

# Glycosylamines

## V.\* Preparation, Structure, Anomeric Configuration and Conformation of Some *N*-Acetylglycosylamines and *N*-Acetyldiglycosylamines

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*N*-Acetylation of (2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine or bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine afforded *N*-acetyl-bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine; deacetylation of the latter gave *N*-acetyl-di- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosylamine. Similarly, *N*-acetylation of bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine led to *N*-acetyl-bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine and its deacetylation to di- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosylamine. The structure, anomeric configuration and conformation of the above-mentioned compounds and also of *N*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosylamine, *N*-acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosylamine, *N*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribosepyranosylamine, and *N*-acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribosepyranosylamine were determined by  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, and mass spectrometric methods.

Recently we were engaged in the synthesis, structure, and conformation elucidations of glycosylamines and diglycosylamines of D-glucose, D-xylose [1], L-rhamnose, D-mannose, D-arabinose [2], and D-galactose [3]. As found, the preferred anomeric configuration of both glycosylamines and diglycosylamines was that having the amino group in equatorial position [1–3].

Glycosylamines and diglycosylamines are compounds of interest to enzymologists, because these amines are reported to inhibit some glycosidases [4–6]; diglycosylamines, *viz.* ( $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine and di- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosylamine are effective inhibitors of  $\beta$ -glucosidase of *Trichoderma reesei* [5].

This paper was aimed to elucidate the structure, anomeric configuration and conformation of *N*-acetyl-bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine (*II*), *N*-acetyl-di- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosylamine (*IV*), *N*-acetyl-bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine (*VI*), *N*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosylamine (*VIII*), *N*-acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosylamine (*IX*), *N*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribosepyranosylamine (*X*), and *N*-acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-ribosepyranosylamine (*XI*).

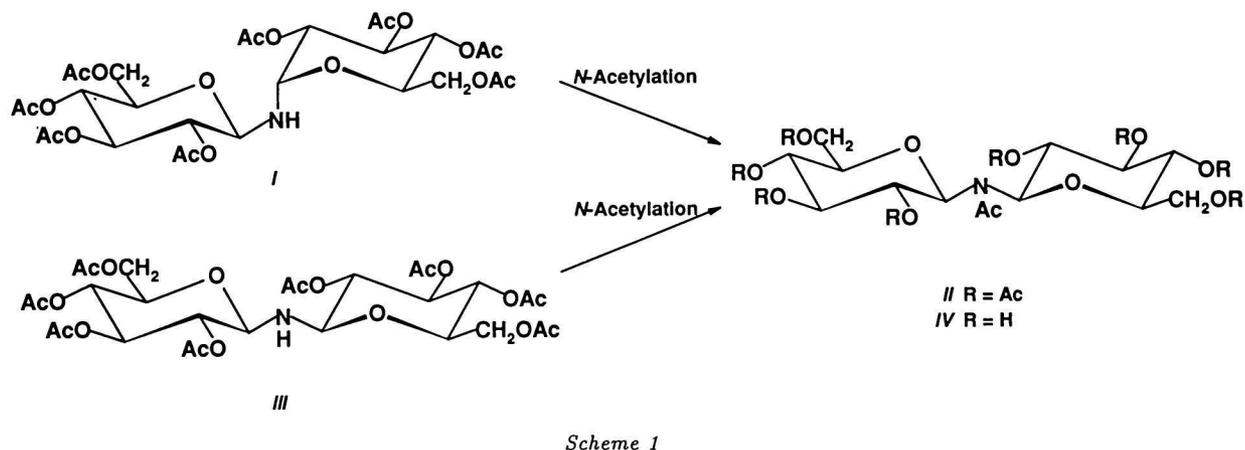
*N*-Acetyl-bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine (*II*) was prepared by *Brigl* and *Kepler* [7]; its anomeric configuration presumed as being  $\beta,\beta$  determined by *Tóth et al.* [8] by  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectral methods.

We prepared compound *II* by  $\text{ZnCl}_2$ -catalyzed *N*-

acetylation of (2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranosyl)(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine (*I*) or bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine (*III*) with acetic anhydride (Scheme 1). *N*-Acetylation of compound *I* was associated with the change of anomeric configurations from  $\alpha,\beta$  to  $\beta,\beta$ . The reaction was carried out under milder acetylation conditions than described in paper [7]. This change in reaction conditions resulted in a higher yield of compound *II*. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound *II* in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  showed at 25°C signals at  $\delta = 85.3$  and  $\delta = 80.2$  attributable to anomeric carbon (Table 1); in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$  at 60°C they appeared as a broad singlet at  $\delta = 82.7$ , this being due to a partially restricted rotation of the *N*-acetyl group. The broadened and unresolved anomeric proton signal in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum did not allow to estimate the configuration at C-1 and therefore the uncoupled  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum was recorded. The  $J_{\text{C-1,H-1}}$  value of 158.9 Hz showed unequivocally the  $\beta$  configuration of this symmetric molecule in a  $^4\text{C}_1$  conformation [9].

*N*-Acetyl-di- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosylamine (*IV*) was obtained by *Brigl* and *Kepler* [7] in a sirupy form but no evidence of its structure was given. We prepared this *N*-acetyl derivative *IV* by deacetylation of compound *II* in a crystalline form. Compound *IV*, similarly as *II*, revealed two signals of the anomeric carbon at  $\delta = 88.9$  and  $\delta = 84.2$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  at 25°C; at 60°C both signals merged into a broad singlet at  $\delta = 86.5$ . The

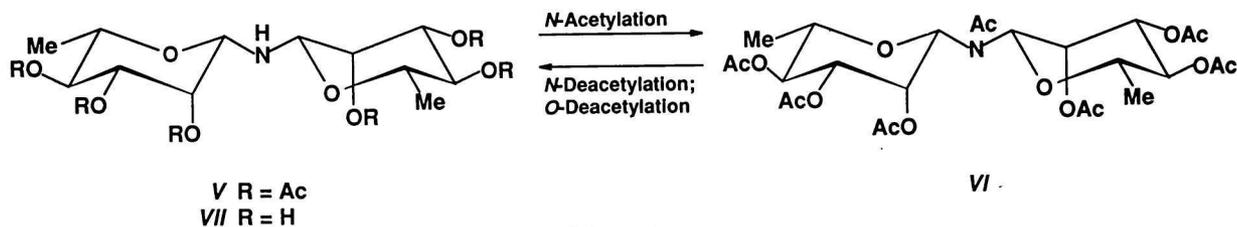
For Part IV see Ref. [5].

Table 1.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Data of Compounds Prepared

Compound	Chemical shift, $\delta$								
	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-5	C-6	C=O	CH <sub>3</sub> (NAc)	CH <sub>3</sub> (OAc)
II	85.3 <sup>a</sup> 80.2	70.5	74.4	67.7	74.9	62.1	171.4 170.4 170.2 169.1	22.6	20.6 20.5
IV	88.9 <sup>b</sup> 84.2	72.0	77.8	70.5	79.8	62.0	177.6	23.9	
VI	80.5	69.9	71.1	69.7	73.7	17.6	173.0 169.7	25.7	20.8 20.6 20.4
VIII	81.0	72.7	77.6	70.1	67.8				
IX	78.5	70.7	72.4	68.9	64.3		170.6 170.5 169.6 169.5	23.0	20.4 20.3
X	77.3	69.8	71.4	67.4	64.7		176.6	23.2	
XI	75.2	66.2	68.1	68.1	62.3		171.1 170.2 169.9 169.5	23.0	20.58 20.51

a) These signals appear as a broad singlet at  $\delta = 82.7$  in  $\text{DMSO}-d_6$  at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ .

b) These signals appear as a broad singlet at  $\delta = 86.5$  in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ .



anomeric configuration and conformation of *N*-acetyl derivative IV was found to be identical with that of compound II [1, 3].

*N*-Acetyl-bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine (VI) was synthesized by *N*-acetylation of

bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine under the same reaction conditions as described with compound II (Scheme 2). The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound VI ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ) disclosed only one a little broadened signal of the anomeric carbon at  $\delta = 80.5$

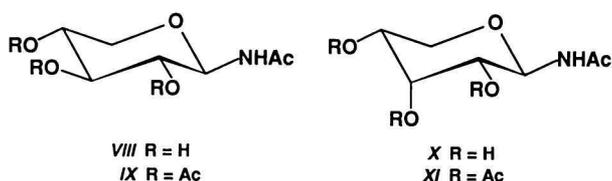
Table 2.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Data of Compounds Prepared

Compound	Chemical shift, $\delta$									
	H-1	H-2	H-3	H-4	H-5	H-5'	CH <sub>3</sub> (C-6)	NH	CH <sub>3</sub> (NAc)	CH <sub>3</sub> (OAc)
VI	5.52 d	5.43 dd	5.14 dd	5.03 dd	3.67 o		1.32 d			2.18 <sup>a</sup> s
VIII	4.89 d	3.51 t	3.39 t	3.64 o	3.85 dd	3.98 dd			2.08 s	
IX	5.22 t	4.92 t	5.31 t	5.01 o	4.08 dd	3.46 dd		6.88 d		2.06 <sup>b</sup> s
X	5.09 d	3.62 dd	4.21 t	3.87 o	3.65—3.75 m				2.07 s	
XI	5.47 t	4.89 dd	5.68 t	5.01 se	3.86 d			6.98 d	2.20	2.03 <sup>c</sup>

	Coupling constants $J/\text{Hz}$							
	{ $J_{1,2}$ }	{ $J_{2,3}$ }	{ $J_{3,4}$ }	{ $J_{4,5}$ }	{ $J_{4,5'}$ }	{ $J_{5,5'}$ }	{ $J_{5,6}$ }	{ $J_{1,\text{NH}}$ }
VI	1.15	3.44	10.10	9.41			6.20	
VIII	8.99	9.00	9.20	5.26	10.14	11.30		
IX	9.37	9.45	9.52	5.67	10.68	11.50		9.24
X	9.34	2.91	2.75	5.60	10.40			
XI	9.55	2.82	2.85	8.54	8.54			9.35

a) Additional signals at  $\delta = 2.08$  and  $1.96$ . b) Additional signals at  $\delta = 2.04$ ,  $2.02$ , and  $1.99$ . c) Additional signal at  $\delta = 2.02$ .



Scheme 3

(Table 1), thus indicating a greater rotational freedom around the *N*-acetyl group when compared with that of compounds *II* and *IV*. Compound *VI* was ascribed the  $\beta$ -*L*-configuration and  $^1\text{C}_4$  conformation [2, 10] on the basis of coupling constant values in its  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (Table 2).

Deacetylation of *N*-acetyl derivative *VI* did not afford the anticipated *N*-acetyl-di- $\beta$ -*L*-rhamnopyranosylamine but di- $\beta$ -*L*-rhamnopyranosylamine (*VII*).

This compound was identical with di- $\beta$ -*L*-rhamnopyranosylamine obtained by transglycosylation of  $\beta$ -*L*-rhamnopyranosylamine [2]. Finding that deacetylation of derivative *II* resulted in elimination of *O*-acetyl group only whilst deacetylation of compound *VI* was associated also with the loss of *N*-acetyl group can be rationalized by different nonbinding interactions of this group with equatorial and axial *O*-acetyl groups at C-2 of compounds *II* and *VI*, respectively.

*N*-Acetyl- $\beta$ -*D*-xylopyranosylamine (*VIII*, Scheme 3) was prepared and its anomeric configuration was determined by *Isbell* and *Frush* [11] on the basis of optical rotation value according to *Hudson's rule*. The coupling constant value  $J_{1,2} = 8.99$  Hz evidenced  $\beta$ -configuration of the *N*-acetyl group at the anomeric carbon. The high values of coupling constants  $J_{1,2}$  to  $J_{3,4}$  indicated the  $^4\text{C}_1$  conformation of the pyranose ring [1].

*N*-Acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -*D*-xylopyranosylami-

ne (*IX*, Scheme 3) has a  $\beta$ -anomeric configuration and  $^4\text{C}_1$  conformation like compound *VIII* as followed from  $J_{1,2} = 9.37$  Hz (Table 2) and  $J_{2,3}$ ,  $J_{3,4}$  coupling constant values [1].

*N*-Acetyl- $\beta$ -*D*-ribosepyranosylamine (*X*, Scheme 3) was ascribed the  $\beta$ -anomeric configuration ( $J_{1,2} = 9.34$  Hz, Table 2) and  $^4\text{C}_1$  conformation [10].

Similarly as compound *X* also 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -*D*-ribosepyranosylamine (*XI*, Scheme 3) possessed, on the basis of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data,  $\beta$ -anomeric configuration and  $^4\text{C}_1$  conformation (Table 2).

Electron impact (EI), fast atom bombardment (FAB), and chemical ionization (pyridine; CI (pyr)) mass spectra of compound *VI* are illustrated in Fig. 1. Assignment of the FAB and CI spectra above  $m/z = 331$  (*II*) or  $273$  (*VII*) is shown in Table 3.

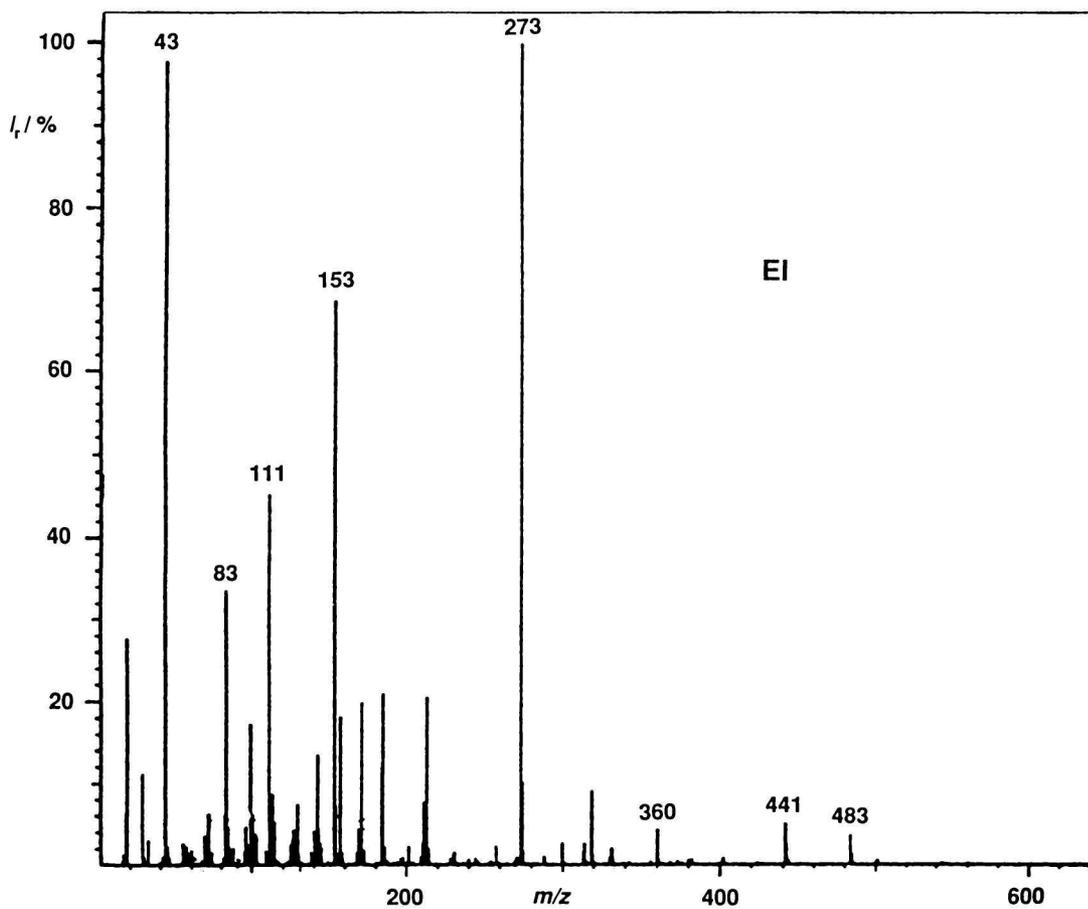
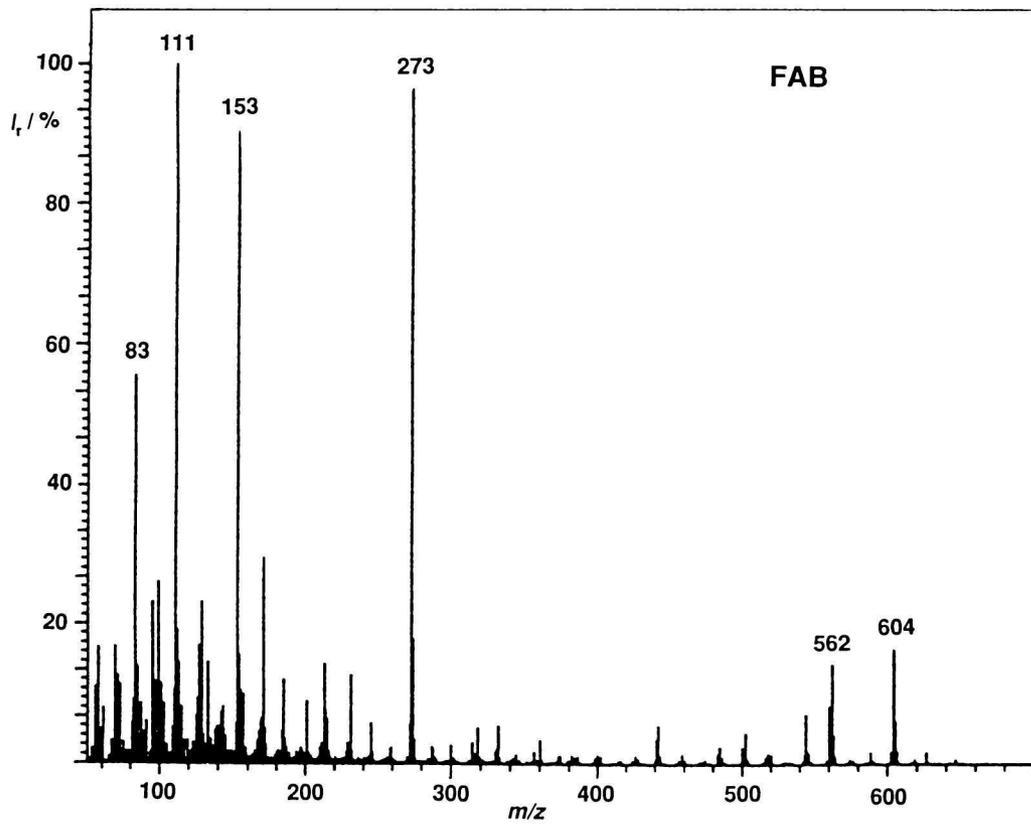
The molecular ions absented in the EI mass spectra and the most prominent recognizable ions were formed by the loss of 102 mass units  $[\text{M} - \text{AcOH} - \text{CH}_2\text{CO}]^+$ .

The molecular mass in the FAB mass spectra was proved by the presence of an  $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$  ion. All ions observed in the spectra of compounds *II* and *VI* were discussed earlier [3].

The molecular mass was determined also under CI conditions with protonated pyridine as a reagent gas [12]; observed were ions  $[\text{A}_1 + \text{Pyr}]^+$  originating from ion-molecule reactions between  $\text{A}_1$  type of the sample ions and reagent gas molecules as well [13, 14].

## EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points were determined on a Kofler micro hot-stage. Solutions were evaporated under diminished pressure at  $30$ – $40^\circ\text{C}$ . Compounds *IX*, *X*, and *XI* were prepared according to [11] and [15], respectively. The NMR spectra were run with an AM-300 FT (Bruker) spectrometer. Compounds *IX* and *XI* were



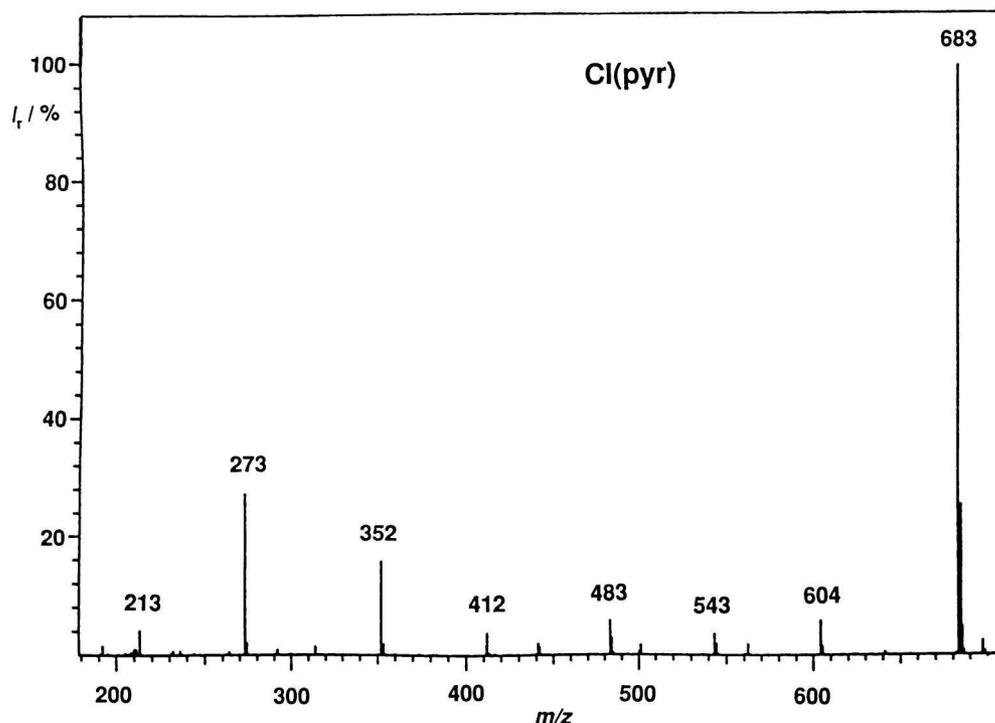


Fig. 1. Mass Spectra of *N*-acetyl-bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine (VI).

Table 3. FAB and CI (pyr) Mass Spectral Data of Compounds II and VI

II			VI			Type of ions
$m/z$	FAB	CI (pyr)	$m/z$	FAB	CI (pyr)	
	$I_r$ / %			$I_r$ / %		
799	—	100	683	—	100	[M + PyrH] <sup>+</sup>
720	8	7	604	16	5	[M + H] <sup>+</sup>
678	7	2	562	12	2	[M + H - CH <sub>2</sub> CO] <sup>+</sup>
677	1	0	561	6	0	[M - CH <sub>2</sub> CO] <sup>+</sup>
660	4	1	544	5	2	[M + H - 2AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
659	0	4	543	2	3	[M - AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
618	3	3	502	3	2	[M + H - CH <sub>2</sub> CO - AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
617	1	1	501	1	1	[M - CH <sub>2</sub> CO - AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
600	1	3	484	2	3	[M + H - 2AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
599	0	3	483	1	5	[M - 2AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
558	3	1	442	4	1	[M + H - CH <sub>2</sub> CO - 2AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
557	2	1	441	3	2	[M - CH <sub>2</sub> CO - 2AcOH] <sup>+</sup>
410	—	11	352	—	16	[A <sub>1</sub> + Pyr] <sup>+</sup>
331	35	23	273	98	27	[A <sub>1</sub> ] <sup>+</sup>

measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (25°C) containing Me<sub>4</sub>Si, compounds VIII and X in D<sub>2</sub>O (25°C) with methanol as an internal standard ( $\delta = 50.15$ ). The spectra were recorded as the same instrumental parameters as reported in Ref. [3]. EI and CI (pyr) mass spectra were measured with a Finnigan MAT SSQ 710 instrument (70 eV, 200  $\mu$ A, source temp. 150°C, reagent gas pressure 160 Pa). The FAB mass spectra were recorded with a JMS-AX 505 W (Jeol) apparatus with

double focusing (Xe, accelerating potential 3 kV, 1-thioglycerol matrix).

#### *N*-Acetyl-bis(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)amine (II)

*Method A.* A freshly fused ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (1 g) was added to compound I (4 g; 5.9 mmol) in acetic anhydride (100 cm<sup>3</sup>). This solution was heated to 50°C within

15 min and then allowed to stand at 20°C for 1 h, poured onto crushed ice (800 g), and extracted with chloroform (3 × 100 cm<sup>3</sup>). The solvent was evaporated and ethanol (200 cm<sup>3</sup>) was added to the residue.

Compound *II*, crystallizing during concentration of the solution, was filtered off and dried over P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. Yield 3.6 g (84.7 %). Recrystallization of the crude product from ethanol—water produced compound of m.p. = 191–192°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(20°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, chloroform) = -8.2°. Ref. [7] reports m.p. = 192°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(chloroform) = -9.2°.

*Method B.* Per-*O*-acetyl derivative *III* (4 g; 5.9 mmol) was *N*-acetylated and worked out by the same procedure as given with compound *I*. Yield of *N*-acetyl derivative *II* 3.4 g (80.0 %, m.p. = 192°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(20°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, chloroform) = -8.4°. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra accorded with those of compound *II* prepared by method *A*.

#### *N*-Acetyl-di-β-D-glucopyranosylamine (*IV*)

Compound *II* (1.3 g; 1.8 mmol) was treated with methanol—ammonia (40 cm<sup>3</sup>) [16] at 0°C for 48 h, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in ethanol (20 cm<sup>3</sup>). Acetone was added to the first turbidity and the solution was left to stand at 0°C. The separated crystals of compound *IV* were filtered off (0.6 g, 86.6 %) and recrystallized from ethanol. M.p. = 154–155°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(20°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>O) = + 20.1°. For C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>11</sub>N (*M*<sub>r</sub> = 383.35) *w*<sub>i</sub>(calc.): 43.86 % C, 6.57 % H, 3.65 % N; *w*<sub>i</sub>(found): 43.77 % C, 6.52 % H, 3.71 % N.

#### *N*-Acetyl-bis(2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl-β-L-rhamnopyranosyl)amine (*VI*)

A freshly fused ZnCl<sub>2</sub> (1 g) was added to compound *V* (2 g; 3.6 mmol) in acetic anhydride (80 cm<sup>3</sup>); the solution was then heated to 60°C and kept standing at 20°C for 2 h. The mixture was worked out as specified with compound *II*. Product *VI* was separated during concentration of the ethanolic solution; yield 1.5 g (69.8 %). The compound crystallizing from ethanol—water had m.p. = 105°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(20°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, chloroform) = -19.5°. For C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>37</sub>O<sub>15</sub>N (*M*<sub>r</sub> = 603.58) *w*<sub>i</sub>(calc.): 51.74 % C, 6.18 % H, 2.32 % N; *w*<sub>i</sub>(found): 51.65 % C, 6.27 % H, 2.42 % N.

#### Di-β-L-rhamnopyranosylamine (*VII*)

Compound *VI* (1.0 g; 1.7 mmol) was treated with methanol—ammonia (30 cm<sup>3</sup>) at 0°C for 48 h [16].

The solvent was evaporated and ethanol (10 cm<sup>3</sup>) was added to the residue. Acetone was dropped into the solution till the first turbidity. Crystals separated during standing at 0°C were filtered off. Yield of crude compound *VII* was 0.38 g (74.2 %); m.p. of product recrystallized from ethanol—acetone was 117–118°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(20°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>O, 2 min) = + 51.0°. Ref. [2] reports m.p. = 118°C, [α]<sub>D</sub>(25°C, ρ = 20 g dm<sup>-3</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>O, 2 min) = + 52.0°.

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