper triflate in acetic anhydride. Compound **13** was subjected to thio glycosylation, followed by deacetylation. Finally,

compound **16** was taken for benzylidene protection, followed by lev protection with a 90% yield.

### **3. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE PLANS:**

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We have successfully synthesised the disaccharide donor building block and all the required monosaccharide building blocks of glucosamine, idose, and glucose. All the compounds were characterised by NMR, MALDI-TOF, and HRMS. Now, we are working on the tri-saccharide acceptor building block, which will be used for further integration with the disaccharide donor to get the pentasaccharide sequence. The successful methodology will be followed for making the fondaparinux analogs and they will be subjected to biological studies.

### **4. EXPERIMENTAL SECTION:**

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#### **Materials:**

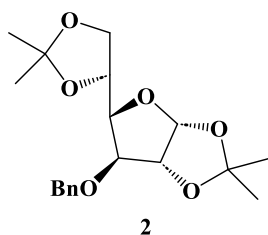
All chemicals were purchased from Sigma Aldrich, Spectrochemicals, Avra and Alfa Aesar. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and DEPT were recorded on JEOL 400 MHz and Bruker 400 MHz with Tetramethyl silane (TMS) as the internal standard. Chemical shifts were expressed in ppm units, taking TMS as a reference. ESI HRMS data were recorded on Waters Synapt G2 spectrometer. All reactions were monitored by Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) carried out on 0.25 mm E-Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) with UV-light, and for staining, CAM and KMnO<sub>4</sub> were used. All reactions were carried out under the nitrogen atmosphere with dry solvents purchased from a commercial supplier and used without purification. All solvent evaporations were carried out under reduced pressure on the Heidolph rotatory evaporator. Silica gel of 100 -200 mesh was used for column chromatography.

## 5. SYNTHETIC PROCEDURE:

### 5.1 Synthesis of Glucose building block:

#### Compound 2:

#### (3aR,5S,6S,6aR)-6-(benzyloxy)-5-((S)-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[2,3-d][1,3]dioxole



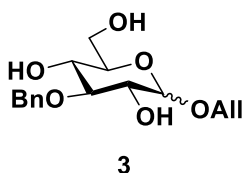
Commercially available compound **1** (50 g, 192.22 mmol) was dissolved in DMF and cooled to 0 °C. Then NaH (28 g, 182.22 mmol) was added at 0°C slowly, followed by the slow addition of BnBr (45.723 ml, 384.43 mmol) using the dropping funnel at 0°C. The reaction was kept for stirring for 12 h at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and NaH was quenched by slow addition of MeOH, and then the reaction mixture was extracted by brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer and evaporation of organic layer was done using the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. Compound **2** was obtained with a **90%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 5.90 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (q, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (ddd, *J* = 14.7, 8.1, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 4.04 – 3.99 (m, 2H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H).

#### Compound 3:

#### (2R,3R,5R)-4-(benzyloxy)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-6-(((E)-prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,5-diol



The vacuum-dried compound **2** (13 g, 37.14 mmol) was dissolved in allyl alcohol, and then 37% HCl in allyl alcohol was added to it. Then, the reaction was kept for reflux using a reflux condenser for 1 h at 120 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed, and evaporation of reaction mixture was done using the



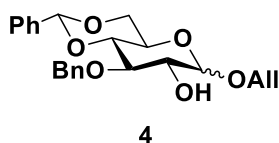
rotatory evaporator and product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with a **67%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.40 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 5.99 – 5.85 (m, 1H), 5.35 – 5.21 (m, 2H), 4.90 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.25 – 4.18 (m, 1H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 12.8, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 – 3.78 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.64 (m, 2H), 3.61 – 3.55 (m, 1H), 3.45 – 3.31 (m, 1H), 2.05 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 3H).

**Compound 4:**

**(2R,4aR,7R,8R,8aR)-8-(benzyloxy)-2-phenyl-6-(((E)-prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-7-ol**



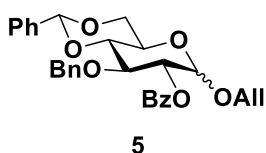
The vacuum-dried compound **3** (9.8 g, 31.89 mmol) was dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Then PTSA (606 mg, 3.1 mmol) and benzylidene (5.2 ml, 35.088 mmol) were added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 30 min. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. After completion of the response, PTSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with a **60%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.23 (m, 8H), 5.98 – 5.87 (m, 1H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 5.32 (dt, *J* = 17.2, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.80 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.18 (m, 2H), 4.08 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.87 (ddd, *J* = 18.5, 9.8, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.76 – 3.70 (m, 2H), 3.63 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H).

**Compound 5:**

**(2R,4aR,7R,8S,8aR)-8-(benzyloxy)-2-phenyl-6-(((E)-prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-7-yl benzoate**



The vacuum-dried compound **4** (41 g, 132 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of DCM and pyridine (1:4), and the reaction was cooled down to 0°C, followed by the catalytic addition of DMAP. Then, at 0 °C, benzoyl chloride (1.4 ml, 12.39 mmol) was added slowly. The reaction

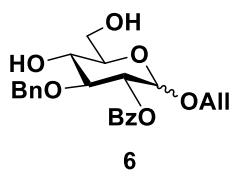
was kept for stirring for 1/2 h at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and benzoyl chloride was quenched by MeOH at 0 °C, and evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator, followed by extraction using 10% HCl and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and product purification was done by column chromatography. Compound 5 was obtained with a **91%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 8.10 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 4.0, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 5.98 – 5.87 (m, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.36 – 5.28 (m, 1H), 5.22 (ddd, *J* = 10.4, 2.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.40 – 4.02 (m, 3H), 3.92 – 3.85 (m, 1H), 3.82 – 3.59 (m, 4H).

**Compound 6:**

**(3R,5R,6R)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-hydroxy-6-(hydroxymethyl)-2-(((E)-prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate**



The vacuum-dried compound **5** (7 g, 13.9 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of DCM and MeOH (2:1). Then PTSA (5.29 g, 27.88 mmol) was added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 1 hr.

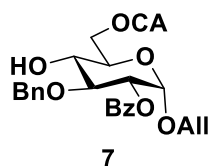
The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and PTSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **85%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 8.09 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 5.86 – 5.76 (m, 1H), 5.29 – 5.22 (m, 1H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.76 – 4.72 (m, 1H), 4.18 (ddt, *J* = 13.3, 5.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (ddt, *J* = 13.3, 5.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 3.81 – 3.75 (m, 2H).

### Compound 7:

**(2S,3R,4S,5R,6R)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)-5-hydroxy-2-(((E)-prop-1-en-1-yl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate**



The vacuum-dried compound **6** (4.1 g, 10.09 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM and cooled to -45 °C. Then, at -45 °C, NEt<sub>3</sub> (1.7 ml, 12.11 mmol) and chloroacetic anhydride (2 g, 12.11 mmol) were added. The reaction was kept on stirring for 10 min under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and it was quenched and extracted by 10% HCl solution. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure product was obtained with a **65%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 8.11 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 5.89 – 5.78 (m, 1H), 5.31 – 5.24 (m, 1H), 5.20 – 5.13 (m, 2H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (qd, *J* = 11.9, 3.6 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (ddt, *J* = 13.2, 5.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (s, 2H), 4.09 (t, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.06 – 3.94 (m, 2H), 3.64 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 9.0 Hz, 1H).

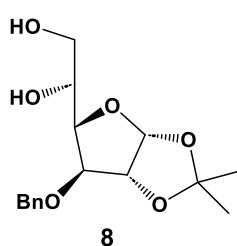
#### <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 167.69 (s), 165.97 (s), 138.03 (s), 133.50 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 129.89 (s), 128.67 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 128.11 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz), 117.88 (s), 95.59 (s), 79.70 (s), 75.49 (s), 73.75 (s), 70.11 (s), 69.40 (s), 68.73 (s), 64.83 (s), 40.84 (s).

## 5.2 Synthesis of Iduronic acid building block:

### Compound 8:

**(S)-1-((3aR,5S,6S,6aR)-6-(benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[2,3-d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)ethane-1,2-diol**



The vacuum-dried compound **2** (59 g, 192.22 mmol) was taken, and 64% AcOH (230 ml) was added. The reaction was kept for reflux, using a reflux condenser for 12 h at 40 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and AcOH was quenched by slow addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and then the reaction

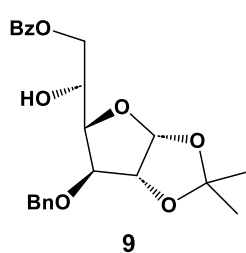
mixture was extracted by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and evaporation of the organic layer was performed by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. Compound 3 was obtained with an **85%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.39 – 7.28 (m, 15H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 4.72 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 3H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 4.57 (d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 3H), 4.14 – 4.09 (m, 6H), 4.05 – 4.00 (m, 3H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 3.4 Hz, 3H), 3.69 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 5.5 Hz, 3H), 2.04 (s, 1H), 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.31 (s, 9H).

**Compound 9:**

**(S)-2-((3aR,5S,6S,6aR)-6-(benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[2,3-d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-hydroxyethyl benzoate**



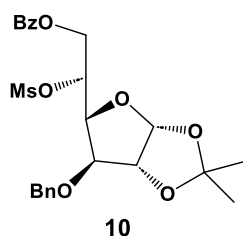
The vacuum-dried compound **8** (41 g, 132 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (100 ml). Then pyridine (10.692 ml, 79.1 mmol) was added, and the reaction was cooled down to 0 °C. BzCl (18.40 ml, 158 mmol) was added slowly by syringe at 0°C. The reaction was kept for stirring for 1/2 h at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed, and benzoyl chloride was quenched by MeOH at 0 °C. Then, evaporation of the reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator and extracted by 10% HCl and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and product purification was done by column chromatography. Compound 4 was obtained with an **82%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 8.05 (dt, *J* = 3.2, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.28 (m, 7H), 5.97 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.67 – 4.57 (m, 3H), 4.44 (dd, *J* = 11.7, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (ddd, *J* = 8.7, 6.0, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H).

### Compound 10:

#### (S)-2-((3aR,5R,6S,6aR)-6-(benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[2,3-d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-2-((methylsulfonyl)oxy)ethyl benzoate



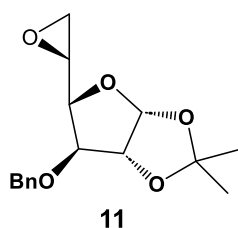
The vacuum-dried compound **9** (45 g, 108 mmol) was dissolved in pyridine. It was cooled to 0 °C. Then MsCl (18.40 ml, 158 mmol) was added slowly by the dropping funnel at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred for 12 h at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed, and pyridine was quenched by the slow addition of MeOH at 0 °C. Then, the pyridine was evaporated by the rotatory evaporator, followed by extraction using 10% HCl and brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and product purification was done by column chromatography. Compound **10** was obtained with a **67%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 8.09 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.57 (ddd, *J* = 7.0, 2.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.29 (m, 7H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (dd, *J* = 12.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 4.64 – 4.60 (m, 2H), 4.53 – 4.46 (m, 2H), 4.15 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 1H), 3.00 (s, 4H), 1.32 (s, 3H).

### Compound 11:

#### (3aR,5S,6S,6aR)-6-(benzyloxy)-2,2-dimethyl-5-((R)-oxiran-2-yl)tetrahydrofuro[2,3-d][1,3]dioxole



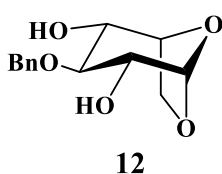
The vacuum-dried compound **10** (49.5 g, 100 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of DCM t-BuOH (1:1) and cooled to 0 °C. Then, t-BuOK (24.82g, 158 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction was kept for stirring for 12 h at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed, and t-BuOK was quenched by the addition of water, and the t-BuOH was evaporated by the rotatory evaporator. The reaction mixture was extracted by brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with a **70%** yield.

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 10H), 6.00 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 2H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 2H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 3.28 (ddd, *J* = 6.2, 4.3, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 1.66 (s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 6H), 1.32 (s, 6H).

### Compound 12:

#### (1*S*,2*R*,3*S*,4*R*,5*S*)-3-(benzyloxy)-6,8-dioxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane-2,4-diol



The vacuum-dried compound **11** (49.5 g, 100 mmol) was dissolved in dioxane, and 2N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was added. The reaction was kept for reflux at 105 °C using the reflux condenser for 12 h under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and 2N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

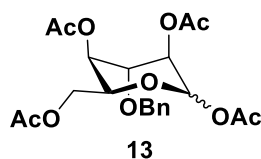
was quenched by the slow addition of 3N NaOH, and then the reaction mixture was extracted by brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer and evaporation of organic layer was performed by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with a **75%** yield.

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 4H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 1H), 5.29 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (t, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.89 – 3.84 (m, 1H), 3.72 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.68 – 3.62 (m, 1H), 3.39 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H).

### Compound 13:

#### (3*R*,4*S*,5*R*,6*S*)-6-(acetoxymethyl)-4-(benzyloxy)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-2,3,5-triyl triacetate



The vacuum-dried compound **12** (600 mg, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in acetic anhydride and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C, the copper triflate (20 mg, 0.05 mmol) was added. The reaction was kept on stirring for 15 min and monitored using TLC. Reaction

was completed, and the reaction mixture was quenched by slow addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and extracted by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer

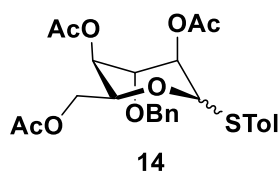
and evaporation of organic layer was performed by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with an **86%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.52 (dd, *J* = 6.5, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 2H), 5.24 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 5.06 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.75 – 4.70 (m, 1H), 4.16 (ddd, *J* = 17.5, 11.4, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.09 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H).

**Compound 14:**

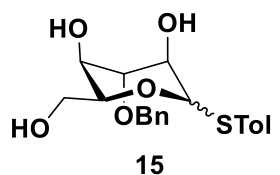
**(2S,3R,4S,5R)-2-(acetoxymethyl)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,5-diol diacetate**



The vacuum-dried compound **13** (6 g, 13.69 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then P-thiocresol (3.4 g, 27.38 mmol) was added at 0 °C and BF<sub>3</sub>.OEt<sub>2</sub> (17.49 g, 123 mmol) was added slowly by the dropping funnel at 0 °C. The reaction was kept on stirring for 72 h under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. After the completion of the reaction BF<sub>3</sub>.OEt<sub>2</sub> was quenched by slow addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and then the reaction mixture was extracted by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer, and evaporation of organic layer was performed by the rotatory evaporator. The compound was dried using the high vacuum and proceeded to the next step.

**Compound: 15**

**(2S,3R,4S,5R)-4-(benzyloxy)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,5-diol**

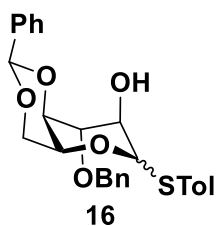


The vacuum-dried compound **19** (41 g, 93.8 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (200 ml). Then, it was cooled down to 0°C. Then NaOMe (20.26 g, 375 mmol) was added slowly, and the reaction was kept on stirring at 0°C for 12 h under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and NaOMe was quenched by amberlite acidic resin to neutralise the solution. Then, the reaction mixture

was filtered and evaporated by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. Pure compound was obtained with a **78%** yield.

#### Compound 16:

#### (2R,4aS,7R,8R,8aR)-8-(benzyloxy)-2-phenyl-6-(p-tolylthio)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-7-ol



The vacuum-dried compound **20** (19.25 g, 61.90 mmol) was taken and dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Then PTSA (1.1 g, 6.19 mmol) and Benzilidine (10.22 ml, 68.09 mmol) were added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 30 min. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction.

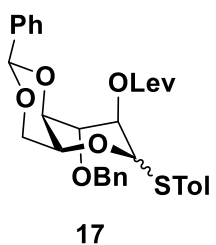
Reaction was completed and PTSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **82%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.48 – 7.29 (m, 12H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.56 (d, *J* = 32.0 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 1H), 4.31 (dd, *J* = 12.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.13 – 4.07 (m, 3H), 3.84 – 3.78 (m, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H).

#### Compound 17:

#### (2R,4aS,7R,8S,8aR)-8-(benzyloxy)-2-phenyl-6-(p-tolylthio)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-7-yl 4-oxopentanoate



The vacuum-dried compound **24** (266 mg, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then at 0 °C, DCC (236 mg, 1.14 mmol) and DMAP (7 mg, 0.05 mmol) were added, followed by the slow addition of levulinic acid. The reaction was kept on stirring for 30 min and monitored by TLC. Reaction was completed and the reaction

mixture was filtered by celite filtration to remove urea. Then, the product was evaporated by the rotatory evaporator and purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with a **90%** yield.



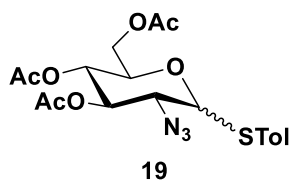
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.51 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.8 Hz, 3H), 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.60 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 5.24 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 2H), 4.89 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 4.28 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 4.13 – 4.08 (m, 1H), 4.01 (s, 1H), 2.60 – 2.51 (m, 4H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.95 (s, 3H).

## 5.3 Synthesis of Glucosamine building block:

### Compound 19:

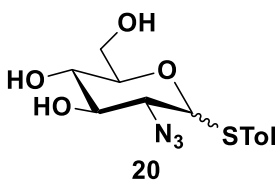
#### (2R,3S,4R,5R)-2-(acetoxymethyl)-5-azido-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,4-diyl diacetate



Commercially available compound **18** (35 g, 91.125 mmol each) was dissolved in dry DCM. Then P-thiocresol (28 g, 182.22 mmol each) was added at rt and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C, the BF<sub>3</sub>.OEt<sub>2</sub> (32.33 g, 227.81 mmol) was added slowly by the dropping funnel. The reaction was kept on stirring for 72 h under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and BF<sub>3</sub>.OEt<sub>2</sub> was quenched by slow addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and then, the reaction mixture was extracted by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and brine. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer and evaporation of organic layer was performed by the rotatory evaporator. The compound was dried using the high vacuum and proceeded to the next step.

### Compound: 20

#### (2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-2-(hydroxymethyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,4-diol

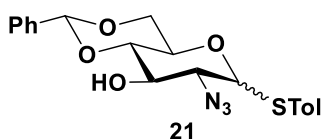


The vacuum-dried compound **19** (41 g, 93.8 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (200 ml). Then, it was cooled down to 0°C. Then NaOMe (20.26 g, 375 mmol) was added slowly and the reaction was kept for stirring at 0°C for 12 h under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and NaOMe was quenched by amber lite acidic resin to neutralise the solution. Then, the reaction mixture

was filtered and evaporated by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure compound was obtained with a **78%** yield.

### Compound 21:

#### (2R,4aR,7R,8R,8aS)-7-azido-2-phenyl-6-(p-tolylthio)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-8-ol



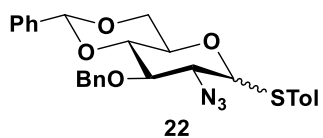
The vacuum-dried compound **20** (19.25 g, 61.90 mmol) was taken and dissolved in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. Then PTSA (1.1 g, 6.19 mmol) and Benzilidine (10.22 ml, 68.09 mmol) were added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 30 min. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and PTSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **82%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.52 – 7.50 (m, 6H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 5H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 6H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 1.8 Hz, 13H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 12H), 5.54 (s, 4H), 5.51 – 5.46 (m, 6H), 4.45 – 4.35 (m, 7H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 5.0 Hz, 4H), 4.03 (t, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 4H), 3.87 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 5.6 Hz, 4H), 3.73 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 6H), 3.54 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 4H), 3.45 – 3.38 (m, 4H), 2.98 (s, 6H), 2.34 (s, 12H), 1.65 (s, 3H).

### Compound 22:

#### (2R,4aR,7R,8R,8aS)-7-azido-8-(benzyloxy)-2-phenyl-6-(p-tolylthio)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxine



The vacuum-dried compound **21** (15 g, 37.58 mmol) was dissolved in DMF and cooled to 0°C. Then NaH (2.94 g, 122.57 mmol) was added at 0°C. After some time, benzyl bromide (4.9 ml, 41.3 mmol) was added, and the reaction was kept on stirring at 0 C for 10 min under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and NaH was quenched by MeOH. Then, evaporation of reaction

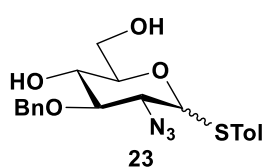
mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure compound was obtained with a **90%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.52 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 7H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 5.50 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (td, *J* = 9.9, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.02 – 3.93 (m, 2H), 3.81 – 3.73 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H).

**Compound 23:**

**(2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-4-(benzyloxy)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-ol**



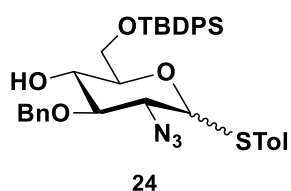
The vacuum-dried compound **22** (8 g, 15.6 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of DCM and MeOH (2:1). Then PTSA (5.9 g, 31.36 mmol) was added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 1 hr. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and PTSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **82%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.37 (dd, *J* = 6.1, 4.5 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 2.0 Hz, 3H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 5.36 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.89 – 4.80 (m, 2H), 4.15 – 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.80 – 3.72 (m, 2H), 3.69 – 3.60 (m, 4H), 3.28 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 2.85 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 4H).

### Compound 24:

**(2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-4-(benzyloxy)-2-(((tert-butyldiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-ol**



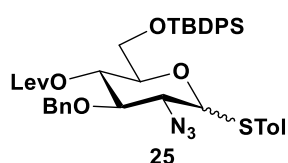
The vacuum-dried compound **22** (2.9 g, 7.3 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C NEt<sub>3</sub> (3 ml, 22 mmol), Imidazole (998 mg, 14.67 mmol) and DMAP (448 mg, 3.6 mmol) were added, followed by slow addition of TBDPSCl (2.2 ml, 8.8 mmol). The reaction was kept for stirring at 0 °C under an N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere for 12 h. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and the reaction mixture was extracted by brine. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with a **76%** yield.

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.72 – 7.66 (m, 4H), 7.47 – 7.33 (m, 13H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.48 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (q, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 2H), 4.31 – 4.25 (m, 1H), 3.86 (dddd, *J* = 18.2, 12.0, 10.2, 3.5 Hz, 4H), 3.70 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H).

### Compound 25:

**(2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-4-(benzyloxy)-2-(((tert-butyldiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl 4-oxopentanoate**



The vacuum-dried compound **24** was dissolved in DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C, DCC and DMAP were added, followed by the slow addition of levulinic acid. The reaction was kept on stirring for 30 min and monitored by TLC. Reaction was completed and the reaction mixture was filtered by celite filtration to remove urea. Then, product was evaporated by the rotatory evaporator and purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with a **90%** yield.

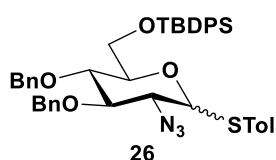
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.73 – 7.68 (m, 4H), 7.48 – 7.32 (m, 13H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.60 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1H),

4.47 – 4.40 (m, 1H), 3.99 (dd,  $J = 10.3, 5.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.89 – 3.69 (m, 3H), 2.61 (t,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 2.38 (dd,  $J = 10.3, 4.1$  Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H).

**Compound 26:**

**(((2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-3,4-bis(benzyloxy)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)methoxy)(tert-butyl)diphenyl silane**



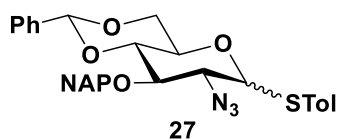
The vacuum-dried compound **21** (15 g, 37.58 mmol) was dissolved in DMF and cooled to 0°C. Then NaH (2.94 g, 122.57 mmol) was added at 0°C. After some time, benzyl bromide (4.9 ml, 41.3 mmol) was added, and the reaction was kept on stirring at 0 °C for 10 min under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction, and reaction was completed and NaH was quenched by MeOH. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. Pure compound was obtained with a **60%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

δ 7.80 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.5$  Hz, 3H), 7.72 – 7.68 (m, 7H), 7.67 – 7.64 (m, 14H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 26H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 25H), 7.30 – 7.28 (m, 19H), 7.21 (dd,  $J = 6.6, 2.5$  Hz, 7H), 7.05 – 7.02 (m, 9H), 5.56 (d,  $J = 5.3$  Hz, 4H), 4.91 (t,  $J = 5.4$  Hz, 12H), 4.87 – 4.84 (m, 5H), 4.72 (dd,  $J = 20.6, 10.8$  Hz, 6H), 4.27 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 4H), 4.03 – 3.88 (m, 12H), 3.87 – 3.82 (m, 12H), 2.31 (s, 16H), 1.05 (d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz, 37H).

**Compound 27:**

**(2R,4aR,7R,8R,8aS)-7-azido-8-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)-2-phenyl-6-(p-tolylthio)hexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxine**

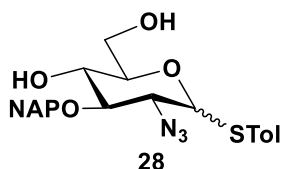


The vacuum-dried compound **21** (5.2 g, 13.02 mmol) was dissolved in DMF and cooled to 0°C. Then NaH (625 mg, 399.13 mmol) was added at 0°C. After some time, naphthyl bromide (3.456 g, 15.63 mmol) was added and the reaction was kept on stirring at 0°C for 10 min under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and NaH was quenched by MeOH. Then, evaporation of

reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. Pure compound was obtained with a **90%** yield.

#### Compound 28:

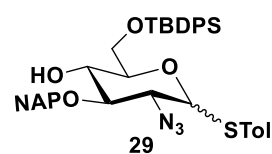
#### (2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-2-(hydroxymethyl)-4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-ol



The vacuum-dried compound **27** (13 g, 24.256 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of DCM and MeOH (2:1). Then CSA (11.26 g, 48.512 mmol) was added at RT, and the reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 1 hr. The TLC was used to monitor the reaction. Reaction was completed and CSA was quenched by NEt<sub>3</sub>, which made the reaction mixture's pH acidic to a little basic. Then, evaporation of reaction mixture was done by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **82%** yield.

#### Compound 29:

#### (2R,3S,4R,5R)-5-azido-2-(((tert-butyldiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-ol



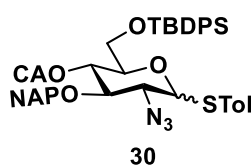
The vacuum-dried compound **28** (10.87 g, 24.109 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C NEt<sub>3</sub> (10.16 ml, 72.329 mmol), Imidazole (6.56 g, 96.43 mmol) and DMAP (1.47 g, 12.05 mmol) were added, followed by slow addition of TBDPSCl (7.5 ml, 28.931 mmol). The reaction was kept on stirring at 0 °C under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere for 12 h and monitored by TLC. Reaction was completed and the reaction mixture was extracted by brine, and product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with an **83%** yield.

#### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.82 (ddd, *J* = 9.4, 7.6, 3.6 Hz, 36H), 7.74 – 7.64 (m, 55H), 7.54 – 7.44 (m, 29H), 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 52H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 15H), 5.45 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H), 5.04 (t, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 8H), 4.37 – 4.24 (m, 8H), 3.92 (t, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 7H), 3.73 (ddd, *J* = 18.3, 13.8, 9.2 Hz, 12H), 2.27 (s, 13H), 1.05 (s, 37H).

### Compound 30:

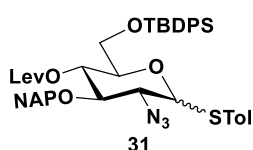
**(2R,3S,5R)-5-azido-2-(((tert-butyldiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl 2-chloroacetate**



The vacuum-dried compound **29** () was dissolved in the solution DCM and pyridine (4:1) and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C, NEt<sub>3</sub> was added, followed by the slow addition of chloroacetic anhydride. The reaction was kept on stirring under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere for 15 min and monitored by TLC. Reaction was completed and the reaction mixture was quenched and extracted by 10% HCl solution, and product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with a **90%** yield.

### Compound 31:

**1-((2S,3S,5R)-5-azido-2-(((tert-butyldiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-4-(naphthalen-2-ylmethoxy)-6-(p-tolylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl)pentane-1,4-dione**

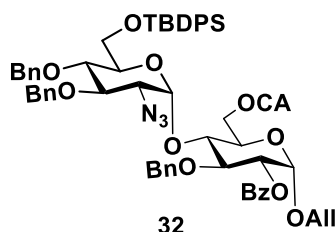


The vacuum-dried compound **29** (12.137 g, 17.607 mmol) was dissolved in DCM and cooled to 0 °C. Then at 0 °C, DCC (7.262 g, 35.215 mmol) and DMAP (215 mg, 122.17 mmol) were added, followed by the slow addition of levulinic acid. The reaction was kept on stirring for 30 min and monitored by TLC. The reaction was completed, and the reaction mixture was filtered by celite filtration to remove urea. Then, the product was evaporated by the rotatory evaporator and purification was done by column chromatography. The pure product was obtained with a **90%** yield.

## 5.4 Synthesis of Di-saccharide building block:

### Compound 32:

(2S,3R,4S,5R,6R)-2-(allyloxy)-5-(((2R,3R,5S,6R)-3-azido-4,5-bis(benzyloxy)-6-(((tert-butyl-diphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)oxy)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate



Compound **26** (3.6 g, 4.9 mmol) and Compound **7** (1.93 g, 3.9 mmol) were dissolved in dry DCM, and freshly dried 4 Å molecular sieves were added under anhydrous conditions. After stirring for 1 hr at RT, the reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C. Then, at -78 °C, TMSOTf (178 μL, 0.9 mmol) was

added, and the reaction was monitored using TLC. After the completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was quenched with triethylamine, and the molecular sieve was filtered using celite filtration, followed by the extraction using NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer and evaporated by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure compound was obtained with a **60%** yield.

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (td, *J* = 6.6, 1.1 Hz, 4H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.24 – 7.17 (m, 10H), 7.10 (s, 7H), 5.76 – 5.63 (m, 1H), 5.48 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 5.19 – 5.12 (m, 1H), 5.06 – 4.99 (m, 3H), 4.80 (ddd, *J* = 13.3, 10.6, 2.7 Hz, 5H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 12.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.14 – 4.01 (m, 2H), 3.90 – 3.82 (m, 4H), 3.79 – 3.71 (m, 2H), 3.65 (dd, *J* = 18.9, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.58 – 3.48 (m, 2H), 3.22 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 9H).

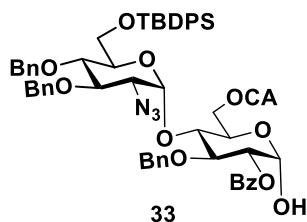
### <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 166.99, 165.88, 138.03, 136.33 – 135.77, 135.72, 133.48, 133.00, 129.87, 129.57, 128.80 – 127.46, 117.89, 98.20, 95.19, 92.22, 80.24, 78.33, 78.03, 77.48, 77.16, 76.84, 75.77, 75.28, 75.03, 74.29, 73.09, 68.72, 68.19, 64.62, 63.56, 62.59, 62.18, 53.54, 40.56, 29.80, 27.00, 19.43.



### Compound 33:

(2S,3R,4S,5R,6R)-5-(((2R,3R,4R,5S,6R)-3-azido-4,5-bis(benzyloxy)-6-(((tert-butyl-diphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)oxy)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)-2-hydroxytetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate



The vacuum-dried compound **32** (1.4 g, 1.2 mmol) was dissolved in a solution of MeOH and DCM (3:1). Then, at RT, PdCl<sub>2</sub> (45 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added with the catalytic amount of acetic acid into the reaction mixture and the reaction mixture was kept on stirring for 5 h. After the completion of the

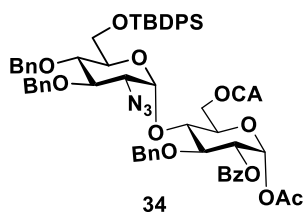
reaction, the palladium chloride was filtered using celite filtration, followed by evaporation using the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure compound was obtained with a **65%** yield.

### <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 8.05 (dd, *J* = 10.9, 4.7 Hz, 2H), 7.68 – 7.62 (m, 4H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 4.2 Hz, 6H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 7H), 7.18 (dd, *J* = 18.0, 5.2 Hz, 9H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (s, 1H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 5.11 (dd, *J* = 9.7, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.95 – 4.87 (m, 4H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (t, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 2H), 4.03 – 3.92 (m, 2H), 3.89 – 3.83 (m, 2H), 3.78 – 3.71 (m, 2H), 3.65 – 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.37 – 3.30 (m, 1H), 2.27 (s, 2H), 1.04 (s, 9H).

### Compound 34:

(2R,3R,4S,5R,6R)-2-acetoxy-5-(((1R,2R,4R,5R,6R)-5-azido-7,8-dibenzyl-2-(((tert-butyl-diphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)-3,7,8,8-trioxabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-7-en-4-yl)oxy)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate



The vacuum-dried compound **33** (600 mg, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in acetic anhydride and cooled to 0 °C. Then, at 0 °C, the copper triflate (20 mg, 0.05 mmol) was added. The reaction was kept on stirring for 15 min and monitored using TLC.

Reaction was completed and the reaction mixture was quenched by slow addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and extracted by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> was used to dry the organic layer and evaporation of the organic layer was done by the rotatory evaporator.

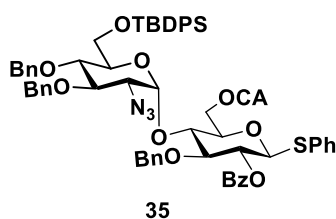
Product purification was done by column chromatography. The pure compound was obtained with an **80%** yield.

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

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**Compound 35:**

**(2S,3R,4S,5R,6R)-5-(((2R,3R,4R,5S,6R)-3-azido-4,5-bis(benzyloxy)-6-(((tert-butylidiphenylsilyl)oxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl)oxy)-4-(benzyloxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)-2-(phenylthio)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl benzoate**



The vacuum-dried compound **34** (366 mg, 0.3 mmol) was mixed with ZnI<sub>2</sub> (223 mg, 0.7 mmol), and the mixture was dried under high vacuum pressure for 2 h. Then, after 2 hr under the N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, DCM and TMSSPh (10 ml, 52.8 mmol) were added to the reaction mixture. The reaction was kept for stirring at rt for 12 h and monitored using TLC. Reaction was completed and ZnI<sub>2</sub> was filtered by celite bed. The reaction mixture was extracted by the brine water solution and evaporated by the rotatory evaporator. Product purification was done by column chromatography, and the pure compound was obtained with a **90%** yield.

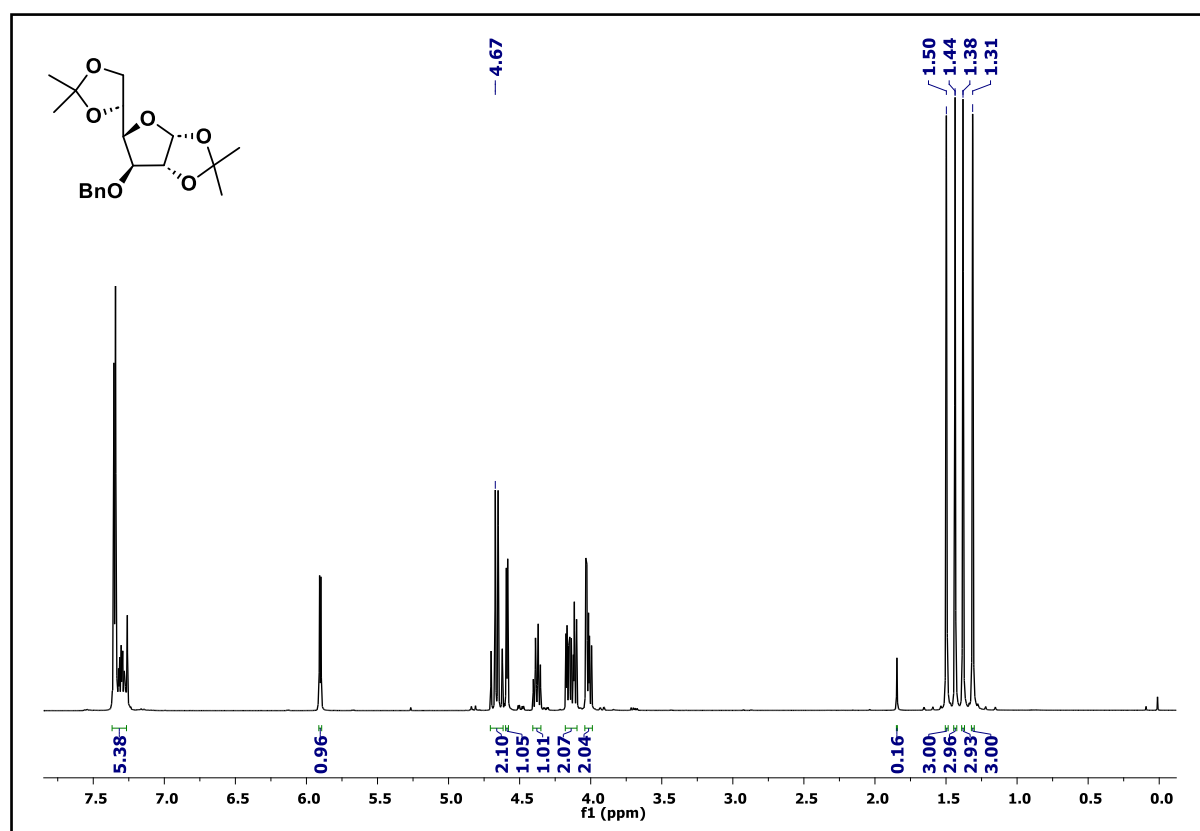
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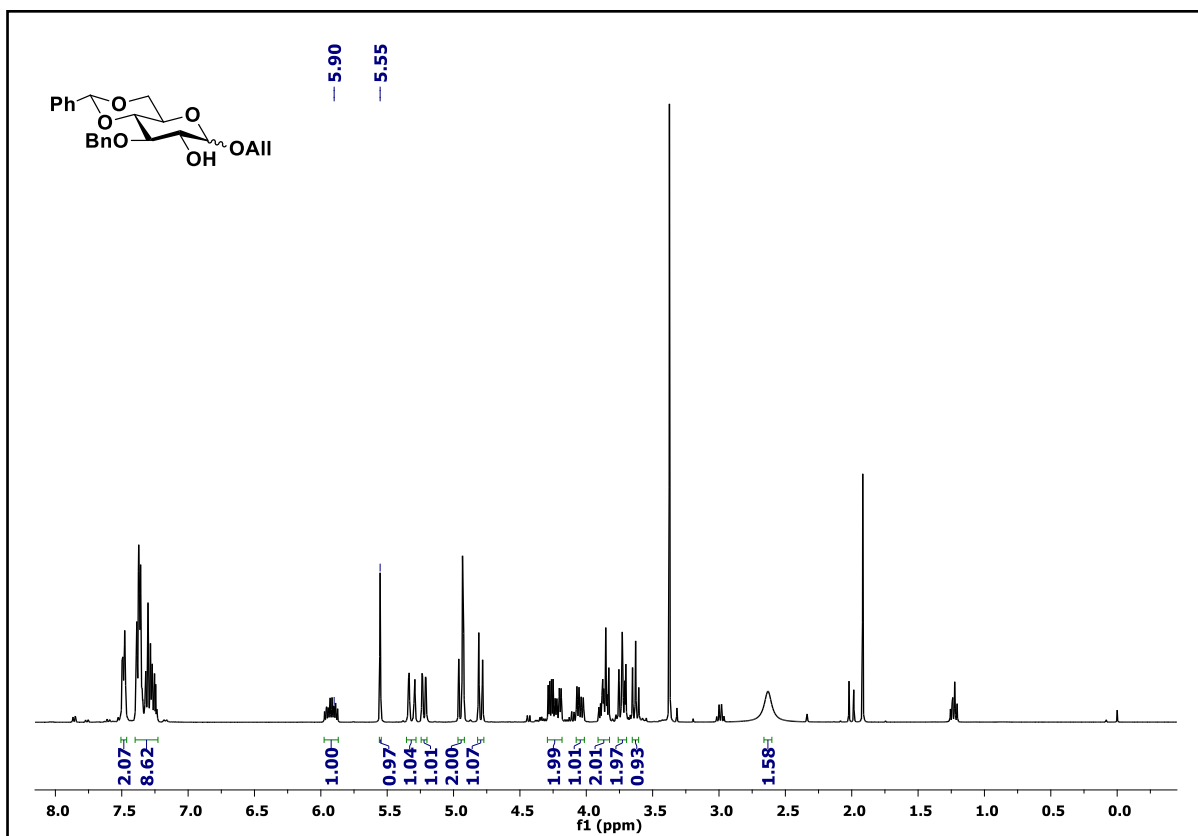
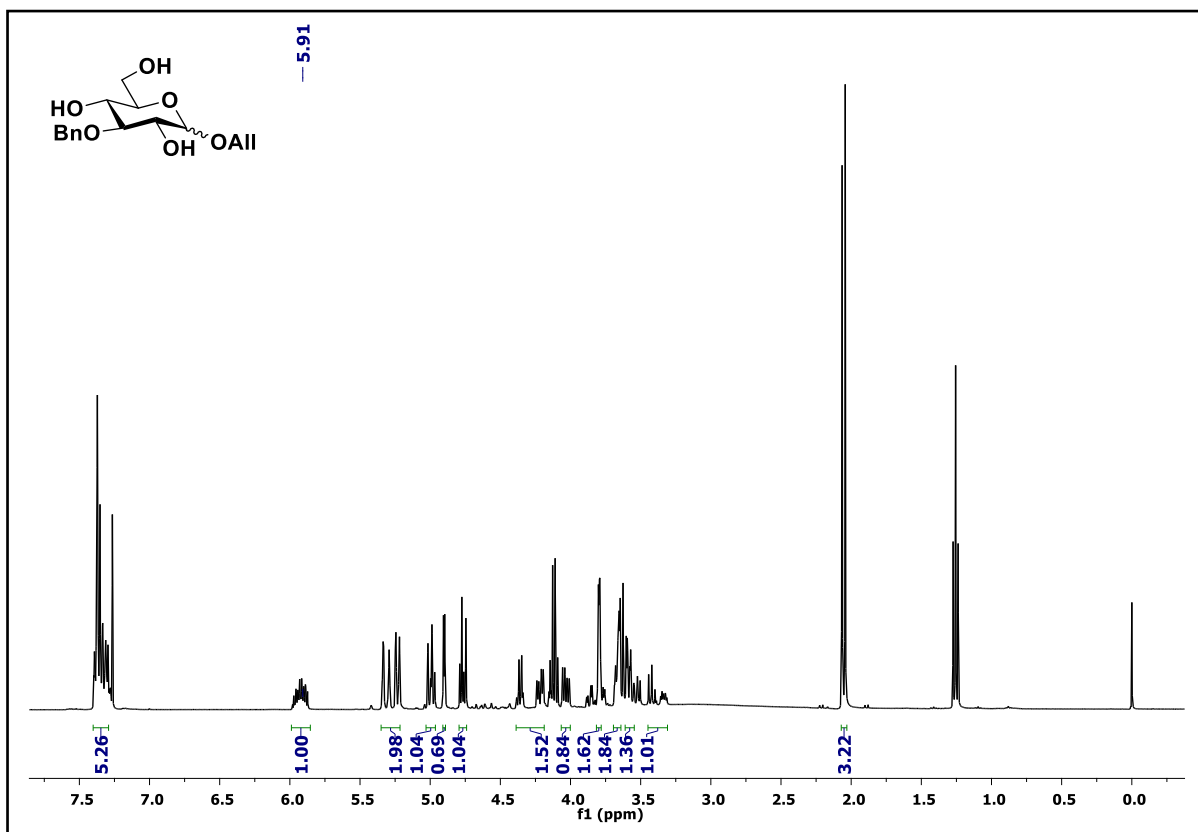
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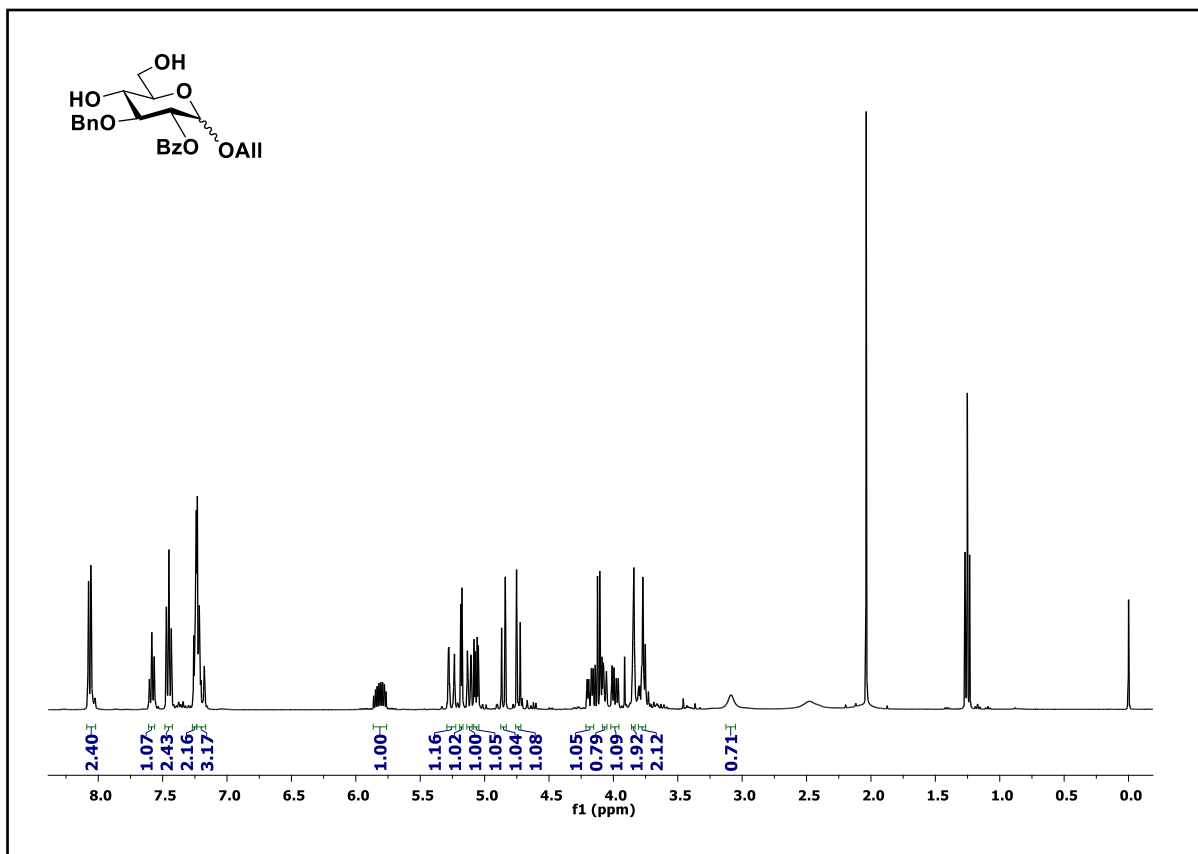
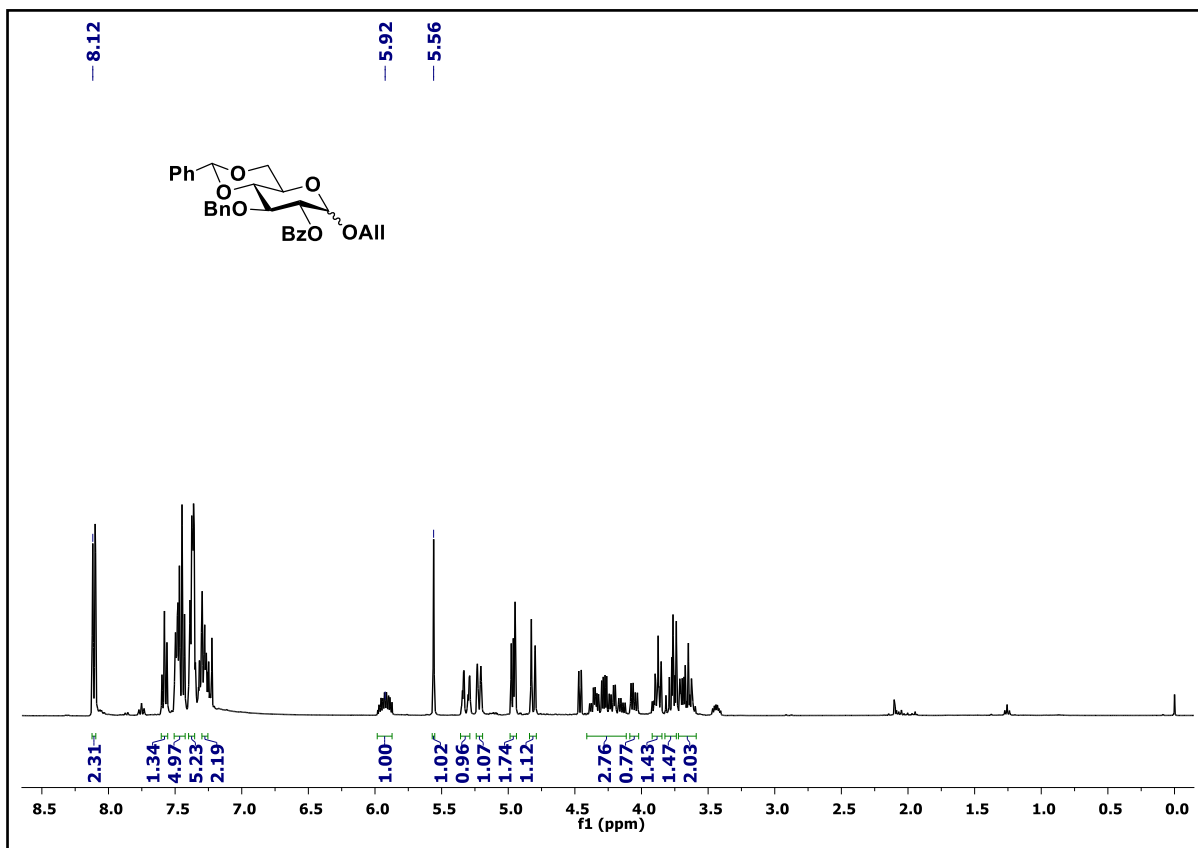
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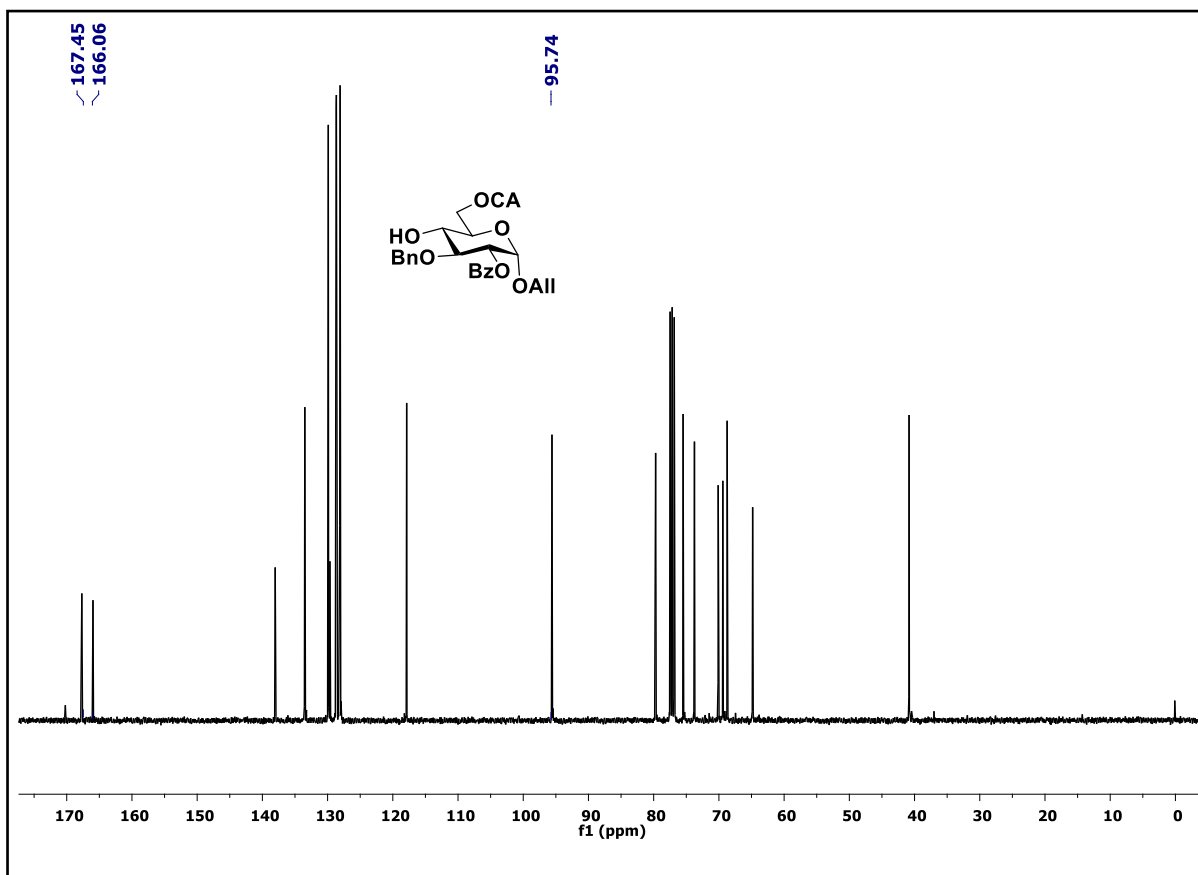
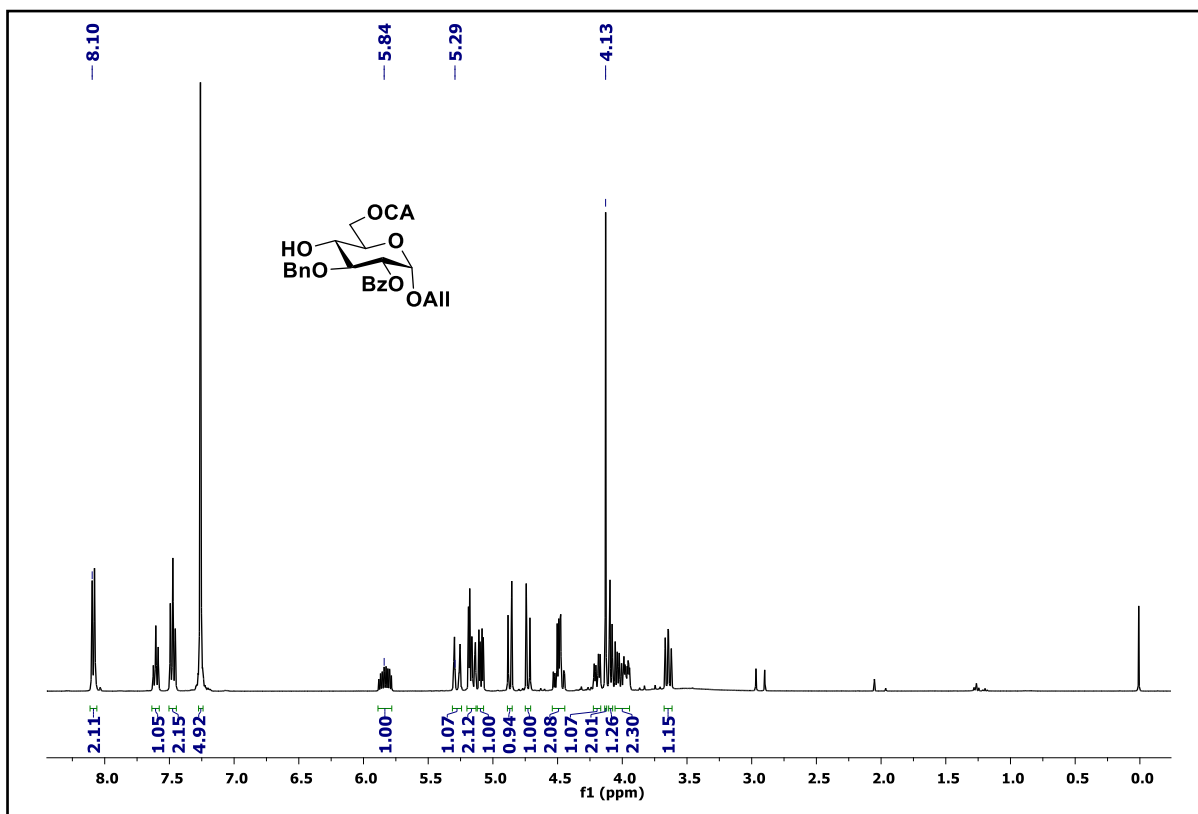
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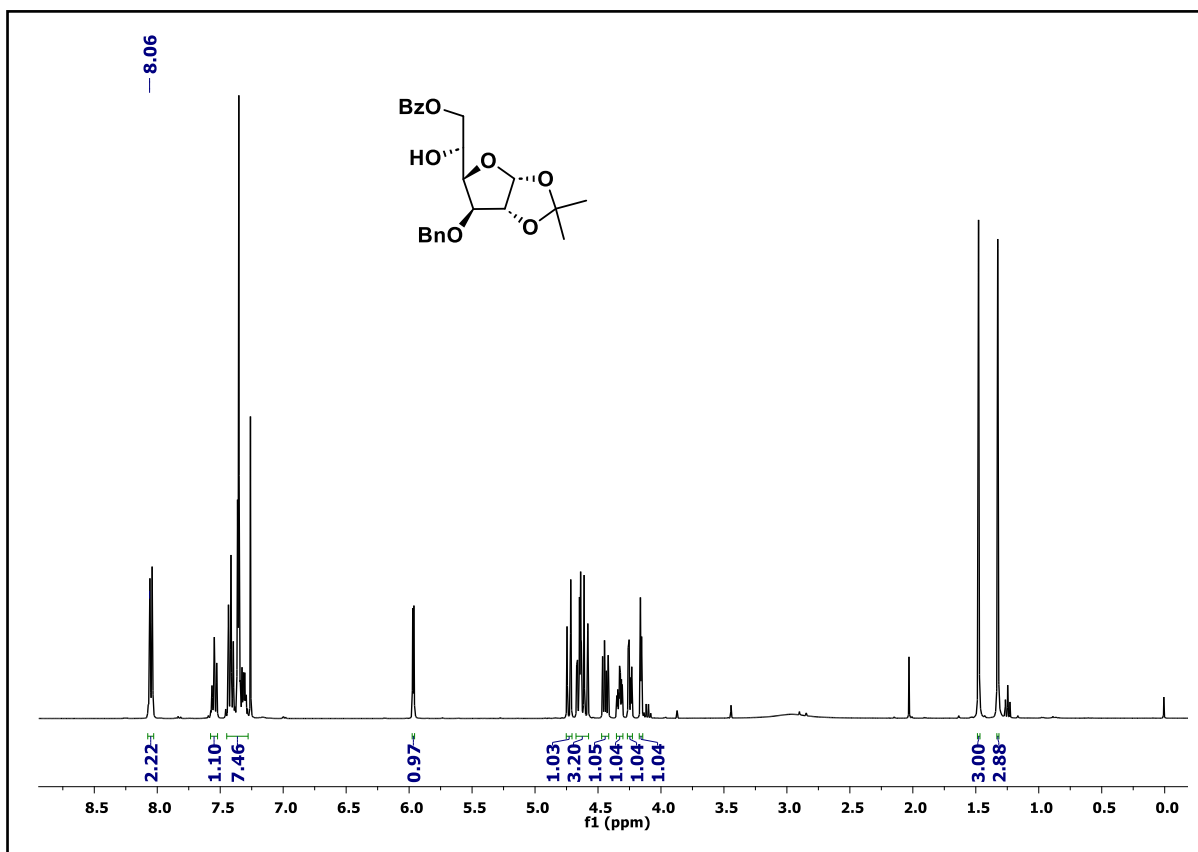
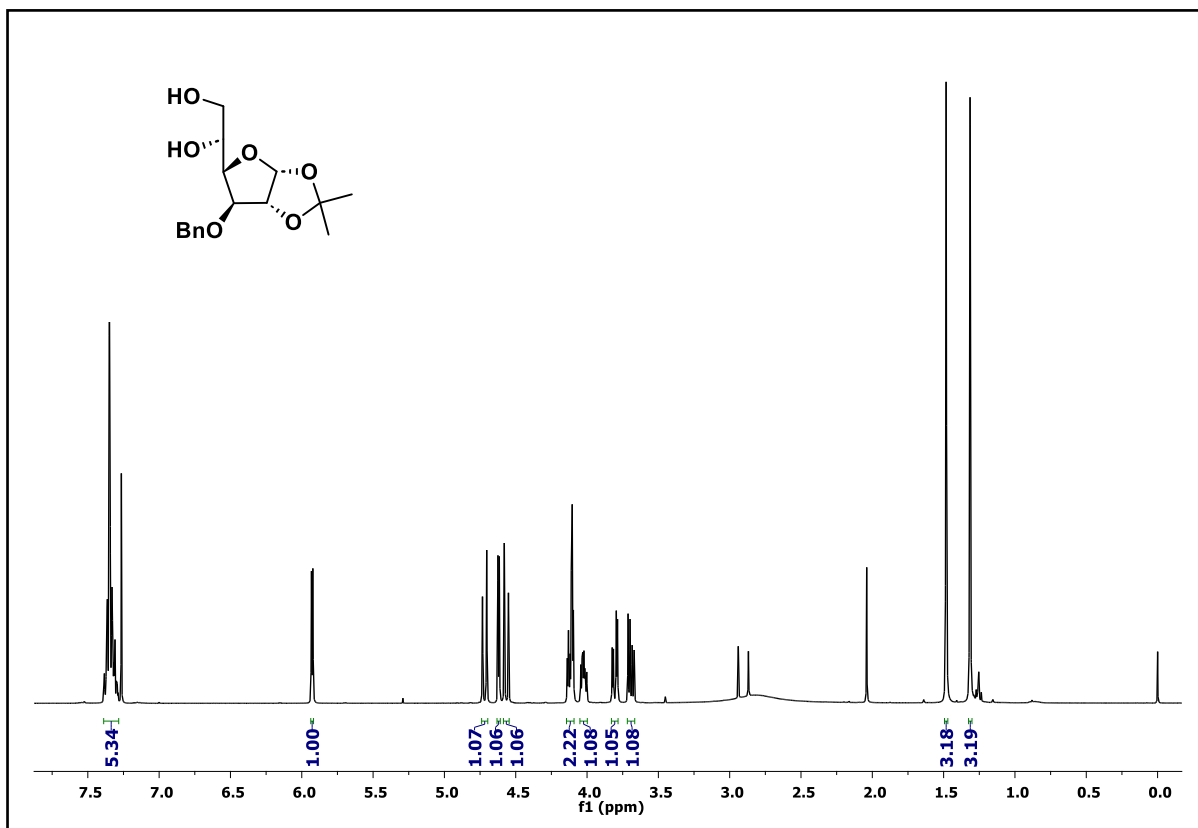
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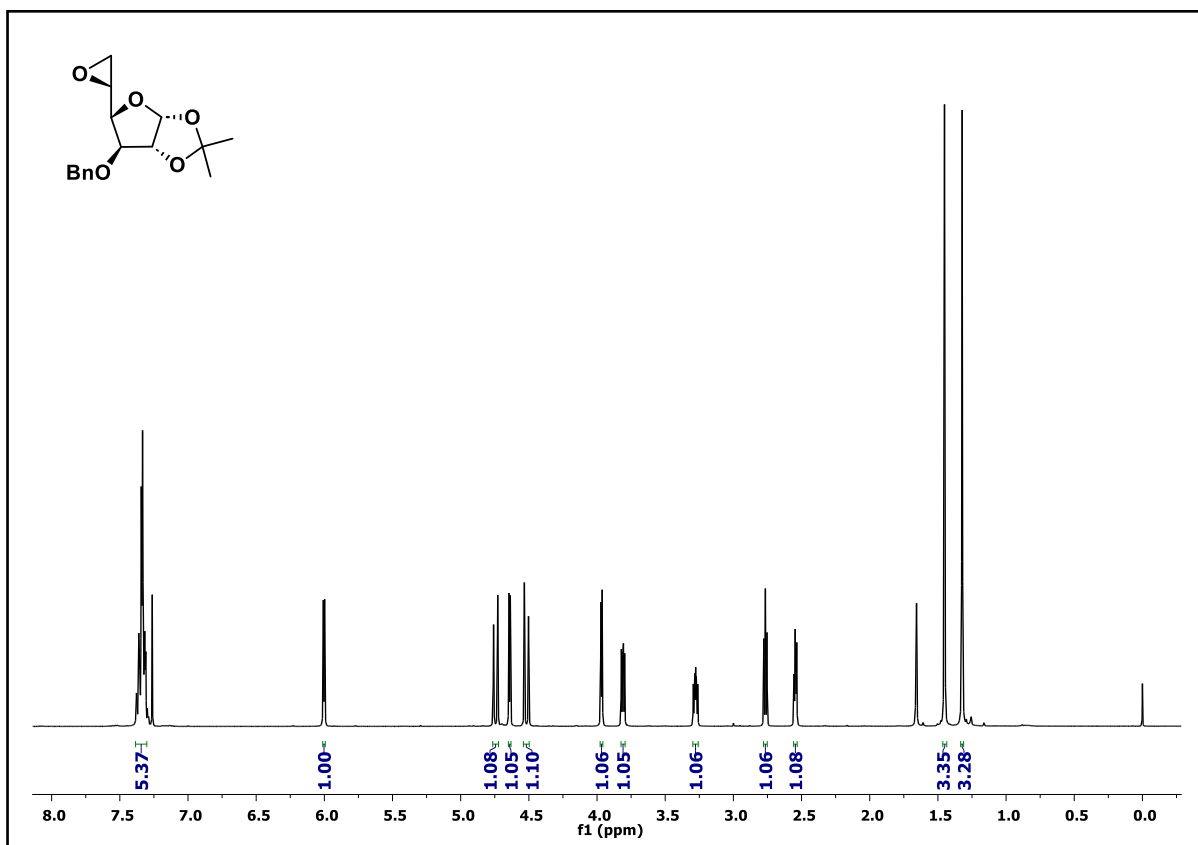
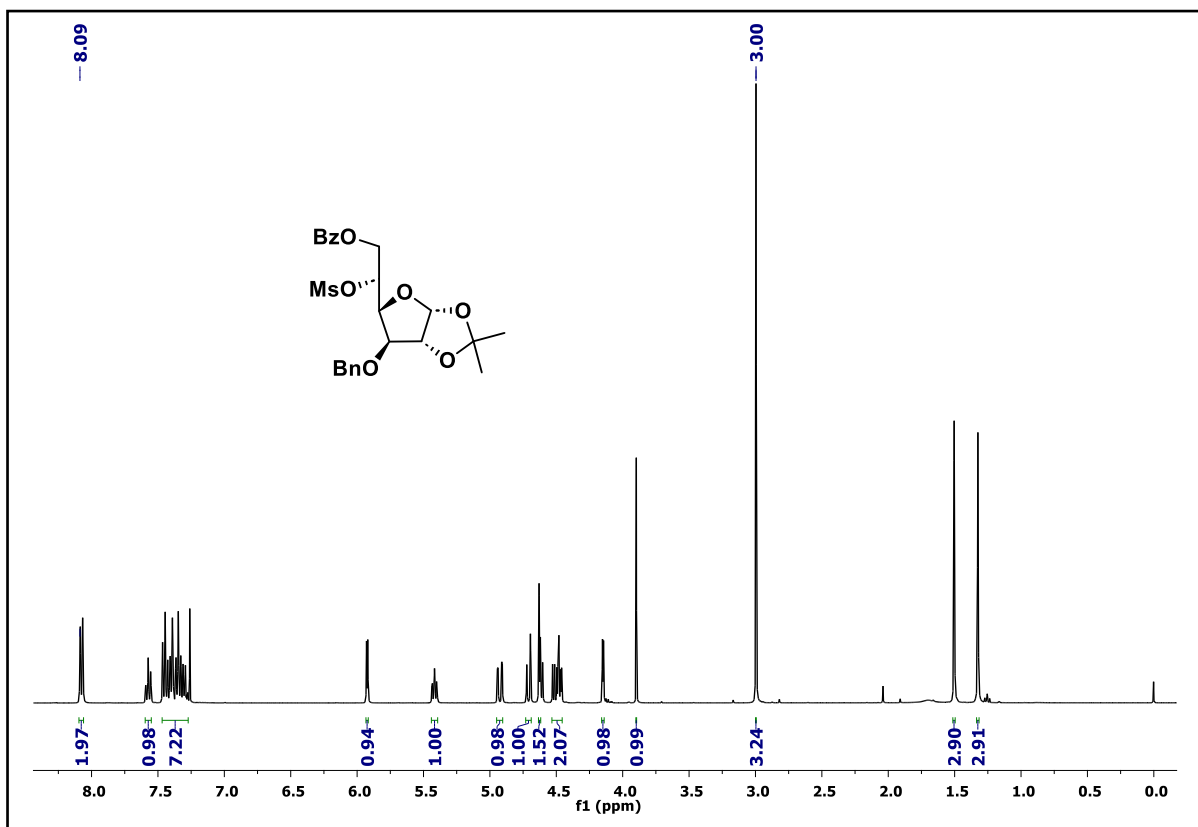




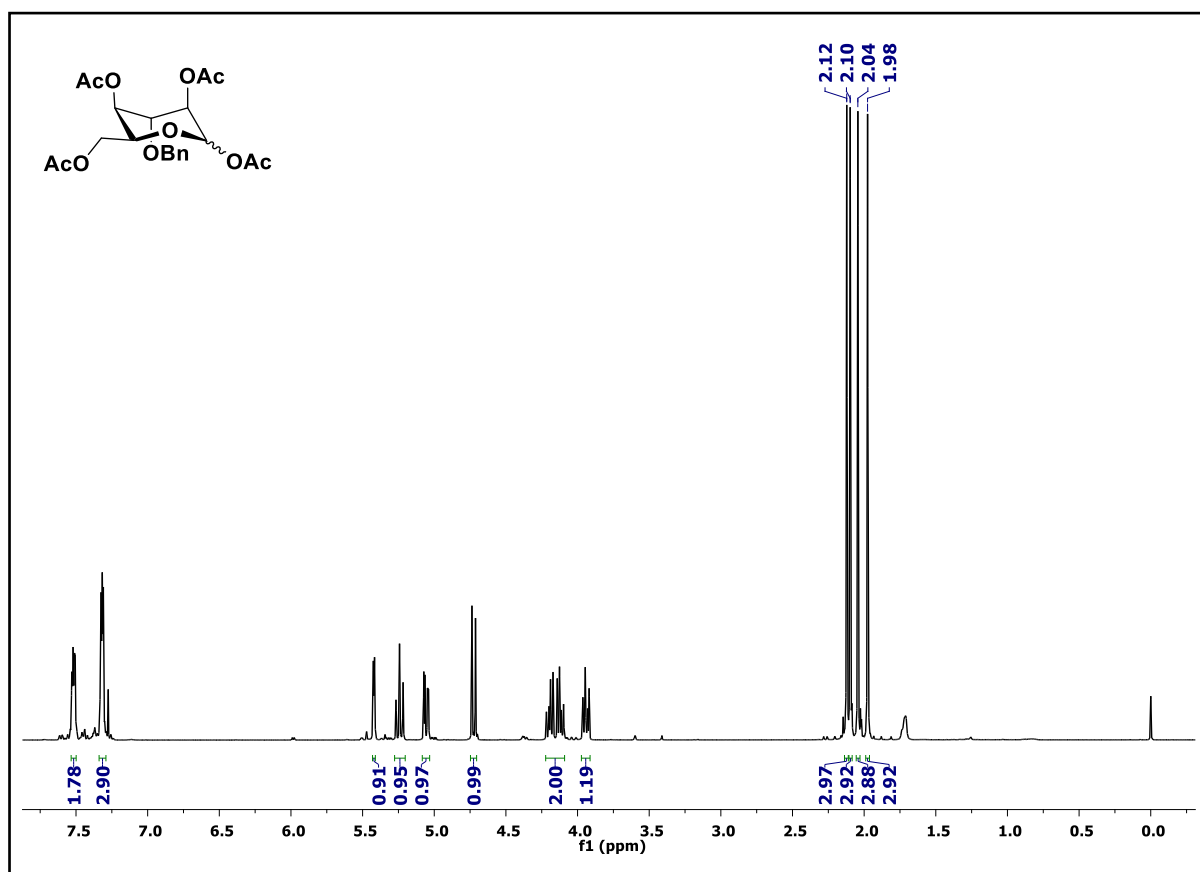
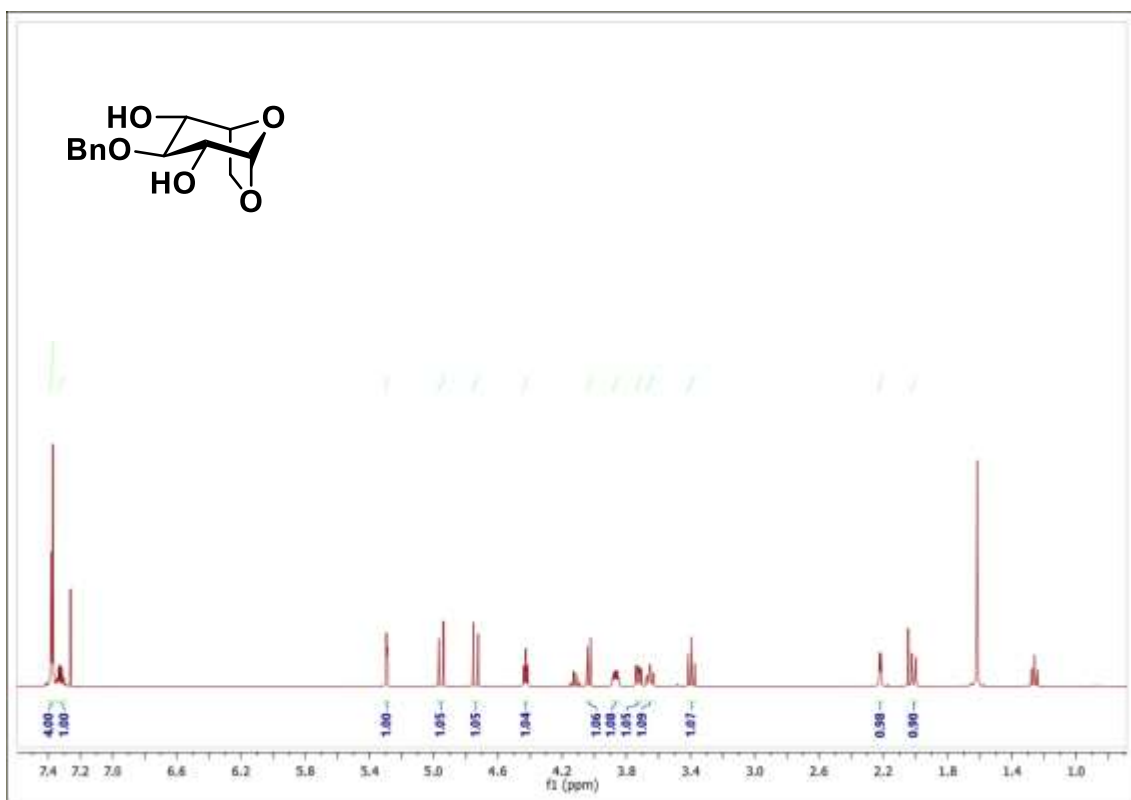


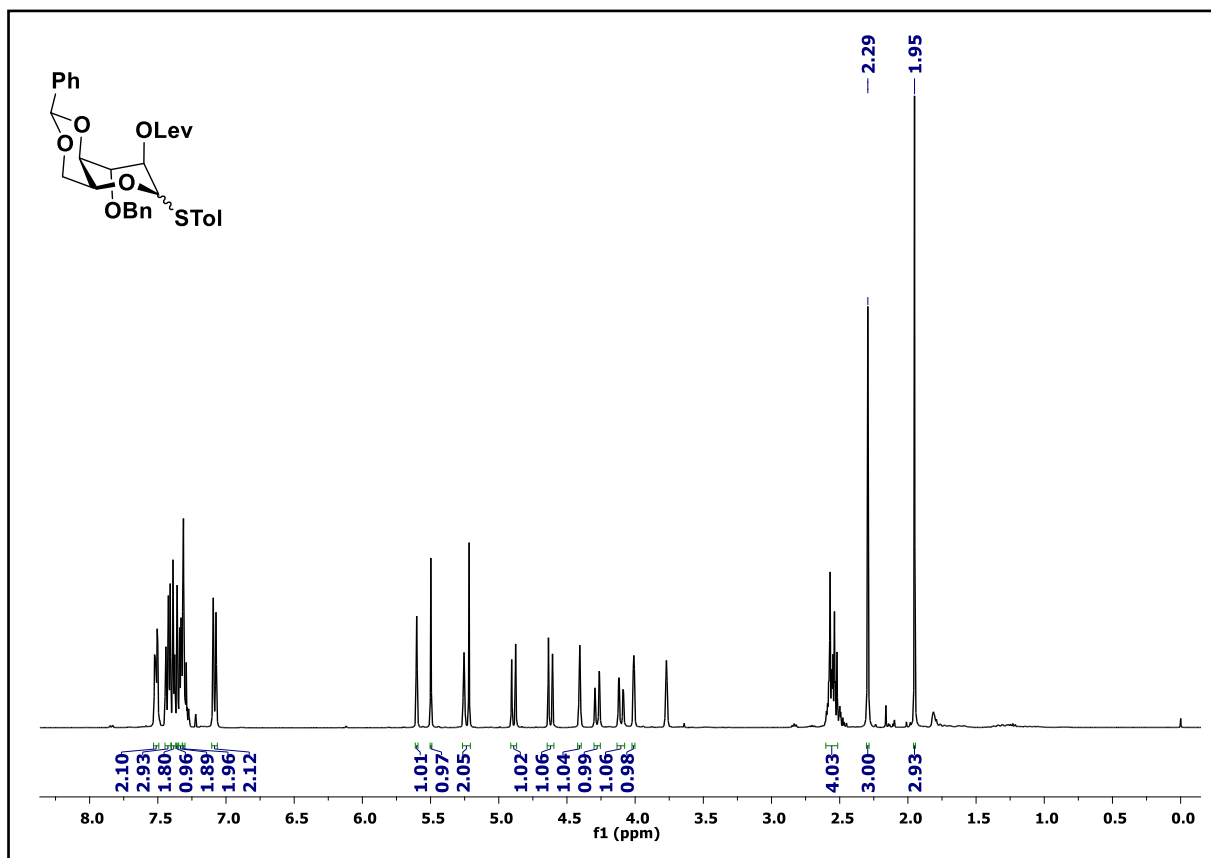
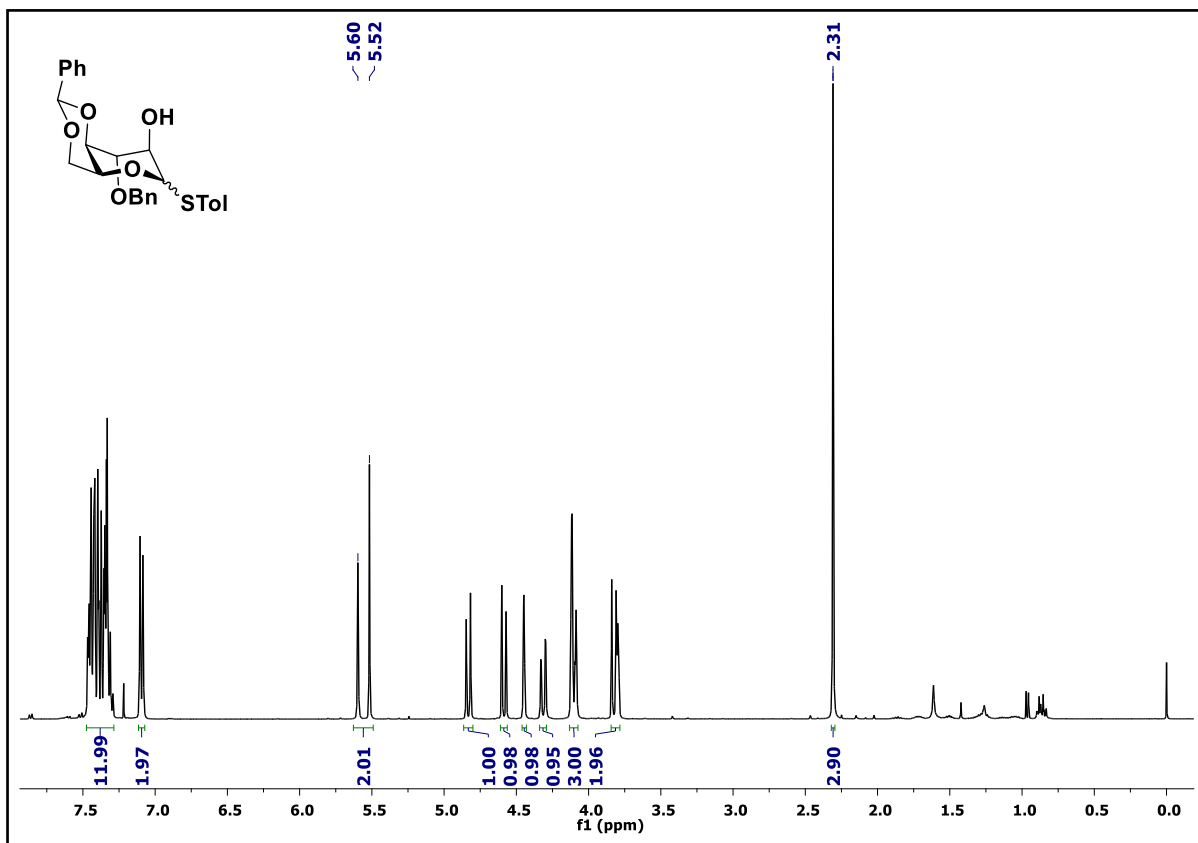


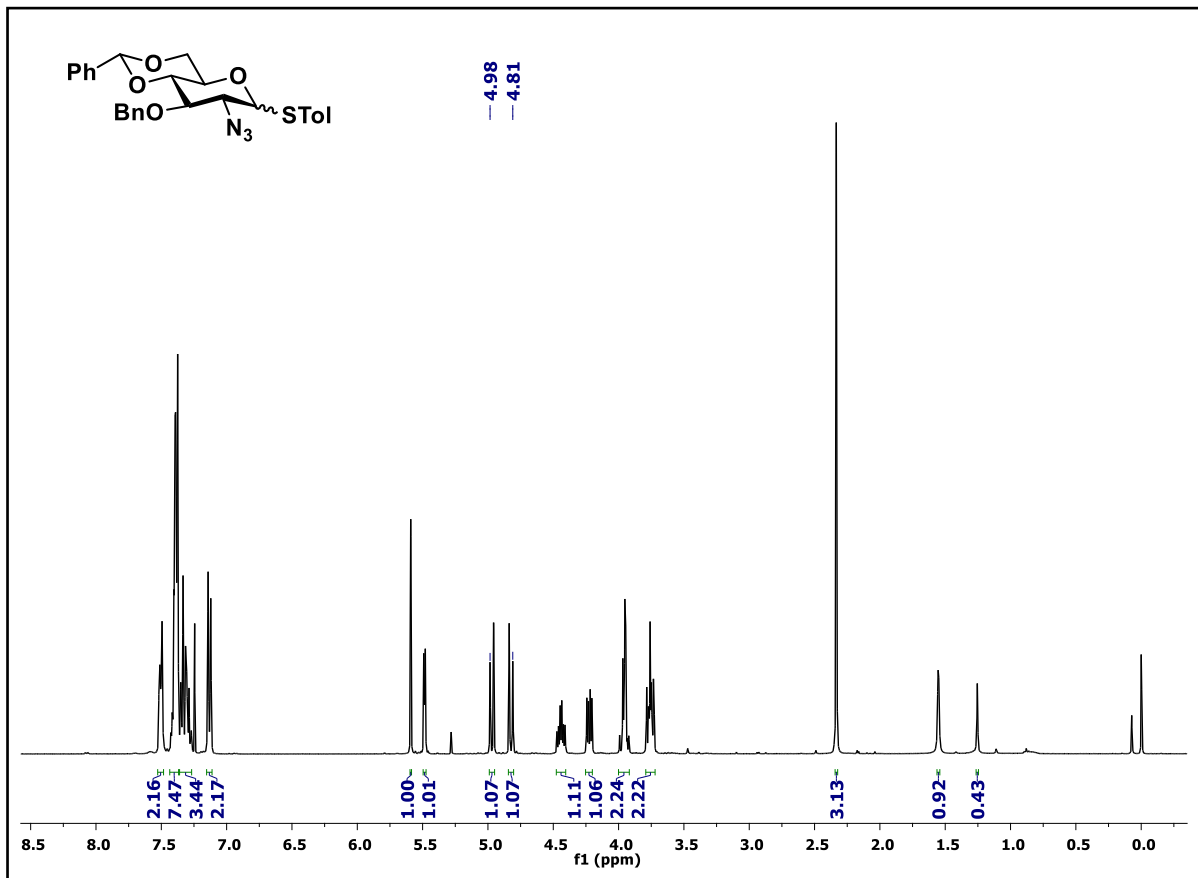
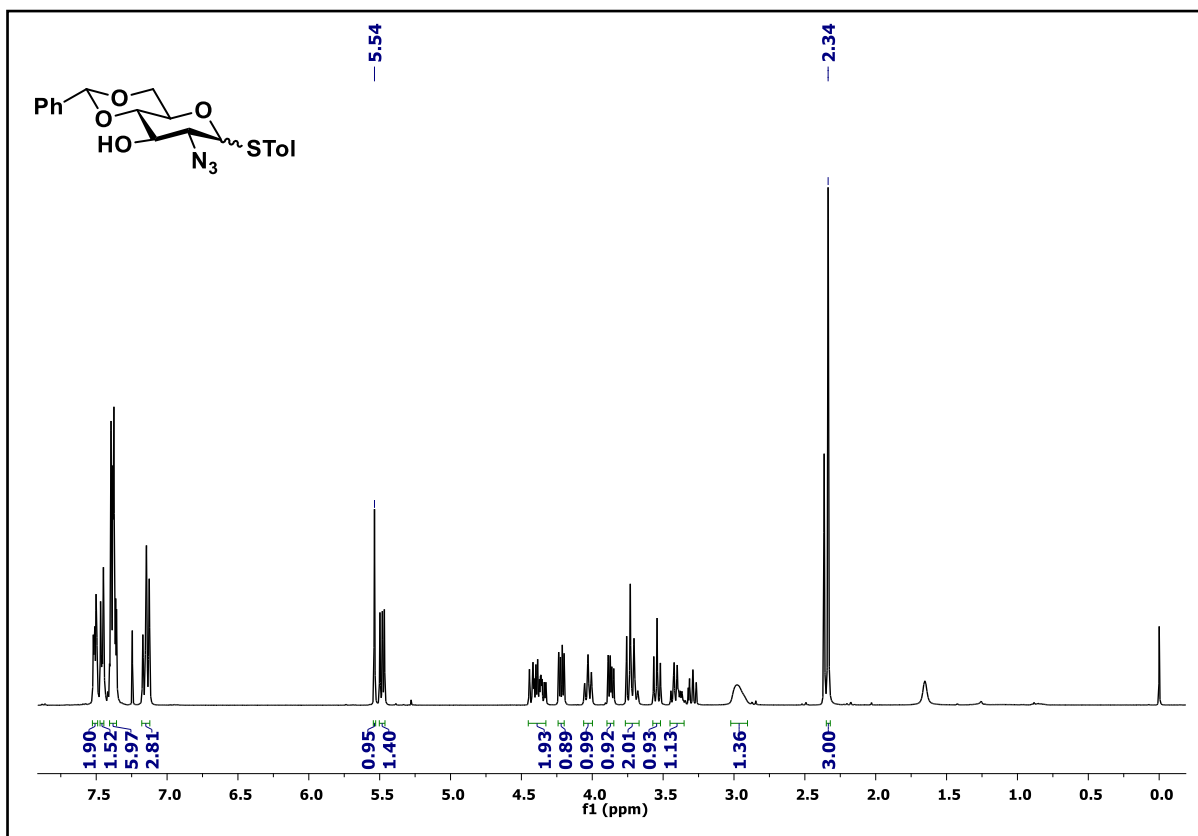


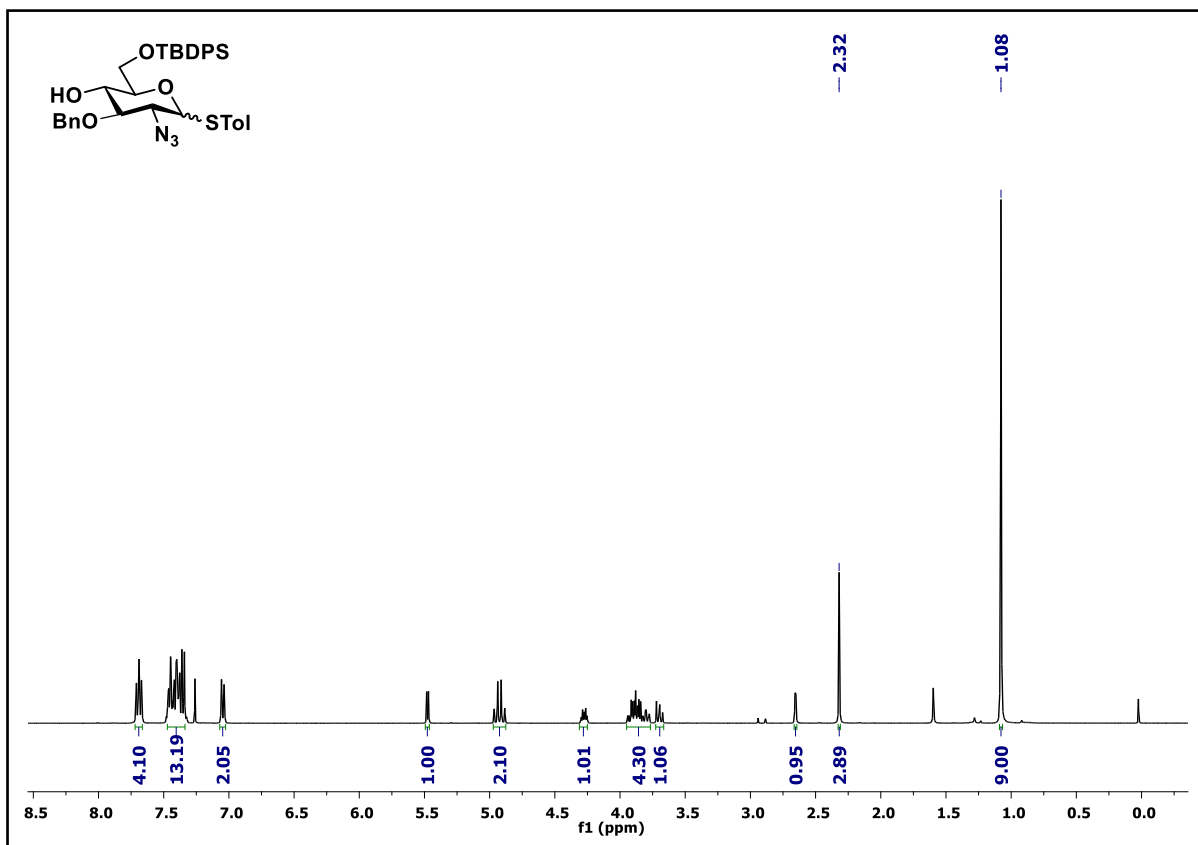
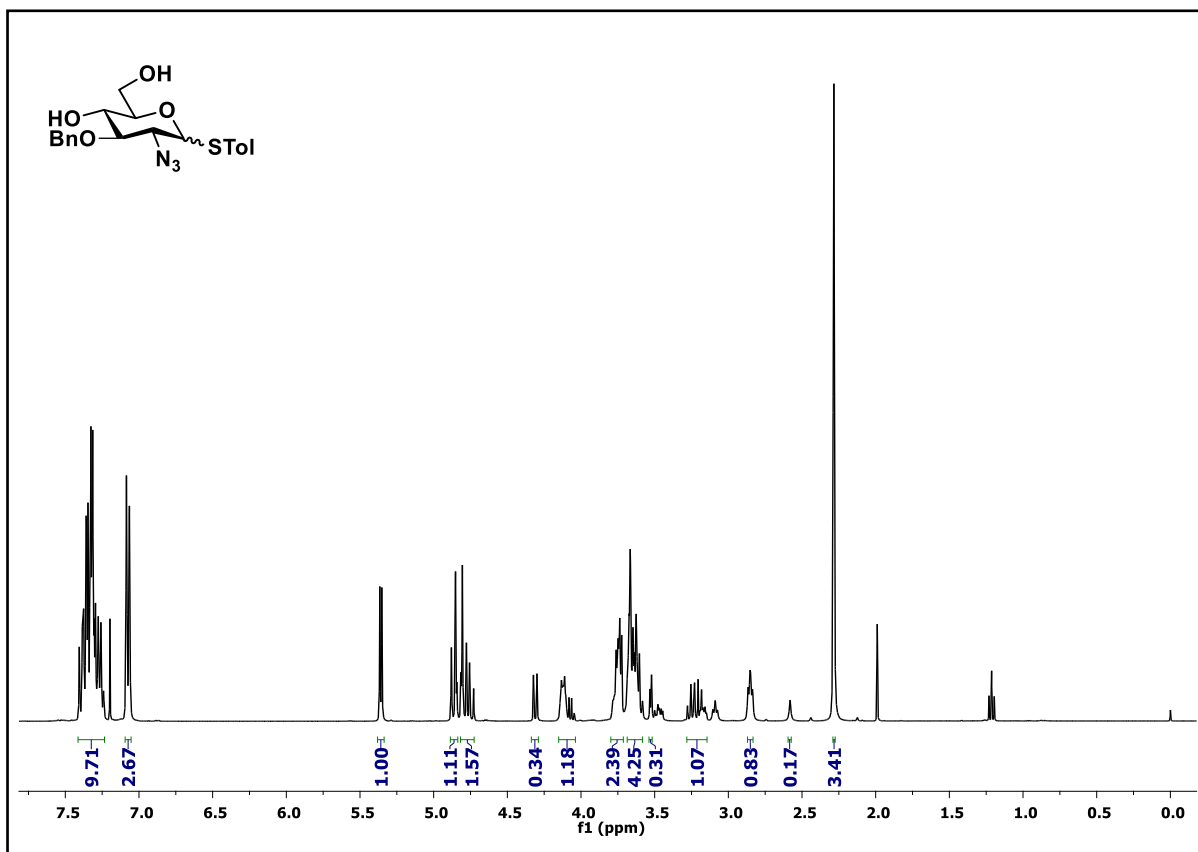


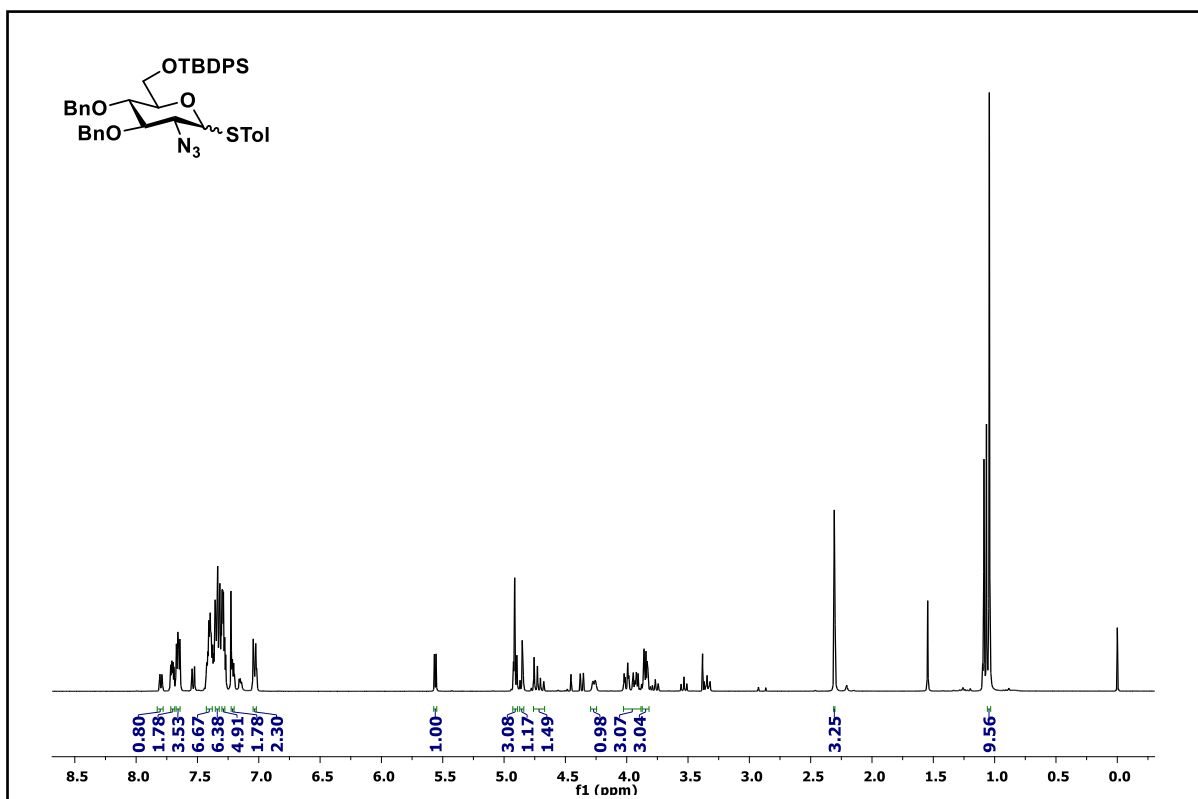
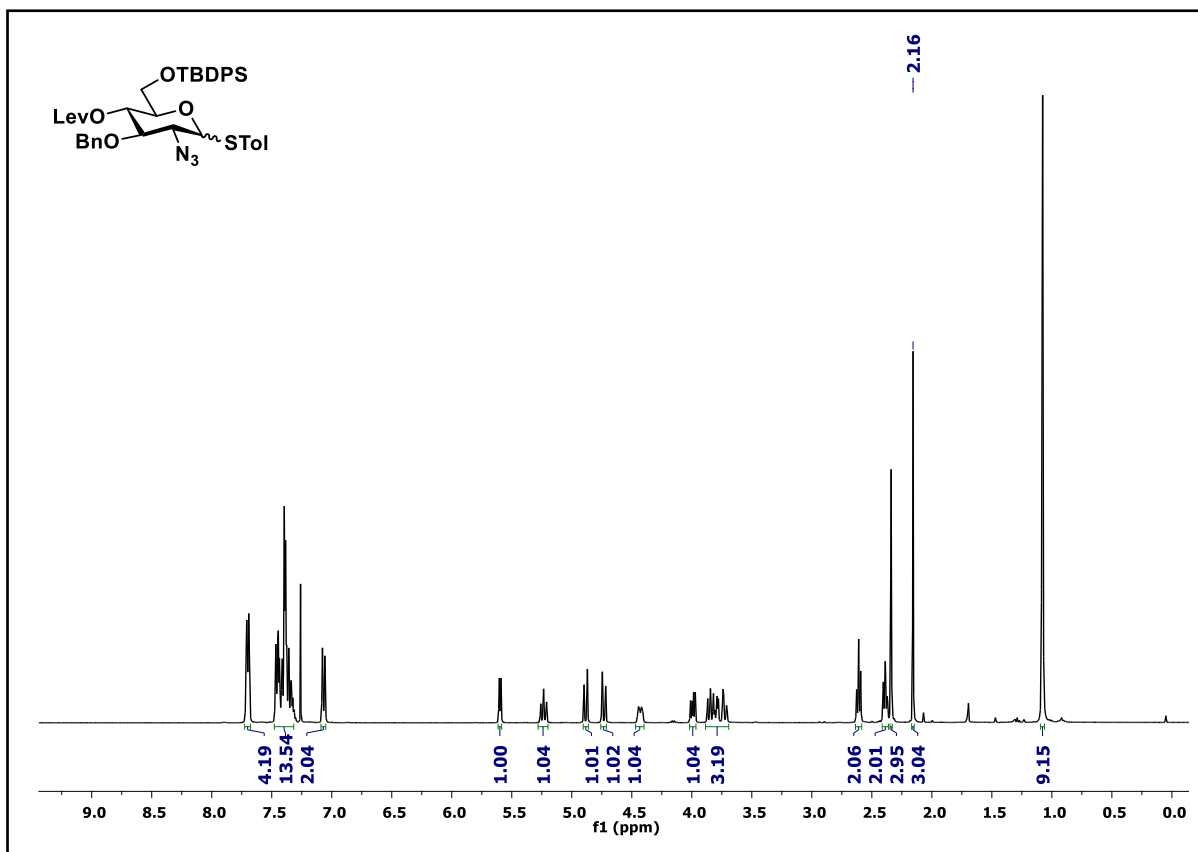


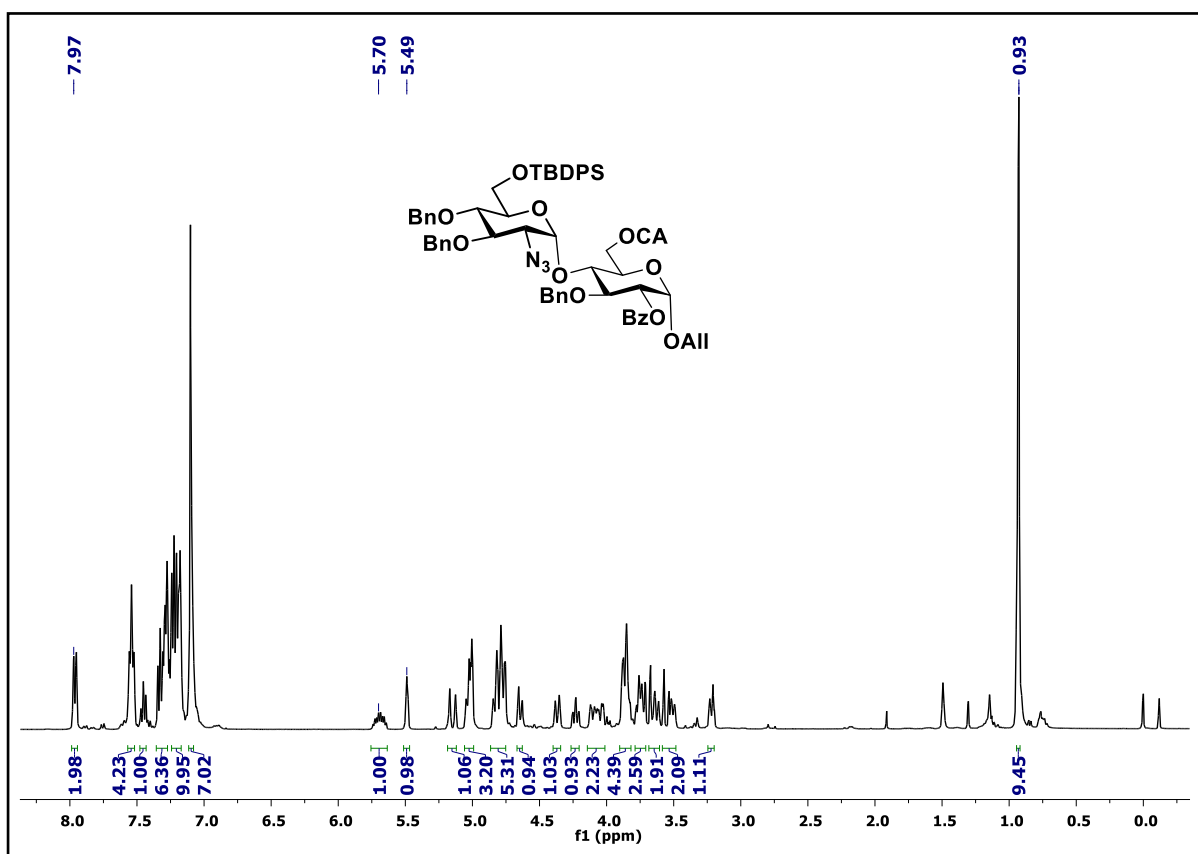
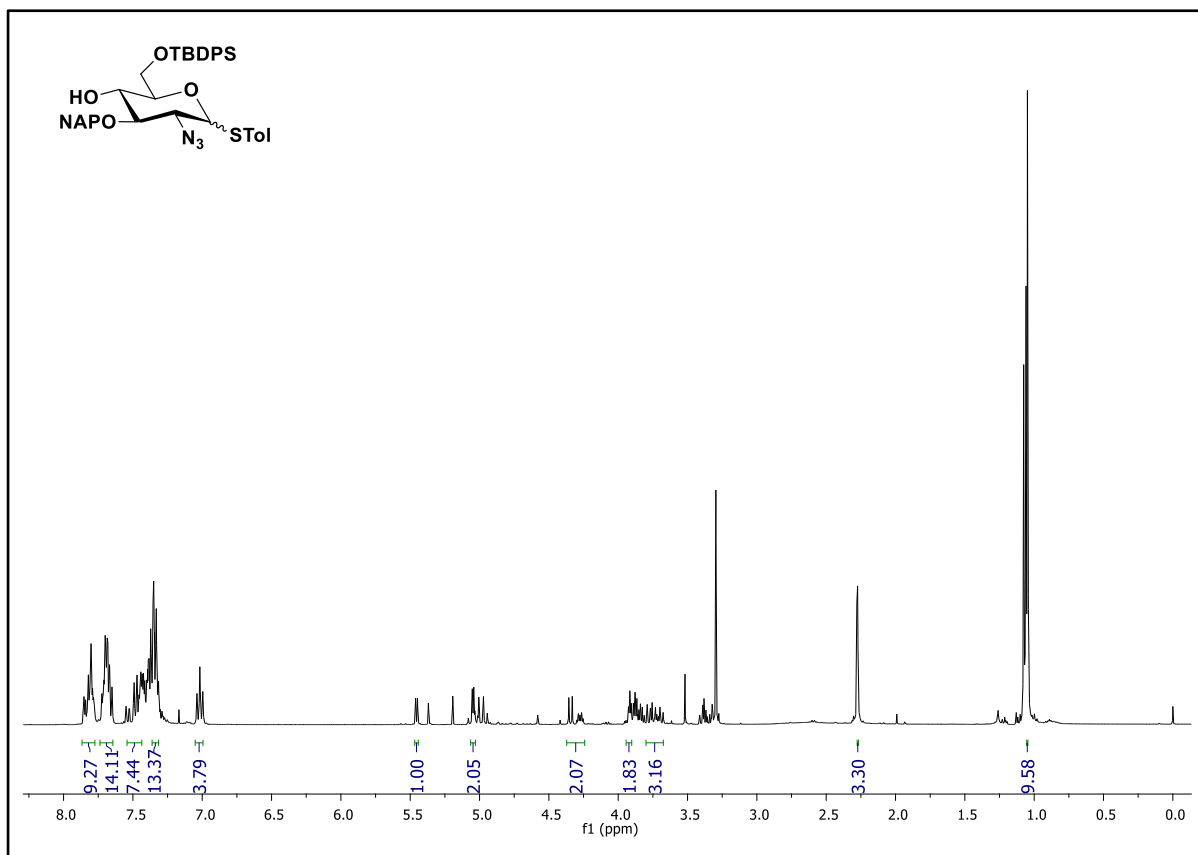


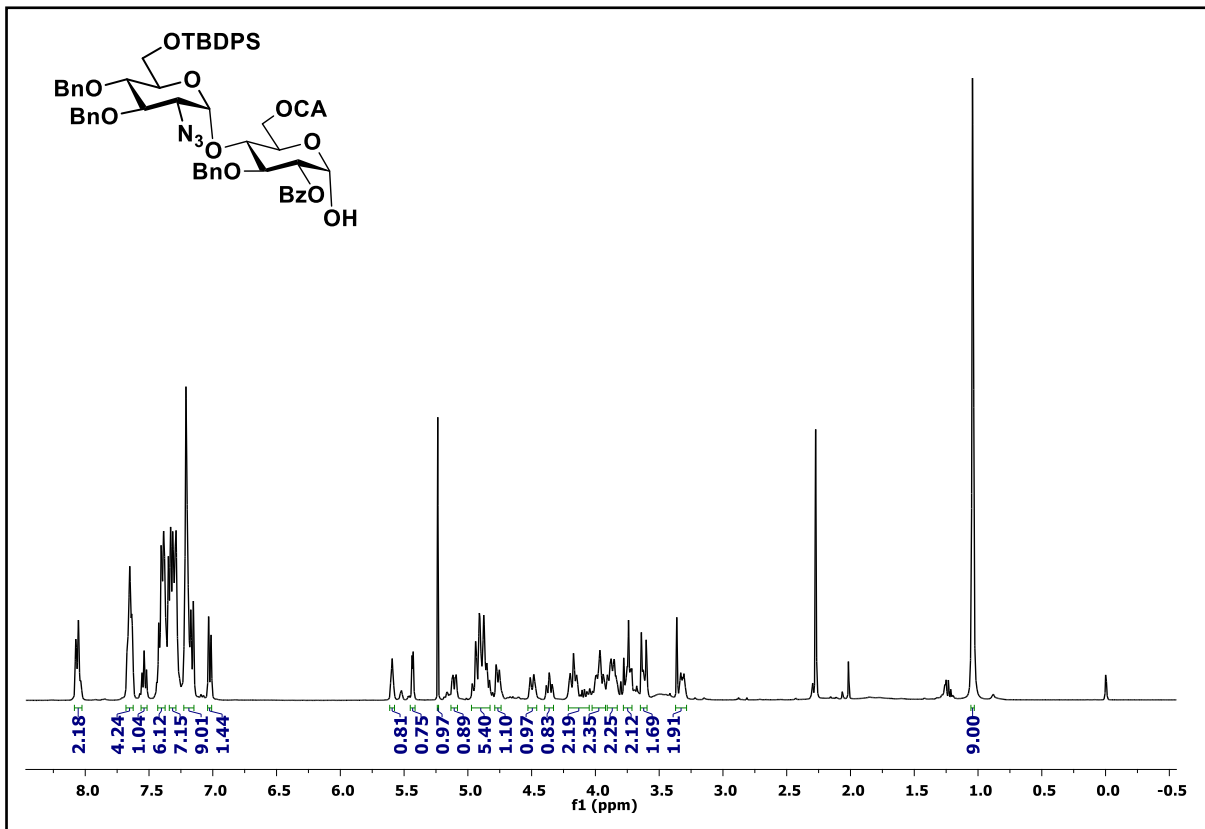
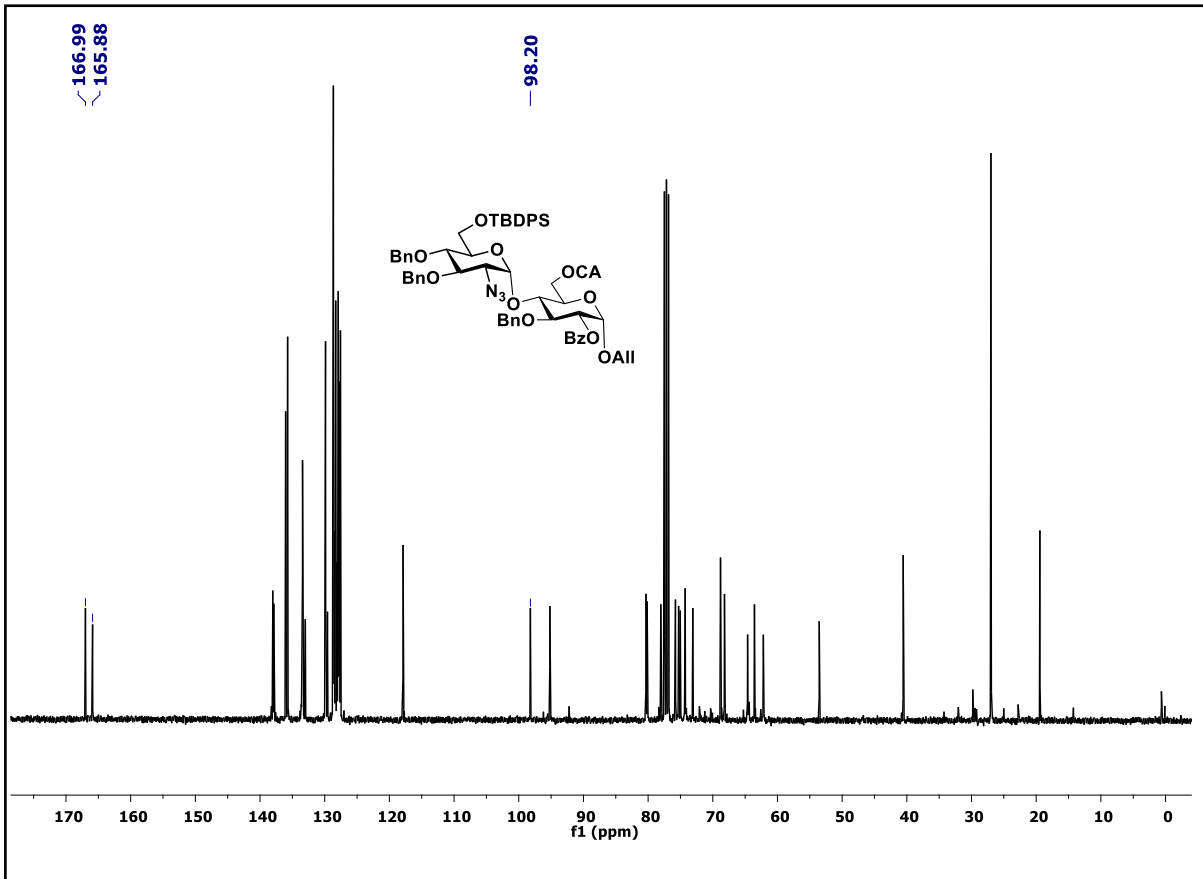


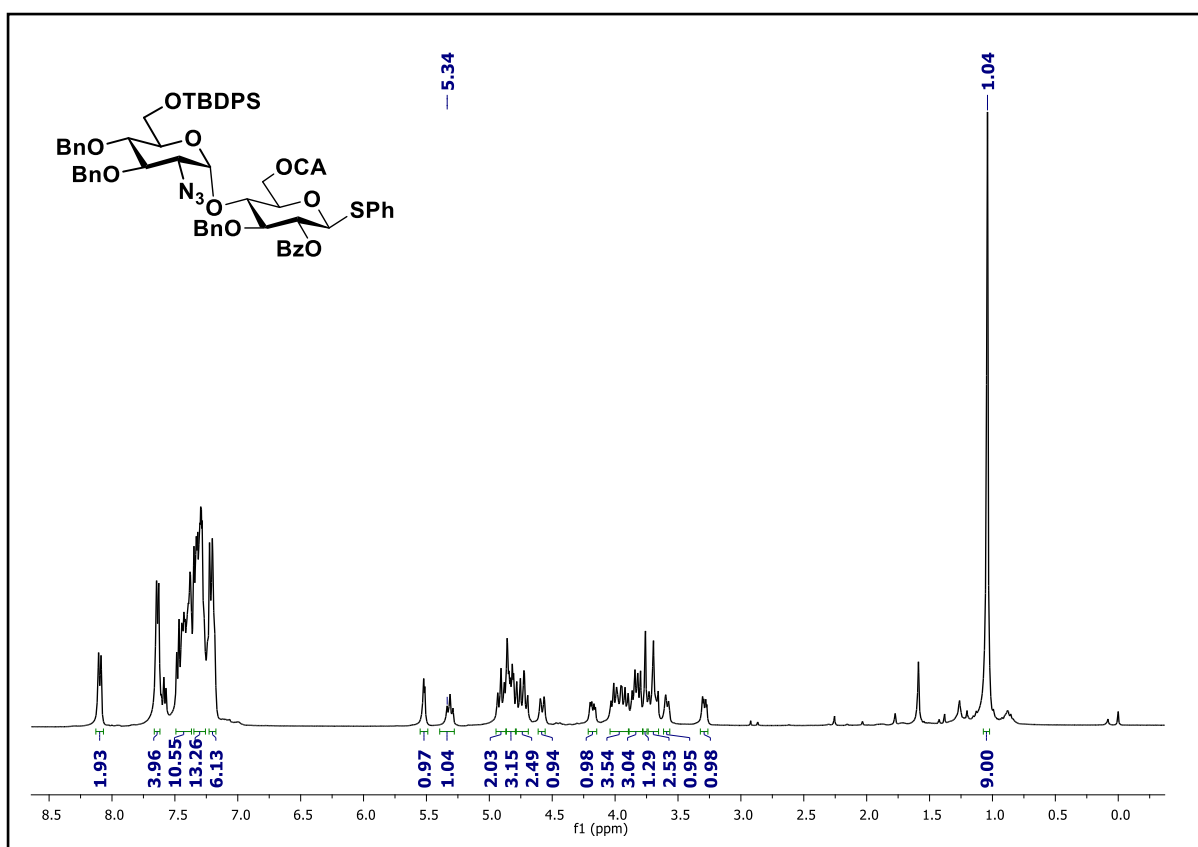
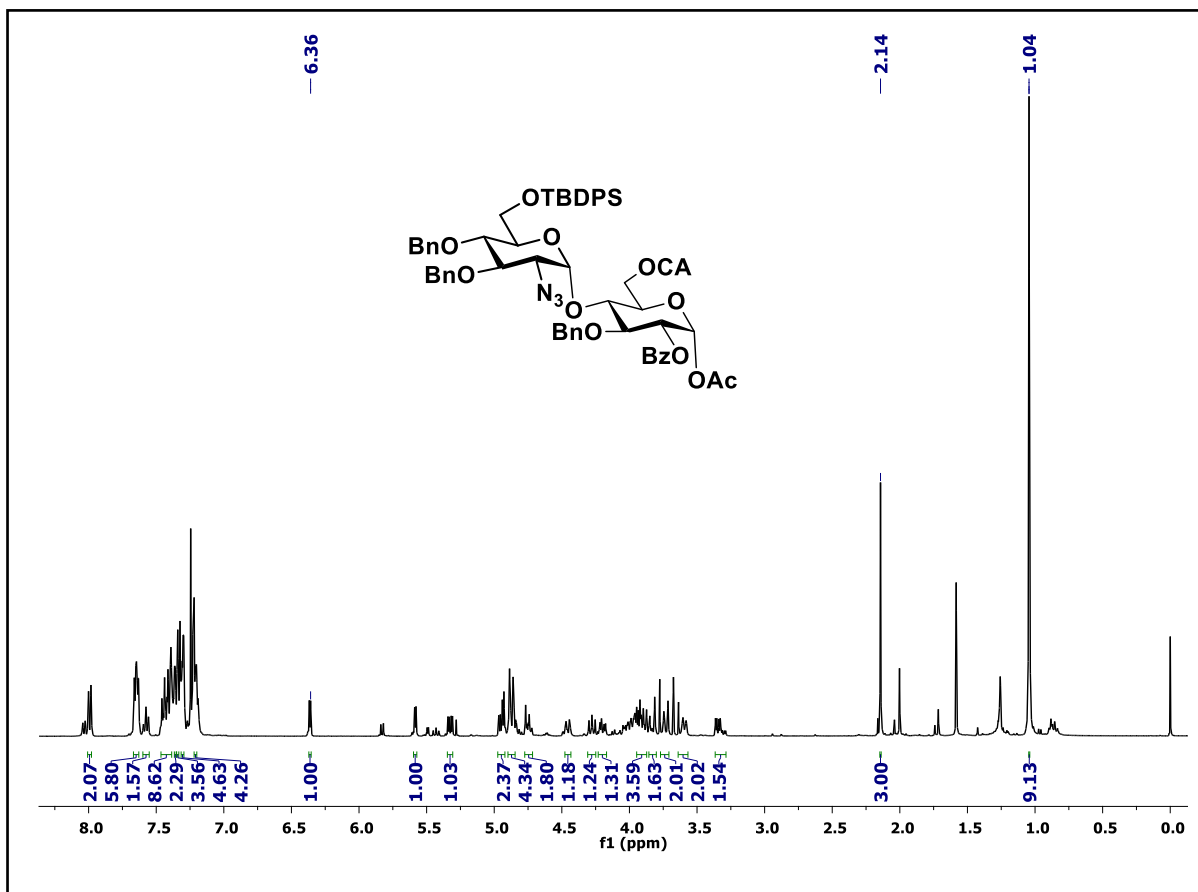




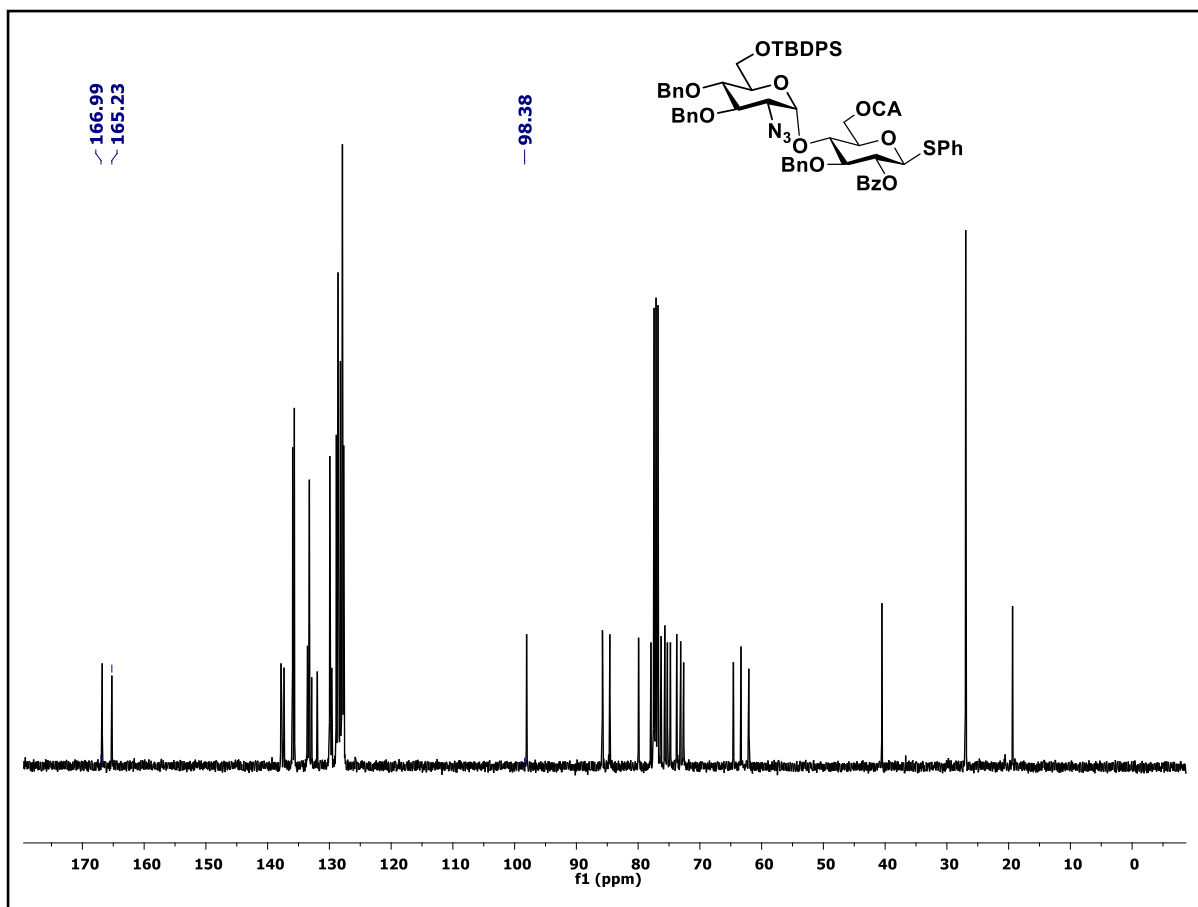












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