Syntheses of 3,4-Dideoxy-3-enosides and the Corresponding 3,4-Dideoxy Sugars

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From a biological point of view studies on unsaturated sugars have been drawing attention in recent years, but the introduction of 3,4-unsaturated linkages into sugars is rarely reported. Recently, we described the synthesis of 3',4'-dideoxykanamycin B,¹) which is active against drug-resistant bacteria, by utilizing a 3,4-unsaturated intermediate. The present work was undertaken to see if a practical method could be worked out for converting aminoglycosidic antibiotics into their unsaturated and dehydroxylated derivatives.

Here we described the syntheses of methyl 3,4-dideoxy-α-D-erythro-hexopyranoside (5) and methyl 2,6-diamino-2,3,4,6-tetradeoxy-α-D-erythro-hexopyranoside (10). The syntheses were achieved by way of the corresponding 3,4-unsaturated intermediates. Methyl 3,4-O-isopropylidene-α-D-galactopyranoside prepared from methyl α-D-galactopyranoside was benzoylated to give 1. Removal of the isopropylidene group followed by mesylation gave the corresponding di-O-mesyl derivative (2). When 2 was treated with sodium iodide and zinc dust in DMF at 130°C for 1.5 hr according to the procedure of Tipson and Cohen²⁾ and Horton et al.,³⁾ a 3,4-unsaturated derivative, namely, methyl 2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3,4-dideoxy-α-D-erythro-hex-3-enopyranoside (3)

was obtained in a yield of 93%, syrup, $[\alpha]_{2}^{12}-17.3^{\circ}$ (c 1, CHCl₃); NMR (in CDCl₃): τ 4.05 (2-proton slightly broadened singlet, H-3,4), $J_{1,2}$ 4 Hz, $J_{2,(3,4)} = J_{(3,4),5} \sim 0$ Hz. Catalytic hydrogenation of **3** gave methyl 2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3,4-dideoxy- α -D-erythro-hexopyranoside (**4**), mp 70—71°C, $[\alpha]_{2}^{22}+56.7^{\circ}$ (c 1, CHCl₃). Removal of the protecting groups of **4** gave methyl 3,4-dideoxy- α -D-erythro-hexopyranoside (**5**), syrup, $[\alpha]_{2}^{12}+126^{\circ}$ (c 1.1, water); NMR (in D₂O): τ 5.28 (1-proton doublet, $J_{1,2}$ 3.5 Hz, H-1), τ 7.9—8.6 (4-proton multiplet, H-3,3,4,4).

Methyl 2,6-dideoxy-2,6-dimethoxycarbonylamido-α-D-glucopyranoside (6), mp 175—177°C, $[\alpha]_{D}^{21}+108^{\circ}$ (c 0.7, water) prepared from neamine was mesylated to give the corresponding di-O-mesyl derivative (7), mp 193—195°C, $[\alpha]_{D}^{23} + 94^{\circ}$ (c 1.5, CHCl₃); NMR (in $CDCl_3$): τ 6.77 and 6.90 (each 3-proton singlet, SO_2 -CH₃). 3,4-Unsaturation was performed likewise in a yield of 90% to give a 3-eno derivative (8), mp 157— 158°C, $[\alpha]_{D}^{20}$ – 35° (c 0.7, methanol); NMR (in CDCl₃): τ 4.29 (2-proton slightly broadened singlet, H-3,4), $J_{1,2}$ 4.2 Hz, $J_{2,(3,4)} = J_{(3,4),5} \sim 0$ Hz, $J_{2,5} \sim 4$ Hz. Catalytic hydrogenation of $\bf 8$ gave the corresponding tetradeoxy derivative (9), syrup, $[\alpha]_D^{19} + 126^{\circ}$ (c 0.7, methanol). Removal of the protecting groups of 9 gave methyl 2, 6-diamino-2, 3, 4, 6-tetradeoxy-α-D-erythro-hexopyranoside (10) as needles of monosulfate, mp>180°C, $[\alpha]_{\rm p}^{22}$ +128° (c 1, water). Removal of the protecting groups of 8 gave methyl 2,6-diamino-2,3,4,6-tetradeoxy-α-Derythro-hex-3-enopyranoside (11) as needles of monosulfate hemihydrate, mp>180°C, $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}+26^{\circ}$ (c 1, water); NMR (in D_2O): τ 3.95 (2-proton slightly broadened singlet, H-3,4).

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