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Preface

The compilation of this, the fourth volume of the Series, has met with a number of difficulties. In the first instance, the preparation of Part I was seriously disrupted by a postal strike in the United Kingdom, as a consequence of which the later issues of a number of overseas Journals, which would normally be covered by this Report, were unavailable at the time of writing. Coverage of these will be delayed until the next Report.

Most regrettable of all is that it has been necessary to go to press without four of the chapters (General Methods, Plant Polysaccharides, Microbial Polysaccharides, and Physicochemical Properties) which were promised for Part II. These chapters had not been received by the end of August, when it was necessary to choose between the unpalatable alternatives of a further delay of uncertain duration or of publishing the material, much of it in page proof, that was already to hand. While the loss of continuity of the series is to be deplored, further delays could only seriously diminish the topicality of the Report, which is one of its primary objectives. In the circumstances, a notable expansion of Dr. Kennedy's chapters for Part II has been much appreciated.

As in previous years, *Abstracts of the American Chemical Society Meetings*, *Dissertation Abstracts*, and the patent literature have not been abstracted. The abbreviation 'Bn' to denote the benzyl group does not appear to have met with disapproval and is again used throughout.

We are indebted to Professor N. K. Kochetkov for providing the English abstracts of a large number of Russian papers, and to Dr. L. C. N. Tucker for reading and commenting on the whole of Part I.

This year Dr. R. D. Guthrie has relinquished his position as Senior Reporter although, happily, he continues as a Reporter. I am sure that readers of the Specialist Periodical Reports on Carbohydrate Chemistry would wish me to thank him for his expert guidance of these Reports during their formative years and for the high standard of reportage he has set.

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Abbreviations

The following abbreviations have been used

| | |
|--------|------------------------------|
| ATP | adenosine triphosphate |
| Bn | benzyl |
| c.d. | circular dichroism |
| CDP | cytidine diphosphate |
| CMP | cytidine monophosphate |
| DCC | dicyclohexylcarbodi-imide |
| DEAE | diethylaminoethyl |
| DMF | <i>NN</i> -dimethylformamide |
| DMSO | dimethyl sulphoxide |
| e.s.r. | electron spin resonance |
| g.l.c. | gas-liquid chromatography |
| HMPT | hexamethylphosphortriamide |
| i.r. | infrared |
| NBS | <i>N</i> -bromosuccinimide |
| n.m.r. | nuclear magnetic resonance |
| o.r.d. | optical rotatory dispersion |
| py | pyridine |
| THF | tetrahydrofuran |
| t.l.c. | thin-layer chromatography |
| TMS | trimethylsilyl |
| UDP | uridine diphosphate |

Part I

MONO-, DI-, AND TRI-SACCHARIDES AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

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Introduction

The general terms of reference remain those set out in the Introduction to Volume 1 (vol. 1, p. 3), and the arrangement of subject matter follows previous Reports.

There have been no major new developments in the area of synthetic carbohydrate chemistry, although unsaturated and dicarbonyl sugars continue to be used increasingly as precursors for synthetic work. There has been the expected expansion in the use of o.r.d., mass spectrometry, and X-ray diffraction analysis. A notable paper by Kim and Jeffrey¹ on the crystal structures of nine alditols has related conformation to configuration in the solid state; it is interesting that the results parallel those previously obtained for acyclic sugars in solution.² The reagent europium tris-(dipivaloylmethane) appears to be of potential value for simplifying complex n.m.r. spectra of carbohydrate derivatives.³ Several distinguished papers have appeared on ¹³C and ¹⁹F n.m.r. spectroscopy, and the importance of their application in stereochemical analysis is discussed in Chapter 23. Empirical rules for estimating the molar rotation of saturated pyranoid carbohydrates from their geometric structure have been devised and applied by Lemieux and Martin.⁴ The effects of solvation and hydrogen bonding on the rotation were also interpreted in terms of these empirical rules.

The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) have produced tentative rules dealing with the main principles of Fundamental Stereochemistry^{5a} and, jointly with the International Union of Biochemistry (IUB), have issued Information Bulletin No. 7 containing tentative proposals for the nomenclature of acyclic and cyclic forms of monosaccharides and their simple derivatives.^{5b}

A book of general interest has appeared.⁶ We omitted to note in last year's Report that the expanded title 'Advances in Carbohydrate Chemistry

¹ G. A. Jeffrey and H. S. Kim, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 207.

² D. Horton and J. D. Wander, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1969, **10**, 279.

³ I. Armitage and L. D. Hall, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 1537.

⁴ R. U. Lemieux and J. C. Martin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 139.

^{5a} *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2849.

^{5b} Information Bulletin, No. 7, Carbohydrate Nomenclature, 1970; see also *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **136**, 1.

⁶ C. Prevost, 'Traité de Chimie Organique, Tome 2: Principaux Types de Réactions, Glucides,' Dunod, Paris; 410 pp.

and Biochemistry' has been introduced for this authoritative series commencing with Volume 24 (1969). Two special issues of *Carbohydrate Research* were published in 1970; the April issue⁷ was dedicated to the memory of the late Professor M. L. Wolfrom, and the December issue⁸ was dedicated to Professor F. Micheel in celebration of his seventieth birthday.

⁷ *Carbohydrate Res.*, vol. 13, April 1970.

⁸ *Carbohydrate Res.*, vol. 15, December, 1970.

The use of stereonumbers for designating stereochemistry (*cf.* vol. 3, p. 5) has now been extended to the aldohexopyranoses.⁹ A convention for the description of sugar conformations based on the Reeves' system has been described.¹⁰ The $C1(D)$ conformation becomes 4C_1 and $1C(D)$ becomes ${}_1C_4$; boat conformations may be described similarly. It was suggested that if axial substituents only were designated then for aldopyranoses ${}^4C_1(1,2)-5-CH_2OH$ would represent α -D-mannopyranose with the ring in the $C1$ conformation.

A proposal has been put forward to account for the requirement of a free C-2 hydroxy-group in hexoses related to D-glucose in active intestinal transport.¹¹ It was suggested that sugars with this stereochemistry are covalently bound to a carrier by an ester linkage. The transport of a wide range of sugars, sugar derivatives, and related compounds was studied.

Isolation and Synthesis

D-Glucose, D-mannose, and a new disaccharide [3-O-(β -D-glucopyranosyl)-D-mannopyranose] have been extracted from the roots of *Asparagus racemosus*.¹² D-manno-Heptulose and the closely related D-glycero-D-galacto-heptitol (perseitol), D-glycero-D-manno-octulose, D-arabinitol, D-mannitol, galactitol, myo-inositol, D-xylose, D-galactose, and primeverose have been isolated from aqueous extracts of Pichi tops.¹³ Among the carbohydrate components identified from the spores of *Nosema apis*, a protozoan parasite of the honey bee, were D-glucose, D-glucitol, α,α -trehalose, D-glycero-D-glucito-heptitol, and D-fructose.¹⁴ Arabinose, galactose, xylose, and rhamnose have been identified in hydrolysates of the leaves of the Indian fig plant (*Opuntia ficus indica* Mill).¹⁵ The two carbohydrate residues attached to the aglycone in panaxoside B^I are glucose and 2-O-glucopyranosyl-glucose. In panaxoside C, the two residues are either

⁹ S. Neelakantan, *Current Sci.*, 1970, **39**, 85.

¹⁰ J. Szejtli, *Acta Chim. (Budapest)*, 1969, **61**, 57 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 32157j).

¹¹ J. E. G. Barnett, A. Ralph, and K. A. Munday, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **116**, 537, 843.

¹² A. B. Landge and J. L. Bose, *Indian J. Chem.*, 1970, **8**, 588.

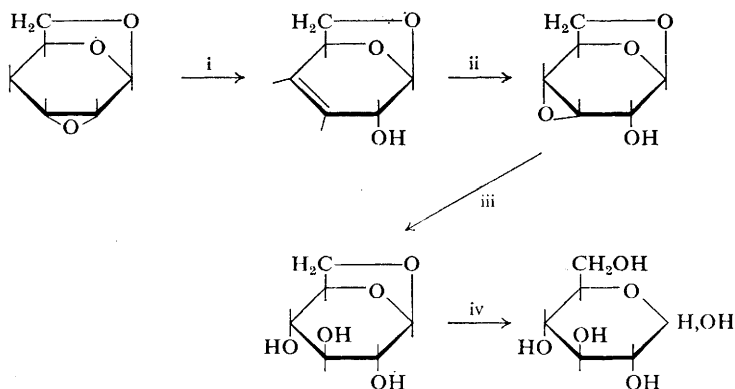
¹³ N. Richtmyer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 233.

¹⁴ P. J. Wood, I. R. Siddiqui, J. W. Vandermeer, and T. A. Gochbauer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 154.

¹⁵ El S. Amin, O. M. Awad, and M. M. El-Sayed, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 159.

rhamnose and 2-*O*-glucopyranosyl-glucose or glucose and 2-*O*-rhamnopyranosyl-glucose.¹⁶ The sugar components of pharbitic acid, from the purgative 'resin glycoside' pharbitin, have been identified as D-quinovose, D-glucose, and L-rhamnose.¹⁷

DL-Glucose has been synthesised by the route outlined for the D-enantiomer (Scheme 1) in which the starting material was derived from acrolein dimer.¹⁸ Tetroses (10%), pentoses (30%), and hexoses (50%) have



Reagents: i, BuLi; ii, $\text{ClC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_3\text{H}$; iii, $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$; iv, HCl

Scheme 1

been obtained from formaldehyde and calcium hydroxide in a continuously-stirred tank reactor,¹⁹ and detailed studies of this reaction have been reported.²⁰ The preparation of L-sorbose from glucitol has been investigated.²¹

D-Galactose and D-lyxose, and not the expected D-galactonitrile, were obtained on photolysis of D-galactose azine,^{21a} and the mechanism illustrated in Scheme 2 was suggested to account for the observed products. D-Lyxose was the major product of photolysis of D-galactose oxime.²²

3-*O*-Benzyl-D-glycero-L-manno-heptose has been prepared by nitro-methane extension of 2-*O*-benzyl-D-galactose.²³ Surprisingly, only 3-*O*-benzyl-1-deoxy-1-nitro-D-glycero-L-manno-heptitol was formed and the C-2

¹⁶ G. I. Shaposhnikova, N. A. Ferens, N. I. Uvarova, and G. B. Elyakov, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 319.

¹⁷ H. Okabe and T. Kawasaki, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 3123.

¹⁸ U. P. Singh and R. K. Brown, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1791.

¹⁹ A. H. Weiss and J. Shapira, *Hydrocarbon Process*, 1970, **49**, 119.

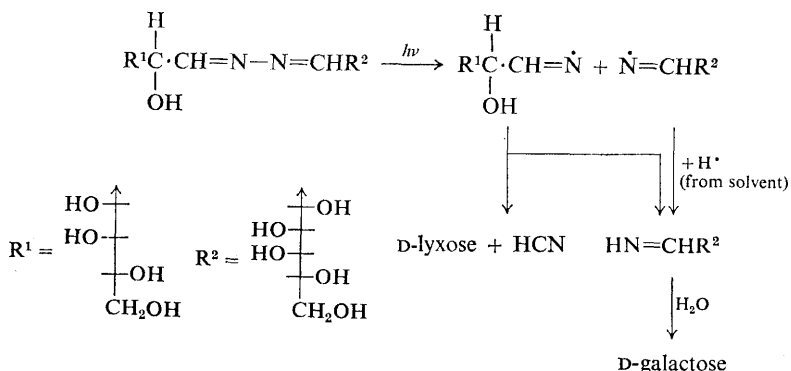
²⁰ A. H. Weiss, R. B. Lapierre, and J. Shapira, *J. Catalysis*, 1970, **16**, 332.

²¹ N. S. Zolotarev, Z. G. Tkhorevskaya, M. D. Moskvina, K. D. Vasilenko, and I. V. Barsegyan, *Khim.-Farm. Zhur.*, 1970, **4**, 28.

^{21a} R. W. Binkley and W. W. Binkley, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 163.

²² W. W. Binkley and R. W. Binkley, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 3439.

²³ P. P. Singh and G. A. Adams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 261.

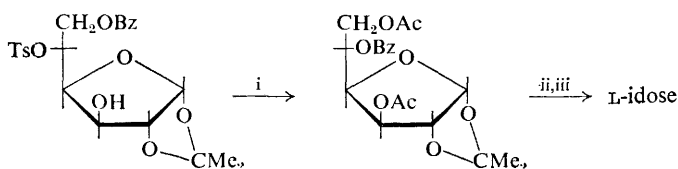


Scheme 2

epimer could not be detected. It is unusual for such stereospecificity to be encountered in a reaction of this type.

D-Galactose and D-talose (ratio 4 : 1) were obtained on hydroxylation of D-galactal in the presence of osmium tetroxide, whereas in the presence of either molybdenum trioxide or tungsten trioxide, D-talose was obtained in 90% yield (see also Chapter 14).²⁴

An improved synthesis of L-idose from D-glucose has been reported.²⁵ Several modifications were discussed and the recommended procedure is illustrated in Scheme 3 (see also p. 47). A new route to L-allose is described in Chapter 6.



Reagents: i, Dowex resin ($-\text{OAc}$), Ac_2O ; ii, MeONa ; iii, H_3O^+

Scheme 3

Physical Measurements

Coriose (D-*altro*-3-heptulose) exists in the crystal in the furanose ring form.²⁶

The kinetics of the hydrogenolysis of D-glucose with a nickel catalyst in basic media²⁷ and those of the oxidation of eleven free sugars by Cu^{2+} in basic media²⁸ have been discussed. For the latter, reaction rates were

²⁴ V. Bílik and Š. Kucar, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 311.

²⁵ J. Kovář, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2383.

²⁶ T. Tagu, K. Osaki, and T. Okuda, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **B26**, 991.

²⁷ I. D. Rozhdestvenskaya, T. N. Fadeeva, N. B. Titova, and L. V. Shileiko, *Kinetikai Kataliz*, 1970, **11**, 696.

²⁸ S. V. Singh, O. C. Saxena, and M. P. Singh, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 537.

independent of the copper ion concentration and were first-order with respect to the reducing sugar and base. Enolisation of the sugar appears to be the rate-controlling step.

Absorption spectroscopy and circular dichroism were used to demonstrate that D-fructose exists to the extent of 2% in the acyclic form in equilibrated aqueous solution, whereas the percentages of the acyclic forms of D-fructose-1-phosphate, D-fructose-6-phosphate, and D-fructose-1,6-diphosphate are somewhat larger. There is an appreciable increase in the acyclic form of D-fructose present in solutions of DMSO.²⁹

E.s.r. spectroscopy has been used to study the radicals produced on γ -irradiation of frozen concentrated solutions of sucrose and D-glucose at 77 K.³⁰ Heats of combustion and enthalpies of formation of D-ribose, D-arabinose, and L-ascorbic acid have been determined.³¹ Proton dissociations from several monosaccharides have been measured at 10 and 40 °C.³²

Reactions

[¹⁴C]-D-Mannoheptulose was not metabolised by rats.³³ D-Glucose has been used as starting material for a synthesis of (+)-desthiobiotin (1) (Scheme 4) thereby providing chemical confirmation of the absolute configuration of (+)-biotin.³⁴

The acid-catalysed conversion of D-xylose and D-glucuronic acid into 2-furaldehyde has been shown to be analogous to the acid-catalysed conversion of hexoses into 5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-furaldehyde.³⁵ Specifically, the conversions of D-[2-²H]glucose into 5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-furaldehyde (under acid conditions) and metasaccharinic acid (under basic conditions) have indicated that the former occurs by the irreversible sequence (2) \rightarrow (3) \rightarrow (5) \rightarrow (7), whereas the latter proceeds by the sequence (2) \rightarrow (3) \rightarrow (4) \rightarrow (6).³⁶ Anet has published a note on isotope exchanges occurring during the acid-catalysed conversion of hexoses to 5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-furaldehyde in deuterium oxide,³⁷ and the observed isotope effects were considered to reduce objections raised to an earlier proposal, which invoked 3-deoxyhexos-2-uloses as intermediates.

Thirteen products have been isolated from the degradation of D-glucose with methylamine and acetic acid.³⁸ The two compounds responsible for the caramel odour detected during this reaction were identified as acetylformoin and 4-hydroxy-2,5-dimethyl-3(2H)-furanone. The isomerisation of

²⁹ G. Avigad, S. England, and I. Listowsky, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 365.

³⁰ P. J. Baugh, K. Kershaw, and G. O. Phillips, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 1482.

³¹ P. Desai, and R. C. Wilhoit, *Thermochimica Acta*, 1970, **1**, 61.

³² J. J. Christensen, J. H. Rytting, and R. M. Izatt, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 1646.

³³ W. Nelkin and E. Simon, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **41**, 864.

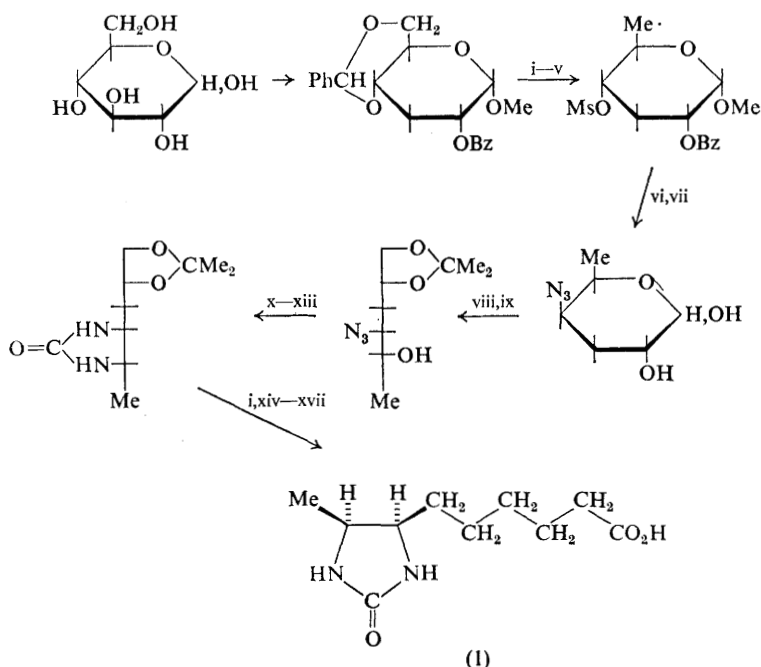
³⁴ H. Kuzuhara, H. Ohru, and S. Emoto, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1185.

³⁵ M. S. Feather, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4143.

³⁶ M. S. Feather and J. F. Harris, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 304.

³⁷ E. F. L. J. Anet, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 2383.

³⁸ G. R. Jurch, jun., and J. H. Tatum, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 233.



Reagents: i, H^+ ; ii, $TsCl$, py; iii, NaI ; iv, H_2 ; v, $MsCl$, py; vi, NaN_3 ; vii, H^+ ; viii, $NaBH_4$; ix, Me_2CO , H^+ ; x, $MsCl$, py; xi, NaN_3 ; xii, H_2-Ni ; xiii, $COCl_2$; xiv, H^+ ; xv, $NaIO_4$; xvi, Wittig reagent; xvii, H_2

Scheme 4

lactose to lactulose by aqueous calcium hydroxide has also been studied.³⁹ The reactions shown in Scheme 5 were proposed to account for some of the products formed on thermal degradation of 1-deoxy-1-piperidino-D-fructose.⁴⁰

A detailed report on the thermal decomposition of sugars has appeared.⁴¹ Studies with [^{14}C]-labelled D-glucose have shown that 65% of the formaldehyde produced by thermal degradation arose from C-6, whereas C-1 and C-2 contributed 15% and 5%, respectively.⁴²

Deoxy and deoxycarbonyl compounds are formed on γ -radiolysis of mono- and di-saccharides, glycosides, and certain polysaccharides;⁴³ the formation of deoxy-sugars on irradiation of aqueous solutions of carbohydrates appears to be a general process. The production of formaldehyde

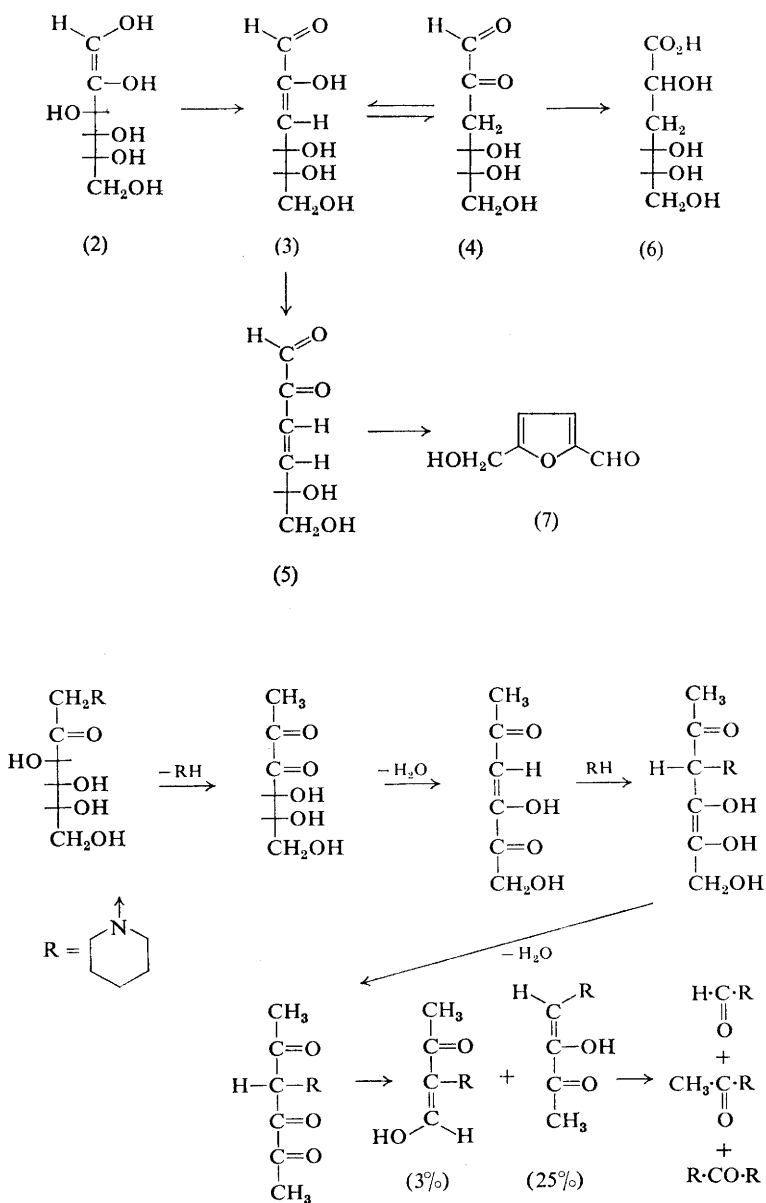
³⁹ S. Zagrodzki and B. Krol, *Rocz. Technol. Chem. Zyrn.*, 1969, 15, 189 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, 73, 4102q).

⁴⁰ F. D. Mills, B. G. Baker, and J. E. Hodge, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 15, 205.

⁴¹ M. Popa-Luchian, Gh. Rozmarin, and I. A. Schneider, *J. Therm. Anal.*, 1969, 1, 211.

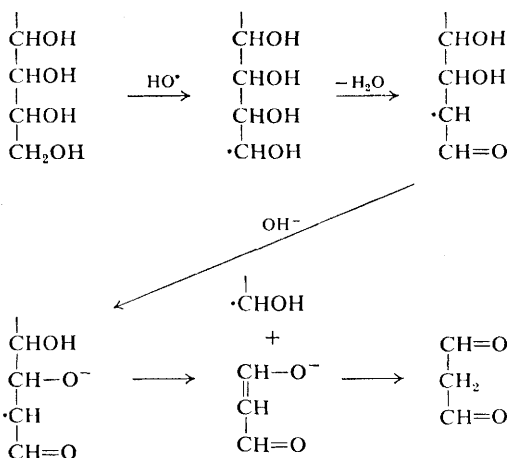
⁴² Y. Houminer and S. Hoz, *Israel J. Chem.*, 1970, 8, 97.

⁴³ N. K. Kochetkov, L. I. Kudryashov, S. M. Yarovaya, and S. V. Voznesenskaya, *Bull. Acad. Sci., U.S.S.R.*, 1970, 211.



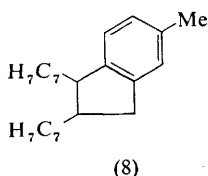
Scheme 5

during the γ -irradiation of fructose has been studied.⁴⁴ Malonaldehyde has been identified as a product of the u.v. photolysis of aqueous solutions of such carbohydrates as D-glucose, D-fructose, D-mannitol, and D-glucono-1,5-lactone.⁴⁵ The pathway shown in Scheme 6 was proposed to explain the formation of both malonaldehyde and deoxy-sugar in this process.



Scheme 6

The mechanism of formation of (8) from the reaction of D-glucose with liquid hydrogen fluoride in toluene has been discussed.⁴⁶ Treatment of



D-glucose with anisole in liquid hydrogen fluoride afforded 1-deoxy-1,1-bis-(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-D-glucitol (70%, after 1 h) and 2,5-anhydro-1-deoxy-1,1-bis-(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-D-glucitol (18%, after 3 h), whereas after 40 h the reaction mixture contained about twenty products.⁴⁷ The crystalline pigments (9)–(12) have been isolated from the reaction of either D-glucose or D-fructose with *p*-toluidine.⁴⁸

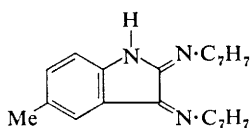
⁴⁴ G. Lofroth and C. Kim, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 749.

⁴⁵ H. Scherz, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 417.

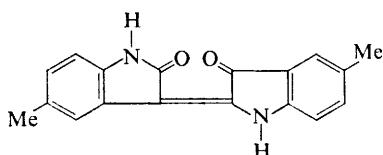
⁴⁶ F. Micheel and H. Sobitzkat, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1605.

⁴⁷ F. Micheel and J. Stanek jun., *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1609.

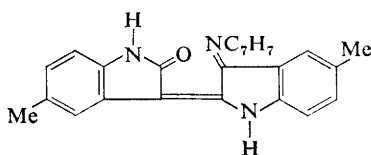
⁴⁸ T. Ozawa and N. Kinae, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 1293.



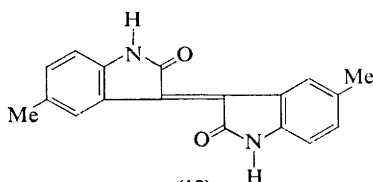
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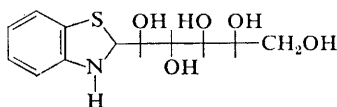


(11)



(12)

The reactions of D-glucose and D-galactose with 2-aminothiophenol and 2-amino-4-chlorothiophenol gave products of the type (13).^{48a} Acetylation afforded hexa-acetyl derivatives which could also be prepared by reaction



(13)

of the thiophenols with the *aldehydo*-sugar penta-acetate followed by *N*-acetylation.

The reactions of 2,4:3,5-di-*O*-benzylidene-*aldehydo*-D-ribose and penta-*O*-acetyl-*aldehydo*-D-glucose with seven resonance-stabilised ylides have been studied.⁴⁹ Whereas all the ylides reacted with the D-ribose derivative in high yield, the reactions of the ylides with the D-glucose derivative generally gave lower yields and, in some cases, the expected product was not isolated. It was concluded that steric hindrance by substituents on the carbohydrate and ylide probably affects the overall rate of the Wittig reaction.

N.m.r. studies of the anomeric proton signals have shown that enzymically-catalysed isomerisations of D-fructose and D-xylulose give the α -pyranoses preferentially and that isomerisation occurs by mechanisms involving C-1 \rightarrow C-2 hydrogen transfer.⁵⁰

^{48a} R. Bognár, Z. Kolodynska, L. Somogyi, Z. Györgydeák, L. Szilágyi, and É. N. Nemes, *Acta Chim. Acad. Sci. Hung.*, 1969, **62**, 65.

⁴⁹ R. E. Harmon, G. Wellman, and S. K. Gupta, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 123.

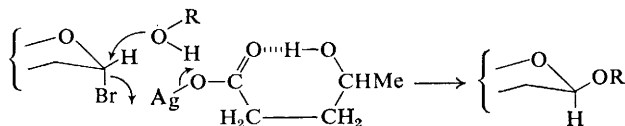
⁵⁰ M. S. Feather, V. Deshpande, and M. J. Lybyer, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **38**, 859.

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Glycosides

O-Glycosides

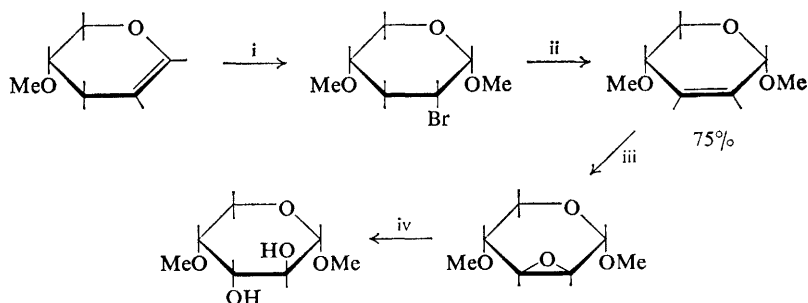
Synthesis.—A new modification of the Koenigs–Knorr reaction involved carrying out the condensations in the presence of silver salts of 2-, 3-, or 4-hydroxyalkanoic acids, or of 1,3- or 1,4-dicarboxylic acids. Aceto-bromoglucose in ether afforded good yields of β -glycosides, particularly when silver 4-hydroxyvalerate is used. A mechanism involving the step illustrated in Scheme 7 was envisaged for the reaction.⁵¹ Other workers



Scheme 7

have discovered that silver succinate can be effective in facilitating glycoside synthesis.⁵²

An improved synthesis of methyl β -D-glucopyranoside involves methylation of the free sugar with dimethyl sulphate at low temperature.⁵³ Methyl 4-O-methyl- α -DL-arabinopyranoside has been synthesised (Scheme 8) by



Reagents: i, Br_2 , MeOH; ii, KOH, MeOH; iii, $\text{Cl} \cdot \text{C}_6\text{H}_4 \cdot \text{CO}_2\text{H}$; iv, KOH

Scheme 8

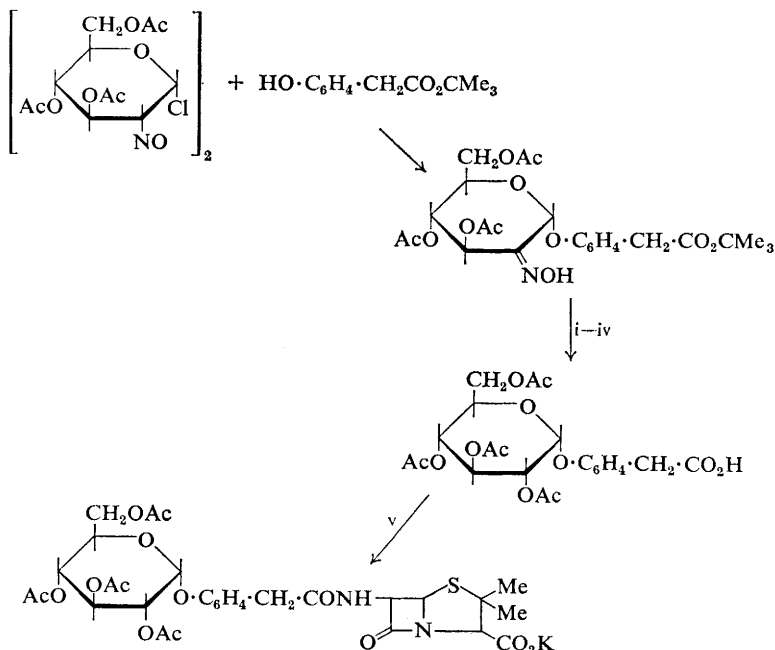
⁵¹ G. Wulff, G. Röhle, and W. Krüger, *Angew. Chem. Internat. Edn.*, 1970, **9**, 455.

⁵² B. Helferich and W. M. Müller, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 3350.

⁵³ D. M. Hall and O. A. Stamm, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 421.

Brown's group in a continuation of their studies on the formation of specific carbohydrate derivatives from non-carbohydrate precursors.⁵⁴

α -D-Glucopyranosides have been prepared by the reaction of 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl chloride in benzene with alcohols in the presence of zinc oxide or silver or mercury salts. Best results were obtained using mercury succinate.⁵⁵ An application of the nitrosyl chloride method of α -glycoside synthesis to the preparation of a penicillin derivative is shown in Scheme 9.⁵⁶



Reagents: i, AcOH, levulinic acid, HCl; ii, NaBH_4 ; iii, Ac_2O , py; iv, HBr, AcOH; v, 6-aminopenicillanic acid

Scheme 9

Other α -glucosides to have been synthesised are 4- and 6-*O*- α -D-glucopyranosyl-2-deoxystreptamine, which were prepared using tetra-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl chloride and *NN'*-diethoxycarbonyl-2-deoxystreptamine. Structural assignments were made by use of the Cu^{II} -complexing method.⁵⁷ Likewise, 3-*O*-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-*N*-(2,4-dinitrophenyl)-*L*-serine and -*L*-threonine methyl esters have been

⁵⁴ R. M. Srivastava and R. K. Brown, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2341.

⁵⁵ B. Helferich and W. M. Müller, *Naturwiss.*, 1970, **57**, 496.

⁵⁶ T. L. Nagabhushan and C. Chin, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 3097.

⁵⁷ Y. Nishimura, T. Tsuchiya, and S. Umezawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 2960.

prepared. The kinetics of the base-catalysed eliminative degradation of these compounds were found to be first order, and the significance of the results in relation to studies of glycopeptides was stressed.⁵⁸ β -Glycosides of *N*-benzyloxycarbonyl-L-serine and -L-threonine methyl esters (and simple alcohols) were otherwise prepared by condensing the corresponding *t*-butyl ethers with acetohalogeno-sugars in toluene in the presence of silver carbonate, toluenesulphonic acid, and pyridine perchlorate.⁵⁹ Another report of the synthesis of serine *O*-glycosides describes the derivatives of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose and -D-galactose.⁶⁰

Appreciable additional attention has been given to the synthesis of glycosides of 2-amino-2-deoxy-sugars: the oxazoline method has thus afforded 2-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)glycerol and 2-acetamido-3-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-2-deoxy-D-glucose.⁶¹ Other results were reported which indicate that oxazoline derivatives of mono- and oligo-saccharides are effective glycosylating agents for the preparation of 1,2-*trans*-2-acetamido-2-deoxyglycosides including oligo-saccharides.⁶² Such compounds can, of course, be prepared by the use of peracetylglycosyl chlorides, as demonstrated by the preparation of 2',3'-epoxypropyl 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside and corresponding di- and tri-saccharide glycosides. The procedure involved Koenigs-Knorr condensation with allyl alcohol followed by epoxidation of the initial products and deacetylation.⁶³

The use of the trifluoroacetamido-group in glycosyl halide condensations affords a means of obtaining 2-amino-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosides, whereas the 2,4-dinitrophenyl group leads to products with the α -configuration, presumably because the amino-function protected in this way does not take part in the displacement processes.⁶⁴ The dichloroacetyl group has also been used in both di- (Scheme 10)⁶⁵ and tri-saccharide (Scheme 11)⁶⁶ syntheses. These transformations were carried out using standard procedures, the dichloroacetyl group being reduced to an acetyl group with hydrogen over a palladium catalyst. 2-Amino-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosides of digitoxigenin, strophanthidin, and pregnenolone have been synthesised by the Koenigs-Knorr procedure,⁶⁷ and 4-*O*-(2-acetamido-

⁵⁸ J. R. Vercellotti, N. Nienaber, and C. J. Chang, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 63.

⁵⁹ N. K. Kochetkov, E. M. Klimov, and V. A. Derevitskaya, *Doklady Acad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, **192**, 376.

⁶⁰ E. Werries and E. Buddecke, *Z. physiol. Chem.*, 1970, **351**, 1089.

⁶¹ T. S. Antonenko, S. E. Zurabyan, and A. Ya. Khorlin, *Izvest. Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R., Ser. khim.*, 1970, 1153.

⁶² S. E. Zurabyan, T. S. Antonenko, and A. Ya. Khorlin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 21.

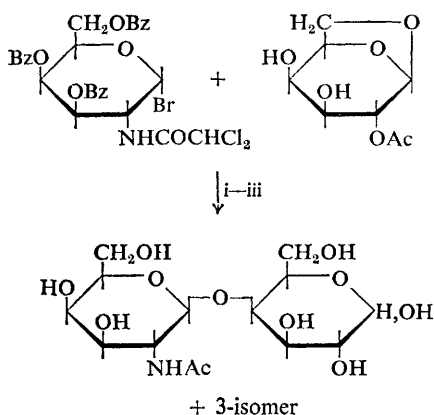
⁶³ E. W. Thomas, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 225.

⁶⁴ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf and N. Wassiliadou-Micheli, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1792.

⁶⁵ D. Shapiro and A. J. Acher, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 229.

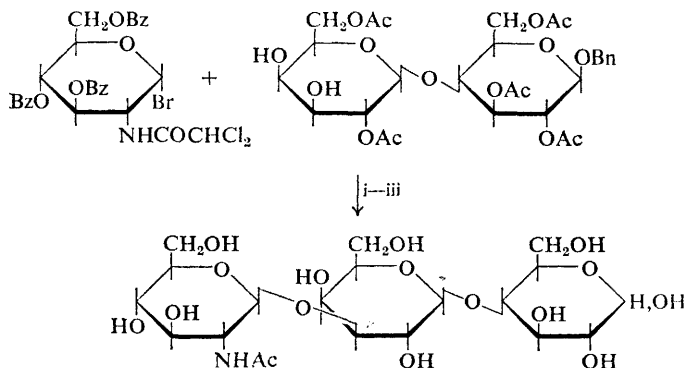
⁶⁶ A. J. Acher, Y. Rabinsohn, E. S. Rachaman, and D. Shapiro, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2436.

⁶⁷ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, N. Wassiliadou-Micheli, and H. Machleidt, *Arch. Pharm.*, 1970, **303**, 17.



Reagents: i, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$, $\text{Hg}(\text{CN})_2$; ii, $\text{Ba}(\text{OMe})_2$; iii, $\text{Pd}-\text{C}$, H_2

Scheme 10



Reagents: i, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_2$, $\text{Hg}(\text{CN})_2$; ii, $\text{Ba}(\text{OMe})_2$; iii, $\text{Pd}-\text{C}$, H_2

Scheme 11

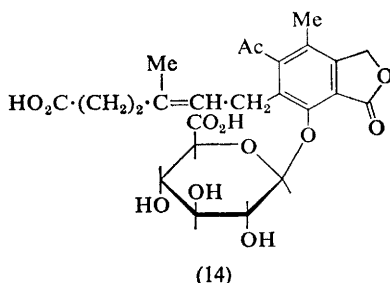
2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-D-glucopyranose has been prepared by glycosylation of 2,3-di-O-acetyl-1,6-anhydro- β -D-glucopyranose.⁶⁸

Not surprisingly, fusion of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannose penta-acetate with phenol in the presence of acid catalysts afforded mainly the α -phenyl glycoside, but a small proportion of the β -anomer was also isolable. Nitration of phenyl 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- α -D-galactopyranoside, followed by deacetylation and resin chromatography, afforded *o*- and *p*-nitrophenyl 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-galactopyranoside, which are useful substrates for α -acetylgalactosaminidase.⁶⁹

⁶⁸ D. Shapiro, Y. Rabinsohn, A. J. Acher, and A. Diver-Haber, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1464.

⁶⁹ B. Weissmann, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1690.

Other reports have appeared on phenyl glycosides. Stannic-chloride-catalysed condensations of phenols and nitrophenols with glucose peracetates having 1,2-*trans*-related groups give mixtures of anomers rather than the β -products expected of reactions which involve anchimeric assistance. Presumably, anomerisations were also catalysed by the chloride.⁷⁰ A large number of substituted phenyl α -D-mannopyranosides have been prepared by standard procedures using zinc chloride as catalyst.⁷¹ Likewise, bromo-, chloro-, and iodo-phenyl β -cellobiosides, β -lactosides, and β -maltosides were synthesised by use of acetobromosugars in acetone and potassium phenates in water. The yields for the bromo- and chloro-compounds decrease in the order $p > m > o$, and the conversion efficiencies also fall off in the order cellobioside > lactoside > maltoside.⁷²



More specifically, mycophenolic acid β -D-glucuronide (14) has been prepared and found to have significant anti-tumour activity,⁷³ and twenty-eight steroidal tri-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranuronoside methyl esters have been synthesised and anomerised to the α -compounds with titanium tetrachloride. The optical rotations of the glycosides were examined with particular reference to Hudson's rules, and the anomers were distinguishable by i.r. spectroscopy — an absorption in the region 1140—1146 cm^{-1} was displayed only by the α -anomers — but not by mass spectrometry.⁷⁴ Flavonoid glucuronides have been isolated from natural sources and synthesised.^{75, 76}

Two reports have appeared on the synthesis of non-reducing disaccharide derivatives. Reaction of trimethylsilyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranoside with 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl chloride in the presence of silver perchlorate gave octa-*O*-methyl- $\alpha\alpha$ -trehalose; the

⁷⁰ T. R. Ingle and J. L. Bose, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 459.

⁷¹ A. Vervoort and C. K. De Bruyne, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 277.

⁷² I. C. M. Dea, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 297.

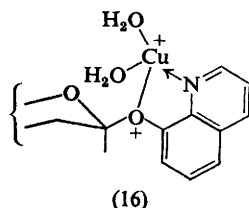
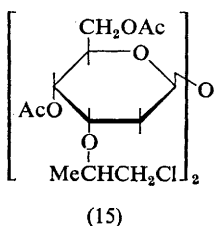
⁷³ K. Ando, S. Suzuki, and M. Arita, *J. Antibiotics*, 1970, **23**, 408.

⁷⁴ J. J. Schneider, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 369.

⁷⁵ H. Wagner, H. Danninger, O. Seligmann, M. Nogradi, L. Farkas, and N. Farnsworth, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 3678.

⁷⁶ H. Wagner, H. Danninger, O. Seligmann, and L. Farkas, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 3674.

unsubstituted disaccharide and its octa-acetate were obtained by use of the corresponding benzyl ethers.⁷⁷ Condensation of tetra-*O*-methyl- β -D-glucose and - β -D-fructose in the presence of zinc chloride gave octa-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl α -D-fructofuranoside in 55–60% yield.⁷⁸ The disaccharide (15) was one of the products obtained on reaction of β -D-glucopyranose penta-acetate and silicon tetrachloride in propane-1,2-diol carbonate.^{78a}



Hydrolysis.—It has been shown that the hydrolysis of 8-hydroxyquinoline β -D-glucopyranoside is significantly catalysed by Cu^{II} ions in the pH range 5.5–6.0, and it was presumed that the intermediate (16) was involved.⁷⁹ The influence of *para* and *meta* substituents on the enzymic hydrolysis of aryl β -D-xylopyranosides by a β -D-xylosidase has been investigated: electronic, steric, and hydrophobic factors were used to analyse the structure–activity relationships.⁸⁰

Further information on the kinetics of the acid-catalysed hydrolysis of cellotriose has been reported. Cellobiose is hydrolysed 1.4 times more rapidly than the glucosidic bond at the non-reducing end of the trisaccharide.⁸¹ The hydrolysis of raffinose and the separation of the products of hydrolysis on cation-exchange resins have also been described.⁸²

Studies of the influence of an ultrasonic field on the hydrolysis of sucrose have been reported.⁸³

Other Reactions and Features of Glycosides.—A study of the radiolysis of dilute aqueous solutions of methyl α -D-glucopyranoside, methyl α -D-galactopyranoside, and methyl β -D-arabinopyranoside has shown that the stereochemistry of the starting materials influences their stability towards radiation and also the ratios of the products formed. Compounds containing the methylene group were the main products of radiolysis but the formation of free sugars was not observed.⁸⁴

⁷⁷ A. Klemer, E. Buhe, R. Kutz, S. Chahin, and L. Kleefeldt, *Annalen*, 1970, **739**, 185.

⁷⁸ A. Klemer and B. Dietzel, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 275.

^{78a} A. Klemer and H. Gibmeier, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 411.

⁷⁹ C. R. Clark, R. W. Hay, and I. C. M. Dea, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 794.

⁸⁰ F. Van Wijnendaele and C. K. De Bruyne, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 189.

⁸¹ A. Meller, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 455.

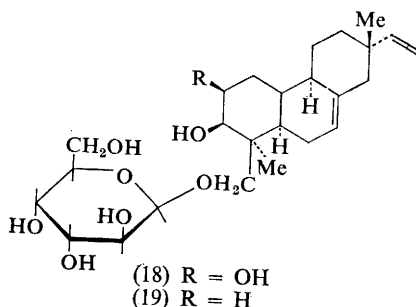
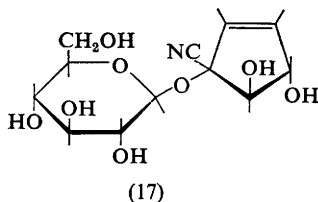
⁸² D. Woermann, *Ber. Bunsengesellschaft. Phys. Chem.*, 1970, **74**, 441.

⁸³ R. Thomas, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270 C**, 635.

⁸⁴ L. I. Kudrjashov, T. Ya. Liverstovskaya, S. V. Voznesenskaya, U. I. Kovalev, V. A. Sharpatyi, and N. K. Kochetkov, *Zhur. obshchei. Khim.*, 1970, **40**, 1133.

The migration of the aglycone of methyl glycosides is reported in Chapter 4 and the oxidation of acetylated derivatives is described in Chapter 17.

Natural Products.—Amongst several naturally occurring glucosides which have been investigated are a gibberellin derivative⁸⁵ and an α -glycoside obtained from estriol by a biochemical transfer from maltose.⁸⁶ Gynocardin has been shown to have structure (17) by a crystallographic study of its 6-brosylate.⁸⁷ *p*-Cresyl β -D-ribofuranoside is found as a



component of a corrinoid factor isolated from sewage sludge,⁸⁸ and the discovery of the first naturally occurring D-altropyranosides, virescenosides A and B (18 and 19), is of considerable interest.⁸⁹

S-Glycosides

The crystallographic analysis of the structure of sinigrin has been refined,⁹⁰ and three new glucosinolates [*S*-glycosides of general structure (20)] have been isolated from members of the Cruciferae.⁹¹

⁸⁵ T. Yokota, N. Murofushi, and N. Takahashi, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1489.

⁸⁶ S. C. Pan, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 1833.

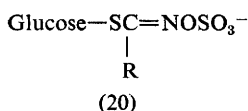
⁸⁷ H. S. Khim, G. A. Jeffrey, D. Panke, R. C. Clapp, R. A. Coburn, and L. Long jun., *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 381.

⁸⁸ F. Dinglinger and I. Braun, *Z. physiol. Chem.*, 1970, **351**, 1157.

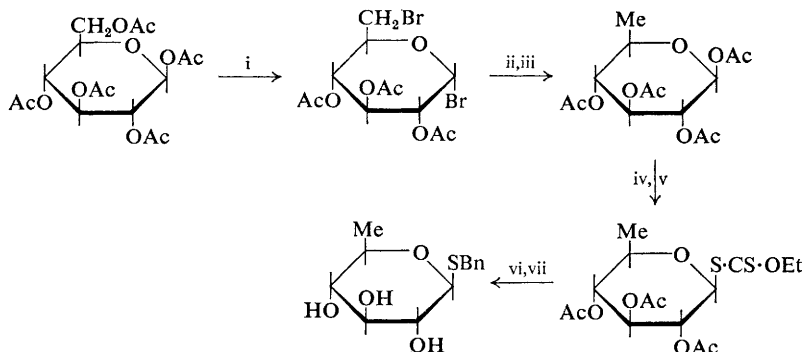
⁸⁹ N. Cagnoli Bellavita, P. Ceccherelli, M. Ribaldi, J. Polonsky, and Z. Baskevitch, *Gazzetta*, 1969, **99**, 1354.

⁹⁰ R. E. Marsh and J. Waser, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **B26**, 1030.

⁹¹ A. Kjaer and A. Schuster, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 1631.



Benzyl 6-deoxy-1-thio- β -D-glucopyranoside has been prepared by the route outlined (Scheme 12).⁹²



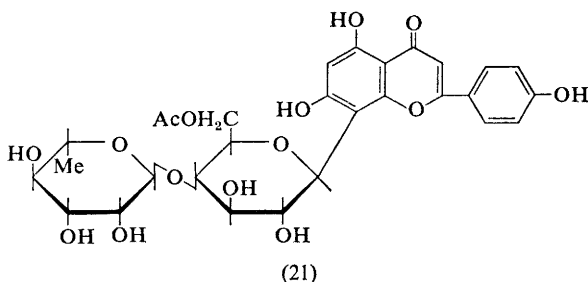
Reagents: i, HBr, AlBr_3 ; ii, Ac_2O , KOAc ; iii, Pd-C , H_2 ; iv, HBr, Ac_2O ; v, $\text{EtO} \cdot \text{CS} \cdot \text{SK}$; vi, NaOMe , MeOH ; vii, BnBr

Scheme 12

C-Glycosides

Considerable interest continues to be shown in this class of compound and a review on natural and synthetic members has appeared in Russian.⁹³

Vitexin, saponaretin, orientin, iso-orientin, and vicenin-1 have been isolated from the leaves of *Croton zambezicus*,⁹⁴ and 8-C- β -D-glucopyranosyl luteoline has been obtained from water nut.⁹⁵ Cratenacin has been assigned the structure (21).⁹⁶



⁹² W. Schüep and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 1336.

⁹³ Yu. A. Zhdanov and L. A. Uzlova, *Nauch. Tr. Taskent, Gos. Univ.*, 1968, 15.

⁹⁴ H. Wagner, L. Hörhammer, and I. C. Kiraly, *Phytochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 897.

⁹⁵ Y. U. Okonenko and P. B. Krivchuk, *Khim. issled. Kiev 'Zdorov ya'*, 1970, 160.

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Acetobromo-sugars have been used to synthesise 6-C-glucosyl- and 6-C-xylosyl-chrysin,⁹⁷ and several di-C-glucosyl flavones have been prepared by related reactions.⁹⁸

The anomeric pseudouridines have attracted attention: the crystal structure of the α -anomer shows that the furanoid ring adopts the usual envelope conformation (p. 162), while an analysis of the 100 MHz n.m.r. spectrum of the β -anomer by computational methods suggests that the furanoid ring exists as an equilibrium mixture of various puckered conformations. The preferred rotamers about the 4'-5' and 1'-5 bonds were also determined, and no change was observed in the spectrum over a 40 °C temperature range.⁹⁹

Other compounds which might be considered to be related to C-glycosides are mentioned in Chapter 10, and the mass spectroscopy of these compounds is referred to in Chapter 24.

⁹⁷ J. Chopin, M.-L. Bouillant, and A. Durix, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270 C**, 69.

⁹⁸ J. Chopin and M.-L. Bouillant, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270 C**, 222, 331, 733.

⁹⁹ F. E. Hruska, A. A. Grey, and I. C. P. Smith, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4088.

Ethers

Methyl Ethers.—Attention continues to be given to the synthesis of specific methyl ethers of sugars, and several new preparations have been reported. 2-*O*-Methyl-L-ribose was synthesised by oxidation of benzyl 3,4-*O*-isopropylidene- β -L-arabinopyranoside to the uloside which, on reduction, gave the partially protected L-ribopyranoside required for methylation.¹⁰⁰ Methylation of methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- α -D-mannopyranoside with diazomethane-boron trifluoride etherate, and subsequent removal of the protecting groups, has led to a ready synthesis of 6-*O*-methyl-D-mannose.¹⁰¹ Two components of cardiac glycosides, 6-deoxy-3-*O*-methyl-D-gulose¹⁰² and -L-mannose,¹⁰³ have been obtained from 1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-methyl-D-gulose as shown in Scheme 13.

6-Deoxy-3-*O*-methyl-L-mannose has been identified as a component of a Gram-negative bacterial polysaccharide,¹⁰⁴ and it has also been isolated from mycoside G, a specific glycolipid of *Mycobacterium marinum*.¹⁰⁵ In the latter case, the structure was deduced from the mass and n.m.r. spectra of the acetylated methyl glycoside, and was confirmed by oxidation of the sugar with periodate. The circular dichroism curve (–ve Cotton effect) of the acetylated mycoside was taken as evidence for the α -L-glycosidic link. 3-*O*-Methyl-D-galactose (madurose) has been isolated from whole-cell hydrolysates of some *Actinomycetes*.¹⁰⁶

The dimethyl sugars 2,4- and 3,6-di-*O*-methyl-D-mannose have been synthesised (Scheme 14),¹⁰⁷ and 2,4-di-*O*-methyl-D-fucose, required for polysaccharide studies, was prepared from methyl 6-*O*-benzyl- α -D-galactopyranoside by acetonation, methylation, deacetonation, and debenzylation to give methyl 2-*O*-methyl- α -D-galactopyranoside. The latter triol was converted into the 4,6-*O*-benzylidene acetal which was

¹⁰⁰ A. H. Haines and P. R. Lundie, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1691.

¹⁰¹ E. G. Gros and E. M. Grunheiro, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 409.

¹⁰² J. S. Brimacombe, N. Robinson, and J. M. Webber, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 655.

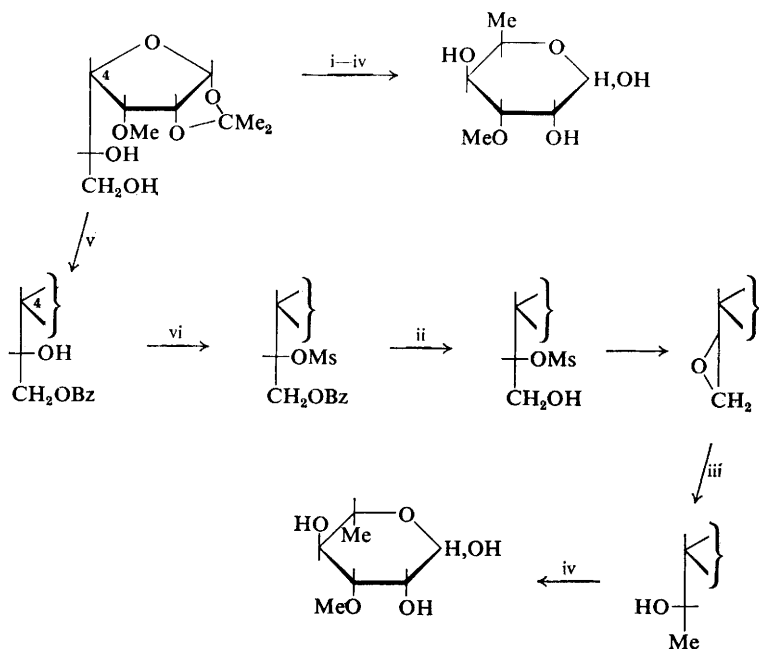
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¹⁰⁵ C. Villé and M. Gastambide-Odier, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 97.

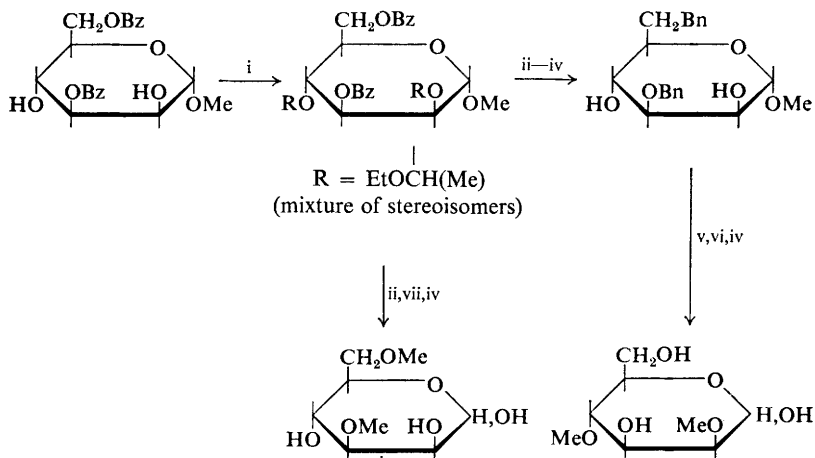
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¹⁰⁷ G. Alfredsson, P. J. Garegg, and B. Lindberg, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 2671.



Reagents: i, TsCl, py; ii, MeO⁻; iii, LAH; iv, H₃O⁺; v, BzCl, py; vi, MsCl, py

Scheme 13

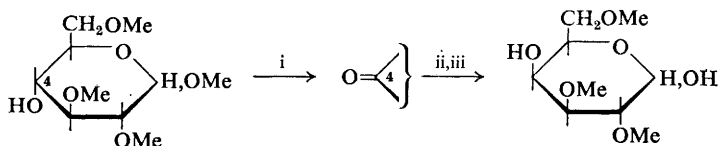


Reagents: i, EtOCH=CH₂; ii, BaO, MeOH; iii, BnCl, NaOH; iv, H₃O⁺; v, MeI, NaOH; vi, Pd-C, H₂; vii, Me₂SO₄, NaOH

Scheme 14

benzylated, debenzylidenated, and tosylated selectively at position 6. The required ether was then obtained by standard reactions on the resulting methyl 3-*O*-benzyl-2-*O*-methyl-6-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-galactopyranoside.¹⁰⁸

2,3,6-Tri-*O*-methyl-D-galactose was obtainable in 15% overall yield from methylated cellulose by oxidation and reduction of the derived methyl 2,3,6-tri-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranoside (Scheme 15).¹⁰⁹ 2,3,4,6,7-Penta-



Reagents: i, Ac_2O , DMSO; ii, NaBH_4 ; iii, H_3O^+

Scheme 15

O-methyl-D-glycero-L-manno-heptose and the corresponding 2,4,6,7-tetra-methyl ether have been prepared as reference compounds for structural studies on Gram-negative lipopolysaccharides. The ethers were obtained by methylation of the parent sugar and its 3-benzyl ether, respectively, and removal of the protecting groups by conventional methods.¹¹⁰

Other ethers have been prepared by non-specific methylations. Thus, treatment of phenyl 6-*O*-trityl- β -D-glucopyranoside with methyl iodide-silver oxide gave a mixture consisting of the 2,4-di- and 2,3,4-tri-*O*-methyl derivatives from which the free sugars were readily liberated.¹¹¹ In other work, partial methylation of *C*- and *O*-glucoside derivatives was studied using diazomethane in methanol or DMF-methanol in the presence of small amounts of stannous chloride. Methylation at O-3 was a favoured process. For example, methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-glucopyranoside gave the 3-*O*-methyl derivative (93%) and a trace of the diether, whereas the β -anomer afforded the 3-ether (52%), the 2-ether (34%), and the diether (trace).¹¹²

Several monomethyl ethers of phenyl α -maltoside have been described.¹¹³

A discussion of demethylation procedures has been published, together with a description of the use of sodium borohydride-iodine for this purpose. This combination of reagents causes direct O—Me bond-cleavage, and could possibly be used in carbohydrate chemistry.¹¹⁴

Further interesting cases of methoxy-group migration have been reported. The reaction of aluminium trichloride with (22, β -anomer) gave

¹⁰⁸ P. P. Singh and G. A. Adams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 229.

¹⁰⁹ S. Morgenlie, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 2240.

¹¹⁰ P. P. Singh and G. A. Adams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 261.

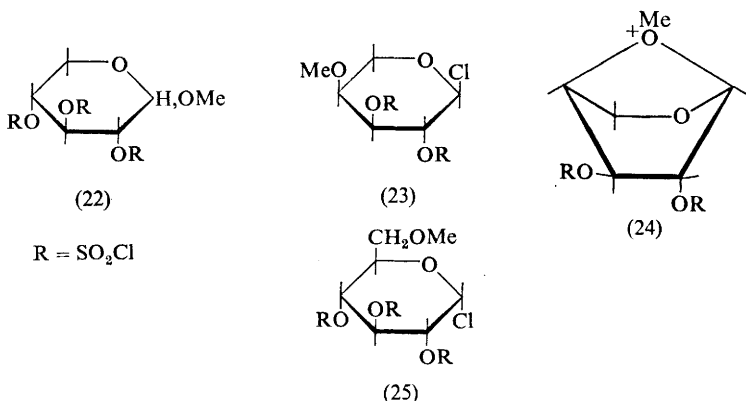
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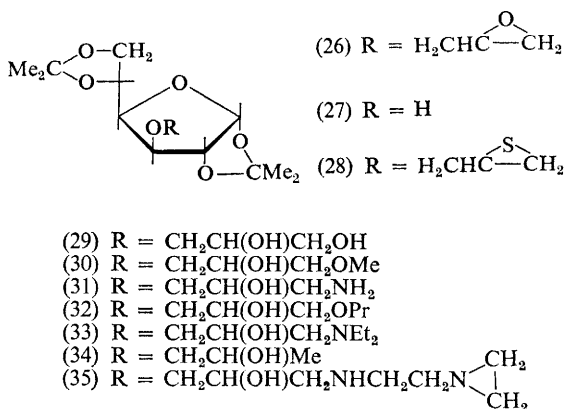
¹¹³ H. Arita, M. Isemura, T. Ikenaka, and Y. Matsushima, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 818.

¹¹⁴ G. Odham and B. Samuelsen, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 468.

mainly (22, α -anomer) and the rearranged product (23); the latter is presumably formed by way of the bridged oxonium ion (24). Similarly, methyl α -D-glucopyranoside tetraester gave (25) as the product of methoxy-group migration thus establishing, not unexpectedly, that a 1,6-oxonium ion is energetically preferable to the isomeric 1,4-oxonium ion.^{114a}



Substituted Alkyl Ethers.—3-*O*-(2',3'-Epoxypropyl)-1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucose (26) was prepared as a precursor of possible analogues of starch derivatives by treating the sodio-derivative of (27) with 2,3-epoxypropyl chloride. The epithio analogue (28) of (26) was then synthesised by reaction of the epoxide with either thiourea or potassium thiocyanate.¹¹⁵ Compound (26) was also converted into compounds (29)–(35) by a series of ring-opening reactions.¹¹⁶ In an extension of this work, various methyl



^{114a} C. F. Gibbs and H. J. Jennings, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2735.

¹¹⁵ R. E. Wing, W. M. Doane, and C. E. Rist, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 285.

¹¹⁶ R. E. Wing, W. M. Doane, and C. E. Rist, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 347.

α -D-glucopyranoside epoxypropyl ethers containing up to four ether groups were synthesised.¹¹⁷

Three methods of preparing 1,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl-D-fructofuranose have been devised. Two of these involved benzylation of methyl D-fructofuranoside and sucrose, respectively, followed by hydrolysis of the perbenzylated product. The third method involved acidic hydrolysis of the acetal group from 1,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl-2,5-*O*-methylene-D-mannitol followed by oxidation with acetic anhydride in DMSO.¹¹⁸

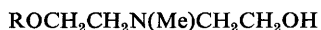
The reaction between β -D-glucopyranose penta-acetate and silicon tetrachloride in propane-1,2-diol carbonate afforded 2-deoxy-3-*O*-[1'-(chloromethyl)-ethyl] derivatives (see also p. 18); possible mechanisms for the formation of these ethers were discussed.^{78a}

Russian workers have prepared 3-*O*- and 3,5,6-tri-*O*-allyl ethers and the corresponding vinyl ethers of D-glucose by way of the cyclohexylidene acetals and, following hydrogenation, also obtained the analogous alkyl ethers.¹¹⁹ Derivatives of 3-*O*-(1-acyloxyethyl)-D-glucose were obtained by the same general approach.¹²⁰

Further studies have been reported on 1,2-*O*-ethylene-D-glucose derivatives. The α -furanose and α - and β -pyranose compounds have been shown to form during the acid-catalysed hydrolysis of *O*-(2-hydroxyethyl) starch, and by intramolecular glycosidation of 2-*O*-(2-hydroxyethyl)-D-glucose so formed.¹²¹

Selective tritylation of sucrose with trityl chloride in pyridine yields a mixture of 6- and 6'-*O*-tritylsucrose which, on acetylation followed by detritylation of the products, gives 2,3,4,6,1',3',4'- and 2,3,4,1',3',4',6'-hepta-*O*-acetylsucrose.¹²²

The nature of the cross-linking in cellulose following treatment with *N*-methylbis-(2-chloroethyl)amine has been investigated by hydrolysing the products and comparing the simple substituted D-glucoses (36) and the cross-linked compounds (37) so produced with mono-substituted D-glucoses, prepared by unambiguous routes. The relative distribution of the 2-, 3-, and 6-monoethers was 2.3 : 0.28 : 1.0 whereas the 2,2', 2,6', and 6,6'-cross-linked products were found in the ratio 2.1 : 3.7 : 1.0.¹²³



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¹¹⁷ R. E. Wing, W. M. Doane, and C. E. Rist, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 267.

¹¹⁸ R. K. Ness, H. W. Diehl, and H. G. Fletcher jun., *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 23.

¹¹⁹ B. I. Mikhant'ev, V. L. Lapenko, and E. Yu. Ponomarenko, *Izvest. Vyssh. Ucheb. Zaved., Khim. Tekhnol.*, 1969, **12**, 1698 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **73**, 4112t).

¹²⁰ B. I. Mikhant'ev, V. L. Lapenko, and E. Yu. Ponomarenko, *Zhur. obshchei Khim.*, 1970, **40**, 911.

¹²¹ H. C. Srivastava, K. V. Ramalingam, N. M. Doshi, and A. S. Chaudhari, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 23.

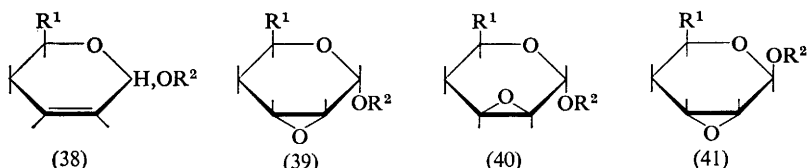
¹²² T. Otake, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 3199.

¹²³ E. J. Roberts and S. P. Rowland, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1383.

Silyl Ethers.—Evidence has been presented which shows that the trimethylsilyl ethers of glycolaldehyde, glyceraldehyde, and dihydroxyacetone are derivatives of the cyclic dimeric forms.¹²⁴

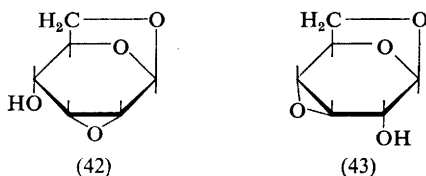
Intramolecular Ethers (Anhydro-sugars)

Epoxides.—A variety of 2-alkoxy-5,6-dihydropyrans of general type (38), which serve as models for 2,3-unsaturated hexopyranosides, were



epoxidised with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid. *trans*-Unsaturated compounds gave (39) and (40) with the latter predominating, whereas the '*ribo*' epoxides (41) were obtained exclusively from the *cis*-isomers.¹²⁵

Syntheses of the remaining two epoxy-1,6-anhydro- β -D-hexopyranoses, namely 1,6:2,3- and 1,6:3,4-dianhydro- β -D-allopyranose (42) and (43), have



been described.¹²⁶ The 3,4-epoxide (43) was prepared from 1,6-anhydro- β -D-glucopyranose by dibenzoyloxycarbonylation, mesylation (at position 3), and treatment with alkali, whereas the 2,3-epoxide (42) was prepared from 1,6-anhydro-4-*O*-benzyl-2-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- β -D-glucopyranose.

Methyl 2,3-anhydro-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-hexopyranosides were found to react with alkyl magnesium chlorides to give branched-chain sugars (see Chapter 15). Whereas methyl magnesium iodide reacted with methyl 2,3-anhydro-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-allopyranoside to give the 2-deoxy-2-iodo- α -D-altropyranoside derivative, the isomeric 3-deoxy-3-iodo- α -D-glucopyranoside derivative was formed when the reaction was performed in THF.¹²⁷

The use of epoxides in the synthesis of amino-sugar nucleosides is referred to in Chapter 8.

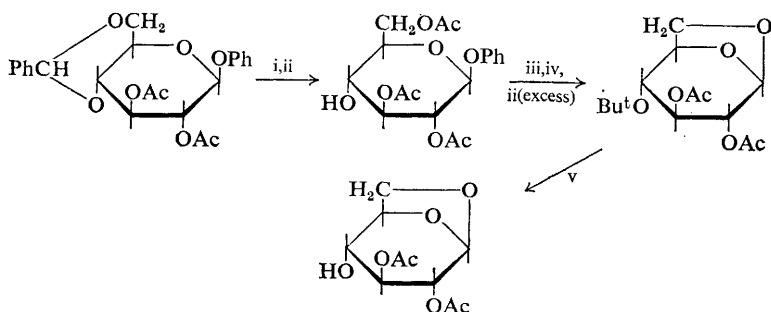
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¹²⁵ A. Konowal, A. Zamojski, M. Masojidkova, and J. Kohoutova, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1741.

¹²⁶ M. Černý, T. Trnka, P. Beran, and J. Pacák, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1969, **34**, 3377.

¹²⁷ T. D. Inch and G. J. Lewis, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 1.

Other Anhydrides.—2,3-Di-*O*-acetyl-1,6-anhydro- β -D-glucopyranose has been synthesised (Scheme 16) for use in Koenigs–Knorr preparations of 4-substituted D-glucose derivatives, since the reactivity of the 4-position of



Reagents: i, H_3O^+ ; ii, Ac_2O (1 mol), py; iii, $\text{Me}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$; iv, KOH; v, $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$

Scheme 16

normal glucopyranoses in the C_1 conformation is so low. It was also obtained, in 13% yield, by direct acetylation of 1,6-anhydro-D-glucose with acetic anhydride (2.5 mol), and was then used in syntheses of lactose and 4-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-D-glucopyranose.⁶⁸ Solid-phase transitions in 1,6-anhydro- β -D-glucopyranose have been examined by differential thermal analysis and by scanning calorimetry. Whereas carbohydrates generally exhibit an exothermic peak corresponding to the melting point, the anhydride behaves quite differently, showing an exothermic peak at 113 °C before melting at 180 °C.¹²⁸ Derivatives of 1,6-anhydro-hexoses are also mentioned in Chapters 7 and 25.

Barker's earlier work on the formation of THF derivatives from pentitols has been extended to the hexitols where variations of reaction rates have again been interpreted in terms of steric interactions in the transition states. The hexitols cyclise to 1,4-anhydrides more readily than do the pentitols, and the rates of reaction (relative to D-lyxitol = 1) are allitol (1700), talitol (930), iditol (670), glucitol (510), altritol (195), galactitol (173), gulitol (78), and mannitol (13). Where the reactions are slow, 2,5-anhydrides are also formed. The formation of 1,4:3,6-dianhydrides from 1,4-anhydrides was also studied kinetically.¹²⁹ In related work, the reaction of 1-amino-1-deoxypentitols with nitrous acid was found to give 1,4-anhydropentitols together with 2,5-anhydrides and alditols, and the results are compared with the formation of 1,4-anhydrides by treatment of pentitols

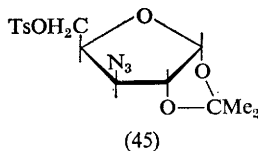
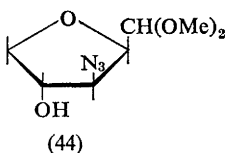
¹²⁸ F. Shafizadeh, G. D. McGinnis, C. W. Philpot, and R. A. Susott, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 184.

¹²⁹ R. Barker, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 461.

with acid.¹³⁰ The dehydration of D-glucitol in the presence of acidic ion-exchange resins has been investigated by others.¹³¹

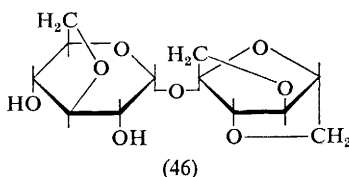
In experiments, the results of which correlate well with those of Barker's,^{129, 130} the di-isobutyl dithioacetals of D-lyxose, D-ribose, and D-xylose have been shown to give 2,5-anhydrides on treatment with limited amounts of *p*-tolylsulphonyl chloride in pyridine at reduced temperatures, whereas the corresponding D-arabinose derivative (stereochemical analogue of D-lyxitol for this comparison) gives a 5-tosylate. The differences observed in these reactions have been rationalised in conformational terms by using the n.m.r. information that, whereas a planar zig-zag conformation is favoured for the D-arabinose thioacetal, sickle conformations are preferred by the other isomers. The 2,5-anhydro-ring obtained from pentose derivatives with the *arabino*-configuration is energetically the least preferred, so this too decreases the likelihood of its formation.¹³²

In an interesting synthetic application of the above type of anhydro-ring closure, Japanese workers have prepared 2,5-anhydro-3-azido-3-deoxy-D-xylose dimethyl acetal (44), a key intermediate in the synthesis of



D-oxybiotin, by methanolysis of 3-azido-3-deoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl-α-D-xylofuranose (45).¹³³

A new trianhydrosucrose, namely 3,6-anhydro-α-D-glucopyranosyl 1,4:3,6-dianhydro-β-D-fructofuranoside (46), has been prepared and its structure established by *X*-ray diffraction.¹³⁴



Two reports have appeared on intermolecular anhydrides of carbohydrates which resemble disaccharide derivatives but contain no glycosidic

¹³⁰ D. D. Heard, B. G. Hudson, and R. Barker, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 464.

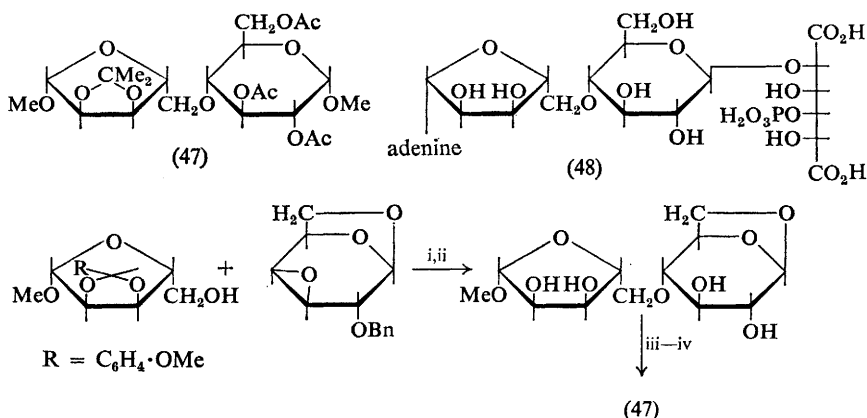
¹³¹ S. Ropuszynski, H. Matyschok, and M. Rzepka, *Przem. Chem.*, 1969, **48**, 665 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 79370p).

¹³² J. Defaye and D. Horton, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 128.

¹³³ H. Ohrui, H. Kuzuhara, and S. Emoto, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 375.

¹³⁴ N. W. Isaacs, C. H. L. Kennard, G. W. O'Donnell, and G. N. Richards, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 360.

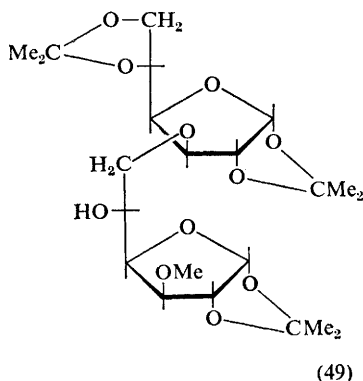
bonds between the sugar moieties. A derivative (47) of the insecticidal exotoxin (48) has been synthesised (Scheme 17), the key step involving the



Reagents: i, MeSOCH₂Na, DMSO; ii, Pd-H₂; iii, MeOH, H⁺; iv, Me₂CO, H⁺; v, Ac₂O, py

Scheme 17

diaxial opening of the epoxide ring of 1,6:3,4-dianhydro-2-*O*-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranose by methyl 2,3-*p*-anisylidene- β -D-ribofuranoside.¹³⁵ The anhydro-compound (49) was obtained similarly from the reaction between



5,6-anhydro-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucofuranose and the sodium salt of 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose.¹³⁶

6-Deoxy-6-iodo derivatives of cellulose were found to give anhydro and unsaturated sugars on treatment with base (see also Chapter 14).¹³⁷

¹³⁵ M. Prystaš and F. Šorm, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4097.

¹³⁶ A. Klemmer and G. Uhlemann, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 331.

¹³⁷ Š. Bauer and K. Tihlárík, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 418.

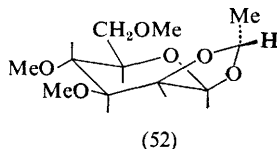
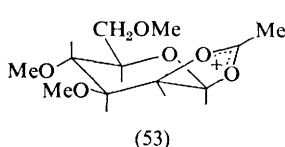
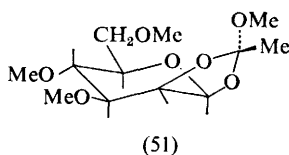
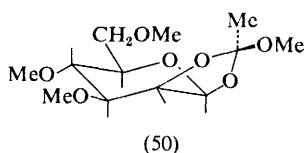
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Acetals

Reactions and Properties

Little additional information appears to have been published on this aspect of acetal chemistry, and this year the major effort has been devoted to synthetic aspects. However, the methanolysis of 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-allofuranose has been examined and shown to give at least six products. Methyl α - and β -D-allopyranoside, methyl α - and β -D-allofuranoside, methyl 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- β -D-allofuranoside, and methyl 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- β -D-allofuranoside were recognised as products, the last two resulting from acetal migration.¹³⁸ The acetalation of D-allose is referred to later in this Section, and the formation of anhydro-derivatives from pentose acetals and thioacetals is noted in Chapter 4.

Several cyclic and acyclic carbohydrate orthoesters have been hydrogenolysed with a 1 : 1 mixture of LiAlH_4 -aluminium trichloride and the mechanism of the reactions studied. Hydrogenolysis of a diastereoisomeric mixture of 1,2-*O*-(1'-methoxyethylidene)-3,4,6-tri-*O*-methyl- β -D-mannopyranose (50) and (51) gave the same 1,2-*O*-ethylidene derivative (52) having



an *endo*-C-methyl substituent. It was suggested that the carbonium ion intermediate (53) was common to both reactions.¹³⁹

¹³⁸ J. M. Williams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 281.

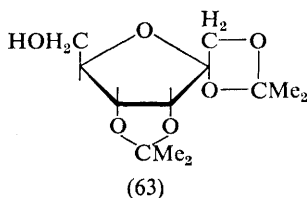
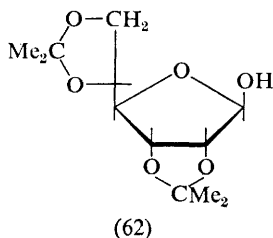
¹³⁹ S. S. Bhattacharjee and P. A. J. Gorin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 57.

ratio *cis,cis* : *cis,trans* = 2 : 1; the *trans,trans*-isomer was not obtained. The influence of the first acetal ring on the formation of the second was discussed.¹⁴² 1,3:4,6-Di-*O*-benzylidene-D-mannitol has been prepared by the acid-catalysed reaction of D-mannitol with benzaldehyde in DMSO.¹⁴³

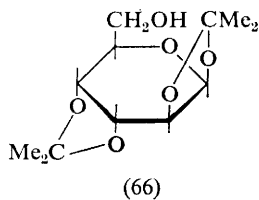
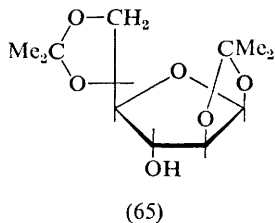
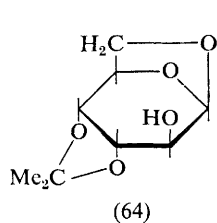
It had been established previously that acetalation of D-glucose phenyl-osotriazole with benzaldehyde in the presence of zinc chloride gave initially the diastereoisomeric 5,6-acetals which rearranged to a 4,6-isomer, but eventually dibenzylidene derivatives predominated (Vol. 3, p. 83). The diacetals have now been isolated and recognised as the four possible 3,4:5,6-tetrasubstituted derivatives.¹⁴⁴

2,3,4,5-Di-*O*-isopropylidene acetals of several derivatives of xylonic and arabonic acids have been prepared.¹⁴⁵

From Diol Groups on Cyclic Carbohydrates.—(i) *Free Sugars.* The principal product of acid-catalysed acetonation of D-allose is the 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-β-D-furanose (62); it has been shown that the 1,2:5,6-diacetal rearranges to (62) under acidic conditions.¹⁴⁶ Japanese workers



have confirmed the former finding, and they have also shown that D-psicose affords mainly the 1,2:3,4-diacetal (63); the mass spectra of the products were reported.¹⁴⁷ Similar studies on an equilibrated mixture of D-altrose and 1,6-anhydro-β-D-altropyranose have shown that compounds (64), (65), and (66) are produced in 60%, 23%, and 17% yields, respectively.¹⁴⁸



¹⁴² H. B. Sinclair, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 3845.

¹⁴³ H. B. Sinclair, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 151.

¹⁴⁴ R. M. Carman and J. D. Petty, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 801.

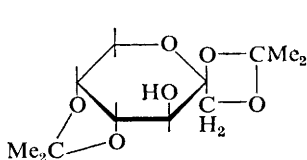
¹⁴⁵ H. Zinner and H. Nehring, *Z. Chem.*, 1970, **10**, 394.

¹⁴⁶ J. M. Ballard and B. E. Stacey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 37.

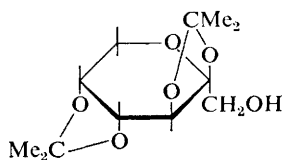
¹⁴⁷ M. Haga, M. Takano, and S. Tejima, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 237.

¹⁴⁸ J. S. Brimacombe and P. A. Gent, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 1.

Condensation of D-fructose with acetone in the presence of sulphuric acid gives 1,2:4,5-di-O-isopropylidene-β-D-fructopyranose (67) as the kinetically-controlled product, but it is rapidly converted into an equilibrium mixture of products in which 2,3:4,5-di-O-isopropylidene-β-D-fructopyranose (68) predominates.¹⁴⁹



(67)



(68)

The crystal structure of 5-O-chloroacetyl-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-glucoseptanose (Vol. 3, p. 38) has revealed that the large ring adopts a conformation between a chair and a twist-chair.¹⁵⁰

(ii) *Glycosides*, etc. Addition of diethyl ether to the aldehydes used to prepare 4,6-O-alkylidene derivatives of D-glucose and its methyl pyranosides improved the yield of these acetals, apparently by reducing the yield of seven-membered-ring products formed by bridging the 2,3-diol groups.⁵³

A 1 : 1 adduct of methyl 4,6-O-benzylidene-β-D-glucopyranoside and pyridinium chloride has been isolated. The anomers may be separated by means of the adduct, since the corresponding α-compound does not form a complex.¹⁵¹

From Single Hydroxy-groups.—A full paper has appeared on the use of the symmetrical 4-methoxytetrahydropyran-4-yl group for protection purposes in nucleoside chemistry (cf. Vol. 1, p. 51). The 2'-substituted derivative of uridine, for example, was prepared from the 3',5'-diacetate. The acetal group is cleaved under acidic conditions at a suitable rate for its use as a protecting group in oligonucleotide synthesis.¹⁵²

¹⁴⁹ R. F. Brady jun., *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 35.

¹⁵⁰ J. Jackobs and M. Sandaralingam, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 157.

¹⁵¹ J. Lehrfeld and J. C. Goodwin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 412.

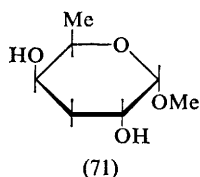
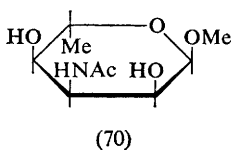
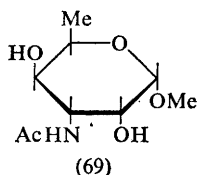
¹⁵² C. B. Reese, R. Saffhill, and J. E. Sulston, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 1023.

The use of the general sequence: protection of free hydroxy-groups as methylvinyl ethers, deacylation, *O*-methylation, and removal of the protecting groups, has been discussed as a method for locating acyl groups, and was applied to two partially acylated glycolipids. N.m.r. methods were also investigated as a means of establishing the positions of the acyl groups.¹⁵³

Acetates

Partial acetylation of methyl 2,3-di-*O*-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranoside gave the 2,3,6-triester, a useful intermediate for the synthesis of 4-linked di- and oligo-saccharides.¹⁵⁴

Similar studies on the partial acetylation of methyl 3-acetamido-3,6-dideoxy- α -D-gulopyranoside (69) with acetic anhydride in pyridine or with acetyl chloride in the same solvent gave the 2- and 4-esters, in a ratio of 85 : 15, and some diester. Deacetylation of the last compound with alkaline alumina gave the 4-ester and (69).¹⁵⁵ Studies on the *L*-allo-analogue (70) showed that acetic anhydride gave the 2- and 4-esters in a ratio of 15 : 85,



whereas for acetyl chloride it was 95 : 5. Deacetylation of the diester, as above, gave the 4-ester.¹⁵⁵ Partial acetylation of methyl 3,6-dideoxy- α -D-xyllo-hexopyranoside (71) with acetic anhydride gave the 2- and 4-esters (in a ratio of 79 : 21) and some diester, whereas acetyl chloride gave the 2-acetate with only a trace of the 4-ester. Deacetylation of the diester, as

¹⁵³ S. S. Bhattacharjee, R. H. Haskins, and P. A. J. Gorin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 235.

¹⁵⁴ A. Nowakowski and Z. Mroczkowski, *Roczniki Technol. Chem. Zywn.*, 1969, **15**, 37 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **73**, 4147h).

¹⁵⁵ K. Čápek, J. Štefková, and J. Jarý, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 107.

above, gave the 4-acetate.¹⁵⁶ The results of the above two papers further confirm (cf. Vol. 1, p. 54; Vol. 2, p. 47) that acetyl chloride in pyridine preferentially esterifies at C-2, and that in deacetylations the C-2 ester is the most easily hydrolysed.

aldehydo-Maltose deca-acetate has been prepared by way of maltose diethyl dithioacetal octa-acetate.^{156a} The structures of the sucrose penta-acetates of McKeown (*Canad. J. Chem.*, 1957, **35**, 28) and of Bredereck (*Chem. Ber.*, 1958, **91**, 2824) have been firmly established by n.m.r. studies of deuteriated derivatives as the 2,3,6,3',4'- and the 2,3,4,3',4'-compounds, respectively.¹⁵⁷ A synthesis of 1,3,6,2',3',4',6'-hepta-*O*-acetyl- β -maltose has been described. Maltose octa-acetate was treated with phosphorus pentachloride to yield the hexa-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-trichloroacetyl-maltosyl chloride which, without isolation, was converted into the required hepta-acetate.¹⁵⁸ Procedures for the synthesis of *p*-nitrophenyl glycosides of 2-*O*- and 6-*O*-acetyl- α -D-galactopyranose and of 2-*O*-acetyl- α -abequopyranose have been reported.¹⁵⁹

Studies on the action of ammonia on acylated disaccharides have been extended to octa-*O*-acetyl- β -melibiose. The principal products were *N*-acetyl-6-*O*-(α -D-galactopyranosyl)- β -D-glucofuranosylamine and 1,1-bis-(acetamido)-1-deoxy-6-*O*-(α -D-galactopyranosyl)-D-glucitol.¹⁶⁰ The various products, *viz.* acyclic 1,1-bis(acetamido)-1-deoxyalditols and furanoid and pyranoid *N*-acetylaldosylamines, formed by the action of ammonia on acetylated aldopyranoses have also been investigated. However, the total yields of the products accounted for were $\leq 56\%$ and the analytical procedures used in their determination were not described.¹⁶¹

Acetoxonium ion rearrangements in polyol and monosaccharide systems have been reviewed,¹⁶² and further details of the D-glucose to D-idose inter-conversion given.¹⁶³ From penta-*O*-acetyl-D-glucopyranose and antimony pentachloride, the α -1,2-ion was first formed and this then equilibrated with the 2,3- α -D-*manno*, the 3,4- α -D-*altro*, and the 4,6- α -D-*ido* isomers. In nitromethane, the equilibrium mixture contained the four species in the ratio 60 : 12 : 7 : 21. The D-*ido* salt crystallised from methylene chloride as it was formed, thus offering the best method of obtaining D-idose derivatives. However, at -10°C in carbon tetrachloride the major isomer was precipitated. Treatment of the ion (72) with lithium bromide gave (73).

¹⁵⁶ K. Čapek, J. Capková-Šteffková, and J. Jarý, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 321.

^{156a} A. Nowakowski and Z. Mroczkowski, *Roczniki Technol., Chem. Zyrn.*, 1969, **15**, 17 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, 73, 4119a).

¹⁵⁷ T. Suami, T. Otake, S. Ogawa, T. Shoji, and N. Kato, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 1219.

¹⁵⁸ B. H. Koeppen, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 193.

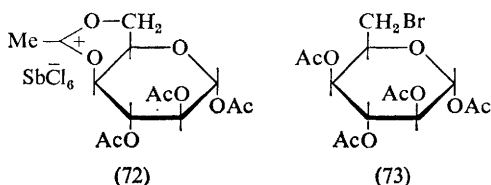
¹⁵⁹ K. Stellner, O. Westphal, and H. Mayer, *Annalen*, 1970, **738**, 179.

¹⁶⁰ A. B. Zanlungo, J. O. Deferrari, and R. A. Cadenas, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1908.

¹⁶¹ A. S. Cerezo, A. B. Zanlungo, J. O. Deferrari, and R. A. Cadenas, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 1051.

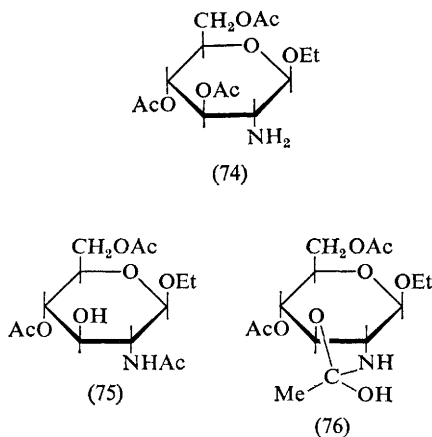
¹⁶² H. Paulsen, *Chimia*, 1970, **24**, 290.

¹⁶³ H. Paulsen and C.-P. Herold, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2450.



In a further paper,¹⁶⁴ related equilibria were reported. In nitromethane, the 1,2- α -D-*xyl*o, 2,3- α -D-*lyx*o, and 3,4- α -D-*arab*ino di-*O*-acetyl acetoxonium antimony hexachlorides were present in a ratio of 28 : 10 : 57. Pentofuranose equilibria were found always to contain preponderant amounts of the 1,2-acetoxonium salts. In the D-*galact*o, D-*tal*o equilibrium the latter predominated, and in the D-*allo*, D-*altro* case the former was the major component.

The migration of the acetyl group in the conversion of (74) to (75) has been shown by i.r. and by n.m.r. spectroscopy to proceed through the



orthoamide (76) as expected.¹⁶⁵ The mechanism of isotopic exchange of acetoxy-substituents on some penta-*O*-acetyl- α - and - β -D-glycopyranoses has been studied in detail.¹⁶⁶

Substituted Acetate and Other Non-aromatic Carboxylates

6-*O*-Acetyl-2,3,4-tri-*O*-[(+)-3-methylvaleryl]- β -D-glucopyranose has been isolated from Turkish tobacco.¹⁶⁷

¹⁶⁴ H. Paulsen, C.-P. Herold, and F. G. Espinosa, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2463.

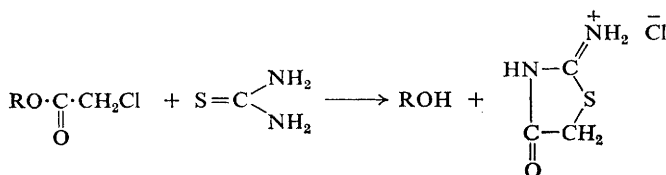
¹⁶⁵ G. Fodor, F. Letourneau, and N. Mandava, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1465.

¹⁶⁶ J. Strucinski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 355.

¹⁶⁷ J. N. Schumacher, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 1.

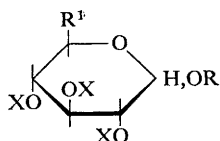
Chloroacetyl derivatives of nucleosides can be prepared using the acid anhydride in pyridine; the ester group can subsequently be removed under mild conditions, but is best removed with 2-mercaptoethylamine.¹⁶⁸ α -Sulphostearic and α -sulphopalmitic esters of D-mannitol, D-glucitol, and sucrose have been prepared.¹⁶⁹

The chloroacetyl group has been shown to be a useful protecting group in carbohydrate chemistry. A variety of chloroacetates have been prepared and, after the required reaction, have been removed by treatment with thiourea in benzene-methanol at reflux temperature (Scheme 18).¹⁷⁰



Scheme 18

A variety of methods for the formation of glycosyl and glucuronosyl esters of amino-acids of the general form (77) have been developed.¹⁷¹ Syntheses of acetylated 1-O-(2-acyl-D- and -L-aminoacyl)- β -D-glucopyranoses have been accomplished either by condensing the silver salt of



X = Bn or Ac

R¹ = CH₂OX or CO₂Me

R = Ac-L-Ala, Ac-L-Phe, or Ac-L-Met

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the *N*-acylated amino-acid with the glycosyl halide, or by condensing the amino-acid and the sugar in the presence of DCC.¹⁷² The former method proceeded with retention of configuration of the amino-acid irrespective of the nature of the *N*-blocking group. In the latter method, racemisation occurred when acetyl was the *N*-blocking group, whereas when Cbz or phthalyl were used retention was observed. Racemisation was postulated to occur *via* an intermediate oxazolone.

¹⁶⁸ A. F. Cook and D. T. Maichuk, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1940.

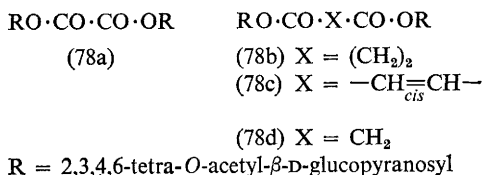
¹⁶⁹ R. G. Bistline, jun., F. D. Smith, J. K. Weil, and A. J. Stirton, *J. Amer. Oil Chemists' Soc.*, 1969, **46**, 549.

¹⁷⁰ M. Bertolini and C. P. J. Glaudemans, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 263.

¹⁷¹ D. Keglević, A. Kornhauser, G. Roglić, and T. Kovač, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2983.

¹⁷² A. Kornhauser and D. Keglević, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 433.

Bis-(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl) derivatives of oxalic (78a), succinic (78b), maleic (78c), and malonic (78d) acids have been



prepared by condensing the di-silver salts with acetobromoglucose in benzene or ether. However, *n*-propyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranoside was formed when acetobromoglucose was reacted with silver succinate and propan-1-ol in ether.⁵²

Benzoates

N-Benzoylimidazole has been shown to be a selective benzoylating agent.¹⁷³ Methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-glucopyranoside gave the 2-ester in 78% yield. Methyl 3-azido-3-deoxy- α -D-xylopyranoside with one equivalent of benzoyl chloride in pyridine gave the 2-ester (70%), whereas the β -anomer gave low yields of both the 2- and 4-esters.¹⁷⁴

The rearrangement of penta-*O*-benzoyl-D-glucopyranose into penta-*O*-benzoyl- α -D-idopyranose *via* benzoxonium ion rearrangements has been described.¹⁶³ Penta-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranose reacted with titanium tetrachloride in chloroform to give a yellow complex, which was decomposed to the β -D-glucosyl chloride that then anomerised to the α -anomer in 15 minutes.¹⁷⁵

Carboxylic Orthoesters

A useful survey of the hydrolysis of five-membered orthoester rings attached to six-membered rings, using both carbohydrate and other examples, has shown that products having axial ester groups and equatorial hydroxy-groups preponderate (Scheme 19).¹⁷⁶ For *exo*-isomers, it was proposed that for stereoselective reasons the conformations of the transition states leading to (79) and (80) are related to (81) and (82), respectively, and that for steric reasons (81) is favoured. For orthoformates, (*i.e.* when R = H) the selectivity was less pronounced.

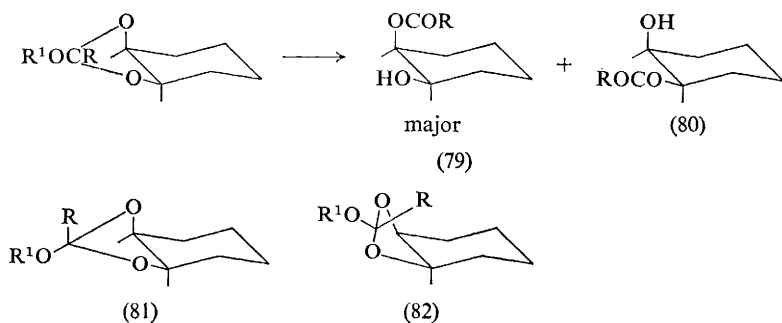
Reactions of orthoesters with LiAlH₄ and aluminium trichloride are discussed on p. 31.

¹⁷³ F. A. Carey and K. O. Hodgson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 463.

¹⁷⁴ T. Tsuchiya, K. Suo, and S. Umezawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 531.

¹⁷⁵ Z. Csuros, G. Deak, and L. Fenichel, *Acta Chim. (Budapest)*, 1966, **62**, 121 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 44050g).

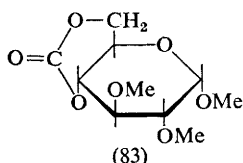
¹⁷⁶ J. F. King and A. D. Allbutt, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1754.



Scheme 19

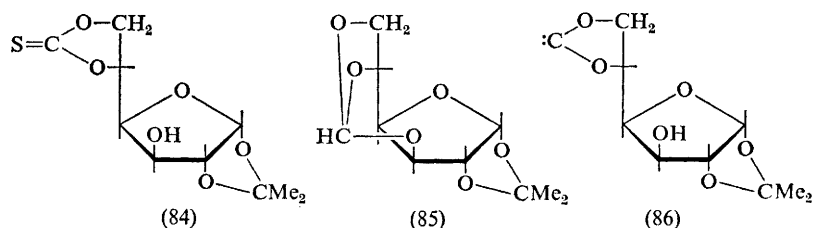
Carbonates

A six-membered, cyclic carbonate (83) has been prepared by reaction of methyl 2,3-di-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranoside with ethyl chloroformate and triethylamine.¹⁷⁷ Compound (83) was converted into the acyclic carbonate



at twice the rate of a similar, five-membered, cyclic ester. Cyclic carbonates have been used as precursors for unsaturated sugars (see p. 98).

Application of the Corey and Winter procedure to the thionocarbonate (84) had previously been shown to yield the 5,6-olefin in high yield. The



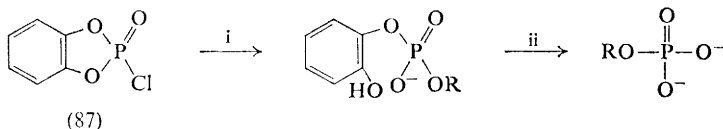
orthoester (85) has now been recognised as a by-product, and it was concluded that the elimination probably proceeds by way of the carbene (86).¹⁷⁸

¹⁷⁷ D. Trimnell, W. M. Doane, C. R. Russell, and C. E. Rist, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 301.

¹⁷⁸ D. Horton and C. G. Tindall, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, 35, 3558.

Phosphates

Carbohydrate Phosphates.—Full details of the synthesis of monophosphate esters from alcohols and *o*-phenylene phosphorochloridate (87) (Scheme 20)



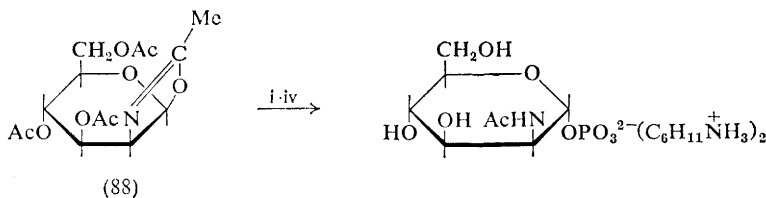
Reagents: i, ROX, excess base; ii, Br₂-aq. Ba(OAc)₂, or aq. HIO₄, or Pb(OAc)₄-dioxan

Scheme 20

have been given. Compound (87) was advanced as meeting all the criteria necessary for a general phosphorylating agent.¹⁷⁹

A simple general procedure for the synthesis of 1,6-diphosphates of α -D-glucose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucose, and α -D-mannose, and also of α -D-ribose 1,5-phosphate has been described.¹⁸⁰ The fully acetylated sugar derivatives with a phosphate ester group on the primary hydroxy-group were phosphorylated at C-1 by reaction with crystalline phosphoric acid and the acetyl groups were then removed. 2,3,4,5-Tetra-*O*-stearoyl-D-glucitol and -D-mannitol have been phosphorylated in the 1- and 6-positions with β -bromoethyldichlorophosphate, and the products converted into lecithin analogues with trimethylamine.¹⁸¹

2-Acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-mannopyranosyl phosphate has been prepared as shown in Scheme 21.¹⁸² Similar reaction of the α -D-*gluco* analogue



Reagents: i, (BnO)₂P(O)OH; ii, H₂-Pd; iii, NaOMe-MeOH; iv, C₆H₁₁NH₂

Scheme 21

of (88) led to the synthesis of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl phosphate, isolated as its sodium salt.¹⁸³ The authors explained the nature of the product by an *S*_N1 mechanism of the glycosylation of hydrogen phosphates, in which phosphate anions attacked the intermediate cation in the *cis* position leading to the thermodynamically more stable α -anomer.

¹⁷⁹ T. A. Khwaja, C. B. Reese, and J. C. M. Stewart, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 2092.

¹⁸⁰ R. Hanna and J. Mendicino, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 4031.

¹⁸¹ H. Eibl and O. Westphal, *Annalen*, 1970, **738**, 174.

¹⁸² W. L. Salo and H. G. Fletcher, jun., *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 878.

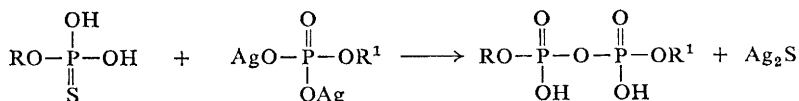
¹⁸³ A. Ya. Khorlin, S. E. Zurabyan, and T. S. Antonenko, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4803.

Solutions in deuterium oxide or water of 5,6-dideoxy-D-threo-hexulose 1-phosphate, D-erythro-pentulose 1,5-diphosphate, 1,5-dihydroxy-2-pentanone 1,5-diphosphate, 1,3-dihydroxy-2-propanone diphosphate, D-fructose 1,6-diphosphate, and D-glycero-D-alto-octulose 1,8-diphosphate have been examined by i.r., u.v., and n.m.r. spectroscopy. It was estimated that the compounds were present as their keto forms to the extent of 96, 84, 84, 55, < 1.7, and 0%, respectively.^{183a} It was demonstrated by n.m.r. spectroscopy that D-fructose 1,6-diphosphate existed in the furanose form in solution. Both ¹³C and ³¹P spectra were used in an attempt to establish the anomeric configuration, and it was concluded that the β-anomer preponderated.

G.l.c. and mass spectrometry of several trimethylsilylated sugar phosphates have been studied, and the techniques were shown to be useful for characterisation purposes.¹⁸⁴ The enzymic condensation of glyceraldehyde and dihydroxyacetone phosphate has been followed by g.l.c. of TMS derivatives of the sugar phosphate.¹⁸⁵

Nucleoside Phosphates.—Phosphoryl chloride in trimethyl phosphate with unprotected nucleosides gave high yields of 5'-phosphates. Use of the same reagents on 5'-O-acetyl nucleosides, however, gave only low yields of the secondary phosphates.¹⁸⁶

Treatment of ribonucleosides with trimetaphosphate under conditions of high pH gave selective phosphorylation at the secondary positions, and it was suggested that the reaction may have pre-biotic significance.¹⁸⁷ A new method of preparing nucleoside co-enzymes, which can be used



Scheme 22

efficiently on a large scale, involves the reaction shown in Scheme 22; UDPG, for example, has been synthesised in 70% yield by this procedure.¹⁸⁸

A long paper has been published giving details of the hydrolysis of *cis*-4-hydroxytetrahydrofuran 3-phosphate over a wide range of pH. The cyclic phosphate (89) was the sole initial product at pH > 4, and probably at lower values. The results were used in interpreting certain features of the action of ribonuclease.¹⁸⁹

^{183a} G. R. Gray and R. Barker, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 2454.

¹⁸⁴ M. Zinbo and W. R. Sherman, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 2105.

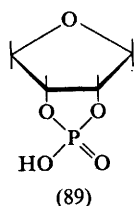
¹⁸⁵ C. Bally and F. Leuthardt, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 732.

¹⁸⁶ M. Yoshikawa, T. Kato, and T. Takenishi, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1969, **42**, 3505.

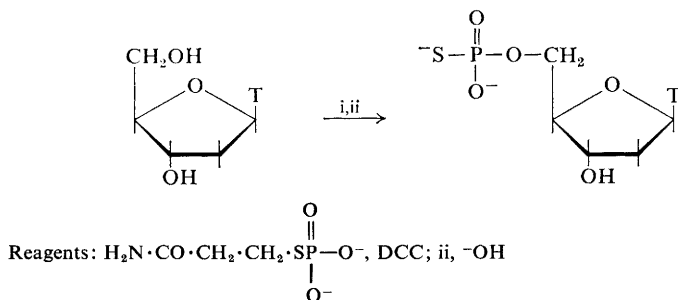
¹⁸⁷ R. Saffhill, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2881.

¹⁸⁸ T. Hata and I. Nakagawa, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 5516.

¹⁸⁹ A. Usher, D. I. Richardson, and D. G. Oakenfull, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4699.



A general synthesis of nucleoside phosphorothioates (Scheme 23) has been developed to provide a new type of nucleoside analogue.¹⁹⁰ A study has



Scheme 23

been made of several nucleoside 5'-phosphorothioates and their properties as enzyme substrates. They were synthesised using tri-imidazolyl-1-phosphine sulphide in pyridine as the esterifying agent with subsequent removal of the imidazole groups with hot aqueous acetic acid. Esterification occurred mainly at the primary positions. Adenosine 5'-phosphorothioates and other 5'-esters were unaffected by alkaline phosphatase, and could be cyclised to give the 3',5'-cyclic ester by using tri-isopropylbenzene-sulphonyl chloride. ³¹P N.m.r. spectroscopy showed that only one diastereoisomer was formed at the phosphorus atom.¹⁹¹ 3',5'-Dithymidine phosphorothioate was also synthesised and was found to be resistant to various esterases. A simple procedure for the synthesis of [³¹P]3',5'-cyclic phosphate of adenosine has been described.¹⁹²

Sulphates

Methods for the sulphation of alcohols, some of which are applicable to sugar derivatives, have been reviewed.¹⁹³ L-Fucose 4-sulphate has been isolated from fucoidin.¹⁹⁴ The use of sulphuric acid and DCC in DMF on

¹⁹⁰ A. F. Cook, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 190.

¹⁹¹ F. Eckstein, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4718.

¹⁹² R. H. Symons, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **38**, 807.

¹⁹³ E. Gilbert, *Synthesis*, 1969, No. 1, 3.

¹⁹⁴ K. Anno, N. Seno, and M. Ota, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 167.

a suitably blocked sugar derivative has been recommended as a rapid and convenient means of sugar sulphate formation. The yields were lower than with conventional procedures, but the method appears to be general in scope and suited to the synthesis of ^{35}S -labelled sulphates.¹⁹⁵ A report on the i.r. spectroscopy of the sulphate esters appears on p. 158.

Chlorosulphates, including those of carbohydrate derivatives, have been reviewed.¹⁹⁶ Chlorosulphates have been used as precursors for chlorodeoxy-sugars (see p. 56).

Various *O*-substituted sulphonamoyl derivatives of nucleosides have been described.¹⁹⁷

Sulphonates

Competitive mono-tosylations of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α - and - β -D-glucopyranoside with tosyl chloride in pyridine have shown that the C-2-OH group in the α -anomer was more reactive than either hydroxy-group in the β -anomer.¹⁹⁸ Mono-mesylation of methyl 3,6-dideoxy- α -D-xylo-hexopyranoside (71),¹⁵⁶ and of the 3-acetamido analogue in the D-*gulo* series (69),¹⁵⁵ gave the 2-ester and the diester in each case.

Methyl β -maltoside with tosyl chloride in pyridine gave the 6,6'-diester (28%), and the 6- and 6'-monoesters in yields of 1 and 18%, respectively.^{198a}

The products from treatment of glycoproteins with alkaline sulphite contain a previously undetected product, which was identified as a hexosamine sulphonic acid, with the sulphonic acid grouping probably located at C-3.¹⁹⁹

It has been shown that carbohydrate tosylates can be cleaved by sodium in liquid ammonia to give the corresponding hydroxy-compounds in high yields.²⁰⁰

Displacement Reactions without Participation.—The rates of nucleophilic substitution of some 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-glycofuranoses with potassium thiobenzoate have been measured for the *gulo*, *allo*, *gluco*, and *galacto* isomers, the rates decreasing in DMF in the order given. The last-named tosylate underwent decomposition but the products isolated from the first three reactions were identified as the C-3 epimeric thiobenzoates.²⁰¹ The sequence of reactivity was that predicted from steric considerations. In related work, the tosyloxy-group in the D-*gluco* isomer was displaced, with inversion, by azide and thioacetate ions using reaction times of several days and DMF as solvent at high

¹⁹⁵ R. O. Mumma, C. P. Hoiberg, and R. Simpson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 119.

¹⁹⁶ E. Buncel, *Chem. Rev.*, 1970, **70**, 323.

¹⁹⁷ D. A. Shuman, M. J. Robins, and R. K. Robins, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 3434.

¹⁹⁸ R. D. Guthrie, A. M. Prior, and S. E. Creasey, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1961.

^{198a} R. T. Sleeter and H. B. Sinclair, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3804.

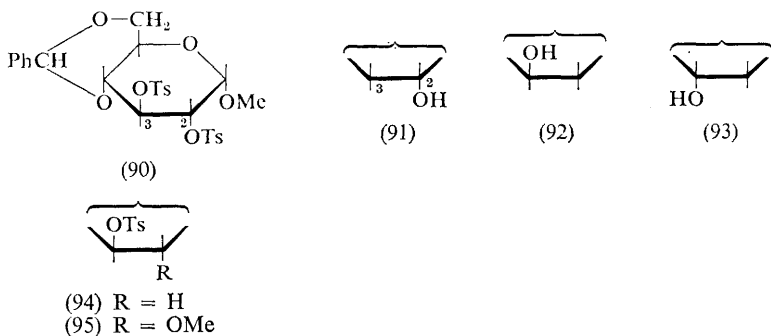
¹⁹⁹ P. Weber and R. J. Winzler, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **137**, 421.

²⁰⁰ M. A. Miljković, M. Pešić, A. Jokić, and E. A. Davidson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 162.

²⁰¹ J. M. Heap and L. N. Owen, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 712.

temperature.²⁰² In both cases, the 3,4-unsaturated sugar was a minor product. Another paper on related compounds with the *L-talo* configuration has shown that the 3-tosyloxy-group can be replaced readily to give the 3-fluoro- and 3-azido-compounds having the *L-ido* configuration. These reactions proceeded so readily that acetonitrile could be used as solvent.^{203, 204}

Detailed studies have been made on the LiAlH_4 reduction of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2,3-di-*O-p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-glucopyranoside (90): the major product isolated was (91) together with (92) and (93) as minor



products. Compounds (94) and (95) underwent no deoxy formation but only detosylation.²⁰⁵ Similar results have been reported by Czech workers.²⁰⁶

Compound (96), prepared in 25% overall yield from D-glucuronolactone, should prove a useful intermediate for the synthesis of 5-substituted derivatives. Its precursor (97) on treatment with lithium bromide in DMF gave (100), and on prolonged reaction (98), which was believed to arise by displacement of the bromine atom in (100) by bromide ion. Compounds (97), (98), and (100) were all readily converted into their methyl glycosides, for example (101). Treatment of (97) with either thioacetic acid, or thio-benzoic acid, or triethyl phosphite all gave the 5-deoxy product (99).²⁰⁷

Azide ion displacement of the tosyloxy-group in (102) gave the expected product (103). However, reaction of (102) with sodium benzoate in DMF gave the enol tosylate (104).²⁰⁸ Unsaturated products were also formed on azidolysis of (105); the ratio of (106) : (107) : (108) was 5 : 1 : 4.²⁰⁹

²⁰² U. G. Nayak and R. L. Whistler, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 3819.

²⁰³ J. S. Brimacombe, P. A. Gent, and J. H. Westwood, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 475.

²⁰⁴ J. S. Brimacombe, P. A. Gent, and J. H. Westwood, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1632.

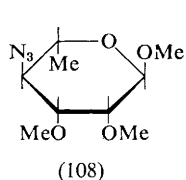
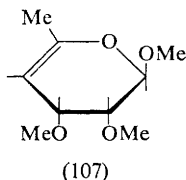
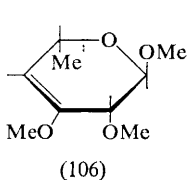
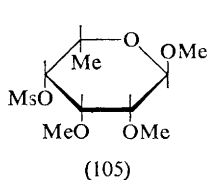
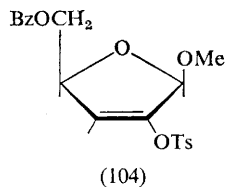
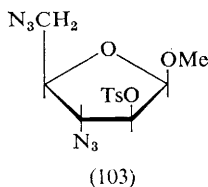
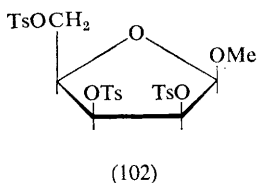
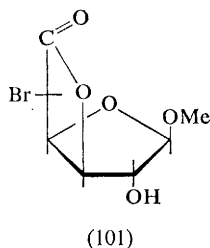
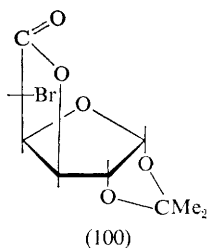
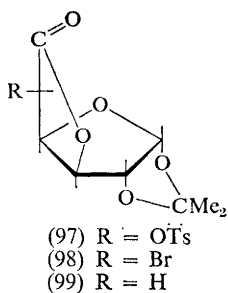
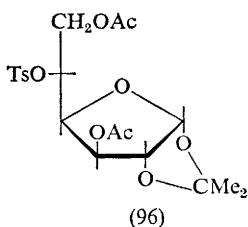
²⁰⁵ S. Umezawa, T. Tsuchiya, and H. Hinenno, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 1213.

²⁰⁶ A. Zobáčová, V. Heřmánková, and J. Jarý, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 327.

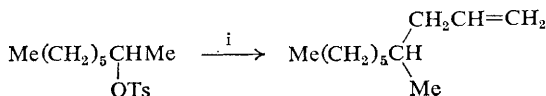
²⁰⁷ T. Irimajiri, H. Yoshida, T. Ogata, and S. Inokawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 3242.

²⁰⁸ J. Hildesheim, A. Gaudemer, and S. D. Géro, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 315.

²⁰⁹ A. K. Al-Radhi, J. S. Brimacombe, and L. C. N. Tucker, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 363.



Reaction of 2-octyl tosylate and certain charge delocalised organolithium reagents, such as allyl-lithium, proceeded in high yield (Scheme 24) and with inversion of configuration.²¹⁰ This type of reaction might find use in the synthesis of branched-chain sugars.

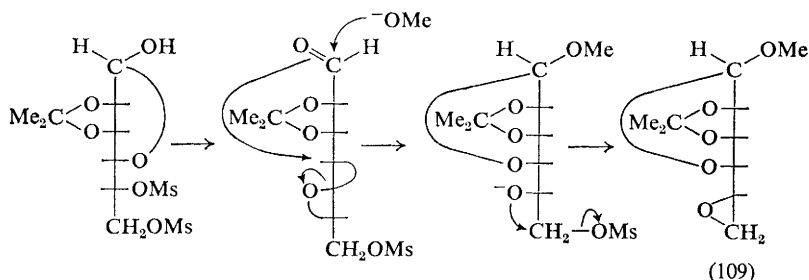


Reagent: i, $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}\cdot\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$

Scheme 24

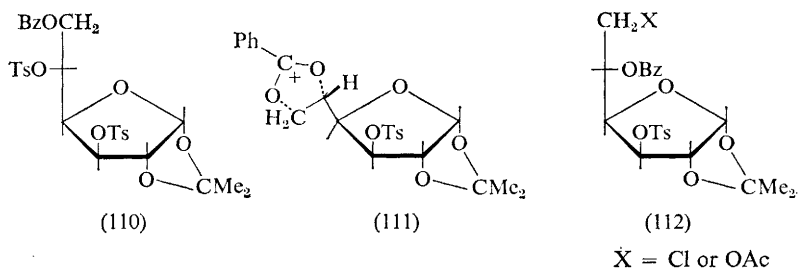
²¹⁰ W. D. Korte, L. Kinner, and W. C. Kaska, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 603.

Displacements with Participation of Oxygen Functions.—Brief treatment of 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-5,6-di-*O*-methanesulfonyl- α -D-mannofuranose with methanolic sodium methoxide gave methyl 5,6-anhydro-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- β -L-allofuranoside (109) as shown in Scheme 25.²¹¹



Scheme 25

Reaction of the 5-*O*-tosyloxy-group in 6-*O*-benzoyl-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-3,5-di-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl-D-glucufuranose (110) with either acetate or chloride ion in boiling acetic anhydride has been shown to involve



participation of the 6-*O*-benzoyl group, *via* the cyclic ion (111), to give 6-substituted-5-*O*-benzoyl products (112).²¹² Similar reactions occurred with the 3-*O*-acetyl analogue of (110). The reaction with acetate ion was also reported by another group.^{212a}

Reaction of (113) with sodium benzoate in DMF gave, after hydrolysis of the intermediate benzoxonium ion, the D-lyxoside (114) with the D-xyloside (115) as a minor product.²¹³

Two examples of participation by a neighbouring benzyloxy-group have been described: one in a furanose system²¹⁴ and the other in a pyranose derivative.²¹⁵

²¹¹ J. S. Brimacombe, F. Hunedy, and A. Husain, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1273.

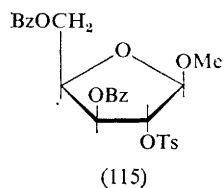
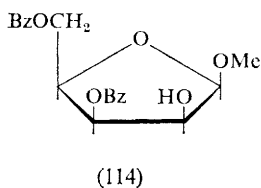
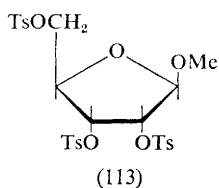
²¹² R. C. Chalk, D. H. Ball, M. A. Lintner, and L. Long, jun., *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 245.

^{212a} M. A. Miljković and E. A. Davidson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 444.

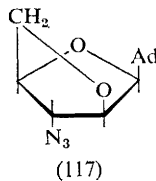
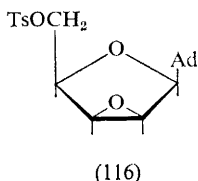
²¹³ J. Hildesheim, J. Cléophas, and S. D. Géro, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 14, 305.

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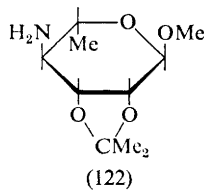
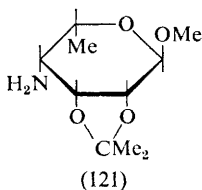
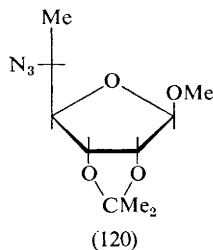
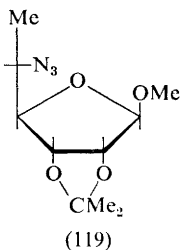
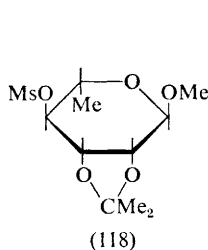
²¹⁵ O. A. Ching-Puente, *Bol. Soc. quim. Peru*, 1969, 35, 121 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, 73, 35692m).



Treatment of the nucleoside 5'-tosylate (116) with sodium azide in DMF gave the 2',5'-anhydro-sugar (117) instead of the expected 5'-azide.²¹⁶



Displacement Accompanied by Rearrangement.—Reaction of methyl 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-4-*O*-methanesulphonyl- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (118) with sodium azide afforded preponderantly the 5-azido- α -L-talofuranoside (119) with some of the corresponding β -D-allofuranoside (120) as a minor product. However, (118) reacted with hydrazine to give, after reduction,



the 4-amino-4-deoxy- α -L-talopyranoside (121) as the principal product with the corresponding 4-amino-4-deoxy- α -L-mannopyranoside (122) and the

²¹⁶ M. Hubert-Habert and L. Goodman, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1335.

amino analogues of (119) and (120) as minor products.²¹⁷ In a similar report, it is shown that various 4-*O*-sulphonyl esters of methyl 6-deoxy-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannopyranoside with either azide ion or phthalimide give 5-substituted α -D-talofuranosides.²¹⁸

²¹⁷ J. Jary, P. Novák, and Z. Samek, *Annalen*, 1970, **740**, 98.

²¹⁸ C. L. Stevens, R. P. Glinski, K. G. Taylor, and F. Sirokman, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 592.

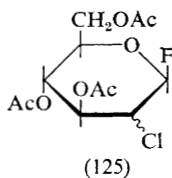
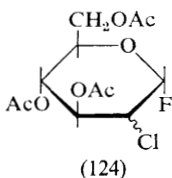
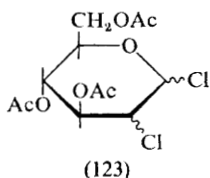
Considerable attention has again been devoted to this class of substituted sugar derivative and, as last year, appreciable developments in the area of fluorinated carbohydrates have been reported.

Glycosyl Halides

The reaction of aldose peracetates with zinc chloride–thionyl chloride has been reported as a general and efficient procedure for the synthesis of acetylated aldosl chlorides.²¹⁹ Alternatively, treatment of peracetylated alkyl glycosides with dichloromethyl methyl ether and zinc chloride gives these compounds, while dibromomethyl methyl ether can be utilised in the synthesis of acetylated glycosyl bromides. Aryl glycoside esters afford lower yields of the glycosyl halides.²²⁰

3,4,6-Tri-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl bromide has been synthesised from 2-*O*-benzyl-D-glucose; on methanolysis it gave the β -glycoside²²¹ (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 60, where methanolysis of such compounds to give α -glycosides is reported). 2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl chloride has been prepared from the β -pentabenzoate using titanium tetrachloride in chloroform.²²² Similarly, peresters of both 3-deoxy-D-xylohexopyranosyl bromide and chloride have been described.²²³

Treatment of the four possible 2-chloro-2-deoxy-glycosyl chlorides (123) with silver tetrafluoroborate in ether under very mild conditions gives mixtures of the corresponding anomeric glycosyl fluoride derivatives (124)



²¹⁹ L. P. Egan, T. G. Squires, and J. R. Vercellotti, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 263.

²²⁰ I. Farkas Szabo, I. Farkas, R. Bognar, and H. Gross, *Acta Chim. Acad. Sci. Hung.*, 1970, **64**, 67.

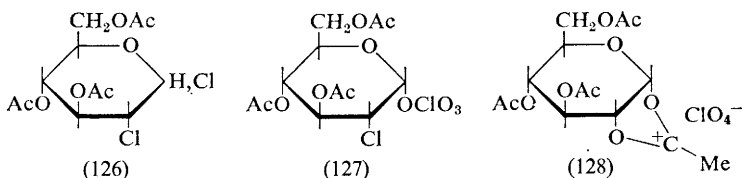
²²¹ S. Brennan and P. A. Finan, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1742.

²²² Z. Csüros, G. Deák, and L. Fenichel, *Acta Chim. Acad. Sci. Hung.*, 1969, **62**, 121.

²²³ H. Zinner and G. Wulf, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 314.

and (125). 2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl chloride did not yield the expected 1,2-*O*-acetoxonium-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranose tetrafluoroborate on reaction with silver tetrafluoroborate, but instead gave the glycosyl fluorides. Reasons for this were discussed.²²⁴

Some reactions of glycosyl chlorides with silver perchlorate have been reported.²²⁵ The anomeric 2-deoxy-2-chloro-glucopyranosyl chloride derivatives (126) afforded the perchlorate (127) on treatment with silver perchlorate in toluene, ether, or liquid sulphur dioxide. In contrast,



1,2-*O*-acetoxonium-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl perchlorate (128) was obtained by reaction of silver perchlorate with 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl chloride. Methanolysis of both (127) and (128) gave mixtures of α - and β -glycosides, the proportions of which varied with the reaction conditions. However, only β -D-glucopyranosyl chlorides resulted when these compounds were treated with tetraethylammonium chloride.

Treatment of 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal with trifluoro(fluoroxy)methane (see Vol. 3, p. 59) at -78°C gave trifluoromethyl 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-fluoro- α -D-glucopyranoside (129) (26%) and the corresponding vicinal difluoride (130) (34%), together with smaller proportions of the related β -D-mannose derivatives (131) (6%) and (132) (8%).²²⁶ Further studies have shown that treatment of tri-*O*-acetyl-D-galactal with this reagent afforded predominantly trifluoromethyl 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-fluoro- α -D-galactopyranoside (133) and the corresponding glycosyl fluoride (134) together with traces of the corresponding D-talose derivatives. Hydrolysis of either of the major products liberated 2-deoxy-2-fluoro-D-galactose.²²⁷ Related results have been reported by Kent and his colleagues,²²⁸ who obtained the two *cis*-difluorides and the corresponding glycosides from di-*O*-acetyl-D-xylal. Other additions to glycals affording halogenated products are mentioned in Chapter 14.

The reaction of α -acetobromo-sugars with DMSO has been studied with D-*gluco*- and D-*xylo*-compounds. The main products from tri-*O*-acetyl- α -D-xylopyranosyl bromide were 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- α - and - β -D-xylose and

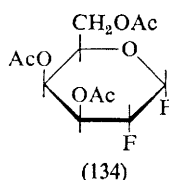
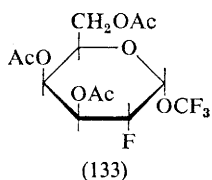
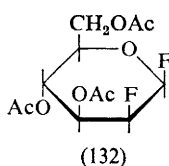
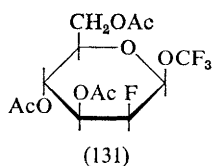
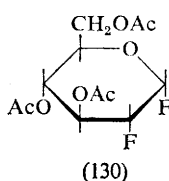
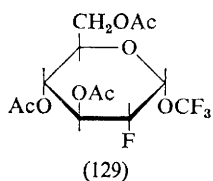
²²⁴ K. Igarashi, T. Honma, and J. Irisawa, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 49.

²²⁵ K. Igarashi, T. Honma, and J. Irisawa, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 15, 329.

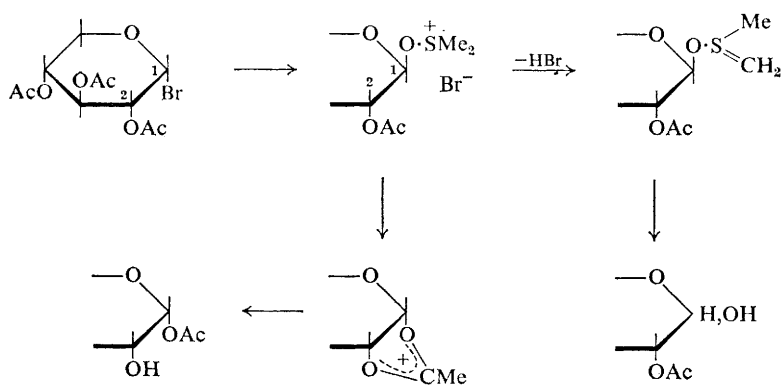
²²⁶ J. Adamson, A. B. Foster, L. D. Hall, R. N. Johnson, and R. H. Hesse, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 15, 351.

²²⁷ J. Adamson and D. M. Marcus, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 314.

²²⁸ R. A. Dwek, P. W. Kent, P. T. Kirby, and A. S. Harrison, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2987.



1,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl- α -D-xylose. The reaction pathway outlined in Scheme 26 was suggested to account for these products.²²⁹

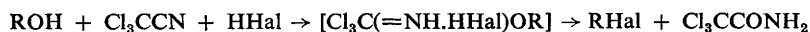


Polarimetric features of acylated glycosyl halides are reported in Chapter 25.

²²⁹ H. C. Srivastava and K. V. Ramalingam, *Indian J. Chem.*, 1969, 7, 1206.

Other Halogenated Derivatives

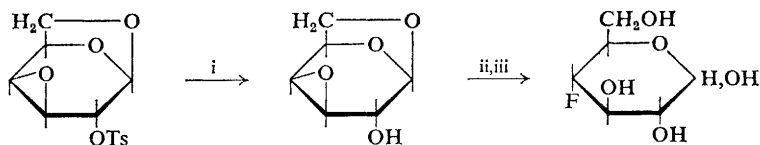
Trichloroacetonitrile and hydrogen halides (Pinner reaction, Scheme 27) have been used to prepare a variety of methyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-acetyl-6-deoxy-6-halogeno-glycopyranosides in high yield but the application of the reaction



Scheme 27

to carbohydrate secondary alcohols was not described.²³⁰ A second method for obtaining these primary halogeno-compounds involves treating corresponding sulphonates with halide ions of toluene-solubilised halides (solubilised with hexamethylphosphoric triamide). Preliminary results of applications to secondary sulphonates were also described.²³¹

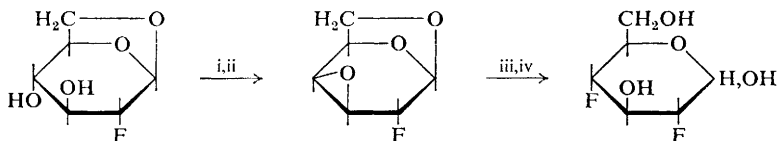
An improved synthesis of 4-deoxy-4-fluoro-D-glucose has been developed (Scheme 28),²³² and yet another procedure utilised direct displace-



Reagents: i, NaOMe, *hν*; ii, KHF₂; iii, H₃O⁺

Scheme 28

ments of the methanesulphonyloxy-group of 4-*O*-methanesulphonyl-D-galactose derivatives. For example, methyl 4-*O*-methanesulphonyl-2,3-di-*O*-methyl-α-D-galactopyranoside on treatment with caesium fluoride in boiling ethylene glycol gave the corresponding 4-deoxy-4-fluoro-α-D-glucopyranoside in moderate yield; a 3–4 Hz coupling was observed between H-1 and the fluorine atom at C-4 in the latter compound. Mass spectra of several 4-fluoro-compounds indicated that the fragmentation patterns were similar to those of acetylated and methylated hexopyranose derivatives.²³³ An extension of this type of work has led to the synthesis of 2,4-dideoxy-2,4-difluoro-D-glucose (Scheme 29).²³⁴ A further fluoroglucose derivative



Reagents: i, TsCl, py; ii, MeO⁻; iii, KHF₂; iv, H₃O⁺

Scheme 29

²³⁰ M. L. Shulman, V. N. Yoldikov, and A. Ya. Khorlin, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2517.

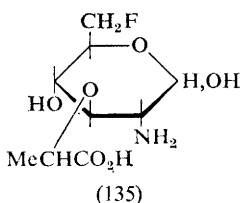
²³¹ H. B. Sinclair, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 147.

²³² A. D. Barford, A. B. Foster, and J. H. Westwood, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 189.

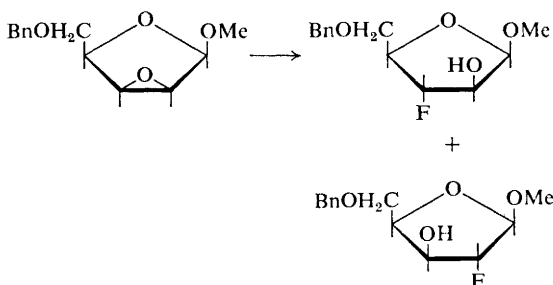
²³³ A. B. Foster, R. Hems, and J. H. Westwood, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 41.

²³⁴ J. Pacák, J. Podešva, and M. Černý, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 929.

to have been prepared is 6-deoxy-6-fluoromuramic acid (135); in this case the fluorine atom was introduced by displacing a tosyloxy-group with



tetrabutylammonium fluoride.²³⁵ This reagent was also used to displace the tosyloxy-group of 1,2,5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- β -L-talofuranose, so providing a convenient route to 3-deoxy-3-fluoro-L-idose derivatives.²⁰³ In the pentose series, derivatives of 3-deoxy-3-fluoro-D-arabinose and 2-deoxy-2-fluoro-D-xylose were prepared by the route illustrated in Scheme 30.²³⁶ Aromatisation of 1,3,5-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-D-arabinofuranose to give 2-acetoxymethyl-4-chlorofuran occurs when the compound is distilled.²³⁷



Scheme 30

Two groups have reported on the nature of the reaction undergone by methyl 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (136) with triphenyl phosphite methiodide (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 66). Russian workers²³⁸ have described the formation of compounds (137), (138), and (139), whereas Czech workers²³⁹ have reported finding only the first two iodides. The Russian group then showed that the iodine atom of compound (138) was displaced on treatment with sodium benzoate in DMF to give products of direct displacement (with retention and inversion of configuration), unsaturated products (amongst which was the expected 5,6-ene), and the manno-

²³⁵ G. D. Diana, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1910.

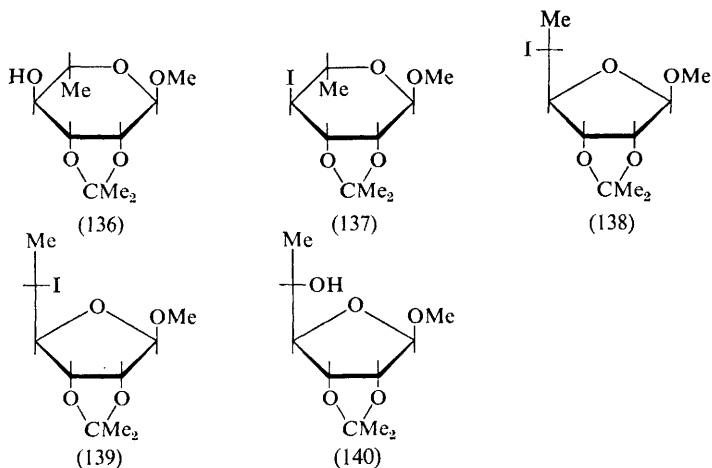
²³⁶ J. A. Wright and J. J. Fox, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 297.

²³⁷ J. Kuszmann and P. Sohar, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 415.

²³⁸ K. S. Adamyants, A. I. Usov, and N. K. Kochetkov, *Bull. Acad. Sci. U.S.S.R.*, 1970, 650; *Izvest. Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R., Ser. khim.*, 1970, 696.

²³⁹ K. Kefurt, J. Jary, and Z. Samek, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 2613.

pyranoside derivative (137), which was presumably produced by a reaction operating in the reverse way to the ring-contraction by which (138) was originally formed.²⁴⁰



The iodide (138) was also obtained by treating methyl 6-deoxy-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- α -L-talofuranoside (140) with triphenyl phosphite methiodide.²⁴⁰ The same reagent in DMF offers a means of obtaining high yields of 5'-deoxy-5'-iodo-derivatives from suitably protected pyrimidine nucleosides. In some instances, selective iodination can be effected at primary sites. The reagent converted adenosine and 2',3'-*O*-isopropylidene derivatives of purine nucleosides into *N*³,5'-cyclonucleosides, in good yields. Other aspects of the reaction of the reagent with nucleosides were discussed.²⁴¹ Continuation of this work by the Syntex group has involved the iodination of various nucleoside derivatives which contain secondary hydroxy-groups. Thymidine derivatives containing 5'-substituents give 3'-deoxy-3'-iodo products with retention of configuration by way of *O*²,3'-cyclonucleosides. 5'-Substituted uridines, on the other hand, do not give iodinated products but afford 2'(3')-*O*-methylphosphonates. 2',5'-Di-*O*-trityluridine gave the expected 3'-deoxy-3'-iodo-*xylo*-nucleoside and also suffered selective loss of the ether groups. Various related reactions were described in full.²⁴²

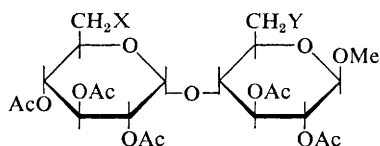
Halogenated derivatives of methyl β -maltoside have been reported following partial tosylation of the glycoside at the primary positions. Thus, the di- (141) and the mono-iodide (142) were prepared, and the latter was

²⁴⁰ N. K. Kochetkov, A. I. Usov, and K. S. Adamyants, *Izvest. Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R., Ser. khim.*, 1970, 885.

²⁴¹ J. P. H. Verheyden and J. G. Moffatt, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2319.

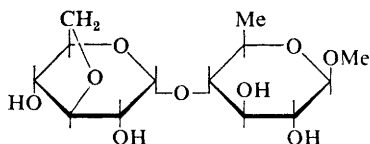
²⁴² J. P. H. Verheyden and J. G. Moffatt, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2868.

converted into the anhydro-deoxy-compound (143) following catalytic hydrogenation and deacetylation with alkali.^{198a}



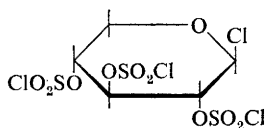
(141) X = Y = I

(142) X = OTs, Y = I

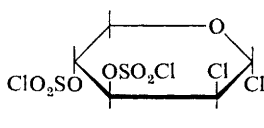


(143)

A useful procedure for the synthesis of 2-chloro-2-deoxy-sugars, which has the virtue of providing a stereospecific means of introducing chlorine, involves treatment of glycosyl halide chlorosulphates with aluminium trichloride. Compound (144) gives (145) with this reagent by a mechanism



(144)



(145)

presumed to involve migration of the anomeric chlorine atom to C-2. Treatment of the product with sodium iodide yielded 2-chloro-2-deoxy-D-lyxose; 2-chloro-2-deoxy-D-xylose can be obtained in similar fashion from the α -D-lyxo-isomer of (144).²⁴³

An unusual bromination has been noted when β -D-glucopyranose pentaacetate is treated with hydrogen bromide and aluminium tribromide. As well as occurring at the anomeric position, substitution also took place at the primary carbon atom to give 2,3,4-tri-O-acetyl-6-bromo-6-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl bromide, which was then used to obtain 6-deoxy-compounds (see Scheme 12).⁹² The uses of chlorodeoxy-sugars in syntheses of deoxy- and aminodeoxy-sugars have been discussed. Methyl 6-chloro-4,6-dideoxy- α -D-xyllo-hexopyranoside has been prepared by selective hydrogenation of methyl 4,6-dichloro-4,6-dideoxy- α -D-galactopyranoside over Raney nickel in the presence of triethylamine.²⁴⁴

²⁴³ H. J. Jennings, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1834.

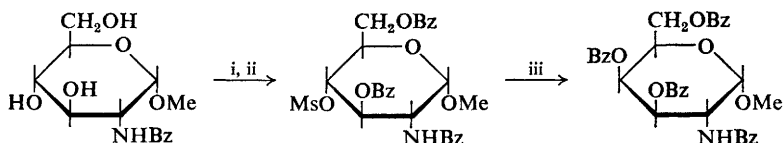
²⁴⁴ B. T. Lawton, W. A. Szarek, and J. K. N. Jones, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 397.

Natural Products

4-Amino-4-deoxy-L-arabinose has been identified as a component of some bacterial polysaccharides.²⁴⁵ Methanolysis of gentamicin A afforded the methyl gentosaminides which were identified as derivatives of 3-methyl-amino-3-deoxy-D-xylose.²⁴⁶ Perosamine, obtained on hydrolysis of perimycin, has been confirmed to be 4-amino-4,6-dideoxy-D-mannose by synthesis^{246a} (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 70). Full details of the synthesis of D-halosamine (4-amino-2,4,6-trideoxy-3-O-methyl-D-ribo-hexose) have been given.²⁴⁷

Synthesis

A convenient preparation of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose from the D-*gluco*-isomer has been described;²⁴⁸ the key steps are shown in Scheme 31.



Reagents: i, BzCl, py; ii, MsCl, py; iii, NaOBz, DMF

Scheme 31

An improved procedure for the preparation and separation of $\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$ -linked oligomers of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose of D.P. 2 to 6 has been described.²⁴⁹ Syntheses of $[1-^{14}\text{C}]$ -2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose and -galactose have been reported.²⁵⁰

The chromous-chloride-promoted addition of *N*-chlorocarbonates to enol ethers has been used in the synthesis of *N*-alkoxycarbonyl derivatives of 2-amino-2-deoxy-sugars as illustrated in Scheme 32.²⁵¹ The α -chloride

²⁴⁵ W. A. Volk, C. Galanos, and O. Luderitz, *F.E.B.S. Letters*, 1970, **8**, 161.

²⁴⁶ H. Maehr and C. P. Schaffner, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1697.

^{246a} C. L. Stevens, R. P. Glinski, K. G. Taylor, P. Blumbergs, and S. K. Gupta, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 3160.

²⁴⁷ M. M. Janot, Q. Khuong-Huu, C. Monneret, I. Kaboré, J. Hildesheim, S. D. Géro, and R. Goutarel, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 1695.

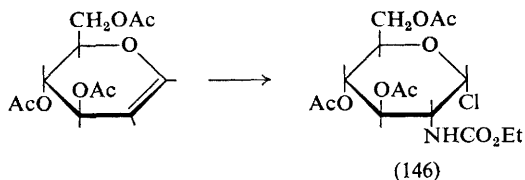
²⁴⁸ M. W. Horner, L. Hough, and A. C. Richardson, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1336.

²⁴⁹ B. Capon and R. L. Foster, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1654.

²⁵⁰ J. F. Kennedy, *J. Labelled Compounds*, 1970, **6**, 201.

²⁵¹ J. Lessard, H. Driguez, and J. P. Vermes, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4887.

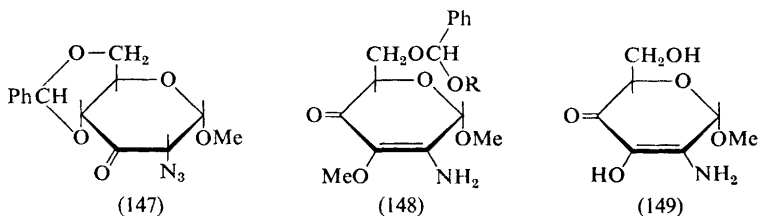
(146) was the major product obtained from tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal, although the β -chloride and adducts having the *D*-manno configuration were also formed. Compound (146) was converted into β -glycosides by Koenigs-Knorr methods.



Reagent: $\text{EtO}_2\text{C}\cdot\text{NHCl}$, CrCl_2

Scheme 32

2-Acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine has been conveniently prepared from 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosyl azide by deacetylation followed by catalytic hydrogenation.²⁵² *D*-threo-Pentulose was found to react with α -amino-acids to give mixtures of derivatives of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-xylose and -lyxose and of 1-deoxy-1-amino-D-threo-pentulose.²⁵³ Compound (147) was readily converted into (148), which was



hydrolysed with acid to (149); reduction of the latter compound gave 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-allose.²⁵⁴

2-Amino-2-deoxy-D-mannuronic acid has been synthesised (see p. 118), and so too have 6-deoxy- and 6-deoxy-6-fluoro-muramic acid (135).²⁵⁵ An improved method for the synthesis of the 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-altroside and the 3-amino-3-deoxy-D-glucoside from methyl 2,3-anhydro-4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-alloside has been reported.²⁵⁵

A synthesis of 3-acetamido-2,3-dideoxy-DL-tetrose has been accomplished from DL-aspartic acid and ethyl malonate.²⁵⁶ 3-Acetamido-3,5-dideoxy-D-ribose has been synthesised from both compounds (150) and (151) by the routes shown in Scheme 33.²⁵⁷

²⁵² M. Kiyozumi, K. Kato, T. Komori, A. Yamamoto, T. Kawasaki, and H. Tsukamoto, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 355.

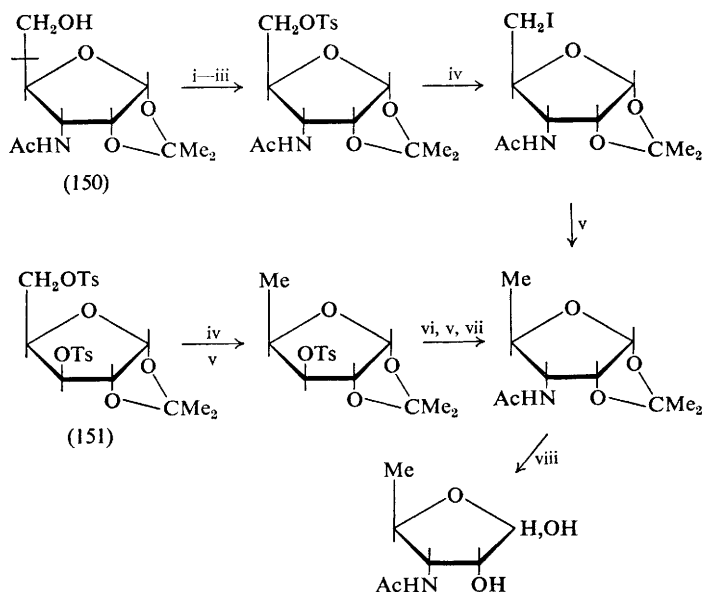
²⁵³ K. Heyns and W. Beilfuss, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2873.

²⁵⁴ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2418.

²⁵⁵ K. Čapek, Z. Kefurtová, and J. Jarý, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 1930.

²⁵⁶ S. David and A. Veyrières, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 203.

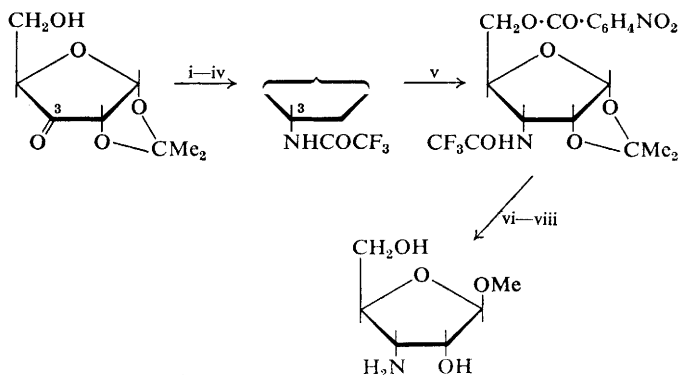
²⁵⁷ H. Ando and J. Yoshimura, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 2966.



Reagents: i, NaIO_4 ; ii, NaBH_4 ; iii, TsCl , py; iv, NaI , MeCN ; v, H_2 , Ni;
vi, NH_2NH_2 ; vii, Ac_2O , py; viii, H_3O^+

Scheme 33

A new synthesis of methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- β -D-ribofuranoside has been devised (Scheme 34).²⁵⁸ The 5-O-trityl ether of 1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylofuranose has been used as the starting material for a synthesis of

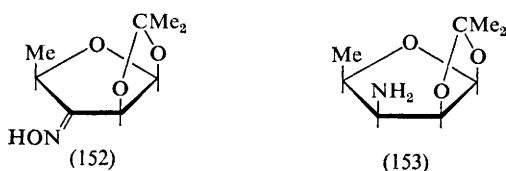


Reagents: i, $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$, py, EtOH; ii, LAH, THF; iii, $(\text{CF}_3\text{CO})_2\text{O}$, py; iv, MeOH;
v, $p\text{-NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{COCl}$, py; vi, TFA, H_2O ; vii, MeOH, HCl; viii, BuNH_2 , MeOH

Scheme 34

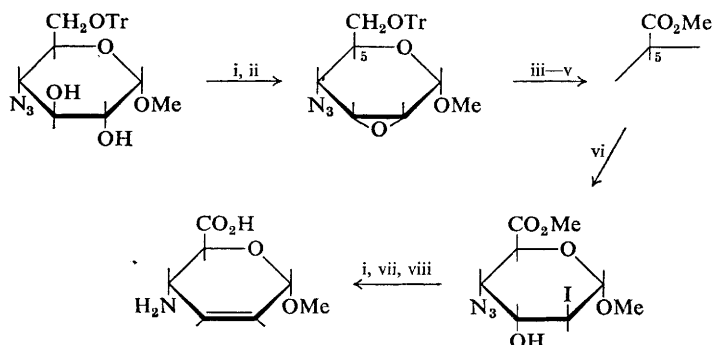
²⁵⁸ A. N. Fujiwara, E. M. Acton, and L. Goodman, *J. Heterocyclic Chem.*, 1970, 7, 891.

methyl 3-amino-3-deoxy- α -D-xylopyranoside and its β -anomer.¹⁷⁴ Reduction of the oxime (152) with LAH gave the D-*lyxo* derivative (153) with high



stereospecificity.²⁵⁹ Opening of the epoxide ring in 9-(2,3-anhydro- β -D-lyxofuranosyl)adenine with azide ion and subsequent reduction gave the 3'-amino-3'-deoxy-D-*arabino* and 2'-amino-2'-deoxy-D-*xylo* analogues of adenosine.²⁶⁰ The ratio of ring-opening at C-2' and C-3' was about 15 : 1.

Methyl 4-amino-2,3,4-trideoxy- α -D-*erythro*-hex-2-enopyranosiduronic acid, the carbohydrate component of blasticidin S, has been synthesised as shown in Scheme 35.^{261, 261a} The formation of 4- and 5-amino-sugars from pyranoside 4-sulphonates has been mentioned earlier.^{217, 218}



Reagents: i, MsCl, py; ii, NaOMe, MeOH; iii, H_3O^+ ; iv, KMnO_4 ; v, CH_2N_2 ; vi, NaI, AcOH, Me_2CO ; vii, Na dithionite; viii, aq. NaOH

Scheme 35

Hydrogenolysis of the azide (154) with Raney nickel in hydrazine afforded the methanesulphonic acid salt of 5-amino-5,6-dideoxy-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-methanesulphonyl- β -L-idofuranose (155) presumably by way of the epimine intermediate (156).²⁶² Partial hydrogenation of (157) gave (158), which could be dimerised to the heptacyclic compound (159).²⁶³

²⁵⁹ J. M. J. Tronchet and R. Graf, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 851.

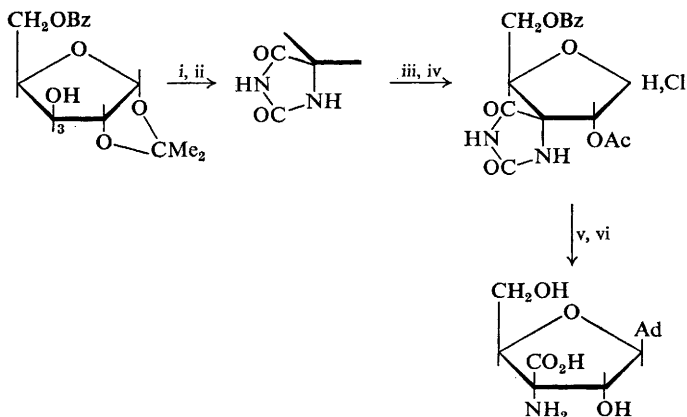
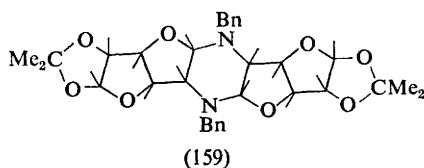
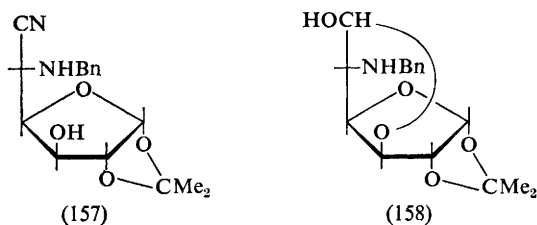
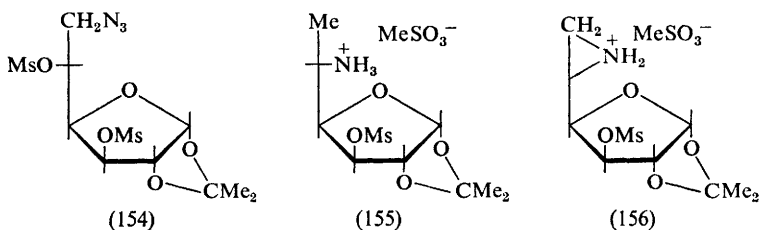
²⁶⁰ A. P. Martinez, D. F. Calkins, E. J. Reist, W. W. Lee, and L. Goodman, *J. Heterocyclic Chem.*, 1970, **7**, 713.

²⁶¹ R. S. Goody, K. A. Watanabe, and J. J. Fox, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 293.

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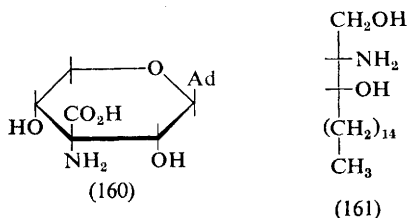
²⁶² C. F. Gibbs and L. Hough, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 29.

²⁶³ H. Paulsen and F. Kownatzki, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1631.

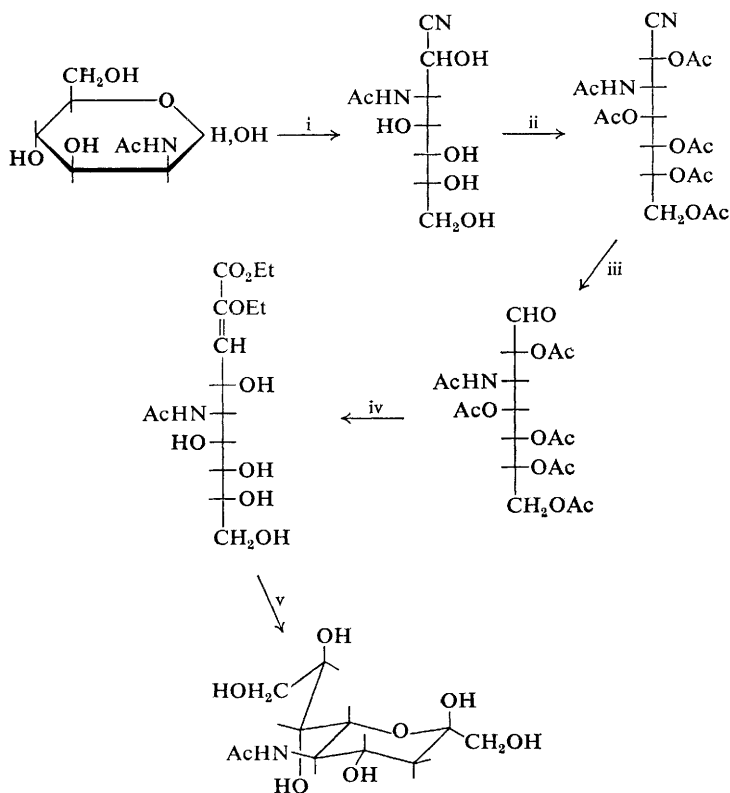


Reagents: i, DMSO, DCC, py, $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$; ii, KCN, $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$, MeOH;
 iii, Ac_2O , AcOH, H_2SO_4 ; iv, AcCl, HCl; v, chloromercuri-6-NHBz-purine;
 vi, aq. $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$

Scheme 36



A general synthesis of 6-amino-6-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosides has been described based on the addition of nitrosyl chloride to 3,4-di-*O*-acetyl-6-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl-D-glucal and the reaction of the adduct with alcohols. The 2-oximino-group was then converted into a keto-group and reduced, after which the amino-group was introduced by displacement of the 6-



Reagents: i, HCN ; ii, Ac_2O , py ; iii, H_2 , Pd-BaSO_4 ; iv, $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}^+\text{CH}(\text{OEt})\text{CO}_2\text{Et}$; v, $\text{pH } 9$

Scheme 37

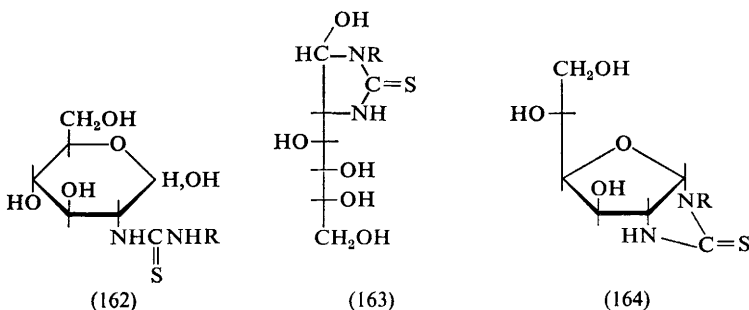
tosyloxy-group with azide ion and reduction.²⁶⁴ Other references to the glycosides of amino-sugars can be found in Chapter 3.

Several papers on branched-chain amino-sugars have appeared and a new class of nucleoside derivative has been prepared by the route shown in Scheme 36. The pyranose analogue (160) was prepared by similar methods.²⁶⁵ Other examples having an amino-group substituted onto the carbon atom forming the branch are described in Chapter 15.

Dihydrosphingosine (161) has been synthesised by the approach pioneered by Gigg and his group for such compounds.²⁶⁶ Two new syntheses of *N*-acetylneuraminic acid from 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-mannose have been reported;²⁶⁷ one of the routes used is illustrated in Scheme 37.

Reactions

Treatment of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose with *p*-nitrophenyl esters in DMSO containing triethylamine provides a method for selective *N*-acylation; the *N*-acetyl, *N*-benzoyl, and *N*-stearoyl derivatives were obtained in high yield.^{267a} 2-Deoxy-2-iodoacetamido-D-glucose has been prepared from the tetra-acetate and iodoacetic acid using DCC, followed by de-*O*-acetylation.²⁶⁸ 2-Amino-2-deoxyaldoses and isothiocyanates have been reacted together to give as the first product the thiourea derivative (162); this cyclised to form (163) which then lost a molecule of water giving (164).²⁶⁹



Several 4,6-cyclic acetals of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose have been synthesised by condensations in acetonitrile using hydrochloric acid as catalyst (with aliphatic aldehydes), and either without solvent or in dioxan

²⁶⁴ T. L. Nagabhushan, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 257.

²⁶⁵ H. Yanagisawa, M. Kinoshita, S. Nakada, and S. Umezawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc., Japan*, 1970, **43**, 246.

²⁶⁶ E. J. Reist and P. H. Christie, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3521.

²⁶⁷ M. N. Mirzayanova, L. P. Davydova, and G. I. Samokhvalov, *J. Gen. Chem. (U.S.S.R.)*, 1970, **40**, 693.

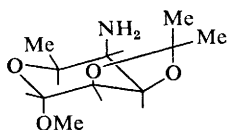
^{267a} H. Mukerjee and P. R. Pal, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2042.

²⁶⁸ P. W. Kent, J. P. Ackers, and R. J. White, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **118**, 73.

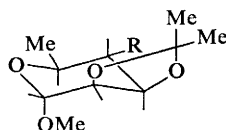
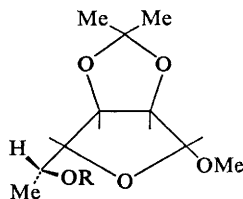
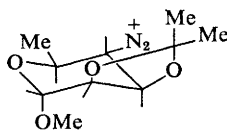
²⁶⁹ J. E. Scott, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 389.

using zinc chloride as catalyst (with aromatic aldehydes). Methylation and hydrolysis of the resulting acetals yielded 2-amino-2-deoxy-3-*O*-methyl-D-glucose hydrochloride.²⁷⁰

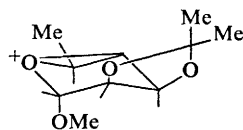
A new blocking group has been used for *eq,eq*-hydroxyamino-groups; methyl 2-amino-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranoside, for example, gave the 2,3-carbonate with *p*-nitrophenoxycarbonyl chloride²⁷¹ (see also p. 129). The deamination of 1-amino-1-deoxypentitols has been described earlier.¹³⁰ Deamination of methyl 4-amino-4-deoxy-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- α -L-talopyranoside (165) in 90% acetic acid gave mainly the L-mannose derivatives (166) and (167) but no corresponding derivatives of L-talose were detected.



(165)

(166) R = OH
(167) R = OAc(168) R = H
(169) R = Ac

(170)



(171)

Deamination of the epimeric *L*-manno amine gave (166), (167), and the rearranged products (168) and (169), which were presumed to be formed from the oxonium ion (171) arising as a result of participation by the ring-oxygen atom in the decomposition of the diazonium ion (170).²⁷²

The oxidation of amino-sugars with periodate has been studied (see p. 144) and so has the Elson-Morgan reaction between 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose and pentane-2,4-dione.²⁷³ Seven of the eight possible 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses have been separated by chromatography on a cationic resin using a borate buffer; acidic and neutral amino-acids were eluted before the hexosamines.²⁷⁴

Di- and Poly-amino-sugars

Two routes to 2,3-diamino-2,3-dideoxy-D-galactose have been described; one of the routes used is outlined in Scheme 38²⁷⁵ and the other route is

²⁷⁰ L. Holmquist, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 173.

²⁷¹ S. Umezawa, T. Tsuchiya, and Y. Takagi, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 1602.

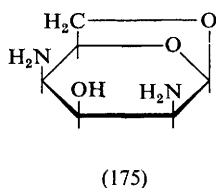
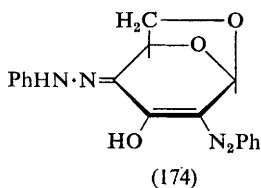
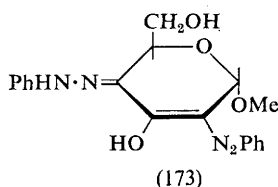
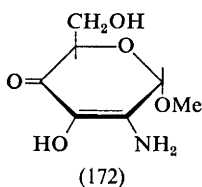
²⁷² A. K. Al-Radhi, J. S. Brimacombe, and L. C. N. Tucker, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1250.

²⁷³ F. Serafini-Cessi and C. Cessi, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **120**, 873.

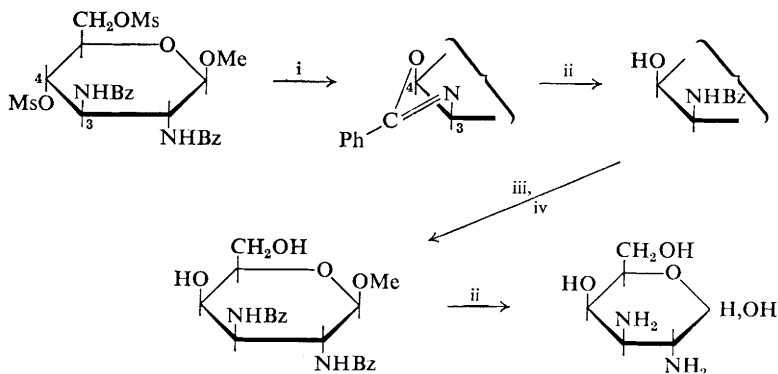
²⁷⁴ M. Yaguchi and M. G. Perry, *Canad. J. Biochem.*, 1970, **48**, 386.

²⁷⁵ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf and N. Wassiliadou-Micheli, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 37.

similar.²⁷⁶ Oxidation of (172) with iodine gave a triulose derivative which was isolated as (173) after treatment with phenylhydrazine. The latter



compound gave (174) spontaneously on acid hydrolysis, and both compounds afforded 2,4-diamino-1,6-anhydro-2,4-dideoxy-D-talose (175) on hydrogenation.²⁷⁷



Reagents: i, NaOAc, EtOH; ii, HCl; iii, NaOAc, DMF; iv, NaOMe, MeOH

Scheme 38

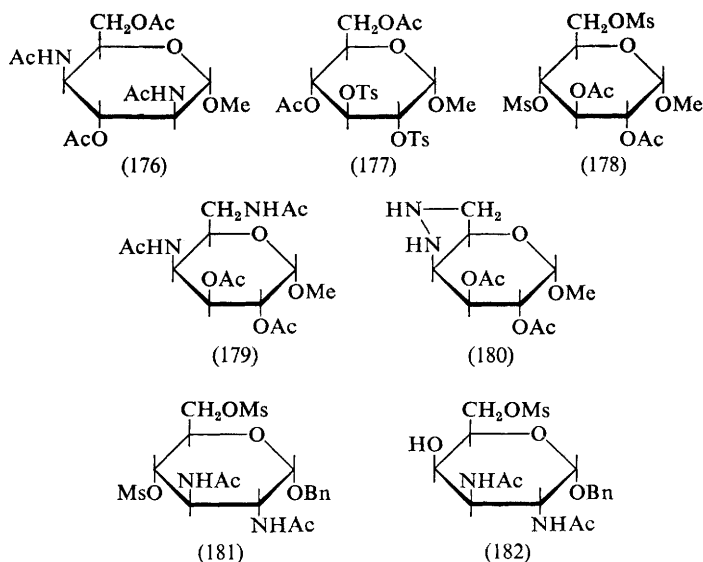
Methyl 2,4-diacetamido-3,6-di-O-acetyl-2,4-dideoxy- α -D-idopyranoside (176) has been prepared by hydrazinolysis, reduction, and acetylation of either compound (177) or methyl 2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3,4-di-O-methanesulphonyl- α -D-glucopyranoside.²⁷⁸ The product must presumably arise

²⁷⁶ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 995.

²⁷⁷ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2424.

²⁷⁸ T. Suami and T. Shoji, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 2948.

from participation by the ester groups. Reaction of (178) with hydrazine gave, after reduction and acetylation, the 4,6-diacetamido derivative (179). Hydrazinolysis proceeded by way of the cyclic compound (180), which was also isolated and characterised.²⁷⁸



Baer has extended the use of unsaturated nitro-compounds to the synthesis of 2,3-diamino- and 2,3,4-triamino derivatives of D-glucose.²⁷⁹ Nitro-compounds were also used as precursors in syntheses of methyl 2,3,4-triacetamido-2,3,4,6-tetra-deoxy- α -L-glucopyranoside and the corresponding L-mannopyranoside²⁸⁰ (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 78).

2,3,4,6-Tetra-amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-deoxy-D-glucose²⁸¹ and its methyl α -glycoside²⁸² have been described (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 79). In the first paper, the key step involved inversion of the configuration at C-4 in the D-glucose derivative (181) to give (182), so that subsequent azidolysis would re-constitute the D-*gluco* configuration. In the second paper,²⁸² the known 2,3,4-triacetamido derivative (see ref. 279) was used as the starting material. 2,3,4,6-Tetra-amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-deoxy-D-galactose has been prepared from benzyl 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-allopyranoside by standard reactions.²⁸³

²⁷⁹ H. H. Baer and F. Rajabalee, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 241.

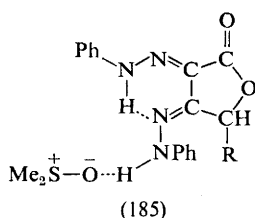
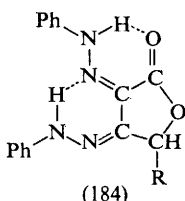
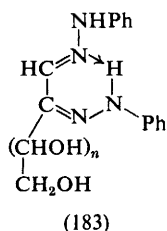
²⁸⁰ F. W. Lichtenthaler and W. Fischer, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1081.

²⁸¹ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 287.

²⁸² H. H. Baer and M. Bayer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 114.

²⁸³ W. Meyer Zu Reckendorf, *Chimia (Switz.)*, 1970, **24**, 16.

Two papers^{284, 285} have discussed critically the proposed cyclic structure for sugar osazones (see vol. 3, p. 82). A careful analysis of *all* the available information suggests that the usually accepted acyclic structure (*e.g.* 183) originally proposed by Fieser and Fieser is still to be favoured.



A study of L-ascorbic acid osazones by spectroscopic methods showed that they are γ -lactones and not δ -lactones as was claimed previously²⁸⁶ (see vol. 2, p. 95). In dimethyl sulphoxide solution, a 'mutarotation' occurred in which the chelated form (184) was converted into the chelated form (185). The fact that acetylation and benzylation of dehydro-L-ascorbic acid phenylhydrazone (186) afforded the unsaturated derivative (187) was also compatible with a γ -lactone structure for (186).²⁸⁷ The derivative (189) was obtained by treating (188) with sodium iodide in acetone, whereas (190) gave (191) under similar conditions.

The ascorbic acid homologue (192) reacted with phenylhydrazine to give (193) and (194), and the analogue (195) afforded (196) with phenylhydrazine.²⁸⁸

Oxidation of sugar monobenzoylhydrazone acetates with iodine and mercuric oxide has been shown to yield saccharide oxadiazoles.²⁸⁹ Thus,

²⁸⁴ J. Buckingham, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 951.

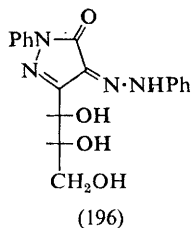
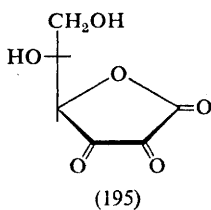
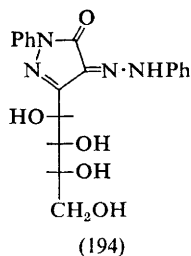
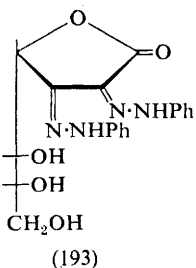
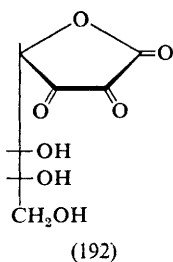
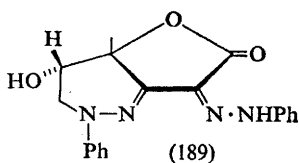
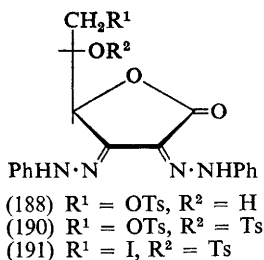
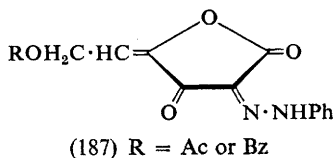
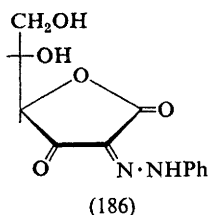
²⁸⁵ L. Mester, H. El Khadem, and D. Horton, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 2567.

²⁸⁶ J. M. Rao and P. M. Nair, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 3833.

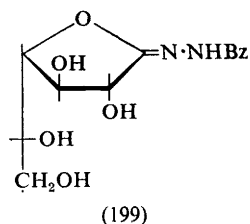
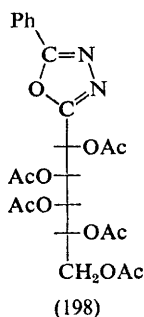
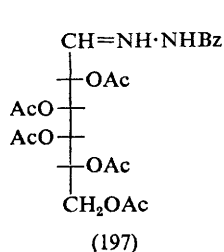
²⁸⁷ H. El Khadem and S. H. El Ashry, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 57.

²⁸⁸ H. El Khadem, and I. El Kholy, Z. M. El-Shafei, and M. El Sekeki, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 179.

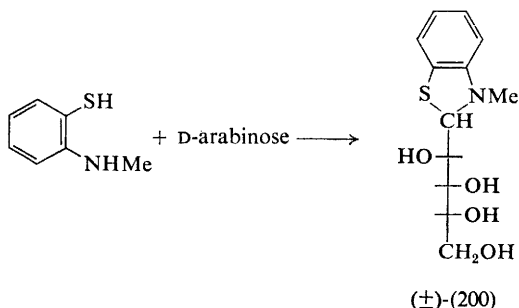
²⁸⁹ H. El Khadem, M. A. E. Shaban, and M. A. M. Nassr, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 470.



penta-*O*-acetyl-*aldehyde*-D-galactose benzoylhydrazone (197) was converted into (198), and an oxadiazole was obtained from tetra-*O*-acetyl-*aldehyde*-D-arabinose benzoylhydrazone in similar fashion. Deacetylation of (198) afforded the iminolactone (199).



The highly crystalline bis(benzoylhydrazone) of 3-deoxy-D-erythro-hexos-2-ulose has proved a useful derivative in the purification of the 2-ulose.²⁹⁰ Separation has been achieved of the diastereoisomeric 3-methyl-2-(polyhydroxyalkyl)-benzothiazolines (*e.g.* 200) resulting from the reaction of aldoses such as D-arabinose with *N*-methylbenzothiazoline.²⁹¹



The preparation of D-apiose phenylosotriazole, a crystalline derivative useful for identifying radioactive D-apiose in biosynthetic experiments, has been described.²⁹² The acetonation of D-glucose phenylosotriazole has been investigated.¹⁴⁴

²⁹⁰ H. El Khadem, D. Horton, M. H. Meshreki, and M. A. Nashed, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 317.

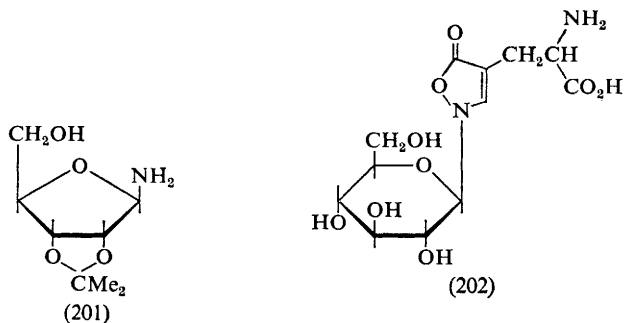
²⁹¹ L. Szilágyi and R. Bognár, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 371.

²⁹² P. K. Kindel, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 466.

Glycosylamines and Related Compounds

A simple synthesis of 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- β -D-ribofuranosylamine (201) has been achieved by reaction of D-ribose with acetone, 2,2-dimethoxypropane, and *p*-tolylsulphonic acid as a catalyst;²⁹³ (201) is a useful intermediate in nucleoside synthesis. *N*-Acetylglycosylamines, containing both furanose and pyranose rings, have been isolated from the ammonolysis of β -D-mannopyranose penta-acetate and α -L-rhamnopyranose tetra-acetate.²⁹⁴ The synthesis of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine has been described.²⁵²

Derivatives of *N*-(L-aspart-4-oyl)-4-*O*-(β -D-galactopyranosyl)- β -D-glucopyranosylamine, its 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-analogue, and the 6-*O*-linked



isomer of the latter compound have been prepared.²⁹⁵ *N*-Glycosides of *p*-aminopropiophenone have been reported.²⁹⁶

Many papers have appeared on *N*-glycosides of heterocyclic ring systems. Wagner and his group continue to be very active in this field.²⁹⁷⁻³⁰¹ Papers

²⁹³ N. J. Cusack and G. Shaw, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1114.

²⁹⁴ A. B. Zanlungo, J. O. Deferrari, and R. A. Cadenas, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 245.

²⁹⁵ M. Spinola and R. W. Jeanloz, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 361.

²⁹⁶ J. Sykulski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1967.

²⁹⁷ P. Nuhn and G. Wagner, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 97.

²⁹⁸ D. Heller and G. Wagner, *Z. Chem.*, 1970, **10**, 111, 114.

²⁹⁹ P. Nuhn and G. Wagner, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 90.

³⁰⁰ G. Wagner and D. Goebel, *Z. Chem.*, 1970, **10**, 265.

³⁰¹ G. Wagner and H. Florestedt, *Pharmazie*, 1970, **25**, 144.

have appeared on derivatives of benzotriazole,³⁰² benzimidazolone,³⁰³ benzimidazoethione,³⁰⁴ and benzimidazole and its 5(6)-nitro- and 2-methyl-derivatives.³⁰⁵ Compound (202) has been isolated from pea seedlings.³⁰⁶ The pK_b values of *N*-glucosides derived from pyrazoles and imidazoles have been determined.³⁰⁷

3,5-Dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6-dihydropyran-4-one was formed in good yield by treatment of D-glucose with piperidine salts. It was suggested that the reaction involved formation of the D-glucosylamine, its Amadori rearrangement, followed by a 1,4-elimination and cyclisation.³⁰⁸ Comparisons have been made of the reaction of D-glucose and analogues having H, CONH₂, and CO₂K at C-5 with *p*-toluidine, and the Amadori rearrangement of the products; electron-attracting groups at C-5 facilitated the latter process.³⁰⁹

The kinetics of the formation of *N*-glycosylamines have been studied, but no firm conclusions could be drawn.^{310, 311} The i.r. spectra of the glycosylamines of D-xylose, L-arabinose, and their triacetates have been investigated. It was concluded that the compounds contained a pyranose ring and that α - and β -anomers could be distinguished.³¹² The o.r.d. of *N-p*-anisyl-D-glucopyranosylamine and of some of its derivatives have been recorded.³¹³ The kinetics of the mutarotation of several *N*-glycosylamines catalysed by variously substituted benzoic acids have been used to determine the pK_a 's of the latter.³¹⁴ Autoxidative decomposition of *N*-aryl-D-glucosylamines has been shown to give isatin derivatives.^{314a}

Azides

Syntheses of methyl 3-azido-3-deoxy- α - and - β -D-xylopyranosides have been described.¹⁷⁴ 2,3-Di-*O*-benzoyl-4,6-di-*O*-methanesulphonyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzoyl-4,6-di-*O*-methanesulphonyl- α -D-glucopyranoside (an α,α -trehalose derivative) has been converted into the corresponding galactosyl galactoside tetra-azide with sodium azide in HMPT.³¹⁵ Treat-

³⁰² G. García-Muñoz, J. Iglesias, R. Madroñero, and M. C. Saldaña, *Anales de Quim.*, 1970, **66**, 383.

³⁰³ H. Zinner and K. Peseke, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 307.

³⁰⁴ H. Zinner and K. Peseke, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 185.

³⁰⁵ J. Jasinska and J. Sokolowski, *Zesz. Nauk. Wyzsz. Szk. Pedagog. Gdansk: Met., Fiz., Chem.*, 1969, **9**, 115 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 90820f).

³⁰⁶ F. Lambein and R. Van Parijs, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 557.

³⁰⁷ J. Jasinska and J. Sokolowski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1913.

³⁰⁸ G. A. M. Van Den Ouweland and H. G. Peer, *Rec. Trav. chim.*, 1970, **89**, 750.

³⁰⁹ K. Heyns, T. Chiemprasert, and W. Baltes, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 2877.

³¹⁰ S. Kolka and J. Sokolowski, *Zesz. Nauk. Wyzsz. Szk. Pedagog. Gdansk: Met., Fiz., Chem.*, 1969, **9**, 143 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 55799j).

³¹¹ S. Kolka and J. Sokolowski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 85.

³¹² Z. Smiatcz and J. Sokolowski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 757.

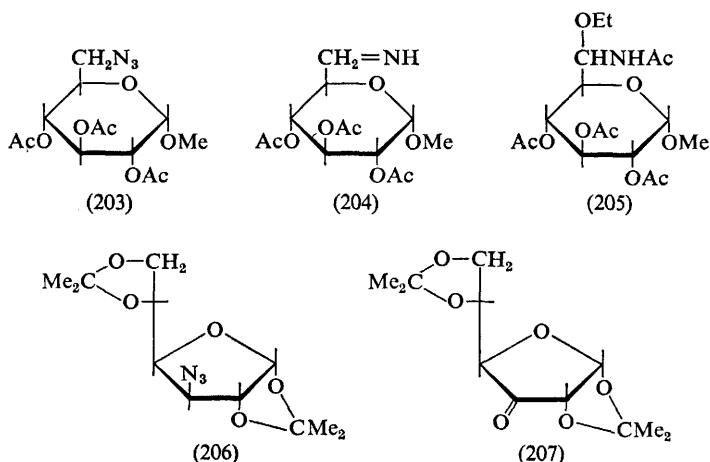
³¹³ J. Szafranek, Z. Fialkiewicz, and J. Sokolowski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1183.

³¹⁴ N. Galicka, K. Smiatczowa, and T. Jasinski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 411.

^{314a} T. Ozawa and N. Kinae, *Yakugaku Zasshi*, 1970, **90**, 665.

³¹⁵ Y. Ali, L. Hough, and A. C. Richardson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 181.

ment of (116) with sodium azide in DMF gave (117), rather than the expected 5-azide.²¹⁶



Photolysis of (203) in either cyclohexene or ethanol afforded principally (204) and, in the latter solvent, a product which on acetylation gave (205).³¹⁶ Photolysis of secondary azides gave the corresponding ketones but in low yield, *e.g.* (206) gave (207).³¹⁷

Nitro-compounds

Addition of nitromethane to L-idose gave the expected 1-deoxy-1-nitro-heptitols with the *L-glycero-D-gulo* isomer preponderant.³¹⁸ The stereochemistry of this reaction was discussed generally and it was noted that the major products have C-2 and C-4 in the *threo* configuration. This was accounted for in terms of the preferred conformations of the reactive acyclic sugar modifications, which were assumed to adopt chair-like shapes. A rationalisation could also be developed if a zig-zag conformation was assumed, with the substituents at C-3 reducing the access of the nucleophile to one side of the carbonyl group.³¹⁸

4-*O*-Acetyl-1,2-dideoxy-3,5-*O*-ethylidene-1-nitro-*D-erythro*-pent-1-enitol (208) has been prepared as outlined in Scheme 39.³¹⁹ The nitro-olefin was not obtainable from the nitro-acetate by conventional methods.

Treatment of the nitro-olefin (209) with sodium hypochlorite in THF gave the epoxide (210), whereas when the solvent was changed to acetone, (211) was formed. Other branched compounds (212), (213), and (214) were prepared from (209).³²⁰ Addition of anthranilic acid to (209) gave mainly

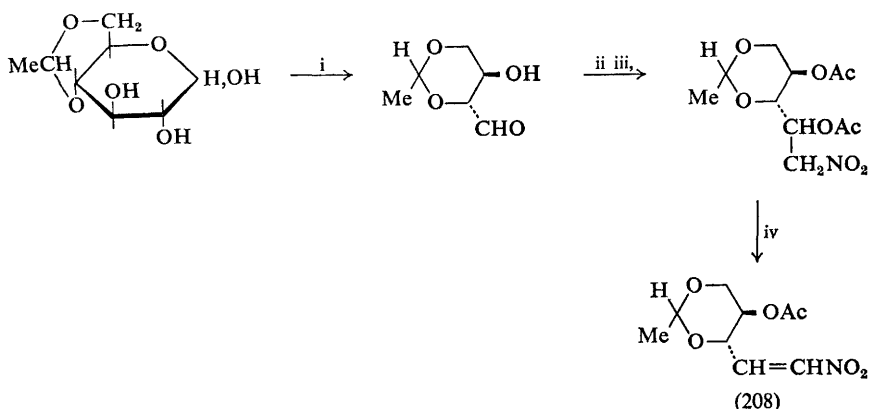
³¹⁶ R. L. Whistler and A. K. M. Anisuzzaman, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 3823.

³¹⁷ D. M. Clode and D. Horton, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 405.

³¹⁸ J. Kovář and H. H. Baer, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2377.

³¹⁹ K. D. Carlson, C. R. Smith jun., and I. A. Wolff, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 391.

³²⁰ T. Sakakibara, S. Kumazawa, and T. Nakagawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 2655.



Reagents: i, NaIO_4 ; ii, MeNO_2 , MeONa , MeOH ; iii, Ac_2O , py ; iv, SiO_2

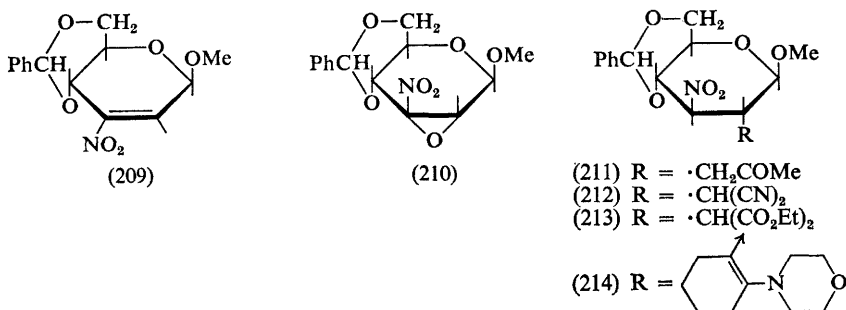
Scheme 39

the *D-manno* adduct (215) instead of the expected *D-gluco* compound. However, in the presence of catalytic amounts of potassium hydroxide the addition followed the normal stereochemical pathway.³²¹ The addition of *m*- and *p*-aminobenzoic acids to (209) gave only *D-gluco* adducts, and anthranilic acid added similarly to the α -anomer of (209).³²²

3-Deoxy-3-nitro-*D*-glucose can be converted by standard reactions into its acetobromo-derivative, which can then be used in Koenigs-Knorr syntheses.³²³

Nitril iodide, prepared *in situ* in ether solution from silver nitrate and iodine, has been added to various unsaturated sugars. For example, (216) gave (217), which was further converted into the nitro-olefin (218). Boro-hydride reduction of (218) gave (219).³²⁴

Nitro-compounds have been used as precursors in the synthesis of polyamino sugars.^{279, 280}

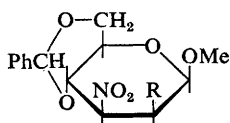
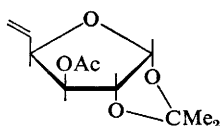


³²¹ H. H. Baer and F. Kienzle, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 3848.

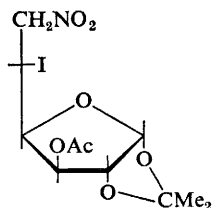
³²² H. H. Baer, E. Rajabalee, and F. Kienzle, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 4204.

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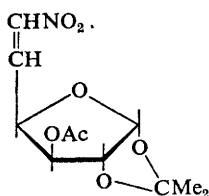
³²⁴ W. A. Szarek, D. G. Lance, and R. L. Beach, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 75.

(215) $R = \cdot C_6H_4CO_2H$ 

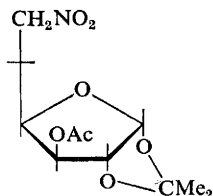
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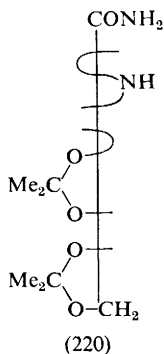
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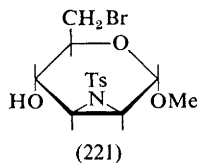
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Epimines

5,6-Dideoxy-5,6-epimino-L-iditol derivatives have been prepared from the corresponding derivatives of 5,6-di-*O-p*-tolylsulphonyl-D-glucitol by sequential displacement of the 6-tosyloxy-group with azide ion, and $LiAlH_4$ reduction.³²⁵ Reaction of the epimine with chloride ion gave 5-amino-6-chloro-derivatives. 3,4-Dideoxy-3,4-epimino-1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-iditol has been obtained by a similar approach,³²⁶ and a preparation of benzyl 5,6-acetylepimino-5,6-dideoxy-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-β-L-gulofuranoside has also been described.³²⁷ Several reactions of the epimine (220) have been reported, namely hydrogenolysis (to the α-amino-acid derivative), acetolysis, and hydrolysis.³²⁸ Several *N*-substituted methyl 2,3-dideoxy-2,3-epimino-β-D-lyxofuranosides have been prepared, *via* azido-tosylate



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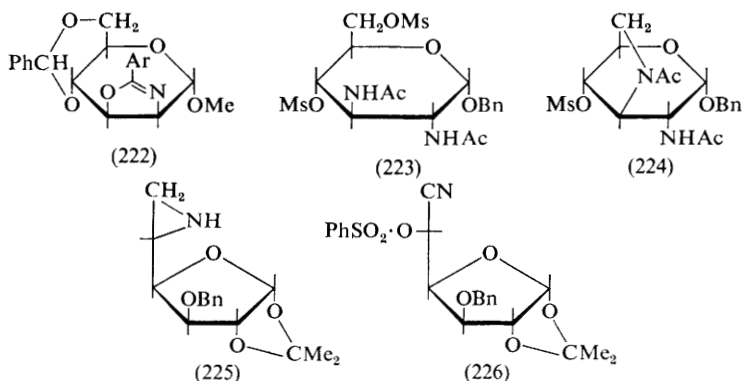


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³²⁵ A. D. Barford and A. C. Richardson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 217.

³²⁶ A. D. Barford and A. C. Richardson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 231

Reaction of methyl 2,3-*N*-aroylepimino-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2,3-dideoxy- α -D-mannoside in DMF with or without sodium iodide gave the oxazoline (222), although the yield was higher in the former case. With potassium thiocyanate in dioxan, the same epimines did not give oxazolines but 2-arylamido-2,3-dideoxy-3-thiocyanates, which were desulphurised to give the 2-arylamido-2,3-dideoxy-compounds.³³² Compound (224) has been isolated as a by-product in the acetolysis of (223).²⁷⁶

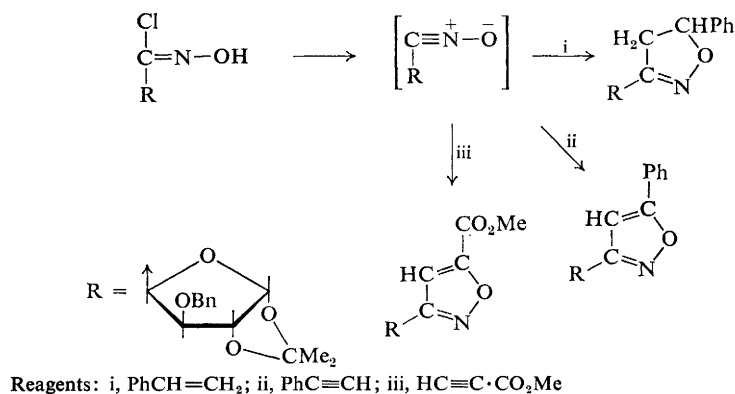


The epimine (225) has been prepared by LiAlH_4 reduction of (226) obtained from the pentodialdose derivative.³³³

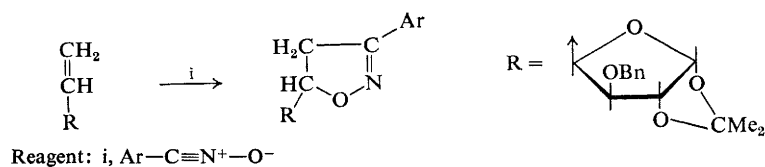
1,3-Dipolar cycloadditions of alkenes and alkynes to sugar nitrile oxides have led to the formation of 3-glycosyl-isoxazoline and -isoxazole derivatives, respectively, as shown in Scheme 40. Alternatively, aryl nitrile oxides could be added to unsaturated sugars (Scheme 41) to form 5-glycosyl-isoxazolines.³³⁴ 1,3-Dipolar cycloadditions of alkenes and alkynes to sugar nitrilimines (Scheme 42) gave 3-glycosyl-pyrazolines and -pyrazoles, respectively.

Several papers on oxazolines have appeared. Methyl β -D-lyxofuranosides with an oxazoline ring bridging C-2 and C-3 have been prepared either by

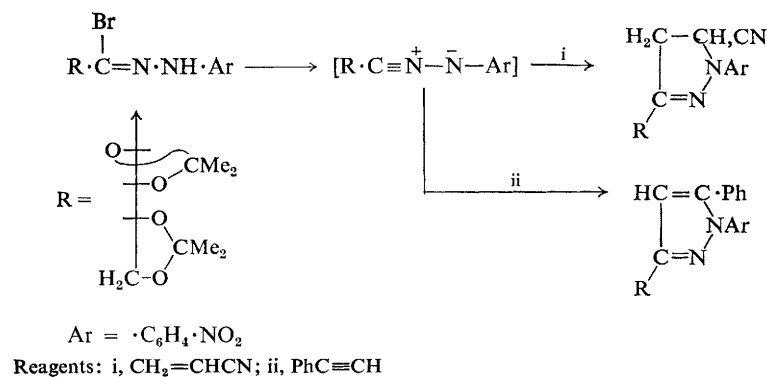
- 327 J. S. Brimacombe, F. Hunedy, and M. Stacey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 447.
328 B. A. Dmitriev, N. E. Bairamova, and N. K. Kochetkov, *Bull. Acad. Sci. U.S.S.R.*,
1970, 597; *Izvest. Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, 650.
329 J. Cleophax, S. D. Géro, J. Hildesheim, A. M. Sepulchre, R. D. Guthrie, and C. W.
Smith, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1385.
330 H. Paulsen and M. Budzis, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 3794.
331 T. L. Hullar and S. B. Siskin, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 225.
332 Z. M. El Shafei and R. D. Guthrie, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 843.
333 K. Ichimura, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 2501.
334 J. M. J. Tronchet, A. Jotterand, N. LeHong, F. Perret, S. Thorndahl-Jaccard, J.
Tronchet, J. M. Chalet, L. Favre, C. Hausser, and S. Sebastian, *Helv. Chim. Acta*,
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Scheme 40

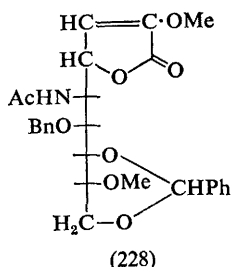
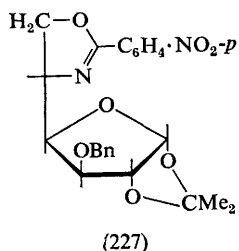


Scheme 41



Scheme 42

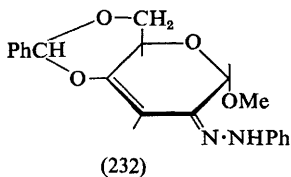
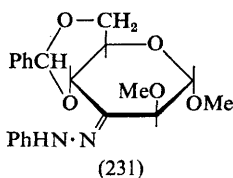
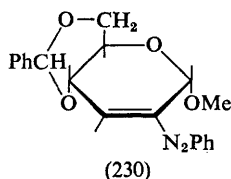
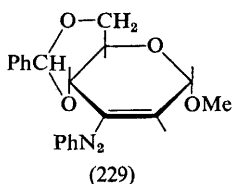
rearrangement of an *N*-benzoylepimine using sodium iodide in acetonitrile, or from a *trans*-3-benzamido-2-sulphonate precursor. The former method gave preponderantly the compound with the C-2-N bond.³³⁵ The epimine (225) has also been converted into the oxazoline (227) by formation and



rearrangement of the *N*-aroyl derivative.³³³ The oxazoline (228) has been prepared as a precursor for a synthesis of methylated derivatives of *N*-acetylneuraminic acid.³³⁶

Other Nitrogen-containing Compounds

The phenylazo-ene (229) and its isomer (230) have been prepared by elimination of benzoic acid from the appropriate 2[or 3]-*O*-benzoyl-3[or 2]-ulose phenylhydrazone. Both (229) and (230) underwent addition reactions with such reagents as acetonitrile. Moreover, (229) underwent 1,4-addition



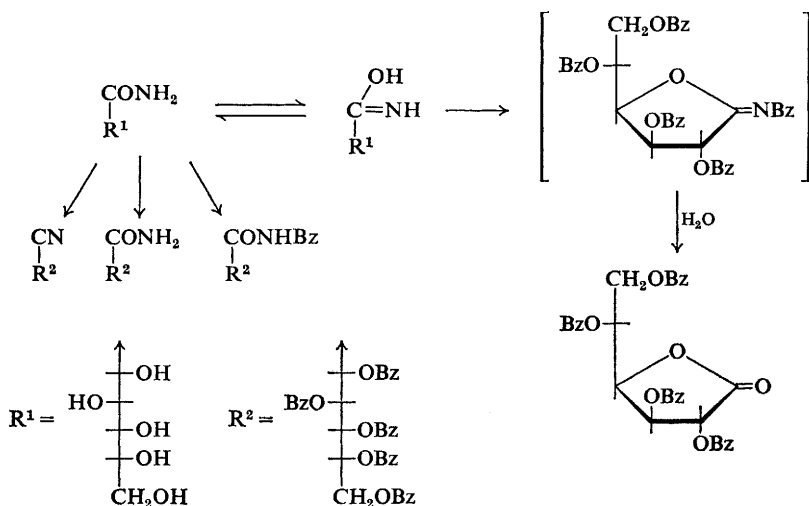
reactions with a variety of nucleophiles; for example, sodium methoxide gave (231) whereas (230) yielded the rearranged product (232).³³⁷

³³⁵ S. D. Géro, J. Hildesheim, E. Walczak, R. D. Guthrie, and C. W. Smith, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1402.

³³⁶ A. Ya. Khorlin and I. M. Privalova, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 373.

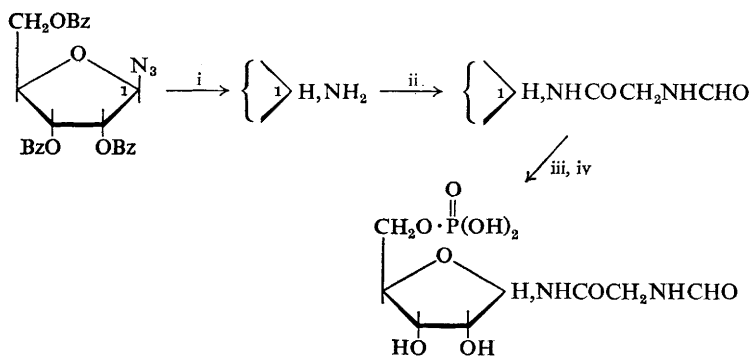
³³⁷ P. M. Collins, D. Gardiner, S. Kumar, and W. G. Overend, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1433.

D-Gluconamide has been shown to react with benzoyl chloride in pyridine to give mixtures of products depending on the conditions used (Scheme 43).³³⁸



Scheme 43

5'-Phosphoribosyl-*N*-formylglycinamide, an important intermediate in the biosynthesis of purine ribonucleotides, has been synthesised by the improved procedure shown in Scheme 44.³³⁹



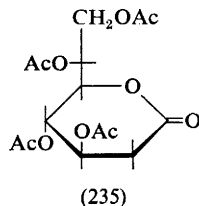
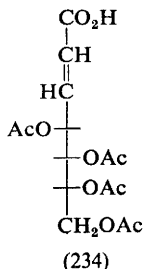
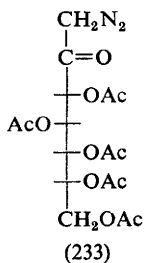
Reagents: i, Pt-H_2 ; ii, $\text{OHCNHCH}_2\text{CHO}$, DCC; iii, MeONa , MeOH ; iv, $(\text{EtO})_3\text{PO}$, POCl_3

Scheme 44

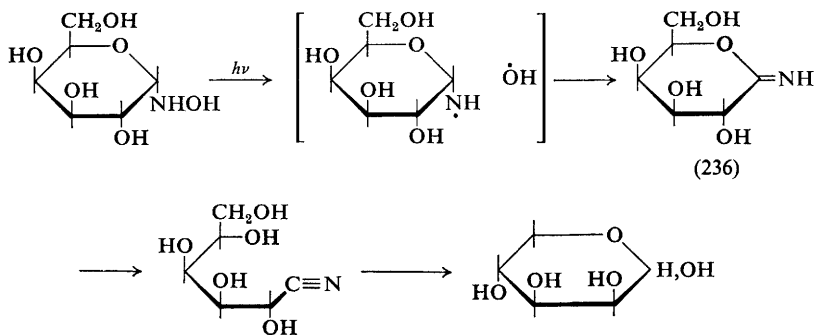
³³⁸ J. O. Deferrari, R. M. de Lederkremer, B. Matsuhira, and M. I. Litter, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 103.

³³⁹ S. Y. Chu and J. F. Henderson, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2306.

The reactions of hydrazines with 1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-hexofuranurono-3,6-lactone-5-ulose have been described.³⁴⁰ Photochemical irradiation of D-galactose azine did not afford the expected D-galactononitrile, but instead gave D-galactose and D-lyxose.^{21a} Wolff rearrangement of the diazo-D-*gluco*-heptulose derivative (233) gave (234) but not (235).³⁴¹



Improved methods for the synthesis of oximes of D-glucose and D-fructose have been investigated.³⁴² Direct irradiation of D-galactose oxime has given D-lyxose as the major product; the reaction is effectively a 'photochemical Wohl degradation'. The imino-lactone (236) was isolated in good yield from the reaction mixture, and the sequence shown in Scheme 45 was proposed to account for the products.²²



Scheme 45

Acyl nitrites added to tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal in a similar fashion to nitrosyl chloride to give dimeric products having the D-*gluco* configuration. Partial hydrogenation of the adducts gave the corresponding azoxy-derivatives.³⁴³

³⁴⁰ H. Paulsen and H. Kuhne, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 284.

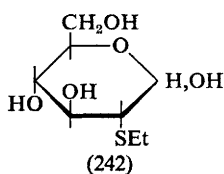
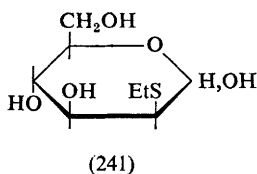
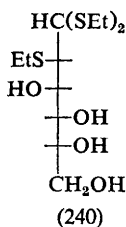
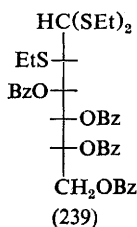
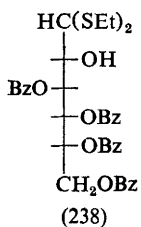
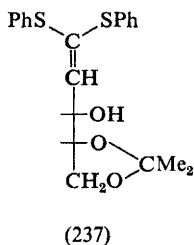
³⁴¹ I. Dijong and W. van der Heydt, *Annalen*, 1970, **735**, 138.

³⁴² M. Tutsumi, M. Iio, and H. Omura, *Eiyo To Skokuryo*, 1969, **22**, 462.

³⁴³ J. H. Jordaen, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 69.

Diphenyl dithioacetals of D-ribose, D-xylose, and D- and L-arabinose have been described and their conformations deduced by n.m.r. studies. Acetonation of the D-arabinose derivative gave the 2,3:4,5-diacetal, which on treatment with the sodium methylsulphiny carbanion gave the unsaturated sugar (237).³⁴⁴

The product resulting from treatment of 3,4,5,6-tetra-O-benzoyl-D-glucose diethyl dithioacetal (238) with ethanethiol and hydrochloric acid

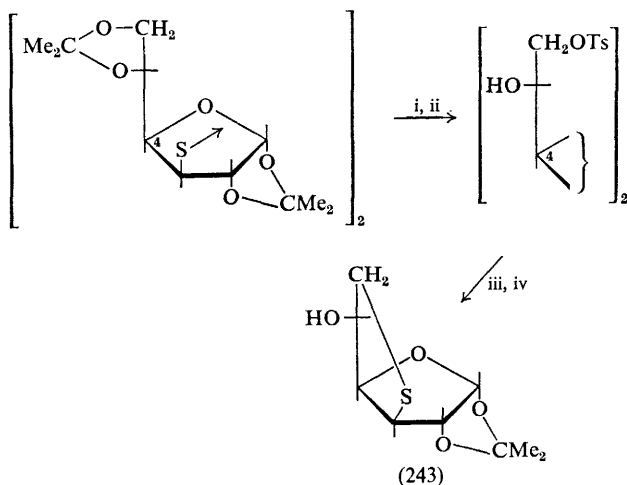


has the D-manno configuration (239). Extended treatment of the de-esterified product (240) with hot, aqueous mercuric chloride in the presence of barium carbonate gave not only (241) but also some of the epimeric 2-S-ethyl-2-thio-D-glucose (242). The formation of (239) from (238) was presumed to involve a 1,2-episulphonium ion intermediate.³⁴⁵

A detailed report on the reaction of glycosyl halides with potassium methyl and benzyl xanthates has been published. In alcohol at room temperature, the major products were the corresponding glycosyl methyl

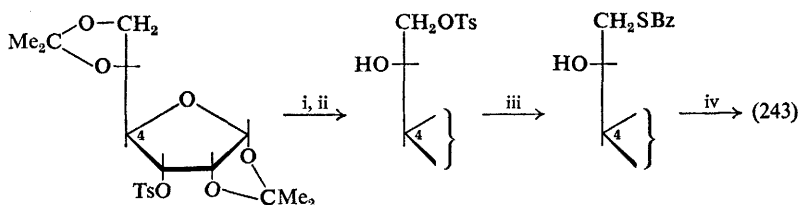
³⁴⁴ D. Horton and J. D. Wander, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 13, 33.

³⁴⁵ B. Berrang and D. Horton, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1038.



Reagents: i, aq Pr^iOH , H_2SO_4 ; ii, TsCl , py; iii, LiAlH_4 ; iv, NaOH

Scheme 46

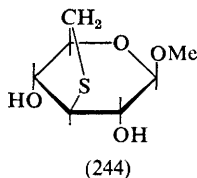


Reagents: i, aq AcOH ; ii, TsCl , py; iii, KSBz , EtOH ; iv, NaOMe , MeOH

Scheme 47

and benzyl xanthates, whereas in acetone the products were 1-thioglycosides and diglycosylsulphides.³⁴⁶

3,6-Dideoxy-3,6-epithio-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucopyranose (243) has been synthesised by the routes shown in Schemes 46 and 47.³⁴⁷ Unlike the 3,6-anhydro-derivative, the pyranose 3,6-epithio-derivative (244),



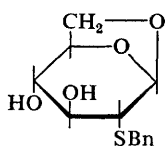
prepared by a similar route, did not rearrange to the isomeric furanose when treated with methanolic hydrogen chloride. The difference in behaviour was attributed to the greater length of the C—S bonds.

³⁴⁶ M. Sakata, M. Haga, and S. Tejima, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 379.

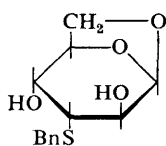
³⁴⁷ J. M. Heap and L. N. Owen, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 707.

3-*O*-(*S*-Iododithiocarbonyl)-1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose has been identified as a by-product in the oxidation of 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-3-*O*-(*S*-sodium dithiocarbonyl)- α -D-glucofuranose with iodine.³⁴⁸

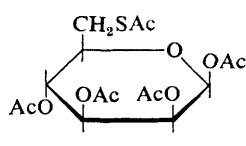
Treatment of 1,6-anhydro-2-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- β -D-glucopyranose with sodium benzyl sulphide gave (245) and (246) in yields of 22% and 52%, respectively, by way of the 2,3-epoxide; contrary to expectation, the



(245)



(246)



(247)

diequatorial *D-altro*-isomer was the main product of ring-opening of the epoxide. Several derivatives (including disulphides) of these products were described.³⁴⁹ The synthesis of the 6-thio-D-mannose derivative (247) from the 6-methanesulphonate has been reported.³⁵⁰

Thio-sugars derived from unsaturated sugars are described in Chapter 14, and several 3-thiobenzoyl derivatives of 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucopyranoses have already been noted.²⁰¹

³⁴⁸ B. S. Shasha, W. M. Doane, C. R. Russell, and C. E. Rist, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 457.

³⁴⁹ E. Hardegger and W. Schüep, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 951.

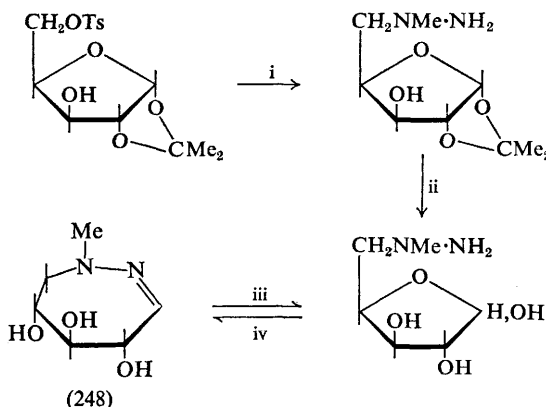
³⁵⁰ J. Fernández-Bolaños and R. Guzman Fernández-Bolaños, *Anales de Quim.*, 1969, **65**, 1193.

Derivatives with Sulphur or Nitrogen in the Sugar Ring

A review (in Japanese) of sugars containing sulphur, nitrogen, and phosphorus atoms in the ring has been published.³⁵¹

Nitrogen Derivatives

Most reports of the chemistry of sugars containing nitrogen in the ring continue to come from Paulsen and his co-workers. The seven-membered ring compound (248) has been synthesised as shown in Scheme 48, and its



Reagents: i, MeNHNH₂; ii, HCl; iii, -OH; iv, H₃O⁺

Scheme 48

reactions have been discussed.³⁵² A related intramolecular hydrazone (250) has been prepared by reaction of the tosylate (249) with hydrazine followed by treatment with alkali.^{352a} Hydrogenation of (250) afforded a mixture of the diamine (251) and the cyclic derivative (252).

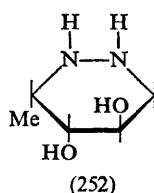
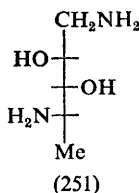
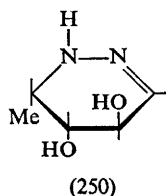
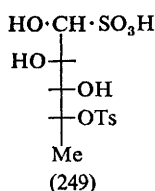
Hydrolysis of the dimethyl acetal (253) with acid gave (254) and (255), whereas the corresponding *N*-methyl derivative (256) gave (257).³⁵³ On the

³⁵¹ S. Inokawa, *Kagaku (Kyoto)*, 1969, **24**, 901.

³⁵² H. Paulsen and G. Steinert, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 475.

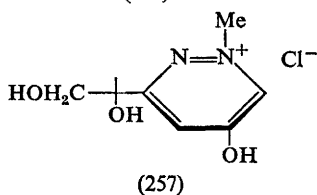
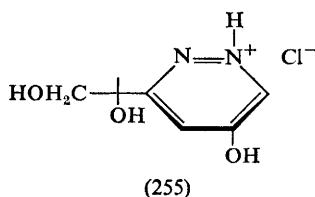
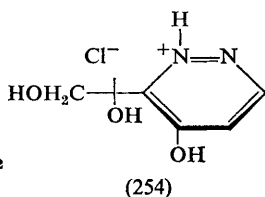
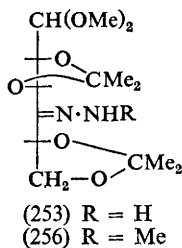
^{352a} H. Paulsen and G. Steinert, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1834.

³⁵³ H. Paulsen, K. Steinert, and G. Steinert, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1846.

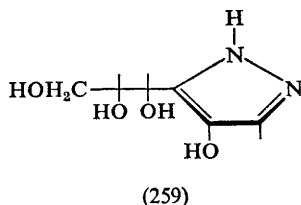
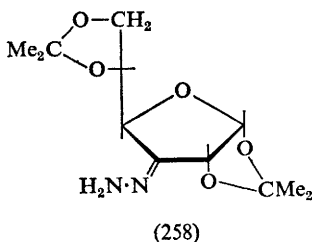


other hand, compound (258) was converted into (259) on hydrolysis with acid.

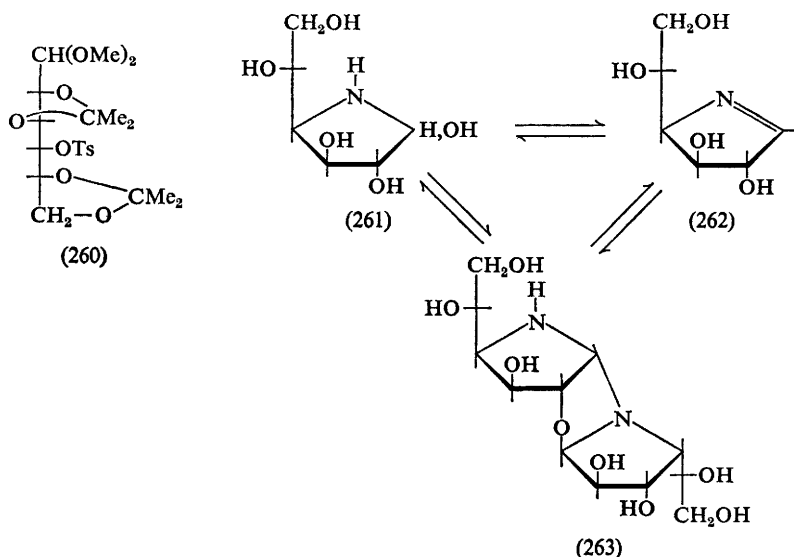
Displacement of the tosyloxy-group in (260) with azide ion did not provide an efficient conversion into 4-amino-derivatives since an elimination



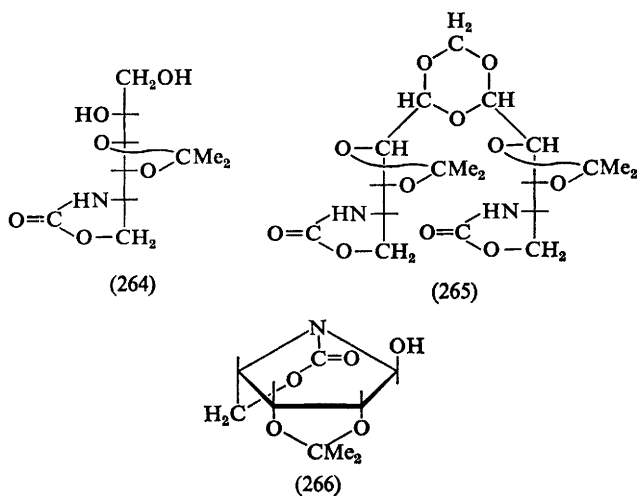
reaction preponderated over the displacement reaction.³⁵⁴ However, reduction of the oxime derived from the corresponding 4-ulose yielded equal



⁵⁴ H. Paulsen, K. Steinert, and K. Heyns, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1599.

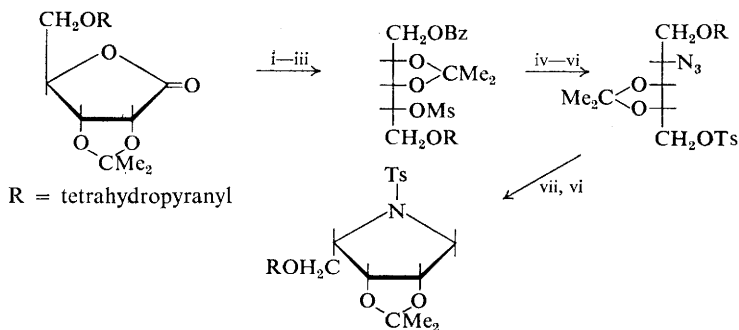


proportions of the 4-amino-4-deoxy-D-*gluco*- and -D-*galacto*-derivatives. In alkaline solution, 4-amino-4-deoxy-D-glucose existed as an equilibrium mixture of the species (261), (262), and (263), whereas in acid solution it existed as the hydrochloride of the pyranose form. The D-galactose epimer behaved analogously.



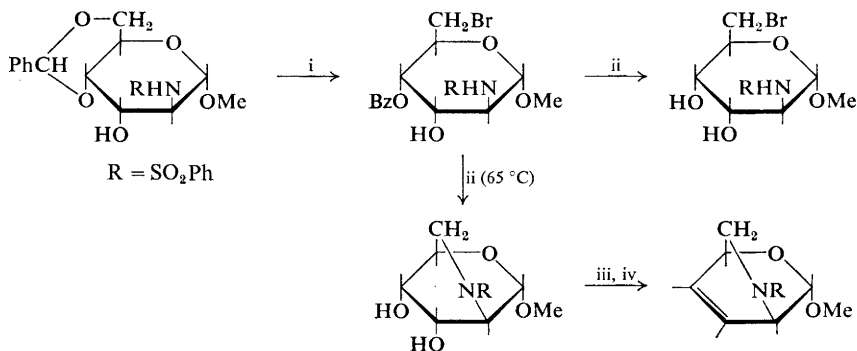
The dimer (265), formed by oxidation of (264) with periodate, underwent thermal rearrangement to (266), which was then converted into 4-amino-4-deoxy-L-lyxose.³⁵⁵ The free amino-sugar existed in solution as the usual mixture of pyrrolidine, bis-pyrrolidine, and pyrroline forms.

The formation of a 2,5-anhydro-L-arabinitol derivative having a nitrogen atom in the ring (Scheme 49) has been reported,³⁵⁶ and 2,6-epimino-derivatives have also been synthesised (Scheme 50).³³¹



Reagents: i, NaBH_4 , $i\text{-C}_3\text{H}_7\text{OH}$; ii, BzCl ; iii, MsCl , py ; iv, NaN_3 , DMF ; v, catalytic debenzoylation; vi, TsCl , py ; vii, $\text{H}_2\text{-Pt}$

Scheme 49



Reagents: i, NBS ; ii, MeO^- ; iii, TsCl , py ; iv, NaI , Zn , DMF

Scheme 50

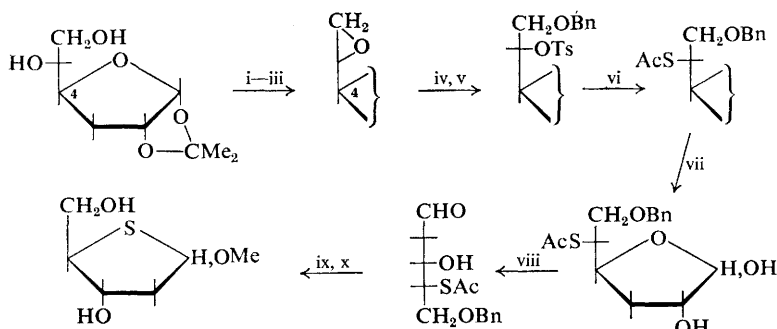
5-Acetamido-5,6-dideoxy-L-idose has been prepared and it has been found to exist in solution as a mixture of the furanose and six-membered ring forms.²⁶²

³⁵⁵ H. Paulsen, J. Brüning, and K. Heyns, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1621.

³⁵⁶ A. Gateau, A.-M. Sepulchre, A. Gaudemer, and S. D. Géro, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 322.

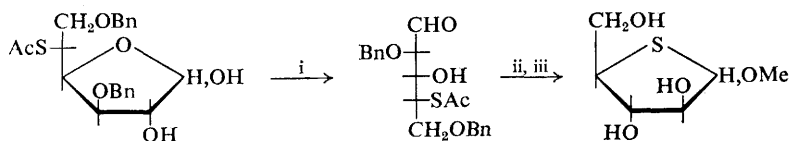
Sulphur Derivatives

Whistler and his co-workers have been responsible for most of the reports of sugars having a sulphur atom in the ring. The methyl 2-deoxy-4-thio-D-*erythro*-pentofuranosides have been obtained by the route outlined in Scheme 51,³⁵⁷ and the methyl 4-thio-D-arabinofuranosides by that shown in Scheme 52.³⁵⁸ The latter compounds were synthesised as possible precursors of nucleosides. A synthesis of 6-amino-6-deoxy-5-thio-D-glucopyranose has been described (Scheme 53).³⁵⁹ The addition of toluenethiol to the nitro-olefin (267) was stereospecific, yielding only the D-glucose derivative (268). Electronic and stereochemical factors were invoked to explain the observed specificity.



Reagents: 1, BzCl; ii, TsCl; iii, NaOMe; iv, NaOBn; v, TsCl; vi, AcS⁻; vii, AcOH; viii, IO₄⁻; ix, MeOH, HCl; x, Na, NH₃

Scheme 51



Reagents: i, IO₄⁻; ii, MeOH, H⁺; iii, Na, NH₃

Scheme 52

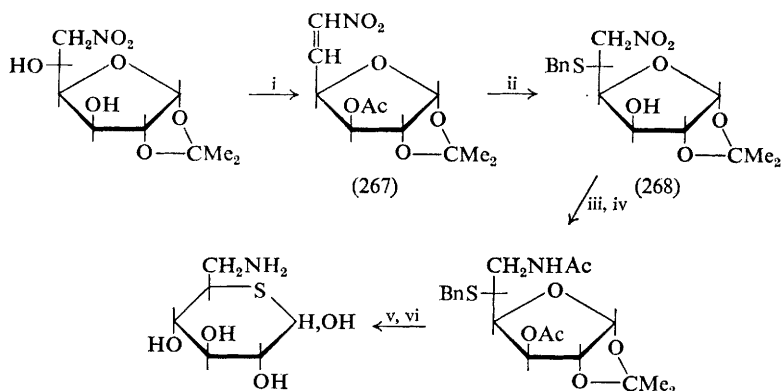
Two 5-thio-glucopyranose derivatives have been prepared.³⁶⁰ 5-Thio-D-glucopyranosyl phosphate was obtained by treating acetylated 5-thio-glucopyranosyl bromide with silver diphenylphosphate, followed by hydrogenolysis of the phenyl groups and deacetylation. Methyl 5-thio-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-(trimethylsilyl)-α-D-glucopyranoside was converted into

³⁵⁷ U. G. Nayak and R. L. Whistler, *Annalen*, 1970, **741**, 131.

³⁵⁸ R. L. Whistler, U. G. Nayak, and A. W. Perkins, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 519.

³⁵⁹ R. L. Whistler and R. E. Pyle, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 201.

³⁶⁰ R. L. Whistler and J. H. Stark, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 15.



Reagents: i, Ac₂O, NaOAc; ii, BnSH, py; iii, LiAlH₄; iv, Ac₂O; v, Na, NH₃; vi, H₃O⁺

Scheme 53

5-thio-D-glucopyranose 6-phosphate by preferential removal of the 6-O-(trimethylsilyl) group by methanolysis, phosphorylation with diphenyl phosphorochloridate, and subsequent removal of the protecting groups.

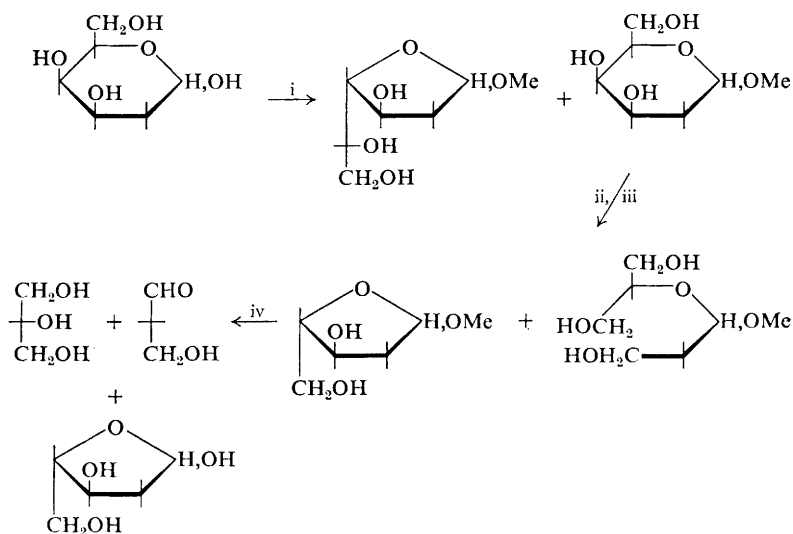
Phosphorus Derivatives

There have been no reports this year of sugar derivatives containing a phosphorus atom in the ring.

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Deoxy-sugars

2-Deoxy-L-*erythro*-pentose (2-deoxy-L-ribose) has been synthesised from 2-deoxy-L-*lyxo*-hexose (Scheme 54), and a similar sequence of reactions applied to 2-deoxy-D-*arabino*-hexose gave 2-deoxy-D-*threo*-pentose.³⁶¹ In the hexose series, 3-deoxy-D-*xylo*-hexose (3-deoxy-D-galactose) was prepared from D-glucose (Scheme 55)³⁶² and on acetylation with acetic



Reagents: i, MeOH, H⁺; ii, NaIO₄; iii, NaBH₄; iv, H⁺

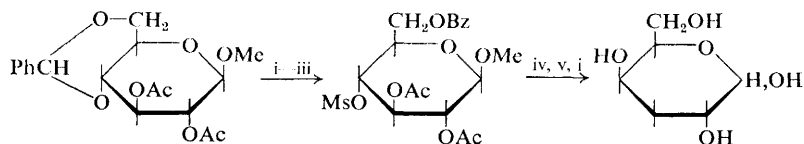
Scheme 54

anhydride in the presence of several catalysts gave mixtures of the various cyclic tetra-acetates. Both pyranose tetra-acetates afforded methyl 2,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-3-deoxy-β-D-*xylo*-hexopyranoside when treated with hydrogen chloride followed by methanol; the furanoid glycoside perester was prepared similarly.³⁶³ Zinner and Wulf have also reported the pyranosyl

³⁶¹ S. D. Schimmel and R. D. Bevell, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **37**, 385.

³⁶² H. Zinner and G. Wulf, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 385.

³⁶³ H. Zinner and G. Wulf, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, **312**, 192.

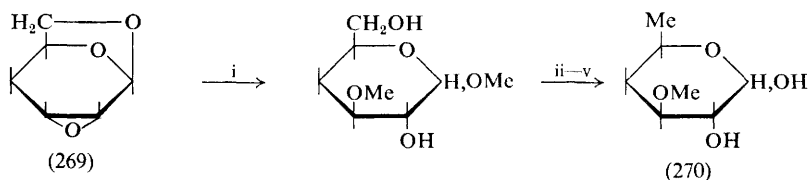


Reagents: i, H^+ ; ii, BzCl , py; iii, MsCl , py; iv, MeO^- ; v, LiAlH_4

Scheme 55

bromide and chloride esters of the sugar.²²³ A synthesis of 2-deoxy-L-arabino-hexose has been developed by standard application of the Wittig reaction to 2,3:4,5-di-*O*-isopropylidene-aldehydo-L-arabinose.³⁶⁴

DL-Chalcoses (270) have been synthesised from 1,6:2,3-dianhydro-4-deoxy-DL-ribose (269), which had previously been obtained from acrolein dimer (Scheme 56), and further comments were made on the



Reagents: i, MeOH , H^+ ; ii, TsCl , py; iii, LiAlH_4 ; iv, NaOMe ; v, H^+

Scheme 56

reactions leading to (269).³⁶⁵ Another 4-deoxy-sugar to be described is 4-deoxy-D-arabino-hexose, which is a constituent of several lipopolysaccharides.³⁶⁶ Methylated deoxy-sugars are referred to in Chapter 4, and a general reaction for synthesising 3-deoxyglycal derivatives is reported in Chapter 14.

1-Deoxy-L-xylo-hex-2-ulose (272) (as the pyranose form) has been prepared from 1,3:2,4-di-*O*-ethylidene-5,6-di-*O*-methanesulphonyl-D-glucitol by way of the aminoaziridine intermediate (271) (Scheme 57).³³⁰

The methyl glycosides of abequose have been prepared (Scheme 58) for immunological purposes. Each glycoside was partially acetylated to give a mixture of the 2- and 4-esters, with the former predominating in each case.³⁶⁷ In related work, a facile synthesis of 4,6-dideoxy-D-xylo-hexose was achieved (Scheme 59),³⁶⁸ and selective hydrogenolysis of the dichloro-derivative (273) over Raney nickel in the presence of triethylamine yielded methyl 6-chloro-4,6-dideoxy- α -D-xylo-hexopyranoside.²⁴⁴ The reaction of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2,3-di-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-glucopyranoside (90) with LiAlH_4 to give 2(3)-deoxy-sugars has been noted in Chapter 6.

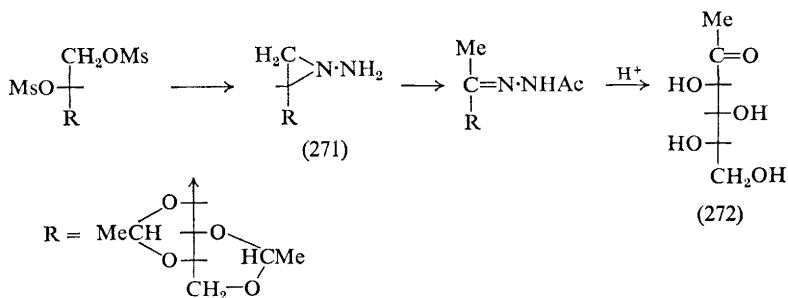
³⁶⁴ M. F. Shostakovskii, N. N. Aseeva, and A. I. Polyakov, *Izvest. Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R., Ser. khim.*, 1970, 892.

³⁶⁵ R. M. Srivastava and R. K. Brown, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 830.

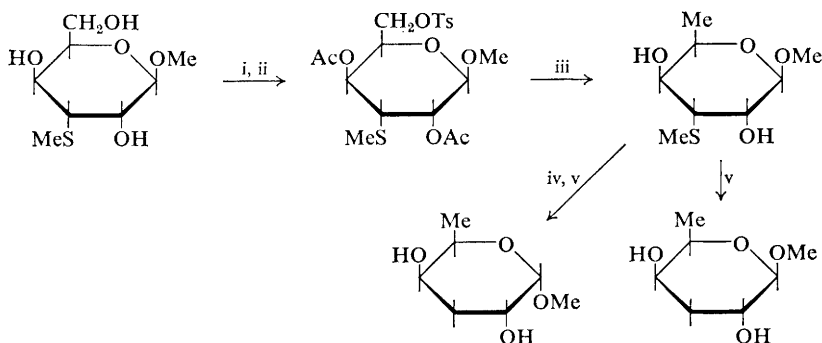
³⁶⁶ J. Keleti, H. Mayer, I. Fromme, and O. Lüderitz, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **16**, 284.

³⁶⁷ H. F. G. Beving, H. B. Borén, and P. J. Garegg, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 919.

³⁶⁸ B. T. Lawton, W. A. Szarek, and J. K. N. Jones, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 255.

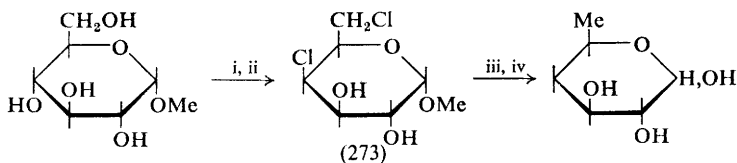


Scheme 57



Reagents: i, TsCl, py; ii, Ac₂O, py; iii, LiAlH₄; iv, MeOH, HCl; v, Ni, H₂

Scheme 58



Reagents: i, SO₂Cl₂, py; ii, dechlorosulphonylation; iii, Ni-H₂; iv, H⁺

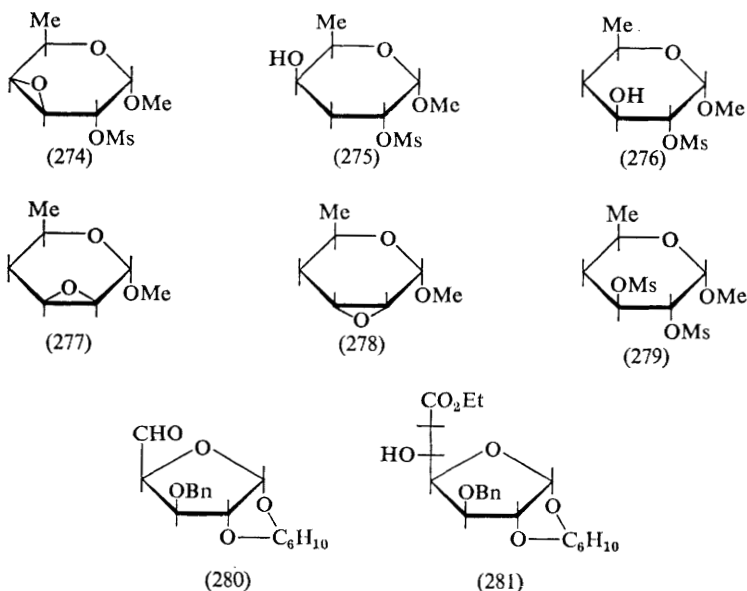
Scheme 59

Hydrogenation of the epoxide (274) afforded the 3,6- and 4,6-dideoxy-derivatives (275) and (276) in the ratio 9 : 91, and the latter compound was converted into the *lyxo*-epoxide (277). The isomeric epoxide (278) was also obtained by treating the dimesylate (279) with alkali.³⁶⁹

The Reformatsky reaction has been used in the synthesis of deoxy-sugars;³⁷⁰ thus, the 5-aldehyde (280) was converted into (281) on treatment with zinc and ethyl bromoacetate.

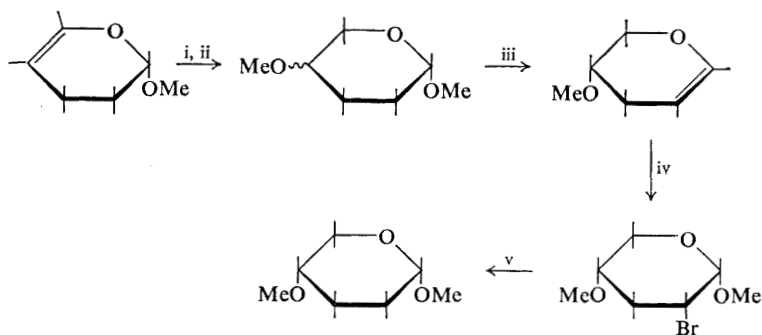
³⁶⁹ K. Čapek and J. Jarý, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 1727.

³⁷⁰ Yu. A. Zhdanov, Yu. E. Alekseev, and Kh. A. Kurdanov, *Zhur. obshechi Khim.*, 1970, **40**, 943.



Various deoxy-sugar derivatives have been prepared from non-carbohydrate precursors. Thus, syntheses of 2,3-dideoxypentose derivatives have been reported (Scheme 60),³⁷¹ and the *cis*- and *trans*- forms of alkyl 6-*O*-acetyl-2,3,4-trideoxyhexopyranosides have also been described.³⁷²

Deoxy-sugars were formed on γ -radiolysis of aqueous solutions of carbohydrates.⁴³



Reagents: i, B₂H₆, H₂O₂; ii, NaH, MeI; iii, P₂O₅, heat;
iv, Me₂CNBr·CO·NBrCO, MeOH; v, H₂-Pd

Scheme 60

³⁷¹ R. M. Srivastava and R. K. Brown, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2334.

³⁷² J. Jurczak, A. Konowal, and A. Zamojski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1587.

The considerable interest already shown in this class of compounds has been sustained and several new facets of the chemistry of unsaturated sugars have been reported.

Glycals

Addition reactions of glycals continue to be studied and some results have already been reported in Chapter 7. Japanese workers have been active in this field and their results are all summarised here, although halogenated products resulted in some cases.

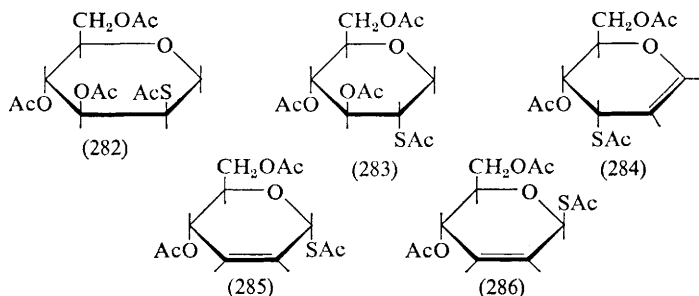
The ionic chlorination of tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal with gaseous chlorine has been examined further and the stereochemistry of addition was shown to be highly solvent dependent. In non-polar media, *cis*-products (*i.e.* α -gluco- and β -manno-adducts) predominated, whereas in polar solvents β -gluco- and α -manno-derivatives were mainly formed. The mechanisms of the additions were discussed.³⁷³ The free-radical chlorination of the same glycal with iodobenzene dichloride gave 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-chloro-2-deoxy- α -D-mannopyranosyl chloride in 75% yield together with the α - and β -gluco-isomers (11 and 16%, respectively). In the presence of oxygen the radical reaction was replaced by a heterolytic process yielding products in the usual ratios.³⁷⁴ Radical addition of thioacetic acid to tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal using cumene hydroperoxide as initiator gave (282) and (283) in 70 and 30% yield, respectively; these compounds were also formed when oxygen was present and the unsaturated sugars (284), (285), and (286) were then also found among the products.^{374a} The addition of *N*-chlorocarbamate to tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal has been studied (see Scheme 32).²⁵¹

A report has appeared on various methods which are available for hydroxylating glycals. D-Galactal with hydrogen peroxide in the presence of osmium tetroxide gave D-galactose and D-talose in the ratio 4 : 1. In the presence of selenium dioxide, vanadium pentoxide, or chromium trioxide, the ratio of these sugars was 2 : 1; however, in the reactions where 2,3-*trans*-products were formed preferentially, the overall yields were less than

³⁷³ K. Igarashi, T. Honma, and T. Imagawa, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, 35, 610.

³⁷⁴ K. Igarashi and T. Honma, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, 35, 617.

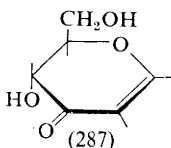
^{374a} K. Igarashi and T. Honma, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, 35, 606.



10%. Hydroxylation in the presence of either molybdenum trioxide or tungsten trioxide, on the other hand, afforded almost exclusively 2,3-*cis*-products (*i.e.* D-talose from D-galactal) in substantially better yields (*ca.* 90%). It was suggested that the high specificity resulted partly from the directing effect of the hydroxy-group at C-3, which complexed with the oxidising agents.²⁴

Addition of dioxolane to tetra-*O*-acetyl-2-hydroxy-D-glucal in the presence of u.v. light gave 2'-dioxolanyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-D-glucopyranoside in high yield, but a similar reaction with tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal afforded a mixture of products having the dioxolane ring attached at position 1 or 2 of the sugar and through its own acetal or non-acetal carbon atoms.³⁷⁵

D-Glucal is reported to be selectively oxidised at the allylic centre to give the enone (287) on treatment with silver carbonate–Celite.³⁷⁶ The reaction



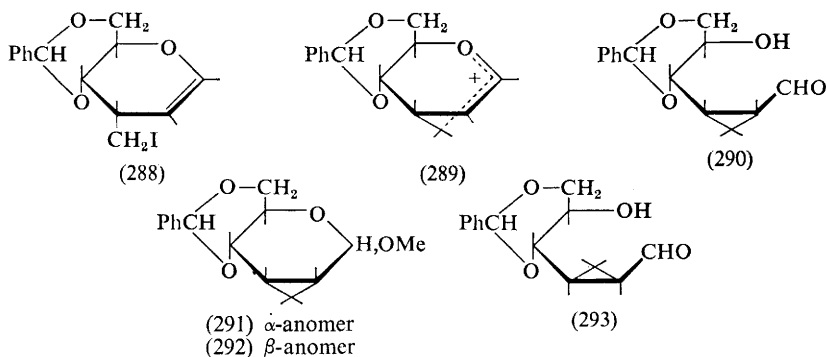
gave the enone in 60–80% yield so is to be preferred to the platinum-catalysed oxidation previously reported (K. Heyns and H. Gottschalck, *Chem. Ber.*, 1966, **99**, 3718).

Fraser-Reid and Radatus have reported on several novel findings. The reaction of the iodomethylallal derivative (288) in either neutral water or methanol seems to occur by way of the ionic intermediate (289) to give the acyclic sugar derivative (290) in the first case, and equimolar amounts of the glycosides (291) and (292) in the second. Under basic conditions, direct elimination occurred to give the conjugate diene.³⁷⁷ The C-3 epimer of (288) also hydrolysed extremely rapidly to give (293) presumably by way of

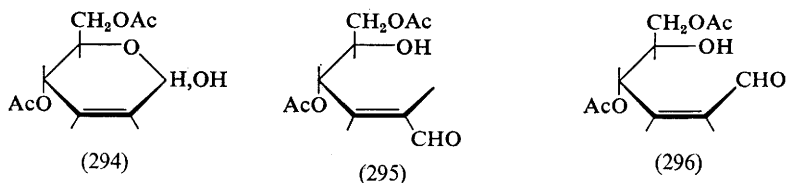
³⁷⁵ K. Matsuura, S. Maeda, Y. Araki, Y. Ishido, and T. Murai, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2869.

³⁷⁶ J. M. J. Tronchet, J. Tronchet, and A. Birkhäuser, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 1489.

³⁷⁷ B. Fraser-Reid and B. Radatus, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2146.

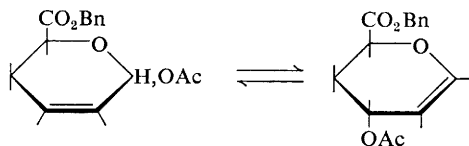


the ionic analogue of (289).³⁷⁸ The interesting observation was also made that heating tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal or ethyl 4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2,3-dideoxy- α -D-erythro-hex-2-enopyranoside in aqueous dioxan gave 'di-*O*-acetyl-pseudoglucal' (294) as expected, but an acyclic aldehyde, shown to be the *trans*-isomer (295), was also found. Compound (295) was isolated after



acetylation of the hydroxy-group and is probably formed from the *cis*-isomer (296) by a photochemical process. When the hydrolyses were carried out in the dark or in the presence of hydroquinone, the yield of compound (295) was markedly reduced. It was suggested that the presence of (295) may have been responsible for the reducing properties of tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal, which caused Fischer to give the compound the 'al' suffix. Compound (296) would also have given positive reducing tests.³⁷⁹

A new reaction in this area, which seems to be generally applicable, involved the reductive rearrangement of 2,3-unsaturated glycopyranosides to analogous 3-deoxyglycal derivatives (Scheme 61). The reactions were

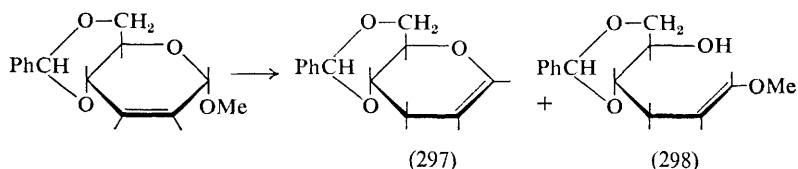


Scheme 61

³⁷⁸ B. Fraser-Reid and B. Radatus, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 779.

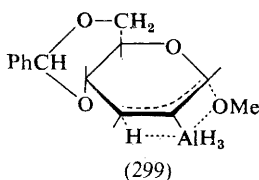
³⁷⁹ B. Fraser-Reid and B. Radatus, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 5228.

carried out under reflux with lithium aluminium hydride in an inert solvent and mainly caused rupture of the glycosidic bond. Compound (297) was thus produced in 95% yield, the other product of reaction being the vinyl



ether (298). Isotope studies gave results consistent with the occurrence of cyclic transition states such as (299).³⁸⁰

The system illustrated in Scheme 62 has been studied as a model for the glycal-pseudoglycal system. After heating in acetic anhydride, the 2,3-unsaturated anomers were present at equilibrium to the extent of 42%,



Scheme 62

whereas the *cis*- and *trans*-glycal analogues comprised 39% and 19%, respectively, of the mixture.³⁸¹

Further studies on the reactions of unsaturated carbohydrates with anhydrous hydrogen fluoride at -70°C have shown that compounds (300)–(302) yielded initially the ion (303), which on work up gave (304). After longer reaction times the ion (303) added hydrogen fluoride to give (305), and this when worked up afforded (306). This illustrates the preferential formation of axial esters on hydrolysis of dioxolanium ions fused to six-membered rings.³⁸²

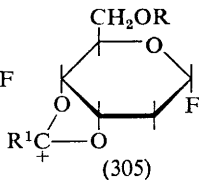
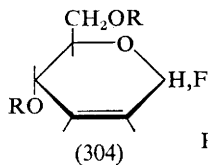
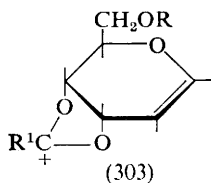
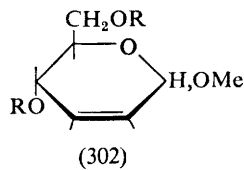
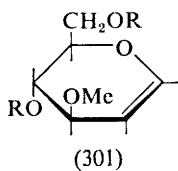
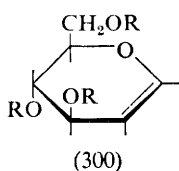
A continuation of this work had led to a report on the reaction of 2-hydroxyglycal esters with hydrogen chloride and hydrogen bromide. Compounds (307) and (308) gave (309) on treatment with hydrogen chloride in benzene solution, and compound (310) gave (311) when treated similarly. With 1 mol. equiv. of hydrogen bromide, (307) and (308) behaved as in the reaction with hydrogen chloride but, with an excess of the reagent, further reaction occurred to give unstable products. When these were treated with silver benzoate they gave mainly (312) together with (313), (314), and other minor products.³⁸³

³⁸⁰ B. Fraser-Reid and B. Radatus, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 6661.

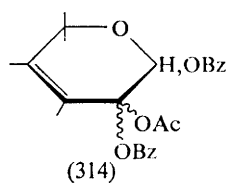
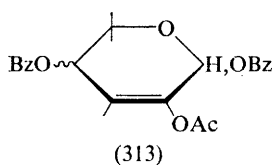
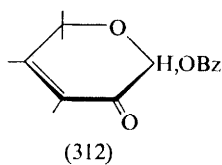
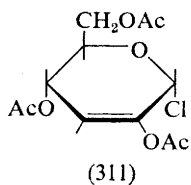
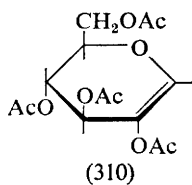
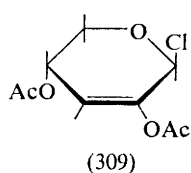
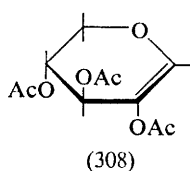
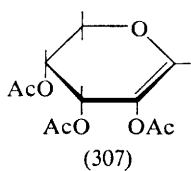
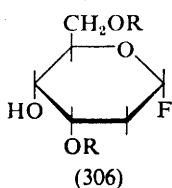
³⁸¹ Z. Zwierzchowska and A. Zamojski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1609.

³⁸² I. Lundt and C. Pedersen, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 240.

³⁸³ K. Bock and C. Pedersen, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 2465.

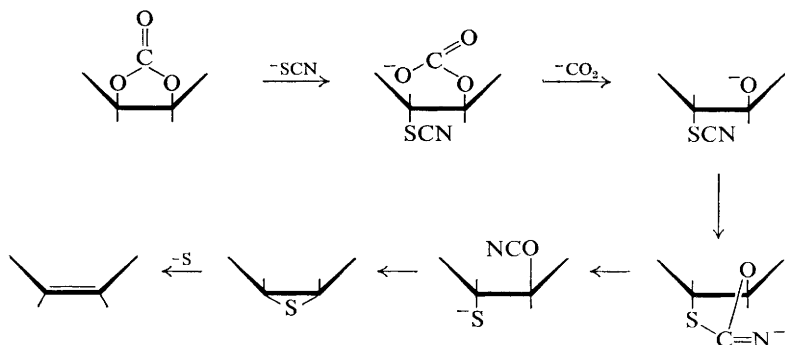


R = Ac or Bz, R¹ = Me or Ph



Other Unsaturated Compounds

Another method of introducing a carbon-carbon double bond into carbohydrates involved the treatment of cyclic carbonates with potassium thiocyanate. Methyl 2,3-dideoxy- α -D-erythro-hex-2-enopyranoside was obtained in this way and its formation was rationalised by the reactions outlined in Scheme 63.³⁸⁴



Scheme 63

Selective oxidation of the diol (315; $\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{OH}$) with manganese dioxide occurred at the allylic position to give the crystalline enone (316; $\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{OH}$) in 82% yield; the corresponding pentose derivative (315; $\text{R} = \text{H}$) oxidised similarly but the β -anomer was unaffected. Reduction of the enone (316; $\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{OH}$) with lithium aluminium hydride gave the starting diol exclusively. The n.m.r. spectra of the enones were described in detail.³⁸⁵

An oxidation of a different type has led to the formation of unsaturated sugars. Treatment of the phenylthio-derivative (317) with acetic anhydride-DMSO afforded a mixture of the enol acetate (318) and the 2-methylthiomethyl ether (319). Alternatively, when the oxidation was effected with DMSO-DCC in the presence of pyridinium trifluoroacetate, the 2-ulose derivative (320) was formed and was converted into (318) on treatment with acetic anhydride-pyridine at room temperature. The isomeric enol acetate (321) was also prepared by oxidation of methyl 4,6-O-benzylidene-2-S-phenyl-2-thio- α -D-altropyranoside to the 3-ulose followed by acetylation.³⁸⁶

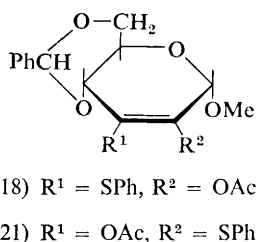
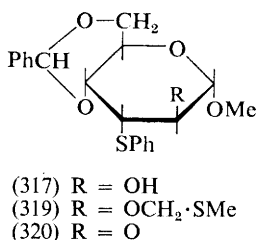
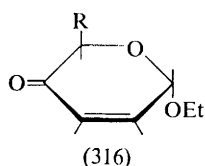
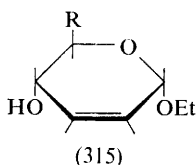
A preliminary report has appeared on the rearrangement of the phenylthio-derivative (322) into (323). These compounds yielded the unsaturated sugars (324) and (325), respectively, when treated with base (1,5-diazabicyclo[4,3,0]-5-nonene) in DMSO.³⁸⁷ The unsaturated sugar (324) is presumably formed by a double elimination.

³⁸⁴ A. Klemer and G. Mersmann, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 219.

³⁸⁵ B. Fraser-Reid, A. McLean, E. W. Usherwood, and M. Yunker, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2877.

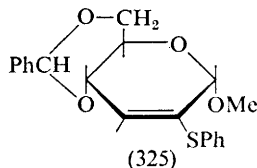
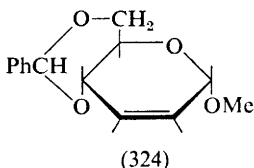
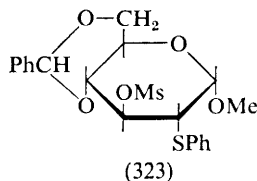
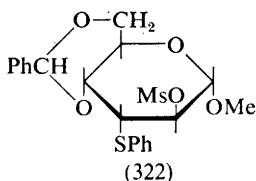
³⁸⁶ S. Hanessian and A. P. A. Staub, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 1436.

³⁸⁷ S. Hanessian and A. P. A. Staub, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 424.



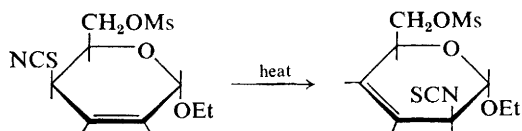
Epoxidations of model 2,3-unsaturated pyranosides have been mentioned earlier (see p. 27).

A series of allylic isomerisations of 2,3-unsaturated hexopyranosides to 3,4-unsaturated compounds have been reported which offer a new approach to the synthesis of a variety of modified sugars. Compounds with allylic

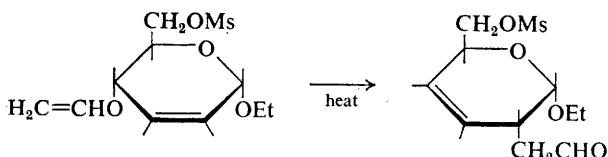


azido, thiocyanate, vinyloxy, and (methylthio)thiocarbonyloxy groups were investigated; both *erythro*- and *threo*-derivatives were isomerised on heating, the reaction proceeding more readily with *threo*-derivatives. *N*-Acetylamino, *C*-formylmethyl, and methylthio(carbonylthio) functions were introduced at C-2 by this procedure; examples are given in Schemes 64 and 65.³⁸⁸ Mass spectrometry can be used to locate the positions of double bonds in such compounds (see Chapter 24).

³⁸⁸ R. J. Ferrier and N. Vethaviasar, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1385.

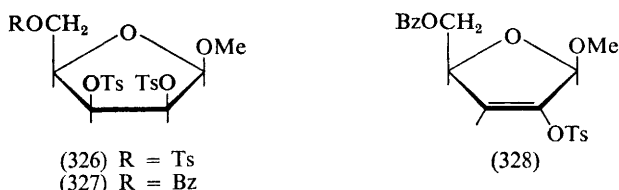


Scheme 64



Scheme 65

Treatment of the *D*-lyxo-sulphonates (326) and (327) with sodium benzoate in DMF gave (328), whereas the analogous methyl β -D-ribofuranoside triester gave only products of nucleophilic displacement. It was



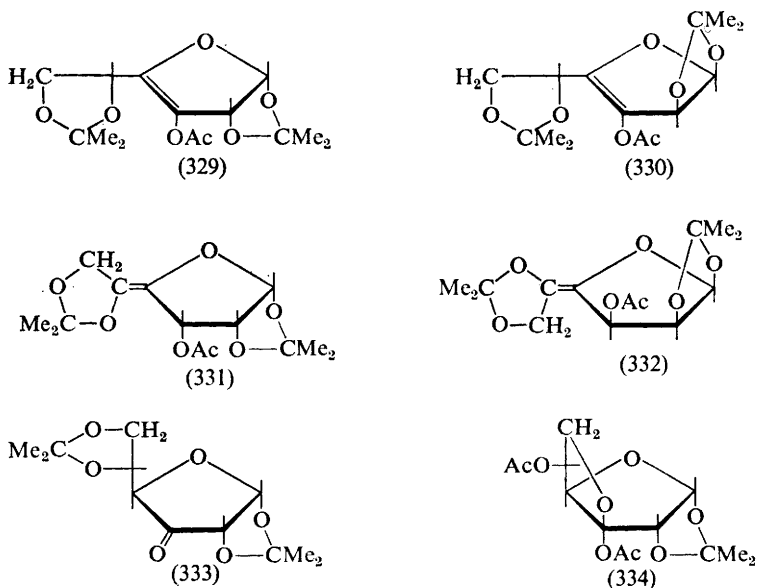
proposed that steric compression and the availability of H-2 to the base facilitate elimination with the *D*-lyxo-compounds.³⁸⁹ Enones related to (328) are mentioned in Chapter 17. Products of both elimination and substitution reactions were observed on azidolysis of methyl 6-deoxy-4-*O*-methanesulphonyl-2,3-di-*O*-methyl- α -L-talopyranoside (105).²⁰⁹

Treatment of the four 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-*D*-hexofuranos-3-uloses with acetic anhydride in pyridine yielded the two enol acetates (329) and (330), which on reduction with hydrogen over platinum black in ethanol gave almost exclusively the *D*-gulo- and *D*-manno-products as a result of *exo*-hydrogenation. However, isomerisation took place during the reductions and led to the isolation of (331) and (332). Hydrogenolysis of the ester groups also occurred during reduction with the formation of 3-deoxy products. The 3-ulose (333) did not yield (329) with isopropenyl acetate but instead gave (334), which is formed by partial hydrolysis and acylation of the hemiacetal.³⁹⁰

3',4'-Unsaturated furanosyl pyrimidine nucleosides have been synthesised as shown in Scheme 66. Eliminations occurred mainly by a direct (E1cb)

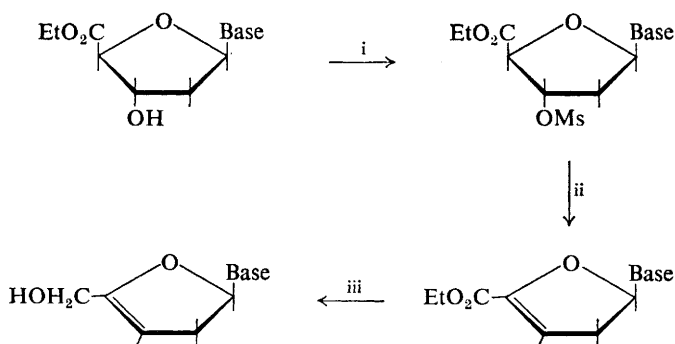
³⁸⁹ J. Hildesheim, A. Gaudemer, and S. D. Géro, *Chem. and Ind.*, 1970, 94.

³⁹⁰ K. N. Slessor and A. S. Tracey, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2900.



route rather than by way of a 2,3'-anhydride.³⁹¹ Other uronic acid derivatives of nucleosides are referred to in Chapter 17.

Other base-catalysed eliminations have been reported in the pyranuronic acid series. Thus, the α,β -unsaturated ester (335) was prepared in two ways



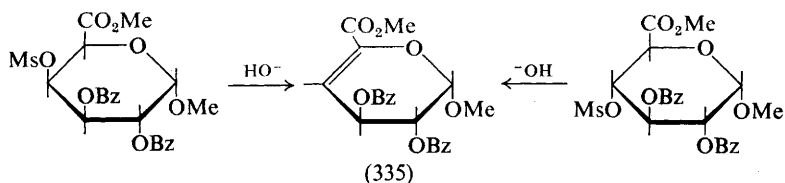
Reagents: i, MsCl, py; ii, Et₃N; iii, (MeOCH₂CH₂O)₃AlH₂Na

Scheme 66

as shown in Scheme 67; surprisingly, axial-axial elimination from the *D*-galacto-derivative was only slightly favoured. The n.m.r. and o.r.d. spectra of the unsaturated esters were discussed.³⁹² The disaccharides (336)

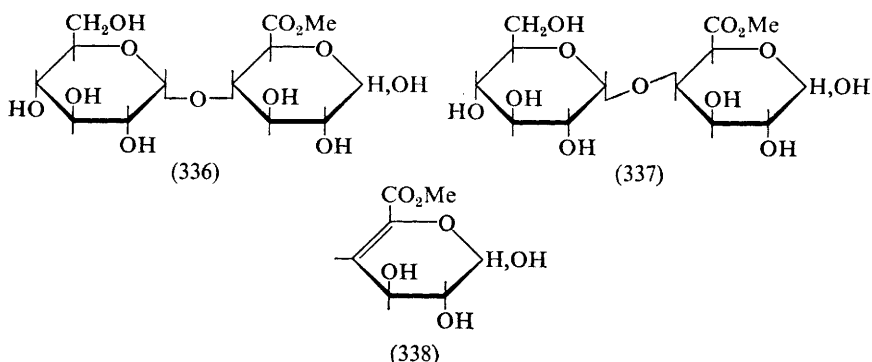
³⁹¹ J. Žemlička, R. Gasser, and J. P. Horwitz, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4744.

³⁹² J. Kiss and F. Burkhardt, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 1000.



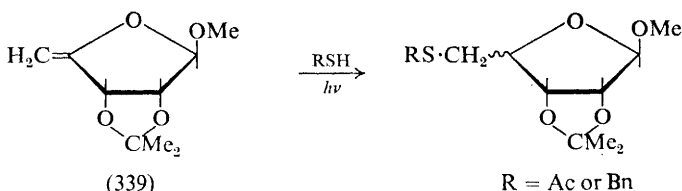
Scheme 67

and (337) have been prepared and degraded to (338) by treatment with sodium methoxide in methanol-benzene. These disaccharides served as models for heparin sulphate, the chondroitin sulphates, and hyaluronic



acid which are degraded enzymically to terminally-linked 4,5-unsaturated uronic acid residues. Introduction of a mesyl group at C-2 in the D-glucopyranosyl moiety of both disaccharides facilitated the β -elimination.³⁹³

The 4,5-unsaturated furanoid compound (339) underwent photochemically-induced addition of thioacetic acid and benzyl mercaptan as shown in Scheme 68.³⁷⁵

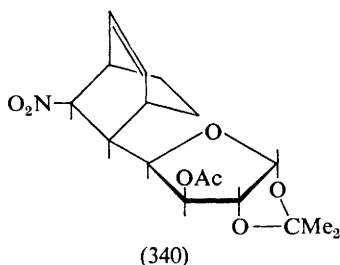


Scheme 68

The formation of 1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-glucufuranose 3,5,6-orthoformate (85) as a by-product of the conversion of the thionocarbonate (84) into the 5,6-olefin by heating with trimethyl phosphite (Corey-Winter

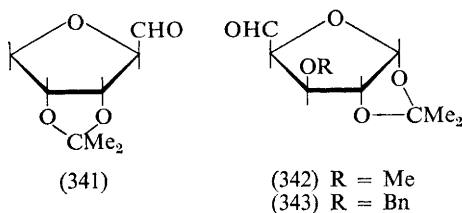
³⁹³ J. Kiss, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1983.

reaction) was attributed to intramolecular insertion of the carbene (86) into the OH bond of the hydroxy-group at C-3, thus providing good evidence that the reaction proceeds by a carbene mechanism.¹⁷⁸ The nitro-olefin (218) related to the aforementioned unsaturated compound afforded a crystalline Diels-Alder adduct (340) in modest yield on treatment with boiling cyclopentadiene.³⁹⁴



o-Nitrophenyl 6-deoxy- α -L-arabino-hex-5-enopyranoside has been synthesised for use as a substrate for β -galactosidase. When the enzymic reaction was conducted in the presence of glycerol, the corresponding 1'-D-glyceryl glycoside was obtained, indicating that the sugar component retains its cyclic structure during glycosyl transfer.³⁹⁵

Methylthiomethylene(triphenyl)phosphorane has been used to extend the chains of the aldehydo-compounds (341), (342), and (343) by one carbon



atom.³⁹⁶ A further application of the Wittig reaction to 2,3:4,5-di-*O*-isopropylidene-aldehydo-L-arabinose has led to a new synthesis of 2-deoxy-L-arabino-hexose.³⁶⁴

Methyl 4-amino-2,3,4-trideoxy- α -D-erythro-hex-2-enopyranosiduronic acid, a saturated sugar component of blasticidin S, has been synthesised by a route already described (see Scheme 35).²⁶¹ Syntheses of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-allose²⁵⁴ and 2,4-diamino-1,6-anhydro-2,4-dideoxy-D-talose (175)²⁷⁷ via unsaturated precursors are reported in Chapter 8.

The additions of anthranilic acid³²¹ and the isomeric *m*- and *p*-amino-benzoic acids³²² to methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2,3-dideoxy-3-nitro- β -D-erythro-hex-2-enopyranoside (209) have been discussed in Chapter 10.

³⁹⁴ W. A. Szarek and J. S. Jewell, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1030.

³⁹⁵ J. Lehmann and H. Reinshagen, *Annalen*, 1970, **732**, 112.

³⁹⁶ J. M. J. Tronchet, N. Le-Hong, and F. Perret, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 154.

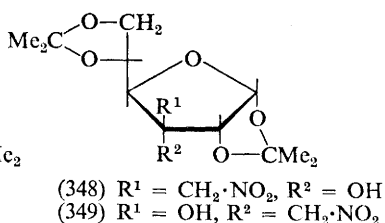
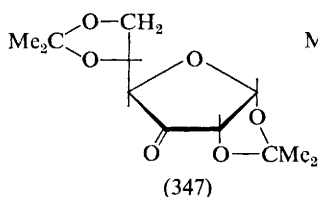
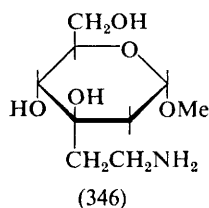
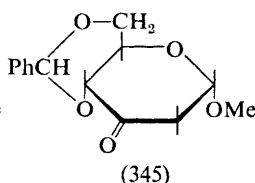
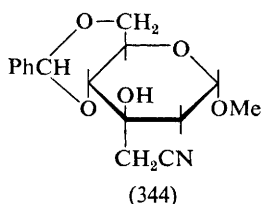
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Branched-chain Sugars

Investigations of the biosynthesis of D-algarose have shown that the hydroxyethyl side-chain originates from pyruvate.³⁹⁷ Many nucleosides containing branched-chain sugars have been prepared (see Chapter 21).

Compounds with an R^1-C-OR^2 Branch

Syntheses of 6-deoxy-4-C-vinyl-L-talose and 5-deoxy-3-C-vinyl-D-lyxose have been described. Methyl 6-deoxy-2,3-O-isopropylidene- α -L-lyxo-hexopyranosid-4-ulose was treated with vinyl magnesium bromide and then degraded in appropriate ways.³⁹⁸ Methyl 4,6-O-benzylidene-3-C-cyano-methyl-2-deoxy- α -D-arabino-hexopyranoside (344) was obtained by treatment of (345) with acetonitrile and lithium amide in liquid ammonia.³⁹⁹ Debenzylidenation of (344) followed by reduction in the presence of ammonia with 5% rhodium-alumina as catalyst afforded methyl 3-C-aminoethyl-2-deoxy- α -D-arabino-hexopyranoside (346). A $HO \cdot C \cdot CH_2NO_2$

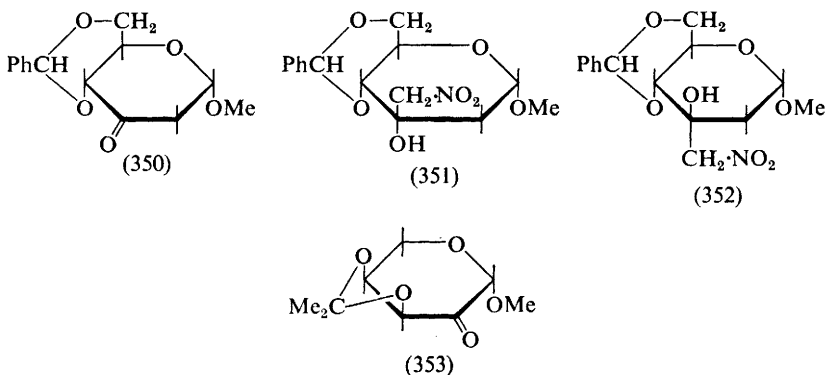


³⁹⁷ R. Schmid and H. Grisebach, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **14**, 243.

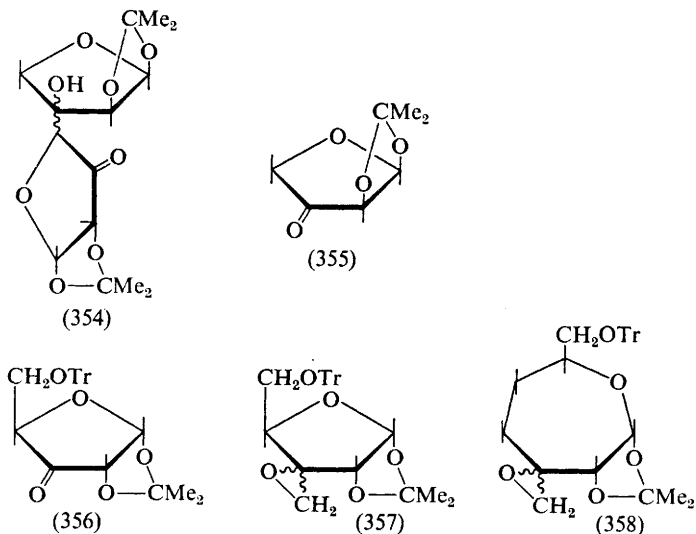
³⁹⁸ B. M. Gough, S. W. Gunner, W. G. Overend, and N. R. Williams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 173.

³⁹⁹ A. Rosenthal and G. Schöllnhammer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 421.

branch has also been formed by the reaction of keto sugars with nitromethane. It was claimed⁴⁰⁰ that the *D-allo*-isomer (348) was the major product from the reaction between (347) and nitromethane but another investigation has demonstrated that the *D-gluco*-isomer (349) preponderated.⁴⁰¹ Addition of an excess of nitromethane to (350) afforded the



D-ribo-[(351), 63%] and the *D-arabino*-[(352), 22%] isomers. Compounds (351) and (352) were converted into the corresponding methyl 3-*C*-amino-methyl-2-deoxy- α -*D*-hexopyranosides either by acid hydrolysis and hydro-

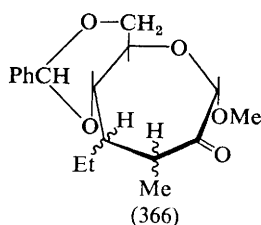
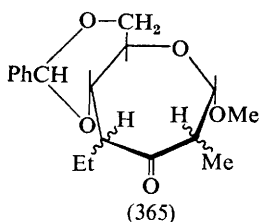


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⁴⁰⁰ H. P. Albrecht and J. G. Moffatt, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 1063.

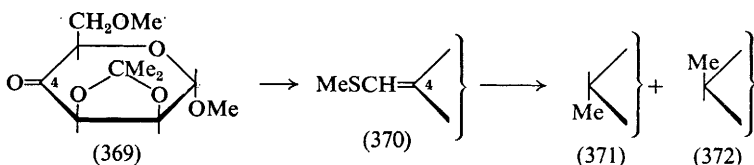
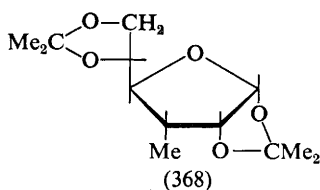
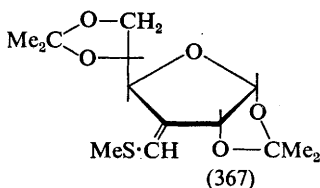
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⁴⁰³ S. W. Gunner, R. D. King, W. G. Overend, and N. R. Williams, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1954.
⁴⁰⁴ W. G. Overend, A. C. White, and N. R. Williams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 185.
⁴⁰⁵ J. M. J. Tronchet and J. Tronchet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 1174.
⁴⁰⁶ J. P. Horwitz, N. Mody, and R. Gasser, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2335.
⁴⁰⁷ W. Meyer zu Reckendorf and E. Bischof, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2475.



reactions with diazoethane gave preponderantly compounds (365) and (366).⁴⁰⁸

A number of papers have described the formation of sugars containing a $\text{CH}_3-\text{C}-\text{H}$ branch point. Thus, (347) was converted into (367) by means of a Wittig reaction and subsequently into (368) by Raney nickel desulphurisation.⁴⁰⁹ Similarly, the keto sugar (369) was converted into (370) and thence into (371) and (372).^{409a}



The reaction sequence illustrated in Scheme 69 has been used to prepare some 2-deoxy-2-C-methylpentopyranosides.⁴¹⁰ Attempts to incorporate the 2-deoxy-2-C-methylpentopyranosides into nucleosides were unsuccessful.

Compounds (374) and (375) have been prepared by reaction of (373) with methylthiomethylene triphenylphosphorane.⁴¹¹ The epimeric keto sugar (347) afforded a mixture of five compounds, *viz.* (374), (375), (376), (377), and (378), with this Wittig reagent. A variety of 3-deoxy-3-C-methyl

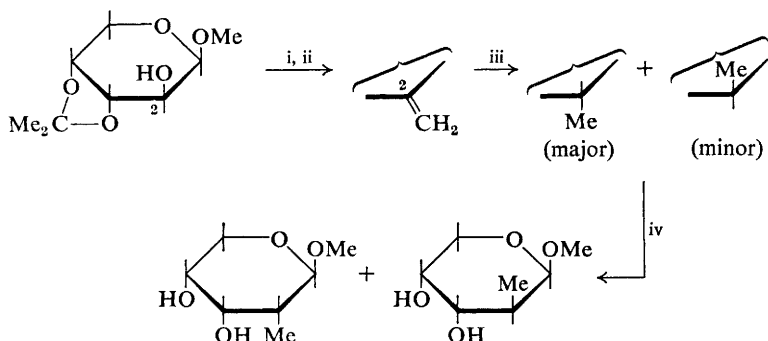
⁴⁰⁸ T. D. Inch, G. J. Lewis, R. P. Peel, and N. Williams, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1549.

⁴⁰⁹ J. M. J. Tronchet, J. M. Bourgeois, R. Graf, and J. Tronchet, *Compt. rend.*, 1969, 296C, 420.

^{409a} J. M. J. Tronchet and J. M. Chalet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, 53, 364.

⁴¹⁰ A. Rosenthal and M. Sprinzl, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, 48, 3253.

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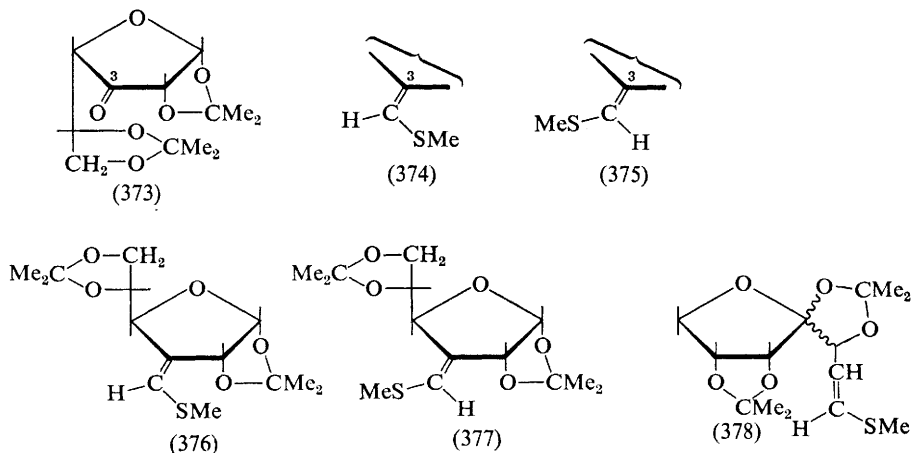


Reagents: i, RuO_4 ; ii, $\text{Ph}_3\text{P}\cdot\text{MeBr}$, BuLi ; iii, H_2 ;
iv, separation of isomers followed by MeOH , H^+

Scheme 69

derivatives were obtained from these unsaturated derivatives by hydrogenation, desulphurisation and, in some cases, chain-shortening reactions.

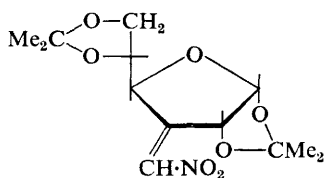
The nitro-sugars (348) and (349) were converted into the nitro-olefin (379) either by treatment with acetic anhydride in DMSO⁴⁰⁰ or by treatment of the acetate derivative of (349) with potassium carbonate in benzene⁴⁰¹ (Schmidt-Rutz reaction). One report⁴⁰⁰ claimed that (379) was



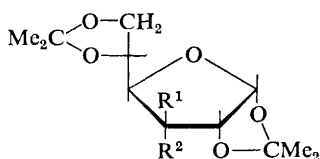
converted into (380) by borohydride reduction whereas another report⁴⁰¹ favoured the *D*-gluco-configuration (381) for the product.

Branched-chain sugar derivatives have been synthesised by Wittig reactions on aldehydo-derivatives of L-sorbose and L-arabinose.⁴¹²

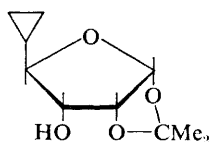
⁴¹² Yu. A. Zhdanov, L. A. Uzlova, L. P. Laskina, and O. A. Gavrilenko, *Zhur. obschchei Khim.*, 1970, **40**, 666.



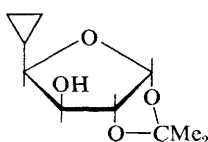
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(380) $R^1 = \text{H}$, $R^2 = \text{CH}_2\cdot\text{NO}_2$
(381) $R^1 = \text{CH}_2\cdot\text{NO}_2$, $R^2 = \text{H}$

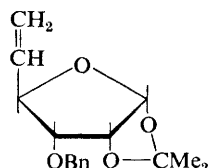
The 4-*C*-cyclopropyl-D-ribo-tetrofuranose derivative (382) has been prepared from the isomeric compound (383) (vol. 2, p. 145) by an oxidation-reduction sequence; it was also obtained from (384) following a Simmons-Smith reaction and hydrogenolysis of the protecting group.⁴¹³ Other cyclopropyl sugar derivatives are described in Chapter 14.



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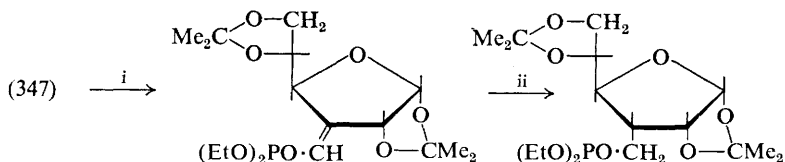
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(384)

A novel branched-chain sugar (340) was obtained by treatment of (218) with cyclopentadiene.³⁹⁴

Some interesting branched-chain sugar phosphonates have been prepared as illustrated in Scheme 70.⁴¹⁴ The 3-phosphonate derivatives were converted into nucleoside analogues and, by condensation with DCC, into analogues of cyclic phosphates⁴¹⁵ (see also Chapter 18).



Reagents: i, $\text{CH}_2[\text{PO}(\text{OEt})_2]$, BuLi; ii, H_2 , Pd

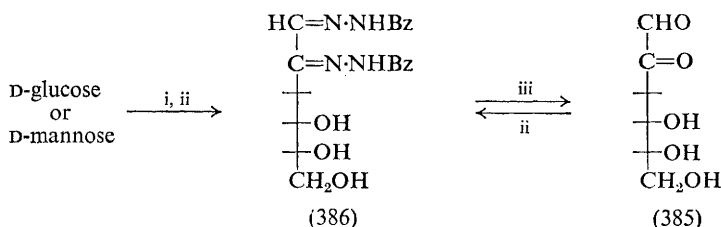
Scheme 70

⁴¹³ D. Horton and C. G. Tindall, jun., *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 215.

⁴¹⁴ H. P. Albrecht, G. H. Jones, and J. G. Moffatt, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 5511.

⁴¹⁵ G. H. Jones, H. P. Albrecht, N. P. Damodaran, and J. G. Moffatt, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 5510.

The isolation of a *talo*-heptulose and an *allo*-heptulose from avocado have been described together with new chromatographic data on heptuloses.⁴¹⁶ 5-Keto-D-fructose, as well as γ -pyrone derivatives, were formed on treatment of D-glucitol with *Gluconobacter suboxydans*.⁴¹⁷ 3-Deoxy-D-erythro-hexos-2-ulose (385), obtained from D-glucose by prolonged heating with *p*-toluidine, was isolated from the reaction mixture following conversion into its highly crystalline bis(benzoylhydrazone) (386). Pure (385) was regenerated from (386) by transhydrazoneation with benzaldehyde. The procedure (Scheme 71) is claimed as an improved method for the preparation of 3-deoxyaldos-2-uloses.⁴¹⁸



Reagents: i, *p*-toluidine; ii, $\text{BzNH}\cdot\text{NH}_2$; iii, PhCHO

Scheme 71

A synthesis of methyl 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene- β -L-erythro-pentopyranosid-4-ulose has been described.⁴⁰⁴ Keto sugars [e.g. (207)] were obtained on photolysis of the corresponding azides [e.g. (206)] but the method does not appear to be of preparative significance.^{317, 419} It has been demonstrated that oxidation of cyclic acetal derivatives of hexitols [e.g. (60)] with chromium trioxide in acetic acid afforded hex-3-ulose derivatives [e.g. (61)].¹⁴⁰

Two distinct reaction pathways are evident in the alkaline degradation of 3-deoxyaldosuloses.⁴²⁰ For example, 3-deoxy-D-erythro-hexosulose was

⁴¹⁶ I. Johansson and N. K. Richtmyer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 461.

⁴¹⁷ K. Sato, Y. Yamada, K. Aida, and T. Uemura, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1969, **33**, 1606, 1612.

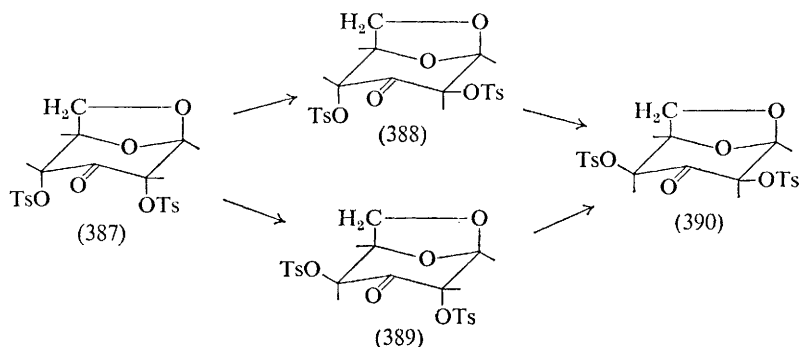
⁴¹⁸ H. El Khadem, D. Horton, M. H. Meshreki, and M. A. Nashed, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 317.

⁴¹⁹ R. L. Whistler and L. W. Doner, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3562.

⁴²⁰ R. M. Rowell and J. Green, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 197.

isomerised to the saccharinic acids 3-deoxy-D-ribo- and D-arabino-hexonic acids by a benzylic acid type of rearrangement, and it also suffered oxidative carbon-carbon bond cleavage to form 2-deoxy-D-erythro-pentonic acid. The preponderant pathway, even under oxidative conditions, was found to be the rearrangement.

The structure of 3-keto-lactose[4-O-(β -D-xylo-hexopyranosyl-3-ulose)-D-glucopyranose] has been established by n.m.r. spectroscopy;⁴²¹ the compound crystallised from methanol as a hemiacetal. ¹H N.m.r., i.r., and u.v. spectral data for the four 1,6-anhydro-2,4-di-O-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- β -D-hexopyranos-3-uloses (387)–(390) have been reported.⁴²² Isomerisations



occurred in chloroform containing 5% pyridine according to the sequence (387) \rightarrow [(388) and (389)] \rightarrow (390). Hemiacetal formation was favoured in the compounds containing axial α -tosyloxy-groups but was inhibited when equatorial tosyloxy groups were present.

The anomeric 2-uloses of methyl 4,6-O-benzylidene-3-O-methyl-D-glucopyranoside and methyl 4,6-O-benzylidene-3-deoxy-D-xylo-hexopyranoside have been prepared. The anomers were separated by fractional crystallisation and it was suggested that the procedure might be generally useful for separating mixtures of anomeric glycosides.⁴²³

Reactions involving acetal rings on ulose derivatives have been described. Thus, the *gem*-diol (391) was rearranged to the hemiacetal (392) by heating at 60 °C for 3 h, whereas the keto form of (391) was rearranged to (393) on distillation. The acyclic diacetal (394) was transformed into the corresponding pyranose diacetal (395) on heating.⁴²⁴

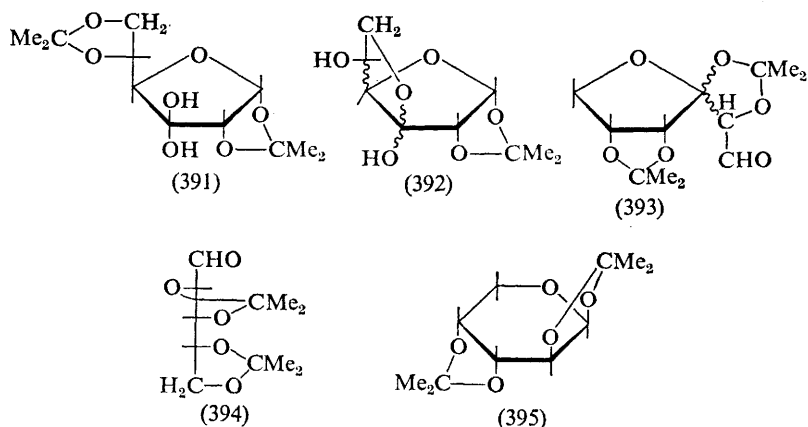
The reactions of diazoalkanes with diuloses have already been mentioned in Chapter 15. The formation of products from the addition of diazoalkanes

⁴²¹ M. Anteunis, J. Van Beeumen, A. De Bruyn, and J. De Ley, *Bull. Soc. chim. belges*, 1969, **78**, 651.

⁴²² M. Černý, J. Pacák, and J. Staněk, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 379.

⁴²³ K. Antonakis, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270C**, 1598.

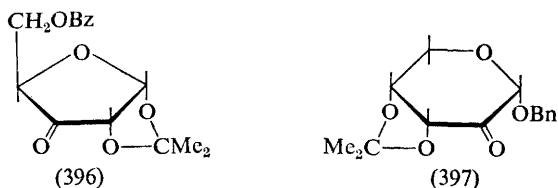
⁴²⁴ J. M. J. Tronchet, J. M. Bourgeois, and B. Baehler, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 368.



to the compound (362) was rationalised in terms of the preferred geometry of the zwitterion intermediate. Product formation appeared to be controlled by steric rather than by electronic factors.⁴⁰⁸

Dialdoses [*e.g.* (280)] were able to undergo Reformatsky reactions with zinc and ethyl bromoacetate to give products such as (281),³⁷⁰ and were useful intermediates in the synthesis of uronic acids (see Chapter 17).⁴²⁵

D-Ribose-3-¹⁸O and -2-¹⁸O were conveniently synthesised for incorporation into nucleosides by reduction of the hydrates prepared from (396) and (397) by an uncatalysed exchange reaction in ¹⁸O-enriched water.⁴²⁶



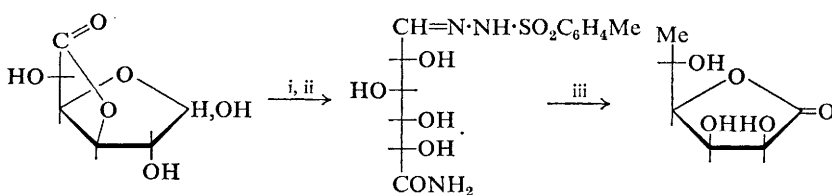
⁴²⁵ D. Horton and F. O. Swanson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 159.

⁴²⁶ H. Follmann and H. P. C. Hogenkamp, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 671.

Increasing interest is being shown in the chemistry of carboxylic acids derived from carbohydrates and this year ulosonic acids have received appreciable attention.

Aldonic Acids

6-Deoxy-L-gulono-1,4-lactone has been prepared from D-glucofuranurono-6,3-lactone by the route shown in Scheme 72. Reduction of the tosylhydrazone gave the lactone, presumably by way of an ammonium salt intermediate.⁴²⁷



Reagents: i, $\text{NH}_2\text{NHSO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me}$; ii, NH_3 ; iii, KBH_4 , MeOH

Scheme 72

The γ - and δ -lactones of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-gluconic acid have been isolated but only the latter inhibited the action of *N*-acetyl- β -D-glucosaminidase.^{427a}

The isomeric 2-acetamido-2,3-dideoxyhex-2-enono-1,4-lactones (398) and (399) have been prepared by treating 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, -D-mannose, and -D-galactose with unbuffered bromine water followed by alkali.⁴²⁸

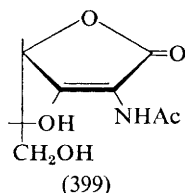
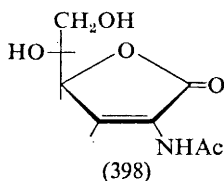
A continuous process for the preparation of potassium D-arabonate from D-glucose has been described,⁴²⁹ and the cobalt D-gluconate system has been studied. Several species were formed depending upon the pH of

⁴²⁷ T. T. Galkowski, R. W. Kocon, and W. C. Griffiths, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 187.

^{427a} T. E. Couling and R. Goodey, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 303.

⁴²⁸ N. Pravdić and H. G. Fletcher jun., *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 471.

⁴²⁹ A. A. Shereshevskii and E. M. Guseinov, *Khim.-Farm. Zh.*, 1969, **3**, 45 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 67216e).



the medium.⁴³⁰ Modifications to the standard preparation of D-gluconolactone from D-glucose have been described.⁴³¹

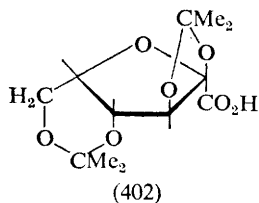
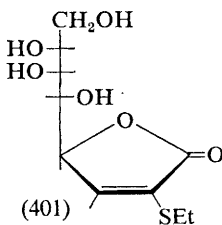
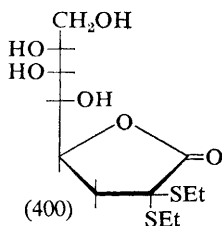
Tetra-*O*-benzoyl derivatives of D-glucono- γ - and - δ -lactone have been reported,⁴³² and the 2,3:4,5-di-*O*-isopropylidene derivatives of D-xylonic and D-arabonic acid have been prepared.¹⁴⁵

' α '-D-Isosaccharinic acid has the *erythro*-structure, as revealed by an X-ray crystallographic study⁴³³ (*cf.* vol. 2, p. 201; vol. 3, p. 180).

Ulosonic Acids

Several papers have dealt with 3-deoxyoctulosonic acids because of their biological significance. 3-Deoxy-D-*manno*-octulosonic acid has been synthesised by converting D-mannose into 2-deoxy-D-*manno*-heptose, followed by application of the cyanohydrin method and selective oxidation of the C-2 hydroxy-groups of the resulting epimeric 3-deoxyoctonic acids. All 3-deoxyaldulosonic acids gave rise to a molar proportion of 3-C-formylpyruvate when oxidised with periodate in dilute sulphuric acid, and this may be estimated by the thiobarbituric acid method.⁴³⁴

The 3-deoxyoctulosonic acids, obtained by condensation of D-arabinose with oxalacetic acid, on treatment with ethane thiol and concentrated hydrochloric acid at room temperature gave (400) and (401) in the ratio 5 : 1.⁴³⁵



⁴³⁰ J. F. Ashton and W. F. Pickering, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1367.

⁴³¹ I. Z. Sergienko and B. N. Stepanenko, *Priklad. Biokhim. i Mikrobiol.*, 1969, **5**, 715.

⁴³² R. M. De Lederkremer, A. F. Cirelli, and J. O. Deferrari, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 9.

⁴³³ D. L. Hughes, J. Trotter, and J. Howard, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 983.

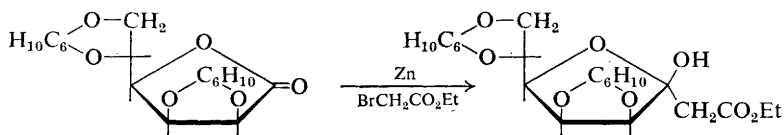
⁴³⁴ D. Charon, R. S. Sarfati, D. R. Strobach, and L. Szabo, *European J. Biochem.*, 1969, **11**, 364.

⁴³⁵ B. A. Dmitriev and L. V. Backinowsky, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 293.

3-Deoxyheptulosonic acids with the *D-arabino*- and *D-lyxo*-configurations have been prepared from *D*-glucose and *D*-galactose, respectively.⁴³⁶

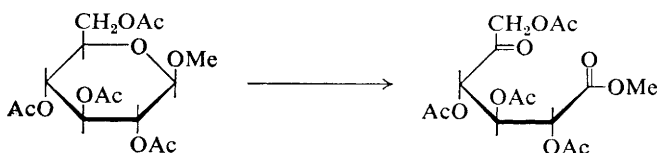
An interesting use of the 2-keto-*L*-gulonic acid derivative, 2,3:4,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*L*-xylo-hexofuranulosonic acid (402), was in the resolution of chiral bases.⁴³⁷

A preliminary communication has reported an interesting application of the Reformatsky reaction to give a 2-deoxy-3-octulosonic acid derivative (Scheme 73).⁴³⁸



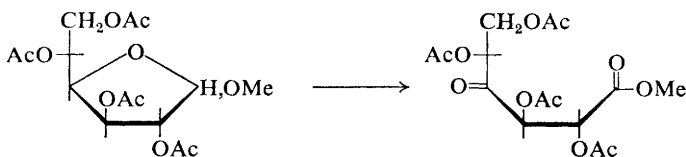
Scheme 73

5-Ulosonic acids have also received attention. In particular, a full paper has appeared on a reaction previously reported briefly (vol. 3, p. 133) whereby acetylated methyl β -*D*-hexopyranosides were converted into the corresponding methyl 5-hexulosonates with chromium trioxide in acetic acid (Scheme 74). The reaction appears to be specific for glycosides



Scheme 74

having equatorial aglycones since methyl α -*D*-glycopyranosides, with the exception of the *D-ido*-compound which exists to some degree in the $1C$ -conformation, did not react. Hydrogenation of the resulting ketones led to selective syntheses of derivatives of *L*-aldonic acids. Both α - and β -anomers of acetylated furanosides gave the corresponding 4-ketones (Scheme 75), and the lactose peracetates gave the corresponding ketones



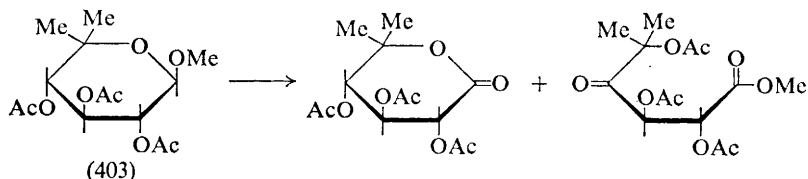
Scheme 75

⁴³⁶ G. B. Paerels and H. W. Geluk, *Rec. Trav. chim.*, 1970, **89**, 813.

⁴³⁷ A. Brossi and S. Teitel, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3559.

⁴³⁸ Yu. A. Zhdanov, Yu. E. Alexeev, and Ch. A. Khoundanov, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 422.

with acyclic residues derived from the D-galactose moieties. Surprisingly, the branched-chain glycoside (403) was oxidised as shown in Scheme 76.⁴³⁹



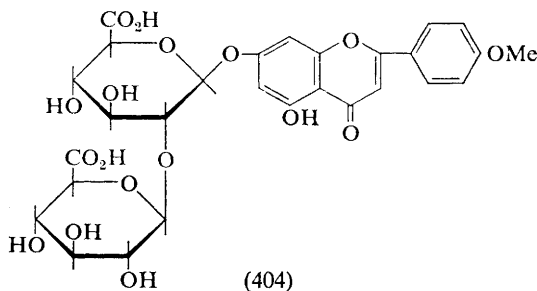
Scheme 76

The catalytic hydrogenation of calcium D-xylor-5-hexuloseonate on transition-metal catalysts has been studied with the view to developing conditions for obtaining the maximum yield of calcium L-idonate.⁴⁴⁰

Studies using u.v., i.r., and n.m.r. spectroscopy suggested that sodium 5-keto-D-gluconate exists in aqueous solution as a mixture of the hemi-acetal and keto forms.⁴⁴¹

Uronic Acids

Various uronoside derivatives are described in Chapter 3, and the flavone glucuronosyl glucuronoside (404) has also been reported.⁴⁴²



A synthetic route to uronic acids is illustrated in Scheme 77. It was suggested that this procedure offers a useful general method which has a number of advantages over the approach involving the cyanohydrin reaction applied to ω -aldehydo-sugar derivatives.⁴²⁵

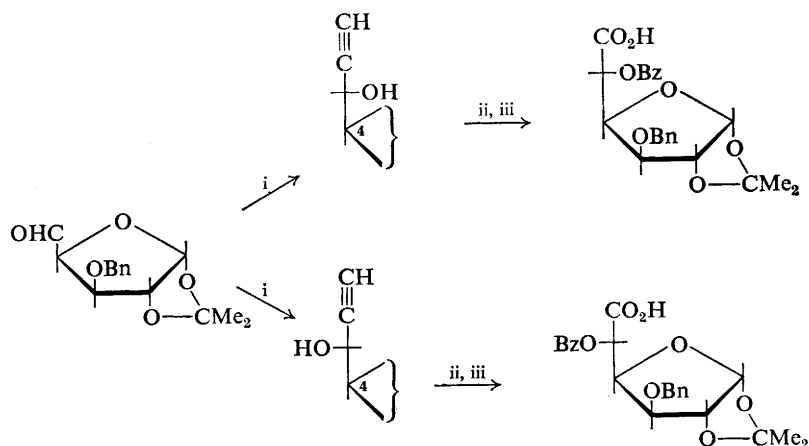
A related route involved application of the Wittig reaction to these derivatives, but compound (405) on treatment with (ethoxycarbonylmethylene)triphenyl phosphorane did not give the expected product (406),

⁴³⁹ S. J. Angyal and K. James, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1209.

⁴⁴⁰ C.-Y. Chen, H. Yamamoto, and T. Kwan, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1969, **17**, 2349.

⁴⁴¹ C.-Y. Chen, H. Yamamoto, and T. Kwan, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 815.

⁴⁴² M. Okigawa, H. Hatanaka, N. Kawano, I. Matsunaga, and Z. Tamura, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2935.

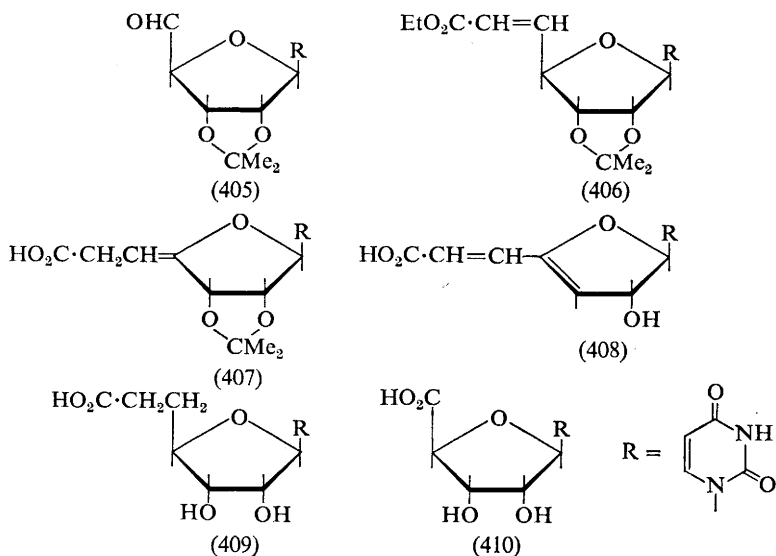


Reagents: i, $\text{HC}\equiv\text{CMgBr}$; ii, BzCl , py; iii, O_3

Scheme 77

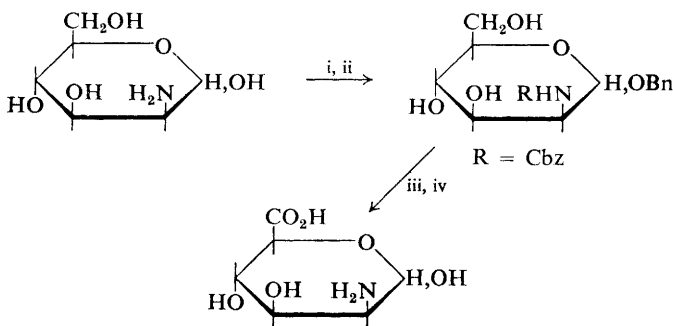
but instead (407) and (408) were formed. Compound (406) was required as an intermediate in the synthesis of the nucleotide analogue (409), which was finally obtained in low yield as the methyl ester by anodic coupling of (410) with methyl hydrogen succinate.⁴⁴³

It was further reported in the nucleoside series that oxidation of 2',3'-*O*-isopropylidene-inosine with chromium trioxide in acetic acid gave the



⁴⁴³ P. Howgate, A. S. Jones, and J. R. Tittensor, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 12, 403.

uronic acid analogue in good yield. Various derivatives of the product were also described.⁴⁴⁴ Other specific compounds which have been reported include 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannuronic acid (prepared as in Scheme 78),⁴⁴⁵



Reagents: i, RCl; ii, BnOH, HCl; iii, O₂-Pt; iv, H₂-Pd/C

Scheme 78

benzyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranosiduronic acid,⁴⁴⁶ and [¹⁴C]-methyl D-glucuronate.⁴⁴⁷ 1,2:3,5-Di-*O*-benzylidene-α-D-glucofuranuronic acid was prepared by treatment of D-glucuronic acid with zinc chloride and benzaldehyde, and gave [¹⁴C]methyl D-glucuronate following reaction with [¹⁴C]methyl iodide in DMF and hydrogenolysis of the protecting groups.⁴⁴⁷ [6-¹⁴C]-L-Iduronic acid has been synthesised.²⁵⁰

D-Glucuronolactone has been transformed into the synthetically useful derivative 3,5-di-*O*-acetyl-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl-α-D-glucofuranose (96) (see p. 45).²⁰⁷ The yellow product formed when D-glucuronolactone is treated with alkali has been shown to be the reduction (411) which exists in the ene-diol form.⁴⁴⁸ The tautomerism of (411) was studied by polarographic and u.v. methods.⁴⁴⁹ In addition to 2-furaldehyde and reductive acid, the degradation of D-glucuronic acid at pH 3.5 gave catechol, 2,3-dihydroxytoluene, 2,3-dihydroxybenzoic acid, 2,3-dihydroxyacetophenone, (412), (413), and probably (414).⁴⁵⁰

A method for cleaving glycuronoside linkages, which Kochetkov's group have been investigating for some years, was the subject of a new report. In this reaction the derived amides were treated with sodium hypochlorite

⁴⁴⁴ R. R. Schmidt and H.-J. Fritz, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 1867.

⁴⁴⁵ N. G. Kundu, J. F. Crawford, B. Prajsnar, E. J. Reed, and S. Rosenthal, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 225.

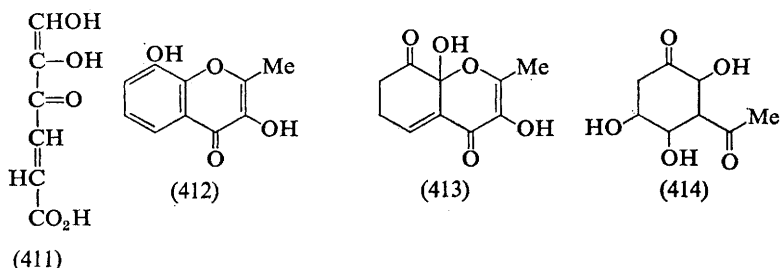
⁴⁴⁶ E. Zissis and H. G. Fletcher jun., *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 361.

⁴⁴⁷ R. H. Shah, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 43.

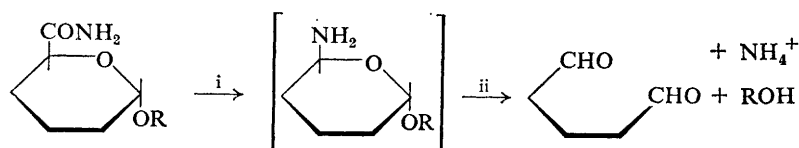
⁴⁴⁸ M. Kawata, Y. Mizutani, N. Shinriki, M. Kimura, and M. Ishidate, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 50.

⁴⁴⁹ M. Kawata, Y. Mizutani, N. Shinriki, M. Kimura, and M. Ishidate, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 55.

⁴⁵⁰ T. Popoff and O. Theander, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1576.



followed by mild hydrolysis with acid (Scheme 79). Details of studies with model hexopyranosiduronic acids were reported; the dialdehydes produced were characterised as pentitol acetates and the procedure has been applied to a xylan from which 94% of the terminal uronic acid residues were removed without cleavage of other glycosidic linkages.⁴⁵¹



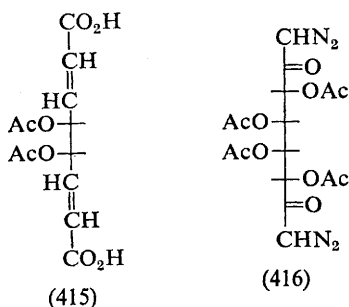
Reagents: i, NaOCl; ii, H_3O^+

Scheme 79

Aldaric Acids

An enzyme which catalysed the oxidation of D-galacturonic acid [to galactaric acid and of D-glucuronic acid to D-glucaric acid has been isolated from *Pseudomonas syringae* and purified.⁴⁵²

The unsaturated acid (415) was obtained on Wolff degradation of the 1,8-bisdiazo-galacto-octodiulose derivative (416). Elimination also occurred



⁴⁵¹ N. K. Kochetkov, O. S. Chizhov, and A. F. Sviridov, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 277.

⁴⁵² D. F. Bateman, T. Kosuge, and W. W. Kilgore, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **136**, 97.

during an analogous degradation of (233) and the unsaturated aldonic acid (234) was the product.³⁴¹

Ascorbic Acid

The browning reaction of L-ascorbic acid with a variety of amines has been studied,⁴⁵³ and the kinetics of its oxidation with osmium(viii) have been reported.⁴⁵⁴ The specifically-labelled acids, [6-¹⁴C]-L-ascorbic and [5-¹⁴C]-L-ascorbic acids, have been prepared.⁴⁵⁵

A simple procedure for the preparation of dehydroascorbic acid has been reported, and spectroscopic measurements indicated that the product is dimeric.⁴⁵⁶ Procedures have been devised for the determination of the dimer.⁴⁵⁷

Muramic Acid

The absolute configuration of the lactyl side-chain of muramic acid [2-amino-3-*O*-(D-1-carboxyethyl)-2-deoxy-D-glucose] has been confirmed by two methods.^{457a}

⁴⁵³ T. Ozawa and Y. Nakamura, *J. Pharm. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **90**, 93.

⁴⁵⁴ U. S. Mehrotra and S. P. Mushran, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1148.

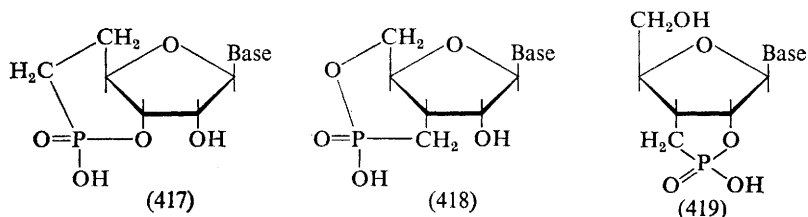
⁴⁵⁵ D. B. Karr, E. M. Baker, and B. M. Tolbert, *J. Labelled Compounds*, 1970, **6**, 155.

⁴⁵⁶ W. Müller-Mulot, *Z. physiol. Chem.*, 1970, **351**, 52, 56.

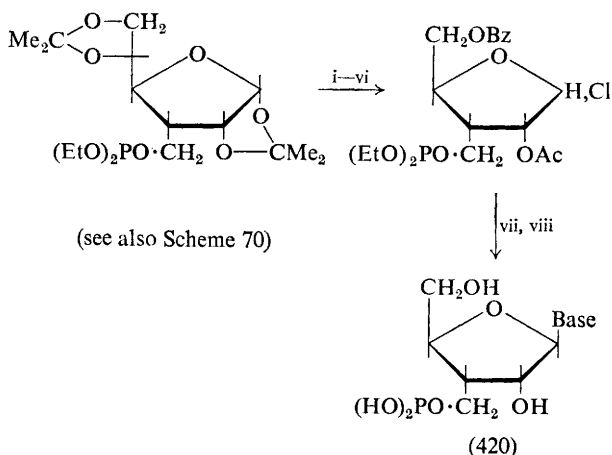
⁴⁵⁷ W. Müller-Mulot, *Z. Analyt. Chem.*, 1970, **252**, 20.

^{457a} A. Veyrières and R. W. Jeanloz, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 4153.

Interesting nucleoside derivatives containing carbon-phosphorus bonds have been reported. Compounds (417), (418), and (419) were synthesised



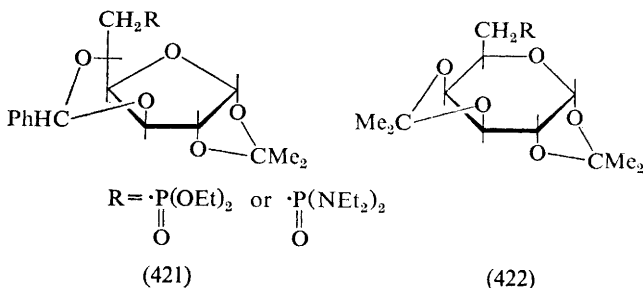
as analogues of nucleoside cyclic phosphates by cyclisation of the appropriate phosphonates using DCC. Various dinucleotide analogues were also prepared as possible enzyme substrates.⁴¹⁵ 3'-Deoxy-3'-(dihydroxyphosphinyl)nucleosides (420), which are isosteric analogues of nucleoside 3'-phosphates, were synthesised as shown in Schemes 70 and 80.⁴¹⁴ In



Reagents: i, H_3O^+ ; ii, IO_4^- ; iii, NaBH_4 ; iv, BzCl , py; v, Ac_2O , AcOH , H^+ ; vi, HCl ; vii, base derivative; viii, HO^-

Scheme 80

related work, the Michaelis–Arbuzov reaction has been used to prepare such sugar derivatives as (421) and (422), with carbon–phosphorus bonds, from halogenated precursors.⁴⁵⁸



Some cobalt(II) D-gluconates have been prepared under different pH conditions and have been studied.⁴³⁰

⁴⁵⁸ S. Inokawa, Y. Tsuchiya, H. Yoshida, and T. Ogata, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 3224.

A system of nomenclature based on stereospecific numbering has been proposed for chiral, asymmetrically-substituted *myo*-inositols.⁴⁵⁹

1,4/2,5-Cyclohexanetetraol, 2-deoxy-*myo*-inositol, and *myo*-inositol have been isolated from extracts of *Mycobacterium lutheri*;⁴⁶⁰ the latter compound has also been isolated from roasted *Coffea arabica*.⁴⁶¹

Two papers have discussed the γ -radiolysis of inositols. γ -Irradiation of *myo*-inositol in water gave *myo*-2-inosose as the major product under a variety of conditions. The by-products varied, but idaric acid was always present in the mixtures.⁴⁶² The structures of the primary radicals resulting from γ -radiolysis of *meso*-inositol have been considered in detail,⁴⁶³ and it was shown that certain primary radicals underwent loss of water.

X-Ray crystallographic studies on the various hydrates of dodecasodium *myo*-inositol hexaphosphate (phytic acid) have established the degree of hydration.⁴⁶⁴ The structures of *epi*- and *myo*-inositols have been compared by crystallography.⁴⁶⁵ It was suggested that the primary effects controlling conformations are intramolecular *O*-*O*-forces, but that in rigid cyclitol molecules the effects of these forces are much less marked than, for example, in alditols.

A method has been developed for assaying the enzyme responsible for the conversion of D-glucose 6-phosphate into *myo*-inositol 1-phosphate. The method was based on the observation that only the cyclitol phosphate liberated inorganic phosphate on oxidation with periodate.⁴⁶⁶

A number of inositol esters have been prepared. Inositol hexasulphates can be prepared conveniently by direct interaction of *myo*-inositol with either fuming sulphuric acid or chlorosulphonic acid.⁴⁶⁷ The latter reagent caused less oxidation and was more suitable for more sensitive inositols.

⁴⁵⁹ B. A. Klyashchitskii, V. I. Shvets, and N. A. Preobrazhenskii, *Chem. and Phys. Lipids* 1969, **3**, 393.

⁴⁶⁰ M. V. Laycock and J. S. Craigie, *Canad. J. Biochem.*, 1970, **48**, 699.

⁴⁶¹ A. R. Mishkin, R. S. Bower, and L. E. Anderson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 170.

⁴⁶² W. J. Criddle and E. Ward, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 40.

⁴⁶³ I. V. Nikitin, V. A. Sharpatii, L. I. Kudryashov, N. K. Kochetkov, and N. M. Emanuel, *Doklady Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, **190**, 635.

⁴⁶⁴ M. R. Truter and M. E. Tate, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 70.

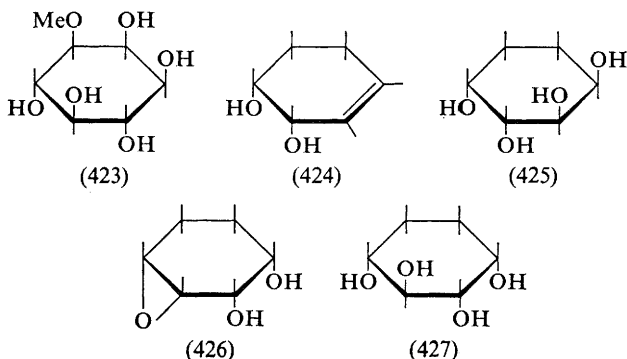
⁴⁶⁵ G. A. Jeffrey and H. S. Kim, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 310.

⁴⁶⁶ J. E. G. Barnett, R. E. Brice, and D. L. Corina, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 183.

⁴⁶⁷ A. J. Fatiadi, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 293.

1,2,4,5,6-Penta-*O-p*-tolylsulphonyl-*myo*-inositol has been synthesised from (\pm)-bornesitol (423) by *p*-tolylsulphonylation and subsequent demethylation with boron tribromide.⁴⁶⁸ 2,3,4,5,6-Penta-*O-p*-tolylsulphonyl-*myo*-inositol has also been synthesised.⁴⁶⁹

The syntheses of 1-*O*-methyl- and 5-*O*-methyl-DL-[¹⁴C]*myo*-inositol (methyl [¹⁴C]bornesitol and methyl [¹⁴C]sequoyitol, respectively) have been



carried out.⁴⁷⁰ Various isomers and derivatives of quinic acid have been prepared and characterised stereochemically by n.m.r. methods.⁴⁷¹ Tetraols have been prepared by treatment of cyclohexa-1,3-diene and cyclopenta-1,3-diene with alkaline or neutral permanganate.⁴⁷² From cyclohexadiene the normal *cis*-hydroxylation products (424) and (425) were obtained but, in addition, the abnormal products (426) and (427) were also formed. In the cyclopentadiene series, the abnormal pathway predominated.

A synthesis of a diastereoisomeric mixture of phosphatidylinositols has been described.⁴⁷³ Reaction of racemic (428) with optically-active (429) afforded (430), which on treatment with sodium iodide in dry acetone followed by hydrogenolysis gave a mixture of diastereoisomeric phosphatidylinositols (431).

The syntheses of 1- and 3-*O*- α -D-mannopyranosyl-*myo*-inositol by the orthoester route have been described.⁴⁷⁴ Resolution of the orthoesters prepared from 1,4,5,6-tetra-*O*-benzyl-*myo*-inositol and D-mannose orthoacetate afforded (432) and (433). Benzylation and hydrolysis of (432) afforded (434), and similar treatment of (433) yielded the enantiomeric

⁴⁶⁸ E. G. Zhelvakova, V. I. Shvets, and N. A. Preobrazhenskii, *Zhur. org. Khim.*, 1970, **6**, 62.

⁴⁶⁹ E. G. Zhelvakova, O. I. Ulyanova, V. I. Shvets, and N. A. Preobrazhenskii, *Khim. prirod. Soedinenii*, 1970, **2**, 163.

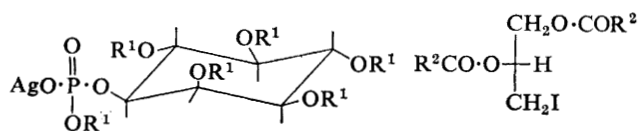
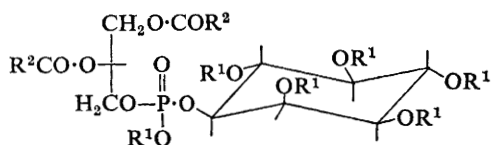
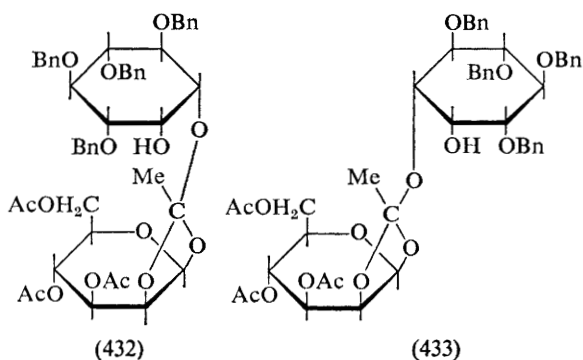
⁴⁷⁰ R. H. Shah and F. Loewus, *J. Labelled Compounds*, 1970, **6**, 333.

⁴⁷¹ J. Corse and R. E. Lundin, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1904.

⁴⁷² H. Z. Sable, K. A. Powell, H. Katchian, C. B. Niewoehner, and S. B. Kadlec, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 1509.

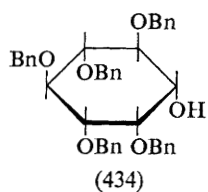
⁴⁷³ P. A. Gent, R. Gigg, and C. D. Warren, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2575.

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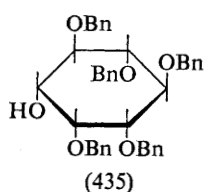
(428) $R^1 = \text{Bn}$ (429) $R^2 = \cdot(\text{CH}_2)_{14}\text{Me}$ (430) $R^1 = \text{Bn}$ (431) $R^1 = \text{H}$ 

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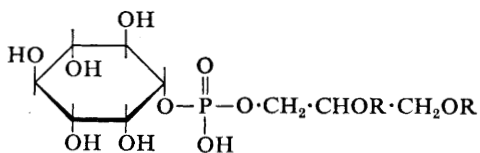
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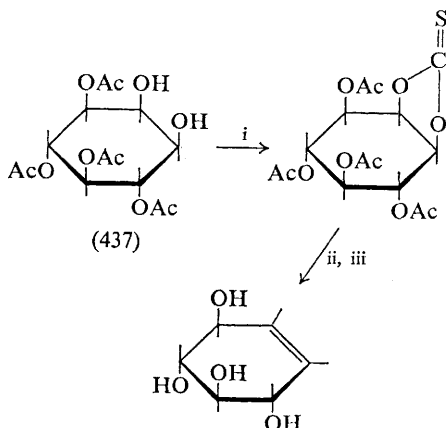


(435)

(436) $R = \text{palmitoyl}$

compound (435). Treatment of (434) with dichlorophenyl phosphate and 1,2-dipalmitoylglycerol followed by hydrogenolysis gave 1-*O*-[1',2'-dipalmitoylglyceryl-3'-phosphoryl]-*myo*-inositol (436), which had physical and spectral characteristics similar to those of natural monophosphoinositides.⁴⁷⁵

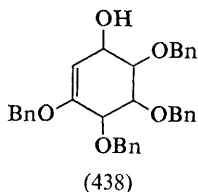
Other reactions of the cyclitols to be described include application of the Corey-Winter procedure to (437) to provide a new synthesis of conduritol B (Scheme 81).⁴⁷⁶ Aromatisation occurred when 1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-*myo*-inositol 3,4,5,6-tetra-*O*-alkyl ethers were treated with potassium



Reagents: i, *NN'*-thiocarbonyldiimidazole; ii, (MeO)₃P; iii, Et₃N

Scheme 81

tertiary butoxide in DMSO.⁴⁷⁷ The products were 1,2,4-trialkoxybenzenes and in the case of the tetra-*O*-benzyl-*myo*-inositol the intermediate (438) was isolated. Aromatisation also occurred when the triketoinositol (439)



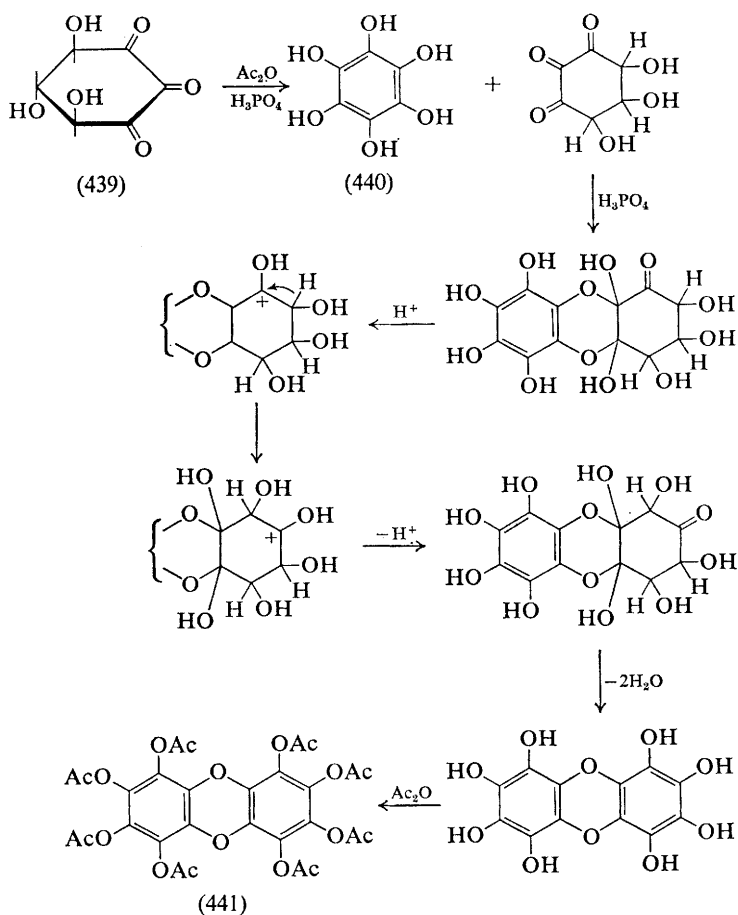
was acetylated.⁴⁷⁸ With acetic anhydride in pyridine, the hexa-acetate of (440) was the major product, whereas with acetic anhydride in the presence of phosphoric acid the product was (441). The sequence of reactions shown in Scheme 82 was proposed to account for the formation of the latter product.

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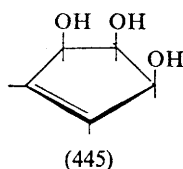
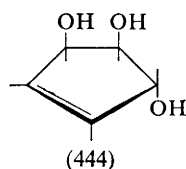
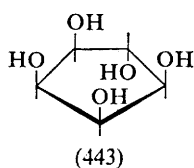
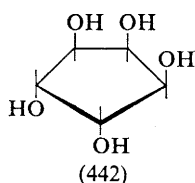
⁴⁷⁶ T. L. Nagabhushan, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 383.

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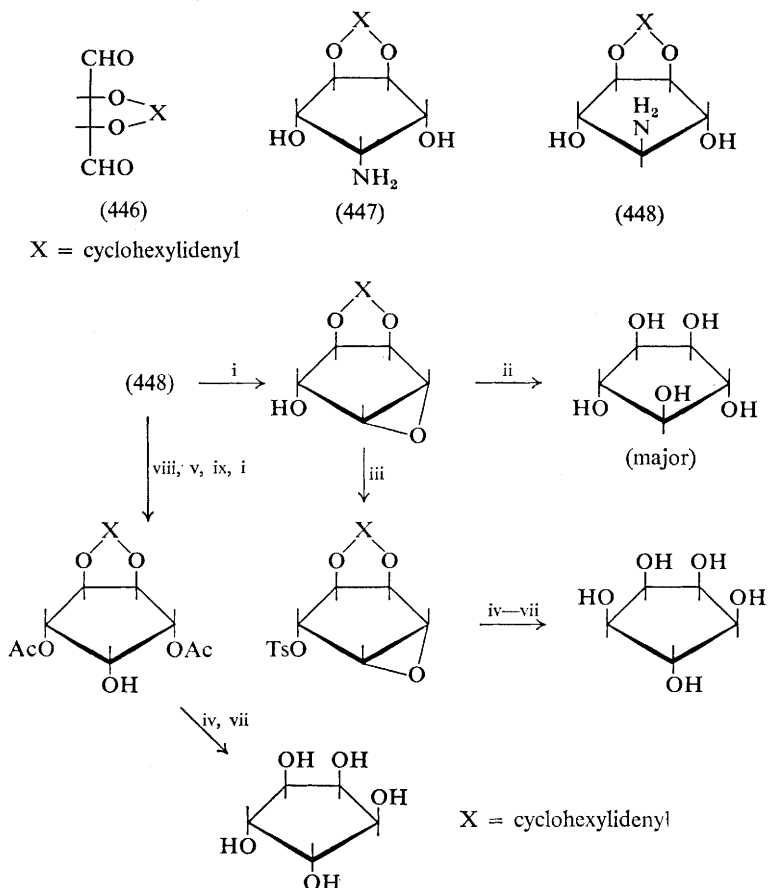
Scheme 82



Two new cyclopentanepentaols (442) and (443) resulted from hydroxylation of suitable 3,4,5-trihydroxy-1-cyclopentene derivatives,⁴⁷⁹ and the preparation of the previously unknown cyclopentenetriols (444) and (445) has been described.⁴⁸⁰

Nitrogen-containing Derivatives

Treatment of compound (446), which exists as a cyclic hydrate, with nitromethane afforded a mixture of isomeric nitrocyclopentane derivatives,



Reagents: i, HNO₂; ii, AcOH; iii, TsCl, py; iv, dil. H₂SO₄; v, Ac₂O, py; vi, DMF, NaOAc; vii, NaOMe; viii, NO₂·C₆H₄·CHO; ix, HCl, 4-dioxan

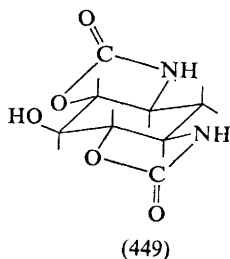
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⁴⁸⁰ G. Wolczunowicz, F. G. Cocu, and T. Posternak, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 2275.

which on hydrogenation gave the corresponding aminocyclopentane derivatives, two of which [(447) and (448)] were isolated.⁴⁸¹ Three of the four possible cyclopentanepentaols were synthesised from (448) as illustrated in Scheme 83.⁴⁸²

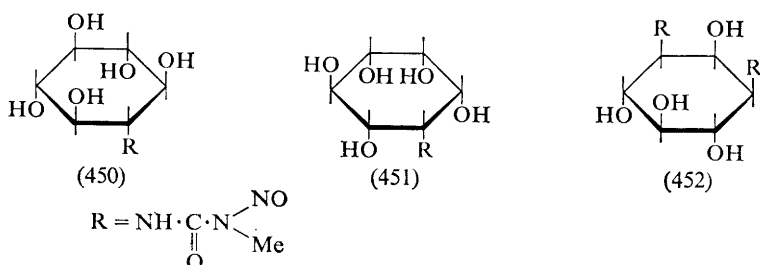
2-Deoxystreptamine has been converted into (449) by treatment with *p*-nitrophenoxycarbonyl chloride in the presence of basic resin.²⁷¹



⁴⁸¹ R. Ahluwalia, S. J. Angyal, and B. M. Luttrell, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1819.

⁴⁸² S. J. Angyal and B. M. Luttrell, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1831.

Methyl α - and β -glycosides⁴⁸³ of streptozotocin have been synthesised and also the analogues (450), (451), and (452).⁴⁸⁴ The diamycins have been shown to contain 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose as the only sugar component.⁴⁸⁵ The



sugar component of antibiotics LL-AC541 and LL-AB644 [streptothricin-like compounds] was identified as 2-deoxy-2-methylamino-D-gulosamine.⁴⁸⁶ Mycosamine has been isolated from antibiotic DJ400.⁴⁸⁷ A synthesis of perosamine, a component of perimycin, has been described.^{246a} Nojirimycin has been shown to be a potent inhibitor of glucosidase.⁴⁸⁸ The sugar moiety of aranciamycin has been identified as 2-O-methyl-L-rhamnose.⁴⁸⁹

Neomycins D, E, and F have been shown to be identical with paromamine, paromomycin I, and paromomycin II, respectively.⁴⁹⁰ A new species of *Micromonospora* (*M. pallida*) has yielded mannosidostreptomycin.⁴⁹¹

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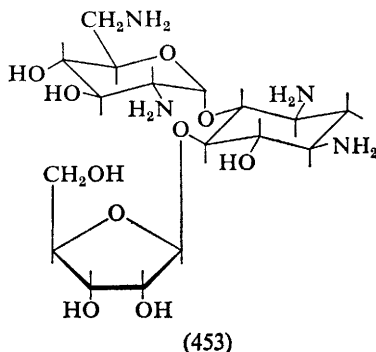
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⁴⁸⁹ W. Keller-Schierlein and A. Müller, *Experientia*, 1970, **26**, 929.

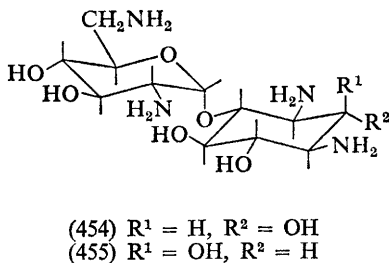
⁴⁹⁰ E. J. Hessler, H. K. Jahnke, J. H. Robertson, and K. Tsuji, *J. Antibiotics*, 1970, **23**, 465.

⁴⁹¹ G. F. Gauze, M. G. Brazhnikova, M. A. Sveshnikova, R. S. Ukholina, N. P. Nechaeva, G. V. Gavrilina, M. F. Lavrova, I. N. Kovsharova, V. V. Proshlyakova, M. K. Kudina, and S. P. Shapovalova, *Antibiotiki*, 1970, **15**, 99.

Reduction of streptomycin with aluminium amalgam gave a compound which was neither of the known dihydro- or dihydrodeoxy-streptomycins, but was probably produced by reduction of the tertiary hydroxy-group in the streptose moiety.⁴⁹² A new aminoglycoside antibiotic SF-733 has had its structure deduced⁴⁹³ and confirmed by synthesis⁴⁹⁴ as (453). Kanamycin



6''-uronic acid has been prepared *via* the tetra-*N*-ethoxycarbonyl-6''-*O*-trityl derivative⁴⁹⁵ and several 'kanamycinotetracyclines' have been described.⁴⁹⁶ The synthesis of 4-*O*- and 6-*O*-(α -D-glucopyranosyl)-2-deoxystreptamine is reported in Chapter 3.⁵⁷ Hybrimycin A and B have been hydrolysed to the neamine-like fragments (454) and (455), named hydrimycins A3 and B3, respectively.⁴⁹⁷



Garamine, one of the sugar components of gentamicin C, has been shown to be 3-deoxy-4-*C*-methyl-3-methylamino-L-arabinose (456).⁴⁹⁷ Gentosamine, a component of gentamicin A, has been identified as 3-deoxy-3-methylamino-D-xylose (457), thus completing the structure of the anti-

⁴⁹² I. Fujimaki and K. Tsuji, *J. Agric. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **44**, 463, 471.

⁴⁹³ E. Akita, T. Tsuruoka, N. Ezaki, and T. Niida, *J. Antibiotics*, 1970, **23**, 173.

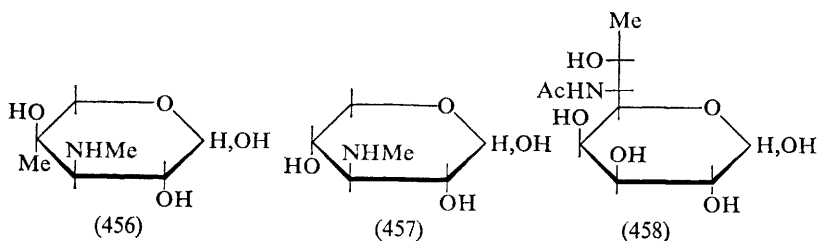
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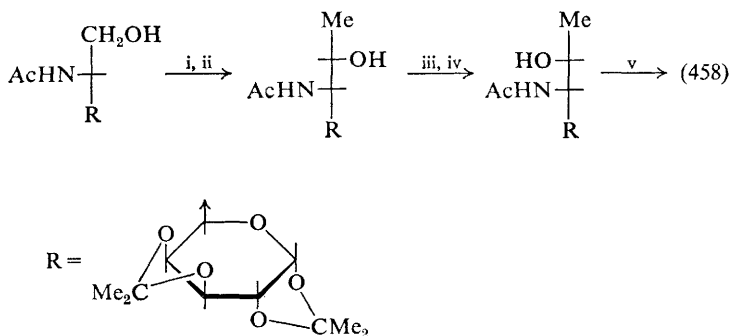
⁴⁹⁶ W. Sobiczewski, W. Chojnowski, and H. Cendrowska, *Acta Polon. Pharm.*, 1970, **27**, 99.

⁴⁹⁷ W. T. Shier, K. L. Rinehart jun., and D. Gottlieb, *J. Antibiotics*, 1970, **23**, 51.

biotic.²⁴⁶ Full details have been given of the synthesis of actinamine and hyosamine⁴⁹⁸ (see Vol. 2, p. 166 and Vol. 3, p. 149).



Full experimental details have now been presented on the two routes leading to the synthesis of *N*-acetyl-lincosamine (458) (*cf.* Vol. 3, p. 152). In the full paper, the conversion of (458) into methyl thiolincosaminide was also described; this is tantamount to a total synthesis of lincomycin.⁴⁹⁹ Another synthesis of *N*-acetyl-lincosamine is shown in Scheme 84,⁵⁰⁰ the



Reagents: i, DMSO, DCC; ii, MeMgI, Et₂O; iii, CrO₃, py; iv, NaBH₄, MeOH; v, aq AcOH

Scheme 84

starting material having been described previously (see Vol. 3, p. 91). A third approach (Scheme 85) yielded the epimeric derivatives (459), which were used in a synthesis of the antibiotic.⁵⁰¹

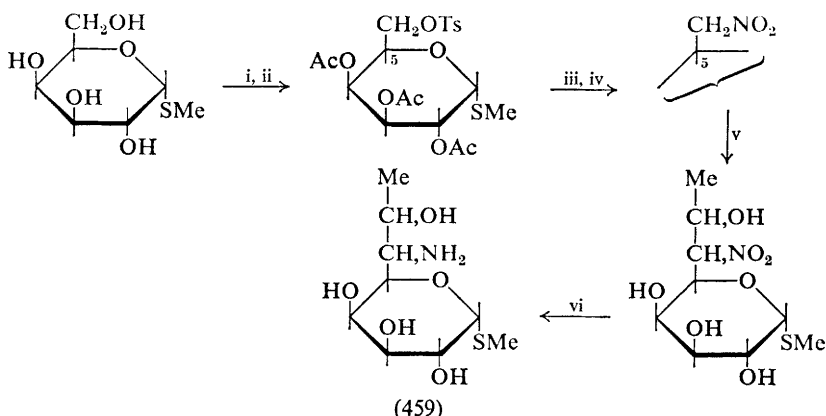
Acidic and alkaline isomerisations and hydrolysis of lincomycin monoesters have been studied. In alkaline media, the 2-, 3-, and 4-mono-hexanoates were rapidly isomerised, each entering into a facile equilibrium with the other two, and with accompanying hydrolysis. In acidic media, the 3- and 4-hexanoates were isomerised to give a mixture containing only

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⁵⁰⁰ H. Saeki and E. Ohki, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 412, 789.

⁵⁰¹ B. J. Magerlein, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 33.



Reagents: i, TsCl, py; ii, Ac₂O, py; iii, NaI, Me₂CO; iv, NaNO₂, DMF;
v, MeCHO, NaOMe, MeOH; vi, H₂-Pt

Scheme 85

a trace of the 2-ester; the latter ester underwent hydrolysis without rearrangement.⁵⁰² A synthesis of lincomycin 2-phosphate has been described.^{502a} Clindamycin and other analogues of lincomycin have been oxidatively *N*-demethylated.⁵⁰³

Full details of the crystal and molecular structure of showdomycin have now been given,⁵⁰⁴ and a synthesis of the antibiotic has been reported (Scheme 86).⁵⁰⁵

A series of puromycin analogues have been prepared in which the 3'-amino-group was substituted with a variety of amino-acids.⁵⁰⁶ The nucleoside 'C-substance' (459a), produced on hydrolysis of gougerotin,⁵⁰⁷ and the analogue (460) of pyrazomycin⁵⁰⁸ have been synthesised.

A trideoxy-sugar believed to be rhodinose has been isolated from rubomycin B.⁵⁰⁹ Kujimycin B was found to be identical to lankamycin, whilst kujimycin A is lankamycin deacetylated at C-4 of the *L*-arcanose moiety.⁵¹⁰ A revised structure has been proposed for lankamycin having *D*-chalcose attached to position 5 and 4-*O*-acetyl-*L*-arcanose at position 3 of the macrocycle; this reverses the previous assignments.⁵¹¹

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^{502a} W. Morozowich, D. J. Lamb, H. A. Karnes, F. A. Mackellar, C. Lewis, K. F. Stern, and E. L. Rowe, *J. Pharm. Sci.*, 1969, **58**, 1485.

⁵⁰³ R. D. Birkenmeyer and L. A. Dolak, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 5049.

⁵⁰⁴ Y. Tsukuda and H. Koyama, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 1709.

⁵⁰⁵ L. Kalvoda, J. Farkaš, and F. Šorm, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2297.

⁵⁰⁶ L. V. Fisher, W. W. Lee, and L. Goodman, *J. Medicin. Chem.*, 1970, **13**, 775.

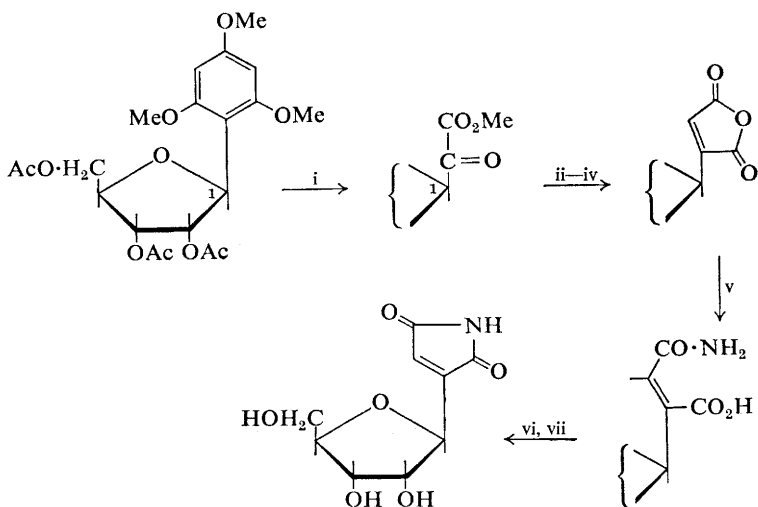
⁵⁰⁷ K. A. Watanabe, M. P. Kotick, and J. J. Fox, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 231.

⁵⁰⁸ J. M. J. Tronchet and F. Perret, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 648.

⁵⁰⁹ G. B. Fedorova, M. G. Brazhnikova, A. S. Mezentsev, and I. Kshepinsky, *Antibiotikii*, 1970, **15**, 403.

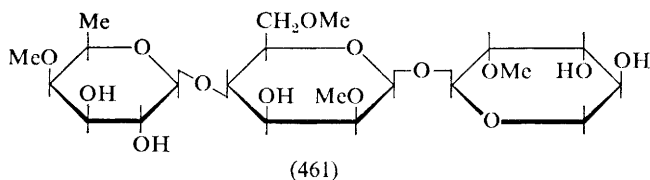
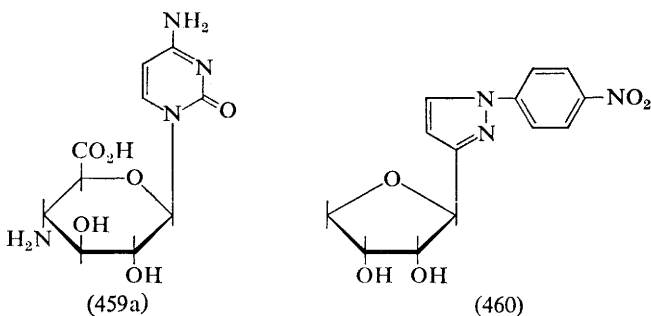
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⁵¹¹ R. S. Egan and J. R. Martin, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4129.



Reagents: i, O_3 ; ii, $Ph_3P=CH\cdot CO_2Me$; iii, $-OH$; iv, Ac_2O , CF_3CO_2H ; v, NH_3 , PhH ; vi, ethyl polyphosphate, DMF ; vii, H^+

Scheme 86



Evertriore, a trisaccharide component of everninomicin D, has been shown to have the structure (461).⁵¹²

⁵¹² A. K. Ganguly and O. Z. Sarre, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 911.

Synthesis

Recent developments in the synthesis of nucleosides have been reviewed.⁵¹³ There have been many reports of the synthesis of new nucleosides and their derivatives, most of which have involved conventional procedures. Thus, 1-(2-deoxy-D-arabino-hexopyranosyl)-5-bromo-6-azauracil,⁵¹⁴ 2',3'-dideoxyuridine,⁵¹⁵ 3-(2-deoxy-β-D-ribofuranosyl)uracil,⁵¹⁶ 8-aza-adenosine,⁵¹⁷ some (D-ribofuranosyl)indazoles,⁵¹⁸ some 4-methyl-2-pyrimidinoneribonucleosides,⁵¹⁹ various D-ribofuranosyl and 2-deoxy-D-ribofuranosyl 1,2,4-triazole nucleosides,^{519a} and the α- and β-anomers of 1-(2-deoxy-D-ribofuranosyl)-2-pyridone⁵²⁰ have been prepared. The syntheses and some properties of nucleotides containing 4-thio-D-ribofuranose have been described⁵²¹ and 3-(β-D-ribofuranosyl)-5,7-dihydroxy-1H-pyrazolo[4,3-d]-pyrimidine has been synthesised as part of a study of nucleoside antibiotics.⁵²² 6-Chloro-9-(4-thio-β-D-ribofuranosyl)purine has been prepared from 2,3,5-tri-O-acetyl-4-thio-D-ribofuranosyl chloride,⁵²³ and a number of new 2-fluororibonucleosides have been examined for cytotoxicity.⁵²⁴ 2'(3')-O-Aminoacyl and 2',3'-O-bis(aminoacyl) derivatives of adenosine,⁵²⁵ and 9-(3-O-hexyl-α-D-xylofuranosyl)adenine, its β-anomer, and 5-deoxy-analogues have all been synthesised.⁵²⁶

⁵¹³ W. W. Zorbach, *Synthesis*, 1970, 329.

⁵¹⁴ G. J. Durr and S. Hammond, *J. Heterocyclic Chem.*, 1970, 7, 743.

⁵¹⁵ Y. Furukawa, Y. Yoshioka, K.-I. Imai, and M. Honjo, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, 18, 554.

⁵¹⁶ M. W. Winkley, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 1365.

⁵¹⁷ J. A. Montgomery, H. J. Thomas, and S. J. Clayton, *J. Heterocyclic Chem.*, 1970, 7, 215.

⁵¹⁸ G. R. Revankar and L. B. Townsend, *J. Heterocyclic Chem.*, 1970, 7, 117.

⁵¹⁹ R. S. Klein, I. Wempen, K. A. Watanabe, and J. J. Fox, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, 35, 2330.

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⁵²⁰ M. P. Mertes, *J. Medicin. Chem.*, 1970, 13, 149.

⁵²¹ D. J. Hoffman and R. L. Whistler, *Biochemistry*, 1970, 9, 2367.

⁵²² M. Bobek, J. Farkaš, and F. Šorm, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4611.

⁵²³ M. Bobek, R. L. Whistler, and A. Bloch, *J. Medicin. Chem.*, 1970, 13, 411.

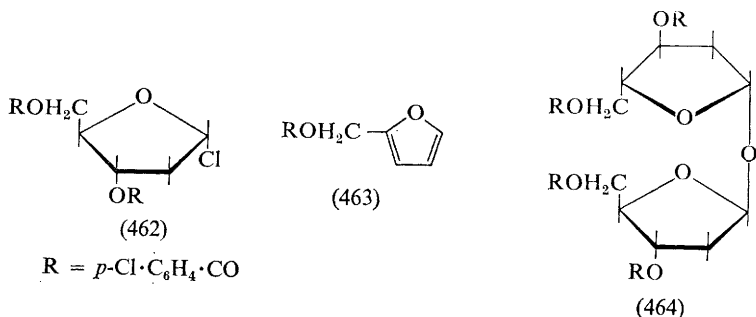
⁵²⁴ J. A. Montgomery and K. Hewson, *J. Medicin. Chem.*, 1970, 13, 427.

⁵²⁵ S. Chládek, P. Pulkrábek, J. Sonnenbichler, J. Žemlička, and I. Rychlik, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 35, 2296.

⁵²⁶ D. H. Murray and J. Prokop, *J. Pharm. Sci.*, 1970, 59, 344.

Syntheses of 1-(3-deoxy-3-fluoro- and 2-deoxy-2-fluoro- β -D-xylofuranosyl)cytosines and 1-(2-deoxy-2-fluoro- α - and - β -D-arabinofuranosyl)cytosines have been accomplished by reaction of suitably protected fluoro-glycosyl bromides with bis(trimethylsilyl)cytosine. Attempts to react the fluoro-sugars with cytosine by the mercuric cyanide-nitromethane method were unsuccessful.⁵²⁷ A variation of the Hilbert-Johnson procedure using trimethylsilylated derivatives of pyrimidines and 1-halogeno- or 1-*O*-acetyl-ribofuranose triesters with catalysts such as stannic chloride gave excellent yields (60–95%) of nucleosides.⁵²⁸ Several D-ribofuranosyltriazine derivatives have been prepared by treatment of tri-*O*-acetyl-D-ribofuranosyl bromide with appropriate trimethylsilylated derivatives. The antibiotic nucleoside 5-azacytidine has been synthesised in this way.⁵²⁹

An important observation has been made concerning the stereochemistry of the coupling reaction between (462) and, for example, trimethylsilylated derivatives of 5-mercaptouracil.⁵³⁰ The presence of trimethylsilyl chloride in the reaction mixture gave mainly α -nucleosides, whereas the β -anomers preponderated under conditions where the chloride ion was rapidly removed. During control experiments, it was observed that compound (462) rearranged to (463) and (464) on standing in benzene solution.



1-*O*-Acylfuranoses in which the other hydroxy-groups were protected by isopropylidene groups have been converted into adenine nucleosides by coupling with 6-benzamidomercuripurine by the titanium tetrachloride method.⁵³¹ Yields obtained with L-rhamnose derivatives were better than those with D-mannose derivatives. Great care was required in the hydrolysis of the isopropylidene residues to avoid cleavage of the glycosidic bond.

A new route to C-nucleosides has been provided by way of the 1-diazo-sugar (465). Compound (465) was treated with dimethylacetylene dicarboxylate to give (466), which was then converted into (467).⁵³² 'Double-

⁵²⁷ J. A. Wright, D. P. Wilson, and J. J. Fox, *J. Medicin. Chem.*, 1970, **13**, 269.

⁵²⁸ U. Niedballa and H. Vorbrüggen, *Angew. Chem. Internat. Edn.*, 1970, **9**, 461.

⁵²⁹ M. W. Winkley and R. K. Robins, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 491.

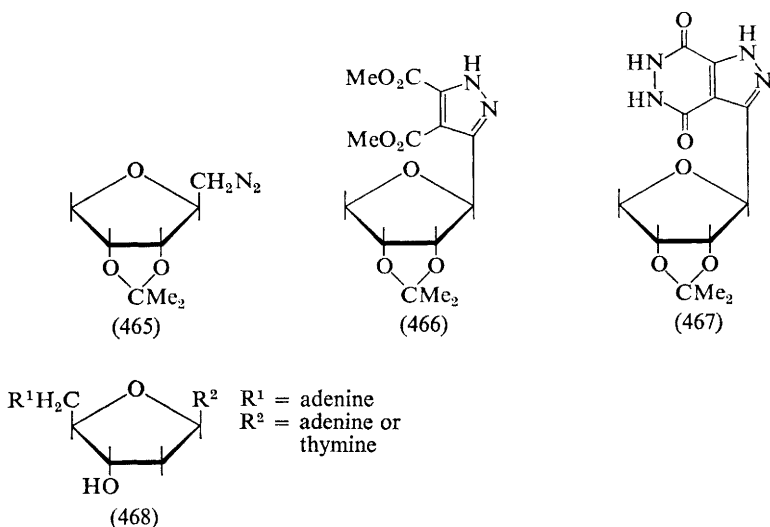
⁵³⁰ M. P. Kotick, C. Szantay, and T. J. Bardos, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1969, **34**, 3806.

⁵³¹ L. M. Lerner and Y. Y. Cheng, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 297.

⁵³² E. M. Acton, K. J. Ryan, and L. Goodman, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 313.

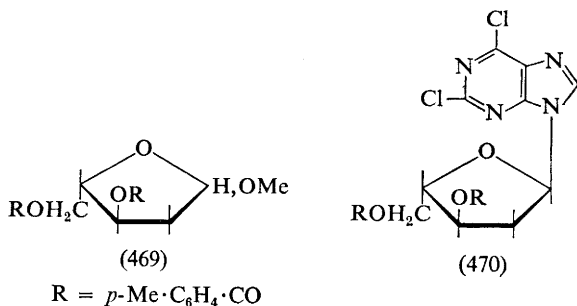
headed' nucleosides (*e.g.* 468) have been synthesised by nucleophilic displacements of 5'-sulphonic esters using sodium adenide.⁵³³

D-Ribose, its 5-phosphate, and D-arabinose were each treated with cyanamide in aqueous solution to produce amino-oxazoline derivatives.⁵³⁴



The products were then allowed to react with cyanoacetylene to give α -5'-cytidylic acid, α -cytidine, and (β -D-arabinosyl)cytosine, respectively, which were anomerised and epimerised on irradiation.

The first report of the use of a 2-deoxyglycoside in nucleoside synthesis has appeared. Thus, (469) was converted into a mixture of (470) and its anomer using dichloroacetic acid as a catalyst.⁵³⁵



⁵³³ R. Fecher, K. H. Boswell, J. J. Wittick, and T. Y. Shen, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1400.

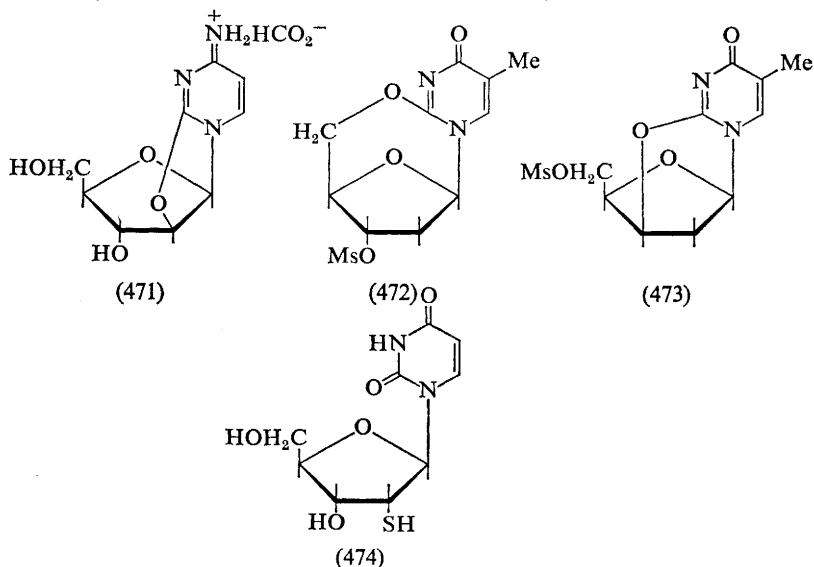
⁵³⁴ R. A. Sanchez and L. E. Orgel, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 1970, **47**, 531.

⁵³⁵ M. J. Robins, T. A. Khwaja, and R. K. Robins, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 636.

A convenient synthesis of 1-(β -D-arabinofuranosyl)cytosine used *N*⁴-acetylcytosine and 2-*O*-acetyl-5-*O*-ethoxycarbonyl-3-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-xylofuranosyl chloride as starting materials.⁵³⁶ Various approaches have been considered for the synthesis of D-ribo- and deoxy-D-ribo-nucleotides labelled with deuterium at C-2'.^{536a} 2'- and 3'-Ketocytidine derivatives were obtained by oxidation of the appropriately protected nucleoside with DCC-DMSO.⁵³⁷ Reductions with sodium borotritide then afforded D-*arabino*-, D-*xyl*o-, and D-*ribo*-nucleosides with tritium labels at the 2' and 3' positions.

A number of nucleosides containing 3-deoxy-3-methylamino-D-ribofuranose,⁵³⁸ and branched-chain amino-sugars²⁶⁵ [e.g. (160)] have been described.

Several papers have been devoted to the synthesis and reactions of anhydronucleosides. Thus, treatment of cytidine with thionyl chloride in DMF gave (471), from which 2,2'-cyclocytidine was obtained.⁵³⁹ 2',5'-Dideoxy-5'-fluororibonucleosides have been prepared by treating the 5'-*O*-tosyl derivatives with an excess of tetrabutylammonium fluoride in



DMF at 50 °C. Surprisingly, treatment of 3',5'-di-*O*-methanesulphonyl-thymidine with this reagent gave the anhydro-derivatives (472) and (473) rather than products containing fluorine.⁵⁴⁰

⁵³⁶ B. Shimizu and F. Shimizu, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 1060.

^{536a} S. David, J. Eustache, and C. Rouzeau, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270C**, 1821.

⁵³⁷ U. Brodbeck and J. G. Moffatt, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3552.

⁵³⁸ W. W. Lee, G. L. Tong, R. W. Blackford, and L. Goodman, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3808.

⁵³⁹ K. Kikugawa and M. Ichino, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 867.

⁵⁴⁰ G. Kowollik, K. Gaertner, G. Etlzold, and P. Langen, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 301.

2'-Deoxy-2'-mercapto-uridine (474) resulted from treatment of 2,2'-anhydro-3',5'-di-*O*-acetyluridine with thiolacetic acid in DMF and deacetylation of the product.⁵⁴¹ 8,2'-Anhydro-8-oxy- β -D-arabinofuranosyl-adenine was converted into the corresponding 8,5'-cyclonucleoside by treatment with warm, dilute sodium hydroxide.⁵⁴² Thymidine derivatives substituted at the 5'-position gave 3'-deoxy-3'-iodo-compounds on reaction with triphenylphosphite methiodide by way of *O*2',3'-cyclonucleosides. 5'-Substituted-uridines did not afford iodinated products with this reagent but gave instead mixtures of 2'- and 3'-*O*-methylphosphonates. 2',5'-Di-*O*-trityluridine gave the expected 3'-deoxy-3'-iodo-D-xylose derivative, and also underwent selective loss of the trityl groups, depending on the solvent used.²⁴² *N*3,5'-Anhydronucleosides were formed in high yield by the reaction of adenosine and 2',3'-*O*-isopropylidene derivatives of purine nucleosides with triphenylphosphite methiodide in DMF.²⁴¹

A series of 2',6-anhydropyrimidine nucleosides and their reactions have been described. The nucleosides underwent facile ring-openings in aqueous base to give D-arabinose derivatives but they were stable in dilute aqueous acid.⁵⁴³

Several nucleosides have been oxidised with sodium periodate and the products were characterised as bis(arylhydrazones).⁵⁴⁴ Oxidation of 2',3'-*O*-isopropylidene-inosine with chromium trioxide in acetic acid afforded the corresponding carboxylic acid in good yield.⁴⁴⁴

The factors involved in the browning reaction of 5'-ribonucleotides in the presence and in the absence of D-glucose have been investigated.⁵⁴⁵

4-Methoxytetrahydropyran-4-yl has proved to be a useful symmetrical alternative to the tetrahydropyranyl protecting-group in nucleoside transformations,¹⁵² and it has been used in the synthesis of deoxyribonucleotides.⁵⁴⁶

Compounds such as (475) have been condensed with polyalanine-polylysine to give potential antigens.⁵⁴⁷ Two sarcosyl-D-seryl-amino-sugar analogues of gangerotin have been synthesised.⁵⁴⁸ Nitrogen analogues [*e.g.* (476)] of adenosine 3',5'-cyclophosphate have been prepared.⁵⁴⁹ Adenosine 5'-bis(dihydroxyphosphinylmethyl)phosphinate, the bis-methylene analogue of ATP, has been synthesised.⁵⁵⁰

⁵⁴¹ M. Imazawa and T. Ueda, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4807.

⁵⁴² M. Ikehara, M. Kaneko, and Y. Ogiso, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4673.

⁵⁴³ E. A. Falco, B. A. Otter, and J. J. Fox, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 2326.

⁵⁴⁴ V. P. Chernetskii, E. A. Ponomareva, and V. V. Stavitskii, *Khim. geterotsikl. Soedinenii*, 1970, 557.

⁵⁴⁵ M. Fujimaki, N. van Chuyen, T. Matsumoto, and T. Kurata, *J. Agric. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **44**, 275.

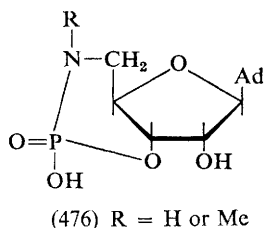
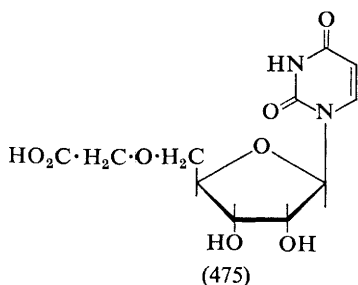
⁵⁴⁶ D. P. L. Green, T. Ravindrannathan, C. B. Reese, and R. Saffhill, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 1031.

⁵⁴⁷ J. P. Coat and S. David, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 335.

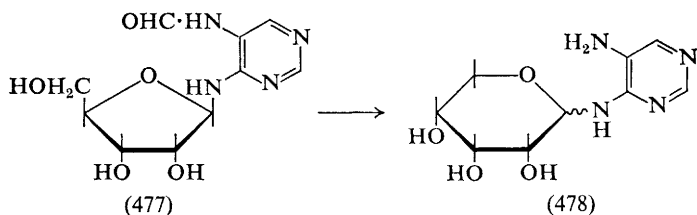
⁵⁴⁸ F. W. Lichtenthaler, G. Trummelitz, and P. Emig, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2061.

⁵⁴⁹ A. Murayama, B. Jastorff, and J. Hettler, *Angew. Chem. Internat. Edn.*, 1970, **9**, 640.

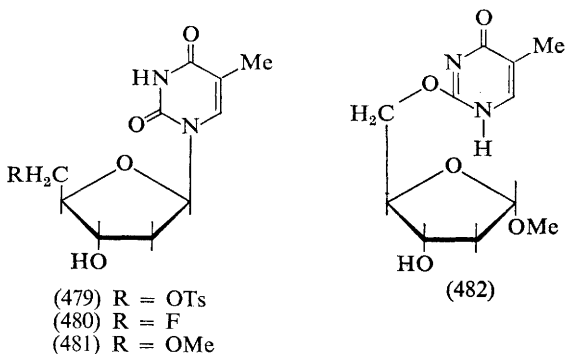
⁵⁵⁰ D. B. Trowbridge and G. L. Kenyon, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 2181.



Rearrangements of nucleosides and their derivatives have been described. Thus, (477) was converted into (478) on treatment with methanolic hydrogen chloride.⁵⁵¹ Treatment of (479) with potassium fluoride dihydrate in



methanol gave (480) (16%), (481) (7%), and the novel '5'-O-nucleoside' (482) (33%).⁵⁵² It has been suggested that in the reaction of glycosyl halides with the chloromercury salt of such compounds as *N*⁶-benzoyladenine, the



N-3-glycoside is formed first and then rearranges into the more stable *N*-9-isomer.⁵⁵³

Numerous papers have reported methods for the partial or selective esterification and etherification of nucleosides. Methods for tritylation,

⁵⁵¹ J. A. Montgomery and H. J. Thomas, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 265.

⁵⁵² G. Kowollik, P. Langen, and A. Holý, *J. prakt. Chem.*, 1970, 312, 145.

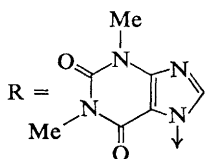
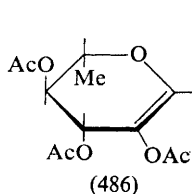
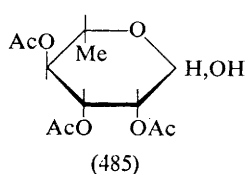
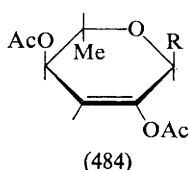
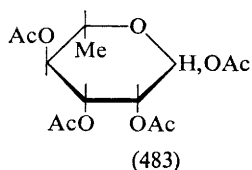
⁵⁵³ M. Miyaki and B. Shimizu, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, 18, 732.

benzylation, and acetylation have been reported.⁵⁵⁴⁻⁵⁵⁷ 5-Chloro-8-hydroxyquinoline esters have been used for the selective acylation of nucleoside aminoacyl derivatives,⁵⁵⁸ and syntheses of 3'(2')-O-aminoacyl esters of nucleoside-5'-mono- and tri-phosphates have been described.⁵⁵⁹ Tosylation of adenosine 5'-monophosphate in aqueous alkali gave mainly the 2'-O-tosyl derivative; the best yields were obtained with four moles of the reagent, suggesting that a tosylphosphate anhydride might be formed which protects the 3-hydroxy-group from attack.⁵⁶⁰ 5'-O-Trityl-, 5'-O-benzoyl-, 5'-O-acetyl-, and unprotected 8-bromoadenosine have been sulphonylated using sodium hydride and tri-isopropylbenzenesulphonyl chloride in DMF solution.⁵⁶¹ The percentage of the 2'-O-sulphonate increased from 38% to 70% as the bulk of the 5'-substituent increased.

Many other reports, some of which are noted in Chapter 6, have described nucleoside esters.^{168, 186, 190, 192, 197, 562}

Nucleosides containing Unsaturated Carbohydrate Components

A number of nucleosides containing unsaturated sugar residues have been reported, some of which have been mentioned elsewhere.^{391, 443} Condensation of the L-rhamnose perester (483) with theophylline in the presence of *p*-tolylsulphonic acid gave (484), which was also formed when theophylline and (485) were heated with phosphorus pentoxide in DMF. Elimination occurred in the sugar moiety before condensation with



⁵⁵⁴ H.-U. Blank, D. Frahne, A. Myles, and W. Pfeleiderer, *Annalen*, 1970, **742**, 34.

⁵⁵⁵ H.-U. Blank and W. Pfeleiderer, *Annalen*, 1970, **742**, 29.

⁵⁵⁶ H.-U. Blank and W. Pfeleiderer, *Annalen*, 1970, **742**, 16.

⁵⁵⁷ H.-U. Blank and W. Pfeleiderer, *Annalen*, 1970, **742**, 1.

⁵⁵⁸ V. Gut, S. Chládek, and J. Žemlička, *Coll. Czech. Chem. Comm.*, 1970, **35**, 2398.

⁵⁵⁹ B. P. Gottikh, A. A. Krayevsky, N. B. Tarusova, P. P. Purygin, and T. L. Tsilvich, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 4419.

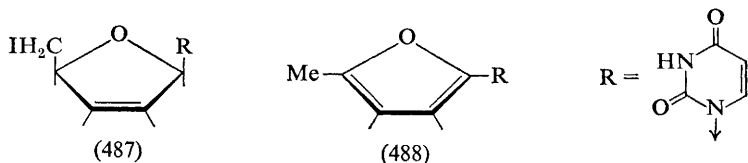
⁵⁶⁰ M. Ikehara and S. Uesugi, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 713.

⁵⁶¹ M. Ikehara and M. Kaneko, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 4251.

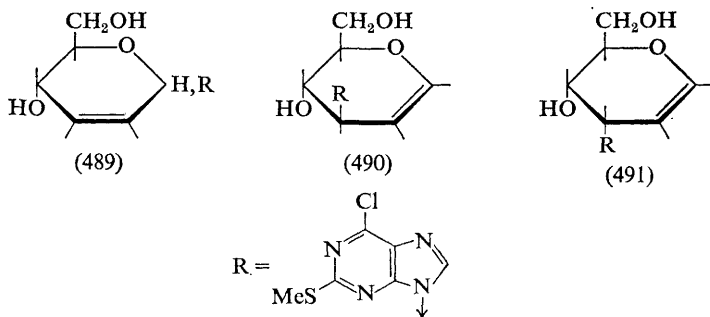
⁵⁶² S. J. Benkovic and R. C. Hevey, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4971.

theophylline, since (485) was rearranged to (486) on heating with *p*-tolylsulphonic acid.⁵⁶³ Nucleosides containing unsaturated sugars were also formed by fusion of theophylline with 2-hydroxy-D-glucal, D-galactal, L-rhamnal, 2-hydroxy-D-xylal, and 1,2,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3-deoxy-D-threo-hex-2-enopyranose,⁵⁶³ and in the acid-catalysed reaction between 3,4-*O*-acetyl-D-xylal and 6-chloropurine.⁵⁶⁴

Treatment of (487) with silver acetate in acetonitrile did not afford the expected anhydronucleoside but instead gave (488).⁵⁶⁵ Three products,



viz. (489), (490), and (491), were obtained in approximately equal proportions from the acid-catalysed fusion of 3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucal and 2-methylthio-6-chloropurine. Compounds (490) and (491) represent a new class of purine nucleoside.⁵⁶⁶



Nucleosides containing Branched-chain Sugar Components

The apiosynucleoside (492)⁵⁶⁷ and the 5',5'-di-*C*-methyladenosine derivative (493)⁵⁶⁸ have been described. Nucleosides containing phosphonate groups⁴¹⁴ [*e.g.* (420)] and phostonate groups⁴¹⁵ [*e.g.* (418)] have been prepared.

The adenine derivative (494), containing a nitromethyl group, was formed on treatment of (495) with nitromethane,⁵⁶⁹ and branched-chain

⁵⁶³ K. Onodera and T. Yajima, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 97.

⁵⁶⁴ M. Fuertes, G. Garcia-Muñoz, T. Madroñero, M. Stud, and M. Rico, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 4823.

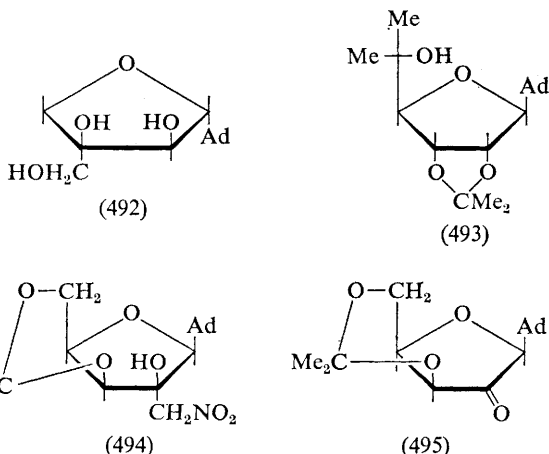
⁵⁶⁵ M. W. Winkley, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 173.

⁵⁶⁶ E. E. Leutzing, R. K. Robins, and L. B. Townsend, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 3751.

⁵⁶⁷ J. M. J. Tronchet and J. Tronchet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 853.

⁵⁶⁸ P. J. Harper and A. Hampton, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 1688.

⁵⁶⁹ A. Rosenthal, M. Sprinzl, and D. A. Baker, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 4233.



cyanomethyl derivatives resulted from condensation of pyrimidines with 1-*O*-acyl-3-cyanomethyl sugars.

Physical Measurements

The crystal structures of 3'-*O*-acetyladenosine,⁵⁷⁰ and 8-bromoguanosine and 8-bromoadenosine⁵⁷¹ have been determined.

Mass spectroscopy has been shown to be useful in the sequence analysis of nucleosides⁵⁷² and for distinguishing between anomers.⁵⁷³

Pseudouridine has been examined by n.m.r. spectroscopy at 100 MHz. The preferred conformation of the hydroxymethyl group was that in which the hydroxy-group was located over the furanose ring. The orientation of the D-ribofuranose ring was such that H-6 of the uracil nucleus resided over the sugar.⁵⁷⁴ A detailed analysis of the conformation of β -pseudouridine was also reported.⁹⁹ The following complexes have been detected in DMSO solution by n.m.r. methods: adenosine-Co-guanosine, guanosine-Zn-imidazole, cytidine-Zn-imidazole, and guanosine-Zn-adenosine.⁵⁷⁵

O.r.d. studies of purine and pyrimidine nucleosides have been reported.^{576, 577} Polarographic reductions of adenine nucleosides and nucleotides have been shown to be similar, in principle, to that of adenine itself.⁵⁷⁸

⁵⁷⁰ S. T. Rao, M. Sundaralingam, S. K. Arora, and S. R. Hall, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **38**, 496.

⁵⁷¹ S. S. Tavale and H. M. Sobell, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 1970, **48**, 109.

⁵⁷² J. J. Dolhun and J. L. Wiebers, *Org. Mass Spectroscopy*, 1970, **3**, 669.

⁵⁷³ S. J. Shaw, D. M. Desiderio, K. Tsuboyama, and J. A. McCloskey, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 2510.

⁵⁷⁴ F. E. Hruska, A. A. Grey, and I. C. P. Smith, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 214.

⁵⁷⁵ L. S. Kan and N. C. Li, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 281.

⁵⁷⁶ G. T. Rogers and T. L. V. Ulbricht, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **39**, 414.

⁵⁷⁷ G. T. Rogers and T. L. V. Ulbricht, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **39**, 419.

⁵⁷⁸ B. Janik and P. J. Elving, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 235.

The mechanisms of the acid-catalysed hydrolysis of D-ribo- and deoxy-D-ribo-purine nucleosides have been examined by spectrophotometric methods, and were shown to involve specific, hydronium-ion catalysis.⁵⁷⁹ It was proposed that hydrolysis involved initial protonation of the base followed by a rate-determining cleavage of the glycosidic bond, *i.e.* the mechanism is akin to that of the hydrolysis of glycosides with acids.

Complex formation between Cu^{II} and D-ribo- and deoxy-D-ribo-nucleosides has been studied. Above pH 6, complex formation occurred only with the sugar moiety, and the deoxy-D-ribose nucleosides did not complex.⁵⁸⁰

⁵⁷⁹ J. A. Zoltewicz, D. F. Clark, T. W. Sharpless, and G. Grahe, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1741.

⁵⁸⁰ H. Reinert and R. Weiss, *Z. physiol. Chem.*, 1969, **350**, 1321.

Periodate Oxidation

A colorimetric procedure has been described for the quantitative micro-determination of glycolic acid produced by periodate oxidation of ketoses. Interference by glyoxylic acid, formaldehyde, periodate, and iodate has been eliminated so that the glycolic acid can be estimated directly in oxidation mixtures.⁵⁸¹ Glyoxylic or glycolic acids were formed in reactions between periodate and 2-ketoses depending on whether oxidation occurred preferentially between C-1 and C-2 or C-2 and C-3 of the ketose. Previous studies of these reactions have been complicated by a further oxidation of glyoxylic acid with periodate. However, in 0.1N sulphuric acid no such over-oxidation occurred. Careful analysis of the products of periodate-oxidised ketoses has been carried out to assess the importance of steric factors in influencing attack at the C(1)–C(2) and the C(2)–C(3) bonds.^{581a} Perseulose is initially oxidised by periodic acid between C-1 and C-2 to a greater extent than between C-2 and C-3.⁵⁸²

A new method for the microdetermination of the oxidation of vicinal diols with periodate has been described.⁵⁸³ The procedure was based on the quantitative precipitation of periodate by aluminium hydroxide and spectrophotometric determination of the iodate left in solution. It was claimed that the method can be used for the determination of 0.01–0.25 μmol of diol. Experimental conditions have been developed for the determination of periodate ion and formaldehyde by polarography. The technique can be applied during the periodate oxidation of carbohydrates down to the 0.04 μmol level.⁵⁸⁴

The periodate oxidation of methyl 2-amino-4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2-deoxy- α -D-altropyranoside and its 3-amino-3-deoxy-isomer has been studied in some detail.⁵⁸⁵ The oxidations, which followed first-order kinetics only up to the consumption of 0.6 mol of oxidant per mol, were accompanied by over-oxidation. It was suggested that alternative oxidation mechanisms to

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^{581a} S. R. Sarfati and P. Szabó, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 441.

⁵⁸² P. Fleury, J. E. Courtois, and D. Darzens-Souloumiac, *Ann. pharm. franç.*, 1970, **28**, 17.

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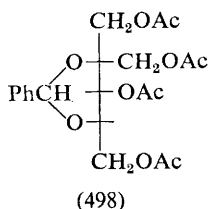
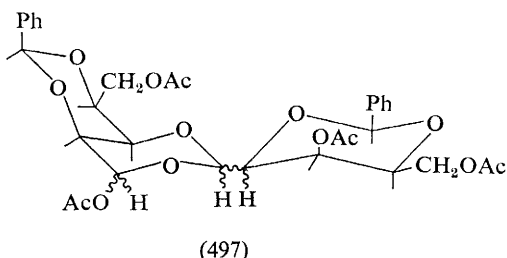
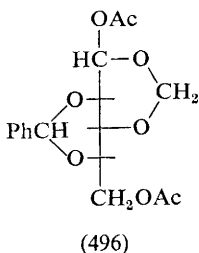
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those which operate for the six 'normal' amino-sugars (Vol. 3, p. 166) must operate for the aminoaltriosides.

Oxidation of *D-glycero-D-gulo*-heptono-1,4-lactone with 1 mol of periodate afforded *D-arabinose*; this behaviour contrasts with that of other γ -lactones where the side-chain is cleaved preferentially.⁵⁸⁶

The oxidations of 2,4-*O*-benzylidene-*D*-glucitol with lead tetra-acetate and with sodium periodate have been studied.⁵⁸⁷ With the former reagent, the anomers of (496) and the dimer (497) were isolated following acetylation,



whereas with sodium periodate the only product isolated after acetylation was (498), many other products were detected in the oxidation mixtures. Oxidation of (264) with periodate also gave a dimeric product³⁵⁵ (Chapter 12).

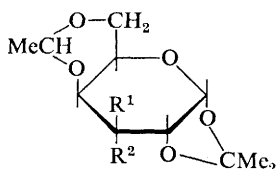
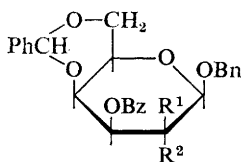
DMSO-based Oxidations

Sequences using oxidation with Ac_2O -DMSO followed by borohydride reduction afforded convenient procedures for inverting the configuration at a carbon atom in sugar derivatives. Thus, 2,3,6-tri-*O*-methyl- α -*D*-galactose was obtained from the corresponding methyl *D*-glucoside,¹⁰⁹ and the *D*-galactopyranose derivative (499) was converted into the *D*-gulopyranose derivative (500).⁵⁸⁸ Similarly, the *D*-galactopyranose derivative (501) was transformed into the *D*-talopyranose derivative (502) by oxidation with P_2O_5 in DMSO followed by LiAlH_4 reduction, thereby providing a convenient route to *D*-talose. Oxidation of (501) with acetic anhydride in DMSO afforded the 2-methylthiomethyl ether and not the expected hexopyranosid-2-ulose.⁵⁸⁸

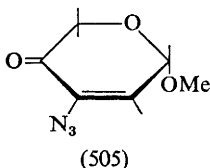
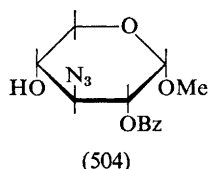
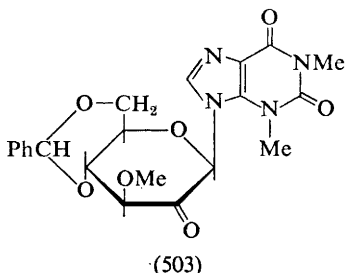
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⁵⁸⁸ G. J. F. Chittenden, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 101.

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Related oxidations of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-3-*S*-phenyl-3-thio- α -D-altropyranoside (317) and the isomeric 2-*S*-phenyl-2-thio-compound⁵⁸⁸ have been discussed in Chapter 14, and the theophylline derivative (503) has been prepared by oxidation of the corresponding alcohol with Ac_2O -DMSO.⁵⁸⁹



Oxidation of (504) with the Pfizzner-Moffatt reagent afforded (505) and not the expected 4-ulose.¹⁷⁴

Other Oxidations

D-Glucal has been selectively oxidised to the enose (287) in 60–80% yield with silver carbonate on Celite⁵⁷⁶ (Fétizon's reagent). Oxidation of aldohexoses and ketohexoses with Ag^{III} has been studied;⁵⁹⁰ at 30 °C, aldohexoses required 12 equivalents and ketohexoses required 14 equivalents of the oxidant. Complete oxidation occurred at 80 °C and 24 equivalents of the oxidant were required by both classes. The complete oxidation of aldoses with Cu^{III} compounds has been reported.⁵⁹¹

The oxidations of 1-*O*-benzoyl-2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-gulitol, -D-allitol, -DL-galactitol, and -D-mannitol with the chromium trioxide-

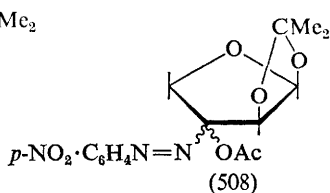
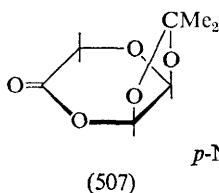
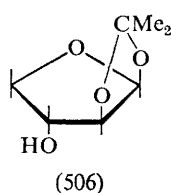
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⁵⁹⁰ P. K. Jaiswal, *Microchem. J.*, 1970, 15, 122.

⁵⁹¹ P. K. Jaiswal, *Microchem. J.*, 1970, 15, 434.

pyridine complex have been compared.⁵⁹² Only the galactitol derivative was oxidised smoothly to the 4-ulose, and it was suggested that in the other isomers the formation of the chromate ester intermediate is impeded by a 1,4-*cis*-interaction with the 1-*O*-benzoyl substituent. The 4-hydroxy- and 1-benzoate groups are *trans*-orientated about the 2,3-dioxolan ring in the galactitol derivative so that chromate ester formation is not impeded. Attention has been drawn to the use of chromium trioxide in acetic acid as a reagent for oxidative demethylation. For example, 1,2,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3-*O*-methyl- α -D-glucopyranose was converted into 1,2,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-3-*O*-formyl- α -D-glucopyranose in 64% yield, but attempts to selectively hydrolyse the formate ester were unsuccessful.⁵⁹³ Benzyl ethers were similarly oxidised to benzoic esters. The use of chromium trioxide in acetic acid in the oxidation of cyclic acetals¹⁴⁰ has been noted in Chapter 5.

Ruthenium tetroxide has been used in the synthesis of some of the uloses described in Chapters 15 and 16. Ruthenium tetroxide oxidation of (506) gave the ring-expanded product (507) in addition to the 3-ulose derivative



(355).⁴⁰⁵ Lead tetra-acetate oxidation of the *p*-nitrophenylhydrazone derived from (355) afforded the *gem*-azoacetate (508).

Although the reagent has not yet been applied to carbohydrate derivatives, iodonium nitrate was found to oxidise alcohols to carbonyl compounds.⁵⁹⁴

Manganese dioxide was found to be a convenient, selective oxidant for certain allylic alcohol groups (*e.g.* 315; R = CH₂OH).³⁸⁵ It is notable that the β -anomer of the pentose analogue of (315; R = H) was resistant to oxidation by manganese dioxide.

Reduction

Optimum conditions for the reduction of D-xylose to xylitol using Raney nickel have been reported,⁵⁹⁵ and the hydrogenation of 5-keto-D-gluconic acid and its sodium salt with a variety of metal catalysts has been studied.⁵⁹⁶ Nickel and palladium catalysts were found to give more L-idonic acid than D-gluconic acid particularly if the catalysts were pre-treated with sodium borohydride. The mechanism of these hydrogenations was discussed.

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⁵⁹⁴ U. E. Diner, *J. Chem. Soc. (C)*, 1970, 676.

⁵⁹⁵ A. Tuskui, W. Tanimura, and K. Suminoe, *J. Agric. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **44**, 96.

⁵⁹⁶ C.-Y. Chen, H. Yamamoto, and T. Kwan, *Chem. and Pharm. Bull. (Japan)*, 1970, **18**, 1305.

N.M.R. Spectroscopy and Conformational Features of Carbohydrates

As in previous volumes, n.m.r. spectroscopy and stereochemical aspects of carbohydrate chemistry will be treated together. This year the potential importance of ^{13}C and ^{19}F studies in stereochemical analysis has become even more obvious.

The use of europium tris(dipivaloylmethane) as a reagent for simplifying otherwise complex n.m.r. spectra has been demonstrated.³ Unequivocal assignments were made for all the protons in 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose using the europium complex, whereas such assignments are not possible with the normal 100 MHz spectrum.

A new convention for designating sugar conformations¹⁰ was referred to in Chapter 2.

Pyranoid Systems

General Observations on Model Compounds.—A number of reports on conformational features of tetrahydropyran derivatives have appeared. The favoured conformation of the anomeric alkoxy-group in substituted 2-alkoxytetrahydropyrans has been estimated by dipolemetric measurements.⁵⁹⁷ The conclusions reached were similar to those obtained by n.m.r. methods, which used coupling constants and chemical shift data to assign conformations and configurations.⁵⁹⁸ For compounds with chloro substituents, the characteristic C—Cl i.r. stretching frequencies were used to confirm the n.m.r. assignments. Conformational studies of dialkoxy-2,6-tetrahydropyrans and 2,6-fused, bicyclic tetrahydropyrans have also been reported.⁵⁹⁹ Results from n.m.r. and dipole moment measurements were in good agreement, and the latter measurements also permitted estimates of the preferred rotamer states of the 2-methoxy-groups to be given.

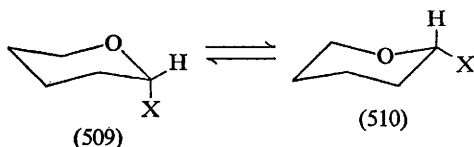
The equilibrium between (509) and (510) in acetonitrile and carbon tetrachloride solutions has been studied by n.m.r. spectroscopy.⁶⁰⁰ For

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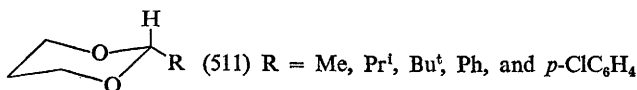
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⁶⁰⁰ N. S. Zefirov and N. M. Shekhtman, *Zhur. org. Khim.*, 1970, 6, 863; *J. Org. Chem. (U.S.S.R.)*, 1970, 6, 863.



X = N₃, NCO, or OAc, the conformer (509) preponderated, whereas (510) was the major conformer for X = NHAc.

Many of the factors which affect the conformations adopted by 1,3-dioxans, 1,3-dithians, and other saturated heterocyclic molecules have been summarised,⁶⁰¹ and another detailed paper has described the n.m.r. spectra and conformations of 1,3-dioxan derivatives.⁶⁰² Particular attention was focused on the use of CCl₄-C₆D₆ solvent shifts for assigning signals. A 220 MHz n.m.r. spectral analysis of some 2-substituted 1,3-dioxans (511)



showed that there was no significant difference between the vicinal coupling constants of the C-4, C-5, and C-6 protons for the various R groups investigated, thereby showing that the ring-geometry was little affected by the nature of the substituent.⁶⁰³

Various isomers and derivatives of quinic acid have been prepared and their stereochemistry determined by n.m.r. methods.⁴⁷¹

General Observations on Pyranoid Compounds.—A survey⁶⁰⁴ of nearly 300 methyl glycosides has shown that in 209 compounds, where the methoxy-group was either axial or pseudoaxial in CDCl₃, 93% of the signals were in the range τ 6.52—6.70, whereas in 74 compounds where the methoxy-group was equatorial or pseudoequatorial, 76% of the signals were in the range τ 6.36—6.50. It has been suggested⁶⁰⁵ that in 6-deoxypyranose derivatives, the 6-methyl doublet will resonate at higher field in the α -anomers than in the β -anomers as a consequence of electronic effects associated with the anomeric centre. Thus, configurational assignments at the anomeric centre can be made by comparison of the chemical shifts of the 6-methyl groups in mixtures of anomers.

The n.m.r. spectra of a series of sulphated monosaccharide derivatives have been measured.⁶⁰⁶ It was found that H-1 *eq.* protons were deshielded by 0.27 p.p.m. by a *cis-eq.* 2-sulphate group and by 0.6 p.p.m. by an *eq.* 3-sulphate group; H-1 *ax.* protons were deshielded by 0.18 p.p.m. by an *eq.*

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⁶⁰² K. Pihlaja and P. Äyräs, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 531.

⁶⁰³ H. R. Buys and E. L. Eliel, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 2779.

⁶⁰⁴ A. Konowal and A. Zamojski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1607.

⁶⁰⁵ H. B. Sinclair and R. T. Sleeter, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1970, 833.

⁶⁰⁶ M. J. Harris and J. R. Turvey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 57.

2-sulphate group. Attention has been drawn⁶⁰⁷ to the pronounced shielding effects on C-2 acetyl groups of 1-*O*-arylacetyl and 1-*O*-indolylacetyl groups in acetylated D-glucopyranoses, where C-2 acetyl groups appear at unusually high field (τ 8.18—8.43).

Detailed n.m.r. analyses of a number of acetylated carbohydrate derivatives bearing 1,3-*O*-ethylidene or nitro substituents have been reported.⁶⁰⁸ Possible reasons for benzene-induced chemical shifts in these compounds have been discussed, and a structure for a benzene-2-methyl-1,3-dioxan collision complex has been postulated.

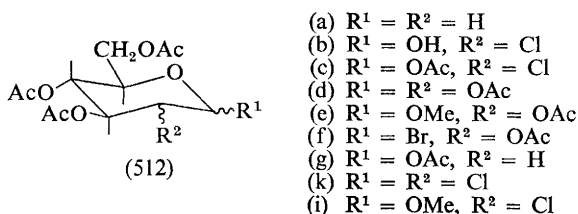
N.m.r. spectroscopy and other methods have been used to study the solid-state transitions of levoglucosan and related 1,6-anhydrohexopyranoses.⁶⁰⁹

Application of the INDOR technique in the determination of coupling constants in complex n.m.r. spectra has been described. Examples of the use of the method included the spectra of sucrose octa-acetate and 2-deoxy-D-arabino-hexopyranose.⁶¹⁰

N.m.r. spectra of fully trimethylsilylated oligosaccharides have been studied, and permitted determination of the configuration of glycosidic linkages.⁶¹¹

Specific Pyranoid Compounds.—Identification of the positions of substitution in partially and fully methylated derivatives of D-galactopyranose was shown to be feasible.⁶¹² The methylated D-galactose derivatives were converted into the corresponding methyl glycosides and then perdeuterio-methylated, whereafter the n.m.r. spectra of the products in benzene were compared with the assigned spectra of methyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-methyl- α - and - β -D-galactopyranosides.

The n.m.r. parameters of a series of α - and β -D-glucopyranose and α -D-mannopyranose derivatives of general formula (512) have been examined.⁶¹³ Stereochemical and electronic factors were shown to be



⁶⁰⁷ N. Pravdić and D. Keglević, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 193.

⁶⁰⁸ K. D. Carlson, C. R. Smith jun., and I. A. Wolff, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 403.

⁶⁰⁹ F. Shafizadeh, G. D. McGinnis, R. A. Susott, and C. W. Philpot, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 165.

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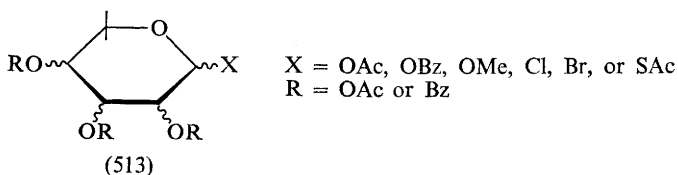
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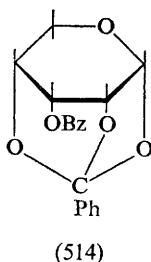
important in determining chemical shifts and the magnitude of both geminal and vicinal coupling constants.

A comprehensive n.m.r. study has been made of a wide range of aldopentopyranosyl derivatives of general formula (513), in which the



conformational equilibria between the two possible chair forms were considered.⁶¹⁴ The results obtained were discussed in detail with respect to the effect of steric and electronic factors, and with particular regard to the effect of the C-1 substituents. N.m.r. spectral investigations of peracetylated *N*-aryl- β -D-glucopyranosylamine, - β -D-xylosylamine, and - β -D-galactosylamine showed that they exist in the *C1* conformation in CDCl₃ solution.⁶¹⁵

N.m.r. studies have revealed that 1,2:4,6-di-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-glucopyranose derivatives have conformations in which the *m*-dioxan and pyranoid rings adopt chair and flattened-chair forms, respectively. It was suggested that the 4,6-*O*-benzylidene substituent increases the rigidity of the pyranoid ring since there was evidently far less distortion of the pyranoid ring in 1,2:4,6-di-*O*-benzylidene acetals than in 1,2-*O*-benzylidene acetals.⁶¹⁶ A detailed n.m.r. analysis of 3-*O*-benzoyl-1,2,4-*O*-benzylidene- α -D-ribopyranose (514) has been used to test the applicability of equations



relating dihedral angles with geminal, vicinal, and long-range coupling constants.⁶¹⁷ Deviations were noted between approximate proton-proton dihedral angles calculated from a Karplus equation for vicinal couplings and those measured from a molecular model of the locked skew conformation. Moreover, no entirely satisfactory agreement was obtained between the results of equations relating the sign and magnitude of long-

⁶¹⁴ P. L. Durette and D. Horton, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1608.

⁶¹⁵ Z. Smiatacz and J. Sokolowski, *Roczniki Chem.*, 1970, **44**, 1417.

⁶¹⁶ B. Coxon, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 9.

⁶¹⁷ B. Coxon, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 321.

range coupling constants with molecular geometry and those derived from measurements on molecular models.⁶¹⁷

Configurational assignments to the anomers of 2-acetamido-5-ethoxyphenyl and 2-amino-5-ethoxyphenyl D-glucopyranosiduronic acid were only possible when the n.m.r. spectra were measured at 220 MHz.⁶¹⁸

N.m.r. studies of tosyl derivatives of methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene- α - and - β -D-glucopyranosides have shown that the 2-tosyloxy-group in the β -D-anomer adopts a conformation such that H-1 is at right-angles to the aromatic ring, and that the 3-tosyloxy-group in both anomers is orientated so that the methine proton is at right-angles to the aromatic ring of the ester group.¹⁹⁸

Furanoid Systems

The conformations of many cyclopentene and cyclopentenone derivatives have been studied by n.m.r. spectroscopy; the former assume envelope conformations whereas the latter adopt a *quasi*-coplanar shape.⁶¹⁹ The conformations of 1,3-dioxolans have been considered in detail with the conclusion that highly flexible rings are involved. Compounds with very bulky substituents showed signs of steric interactions.⁶²⁰

A number of 2,2,4-trisubstituted 1,3-dioxolans have been prepared and examined. Where one of the substituents was phenyl, the shifts of the other ring protons induced by the aromatic ring were used to assess the preferred conformation of the dioxolan ring. *trans*-4-Methoxycarbonyl-2-methyl-1,3-dioxolan is more stable than the corresponding *cis*-isomer, whereas the reverse holds for 2,4-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan⁶²¹ (see Vol. 3, p. 175).

An excellent survey of furanoid ring conformations was provided in the introduction to a paper on the favoured ring forms of some pentofuranosyl fluoride derivatives.⁶²² The cycle of pseudorotation (CYCLOPS) for furanoid rings was depicted (using twist and envelope conformations only), and the conclusion was drawn that furanoid compounds should not be considered to adopt one conformation but rather that combined conformations of one section of CYCLOPS should be postulated.

The n.m.r. spectra of the 3-*O*-benzyl and 3-*O*-*p*-nitrobenzyl ethers of 5-deoxy-iodo-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylofuranose have been measured at 220 MHz.⁶²³ The diastereoisomers of 1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-3,5-*O*-(methoxymethylidene)-6-*O*-*p*-tolylsulphonyl- α -D-glucofuranose, (515) and (516), have been prepared, and their configurations were assigned on the basis of thermodynamic data and on evidence from vicinal coupling

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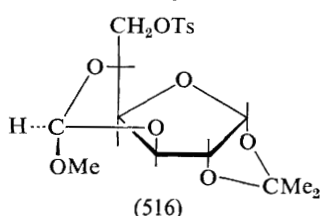
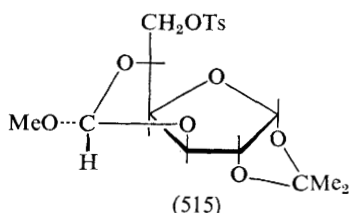
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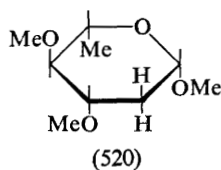
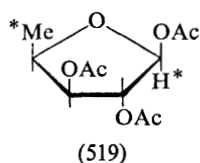
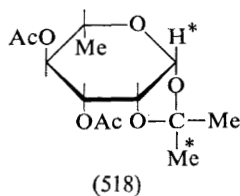
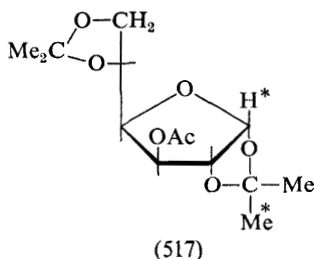
⁶²² L. D. Hall, P. R. Steiner, and C. Pedersen, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1155.

⁶²³ R. C. Young, P. W. Kent, and R. A. Dwek, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 3983.



constants obtained by a computed spectral analysis.⁶²⁴ Additionally, the nuclear Overhauser effect was used (for the first time in carbohydrate chemistry) to give a 25% enhancement of the intensity of the methylenic proton in (515) when the neighbouring *cis*-methoxy-group was irradiated.

An extensive study has been made of compounds possessing the structural unit $\text{Me}-\text{C}-\text{O}-\text{CH}-\text{O}-$. When this fragment forms part of a *cis*-2-methyl-1-oxa-5-*O*-substituted cyclopentane [e.g. (517)–(519)], ⁵*J* couplings of



0.35–0.4 Hz are observable between the methyl protons and a ring proton located five bonds away.⁶²⁵ Six-membered analogues [e.g. (520)] do not exhibit such couplings.

It has been pointed out that changes in the environment of nucleosides in crystalline form bring about changes in conformation.⁶²⁶ The 220 MHz spectra of uridine and β -pseudouridine in aqueous solution have been determined.⁶²⁷

A 60 MHz study has been made of the hydroxy-protons of the D-ribose and 2-deoxy-D-ribose moieties of common nucleosides in mixtures of

⁶²⁴ B. Coxon, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 313.

⁶²⁵ J. C. Jochims and G. Taigel, *Chem. Ber.*, 1970, **103**, 448.

⁶²⁶ H. R. Wilson, *Nature*, 1970, **225**, 545.

⁶²⁷ B. J. Blackburn, A. A. Grey, and I. C. P. Smith, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2866.

[$^2\text{H}_6$]DMSO and C_6H_6 .⁶²⁸ The observed coupling constants indicated that the O-(H5') group rotates freely about the C(5')-O(5') bond. The O-H(3') bond favours a *gauche* conformation relative to the C(3')-H(3') bond, but no such preference was indicated for O-H(3') relative to C(2')-H(2').

Acyclic Systems

The conformations in solution of the tetra-acetates of *aldehydo*-D-ribose, -D-arabinose, -D-xylose, -D-lyxose, and -6-deoxy-D-galactose, and the diphenyl dithioacetals of tetra-*O*-acetyl-D-lyxose and tetra-*O*-acetyl-6-deoxy-L-mannose have been shown by n.m.r. spectroscopy to be as expected⁶²⁹ (Vol. 3, p. 175). Similar studies have indicated the conformations in solution of the diphenyl dithioacetals of D-ribose, D-xylose, and D- and L-arabinose.³⁴⁴

X-Ray studies of nine alditols have shown that the carbon chain adopts the extended planar zig-zag conformation when the configurations at alternate centres are different, but is bent and non-planar when they are the same. The results indicated the importance of 1,3-parallel interactions in controlling the preferred conformations of acyclic molecules, and were compatible with results obtained for acetylated alditol derivatives in solution.¹ The n.m.r. spectra of the methyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-5-hexulosonates also indicated that the shape of the molecules is governed by the presence of 2,4-interactions.⁶³⁰

Heteronuclear N.M.R. Studies

^{13}C N.M.R. Spectroscopy.—Roberts and his co-workers have carried out a series of ^{13}C magnetic resonance studies of particular significance to carbohydrate chemistry. An extensive investigation of the ^{13}C chemical shifts in acyclic and alicyclic alcohols⁶³¹ was extended to the inositols and related methylated derivatives⁶³² and, finally, to six-membered oxygen-containing rings including the aldopyranoses.⁶³³ The stereochemical factors influencing chemical shifts were elucidated and, in consequence, an empirical method was developed for calculating the expected chemical shift of any carbon atom in a pyranoid ring.⁶³³ Controversy over the assignment of the 3- ^{13}C resonance in α - and β -D-glucopyranose was resolved by the synthesis of D-glucose-[3- ^2H] as illustrated in Scheme 87.⁶³⁴ A comparison of ^{13}C and ^1H chemical shifts for α - and β -D-glucose and of the corresponding hydroxy-proton resonances showed that there is widespread difference between the anomers in the polarisation of the various bonds. Thus, inversion of the anomeric hydroxy-group from an equatorial to an axial

⁶²⁸ D. B. Davies and S. S. Danyluk, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 3112.

⁶²⁹ D. Horton and J. D. Wander, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 271.

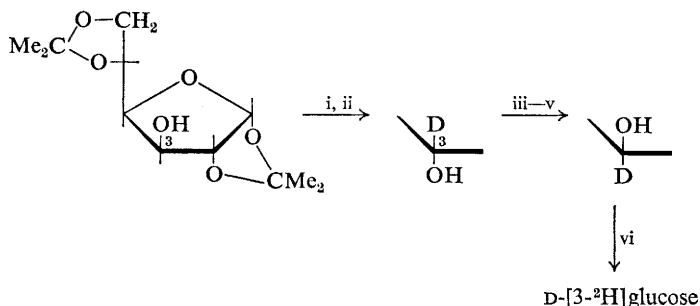
⁶³⁰ S. J. Angyal and K. James, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1223.

⁶³¹ J. D. Roberts, F. J. Weigert, J. I. Kroschwitz, and H. J. Reich, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1338.

⁶³² D. E. Dorman, S. J. Angyal, and J. D. Roberts, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1351.

⁶³³ D. E. Dorman and J. D. Roberts, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 1355.

⁶³⁴ H. J. Koch and A. S. Perlin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 403.



Reagents: i, Ac_2O , DMSO; ii, NaBD_4 ; iii, TsCl , py; iv, NaOBz , DMF; v, NaOMe ; vi, H_3O^+

Scheme 87

orientation is associated with a uniform increase in shielding of ^{13}C , a decrease in shielding of the appended protons, and an increase in shielding of the hydroxy-protons at all positions except 4 and 6, which are virtually unaffected.⁶³⁴ The effects of the configuration of adjacent carbon atoms on ^{13}C chemical shifts have been considered in more detail following a study of methyl glycosides.^{634a} N.m.r. studies on some substituted cyclohexanes by Perlin and Koch have shown that ^{13}C shieldings increase as non-bonding interactions increase.⁶³⁵ Protons are affected in the opposite sense. It was concluded that steric repulsive interactions alter the polarisation of C-H bonds making the carbon atoms more electronegative. Similar effects were found in a continuation of this work with pyranoid systems.

Natural abundance ^{13}C n.m.r. spectra of a number of pyrimidine nucleosides have been determined. The assignments made to the various carbon atoms of the sugar ring have enabled ribosides, deoxyribosides, arabinosides, and anhydro-derivatives to be characterised.⁶³⁶

It was evident from a ^{13}C n.m.r. study of 29 nucleosides that the ^{13}C resonances are conveniently divided into two groups — those arising from the sugars and those arising from the bases.⁶³⁷

^{13}C n.m.r. spectroscopy has been used in the elucidation of structure of the antibiotic hygromycin B.⁶³⁸

A preliminary report of the first ^{13}C Fourier-transform n.m.r. spectra of polyols has appeared.⁶³⁹

^{634a} A. S. Perlin, B. Casu, and H. J. Koch, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2596.

⁶³⁵ A. S. Perlin and H. J. Koch, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2639.

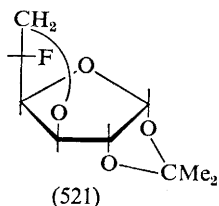
⁶³⁶ A. J. Jones, D. M. Grant, M. W. Winkley, and R. K. Robins, *J. Phys. Chem.*, 1970, **74**, 2684.

⁶³⁷ A. J. Jones, D. M. Grant, M. W. Winkley, and R. K. Robins, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4079.

⁶³⁸ N. Neuss, K. F. Koch, B. B. Molloy, W. Day, L. L. Huckstep, D. E. Dorman, and J. D. Roberts, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **53**, 2314.

⁶³⁹ W. Voelter, E. Breitmaier, G. Jung, T. Keller, and D. Hiss, *Angew. Chem. Internat. Edn.*, 1970, **9**, 803.

¹⁹F N.M.R.—A number of joint papers by Hall's and Foster's groups have illustrated important aspects of ¹⁹F n.m.r. behaviour. Thus, the angular dependence of ¹⁹F–¹⁹F geminal coupling constants has been investigated in 2-deoxy-2-fluoroglycosyl fluorides⁶⁴⁰ and related compounds.²²⁶ A full analysis of the 100 MHz spectra (¹H and ¹⁹F) of (521) has been reported



as a preliminary to the application of ¹⁹F spectroscopy to the conformational analysis of furanoid rings.⁶⁴¹ The fluorine nucleus was found to couple with all the ring protons except H-2 ($J_{1,F} = 1.5$; $J_{3,F} = 1.5$; $J_{4,F} = 7.5$; $J_{5,F} = 50.4$; $J_{6,F} = 38.3$; $J_{6',F} = 26.1$ Hz). ¹H and ¹⁹F studies of other furanoid derivatives⁶²² and, in particular, of 3,6-anhydrofuranosyl fluorides have been reported.⁶⁴² Long-range couplings between F-1 and H-4 of 4.8–6.3 Hz were detected in the latter compounds, but only very small F(1)–H(3) couplings were observed, although the geometrical relationships between F(1)–H(4) and F(1)–H(3) are similar. A ⁵J coupling of 3–4 Hz was observed between F-4 and H-1 in methyl 4-deoxy-4-fluoro-2,3-di-O-methyl- α -D-glucopyranoside.²³³

The ¹⁹F-n.m.r. spectra of anomeric pairs of trifluoroacetylated methyl glycosides have been compared. Assignments of the various CF₃ signals were made, and these measurements provided a simple and definitive method for identification of the glycosides.⁶⁴³

⁶⁴⁰ L. D. Hall, R. N. Johnson, J. Adamson, and A. B. Foster, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 463.

⁶⁴¹ L. D. Hall and P. R. Steiner, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 451.

⁶⁴² L. D. Hall and P. R. Steiner, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 2439.

⁶⁴³ J. Günther, W. Voelter, E. Breitmaier, and E. Bayer, *Annalen*, 1970, **734**, 136.

Infrared Spectroscopy

The far-i.r. spectra of D-glucose and sucrose between 500 and 50 cm^{-1} have been published.⁶⁴⁴

The anomeric configuration of steroidal glucopyranosiduronic methyl esters were determined by i.r. methods; a band in the range 1146—1140 cm^{-1} was displayed only by the α -isomers.⁷⁴ Mitchell has published further spectra (of cellulose oligosaccharides, methyl β -D-glucopyranoside, and some polysaccharides) measured at room temperature and also at -180°C , and has concluded that the markedly better resolution obtained at low temperatures occurs for highly-ordered compounds with hydroxy-groups involved in strong intermolecular hydrogen bonding.⁶⁴⁵

Studies of the i.r. spectra of a series of sulphated monosaccharide derivatives have been reported. It was demonstrated that the precise position of the C—O—S bond (810—860 cm^{-1}) depends on a variety of factors and cannot be used, as was suggested previously, to distinguish between equatorial and axial sulphate groups with certainty.⁶⁴⁶

The solid-state transitions of levoglucosan and other 1,6-anhydrohexopyranoses have been studied by differential thermal analysis, and i.r. and n.m.r. spectroscopy.⁶⁰⁹

Mass Spectrometry

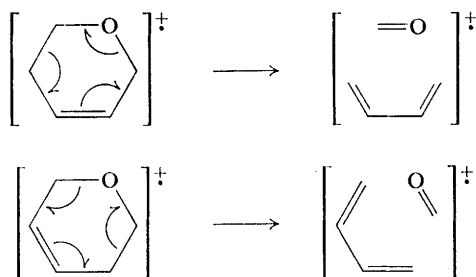
Mass spectrometry has proved to be a valuable method for locating the positions of the double bonds in various unsaturated compounds. For 2,3- and 3,4-unsaturated glycopyranosides, an important fragmentation pathway involves retrodienic cleavage whereby C-5 and O—R are lost for the first class, whereas O—R and C-1 are lost for the second class (Scheme 88). Recognition of the ions so formed provides means for locating the position of the unsaturated linkage. In some cases, however, (*e.g.* Scheme 89) thermal allylic rearrangement precedes fragmentation so that care has to be taken in interpreting the spectra.⁶⁴⁷

⁶⁴⁴ M. Hineno and H. Yoshinaga, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Japan*, 1970, **43**, 3308.

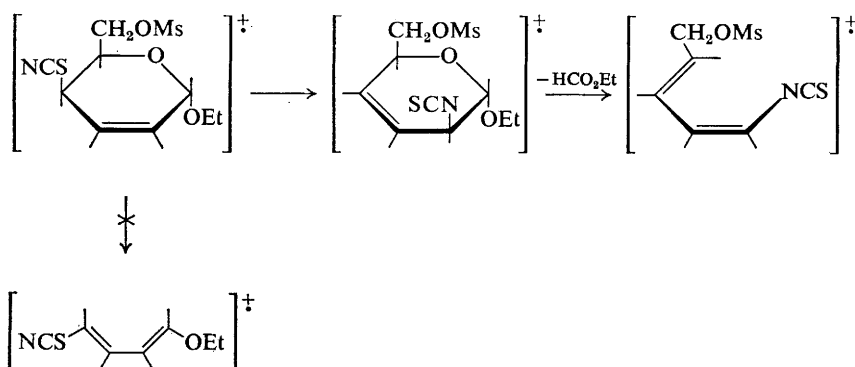
⁶⁴⁵ A. J. Mitchell, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 833.

⁶⁴⁶ M. J. Harris and J. R. Turvey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 51.

⁶⁴⁷ R. J. Ferrier, N. Vethaviyasar, O. S. Chizov, V. I. Kadentsev, and B. M. Zolotarev, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 269.



Scheme 88



Scheme 89

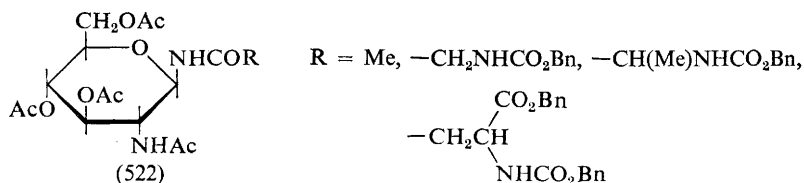
A long paper has appeared providing the fullest details available on the mass spectra of adenine nucleosides. The effects of substitution and configurational changes were examined; anomers could be readily distinguished but the configurations at other centres were less readily determinable. However, the intensity of the $M - 30$ ion is dependent on the relative orientations of the base and C-5'.⁶⁴⁷

The spectra of the trimethylsilyl ethers of D-fructose, L-sorbose, methyl D-fructopyranoside, and methyl L-sorbofuranoside have been studied. Whereas the 2-ketohexose derivatives give characteristic peaks at m/e 437 and for the corresponding methyl glycosides at m/e 379, aldohexoses and methyl aldoses give such peaks at m/e 435 and 377, respectively. Thus, aldoses and ketoses may be easily differentiated. Also, peaks at m/e 437 and 204 are characteristic of ketopyranosides, whereas peaks at m/e 437 and 217 are given by the corresponding furanosides.^{647a} Structural isomers of aldonic and deoxyaldonic acids can be distinguished by mass spectrometry of their TMS ethers, but the spectra of diastereoisomers are similar.⁶⁴⁸

^{647a} S. Karady and S. H. Pines, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 4527.

⁶⁴⁸ G. Petersonn, *Tetrahedron*, 1970, **26**, 3413.

As a basis for the characterisation of the terminal amino units in naturally occurring glycopeptides, the high resolution mass spectra of the *N*-acyl derivatives of 2-acetamido-3,4,6-tri-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosylamines (522) have been studied.⁶⁴⁹ Other compounds which have



been examined as their peracetates are rutinose⁶⁵⁰ and various naturally occurring *C*-glycosides.^{651, 652} The fragmentations of methanesulphonyl and *p*-tolylsulphonyl esters of some methyl pentofuranosides have been investigated. Attention was drawn to differences in the fragmentation pathways of the two types of ester.⁶⁵³ Detailed fragmentation mechanisms have been postulated for a number of partially methylated alditol acetates on electron impact. Use was made of specifically deuteriated alditols to obtain unequivocal assignments of the nature and origin of many of the fragments.⁶⁵⁴

Another report has appeared on the application of field ionisation mass spectrometry to aryl glucosides, which has enabled Hammett ρ values to be determined for the cleavage of the aglycone and for rearrangement.⁶⁵⁵

X-Ray Crystallography

The rate of publication of solved crystal structures continues to increase rapidly, and the situation has now been reached where generalisations can be made regarding structures and shapes of compounds in the solid phase. This is well illustrated by a paper in which the conformations of nine alditols were compared. As had been observed previously, the carbon chains adopt extended planar zig-zag conformations when the configurations at alternate asymmetric centres are different, but they are bent and non-planar when such configurations are alike.¹ These conclusions parallel those drawn for acyclic compounds in solution. A related paper has dealt with the D-glucitol-pyridine complex and also with the complex formed between α -D-glucose and urea; the primary binding forces of both complexes

⁶⁴⁹ T. Komori, Y. Ida, Y. Inatsu, M. Kiyozumi, K. Kato, and T. Kawasaki, *Annalen*, 1970, **741**, 33.

⁶⁵⁰ J. H. Looker, M. Sozmen, S. A. Kagal, and S. Meyerson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 179.

⁶⁵¹ M. Aritomi, T. Komori, and T. Kawasaki, *Annalen*, 1970, **734**, 91.

⁶⁵² A. Prox, *Annalen*, 1970, **732**, 199.

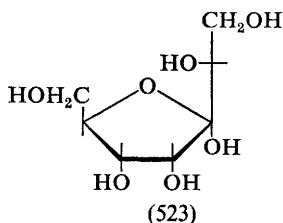
⁶⁵³ V. Kováčik, P. Kováč, and R. L. Whistler, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 133.

⁶⁵⁴ H. Björndal, B. Lindberg, A. Pilotti, and S. Svensson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 339.

⁶⁵⁵ G. O. Phillips, W. G. Filby, and W. L. Mead, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1269.

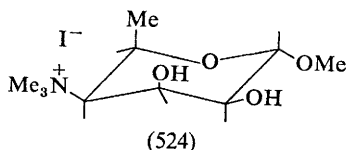
are exceptionally stable hydrogen-bonded arrangements, which overcome appreciable non-bonding interactions apparent in the crystal structures.⁶⁵⁶

Among the free sugars and their derivatives to have been examined by X-ray crystallography are the naturally occurring 3-heptulose coriose [which exists in the crystal in the α -furanose form (523)],²⁶ raffinose,⁶⁵⁷ and



1,2:3,4-di-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-chloroacetyl- α -D-glucoseptanose (Vol. 3, p. 38); the seven-membered ring in the latter compound adopts a conformation between the chair and the twist chair.¹⁵⁰

Methyl α -D-mannopyranoside assumes the *C*1 chair conformation⁶⁵⁸ but, surprisingly, methyl 4,6-dideoxy-4-(*NN*-dimethylamino)- α -D-talopyranoside methiodide occurs in the inverted chair form (524). This was



ascribed to the strong energetic preference of the bulky quaternary ammonium group for the equatorial orientation.⁶⁵⁹ Other compounds to have been studied include the methyl β -cellobioside-methanol complex (an interesting feature here is a bifurcated, intramolecular hydrogen bond between the two D-glucose rings),⁶⁶⁰ methyl 4,6-*O*-benzylidene-2-*O*-*p*-bromobenzenesulphonyl-3-cyano-3-deoxy- α -D-altropyranoside,⁶⁶¹ and the iodine azide adduct of 5,6-dideoxy-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-hex-5-enofuranose (525) (Vol. 2, p. 100).⁶⁶² The crystal structures of compounds mentioned elsewhere have been established.^{464, 465}

The structure of a new trianhydrosucrose was established by X-ray diffraction analysis.¹³⁴ Naturally-occurring compounds to have been so examined are gynecardin⁸⁷ and sinigrin.⁶⁶³ Another report on ' α -D-isosaccharinic acid' has appeared.⁴³³

⁶⁵⁶ R. L. Snyder, R. D. Rosenstein, H. S. Kim, and G. A. Jeffrey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 153.

⁶⁵⁷ H. M. Berman, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 290.

⁶⁵⁸ B. M. Gatehouse and B. J. Poppleton, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1761.

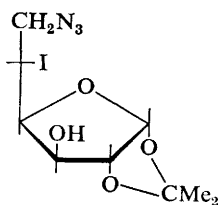
⁶⁵⁹ R. E. Cook and M. D. Glick, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1741.

⁶⁶⁰ J. T. Ham and D. G. Williams, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1373.

⁶⁶¹ B. E. Davison and A. T. McPhail, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 660.

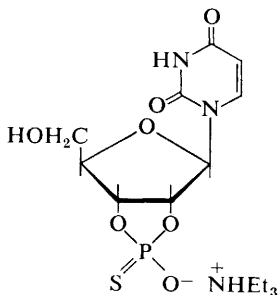
⁶⁶² J. S. Brimacombe, J. G. H. Bryan, and T. A. Hamor, *J. Chem. Soc. (B)*, 1970, 514.

⁶⁶³ R. E. Marsh and J. Waser, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1030.



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Most attention has, however, been devoted to nucleosides and related compounds, and a large wealth of information has been collected on this class of compound. The compounds which have been examined in 1970 include 3'-O-acetyladenosine,⁶⁶⁴ 2'-amino-2'-deoxy- α -D-adenosine,⁶⁶⁶ showdomycin,⁵⁰⁴ 8,5'-anhydro-2',3'-isopropylidene-8-mercaptoadenosine,⁶⁶⁷ ATP disodium salt,⁶⁶⁸ 5-iodouridine^{669, 670} (two molecules per asymmetric unit; each furanoid ring has a different envelope shape), α -pseudouridine,^{670a} and triethylammonium uridine 2',3'-cyclophosphorothioate (526). The



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latter compound is a substrate for pancreatic ribonuclease, and the sugar adopts the unusual envelope conformation with the heteroatom exoplanar.⁶⁷¹

2'-Deoxycytidine hydrochloride has a furanoid ring in the skew conformation, and the absolute configuration of the sugar was confirmed.⁶⁷²

⁶⁶⁴ S. T. Rao, M. Sundaralingam, and S. K. Arora, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **38**, 496.

⁶⁶⁵ S. T. Rao and M. Sundaralingam, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4963.

⁶⁶⁶ D. C. Rohrer and M. Sundaralingam, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4956.

⁶⁶⁷ K. Tomita, T. Nishida, T. Fujiwara, and M. Ikehara, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **41**, 1043.

⁶⁶⁸ O. Kennard, N. W. Isaacs, J. C. Coppola, A. J. Kirby, S. Warren, W. D. S. Motherwell, D. G. Watson, D. L. Wampler, D. H. Chenery, A. C. Larson, K. A. Kerr, and L. R. Di Sanseverino, *Nature*, 1970, **225**, 333.

⁶⁶⁹ A. Rahman and H. R. Wilson, *Nature*, 1970, **225**, 64.

⁶⁷⁰ A. Rahman and H. R. Wilson, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1765.

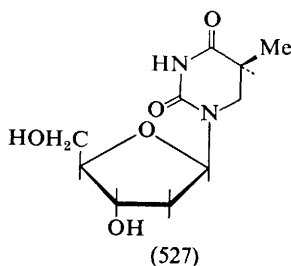
^{670a} D. C. Rohrer and M. Sundaralingam, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4950.

⁶⁷¹ W. Saenger and F. Eckstein, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, **92**, 4712.

⁶⁷² E. Subramanian and D. J. Hunt, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 303.

The dihydrates of guanosine and inosine are almost alike crystallographically; two nucleoside molecules are contained in each unit cell and both have different ring-conformations.⁶⁷³ Other workers have examined anhydrous inosine and find only one molecule in the unit cell.⁶⁷⁴

Catalytic reduction of thymidine gave only the isomer (527), the configuration at the new asymmetric carbon atom being determined by *X*-ray crystallography.⁶⁷⁵



⁶⁷³ U. Thewalt, C. E. Bugg, and R. E. Marsh, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1089.

⁶⁷⁴ A. R. I. Munns and P. Tollin, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 1101.

⁶⁷⁵ J. Konnert, I. L. Karle, and J. Karle, *Acta Cryst.*, 1970, **26B**, 770.

Developments in this area have been marked by the increased use of circular dichroism (c.d.), and there is a growing awareness that this technique has advantages over o.r.d. in many instances.

A notable development in the use of optical rotatory data has been reported by Lemieux and Martin. They followed Whiffen's pair-wise interaction approach but were able to reduce the parameters necessary for calculating the molecular rotation of a pyranoid compound to four, which they quantified by reference to suitable model compounds. It was conceded that the approach based on pair-wise interactions is oversimplified, but it still provided a useful method for calculating optical rotations of various structures and, hence, for determining the conformations of conformationally mobile species.⁴ An essentially similar approach has been used to calculate the preferred conformations of acetyl α - and β -methylcholine in solution.⁶⁷⁶

Also, in the area of monochromatic polarimetry, a correlation has been found between the optical rotation and the carbon-halogen bond refraction of acylated glycosyl halides, amongst several other classes of compounds.⁶⁷⁷ Yamana (*J. Org. Chem.*, 1966, **31**, 3698; *Tetrahedron*, 1968, **24**, 1559) has previously made similar observations regarding the relationship between optical activity and atomic refraction for these compounds.

It has been demonstrated that the molecular rotations of compounds containing 1,6-anhydro- β -D-hexopyranose structures can be calculated by summation of empirical rotatory contributions from various conformational elements of symmetry. The distortions in the bicyclo[3,2,1]octane skeleton present in such compounds were considered to invalidate calculations based on the simple approach described by Lemieux and Martin (see above). An approach necessitating the use of seven parameters for the 1,6-anhydro- β -D-hexopyranoses was developed, and an analogous approach requiring seven other parameters was applied to the 2,7-anhydro- β -D-heptulopyranoses.⁶⁷⁸

Rules for correlating the sign of the optical rotation at the sodium D line and the absolute configuration of 1,1-bis(acetylamido)-1-deoxyalditols have

⁶⁷⁶ T. D. Inch, R. Chittenden, and C. Dean, *J. Pharm. Pharmacol.*, 1970, **22**, 954.

⁶⁷⁷ D. D. Davis and F. R. Jensen, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1970, **35**, 3410.

⁶⁷⁸ D. Horton and J. D. Wander, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 83.

been reported.⁶⁷⁹ The rules are similar to those derived for benzimidazole, phenylosotriazole, amide, and phenylhydrazide derivatives.

Polarimetry by the method of continuous variations has indicated that several glucopyranosides complex with zinc chloride.⁶⁸⁰

Circular dichroism of sugar-molybdate complexes can be useful in conformational studies. For example, characteristic and complex Cotton effects were observed between 220 and 350 nm with pyranoses in which the hydroxy-groups at C-1—C-3 have an axial:equatorial:axial relationship.⁶⁸¹

A preliminary report on the c.d. spectra of cuprammonium complexes of furanosides has shown that the method is potentially useful for determining the conformations of such compounds, and the results were compatible with those obtained previously by n.m.r. methods.⁶⁸² Circular dichroism was also used in a stereochemical study of the cuprammonium complexes of pyranosides containing 1,2-diol and 1,2-amino-alcohol groups.^{682a}

Conformational analysis by the benzoate-chirality method has been extended to the sugar series by use of *p*-chlorobenzoates. Diesters of methyl 2,6-dideoxyhexosides and triesters of pentosides and 6-deoxyhexosides were investigated.⁶⁸³

O.r.d. and c.d. of a number of steroidal 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranosides have been reported, and solvent effects on the c.d. of some simple glycosides were described.⁶⁸⁴ Conformational aspects of muramic acid have been discussed on the basis of c.d. measurements; it appears that O-3 of the 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose residue and the double bond of the carboxylic ester group are eclipsed.⁶⁸⁵

The c.d. spectra of several sugar formazans and their peracetates have been recorded and, as expected, the signs of the Cotton effect curves correlate with the configuration at C-3.⁶⁸⁶

Several studies on nucleosides have been reported. A rule previously formulated to relate the o.r.d. spectra of pyrimidine D-ribonucleosides with their molecular features has been refined: the sign of the long-wavelength Cotton effects will be positive if (i) the preferred conformation is such that the sugar-base torsion angle is within the range -75° to $+105^\circ$, and (ii) a line from C-4 through C-2 of the base passes from above to below the plane of the furanoid ring.⁵⁷⁶ The same group also discussed the relationship between the sign and the magnitude of the long-wavelength Cotton

⁶⁷⁹ A. S. Cerezo, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **15**, 315.

⁶⁸⁰ N. J. Richards and D. G. Williams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 409.

⁶⁸¹ W. Voelter, G. Kuhfittig, G. Schneider, and E. Bayer, *Annalen*, 1970, **734**, 126.

⁶⁸² S. T. K. Bukhari and R. D. Guthrie, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 469.

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⁶⁸³ N. Harada, H. Sato, and K. Nakanishi, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 1691.

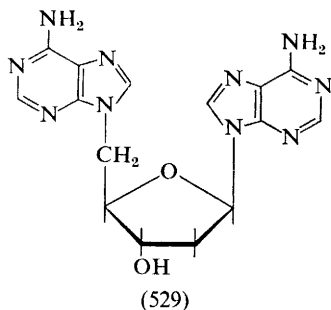
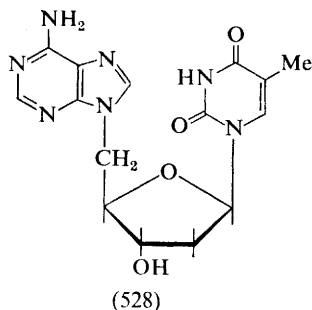
⁶⁸⁴ D. K. Fukushima and M. Matsui, *Steroids*, 1969, **14**, 649.

⁶⁸⁵ I. Listowsky, G. Avigad, and S. Englard, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 2186.

⁶⁸⁶ L. Mester, G. Vass, and M. Mester, *Z. Chem.*, 1970, **10**, 395.

effect of purine nucleosides and molecular conformations. A correlation diagram was provided.⁶⁸⁷

For the study of the o.r.d. and c.d. of 'double-headed nucleosides', 5'-(adenin-9-yl)-5'-deoxythymidine (528) and 5'-(adenin-9-yl)-2,5'-dideoxy-



adenosine (529) have been synthesised from 5'-tosyl precursors by displacement of the tosyloxy-group with the sodium salt of adenine in DMF. The c.d. spectra of (528) and (529) show significant changes from the spectra of thymidine and adenosine.⁶⁸⁸

⁶⁸⁷ G. T. Rogers and T. L. V. Ulbricht, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **39**, 419.

⁶⁸⁸ R. Fecher, K. H. Boswell, J. J. Wittick, and T. Y. Shen, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 105.

Chromatographic Methods

Gas-Liquid Chromatography.—Reduction of oligo- and poly-saccharides followed by hydrolysis with acid gives a mixture of free sugars and polyols in a ratio which depends upon the molecular weight of the polymer. A model study has now been carried out on the determination of these ratios by g.l.c. of the TMS derivatives; the method appears to be of value as a means of determining the degree of polymerisation. It was noted that ethers of free sugars gave slightly lower responses from a flame ionisation detector than did ethers of polyols.⁶⁸⁹ A further publication, giving an extensive survey of the relevant literature, has appeared on the analysis of free sugar mixtures (of the type obtained by hydrolysis of glycoproteins) by g.l.c. of the TMS ethers. Free sugars were anomerised before silylation, and molar response factors (flame ionisation detectors) were determined prior to evaluation of the results.⁶⁹⁰ Hydrolysates of biological substances (*e.g.* saliva, bile, urine) have also been examined for carbohydrate constituents by g.l.c. of their TMS ethers,⁶⁹¹ and a simple, rapid, isothermal g.l.c. method for the analysis of mixtures of the non-acidic carbohydrate components of glycoproteins has been reported.⁶⁹² A further report on the g.l.c. of trimethylsilylated sugars has appeared.⁶⁹³

Gas chromatography and mass spectrometry have been used in combination for the analysis of disaccharides containing simple sugars and amino-sugars. The disaccharides were reduced to the alditols with sodium borodeuteride and were separated by g.l.c. after methylation. The position of the glycosidic linkage was then determined by mass spectrometry. Differentiation between 1 → 4- and 1 → 3-linked glycosylalditols was not possible without deuterium labelling, but 1 → 6-linked compounds could be distinguished by the presence of a fragment containing carbon atoms 1—4 of the alditol moiety. *N*-Methylation of *N*-acetamido-sugars was

⁶⁸⁹ G. G. S. Dutton, P. E. Reid, J. J. M. Rowe, and K. L. Rowe, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **47**, 195.

⁶⁹⁰ P. E. Reid, B. Donaldson, D. W. Secret, and B. Bradford, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **47**, 199.

⁶⁹¹ T. Gheorghiu and K. Oette, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **48**, 430.

⁶⁹² P. E. Reid, B. Donaldson, D. W. Secret, and B. Bradford, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **47**, 199.

⁶⁹³ B. Arreguin and J. Taboada, *J. Chromatog. Sci.*, 1970, **8**, 187.

achieved by the use of methyl iodide in the presence of the methylsulphinyll carbanion.⁶⁹⁴

Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry was also used in a detailed study of the TMS derivatives of several sugar phosphates. Such ethers of aldohexose 6-phosphates, ketohexose 1- and 6-phosphates, aldopentose 5-phosphates, and hexonic acid 6-phosphates give characteristic mass spectra which can be used to identify these types of compound.¹⁸⁴ The enzymic condensation of glyceraldehyde and dihydroxyacetone phosphate was monitored by g.l.c. of the TMS derivatives of the sugar phosphates.¹⁸⁵

Monomethyl ethers of D-glucose on reduction to the alditols followed by conversion to the trifluoroacetyl esters gave products which were readily separable. Trifluoroacetylation is sufficiently fast for the procedure to be used for routine analysis.⁶⁹⁵ 2-Amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose and -D-galactose can be separated as their methyl 2-deoxy-3,4,6-tri-O-(trifluoroacetyl)-2-trifluoroacetamido-glycosides.⁶⁹⁶

Thermal fragmentation products of specifically labelled [¹⁴C]sorboses and [6-³H]sorbse have been separated and identified by gas radiochromatography.⁶⁹⁷

Column and Ion-exchange Chromatography.—In separations of monosaccharides in aqueous ethanol on ion-exchange resins in their lithium and sulphate forms, sugars were generally eluted in the order of increasing molecular weight. Most monosaccharides were conveniently separated in 86–90% ethanol on an anion-exchange resin in the sulphate form. With oligosaccharides there exists a linear relationship between the logarithm of the distribution coefficient and the number of monomeric units.⁶⁹⁸ Sugar phosphates complexed with borate can be eluted from ion-exchange resins using gradient elution with ammonium chloride; phosphorylated glycolysis intermediates can be separated and recovered efficiently by this method.⁶⁹⁹

Separation of seven 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-hexoses²⁷⁴ and all the methyl ethers of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose⁷⁰⁰ has been achieved by ion-exchange chromatography. Adenosine, guanosine, uridine, and cytidine have also been separated quantitatively.⁷⁰¹ A procedure involving the use of charcoal columns and paper and ion-exchange chromatography has been reported for the isolation of pseudouridine from human urine.⁷⁰²

⁶⁹⁴ J. Kärkkäinen, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 27.

⁶⁹⁵ D. Anderle and P. Kováč, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 419.

⁶⁹⁶ D. J. Casagrande, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 537.

⁶⁹⁷ K. Heyns and R. Hauber, *Annalen*, 1970, **733**, 159.

⁶⁹⁸ E. Martinsson and O. Samuelson, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **50**, 429.

⁶⁹⁹ G. Bedetti, G. D'Agnolo, and F. Pocchiari, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 53.

⁷⁰⁰ G. A. Adams, M. Yaguchi, and M. B. Perry, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 267.

⁷⁰¹ R. C. Van Den Bos, G. J. Van Kamp, and R. J. Planta, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **35**, 32.

⁷⁰² R. T. Markiw, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **47**, 111.

Paper Chromatography and Electrophoresis.—Various aryl β -D-glucosides have been separated using different solvent systems, and components were detected with a reagent containing aniline and phosphoric acid.⁷⁰³

The R_F values of sucrose, glucose, and fructose in many solvent systems have been tabulated.⁷⁰⁴

A simple and rapid electrophoretic method for separating hexuronic acids in electrolytes of the acetates of various metals has been described. The best results were obtained with barium and zinc.⁷⁰⁵

Thin-layer Chromatography.—A densitometric method for determining monosaccharides on t.l.c. plates involves detection with aniline-diphenylamine-phosphoric acid and photography on Polaroid film.⁷⁰⁶ Another general procedure is applicable to the quantitative recovery of sugars from silica-gel plates.⁷⁰⁷ Perchloric acid is a useful reagent for the detection of sugars and their derivatives on cellulose t.l.c. plates.⁷⁰⁸ The rapid separation of arabinose, ribose, and xylose from all other sugars (except fucose) which are normally found in biological fluids has been described.⁷⁰⁹ A double elution method was recommended for the separation of sorbose from other common monosaccharides and for use in its quantitative determination.⁷¹⁰

Amongst the glycosidic compounds to have been examined by t.l.c. are the glycosides of *Strophanthus*,⁷¹¹ various maltoside derivatives,⁷¹² mustard oil glucosides,⁷¹³ steroidal tri-*O*-acetyl-D-glucopyranosiduronic methyl esters and related glucoside derivatives (α -compounds are more mobile),⁷¹⁴ and aryl glucosides.⁷¹⁵

Adenosine 3',5'-cyclic-phosphate can be readily separated from other nucleoside monophosphates since it does not complex with borate ions and therefore has a high mobility on plates impregnated with tetraborate.⁷¹⁶

Other Analytical Methods

Methods based on enzymic procedures continue to be developed: new techniques for the assay of ribitol,⁷¹⁷ lactose,⁷¹⁸ and D-glucose, D-galactose,

⁷⁰³ J. L. Garraway and S. E. Cook, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **46**, 134.

⁷⁰⁴ F. Said, M. M. Amer, A. Abou El-Khier, *Bull. Fac. Pharm. Cairo Univ.*, 1967, **6**, 217 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **73**, 88090v).

⁷⁰⁵ M. J. St. Cyr, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **47**, 284.

⁷⁰⁶ P. C. Kelleher, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **52**, 437.

⁷⁰⁷ R. W. Scott, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 473.

⁷⁰⁸ K. Nagasawa, A. Ogamo, H. Harada, and K. Kumagai, *Analyt. Chem.*, 1970, **42**, 1436.

⁷⁰⁹ D. J. Bell and M. Q.-K. Talukder, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 469.

⁷¹⁰ M. Iglóy and A. Mizsei, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **46**, 207.

⁷¹¹ T. Kartnig and R. Danhofer, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **52**, 313.

⁷¹² R. T. Sleeter and H. B. Sinclair, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 543.

⁷¹³ M. Matsuo, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **49**, 323.

⁷¹⁴ J. J. Schneider and D. K. Fukushima, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **48**, 509.

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⁷¹⁶ J. D. Upton, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **52**, 171.

⁷¹⁷ D. R. D. Shaw and D. Mirelman, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **38**, 299.

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D-mannose, and L-fucose⁷¹⁹ have been reported. The last method was used for the determination of these sugars in glycoprotein hydrolysates.

Colorimetric analyses also continue to be developed and refined. A new medium—glycollic acid in benzyl alcohol and HMPT—has been used in place of the *o*-toluidine method for determining aldohexoses.⁷²⁰ Attention has been drawn to the interference by dextrans in the determination of D-glucose by the *o*-toluidine method.⁷²¹ The cysteine-sulphuric acid method for the determination of D-galactose has been improved.⁷²²

A procedure for the determination of 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses as their 2-(2,4-dinitroanilino)-derivatives has been described,⁷²³ and D-glucitol and D-mannitol have been assayed by oxidation with periodic acid and determination of the formaldehyde liberated with 3-methylbenzothiazolin-2-one hydrazone.⁷²⁴

The reaction of ketoses with zirconium oxyfluoride gives a fluorescent complex which can be used in microanalysis,⁷²⁵ and a fluorescence procedure has also been used to detect trioses in complex mixtures of monosaccharides.⁷²⁶

⁷¹⁹ P. R. Finch, R. Yuen, H. Schachter, and M. A. Moscarello, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1969, **31**, 296.

⁷²⁰ J. Bierens De Haan and M. Roth, *Z. klin. Chem. u. klin. Biochem.*, 1969, **7**, 624.

⁷²¹ C. S. Frings, *Clinical Chem.*, 1970, **16**, 618.

⁷²² J. A. Singer and H. Lyons, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **33**, 47.

⁷²³ H. J. Haas and A. Weigerding, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 211.

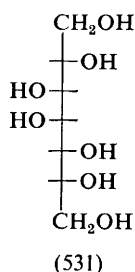
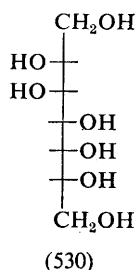
⁷²⁴ M. Pays and M. Beljean, *Ann. pharm. franç.*, 1970, **28**, 241.

⁷²⁵ H. Trapmann and V. S. Sethi, *Z. analyt. Chem.*, 1969, **248**, 314.

⁷²⁶ T. Nakai, M. Koyama, and H. Demura, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **50**, 338.

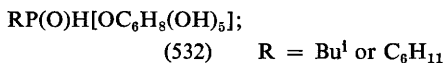
The chemistry of xylitol and its derivatives has been reviewed.⁷²⁷

Volemitol (D-glycero-D-manno-heptitol) (530) has been isolated from avocado seeds, where it occurs together with perseitol (D-glycero-D-galacto-heptitol) (531), and D-manno-heptulose; other alditols isolated from this



source were glycerol, D-arabinitol, galactitol, and D-erythro-D-galactooctitol.⁷²⁸ Perseitol and volemitol also occur in *Sedum* species,⁷²⁹ and the former heptitol was found among the alditols extracted from Pichi tops (the dried herbage of *Fibiana imbricata*).⁷³⁰ Clusianose, a sugar extracted from the leaves of *Primula clusiana*, has been identified as 1-(O-α-D-galactopyranosyl)-hamamelitol.⁷³¹

D-Mannitol has been used as starting material for a synthesis of 3-palmitoylglycerol-1-phosphorylcholine,⁷³² and hexitol phosphinates of the general formula (532) have been prepared from D-mannitol and D-glucitol.⁷³³ The dehydration of D-glucitol in the presence of acidic resins has been examined.¹³¹



⁷²⁷ G. M. Zarubinskii, A. N. Anikeeva, L. G. Revelskaya, and S. N. Danilov, 'Synthesis, Structure, and Polymer Properties,' Nauka, 1970, p. 307.

⁷²⁸ N. K. Richtmyer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 135.

⁷²⁹ N. K. Richtmyer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 139.

⁷³⁰ N. K. Richtmyer, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 233.

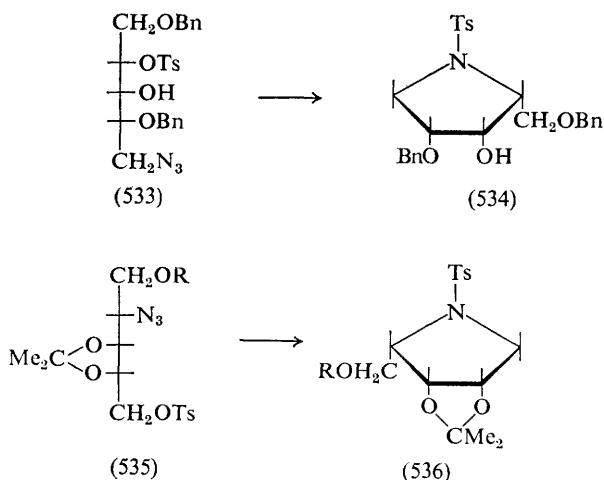
⁷³¹ E. Beck, *Z. Pflanzenphysiol.*, 1969, **61**, 360 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, **72**, 101 031c).

⁷³² H. Eibl and O. Westphal, *Annalen*, 1970, **738**, 161.

⁷³³ E. E. Nifant'ev, T. G. Shestakova, E. A. Kirichenko, and M. A. Yakunenkov, *Doklady Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1969, **189**, 96.

N.m.r. spectroscopy has been used to assign structures to the three possible 1,2:5,6-bis-*O*-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene-D-mannitols resulting from acetalation of D-mannitol with 1,1,1-trifluoroacetone,¹⁴¹ and further work has been carried out on the stereochemistry of 1,2-*O*- and 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-bromoethylidene-D-mannitol.¹⁴² 1,3:4,6-Di-*O*-benzylidene-D-mannitol was formed when D-mannitol was treated with benzaldehyde in acidified DMSO.¹⁴³ 2,3,4,5-Tetra-*O*-acetyl-1,6-dibromo-1,6-dideoxy-D-mannitol has been prepared by the action of phosphorus pentabromide on the corresponding hexa-acetate.⁷³⁴

The pyrrolidine derivatives (534)⁷³⁵ and (536),³⁵⁶ respectively, were obtained on reductive cyclisation of the azides (533) and (535) over Adam's



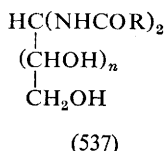
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catalyst followed by *p*-tolylsulphonylation. Azide-displacement reactions involving the 5,6-ditosyl ester of 1,3:2,4-di-*O*-ethylidene-(or -benzylidene-) D-glucitol³²⁵ and 3-*O*-*p*-bromobenzenesulphonyl-1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene-D-mannitol³²⁶ have been discussed already (see p. 74).

Empirical correlations have been made between the sign of the D-line optical rotation and the absolute configuration at C-2 of 1,1-bis(acetylamido)-1-deoxyalditols (537).⁶⁷⁹ The carbon-chain conformation of alditols in the crystalline state can be rationalised by the following rule: 'The carbon-chain adopts the extended, planar zig-zag when the configurations at alternative carbon centres are different, and is bent and non-planar when they are the same.' Thus, DL-arabinitol (LDD), D-mannitol (LLDD), and galactitol (DLLD) were observed to have extended carbon-chains, whereas

⁷³⁴ L. Maijs, A. Berzate, and G. Fisers, *Latv. P.S.R. Zinat. Akad. Vestis, Kim. Ser.*, 1970, 119 (*Chem. Abs.*, 1970, 73, 4128c).

⁷³⁵ A. M. Sepulchre, A. Gateau, A. Gaudemer, and S. D. Gero, *Chem. Comm.*, 1970, 759.



R = Me, Et, or Ph

ribitol (DDD), xylitol (DLD), D-glucitol (DLDD), and D-iditol (DLLD) were found to have bent, non-planar carbon-chains. The rule predicts the most stable conformation for other unsubstituted alditols in the crystalline state, and it also provides a means of predicting the most probable rotameric states existing in solution.¹

Mass spectral data for glycosylalditols⁷³⁶ and partially methylated alditols have been reported.⁶⁵⁴

⁷³⁶ O. S. Chizov, N. N. Malysheva, V. I. Kadentzev, and N. K. Kochetkov, *Doklady Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, **194**, 836.

Part II

MACROMOLECULES

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1

Introduction

The primary objectives of this section have followed the lines of previous Reports in this series. In view of the increasing number of relevant papers published in medical journals and in non-European languages, the journal coverage has been widened.

Chapter and section titles have been modified in keeping with developments in the various fields. Since glycosaminoglycans generally occur as glycoproteins, they have been included in the appropriate chapter. Although there is doubt in some cases whether phytohaemagglutinins contain carbohydrate, references to these molecules have been included under plant glycoproteins in view of their collective relevance to carbohydrate chemistry.

The chapter on enzymes has been considerably enlarged to include information published on carbohydrases, carbohydrate oxidases, and other enzymes which are glycoproteins. In view of possible problems of nomenclature, a sub-index incorporating the E.C. numbers is provided at the end of the chapter on enzymes. Although the enzymic activity of α -lactalbumin has not been proved beyond doubt, references to it are included in the chapter on enzymes since its structure is similar to that of lysozyme.

While not all enzymes are glycoproteins, references to all enzyme derivatives have been included in the section on modified glycoproteins in the expanded chapter on synthesis and modifications. The reader is thereby presented with all the new information on solid-phase derivatives and modes of coupling to insoluble phases.

The chapter on glycolipids and gangliosides has been re-introduced.

It is hoped that these arrangements will cater for a greater number of readers who are interested in macromolecules containing carbohydrate. Notification of any omissions will be welcomed.

Glycoproteins, Glycopeptides, and Animal Polysaccharides

Glycoproteins have been the subject of a recent review.¹ Sections are devoted to definition and distribution, the primary structure of the carbohydrate moieties and glycopeptide linkages, classification on the basis of structure, biosynthesis, catabolism, and correlation of the carbohydrate content with structure. A review on the quaternary structures of macromolecules included data on the subunit formation by some glycoproteins.²

The results of circular dichroism studies of a number of glycoproteins indicated the occurrence of significant amounts of the α -helix in some.³ A short review of the heterogeneity and structure of antibody-combining sites included information on the carbohydrate structures which act as the antigenic determinants of various molecules.⁴

Glycoproteins in which the carbohydrate moiety is bound to the asparaginyl residue of sequences of the type asparagine-X-serine or -threonine have been listed.⁵

A method for the detection and measurement of glycoproteins present on the surface or in the interior of cells involved use of an insolubilised, cross-linked concanavalin A in combination with enzymes.⁶ An automated spectrofluorimetric method for the determination of glycoproteins, glycopeptides, and certain amino-acids was based on oxidation with periodate.⁷ Methods based on histochemical processes have been described for the localisation of glycoproteins in disc electrophoresis gels, three different techniques being used to identify tyrosine, tryptophan, and carbohydrate.⁸

A study has been made of procedures used for the acid hydrolysis and methanolysis of carbohydrate moieties in glycoproteins with a view to establishing the best methods for quantitative determination of the indi-

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² I. M. Klotz, N. R. Langerman, and D. W. Darnall, *Ann. Rev. Biochem.*, 1970, **39**, 25.

³ B. Jirgensons, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **200**, 9.

⁴ E. A. Kabat, *Ann. New York Acad. Sci.*, 1970, **169**, 43.

⁵ L. T. Hunt and M. O. Dayhoff, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **39**, 757.

⁶ S. Avramers, *Compt. rend.*, 1970, **270 D**, 2205.

⁷ H. Cho Tun, J. F. Kennedy, M. Stacey, and R. R. Woodbury, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1969, **11**, 225.

⁸ K. Felgenhauer, A. Weis, and G. G. Glenner, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **46**, 116.

vidual monosaccharides.⁹ Neutral and amino-sugars in the products of hydrolysis and methanolysis were examined by colorimetric methods and g.l.c. Quantitative *N*-acetylation of 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses was carried out using a modified method. Methanolysis was found to be preferable for the release of neutral sugars from glycoproteins, whereas hydrolysis with acid was advantageous for the release of amino-sugars. Other work showed that losses of monosaccharides occurred following hydrolysis of glycoproteins with hydrochloric acid due to transglycosylation (Maillard) reactions occurring during removal of the acid by evaporation.¹⁰ These undesirable side-reactions were detected by the addition of small amounts of D-[¹⁴C]glucose to the hydrolysates.

The use of an automatic amino-acid analyser for the simultaneous determination of amino-acids (including hydroxyproline), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose has been described.¹¹ An automatic analytical system for the simultaneous determination of amino-acids and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses by the ninhydrin method, and the latter also by the Elson-Morgan method, was suitable for column monitoring.¹²

Although the differential determination of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose in mixtures by the methods of Gardell (*Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1953, **7**, 207) and Radhakrishnamurthy and Berenson (*Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1964, **10**, 562) gave identical results, the presence of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannose gave rise to conflicting results.¹³ This was due to the failure of the former method to separate 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose from 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannose, and to the identical responses of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannose in the Radhakrishnamurthy assay. In glycoproteins where 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-mannose is a constituent monosaccharide it was necessary to use the two methods in conjunction.

The optimum conditions for the automated phenol-sulphuric acid procedure for the non-specific, continuous analysis of glycoproteins and glycopeptides have been reported.¹⁴ The separation and detection of *O*-methyl derivatives of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose using an automated amino-acid analyser have been described.¹⁵

The reaction of alkaline sulphite with glycoproteins was potentially useful in differentiating between substitution at C-4 and at C-3 and C-6 of an *O*-(2-amino-2-deoxyhexopyranosyl) residue of a glycopeptide linkage.¹⁶

⁹ G. A. Levvy, A. J. Hay, J. Conchie, and I. Strachan, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **222**, 333.

¹⁰ G. Spik, G. Strecker, and J. Montreuil, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1969, **51**, 1287.

¹¹ T. A. Mashburn and P. Hoffman, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **36**, 213.

¹² M. Monsigny, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1969, **51**, 1263.

¹³ E. G. Brunngraber, A. Aro, and B. D. Brown, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **29**, 333.

¹⁴ M. C. Brummel, H. E. M. Ayer, and R. Montgomery, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **33**, 16.

¹⁵ L. M. Likhosterstov, G. S. Kikot, V. A. Derevitskaia, N. P. Arbatskii, V. I. Fedorova, and N. K. Kochetkov, *Doklady Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, **192**, 1046.

¹⁶ P. Weber and R. J. Winzler, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **137**, 421.

It was concluded, from a review of the biosynthesis of glycoproteins, that transglycosylation was initiated principally, but not exclusively, at the ribosomes, where the glycopeptide linkage was formed.¹⁷ The endoplasmic membrane region was responsible for addition of the intermediate mono-saccharide components, and a peripheral site in the cytoplasm was responsible for termination of the biosynthesis of the carbohydrate moiety by addition of sialic acid or L-fucose.

Microbial Glycoproteins

A series of extracellular glycoproteins isolated from cultures of *Candida bogoriensis* contained different proportions of glucose, galactose, mannose, fucose, rhamnose, and hexuronic acid.¹⁸ A glycoprotein extracted from the cells by treatment with alkali had a similar composition. β -Elimination studies suggested that both threonine and serine were involved in the glycopeptide linkages.

The source of contaminant 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose in acid hydrolysates of deoxyribonucleic acid isolated from various strains of *Escherichia coli* was shown to be a glycoprotein, which was not associated with the deoxyribonucleic acid.¹⁹

Physicochemical studies have been carried out on glycoproteins from the cell walls of various strains of yeast.²⁰

Plant Glycoproteins

The plant (lectins) agglutinins have been reviewed recently.²¹

The topography of the saccharide-binding region of concanavalin A and the forces involved in the stabilisation of the haemagglutinin-saccharide complex were explored using the hapten inhibition technique with a variety of deoxy, O-alkyl, halogeno, thio, and acetamido derivatives of D-glucose and D-mannose.²² It was concluded that the protein moiety of concanavalin A possessed specific binding loci capable of interacting with the oxygen atoms of the C-1, C-2, and C-3 hydroxy-groups as well as with the C-4 hydroxy-group of α -D-mannopyranosyl residues. It also appeared that the protein moiety was in close proximity to the β -glycosidic oxygen atom and the C-2 hydroxy-group of bound β -D-glucopyranosyl residues, but did not bind to the carbohydrate at these points, and that the saccharide probably became bound when in a C1 conformation. The polar saccharide binding site of the concanavalin A molecule was illustrated by a diagrammatic representation (1). Studies employing alkyl β -D-glucopyranosides as inhibitors lead to the theory that the region of the concanavalin A

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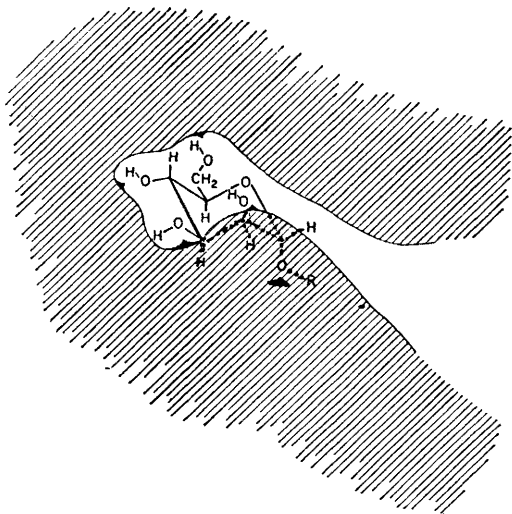
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¹⁹ Y. F. Drygin, I. A. Kozlov, and A. A. Bogdanov, *Biokhimiya*, 1970, **35**, 1014.

²⁰ T. P. Lyons and J. S. Hough, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **117**, 44P.

²¹ W. C. Boyd, *Ann. New York Acad. Sci.*, 1970, **169**, 168.

²² R. D. Porter and I. J. Goldstein, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 2890.



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molecule in juxtaposition to the aglycone of the bound glycoside was able to accommodate branching at the β - but not at the α -carbon atom of the alkyl aglycone. U.v. spectral studies on the interaction of concanavalin A with a series of glycosides demonstrated that the molecule specifically bound low molecular weight carbohydrates at much lower pH than was previously believed.²³ Although polysaccharides were also bound at low pH, they were not precipitated. Molecular weight studies in acidic media indicated that concanavalin A did not dissociate, and it was suggested that electrostatic repulsion of the molecules, due to their high net positive charge, prevented concanavalin A-polysaccharide lattice formation and hence precipitation of the complex. Concanavalin A, insolubilised by cross-linking^{6, 24} and by covalent attachment to agarose,^{24, 25} has been used for the detection, isolation, and separation of various glycoproteins.

A non-specific phytohaemagglutinin from lentil (*Lens esculenta*) seeds contained glucose and traces of xylose (1.5% total), which were considered to be genuine components of the molecule.^{25a} High aspartic acid and threonine values were noteworthy aspects of the amino-acid composition, which also showed the absence of sulphur-containing amino-acids.

Two haemagglutinins isolated from pea (*Pisum sativum*) seeds apparently contained neutral sugar (0.3%) which might be due to the ability of the molecules to complex with carbohydrates.²⁶

²³ G. S. Hassing and I. J. Goldstein, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **16**, 549.

²⁴ K. O. Lloyd, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **137**, 460.

²⁵ K. Aspberg and J. Porath, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 1839.

^{25a} M. Tichà, G. Entlicher, J. V. Koštiř, and J. Kocourek, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **221**, 282.

²⁶ G. Entlicher, J. V. Koštiř, and J. Kocourek, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **221**, 272.

A phytohaemagglutinin, which showed activity against erythrocytes from several species, has been isolated from the lichen *Parmelia michauxiana*.²⁷ The agglutinin, which is possibly a glycoprotein, contained hexose and hexitol (80% total) comprising D-glucose, D-galactose, and mannitol (1.00 : 1.76 : 1.75).

The addition of kidney bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*) phytohaemagglutinin to cultures of human peripheral blood lymphocytes doubled the rate of incorporation of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-[1-¹⁴C]glucose.²⁸ Glycoprotein II isolated from *P. vulgaris* seeds possessed a molecular weight of 1.4×10^5 , and contained mannose (3.20%), xylose (0.25%), 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose (0.99%), and traces of galactose and arabinose.²⁹ Amino-acid analyses revealed a deficiency in the sulphur-containing amino-acids.

The 12S globulins isolated from two species of rape seed, *Brassica campestris* and *B. nupus*, had similar amino-acid compositions, N-terminal amino-acids, and carbohydrate contents, viz. glucose and arabinose (1.0–1.5% total) and 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose (0.15–0.20%).³⁰ One major subunit, the 2.7S globulin, present in both of the 12S aggregates was purified by gel filtration, and its carbohydrate moiety was found to contain glucose, arabinose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose.

Rice embryo γ_1 -globulin contained hexose (18 residues), pentose (3), and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (6) as well as 1751 amino-acid residues;³¹ it had a molecular weight of 2.0×10^5 and was considerably asymmetric. N-Terminal amino-acid analyses suggested that the glycoprotein was composed of ten subunits.

It was concluded from an investigation of the biosynthesis of glycoproteins in carrot by radioactive tracer and other methods that the biosynthesis of the hydroxyproline-rich cell-wall glycoproteins of plants involved several discrete cytoplasmic steps, viz. the assembly of the polypeptide chain, the modification of this polypeptide through the hydroxylation of proline residues, and the glycosylation of most of the hydroxyproline residues with arabinose.³² Finally, the glycoprotein was transported to the cell wall.

Blood-group Substances

An extensive review of the molecular aspects of human blood-group specificity included a comprehensive section on the structures of the carbohydrate determinants of the blood-group glycoproteins;³³ the methods used to elucidate the structures are described and discussed. Descriptions of the proposed structures of the reactive groups of blood-group A, B, and

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²⁹ A. Pusztai and W. B. Watt, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **207**, 413.

³⁰ L. A. Goding, R. S. Bhatti, and A. J. Finlayson, *Canad. J. Biochem.*, 1970, **48**, 1096.

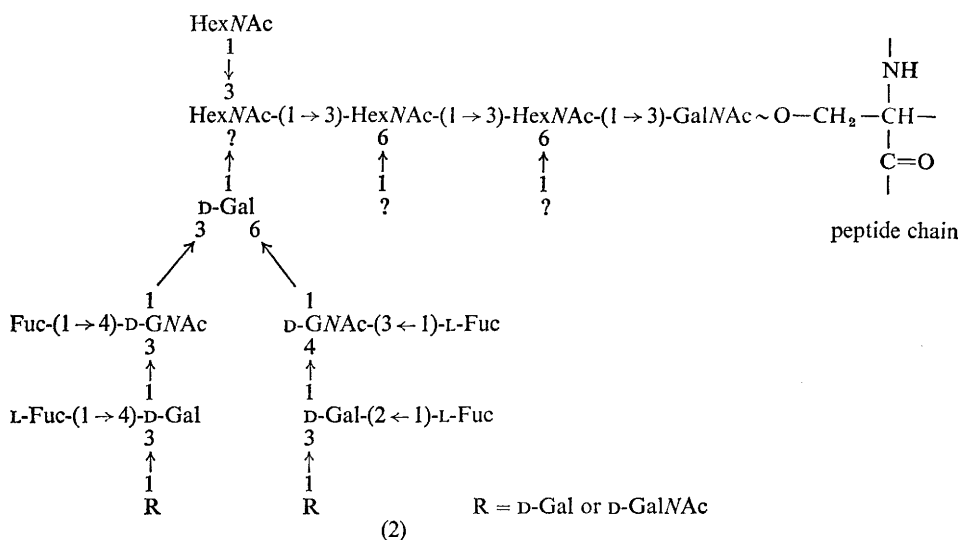
³¹ H. Sawai and Y. Morita, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 61.

³² M. J. Chrispeels, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **39**, 732.

³³ W. T. J. Morgan, *Ann. New York Acad. Sci.*, 1970, **169**, 118.

H substances are incorporated in a review on agglutinins.²¹ A shorter review on the heterogeneity and structure of antibody-combining sites included information on the carbohydrate structures which act as antigenic determinants of the blood-group substances.⁴

A general scheme for the structure of the carbohydrate chains of blood-group substances (2) was achieved by combining previously published data with new data obtained from periodate oxidation and methylation studies.^{34, 35}



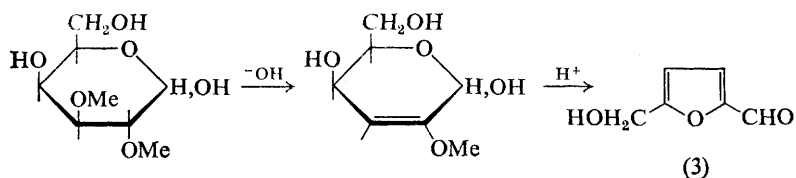
The structure of the carbohydrate chains of porcine blood-group (A + H) substance in the region adjacent to the peptide backbone has been investigated by acid hydrolysis, periodate oxidation, and degradation with extracellular enzymes from cultures of *Clostridium welchii*.³⁶ In preparation for studies involving hydrolysis with alkali, the alkaline degradation of substituted D-galactoses was studied with model compounds such as 2,3-di-O-methyl-D-galactose (Scheme 1).³⁷ Alkaline degradation of the blood-group substance was followed by measurement of the

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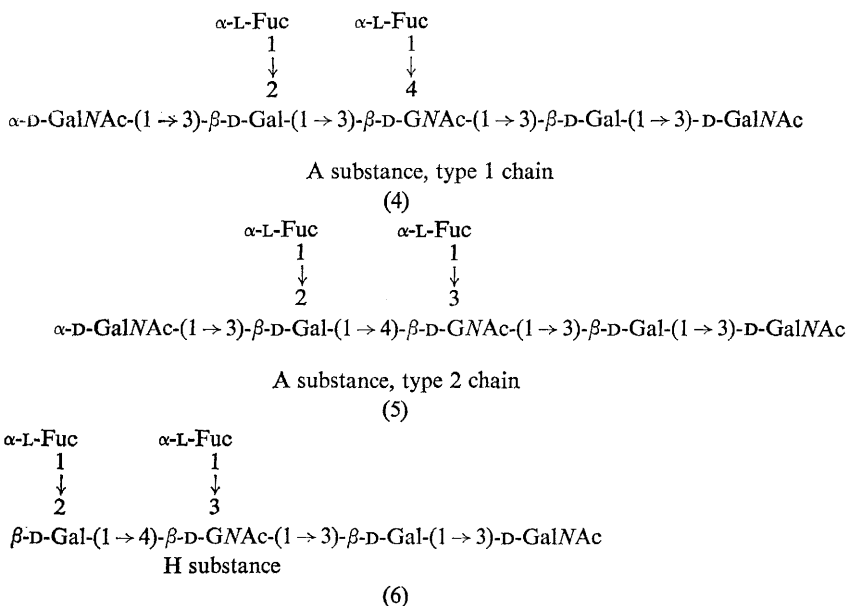
³⁶ N. K. Kochetkov, V. A. Derevitskaya, L. M. Likhoshesterov, M. D. Martynova, and S. N. Senchenkova, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, 12, 437.

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Scheme 1

degradation products 5-hydroxymethyl-2-furaldehyde (3) and metasaccharinic acid (from D-galactose) and 3-acetamido-5-dihydroxyethylfuran (from 2-acetamido-2-deoxyhexoses).³⁸ The results showed that the glycopeptide linkage contained a 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose residue, and that adjacent to this region was a chain of several 2-acetamido-2-deoxyhexose residues bound by (1 → 3)-linkages, some of these residues having C-6 branch points. Porcine α -L-fucosidase was inactive against intact porcine gastric mucosal (A + H) substance,^{38, 39} but the enzyme was active against oligosaccharides obtained from the substance after degradation with alkali.³⁹ From these studies, partial structures (4), (5), and (6) for the carbohydrate moieties were deduced, and the role of α -L-fucosidase in the metabolism of blood-group substances was discussed. Removal of



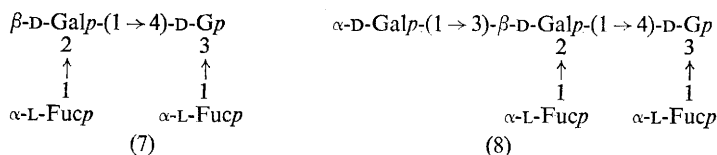
³⁸ G. Y. Wiederschain and E. L. Rosenfeld, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1969, **51**, 1075.

³⁹ G. Y. Wiederschain, L. M. Likhoshesterov, and S. N. Senchenkova, *Biokhimiya*, 1970, **35**, 831.

the *N*-acetyl groups from the terminal, non-reducing 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose residues of hog gastric mucin blood-group (A + H) substance with the A-degrading enzyme of *Clostridium tertium*, followed by acid hydrolysis and *N*-acetylation, resulted in an increased yield of the active disaccharide, *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-galactosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-D-galactose, compared with that obtained by direct acid hydrolysis.⁴⁰ The structures of other oligosaccharides which survived acid hydrolysis were *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-galactose, *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-D-galactose, *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- α -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*- β -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose. These structures were involved in a new antigenic determinant of the (A + H) substance unrelated to ABH activity.

Treatment of human blood-group H substance⁴¹ and blood-group H specific porcine submaxillary glycoprotein^{41a} with α -fucosidases resulted in loss of activity.

The structures of two blood-group specific oligosaccharides isolated from the urine of human O(H)- and B-secretors were determined by methylation of the original and partially hydrolysed oligosaccharides.⁴² The oligosaccharide characteristic of O(H)-secretors was identical with lactodifucotetraose (7), and the B-secretor oligosaccharide (8) had D-galactose linked to the D-galactose residue of lactodifucotetraose.



A new compound was found in the hydrolysates of several alkaline sulphite-treated blood-group M,N-active glycopeptides from human erythrocytes and bovine and canine submaxillary mucins. It was identified as a 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose sulphonic acid in which the sulphonic acid residue appeared to be attached to C-3.¹⁶

Alkaline degradation of an 'inactive' blood-group OG substance from human ovarian cyst fluid with sodium deuteroxide-sodium borodeuteride gave a number of compounds which were shown to be identical to compounds previously isolated and characterised from Le^a, A, B, and H substances.⁴³ These included three oligosaccharides: *O*- β -D-galacto-

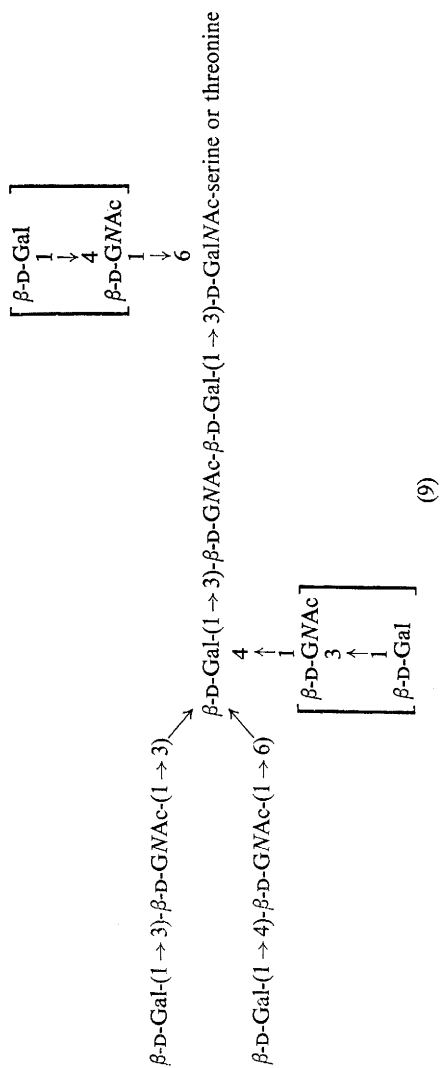
⁴⁰ M. E. Etzler, B. Anderson, S. Beychok, F. Gruezo, K. O. Lloyd, N. G. Richardson, and E. A. Kabat, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **141**, 588.

⁴¹ O. P. Bahl, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 299.

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⁴² H. Bjorndal and A. Lundblad, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **201**, 434.

⁴³ G. Vicari and E. A. Kabat, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 3414.



pyranosyl-(1 → 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 6?)-3-hexenetetrol(s), O-β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1 → 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 6)-1,2,4,5,6-hexanepentol(s), and O-β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1 → 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 6)-[O-β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1 → 3)]-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactitol. The data obtained for OG substance were consistent with the overall structure (9); the substituent bracketed onto C-4 of the 3,4,6-linked D-galactose residue could be D-galactose or a sequence capable of giving galactitol on alkaline 'peeling'. The data also indicated that the OG substance could be considered as a precursor of the blood-group A,B,H,Le^a, and Le^b substances as well as a new determinant in which an L-fucosyl residue was linked to the 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose residue of an O-β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1 → 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl) chain.

Sedimentation equilibrium techniques in a caesium chloride gradient have been applied to the preparation of blood-group specific glycoproteins from human ovarian cyst fluids, and the physicochemical characteristics of the glycoproteins isolated in this way have been defined.⁴⁴

Amphibian blood-group substances obtained from the gastric mucosa of *Xenopus laevis* and bull-frogs (*Rana catesbiana*) were glycoprotein in nature.⁴⁵ The carbohydrate moieties consisted of galactose, glucose, mannose, fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose.

A particle-bound enzyme from submaxillary glands and stomach mucosal tissue of human subjects catalysed the transfer of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose from UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose to a peptide acceptor isolated from human blood-group substance.⁴⁶ The monosaccharide was transferred in α-glycosidic linkage, and alkaline borohydride treatment liberated 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactitol indicating that the carbohydrate was bound to the hydroxyamino-acid residues in the peptide. The enzyme was distinguishable from the 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-α-D-galactosyltransferase associated with blood-group A character by its acceptor specificity.

Collagens

The structures involved in collagen have been briefly reviewed.⁴⁷

Glycopeptides from human and guinea-pig skin, and carp swim bladder collagens were prepared by sequential collagenase and trypsin digestions.⁴⁸ The glycohexapeptide, glycyl-methionyl-(galactosyl-glucosyl)-hydroxylysyl-glycyl-histidyl-arginine, was found in significant quantities in all three

⁴⁴ J. M. Creeth and M. A. Denborough, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **117**, 879.

⁴⁵ S. Yamamoto and S. Iseki, *Proc. Japan. Acad.*, 1970, **46**, 191.

⁴⁶ V. M. Hearn, S. D. Goodwin, and W. M. Watkins, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **41**, 1279.

⁴⁷ The Connective Tissue, in: Nineteenth Rheumatism Review, *Arthritis and Rheumatism*, 1970, **13**, 603.

⁴⁸ P. H. Morgan, H. G. Jacobs, J. P. Segrest, and L. W. Cunningham, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 5042.

collagens, but the carp and human collagens each contained an additional major glycopeptide identified as glycyl-isoleucyl-(galactosyl-glucosyl)-hydroxylysyl-glycyl-histidyl-arginine and glycyl-phenylalanyl-(galactosyl-glucosyl)-hydroxylysyl-glycyl-isoleucyl-arginine, respectively. The structure of the carbohydrate moiety of the former was shown to be *O*- α -D-glucosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)-*O*- β -D-galactosyl-hydroxylysine. A possible role of the carbohydrate chains in the organisation of the collagen fibrils was discussed.

Collagen peptides were found tightly bound to glycosaminoglycan proteins from human costal cartilage.⁴⁹ Although the correlation between stiffness and the chemical constituents of cartilage on the human femoral head was significant for the total glycosaminoglycan content, the correlation was not significant with respect to the collagen content.⁵⁰

Two intermediate intermolecular cross-links have been isolated and characterised from collagen obtained from bovine achilles tendon;⁵¹ one structure was relatively stable and the other was a labile aldimine.

An insoluble, collagenase-digestible, glycoprotein was isolated from bovine nasal septum by repeated homogenisation in magnesium chloride solution.⁵² The glycopeptide released by collagenase was purified; its carbohydrate moiety differed from that present in cartilage proteoglycan and from the hydroxylysine-linked disaccharide of collagen fibres.

Alkaline hydrolysis of low molecular weight collagen fractions, obtained from calf corneal stroma and pig aorta, yielded galactosyl-hydroxylysine and glucosyl-galactosyl-hydroxylysine.⁵³ A generally applicable method based on paper electrophoresis was devised for the quantitative analysis of lysine, hydroxylysine, galactosyl-hydroxylysine, and glucosyl-galactosyl-hydroxylysine. Studies have been made of the collagen contents of different topographical zones of rat, dog, and pig kidney.⁵⁴

The salt- and acid-extracted collagens from earthworm cuticle differed little in their compositions, and contained galactose (14%), mannose, fucose, xylose, 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose (2% or less of each).⁵⁵ The collagens all yielded the same ratio of galactobiitol to galactotriitol on alkaline borohydride treatment, and the oligosaccharide chains appear to be linked directly to threonine and serine residues.

Connective tissue of the invertebrate *Hippospongia gossypina* yielded two distinct collagen fibres, both of which contained a range of monosaccharide units.⁵⁶ A homogeneous glycopeptide isolated from the collagen

⁴⁹ K. T. Kao, J. G. Leslie, W. E. Hitt, and T. H. McGavack, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **207**, 367.

⁵⁰ G. E. Kempson, H. Muir, S. A. V. Swanson, and M. A. R. Freeman, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **215**, 70.

⁵¹ A. J. Bailey, C. M. Peach, and L. J. Fowler, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **117**, 819.

⁵² K. I. Bruerton and W. H. Murphy, *Proc. Austral. Biochem. Soc.*, 1970, **3**, 78.

⁵³ E. Moczar and M. Moczar, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **51**, 277.

⁵⁴ V. H. Kresse and A. Grossmann, *Z. Klin. Chem. Klin. Biochem.*, 1970, **8**, 420.

⁵⁵ L. Muir and Y. C. Lee, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 502.

⁵⁶ R. L. Katzman, E. Lisowska, and R. W. Jeanloz, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 17.

of the sea anemone, *Metridium dianthus*, contained 3- and 4-hydroxyproline (8%) and carbohydrate (30%).⁵⁷ The latter consisted of mannose, fucose, xylose, 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose (11.7 : 2.3 : 1.0 : 1.7 : 14.3).

The trace amount of a protease present in crude bacterial α -amylase was capable of cleaving the β -chains of tropocollagen to α -chains.⁵⁸ However, the protease could be specifically inhibited with phenylmethylsulphonyl fluoride, thereby rendering the α -amylase entirely satisfactory for the preparation of polymerised collagen fibrils. Tropocollagen was shown to be depolymerised by L-ascorbic acid.⁵⁹

Glycogens

A previously published method (E. Y. C. Lee and W. J. Whelan, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1966, **116**, 162) for the microdetermination of glycogen and its unit chain-length based on α -amylase and pullulanase digestion has been critically assessed and shown to be extensively inaccurate on occasions.⁶⁰ An alternative procedure (Vol. 2, ref. 333) based on the same principles was found to be reliably accurate.

The sedimentation characteristics of liver glycogens from human glycogen storage diseases have been studied.⁶¹ The molecular weight spectra of glycogens obtained from the livers of patients with types I, II, and VI glycogen storage disease were characteristic of the specific type of glycogenosis. The spectrum obtained for the glycogen of type III disease resembled either that from type I or VI. Analysis of the fine structure of the glycogen from type IV glycogen storage disease, which was superficially similar to plant amylopectin, showed marked differences between the profiles of the chain units that made up the macromolecules.⁶² The type IV glycogen contained a significant proportion of short branches, an aspect consistent with the enzyme deletion which characterised the glycogenosis. Glycogen with a lower than normal molecular weight has been isolated from human liver in a case of generalised glycogen storage disease by two methods devised to avoid destruction during isolation.⁶³

In cases of diabetes mellitus, the glycogen concentration of muscle quadriceps femoris was found to be decreased below the normal level.⁶⁴ Human blood platelet glycogen was studied ultracentrifugally under various conditions, and an isolation procedure devised.⁶⁵

⁵⁷ R. L. Katzman and R. W. Jeanloz, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 628.

⁵⁸ F. S. Steven, M. E. Grant, S. Ayad, J. B. Weiss, and S. J. Leibovich, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **214**, 564.

⁵⁹ T. Miyata, S. Kawai, A. L. Rubin, and K. H. Stenzel, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **200**, 576.

⁶⁰ W. Banks and C. T. Greenwood, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **136**, 320.

⁶¹ E. Bueding, J. Sidbury, and S. A. Orrell, *Biochem. Med.*, 1970, **3**, 355.

⁶² C. Mercier and W. J. Whelan, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **16**, 579.

⁶³ R. D. Edstrom, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **137**, 293.

⁶⁴ A. E. Roch-Norlund, J. Bergström, H. Castenfors, and E. Hultman, *Acta Med. Scand.*, 1970, **187**, 445.

⁶⁵ R. B. Scott and W. J. S. Still, *Blood*, 1970, **35**, 517.

Diethylaminoethyl (DEAE-) cellulose chromatography has been used to fractionate rabbit liver glycogen,⁶⁶ and distinct fractions were obtained using lithium chloride as eluant. The glycogen content of rabbit skeletal muscle under various conditions has been determined by enzymic assay and the results were compared with those obtained from acid hydrolysis and anthrone assay.⁶⁷ A series of reagents for the extraction of rat foetal and mother liver glycogen has been evaluated, and the amounts and characteristics of the glycogen obtained in each case compared.⁶⁸⁻⁷⁰

Glycogen was digested and cellular glycogen levels were increased during encystment in salt medium of amoeba (*Acanthamoeba castellanii*) cells.⁷¹ It was proposed that the glycogen was utilised in the formation of the cellulose-containing cyst wall.

The order of *in vivo* incorporation of D-[U-¹⁴C]glucose into starved rat livers was UDP-D-glucose > D-glucosyl oligosaccharides > glycogen, whereas in hydrocortisone-induced glycogenosis the incorporation into the latter two increased and that into UDP-D-glucose decreased.⁷² The results signified that glycogen and D-glucosyl oligosaccharides were products evolving simultaneously from the same transfer reaction catalysed by UDP-glucose-glucosyl transferase. Cyclic AMP and its dibutyl derivative had opposite effects on glycogen levels in HeLa S3 cells.⁷³ Recent advances in glycogen metabolism and its control have been reviewed.⁷⁴

Glycosaminoglycuronans, Glycosaminoglycans, and their Protein and Peptide Derivatives

Occurrence, Isolation, Measurement, and Structure.—The structures of the glycosaminoglycan-proteins have been briefly reviewed.⁴⁷

A method has been described (see p. 119) for the selective cleavage of glycuronosidic linkages in polysaccharides which involves Hofmann degradation of hexopyranuronamide residues followed by mild acid hydrolysis of the resulting 5-aminopentopyranose.⁷⁵ The pentodialdoses so produced from several model hexopyranosiduronic acids were characterised as their corresponding pentitol acetates following reduction with borohydride and acetylation.

Pulse radiolysis has been used to examine the effects of ionising radiations on glycosaminoglycans.⁷⁶ The results indicate that the presence of the

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⁶⁷ J. A. Johnson and R. M. Fusaro, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **37**, 298.

⁶⁸ R. Vaillant, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1970, **52**, 269.

⁶⁹ R. Vaillant, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1970, **52**, 751.

⁷⁰ R. Vaillant, *Bull. Soc. Chim. biol.*, 1970, **52**, 291.

⁷¹ R. A. Weisman, R. S. Spiegel, and J. G. McCauley, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **201**, 45.

⁷² H. Sie, I. Das, and W. H. Fishman, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **138**, 679.

⁷³ H. Hiltz and W. Tarnowski, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 973.

⁷⁴ C. Villar-Palasi and J. Lerner, *Ann. Rev. Biochem.*, 1970, **39**, 639.

⁷⁵ N. K. Kochetkov, O. S. Chizhov, and A. F. Sviridov, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 277.

⁷⁶ J. S. Moore, G. O. Phillips, J. V. Davies, and K. S. Dodgson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 253.

2-amino-2-deoxyhexose moiety was responsible for the enhanced reactivity of the polymers towards hydrated electrons.

A method for the determination of the sulphate contents of glycosaminoglycans on a microgram scale involved the conversion of the macromolecule into its free acid form, and reaction of the *O*-sulphate and *N*-sulphate groups with *n*-butylamine.⁷⁷ After volatilisation of the excess of reagent, the bound *n*-butylamine was released by treatment with alkali and was determined by g.l.c.

Deamination of *N*-deacetylated 2-acetamido-2-deoxyhexoses and their glycosides with nitrous acid yielded a mixture of aldehydes or ketones, which was quantitatively assayed by radiochromatography.⁷⁸ The technique was applied to the depolymerisation of hyaluronic acid, chondroitin 4-sulphate, chondroitin 6-sulphate, dermatan sulphate, heparin, and heparan sulphate. The glycosaminoglycuronans were then hydrolysed and the products subjected either to borotritide reduction or deamination and borotritide reduction, followed by radiochromatography. The data showed that recoveries of 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose and uronic acid before deamination were very close to theoretical values, whereas losses could be considerable in conventional hydrolyses. The radiochromatographic profiles before and after deamination were unique for each polymer, and served to distinguish between them with the exception of chondroitin 4-sulphate and chondroitin 6-sulphate. The data also permitted an approximation to be made of the percentage of the total 2-amino-2-deoxyhexopyranosyl and hexopyranosyluronic acid bonds cleaved by hydrolysis. The percentage of 2-amino-2-deoxyhexopyranosyl bond cleavage was hyaluronic acid (100%), chondroitin 4-sulphate (77%), chondroitin 6-sulphate (93%), dermatan sulphate (82%), heparin (< 21%), and heparan sulphate (< 45%), respectively, whereas the corresponding figures for the hexopyranosyluronic acid bonds were 49, 49, 40, > 90, 85, and 63%, respectively. These values reflect the relative stabilities of the glycosidic bonds in the different polymers. It also appeared that heparin and heparan sulphate might contain an additional uronic acid different from *D*-glucuronic, *D*-galacturonic, and *L*-iduronic acids.

Water-sorption isotherms obtained for various hyaluronic acid samples indicated that the physical state (such as degree of crystallinity) greatly influenced the water-sorption characteristics.⁷⁹ Possible mechanisms of water sorption were discussed.

A ⁵⁹Fe-labelled iron-chondroitin sulphate colloid has been used in an investigation of the iron distribution in mice.⁸⁰

⁷⁷ S. R. Srinivasan, B. Radhakrishnamurthy, E. R. Dalferes, and G. S. Berenson, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1970, **35**, 398.

⁷⁸ J. E. Shively and H. E. Conrad, *Biochemistry*, 1970, **9**, 33.

⁷⁹ A. Block and F. A. Bettelheim, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **201**, 69.

⁸⁰ Y. Nakanishi and M. Kishi, *Yakagaku Zasshi*, 1970, **90**, 170.

The o.r.d. and c.d. characteristics of dermatan sulphate were different from those of heparan sulphate thus providing a physicochemical method of distinguishing between these glycosaminoglycuronans.⁸¹

L-Iduronic acid has been shown to be a major constituent of heparin.⁸² Heparin was degraded by a sequence involving methanolysis, deamination, reduction, and hydrolysis with acid to give predominantly 1,6-anhydro-L-idopyranose and 2,5-anhydro-D-mannitol, which were derived from L-iduronosyl and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucopyranosyl residues, respectively. Products such as methyl α -D-glucopyranoside, derivable from D-glucopyranosyluronic acid residues, were relatively minor in occurrence, and the ratio of 1,6-anhydro-L-idopyranose : 2,5-anhydro-D-mannitol : methyl α -D-glucopyranoside was 5 : 5 : 1. Periodate oxidation data in the form of a threitol : erythritol ratio of 5 : 1 confirmed these results. The latter data also showed that the uronic acid residues were substituted at C-4, while other evidence indicated a 2-amino-2-deoxyhexosyl residue to be the substituent. Tritium-labelling experiments involving reduction of the methyl ester of the heparin carboxy-groups indicated that little, if any, of the 1,6-anhydro-L-idopyranose was derived by isomerisation of D-glucosyluronic acid residues. The monosaccharides obtained from heparin by treatment with heparin-induced *Flavobacterium* enzymes did not contain D-glucuronic acid.⁸³

A method involving stepwise elution from an anion exchange resin has been developed whereby tritium-labelled heparin could be stored and purified from the products of radiolytic degradation.⁸⁴ The sulphate content and molecular weight of the chromatographic fractions were inversely related to their specific activities, but the biological activity of the fractions of low specific activity was superior to that of the crude material.

The hydrolysis of a single N-sulphate residue from heparin and related hexa- and tetra-saccharides, produced by enzymic degradation, was catalysed by a sulphamidase isolated from lymphoid tissues of man, dogs, and rats.⁸⁵ Heparin and heparan sulphate were degraded to products containing α -L-threo-hex-4-enepyranosyluronic acid residues by a heparinase and a heparitinase, respectively, obtained from heparin-induced *Flavobacteria*.⁸⁶

Keratan sulphate was degraded to D-galactose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and sulphate by a multienzyme system found in an extract from a marine gastropod, *Charonia lampas*.⁸⁷ D-Galactose was liberated from highly purified keratan sulphate by an enzyme present in human and rat tissues.⁸⁸

⁸¹ A. L. Stone, G. Constantopoulos, S. M. Sotsky, and A. Dekaban, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **222**, 79.

⁸² A. S. Perlin and G. R. Sanderson, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 183.

⁸³ J. C. Karapally and C. P. Dietrich, *Canad. J. Biochem.*, 1970, **48**, 164.

⁸⁴ N. DiFerrante and E. A. Popenoe, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 306.

⁸⁵ C. P. Dietrich, *Canad. J. Biochem.*, 1970, **48**, 725.

⁸⁶ P. Hovingh and A. Linker, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 6170.

⁸⁷ M. Nishida-Fukuda and F. Egami, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 39.

⁸⁸ P. A. Öckerman, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 429.

A method for the microanalysis and characterisation of glycosaminoglycuronans from human skin, involving zone electrophoresis on cellulose acetate, avoided the use of ion-exchange columns;⁸⁹ alcian blue was used to detect the glycosaminoglycuronans. The amount of dye bound to each was dependent on the number of moles of disaccharide repeating unit and the number of dissociated carboxylic and sulphate groups per repeating unit. Combination of the technique with chemical analyses permitted the identification of several glycosaminoglycans. Comparison of the glycosaminoglycans in human skin during foetal development and adult life showed that early foetal skin contained only hyaluronic acid, chondroitin 4-sulphate, and chondroitin 6-sulphate, but at twenty times the adult level.⁹⁰ During gestation this level dropped primarily due to a fall in hyaluronic acid content, and at term, when dermatan sulphate was present, was only twice the adult level. Further changes in the composition and concentration of glycosaminoglycans occurred during childhood, but very little change was found during adult life.

Heparan sulphate has been isolated from human umbilical cords,⁹¹ and showed similarities to the material obtained from human aortic tissue in having low total sulphate and *N*-sulphate contents and relatively low electrophoretic mobility. Reaction with nitrous acid gave products which indicated a structural similarity to bovine lung heparan sulphate, although it contained fewer sulphate ester groups on the sections containing 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose and a larger proportion of sections containing multiple *O*-hexosyluronic acid-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose repeating units.

Since the cetyl pyridinium chloride-cellulose method does not permit an accurate determination of keratan sulphate in tissues and cartilages, a modification of the method was developed.⁹² Cetyl pyridinium chloride was removed from an aqueous solution of keratan sulphate and glycopeptides by extraction with isoamyl alcohol, and the aqueous phase was then fractionated on ECTEOLA-cellulose to yield one keratan sulphate and one glycopeptide fraction. The method was applied to the estimation of keratan sulphate in artificial mixtures as well as in human knee-joint cartilage and rabbit cornea.

Dermatan sulphate samples have been analysed by the cetyl pyridinium chloride-cellulose microcolumn technique before and after treatment with testicular hyaluronidase.⁹³ 'Neutral magnesium chloride elution profiles'

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⁹⁰ M. Breen, H. G. Weinstein, R. L. Johnson, A. Veis, and R. T. Marshall, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **201**, 54.

⁹¹ J. A. Cifonelli and J. King, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **215**, 273.

⁹² A. Anseth, C. A. Antonopoulos, A. Bjelle, and L.-Å. Fransson, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **215**, 522.

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reflected the molecular size polydispersity of the material obtained after hyaluronidase digestion, whilst 'acid magnesium chloride elution profiles' were not influenced by molecular weight, but were governed by the proportions of D-glucuronic acid, L-iduronic acid, and sulphate. Barium acetate-ethanol cellulose elution profiles separated dermatan sulphate samples according to their uronic acid compositions. By comparing elution profiles of unknown samples with those of well-characterised dermatan sulphate polymers, data permitting the formulation of the general hybrid properties of human knee-joint capsule, and bovine aorta and sclera dermatan sulphate were obtained.

Automated amino-acid and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose analyses of hydrolysates of glycosaminoglycan proteins extracted from human and bovine cartilage have revealed inherently widespread limits of composition. There was little glycosaminoglycan in human articular cartilages.¹¹ However, based on the assumption that 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose represented keratan sulphate and that 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose represented chondroitin sulphate, bovine nasal septum contained the highest chondroitin sulphate level, which decreased only slightly with age, whilst the relatively low keratan sulphate level remained constant. Bovine articular cartilage provided a striking contrast, the chondroitin sulphate level decreasing drastically with age and the keratan sulphate level increasing slightly. The automated analysis was proposed as a screening method for investigations of the microheterogeneity of cartilage. Changes with age of the glycosaminoglycans of human femoral condylar articular cartilage have been investigated quantitatively.⁹⁴ Significant correlations were found between the contents of glycosaminoglycan, chondroitin sulphate, and 'keratan sulphate' with stiffness of cartilage on the human femoral head.⁵⁰

The protein polysaccharide light (PPL) fraction from human costal cartilage was separated into three fractions, and it was estimated that 40–60% of the glycosaminoglycans present were keratan sulphates.⁴⁹ Although the carbohydrate contents of the three fractions differed, the amino-acid compositions were similar to one another and to that of bovine nasal cartilage PPL. Two of the fractions appeared to contain tightly bound collagen peptides whereas one was collagen free.

In an investigation of the glycosaminoglycan proteins of mature human tracheal cartilage, separation into PPL and protein polysaccharide heavy (PPH) fractions was achieved.⁹⁵ Compositional analyses were made of both PPL and PPH, and it was found that the keratan sulphate content of the cartilage attained maximum values by the beginning of the fourth decade and thereafter remained constant. The glycosaminoglycans of human tracheobronchial cartilages were liberated by proteolysis and were then separated by ion-exchange chromatography and precipitation with cetylpyridinium chloride.⁹⁶ The total chondroitin sulphate content of the

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⁹⁵ R. M. Mason, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 599.

⁹⁶ R. M. Mason and F. S. Wusteman, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **120**, 777.

cartilages decreased linearly with increasing age, and age-dependent changes in the chemical heterogeneity of chondroitin sulphate were observed.

Chromatographic studies have indicated that the glycosaminoglycan isolated from both cultured human bone-marrow cells and the culture medium was a polydisperse chondroitin sulphate.⁹⁷ The secreted polymer was of larger molecular size than that remaining in the cells.

The urinary glycosaminoglycan peptides have been reviewed.⁹⁸ The urinary excretion of glycosaminoglycuronans by normals has been measured,⁹⁹ and the excretion of the chondroitin sulphate isomers determined using chondroitinases and sulphatases.¹⁰⁰ Gel filtration of testicular hyaluronidase digests of urinary glycosaminoglycans demonstrated the presence of higher proportions of enzyme-resistant glycosaminoglycans in adult specimens than in those from children;^{101, 102} this difference may reflect changes in the levels of enzymes involved in the degradative sequences. The amounts of glycosaminoglycans in urine, and the relation of the value to creatinine excretion have been critically examined.¹⁰³ A significant correlation between the excretion of glycosaminoglycan and 17-hydroxy-corticosteroid was demonstrated in males undergoing lunar flight simulation.¹⁰⁴

The structure of dermatan sulphate-chondroitin sulphate copolymers isolated from horse aorta has been examined.¹⁰⁵ A large proportion of the galactosaminoglycans was obtained as a discrete polysaccharide fraction, which had an L-iduronic acid to D-glucuronic acid molar ratio of 1 : 2. This and other data indicated that the polymer contained approximately equimolar proportions of the three repeating disaccharide units: 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-O-(β -D-glucopyranuronosyl)-D-galactose 4-sulphate (A), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-O-(α -L-idopyranuronosyl)-D-galactose 4-sulphate (B), and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-O-(β -D-glucopyranuronosyl)-D-galactose 6-sulphate (C). Degradation of the polymer with a chondroitinase yielded a large quantity of unsaturated disaccharides and a tetrasaccharide corresponding to an AB sequence in the original polymer. Degradation with testicular hyaluronidase, however, produced a tetrasaccharide of the sequence CA, in addition to higher oligosaccharides of the type ABA or ABC. A detailed examination of the fragments obtained by enzymic degradation revealed that the majority of the B units were located in clusters, particularly in the immediate vicinity of the glycopeptide linkage. The A units were predominantly in positions adjacent to B units, whereas

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⁹⁸ E. H. F. McGale, *Advances Carbohydrate Chem. Biochem.*, 1969, **24**, 435.

⁹⁹ J. Clausen, H. V. Dyggve, and J. C. Melchior, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **29**, 197.

¹⁰⁰ K. Murata, T. Ishikawa, and Y. Oshima, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **28**, 213.

¹⁰¹ D. Allalouf and A. Ber, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **201**, 61.

¹⁰² D. Allalouf and A. Ber, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **208**, 141.

¹⁰³ N. DiFerrante and H. S. Lipscomb, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **30**, 69.

¹⁰⁴ M. Kastelan, N. DiFerrante, and H. S. Lipscomb, *Experientia*, 1970, **26**, 937.

¹⁰⁵ L. Fransson and B. Havsmark, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 4770.

the C units occurred preferentially in the centre of sections of the chain containing D-glucuronic acid.

Aortic glycosaminoglycuronans have been studied in a number of species including the rhesus monkey, cow, dog, cat, rabbit, hamster, guinea-pig, rat, mouse, pheasant, chicken, turtle, frog, dog-fish, and dusky shark.¹⁰⁶ Dermatan sulphate was not observed in tissue from dog-fish and shark, the two most primitive species studied. High correlation between the inclusion of β -lipoproteins into the aortic wall of various animals and the glycosaminoglycan content was demonstrated *in vitro*.¹⁰⁷

Of the total glycosaminoglycans of bovine aortic tissue, 24% was extractable with potassium chloride; gel filtration after digestion with hyaluronidase yielded two macromolecules, the more retarded of which corresponded to single polysaccharide chains.¹⁰⁸ Treatment of the higher molecular weight fraction with either alkali or papain produced a material resembling the other fraction, while analysis of the intact material showed approximately equal amounts of dermatan sulphate and heparan sulphate. It was concluded that these glycosaminoglycuronans occurred in the aortic wall as multichain proteoglycans. Calf aortic wall contained hyaluronic acid (30%), chondroitin sulphate (49%), dermatan sulphate (9.5%), and heparan sulphate (11.5% of the total glycosaminoglycuronans).¹⁰⁹

Several glycosaminoglycan-proteins have been isolated from the soluble extracts of bovine heart valves by sedimentation equilibration in a density gradient.¹¹⁰ Compositional and structural studies indicated that the polysaccharide is chondroitin sulphate. The molecular weights of the samples lay in the range $4.2\text{--}6.5 \times 10^4$, and differences were observed in the protein contents. The results were discussed in terms of a basic model of two polysaccharide chains linked by a protein of variable size. The monosaccharide compositions of the glycosaminoglycan fractions from bovine heart aortic and pulmonary valves have been compared.¹¹¹

An examination of the fractions containing glycosaminoglycans from bovine heart, ovine heart, lung, and liver, and avian heart, liver, skin, and bone showed that most of the glycosaminoglycans had electrophoretic mobilities near to those of hyaluronic acid and chondroitin sulphate.¹¹² Heparin appeared in ovine liver and lung. On the basis of these results and those of an investigation of the carbohydrate moieties of other glycoproteins present in the samples, it was suggested that a gross analytical differentiation could be achieved by proteolysis of the tissues followed by fractional precipitation of the carbohydrate moieties with ethanol.

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¹¹⁰ D. A. Lowther, B. N. Preston, and F. A. Meyer, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **118**, 595.

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A wide range in the content of D-galactose, D-xylose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose in the region of the glycopeptide linkage was found in the heparins of bovine lung, liver, and mucosa, porcine and ovine mucosa, whale tissue, and other heparins.¹¹³ Bovine lung heparin was separated into two components by electrophoresis.

An attempt was made to isolate heparin proteoglycan from bovine liver capsule by fractionation of the polysaccharide extract with cetyl pyridinium chloride followed by hyaluronidase digestion.¹¹⁴ Gel chromatography indicated the presence of single heparin chains in addition to a dermatan sulphate proteoglycan. Analysis of the purified heparin preparation gave xylose (0.1), galactose (0.2), and serine (0.4 residues per polysaccharide chain, molecular weight 7.4×10^3), and it was concluded that the material had been degraded by a polysaccharidase with endo-activity.

A modification of the method for the separation of glucosaminoglycuronans and galactosaminoglycuronans, based on stepwise elution of the cetyl pyridinium-glycosaminoglycan complexes from cellulose with specific eluants, permitted the fractionation of glycosaminoglycuronans from bovine corneal tissue.¹¹⁵ A small amount of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose in the galactosaminoglycan fraction was explained by the existence in the cornea of certain forms of glycosaminoglycan inseparable by the cetyl pyridinium technique.

The glycosaminoglycans of bovine elastic cartilages comprised chondroitin 4- and 6-sulphates (90%), and a small amount of keratan sulphate.¹¹⁶ This composition was similar to that of the glycosaminoglycans of hyaline cartilages, but could not be correlated with the presence of elastic fibres.

A rapid extraction procedure has been developed to provide high yields of proteoglycan from bovine nasal septum.¹¹⁷ Alkaline cleavage and borotritide reduction of the proteoglycan (molecular weight, 1.23×10^6) followed by ECTEOLA-cellulose chromatography gave three radioactive fractions. One of these fractions, containing all the hexuronic acid, was subfractionated after chondroitinase treatment to yield glycopeptide-linkage oligosaccharides of keratan sulphate and chondroitin sulphate, and an unlabelled disaccharide fraction. The radioactivity of the oligosaccharides was confined to xylitol.

Most of the proteoglycan of bovine nasal cartilage could be recovered in a purified, polydisperse proteoglycan subunit containing chondroitin sulphate (87%), keratan sulphate (6%), and protein (7%).¹¹⁸ A method was described by which the macromolecules of the subunit could be partitioned into three major fractions with average molecular weights of 1.8, 2.5, and 3.0×10^6 . Analyses and physicochemical studies of these fractions suggested that the proteoglycan subunit contained only one type of

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protein, and that polydispersity was the result of differences in the number of chondroitin sulphate chains attached to the protein. Similar conclusions were reached from a comparison of four different methods of fractionation, one of which was capable of dealing with gram quantities and involved differential sedimentation in neutral salt solutions at high concentrations.¹¹⁹ Electron microscopic studies have been conducted on the fractions isolated from bovine nasal cartilage.¹²⁰

Hyaluronic acid, chondroitin sulphate, dermatan sulphate, and heparan sulphate have been identified in the kidneys of rat, dog, and pig; comparative studies have been made of the glycosaminoglycan content in different topographical zones.⁵⁴

The glycosaminoglycans isolated from rabbit renal papillae have been shown to be hyaluronic acid (50%), chondroitin 4- and 6-sulphate (45%), dermatan sulphate (5% of total), and possibly heparan sulphate.¹²¹ Various methods, including electrophoresis, precipitation, and chromatography on ECTEOLA-cellulose, have been used to demonstrate the presence of chondroitin 4- and 6-sulphates and a minor keratan sulphate component in rabbit bone.¹²²

A proteoglycan isolated from guinea-pig Kurloff cells behaved as a multichain molecule on gel filtration.¹²³ Its molecular size was decreased by proteolysis, which yielded a material resembling chondroitin 4-sulphate. The chains were longer than those of cartilage chondroitin sulphate-protein, as judged by their 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose to D-xylose molar ratios, and contained equimolar amounts of D-xylose, D-galactose, and L-serine, and underwent β -elimination.

One clonal line (B-6) among hybrids derived from the fusion of mouse and Chinese hamster cell lines synthesised hyaluronic acid and secreted it into the medium.¹²⁴

Fractionation of the glycosaminoglycans of neonatal rat skin showed the presence of hyaluronic acid (56%), chondroitin 6-sulphate (9%), and dermatan sulphate (16% of total), together with some chondroitin 4-sulphate, heparin, heparan sulphate, and two further fractions of short chain length and low sulphate content resembling heparan sulphate and dermatan sulphate.¹²⁵ Hyaluronic acid, chondroitin sulphate, dermatan sulphate, and heparan sulphate were present in rat brain in the proportions 33 : 48 : 11 : 8; the absence of heparin and keratan sulphate was also confirmed.¹²⁶ Miniaturised methods were used to extract the glycosaminoglycans from rat cartilage.¹²⁷ Investigation of the fractions

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¹²⁷ J. C. Pita, L. A. Cuervo, J. E. Madruga, F. J. Muller, and D. S. Howell, *J. Clin. Invest.*, 1970, **49**, 2188.

provided evidence for a role of these macromolecules in the regulation of mineral phase separation in calcifying tissue.

Proteoglycan was easily extracted from adult chicken cartilage with edta-sodium chloride, and purification was effected by gel filtration.¹²⁸ The macromolecule contained mostly chondroitin 4-sulphate together with some chondroitin 6-sulphate and keratan sulphate. The matrix produced in chondrocyte cell culture contained a proteoglycan of which chondroitin 4-sulphate and keratan sulphate were components.

The keratan sulphate fraction from whale nasal cartilage was fractionated into at least four fractions having sulphate to 2-amino-2-deoxy-hexose molar ratios of 0.75—1.80 : 1.00.¹²⁹ All fractions contained galactose, mannose, fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose, and sialic acid ($\leq 17\%$) in various amounts. The sialic acid was identified as *N*-acetylneuraminic acid, and enzymic studies revealed that these residues were attached to the non-reducing end of the carbohydrate moiety. Studies of the glycopeptide linkage of whale cartilage keratan sulphate demonstrated the involvement of an *O*-glycosidic bond between 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose and the hydroxyamino-acids.¹³⁰

β -Galactosidase released a small amount of D-galactose from shark cartilage keratan sulphate indicating that non-sulphated D-galactose residues occupy the terminal non-reducing positions in the carbohydrate moieties.⁸⁷

Hyaluronic acid has been isolated from *Pasteurella multocida* cells by proteolysis and extraction with alkali, and the crude material was further purified.¹³¹ On comparison with the hyaluronic acid from other bacterial sources, where alkaline extraction was not used, the material did not appear to be appreciably degraded. A purified pyrogenic exotoxin from *Streptococcus pyogenes* filtrates has been characterised as a protein complexed with hyaluronic acid.¹³² Evidence has been presented for the existence of a glycosaminoglycuronan resembling dermatan sulphate in a strain of *Clostridium welchii*.¹³³

Clinical Conditions.—Heritable diseases of connective tissue involving carbohydrates have been reviewed.⁴⁷

Several simple screening methods have been used to measure the excess of glycosaminoglycan excreted in urine, and the relative merits of the methods were discussed.¹³⁴

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¹³⁴ C. A. Pennock, M. G. Mott, and G. F. Batstone, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **27**, 93.

The measurement of urinary glycosaminoglycans and the relationship of the values to creatinine excretion have been critically examined.¹⁰³ The urinary excretion of the chondroitin sulphates from normals and patients with connective tissue diseases was determined enzymically using chondroitinases and sulphatases.¹⁰⁰ A moderately increased excretion was found in cases of dermatomyositis, polymyositis, aortic syndrome, and progressive systemic sclerosis; the method was also applied to cases of Hunter and Hurler syndromes.

A method has been described for the determination of heparan sulphate and dermatan sulphate in the urine and tissues of cases of Hunter and Hurler syndromes.¹³⁵ The microscale technique was generally applicable to the differential determination of the two polysaccharides and provided a chemical diagnosis of the two syndromes. Ion-exchange chromatography of heparan sulphate from cases of Hunter syndrome gave results significantly different from those obtained for similar analyses of the heparan sulphate from cases of Hurler syndrome.¹³⁶ The results indicated that the anomalous glycosaminoglycuronan degradation was different in the two diseases. Distinctive excretion patterns of glycosaminoglycans from patients with Hurler, Hunter, and Sanfilippo syndromes were also demonstrated by ion-exchange chromatography.¹³⁷ The dermatan sulphate and heparan sulphate varied in molecular size and degree of sulphation, and probably represented a series of degradation products of the native polysaccharides. Molecular weight distributions were obtained for the heparan sulphate excreted by cases of Sanfilippo syndrome, and for the heparan and dermatan sulphates excreted by cases of Hurler syndrome.⁸¹ The average molecular weight was one-third of the normal value for the Sanfilippo heparan sulphate, which could be separated further into two fractions differing in molecular weight, sulphate content, and primary structure. Physicochemical and other studies showed that one of these fractions possessed a conformational structure similar to that found in normal tissues but had a low sulphate content; the other fraction had a heparin-like conformation and a high *N*-sulphate content. The o.r.d. and c.d. characteristics of dermatan sulphate were greatly different from those of heparan sulphate thereby providing an optical method of distinguishing between the syndromes. Analysis of Sanfilippo syndrome brain tissue indicated that the major glycosaminoglycan accumulated was chondroitin 4-sulphate.¹³⁸

Data obtained for a series of related cases of Morquio-Ullrich disease revealed only a slight increase above normal in the daily glycosaminoglycan excretion, but significant changes were observed in the proportions of hyaluronic acid, chondroitin 4- and 6-sulphate, dermatan sulphate, and

¹³⁵ J. F. Kennedy, C. H. Sinnette, and J. B. Familusi, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **29**, 37.

¹³⁶ P. Maroteaux, *Rev. Europ. Etudes Clin. Biol.*, 1970, **15**, 203.

¹³⁷ B. A. Gordon and M. D. Haust, *Clin. Biochem.*, 1970, **3**, 203.

¹³⁸ E. George and B. K. Bachhawat, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **30**, 317.

heparan sulphate.⁹⁹ Particularly significant was the proportionally increased excretion of desulphated polysaccharides.

Determination of the excretion of glycosaminoglycans precipitable by aminoacridine in the urine of patients with rheumatoid arthritis and various connective tissue diseases revealed that only 20% of the rheumatoid patients and those with systemic lupus erythematosus showed raised levels.¹³⁹ Application of an automated method for analysis of cartilage glycosaminoglycans to arthritic cartilage showed the presence of little polysaccharide.¹¹ An automated spectrofluorimetric method for the determination of carbohydrates and proteins was applicable to monitoring the fractionation of synovial fluids.⁷

Assessment of the individual glycosaminoglycans in human skin in cases of lipid proteinosis (hyalinosis cutis et mucosae), Ehlers Danlos syndrome, Dupuytren's contracture, and ichthiosisform erythroderma indicated that all but the last involved mucopolysaccharide disorders.¹⁴⁰

The glycosaminoglycans, which accumulated in greatly increased amounts in the livers of cases of G_{M1} -gangliosidosis Type I, contained D-galactose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose as the major carbohydrate constituents, but not in equimolar ratio.¹⁴¹ These compounds contained an alkali-labile glycopeptide linkage, were polydisperse, and, apart from a low sulphate content, resembled human cartilage keratan sulphate. The keratan sulphate-like glycosaminoglycans found in the urine of a patient with G_{M1} -gangliosidosis Type II could be classified into two types.¹⁴²

Biosynthesis and Metabolism.—The biosynthesis and metabolism of glycosaminoglycans has been briefly reviewed.⁴⁷ The preparation of L-[6-¹⁴C]iduronic acid and 2-([1-¹⁴C]acetamido)-2-deoxy-D-glucose and -D-galactose for use in biosynthetic studies has been reported.¹⁴³

A sulphotransferase system that catalysed the sulphation of UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose in the presence of adenosine-3'-phosphate-5'-sulphatophosphate was obtained in particulate form from the isthmus of hen oviduct.¹⁴⁴ One of the products of sulphation was UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose 4-sulphate, and further investigation revealed the presence of four other sulphated nucleotides which were characterised by conversion into identifiable monosaccharide sulphates (Schemes 2-5).¹⁴⁵ The new nucleotides were UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose 4,6-disulphate (10) (Scheme 2), UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-6-O-phospho-D-galactose 4-sulphate (11) (Scheme 3), UDP-(O- α -D-galactopyranosyl 2- or 4-

¹³⁹ T. Bitter, P. Siegenthaler, T. DePreux, and E. Martin, *Ann. Rheumat. Dis.*, 1970, **29**, 427.

¹⁴⁰ S. A. Barker and J. F. Kennedy, *Life Sciences Pt. II*, 1969, **8**, 989.

¹⁴¹ J. W. Callahan and L. S. Wolfe, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **215**, 527.

¹⁴² L. S. Wolfe, J. Callahan, J. S. Fawcett, F. Andermann, and C. R. Scriver, *Neurology*, 1970, **20**, 23.

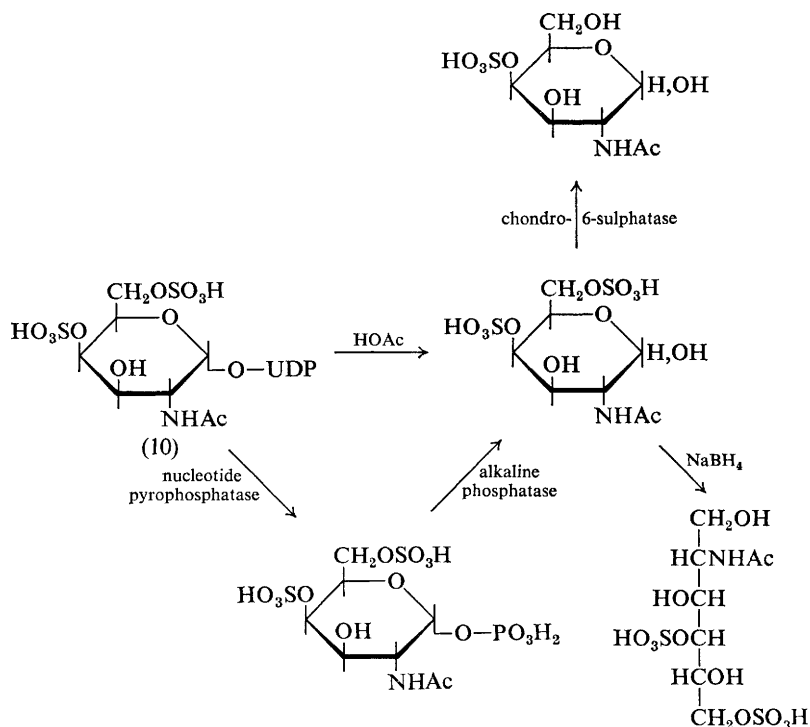
¹⁴³ J. F. Kennedy, *J. Labelled Compounds*, 1970, **6**, 201.

¹⁴⁴ M. Tsuji, S. Shimizu, Y. Nakanishi, and S. Suzuki, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 6039.

¹⁴⁵ Y. Nakanishi, H. Sonohara, and S. Suzuki, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 6046.

sulphate)-(1 → 6)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-6-*O*-phospho-D-glucose (12) (Scheme 4), and UDP-D-galactose 4-sulphate (13) (Scheme 5).

Incubation of ^{35}S - or ^{14}C -labelled chondroitin sulphate with a supernatant fraction of chick embryo cartilage containing a glycosaminoglycan sulphating system indicated that no significant loss of previously incorporated



Scheme 2

sulphate groups occurred, but that the chondroitin sulphate was still capable of incorporating more sulphate.¹⁴⁶ It was concluded that chondroitin sulphate could not exchange sulphate groups and further incorporation of sulphate groups was part of the biosynthetic sulphation step.

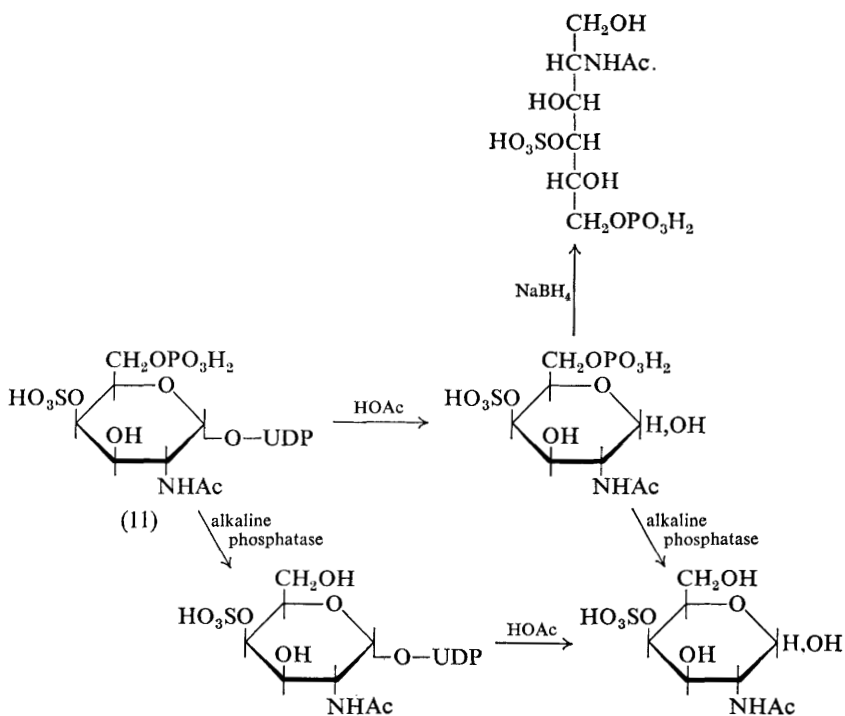
The incorporation of [^{35}S]sulphate *in vivo* into the acid-soluble intermediates extracted from neonatal rat skin revealed three sulphated components containing 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose.¹⁴⁷ Their rate of synthesis and other information indicated that these components were not precursors of the sulphated 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses present in the glycosaminoglycuronans. An investigation of the effect of temperature on the biosynthesis of porcine cartilage chondroitin 4-sulphate *in vitro* showed that [^{35}S]sul-

¹⁴⁶ J. P. Bently, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 281.

¹⁴⁷ T. E. Hardingham and C. F. Phelps, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 885.

phate was incorporated preferentially into the high molecular weight molecules if the tissue was cultured directly.¹⁴⁸ However, the incorporation became symmetrical if the tissue was incubated before culture.

As determined by the incorporation of uniformly labelled D-[¹⁴C]glucose, a decrease in the rate of biosynthesis of chondroitin and chondroitin sulphate and an increase in that of keratan sulphate were observed when



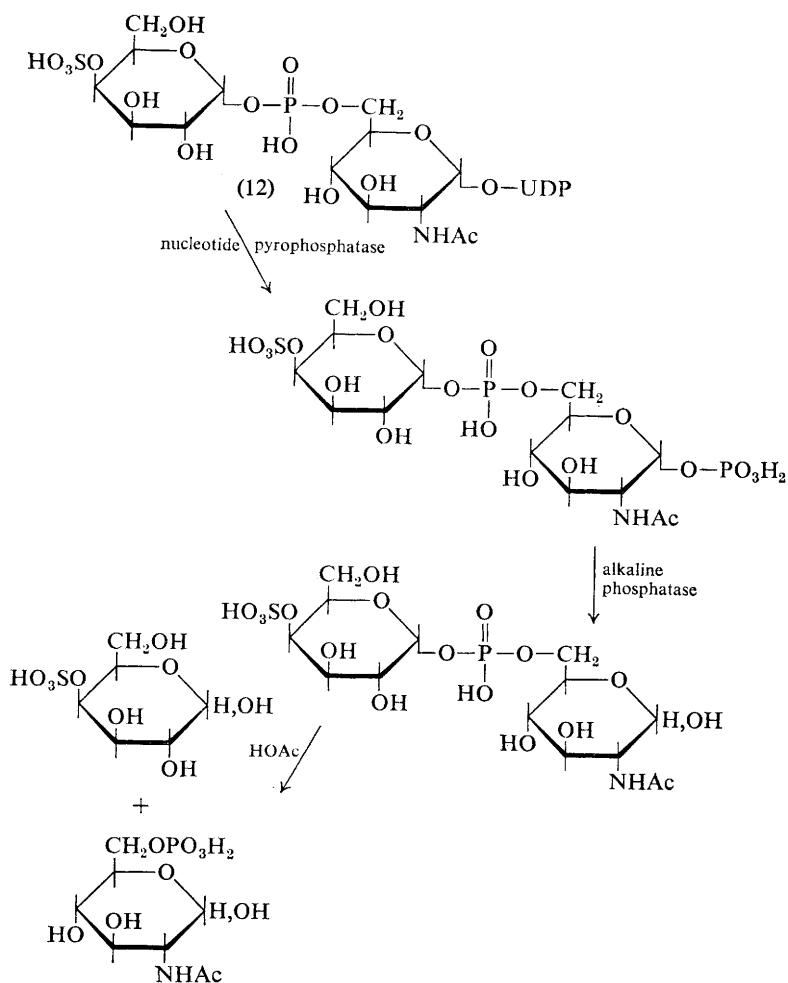
Scheme 3

samples of bovine cornea were incubated with UDP-D-xylose.¹⁴⁹ The UDP-D-glucuronic acid isolated after incubation had a lower specific activity than that isolated after incubation in the absence of UDP-D-xylose. This suggested that UDP-D-xylose inhibited UDP-D-glucose dehydrogenase causing an accumulation of UDP-D-glucose and, consequently, an increase in the formation of UDP-D-galactose and keratan sulphate. Determination of the specific activity of the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses isolated from the polysaccharides indicated that polysaccharide biosynthesis occurred *in vitro*, and that the regulatory effect of UDP-D-xylose was active at the

¹⁴⁸ T. E. Hardingham and H. Muir, *F.E.B.S. Letters*, 1970, 9, 145.

¹⁴⁹ C. Balduini, A. Brovelli, and A. A. Castellani, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, 120, 719.

monosaccharide level. The involvement of UDP derivatives in the transformation of D-[^{14}C]glucose into both uronic acid and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose units of chondroitin sulphate by extracts of chick embryonic cartilage has been studied.¹⁵⁰



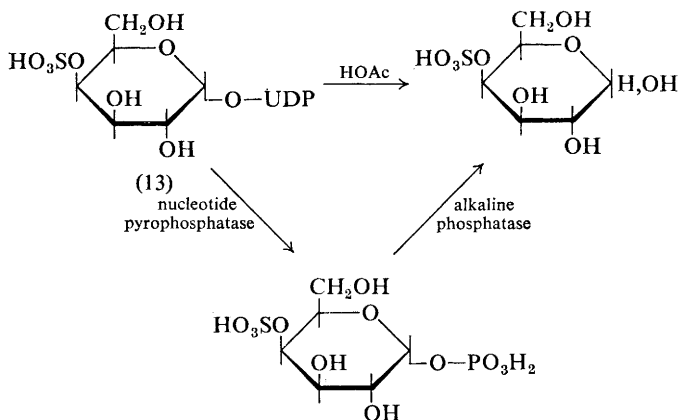
Scheme 4

Relative rates of synthesis of glycosaminoglycans of calf aortic wall were obtained using [^{35}S]sulphate and uniformly labelled D-[^{14}C]glucose.¹⁰⁹ The highest rate was found for ^{14}C -labelled hyaluronic acid, and the rates of incorporation for both labels decreased in the order dermatan sulphate,

¹⁵⁰ P. L. Jeffrey and K. G. Rienits, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **208**, 147.

heparan sulphate, and chondroitin sulphate. Preliminary observations with bovine aortic and pulmonary heart valves showed that the carbohydrate moieties of other glycoproteins were synthesised more rapidly than those of glycosaminoglycan-proteins.¹¹¹

[³⁵S]Sulphate was incorporated *in vivo* into chondroitin sulphates (71%), dermatan sulphate (14%), and heparan sulphate (14%) in rat brain; one of the chondroitin sulphate isomers incorporated the label at a higher rate



Scheme 5

than the other.¹²⁶ Radioactivity was not found in fractions corresponding to heparin and keratan sulphate confirming that these glycosaminoglycans were not present in the brain tissue.

The sulphation of glycosaminoglycans in rat embryonic tissue and the effect of cyclophosphamide have been investigated.¹⁵¹ Treatment of guinea-pigs with oestrogen increased the number of Kurloff cells accumulating and their chondroitin 4-sulphate content.¹²³ Cortisol and cortisone treatment of chick embryo femur cultured *in vitro* increased the incorporation of [³⁵S]sulphate and D-[¹⁴C]glucose, but the rate of decay of chondroitin sulphate remained unaltered.¹⁵² The significance of these results, which differed from those published previously, was discussed.

Chondroitin 4-sulphate sulphotransferase was absent in Sanfilippo syndrome brain tissue, whereas dermatan sulphate and heparan sulphate sulphotransferase activities were normal.¹³⁸ A relative transfer of sulphate by the heparan sulphate sulphotransferase was doubled, indicating that *N*-sulphation was more predominant than *O*-sulphation in Sanfilippo syndrome.

¹⁵¹ K. Schimmelpfennig, *Arkiv. Pharmacol.*, 1970, **266**, 439.

¹⁵² M. Calcagno, H. Goyena, E. Arrambide, and C. A. deUrse, *Exptl. Cell. Res.*, 1970, **63**, 131.

The mode of aggregation of hyaluronic acid-protein on the surface of human articular cartilage has been studied.¹⁵³ A possible pathway for the complete desulphation of heparin *in vivo* was discussed on the basis of the properties of a lymphoid sulphamidase.⁸⁵

Hormonal Glycoproteins

The chemistry of gonadotrophins in relation to their biological and antigenic properties has been reviewed.¹⁵⁴ The involvement of follicle stimulating and luteinizing hormones in the female reproductive cycle has been summarised.¹⁵⁵ Papers presented at a meeting on the chemistry of gonadotrophins have been published.¹⁵⁶

Electrophoretic separation of the pituitary glycoprotein hormones, follicle stimulating hormone, luteinizing hormone, thyroid stimulating hormone, growth hormone, and prolactin from rats has been achieved using polyacrylamide.¹⁵⁷ A procedure for the further purification of human pituitary follicle stimulating hormone using gel filtration has been described.¹⁵⁸ The product, type CP150, had a potency of 1200 i.u. per mg, sedimented as a single component, and had a molecular weight of 3.5×10^4 . The amino-acid and carbohydrate compositions of CP150 were similar to preparations of follicle stimulating hormone prepared by other methods. 2-Amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose was shown to be a very small part of the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose content of CP150,⁷ and other structural information was deduced from a series of reactions including enzymic hydrolysis and oxidation, and hydrolysis with alkali and alkaline borohydride.¹⁵⁹ Testing of modified follicle stimulating hormones showed that the sites responsible for *in vivo* biological and immunological activities were not identical, certain carbohydrate components being essential for the former but not for the latter activity.¹⁶⁰ Although essential for *in vivo* biological activity, *N*-acetylneuraminic acid was not essential for *in vitro* activity of the hormone.¹⁶¹

A highly purified preparation of ovine pituitary follicle stimulating hormone contained 133 units of ovine NIH-FSH-S1 per mg, but showed only a very low luteinizing hormone activity;¹⁶² the molecular weight of the material was 3.3×10^4 . C.d. studies indicated that 25–33% of the amino-acid residues of ovine follicle stimulating hormone were in an α -helical

¹⁵³ P. S. Walker, A. Unsworth, D. Dowson, J. Sikorski, and V. Wright, *Ann. Rheumat. Dis.*, 1970, **29**, 591.

¹⁵⁴ W. R. Butt, *Acta Endocr.*, 1969, **63**, Suppl. 142, 13.

¹⁵⁵ V. Petrow, *Chem. in Britain*, 1970, **6**, 167.

¹⁵⁶ 'Gonadotrophins and Ovarian Development,' eds W. R. Butt, A. C. Crooke, and M. Ryle, Livingstone, Edinburgh, 1970.

¹⁵⁷ D. R. Hodges and W. H. McShan, *Acta Endocr.*, 1970, **63**, 378.

¹⁵⁸ S. A. Barker, C. J. Gray, J. F. Kennedy, and W. R. Butt, *J. Endocr.*, 1969, **45**, 275.

¹⁵⁹ M. F. Chaplin, C. J. Gray, and J. F. Kennedy, ref. 156, p. 77.

¹⁶⁰ W. R. Butt, S. S. Lynch, M. F. Chaplin, C. J. Gray, and J. F. Kennedy, ref. 156, p. 171.

¹⁶¹ M. Ryle, M. F. Chaplin, and J. F. Kennedy, ref. 156, p. 98.

¹⁶² O. D. Sherwood, H. J. Grimek, and W. H. McShan, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 2328.

conformation.¹⁶³ An immunological study showed that rabbit anti-ovine follicle stimulating hormone cross-reacted with the hormone from a number of species.¹⁶⁴

Ovine pituitary follicle stimulating hormone was dissociated into subunits on treatment with 1M-propionic acid.¹⁶⁵ The subunits, FSH- α and FSH- β , had low biological activities individually, but recombination restored 60% of the original activity. FSH- α and FSH- β contained hexose (2.8 and 13.8%), 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (2.3 and 7.1%), and sialic acid (0.8 and 3.7%, respectively). Combination of a subunit (LH-CII) of luteinizing hormone with FSH- β generated luteinizing hormone activity while the other subunit (LH-CI) with FSH- β generated follicle stimulating hormone activity.

A method has been described for the purification of follicle stimulating hormone and luteinizing hormone from horse pituitaries.¹⁶⁶ The final follicle stimulating hormone preparation (90 units NIH-FSH-S1 per mg) was homogeneous, had a molecular weight of 3.3×10^4 , and an isoelectric point of 4.1. The luteinizing hormone (5.3 units NIH-LH-S1 per mg) had at least four active components with isoelectric points of 4.5, 5.9, 6.6, and 7.3.

Luteinizing hormone (8.9 units NIH-LH-S1 per mg) was isolated from human pituitaries by isoelectric focusing in a sucrose gradient; its homogeneity was demonstrated by disc electrophoresis and immunoelectrophoresis.¹⁶⁷ A molecular weight of 2.675×10^4 was calculated from the Stokes radius, and analyses showed that the hormone contained sialic acid (1.8%), hexose (12.1%), 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (5.0%), and a high proportion of proline; serine was detected at the C-terminus. The hormone did not cross-react with anti-human follicle stimulating hormone.

Bovine luteinizing hormone (1.5 units NIH-LH-S1 per mg, molecular weight 2.8×10^4) was prepared free from follicle stimulating hormone activity.¹⁶⁸ The material, which contained hexose (5.3%), L-fucose (0.9%), and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (7.0%), closely resembled the ovine variety. Subunits, LH-CI and LH-CII, were formed by counter-current distribution in a solvent system containing dichloroacetic acid, and contained hexose (7.3 and 3.7%), L-fucose (1.6 and 0.9%), and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, (8.7 and 5.5%, respectively). Although the subunits had individually low biological activities, recombination with restoration of 50% of the original hormonal activity could be effected by incubation at room temperature and pH 6.0.

Hydroxyapatite chromatography of highly purified ovine pituitary luteinizing hormone (1.6—1.9 units NIH-LH-S1 per mg), containing

¹⁶³ M. Ekblad, T. A. Bewley, and H. Papkoff, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **221**, 142.

¹⁶⁴ A. J. Rao and N. R. Moudgal, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **138**, 189.

¹⁶⁵ H. Papkoff and M. Ekblad, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 614.

¹⁶⁶ W. E. Braselton and W. H. McShan, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **139**, 45.

¹⁶⁷ P. Rathnam and B. B. Saxena, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 3725.

¹⁶⁸ H. Papkoff and J. Gan, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, 1970, **136**, 522.

0.025% follicle stimulating hormone, gave three major active fractions among which differences were noted by physicochemical techniques.¹⁶⁹ Two of these fractions had potencies of 2.0–2.6 units NIH-LH-S1 per mg and contained hexose, L-fucose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose. Complete compositional analyses showed differences between the fractions, but dissimilarity in molecular size and immunological specificity was not detected. Further subfractionation was achieved by electrophoresis, and it was concluded that the hormone contained a broad spectrum of physicochemically similar components.

S-Sulphonated ovine luteinizing hormone, produced by oxidative sulphytolysis of the disulphide bonds, yielded two subunits (LH-A and LH-S) on treatment with 8M-urea and gel filtration.¹⁷⁰ The carbohydrate and amino-acid compositions of these subunits were compared with those of LH-I and LH-II separated by counter-current distribution.¹⁷¹

Bovine thyroid stimulating hormone (thyrotropin) was separated into two subunits, TSH-I and TSH-II, by urea treatment and chromatography; these subunits were of identical molecular weight.¹⁷² TSH-I contained D-glucose, D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose, and TSH-II contained D-glucose and D-galactose. In comparison, LH-CI had a similar overall composition to TSH-I and contained D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose, and traces of D-glucose and D-galactose; LH-CII contained D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose. Although TSH-I retained some activity, full activity depended on the integrity of the tertiary structure, and attempted recombination of TSH-I and TSH-II regenerated 80% of the original activity. The similarity between TSH-I and LH-CI was sufficient to allow association between LH-CI and TSH-II subunits with a resulting increase in thyroid stimulating activity, whereas association with LH-CI and LH-CII suppressed this activity.

Similar results have been obtained from a comparison of the bovine thyroid stimulating hormone subunits TSH- α and TSH- β , produced by urea treatment, and bovine LH-CI and LH-CII.¹⁷³ TSH- α and - β resembled one another more closely in amino-acid composition than did LH-CI and LH-CII, whereas TSH- α and LH-CI were closely related in their carbohydrate and amino-acid compositions. LH-CI could substitute fully for TSH- α in reconstitution of thyroid stimulating activity, and TSH- α and LH-CII combined to form a hybrid having luteinizing hormone activity. The amino-acid compositions of TSH- β and LH-CII differed markedly.

¹⁶⁹ O. D. Sherwood, H. J. Grimek, and W. H. McShan, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **221**, 87.

¹⁷⁰ W. M. Lamkin, M. Fujino, J. D. Mayfield, G. N. Holcomb, and D. N. Ward, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **214**, 290.

¹⁷¹ H. Papkoff and T. S. A. Samy, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1967, **147**, 175.

¹⁷² G. Hennen, G. Maghuin-Rogister, and G. Mamoir, *F.E.B.S. Letters*, 1970, **9**, 20.

¹⁷³ T. Liao and J. G. Pierce, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 3275.

It was proposed that different hormonal activities arose from the combination of hormone specific subunits with a common subunit.

The origin of the multiple components of thyroid stimulating hormone has been investigated using the hormone from whale, since the size of the pituitary allowed the work to be carried out on one gland, thereby eliminating differences between individuals.¹⁷⁴ Isoelectric focusing showed at least four biologically-active components in the preparation. Human and simian thyroid stimulating hormone were considered to be similar on the basis of immunological cross-reactions.¹⁷⁵

By a combination of gel filtration and ion-exchange chromatography, two highly purified human chorionic gonadotrophin fractions (20 000 i.u. per mg) were obtained containing galactose, mannose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid.¹⁷⁶ One fraction had follicle stimulating hormone activity and the other luteinizing hormone-like activity. This and compositional data suggested that human chorionic gonadotrophin comprised two components, the ratio, and hence the biological and physicochemical properties, of which altered according to the stage of pregnancy. The gonadotrophin was dissociated into two non-identical subunits A and B by treatment with 8M-urea, and these were separated by DEAE-Sephadex chromatography.¹⁷⁷ The subunits A and B contained D-galactose (1.52 and 7.50%), D-mannose (5.40 and 4.80%), L-fucose (0.36 and 1.30%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (8.55 and 7.40%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose (0.19 and 2.00%), and sialic acid (3.9 and 10.20%, respectively). The subunits re-associated on incubation.

Milk Glycoproteins

Human colostrum contained a non-specific inhibitor of influenza virus haemagglutination, whose activity was mediated by the *N*-acetylneuraminic acid units of a 14.5S glycoprotein;¹⁷⁸ the antiviral properties of this factor have been assessed.

The stabilising action of two carboxymethylated cellulose derivatives on α -, α_s -, β -, and κ -caseins at an acid pH was studied, and selective precipitation was achieved in the case of mixtures.¹⁷⁹

Improved chemical and chromatographic methods have been developed for the isolation of electrophoretically pure κ -casein.¹⁸⁰ The use of 6.6M-urea did not adversely affect the κ -casein, and the final product sedimented as a single peak. The amino-acid composition, sialic acid content (1.89%), and phosphorus content were comparable with values previously reported.

¹⁷⁴ H. Tamura and N. Ui, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **214**, 566.

¹⁷⁵ B. R. Webster, J. C. Paice, and C. C. Gale, *Nature*, 1970, **227**, 712.

¹⁷⁶ Y. Ashitaka, Y. Tokura, M. Tane, M. Mochizuki, and S. Tojo, *Endocrinology*, 1970, **87**, 233.

¹⁷⁷ N. Swaminatham and O. P. Bahl, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 422.

¹⁷⁸ K. F. Shortridge, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **29**, 233.

¹⁷⁹ Y. Abano, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 102.

¹⁸⁰ K. K. Tripathi and C. W. Gehrke, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, **46**, 280.

The monosaccharide components of the glycopeptides released from κ -casein by the action of rennin on the milk of a single cow comprised D-galactose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, *N*-acetylneuraminic acid, and, in addition, D-mannose.¹⁸¹ The glycopeptides present in the trichloroacetic acid filtrate from milk treated with rennin were separated into six fractions by ion-exchange chromatography.¹⁸² The first and second fractions contained D-galactose and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose; the former also contained D-mannose, and the latter small amounts of *N*-acetylneuraminic acid. All other fractions contained D-galactose (2), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose (1), and *N*-acetylneuraminic acid (1 mole per mole glycopeptide).

The action of rennin on the acid-soluble fraction of casein gave two fragments, one of which had the same end-groups and amino-acid composition as a glycopeptide from κ -casein and contained sialic acid (7.8%);¹⁸³ it was proposed that the acid-soluble fraction was a subunit of κ -casein. Non-enzymic browning in a lactose-casein model system has been studied.¹⁸⁴

Oligosaccharides containing sialic acid have been isolated from cow colostrum. In addition to two known isomers of monosialyl-lactose, partial acid hydrolysis and oxidation with periodate permitted the characterisation of a disialyl-lactose, *viz.* (*N*-acetylneuraminyl)-(2 \rightarrow 8)-(N-acetylneuraminyl)-(2 \rightarrow 3)-*O*- β -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucopyranose.¹⁸⁵

Streptococcal hydrolase degradation of 275 nm positive and negative cow colostrum whey glycoproteins showed that their carbohydrate moieties were identical in composition.¹⁸⁶ The purified carbohydrate moiety of the whey M-1 glycoprotein, obtained by β -elimination and column chromatography, had an approximate molecular weight of 1.2×10^3 and contained D-galactose (2), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (1), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose (1), and sialic acid (1—2 residues per carbohydrate chain). The detection of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucitol in the isolated carbohydrate moiety and α -aminobutyric acid in the protein residues inferred the presence of an *O*-glycosidic linkage involving 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose and threonine. It was proposed that one of the two whey glycoproteins possessed two carbohydrate chains, whereas the other had three or four. A component of the acid casein fraction of bovine colostrum possessed a carbohydrate moiety whose structure closely resembled that of the whey M-1 glycoprotein.

A variant (Dr) of β -lactoglobulin occurred in the milk of a few Drough-master cattle,¹⁸⁷ together with equal amounts of either the A or B variant.

¹⁸¹ G. Sinkinson and J. V. Wheelock, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **215**, 517.

¹⁸² J. V. Wheelock and G. Sinkinson, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 13P.

¹⁸³ R. Beeby, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **214**, 364.

¹⁸⁴ A. Ferretti, V. P. Flanagan, and J. M. Ruth, *J. Agric. Food Chem.*, 1970, **18**, 13.

¹⁸⁵ R. Öhman and O. Hygstedt, *Analyt. Biochem.*, 1968, **23**, 395.

¹⁸⁶ A. Bezkorovainy, D. Grohlich, and J. K. Pinter, *J. Agric. Food Chem.*, 1970, **18**, 624.

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In both cases, the Dr variant had the same amino-acid composition as the former, but also contained a carbohydrate moiety comprising D-galactose (0.8), D-mannose (1.9), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose (0.9), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (3.4), and N-acetylneuraminic acid (1.0 residues per monomer of molecular weight 2.0×10^4).

Milk from mice containing a mammary tumour agent contained a unique chemical determinant, which was isolated, purified, and shown to contain carbohydrate (38%) and protein (62%).¹⁸⁸ The antigenicity of the molecule in rabbits was not inactivated by treatment with neuraminidase, amylase, and lysozyme, but was inactivated by pronase.

Serum, Plasma, and Blood Cellular Element Glycoproteins, and Immunoglobulins

Serum and Plasma Glycoproteins.—The normal ranges of human serum glycoprotein levels have been determined.¹⁸⁹ Normal human serum α_1 -acid glycoprotein contained D-galactose and D-mannose (14.3% combined), L-fucose (1.0%), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (14.3%), and N-acetylneuraminic acid (8.8%).¹⁹⁰ The tryptic digest of S-carboxymethylated, human α_1 -acid glycoprotein was separated by gel filtration into a glycopeptide and peptide fragments for which some amino-acid sequences were derived.¹⁹¹

α_1 -Acid glycoprotein (molecular weight $3.9\text{--}4.0 \times 10^4$) has been isolated in homogeneous form from chimpanzee plasma.¹⁹² The glycoprotein contained D-galactose (6.7%), D-mannose (4.8%), L-fucose (1.1%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose (1.2%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (13.4%), and sialic acid (11.9%); a comparison of its composition and physicochemical properties with those of human α_1 -acid glycoprotein showed them to be almost identical. The immunological differences between the two were attributed to sequence differences.

A method has been described for the preparation of rabbit serum α_1 -acid glycoprotein using ammonium sulphate precipitation and chromatography on carboxymethylcellulose.¹⁹³ The glycoprotein had a molecular weight of 3.3×10^4 , and contained D-galactose (9.1%), D-mannose (9.1%), L-fucose (0.4%), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (13.6%), and sialic acid (15.6%).

The partitioning of human serum albumin, bovine serum albumin, and ovalbumin in a dextran-poly(ethylene glycol)-water system has been investigated,¹⁹⁴ and the partition coefficient of bovine serum albumin with

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various grades of Sephadex has been measured.¹⁹⁵ Selective precipitation of bovine serum albumin from mixtures of closely associated glycoproteins was achieved using tungstophosphoric, tungstosilicic, and molybdosilicic acids.¹⁹⁶ Precipitates formed when the pH of the polyacid-glycoprotein solutions were close to the isoelectric point of the glycoprotein; the groups which combined with the polyacid were the guanido, imidazole, and ϵ -amino-groups, rather than the α -amino-groups. Data were obtained for potentiometric and spectrophotometric titrations of bovine serum albumin in dioxan-water mixtures,¹⁹⁷ and for changes in the macrostructure of the spin-labelled glycoprotein on γ -irradiation.¹⁹⁸ Dimeric bovine serum albumin, prepared by oxidation of mercaptoalbumin, reverted to the monomer on mild treatment with alkali.¹⁹⁹

Liver-cell potassium ions play a role in the secretion of rat serum albumin.²⁰⁰ Differences in the chemical and physicochemical characteristics of serum albumin from two species of frog have been observed.²⁰¹

A procedure for the fractionation and isolation, in an electrophoretically pure form, of α_2 -glycoprotein from rat inflammatory serum has been reported.²⁰² A 4S α_2 - β_1 -glycoprotein was isolated from Cohn fraction VI of normal human plasma by chromatography on diethylaminoethyl- and carboxymethyl-cellulose, DEAE-Sephadex, hydroxyapatite, and Sephadex G-100.²⁰³ The glycoprotein had a molecular weight of 6.0×10^4 , and the carbohydrate moiety (30%) comprised D-galactose (14), D-mannose (14), L-fucose (2), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (30), and sialic acid (14 residues, out of a total of 465). The terminal positions of the sialic acid residues were indicated by their liberation with neuraminidase.

There is apparently no significance in the measured hexose contents (1.0–4.6%) of foetal and adult fibrinogen.²⁰⁴ The hexoses were principally D-galactose and D-mannose, and the presence of the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (0.5–1.0%) and sialic acid (0.8%) was also indicated. The action of plasmin on fibrinogen and fibrin resulted in the formation of almost identical high molecular weight products.²⁰⁵

Two glycopeptides of molecular weight 2015 and 2180 have been isolated from pronasic hydrolysates of human transferrin.²⁰⁶ The glycopeptide

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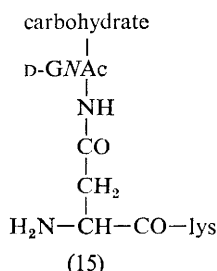
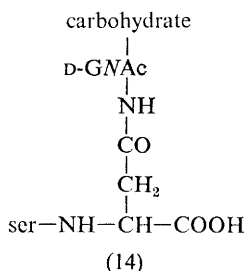
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linkage regions (14) and (15), respectively, involved 2-acetamido-1- $\{(N\text{-}\beta\text{-L-aspartyl)amino}\}$ -2-deoxy- $\beta\text{-D-glucosylamine}$ bonds.

Studies have been carried out on the enzymic fragmentation and molecular weight of a single component (6.5S human cryoglobulin) isolated from a case of idiopathic cryoglobulinemia.²⁰⁷ Carbohydrate analyses showed the presence of D-galactose and D-mannose (10 combined), L-fucose (2), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (6), and sialic acid (2 residues).



Lipid-free fractions, obtained from low- and high-density rat serum lipoprotein fractions, contained carbohydrate (5.2 and 2.2%, respectively) consisting of D-galactose, D-glucose, D-mannose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and N-acetylneuraminic acid.²⁰⁸

Blood Cellular Element Glycoproteins.—Proteolysis of intact human platelets with trypsin, pronase, or papain released up to 60% of the total cell sialic acid in the form of three distinct size classes of glycopeptides (GP-1—3).²⁰⁹ GP-1 ($M = 1.2 \times 10^5$) was released by trypsin but was resistant to further proteolysis, GP-2 ($M = 2.25 \times 10^4$) was released in small amounts by all procedures, and GP-3 ($M = 5.0 \times 10^3$) was preferentially released by pronase or papain; GP-1 and GP-2 were apparently homogeneous whereas GP-3 could be subfractionated. All three classes contained D-galactose, D-glucose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose, and sialic acid; in the case of GP-1, 50% of the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose units were involved in alkali-labile linkages.

Solubilised glycoproteins of human erythrocyte membrane have been separated by electrophoresis on acrylamide gel, and the pattern was compared with that obtained from the membrane of patients with hereditary spherocytosis.²¹⁰ A series of sialoglycoprotein fractions containing 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and sialic acid (4.7—31.4%) have been prepared from human erythrocyte membranes.²¹¹ One of the fractions contained virus receptor activity. A

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study of the interaction of a sialoglycopeptide, released from human erythrocytes by trypsin treatment, with positively-charged substances (*e.g.* bovine albumin, toluidine blue, and sodium ions) suggested that the glycoprotein possessed ion-exchange properties and that the sialic acid residues could act as receptor sites for positively-charged molecules.²¹²

Human peripheral blood lymphocytes in culture incorporated 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-[1-¹⁴C]glucose at a constant rate, which doubled on the addition of a phytohaemagglutinin from *Phaseolus vulgaris*, but which was inhibited by puromycin. The radioactivity in an acid-soluble extract appeared mainly in UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose. Incorporated 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose was released from the intact lymphocyte by proteolysis; papain digestion of a purified membrane fraction yielded three classes of glycopeptides having molecular weights of 2.3×10^5 , 1.3×10^5 , and 6.0×10^3 .²⁸ The *N*-acetylneuraminic acid contents of human normal and leukemic lymphocytes and granulocytes in relation to their electrophoretic mobilities have been investigated.²¹³

Immunoglobulins.—The structure and heterogeneity of antibody-combining sites have been surveyed briefly,⁴ and the structure of IgM antibodies and their function as rheumatoid factors have been briefly reviewed.²¹⁴

Human IgG has been separated into fractions of different contents of *N*-acetylneuraminic acid by DEAE-cellulose chromatography.²¹⁵ The biological properties of these fractions before and after treatment with neuraminidase were compared.

The isolation of guinea-pig IgGI, IgGII, and IgM has been described together with methods for separating the subunits of each.²¹⁶ Approximate molecular weights were determined by sedimentation and gel filtration studies as IgM, 9.5×10^5 ; IgGI, 1.57×10^5 ; and IgGII, 1.55×10^5 . The compositions of the intact molecules and their subunits were determined, and each immunoglobulin contained hexose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-hexose, and sialic acid (maximum proportions 5.2, 0.8, 2.9, and 1.6%, respectively).

The immunoglobulin IgM secreted by a mouse plasmacytoma reacted with a number of dextrans in a manner characteristic of antibody-antigen reactions, *viz.* precipitation of soluble dextran, agglutination of dextran-coated erythrocytes, and inhibition of dextran precipitation by small oligosaccharides.²¹⁷ The order of efficiency for inhibition of dextran-IgM reactions by α -linked D-glucose oligosaccharides was $1,3 \gg 1,6 > 1,2 > 1,4$; nigerotetraose and nigeropentaose were the best inhibitors of the nigerodextrin series.

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A glycine-rich glycoprotein isolated from normal human plasma by successive fractionations with 6,9-diamino-2-ethoxyacridine lactate, ammonium sulphate, DEAE-Sephadex, and carboxymethyl-Sephadex migrated as an IgG on agarose gel electrophoresis.²¹⁸ The glycoprotein, which contained hexose (8.5%) and *N*-acetylneuraminic acid (1.3%), was unrelated antigenically to a wide variety of known plasma macromolecules.

Insoluble derivatives of β -galactosidase,²¹⁹ insulin,²²⁰ and *Escherichia coli* lipopolysaccharide²²¹ antibodies have been prepared.

Urinary Glycoproteins

The compositions of urinary glycoproteins and glycopeptides of high and low molecular weight have been reviewed.⁹⁸

The carbohydrate and amino-acid compositions of human Tamm-Horsfall glycoprotein have been revised; the new values for the carbohydrate moiety are hexose (11.7%), L-fucose (0.8%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxyhexose (11.2%), and sialic acid (4.4%).²²² Treatment with alkali did not release carbohydrate, suggesting that the predominant glycopeptide linkages were not of the *O*-glycosidic type. *N*-Terminal amino-acid was not detected, and no significant differences in the amino-acid composition were observed for glycoprotein from normals and patients with cystic fibrosis. Subunit molecular weights of $7.6\text{--}8.2 \times 10^4$ were obtained for the native and alkylated glycoprotein by gel filtration in the presence of sodium dodecyl sulphate.²²³ A further estimate of 7.9×10^4 was obtained for the molecular weight by disc electrophoresis in sodium dodecyl sulphate, whilst a minimum value of 7.9×10^4 was obtained from the number of *N*-terminal amino-acids released by treatment with cyanogen bromide. Similar values were obtained for the subunit molecular weight of the glycoprotein from patients with cystic fibrosis. Treatment of the glycoprotein with 6M-guanidine hydrochloride also produced a homogeneous subunit of molecular weight 1.0×10^5 .²²⁴ Component analyses of a glycoprotein isolated from urinary casts demonstrated the presence of a small amount of associated lipid.²²⁵ The glycoprotein was indistinguishable from Tamm-Horsfall glycoprotein.

A method for the paper chromatographic isolation and characterisation of 2-acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine from urine has been reported, and was recommended for the correct diagnosis of aspartylglycosaminuria.²²⁶

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Two glycopeptides (SGP1 and SGP2), rich in sialic acid, were isolated from normal human urine, and contained D-galactose (20.7 and 18.1%), D-mannose (8.3 and 1.4%), L-fucose (3.5 and 1.4%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose (5.2 and 11.3%), 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (20.6 and 5.1%), and sialic acid (24.2 and 52.1%, respectively).²²⁷ Their compositions resembled those of carbohydrate-containing compounds from the brain and erythrocyte membrane. The glycopeptide linkage of SGP1 involved 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose and threonine, but treatment of SGP2 with alkaline borohydride did not significantly decrease its serine and threonine contents. SGP2 contained a sialic acid derivative which was not identical with *N*-acetyl- or *N*-glycolyl-neuraminic acids.

Glucosyl-galactosyl- δ -hydroxylysine and galactosyl- δ -hydroxylysine were isolated in crystalline form for the first time in a study of urinary glycosylated hydroxylysine and *N*-methyl derivatives of lysine and arginine.²²⁸

Miscellaneous Glycoproteins

Enzymic digestion with pronase and collagenase of human kidney glomerular and tubular basement membranes yielded two glycopeptides from each source, which were separated by gel filtration and ion-exchange chromatography.²²⁹ One of the glomerular glycopeptides was identical to one of the tubular pair, and contained a disaccharide composed of D-galactose and D-glucose, probably linked to hydroxylysine. The other glomerular and tubular glycopeptides had molecular weights of 3.6×10^3 and 3.4×10^3 , respectively; both contained D-galactose, D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid.

An electro-immunodiffusion technique was suitable for analysis of nanogram amounts of prealbumin, albumin, α_1 -acid glycoprotein, α_1 -antitrypsin, α_2 -haptoglobin, α_2 -macroglobulin, and transferrin in human cerebrospinal fluid.²³⁰ An improved method has been reported for the isolation of pure α_1 -acid glycoprotein from ascitic fluid; the preparation was homogeneous on immunoelectrophoresis.¹⁹⁰ Its carbohydrate composition, D-galactose and D-mannose (14.6% combined), L-fucose (2.1%), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (14.1%), and *N*-acetylneuraminic acid (9.8%), was very similar to that of normal serum α_1 -acid glycoprotein.

A single glycopeptide, isolated from a peptic digest of membrane protein bovine visual pigment₅₀₀ by ion-exchange chromatography, contained D-mannose (3.1) and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (2.7 moles per mole glycopeptide).²³¹ The carbohydrate moiety was linked to aspartyl residue-2 of the established peptide sequence through an alkali-stable bond. Treatment with β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase liberated two residues of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, whereas α -mannosidase liberated 86% of the D-mannose

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residues. It was concluded that the parent glycoprotein (molecular weight 2.8×10^4) contained a single carbohydrate moiety in which two of the 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose residues and all of the D-mannose residues were linked peripherally to the third 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose residue, which was involved in a 2-acetamido-1- $\{(N\text{-}\beta\text{-L-aspartyl})\text{amino}\}$ -2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine glycopeptide linkage.

Sialoglycoproteins were determined in bovine brain by measurement of the sialic acid, and their distribution was assessed.²³² The carbohydrate compositions of sialoglycoproteins from bovine heart aortic and pulmonary valves have been determined.¹¹¹ The rate of biosynthesis of these glycoproteins was higher in the aortic than in the pulmonary valve, and, in both cases, was higher than that of the glycosaminoglycans. The carbohydrate compositions of fractions containing glycoproteins from bovine heart, ovine heart, lung, and liver, and avian heart, liver, skin, and bone have been determined and compared with a view to gross analytical differentiation.¹¹²

D-Galactose, D-mannose, 6-deoxyhexose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, uronic acids, N-acetylneuraminic acid, and N-glycolylneuraminic acid were detected in the glycoproteins of bovine myocardium.²³³ During hydrolysis with acid, these carbohydrates were largely liberated in the order: sialic acids, 6-deoxyhexoses, hexoses, uronic acids, and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses.

Treatment of bovine and ovine submaxillary mucins with alkaline borohydride converted the carbohydrate moieties into dialysable fragments;²³⁴ β -elimination of these moieties from the serine and threonine residues of the protein was shown to be 95% of quantitative. However, 10 and 22% of the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose residues of the ovine and bovine molecules, respectively, were not reduced to the 2-amino-2-deoxyhexitol, and most of the resistant units were located in oligosaccharides, the compositions of which were reported.

The biosynthesis of the carbohydrate moieties of sheep thyroid microsomal glycoproteins, particularly thyroglobulin, has been investigated.²³⁵ The presence of a polysaccharide-containing cell coat on the surfaces of keratinizing cells of the Romney wool follicle has been revealed.²³⁶

α -Fucosidase removed 80–90% of the L-fucose residues from porcine and canine submaxillary mucins.⁴¹

The composition and biosynthesis of glycoproteins in isolated synaptosomes and synaptosomal intraneural mitochondria from guinea-pig cerebral cortex have been investigated by the incorporation of radioactive

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monosaccharides.²³⁷ The presence of L-fucose, hexose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid was demonstrated in this way. Glycoproteins containing D-galactose, D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid in mouse fibroblast L cells and surface membranes have been investigated.²³⁸

A comparative study of the glycoproteins from the surface of control and Rous sarcoma virus-transformed hamster cells showed that pronasic digestion yielded glycopeptides of higher molecular weight in the transformed cells.²³⁹ The glycoproteins contained sialic acid and incorporated radioactive L-fucose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose when the cells were cultured in media containing the labelled monosaccharides. Glycoproteins containing 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses were released from baby hamster cells by treatment with trypsin and edta.²⁴⁰

The 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-galactose, -glucose, and -mannose contents of rat brain glycoproteins have been determined using differential colorimetry.¹³ Glycopeptides containing D-galactose, D-mannose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, sialic acid, and sulphate have been obtained from rat brain glycoproteins following pronasic digestion and removal of the glycosaminoglycans by precipitation with cetyl pyridinium chloride.²⁴¹ Preliminary studies indicated the presence of D-galactose 6-sulphate and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose 6-sulphate. Also present were non-sulphated glycopeptides which were similar to the sulphated glycoproteins in their molar ratios of 2-amino-2-deoxyhexoses and neutral sugars. The sialoglycoprotein content of rat brain remained constant during development;²⁴² the biosynthesis of these glycoproteins has also been studied.²⁴³

Rat small intestinal mucins have been shown to be glycoproteins containing hexose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid.²⁴⁴ Three distinct classes of glycoprotein were identified by use of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-[1-¹⁴C]glucose as precursor. A glycopeptide isolated from the same source contained D-galactose, L-fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and sialic acid (molar ratios 12 : 4 : 1.2 : 1, respectively).²⁴⁵ The biosynthesis of the glycopeptide in endoplasmic reticulum from normal and vitamin-A deficient animals was studied *in vitro* using UDP-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-[1-¹⁴C]glucose and [³H]serine.

Glycoproteins of rat kidney-cell cytoplasm have been studied immunoelectrophoretically.²⁴⁶ Glomerular basement membrane contained D-galac-

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A study has been made of cytoplasmic sites of glycoprotein biosynthesis in chick embryo fibroblasts using cellular fractionation after double labelling of the macromolecules with 2-amino-2-deoxy-D- $[^3\text{H}-6]$ glucose and ^{14}C -labelled amino-acids.²⁵⁴ The results demonstrated the participation of many subcellular sites in the biosynthesis of the carbohydrate moieties of glycoproteins and confirmed the independence of each. The presence of radioactive 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose on polysomes indicated that the carbohydrate moiety became attached to the polypeptide while the glycoprotein was still linked to the polysome.

Structural studies have been carried out on glycopeptides isolated from pronase digests of the Lorenzini jelly of two species of elasmobranch fish *Raja clavata* and *Cetorhinus maximus*.²⁵⁵ The glycopeptide linkage in all of these glycopeptides was O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactosyl)threonine, and the majority of the 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactosyl residues were substituted at C-3 and/or C-6 by oligosaccharides of various sizes.

Studies on glycoproteins isolated from the jelly coat of sea urchin eggs showed them to contain rhamnose, fucose, mannose, galactose, N-acetylneuraminic acid, and N-glycolylneuraminic acid.²⁵⁶ A glycoprotein from the jelly coat of *Pseudocentrotus depressus* eggs has been purified until homogeneous by electrophoresis and ultracentrifugation.²⁵⁷ The glycoprotein carried a strong negative charge, and contained sialic acid (70.0%), hexose (3.7%), fucose (9.2%), 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (2.4%), and sulphate (7.6%). Although the major sialic acid was identified as N-glycolylneuraminic acid, hydrolysis of the glycoprotein with acid and enzymes suggested that several unidentified sialic acids were also present.

The operculum of the gastropod mollusc *Buccinum undatum* contained a class of glycoproteins ('operculins') which contained mannose, xylose, rhamnose, galactose, glucose, fucose, 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose, and 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose.²⁵⁸

Spongin A from the connective tissue of the invertebrate *Hippospongia gossypina* contained a complex glycoprotein-polysaccharide containing arabinose (8.2%), fucose (12%), galactose (8%), mannose (1.1%), xylose (0.6%), 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose (6.3%), hexuronic acid (12%), sulphate (22%), and amino-acid (3%); the arabinose had the D-configuration and the distribution of arabinose within the animal kingdom was discussed.⁵⁶ A biological role was proposed for the spongonucleotides.

The single glycoprotein from the membrane of Sindbis virus, an arbovirus grown in chick fibroblast cells, contained D-galactose and D-mannose (5.1% combined), L-fucose (0.5%), 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose (7.3%), and

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²⁵⁵ M. J. How, J. V. S. Jones, and M. Stacey, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 171.

²⁵⁶ K. Hotta, H. Hamazaki, M. Horikawa, M. Kurokawa, and S. Isaka, *Seikagaku*, 1970, **42**, 291.

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sialic acid (0.7%).²⁵⁹ The glycoprotein from virus grown in hamster kidney cells contained a different amount of sialic acid (1.3%). Pronasic digestion of the 'chick' glycoprotein yielded a set of glycopeptides, the smallest of which was estimated to contain a total of nine residues of D-mannose and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose.²⁵⁰ The larger glycopeptides contained, in addition, D-galactose, L-fucose, and, presumably, sialic acid. Glycopeptides from the virus grown in hamster cells had a different size distribution but were grossly similar.

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Enzymes

A review has appeared on the quaternary structures of biological macromolecules which included data on the subunit formation of some carbohydrases.² Circular dichroism studies of a number of carbohydrases have indicated significant proportions of α -helix in the structures of some.³ The use of enzymes in analytical chemistry has been the subject of a review which includes a section on the determination of carbohydrates.²⁶⁰ Further information on methods for the determination of carbohydrases and details of inhibitors of carbohydrases has been published.²⁶¹

Acetamidodeoxyhexosidases

The rates of hydrolysis of (2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*N*-benzyloxycarbonyl-L-serinamide, (2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*N*-benzyloxycarbonyl-L-serinamide, (2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-L-serine, and other related glycopeptides by β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase have been investigated and compared with those of the conventional aryl β -glycosides.²⁶²

Studies on the inhibition of β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase activity with 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucono-1,4- and -1,5-lactones showed that only the latter acted as an inhibitor.²⁶³

The presence of two isoenzymes (A and B) of β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase in the leukocytes of normal individuals has been confirmed.²⁶⁴ A quantitative method, based on acrylamide gel electrophoresis, for the determination of the ratio of the isoenzymes was established. The method was proposed as a screening technique for the identification of Tay-Sachs disease since significant differences between the ratios for normals and carriers were demonstrated. Separation on DEAE-cellulose has also been used for the differential assay of the two isoenzymes.²⁶⁵ The activity of β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase was elevated in the serum and liver of patients with Hurler and Sanfilippo syndromes.²⁶⁶

²⁶⁰ G. G. Guilbault, *Analyt. Chem.*, 1970, 334R.

²⁶¹ G. G. Guilbault, 'Enzymatic Methods of Analysis,' Pergamon Press, Oxford, 1970.

²⁶² E. Werries and E. Buddecke, *Z. physiol. Chem.*, 1970, **351**, 1089.

²⁶³ T. E. Couling and R. Goodrey, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 303.

²⁶⁴ J. Friedland, L. Schneek, A. Saifer, M. Pourfar, and B. W. Volk, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **28**, 397.

²⁶⁵ N. Dance, R. G. Price, and D. Robinson, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **119**, 5P.

²⁶⁶ B. A. Gordon and V. Feleki, *Clin. Biochem.*, 1970, **3**, 193.

The specific activity of β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase in developing rat brain remained constant,²⁴² and changes in its specific activity in regenerating rat brain have been investigated.²⁶⁷

The capability of a multienzyme system from the marine gastropod *Charonia lampas* to degrade keratan sulphate to its constituent monosaccharides and sulphate was attributed to the presence of a β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase, among other enzymes.⁸⁷

A method has been described for the isolation of β -acetamidodeoxyhexosidase from jack bean meal in electrophoretically homogeneous and crystalline form.²⁶⁸ Its molecular weight was estimated to be 10^5 by gel filtration. The enzyme liberated terminal β -linked 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose and -galactose from various natural and synthetic substrates, and the data indicated that both activities were catalysed by the same enzyme at the same site.

β -Fructofuranosidases

Both isoelectric focusing and Sephadex gel filtration of yeast β -fructofuranosidase (invertase) gave several active fractions.²⁶⁹ The K_m values for the hydrolysis of raffinose and methyl β -D-fructofuranoside varied according to the fraction used, whereas the value for the hydrolysis of sucrose showed little variation from fraction to fraction. Other studies employed starch gel electrophoresis for the isoenzyme separation, and showed that the K_m values increased with increasing isoelectric points.²⁷⁰⁻²⁷²

Low concentrations of some lower aliphatic alcohols stimulated the induction of β -fructofuranosidase in dormant candida of *Aspergillus oryzae*.²⁷³ Yeast β -fructofuranosidase has been prepared in an insolubilised form,²⁷⁴ and chicken intestinal β -fructofuranosidase has been investigated.²⁷⁵

Fucosidases

The α -fucosidase activity in the liver of cases of Hunter and Sanfilippo syndromes was greater than normal.²⁶⁶

Porcine kidney α -L-fucosidase has been obtained free from α -D-mannosidase activity, and its high substrate specificity was demonstrated using a number of synthetic substrates.³⁸ It was shown that L-fucono-1,4-lactone is a specific inhibitor, and that the enzyme split off terminal L-fucose units from fragments of blood group (A + H) substance of different molecular

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²⁷¹ B. Berggren, *Arkiv. Kemi*, 1970, **32**, 161.

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weights. However, it was also shown that porcine kidney α -L-fucosidase was inactive against fragments of molecular weight greater than 4000.³⁹

The specific activity of α -fucosidase of rat brain has been shown to decrease as the brain develops.²⁴² The exofucoidanase activity of the α -L-fucosidase of an abalone (*Haliotis gigantea*) liver has been studied.²⁷⁶

An α -L-fucosidase was purified from *Clostridium welchii*.^{41a} The enzyme occurred in several isoenzyme forms with molecular weights greater than 2×10^5 , and was specific for α -(1 \rightarrow 2)-linkages in oligosaccharides and glycoproteins, but had no action on simple methyl or nitrophenyl L-fucosides.

A purified preparation of 1,2- α -L-fucosidase, free from other carbohydrate activities, has been obtained from *Aspergillus niger*.⁴¹ Detailed specificity studies showed that the enzyme was highly specific for non-reducing, terminal L-fucose residues linked α -(1 \rightarrow 2) to D-galactose residues. It hydrolysed L-fucose quantitatively from a series of 2-O- α -L-fucosyl saccharides, but was inactive against *p*-nitrophenyl α -L-fucoside.

Galactosidases

o-Nitrophenyl 6-deoxy- α -L-*arabino*-hex-5-enopyranoside acted as a substrate for β -galactosidase.²⁷⁷ In the presence of glycerol as acceptor, the product of enzymic action was 1'-D-glyceryl 6-deoxy- α -L-*arabino*-hex-5-enopyranoside. It was proposed that the mechanism of enzymic reaction involved protonation of the glycosidic oxygen and transference of the sugar component as a cyclic unit.

In cases of Morquio-Ullrich's disease, dermal biopsies showed a decreased, and sera an increased, content of β -galactosidase compared with normals.⁹⁹ The β -galactosidase activity of liver samples from cases of G_{M1} -gangliosidosis was very low.¹⁴¹ The normal liver enzyme was stimulated by chloride ions.²⁷⁸

Human and rat tissues were shown to contain an enzyme that liberated D-galactose from highly purified keratan sulphate.⁸⁸ The enzyme had its maximum activity at pH 4.0, was preferentially localised in the lysosomes, and released D-galactose from the non-reducing end of the keratan sulphate molecule. Rat-kidney lysosomal β -galactosidase has been resolved into four active components by DEAE-cellulose chromatography.²⁷⁹ Different forms of rat small-intestinal 'acid' β -galactosidase have been separated and their properties investigated.²⁸⁰

One of the enzymes of a multienzyme system from *Charonia lampas*, which degraded keratan sulphate, was considered to be a β -galactosidase.⁸⁷

²⁷⁶ K. Tanaka and S. Sorai, *F.E.B.S. Letters*, 1970, **9**, 45.

²⁷⁷ J. Lehmann and H. Reinshagen, *Annalen*, 1970, **732**, 112.

²⁷⁸ M. W. Ho and J. S. O'Brien, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **30**, 531.

²⁷⁹ V. Patel and A. L. Tappel, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **220**, 622.

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The β -galactosidase activity of microbial fermentation filtrates has been initially purified by precipitation with tungstophosphoric, tungstosilicic, or molybdosilicic acids.¹⁹⁶ Precipitates formed when the pH of the polyacid-enzyme solutions were close to the isoelectric point of the enzyme. The groups combining with the tungstophosphoric acid were the electropositive guanidoyl-, imidazol-, and ε -amino-groups, no precipitation being given by the α -amino-groups.

α - and β -Galactopyranosidases from *Aspergillus niger* were purified from a commercial preparation and their properties investigated.²⁸¹ The β -galactosidase activity in extracts of *Trichomonas foetus* was separable into two fractions by gel filtration;²⁸² one form was found to be an exoglycosidase that also released β -linked D-galactose joined to various aglycones. Its action on terminal, non-reducing β -D-galactosyl residues in oligosaccharides was, however, prevented by a substituent on either the terminal or subterminal residue. β -Galactosidase has been identified in *Kluyveromyces aestuarii* and *K. wikenii*.²⁸³ *Aerobacter cloacae* β -galactosidase was purified and characterised; it was non-isoenzyme-forming.²¹⁹ Its properties, including subunit formation, were compared with those of the β -galactosidase of *Escherichia coli*.

Values in the region of 8.5×10^4 have been obtained for the molecular weight of *E. coli* β -galactosidase in concentrated solutions of guanidine hydrochloride.²⁸⁴ The same enzyme dissociated on treatment with β -mercaptoethanol with rapid loss of activity.²⁸⁵ Inactivation and dissociation were prevented by prior or simultaneous addition of magnesium ions, indicating that the latter stabilised the enzyme; treatment with magnesium ions alone caused only a slight initial loss of activity. In the presence of urea, the loss of activity and dissociation of the β -galactosidase into subunits were not parallel reactions, the former being more rapid than loss of the tetrameric structure.²⁸⁶ A mechanism of conformational changes, forming on one hand a stable, inactive tetramer and inactive subunits on the other, gave the best fit with the experimental data when programmed and simulated by an analog computer.

Studies on the interaction of the inhibitor *o*-mercuriphenyl β -D-galactoside chloride with *E. coli* β -galactosidase demonstrated that, although the compound modified some sulphhydryl groups with inactivation, substrate binding in the tetramer was not significantly reduced and no sulphhydryl group was involved in the actual catalytic mechanism.²⁸⁷

Enhanced stability against heat denaturation of *E. coli* wild type and mutant β -galactosidases was found in the presence of specific antibodies.²⁸⁸

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²⁸² G. J. Harrap and W. M. Watkins, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **117**, 667.

²⁸³ J. B. Fiol, *Ann. Inst. Pasteur*, 1970, **118**, 697.

²⁸⁴ R. P. Erickson, *Biochem. J.*, 1970, **120**, 255.

²⁸⁵ S. Shifrin, B. J. Grochowski, and S. W. Luborsky, *Nature*, 1970, **227**, 608.

²⁸⁶ V. M. Wickson and R. E. Huber, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **207**, 150.

²⁸⁷ F. G. Loontjens, K. Wallenfels, and R. Weil, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **14**, 138.

²⁸⁸ F. Melchers and W. Messer, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.*, 1970, **40**, 570.

Complementation reactions have been carried out on *E. coli* mutant peptides produced by cleavage of the aminoethyl- β -galactosidase with cyanogen bromide.²⁸⁹ The interaction between metabolic intermediates and β -galactosidase from the organism has been investigated.²⁹⁰ The biosynthesis of the enzyme in a cell-free system has been studied, and the characteristics of the enzyme defined.²⁹¹

Although the β -glucosidase activity could not be removed from sweet almond emulsin β -galactosidase, it was concluded that the activities belonged to two different enzyme molecules since they were not coincident in their response to inhibitors.²⁹² α - and β -Galactosidases were extracted from spinach leaves, and characterised after separation by ion-exchange chromatography.²⁹³

Glucosidases

Nojirimycin (5-amino-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranose) was found to be a potent inhibitor of β -glucosidase.²⁹⁴

Raised urinary α -glucosidase output provided an index of human kidney tubular damage arising from various kidney diseases.²⁹⁵ β -Glucosidase activities in human tissues and in cases of Gaucher's diseases have been investigated.²⁹⁶

Cattle-liver lysosomal α -glucosidase was shown to be composed of subunits of similar molecular weight (2.5×10^4) which were bound non-covalently.²⁹⁷ Chicken intestinal α -glucosidase has been identified.²⁷⁵

α - and β -Glucosidases were found in *Kluyveromyces aestuarii* and *K. wikenii*,²⁸³ and α -glucosidase synthesis has been induced in *Saccharomyces carlsbergensis*²⁹⁸ and in *Mucor rouxii*.²⁹⁹ In the latter case, maltose was a suitable inducer and most of the enzyme was bound to the cell wall.

Extracts of *Neurospora crassa* also contained β -galactosidases strongly bound to the cell wall, but the two enzymes had different pH optima of 7.5 and 4.2.³⁰⁰ The latter enzyme was purified by precipitation with ammonium sulphate and cation-exchange chromatography and, when the organism was grown on lactose, it was released into the culture medium in two electrophoretically distinguishable forms.³⁰¹

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²⁹⁶ B. Hultberg and P. A. Öckerman, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, **28**, 169.

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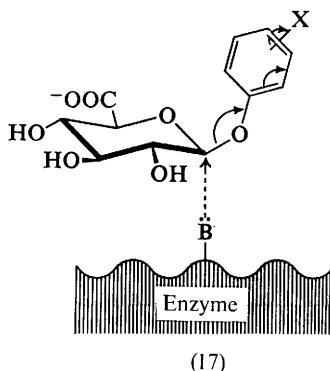
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Several β -glucosidase-active components from sweet almond emulsin contained β -galactosidase activity, but the different activities were not coincident in their response to inhibitors.²⁹² Emulsin β -glucopyranosidase has been dissociated into subunits, and subsequent recombination achieved with regeneration of activity.³⁰² The effect of ferrous ions and organic reducing agents on the thioglucosidase activity of *Crambe abyssinica* seed has been studied.³⁰³

Glucuronidases

A fluorometric method for the assay of β -glucuronidase was based on the use of harmol glucuronide as substrate.³⁰⁴ The method was used to assay the β -glucuronidase present in human serum and in the organs and sera of various animals.

The effect of various substituents on the hydrolysis of mono-substituted phenyl β -D-glucosiduronic acids by β -glucuronidase has been investigated.³⁰⁵ The values obtained for the various rate constants indicated that hydrolysis was facilitated by electron-withdrawing substituents and that its rate was determined by their strength. These facts suggested that enzymic hydrolysis was initiated by the attack of a nucleophile, such as a hydroxy- or amino-group of the enzyme protein (17), and not by protonation of the glycosidic oxygen. The various K_m values indicated that



formation of the enzyme-substrate complex was facilitated by the presence of electron-withdrawing groups on the aromatic ring, implying that the site of interaction in the substrate molecule was located at C-1.

The results of a study on the reversible inhibition of β -glucuronidase showed that the relationship of cholesterol to atherosclerosis is not

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explained by its action on the enzyme, as had been previously suggested.³⁰⁶ The β -glucuronidase activity of serum and liver was found to be greater than normal in cases of Hurler and Sanfilippo syndromes.²⁶⁶

β -Glucuronidase has been detected in a fractionated homogenate of porcine blood platelets³⁰⁷ and in caecal contents from germ-free rats.³⁰⁸ The distribution of the granule-associated enzyme in guinea-pig polymorphonuclear leucocytes has been assessed.³⁰⁹

Rat-liver lysosomal β -glucuronidase was fractionated into two active components, both of which had a molecular weight of 2.5×10^5 after purification.³¹⁰ Use of synthetic 1-thio- β -D-glucosiduronic acids as substrates for rat-liver β -glucuronidase showed that the enzyme preparation hydrolysed 2-benzothiazolethiol and *p*-nitrothiophenyl β -D-glucuronides but not thiophenyl β -D-glucuronide.³¹¹

The incorporation of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-[1-¹⁴C]glucose into mouse kidney β -glucuronidase by gonadotrophin indicated that the enzyme was a glycoprotein.³¹²

Mannosidases

The liver α -mannosidase activity of patients with Hurler and Sanfilippo syndromes was increased above normal.²⁶⁶ The specific activity of rat-brain α -mannosidase decreased as the brain developed.²⁴²

α -Mannosidase from the limpet, *Patella vulgata*, was purified 150-fold with 40% recovery.³¹³ Studies on the purified form showed that the enzyme was a metalloenzyme or enzyme-metal ion complex dissociable at the pH of activity, and that it required zinc ions specifically.

The properties and biosynthesis of *Streptomyces* α -mannosidase (mannosidostreptomycinase) have been reviewed.³¹⁴ The specificity of an α -mannosidase isolated from *Streptomyces* W16 has been defined using a series of mannosides as substrates; the enzyme appears to be an exomannanase.³¹⁵

Sweet almond emulsin α -mannosidase was purified by carboxymethyl-cellulose chromatography and isoelectric focusing, and its properties, along with those of the purified emulsin β -mannosidase, were studied.²⁹²

Sialidases

The intracellular distribution of the sialidase of adult grey matter was determined, and the enzyme found to be concentrated in the synaptosome

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fraction, particularly in the synaptosomal membrane.³¹⁶ The sialidase showed activity towards an intrinsic endogenous substrate, as well as towards added disialo- and trisialo-gangliosides and sialyllactose.

The major sialidase of human brain cortex has been obtained by a multistage procedure; its nature and mode of action on sialosyl substrates, particularly the brain gangliosides, were investigated in detail.³¹⁷ Sialosyl-(2 → 3)-galactosyl linkages were hydrolysed more readily by the enzyme than were sialosyl-(2 → 8)-sialosyl linkages.

The distribution of sialidase in various regions of bovine brain has been assessed.²³² The presence in rat-liver lysosomes of two neuraminidases having pH optima of 4.4 and 5.8 has been demonstrated.³¹⁸ Both enzymes were active against a sialoglycopeptide fraction from a pronase digest of ovine submaxillary glycoprotein, but one of them was inactive against the intact glycoprotein and brain gangliosides. The specific activity of rat-brain sialidase increased as the brain developed.²⁴²

Neuraminidase from a rough strain of *Diplococcus pneumoniae* has been separated into a number of isoenzymes by column chromatography and electrophoresis.³¹⁹

The action of *Vibrio cholerae* neuraminidase was inhibited by 5-acetamido-6-formyl-4-hydroxy-2,3-dehydropyran-2-carboxylic acid (a periodate oxidation product of methyl 2-deoxy-2,3-dehydro-*N*-acetylneuraminic acid), by its *N*-isonicotinoylhydrazone, and by the reduced form, 5-acetamido-4-hydroxy-6-hydroxymethyl-2,3-dehydropyran-2-carboxylic acid.³²⁰

Neuraminidase activity was not found in highly concentrated preparations of measles virus, the enzymic activity previously reported being attributed to a latent virus.³²¹

α-Amylases

An assay for the specific measurement of α-amylase in the presence of glucoamylase was based on the inability of the latter enzyme to release soluble coloured products from Cibachron Blue amylose.³²² α-Amylase was able to 'by-pass' the substituted D-glucose units with consequent release of coloured material into solution.

A study of the action of α-amylase on maltodextrins, either reduced or oxidised at C-1 of the reducing-end D-glucose unit, showed that such modifications did not alter the ability of dilute solutions of the enzyme to cleave the tetra-, penta-, and hexa-saccharides more rapidly than malto-

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triose.³²³ Such modification of maltotriose, however, rendered the molecule resistant to enzymic attack.

The α -amylase of human pancreatic juice comprised six isoenzymes, the properties of which were compared with those of human parotid saliva α -amylase.³²⁴ The latter enzyme was shown to consist of at least five separable isoenzymes, which could be grouped into two families.³²⁵ The major difference lay in the carbohydrate contents; the members of one family contained 8 and 4 mol of neutral monosaccharide and 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucose, respectively, per mol of enzyme, whereas the other contained no detectable carbohydrate.

α -Amylase has been identified in, and extracted from, C₃H mouse submaxillary gland.³²⁶ The extract was purified by Sephadex gel filtration based on the knowledge that α -amylase is retarded when eluted through dextran gels. Refiltration indicated a molecular weight of 6×10^4 for the enzyme, which sedimented as a single peak.

The action pattern on amylose of the α -amylases from porcine pancreas, human saliva, *Bacillus subtilis*, and malted rye has been studied in the initial stages.³²⁷ Porcine pancreatic α -amylase was unique in showing evidence of multiple attack at certain pH values. The presence of glycerol changed the mode of action in the initial stages to an essentially random form.

An investigation of the multiple attack and polarity of action of porcine pancreatic α -amylase established that the optimum pH for multiple attack was 6.9, and that the direction of multiple attack was towards the non-reducing end of the substrate molecule.³²⁸ The information indicated that, after initial attack by the enzyme, the right-hand fragment of the substrate dissociated from the enzyme surface, whereas the left-hand fragment remained at the active site long enough for it to become repositioned and to undergo further attack.

Malto-oligosaccharides, terminated at the reducing ends by [U-¹⁴C]-sucrose, were used to investigate the action patterns of pancreatic, *B. subtilis*, and *Endomycopsis* α -amylases.³²⁹ The α -amylases had similar action patterns on oligosaccharides with or without D-fructose at the reducing end, but saliva, malt, *B. stearothermophilus*, *Rhizopus niveus*, *Aspergillus niger*, and Taka α -amylases had somewhat different action patterns.

B. subtilis α -amylase was inactivated by treatment with N-acetylimidazole and tetranitromethane,³³⁰ but full catalytic activity was restored

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when the acetylated molecule was treated with hydroxylamine, indicating that tyrosyl residues were required for enzymic activity. Other data supported the evidence that the active physical entity of molecular weight 4.8×10^4 was composed of two equivalent subunits. *B. subtilis* α -amylase was also inactivated by treatment with monoiodoacetate; the reaction with methionyl residues proceeded stoichiometrically.³³¹ The decrease of methionyl residues coincided with loss of activity, and the enzyme was completely inactivated when three of the five methionyl residues had reacted.

The characteristics of the α -amylase purified from culture filtrates of *B. stearothermophilus* showed remarkable differences according to the temperature of growth.³³² The distribution of α -amylase-forming ability between membrane and soluble fractions of a cell-free preparation of *B. amyloliquefaciens* was assessed.³³³ The contaminant protease of crude bacterial α -amylase, which cleaved the β -chains of tropocollagen to α -chains, could be specifically inhibited with phenylmethylsulphonylfluoride.⁵⁸ The α -amylase was then entirely satisfactory for the preparation of polymerised collagen bundles.

Wheat α -amylase was irreversibly inactivated by treatment at pH 2.5 for short periods.³³⁴ Active, insolubilised derivatives of α -amylase have been prepared and their properties investigated.^{335, 336}

β -Amylases

The ability of β -amylase to cleave maltotetraose, maltopentaose, and maltohexaose more rapidly than maltotriose was unimpaired by reduction or oxidation of C-1 of the tetra-, penta- and hexa-saccharides.³²³ Such modification of maltotriose, however, rendered the molecule immune to attack by β -amylase.

From a study of the kinetics of inactivation of β -amylase, it was proposed that the thiol sites were regulatory entities *in vivo*; this was supported by demonstrating that the enzyme could be reversibly inactivated *via* disulphide interchanges.³³⁷

The β -amylases of rye and wheat and an alien genome combinant have been compared; the properties of the hybrid enzyme were intermediate between those of the parent species, but the hybrid enzyme had a discrete proteinaceous nature.³³⁸ The relationship between free and latent wheat β -amylases has been investigated by ion-exchange chromatography,³³⁹ and

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³³⁸ W. Y. Lee and A. M. Unrau, *Cereal Chem.*, 1970, **47**, 351.

³³⁹ J. E. Kruger, *Cereal Chem.*, 1970, **47**, 79.

the enzyme was inactivated irreversibly by treatment at pH 2.5 for short periods.³³⁴ Active, insolubilised derivatives of β -amylase have been prepared and their properties investigated.^{335, 336}

Glucoamylases

Glucoamylase (γ -amylase) has been used for direct analysis of starch.³⁴⁰ Quantitative enzymic hydrolysis was performed in a DMSO-citrate buffer, and the liberated D-glucose was measured either colorimetrically or by glucose oxidase. Glucoamylase was unable to release soluble coloured products from Cibachron Blue amylose, thus allowing the specific assay of α -amylase in the presence of glucoamylase.³²²

An enzyme purified from rat-liver lysosomal fraction had a molecular weight of 1.14×10^5 , and apparently possessed inseparable α -1,6- and α -1,4-glucosidase and transglucosylase activities.³⁴¹ Kinetic studies of its action suggested that it had multiple binding sites.³⁴² Although it was able to catalyse the total hydrolysis of glycogen to D-glucose, debranching of the polysaccharide in the course of hydrolysis was the rate-limiting step. Indirect evidence for the identity of both α -1,6- and α -1,4-activities with a single enzyme was provided by the finding that both α -1,6- and α -1,4-glucosidase activities were simultaneously absent in tissues of children with Type II glycogen storage disease.³⁴³

Highly purified preparations of glucoamylase obtained from the liver, spleen, and intestine of monkeys have been characterised.³⁴⁴

The glucoamylase activity of microbial fermentation filtrates has been initially purified by precipitation with tungstophosphoric, tungstosilicic, or molybdosilicic acids.¹⁹⁶

Alkaline borohydride treatment of *Aspergillus niger* glucoamylase I showed that the carbohydrate moieties, which contained galactose, glucose, and mannose, were linked by O-glycosidic bonds to approximately 45 serine and threonine residues, presumably on the surface of the enzyme molecule.³⁴⁵ Since the molecule (molecular weight 1.1×10^5) contained 100 monosaccharide units, it appeared that the maximum length of the carbohydrate chains was three units. Oxidation of approximately one-third of the carbohydrate residues with periodate did not affect enzymic activity, but markedly reduced the stability on storage at low temperature. It was suggested that the carbohydrate moieties functioned as stabilisers of the tridimensional structure of the enzyme and, in turn, of the catalytic property of the enzyme.

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† Sialidase is used generally to include neuraminidase and unspecified neuraminatase glycohydrolases.

cyclohexa-amylose. The reverse action of dextrin-1,6-glucosidase has been further studied using a purified rabbit muscle enzyme, which, on incubation with radioactive D-glucose and maltosaccharides, formed radioactive, branched oligosaccharides.³⁵³ Maltotetraose was the smallest oligomer to act as an acceptor, and the variation of extent of incorporation with pH was determined using glycogen, cycloamyloses, and malto-oligosaccharides of DP up to 13. The linkage of the incorporated D-glucose to the maltosaccharides was shown to be (1 → 6) by partial acid hydrolysis and methylation analysis of the branched heptasaccharide formed from maltohexaose and radioactive D-glucose. The products of incorporation were resistant to pullulanase, indicating that the labelled D-glucose residue was present as a single stub.

Partial amino-acid sequences of porcine pancreatic dextrin-1,6-glucosidase isoenzymes have been determined and compared.³⁵⁴

An enzyme system, which debranched glycogen, has been isolated and purified from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, and was characterised as a dextrin-1,6-glucosidase.³⁵⁵ This and the transferase activities of the enzyme were similar to those found previously only in mammalian systems, and were associated with a single species of molecular weight 2.8×10^5 , which dissociated into two or three subunits on gel electrophoresis in the presence of sodium dodecyl sulphate.

Dextrin-1,6-glucosidase (molecular weight 9.5×10^4), purified from the culture fluid of *Pseudomonas* sp., hydrolysed all the 1,6- α -D-glucosidic inter-chain linkages in glycogen, amylopectin, and their phosphorylase limit dextrans.³⁵⁶ The branch points of β -amylase limit dextrans were not hydrolysed completely by the enzyme.

Lysozymes

Lysozyme (muramidase) has been found in human leukocyte extracts.³⁵⁷ The activity could be separated into two different fractions which had the same pH optima but were activated by different amino-acids.

The levels of lysozyme in human serum and synovial fluid have been determined in order to assess the significance of the enzyme in rheumatoid arthritis.³⁵⁸ The serum levels of the enzyme in subjects with polycythemia vera were found to be significantly elevated above normal.³⁵⁹

A comparison of the complete primary structures of duck egg-white lysozyme II and hen egg-white lysozyme has been made.³⁶⁰ Although the

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amino-acid sequences of hen egg lysozyme and bovine α -lactalbumin exhibited considerable homology, the two molecules had quite different molecular conformations in solution.³⁶¹ The lysozyme underwent very little change of conformation on dissolution.

The thermodynamics of the temperature dependence of the denaturation of lysozyme by guanidine hydrochloride,³⁶² and the self-association of the enzyme³⁶³ have been studied. The kinetics of lysozyme-substrate interactions were investigated using chitin oligosaccharides as substrates.³⁶⁴ Using *Micrococcus lysodeikticus* cells as substrate, goose and hen egg-white lysozymes were found to have different enzyme-substrate interaction characteristics.³⁶⁵ The former enzyme was absorbed onto the substrate, whereas the latter was not.

Incubation of the bacterial cell-wall tetrasaccharide (18) with hen egg-white lysozyme in the presence of D-glucose lead to the formation of a trisaccharide (19) and a pentasaccharide (20).³⁶⁶ The dependence of the formation of the two new oligosaccharides on the incubation time and D-glucose concentration was accounted for by a transglycosylation mechanism in which the cell-wall tetrasaccharide (18), or the corresponding hexasaccharide (21) formed from it, served as sources for the formation of the disaccharide donor (22) and tetrasaccharide donor (23), respectively. The overall scheme proposed for the lysozyme-catalysed reactions is shown (Scheme 6). The lysozyme-catalysed transfer of bacterial cell-wall oligosaccharide to forty other mono- and di-saccharides was investigated, and the findings were in agreement with the three-dimensional lysozyme-substrate model (24). Contacts a—e, h, and i had already been proposed on the basis of model building. The structures of the trisaccharides formed when D-xylose, D-galactose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose were used as acceptors in the lysozyme-catalysed, transglycosylation reaction of cell-wall tetrasaccharide (18) were (25), (26), and (27), respectively.³⁶⁷

The interaction of lysozyme with a series of low molecular weight inhibitors and modified substrates containing (1 \rightarrow 4)- and (1 \rightarrow 6)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucose) bonds, viz. 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (NN'-diacetylchitobiose), O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (NN'N'-triacylchitotriose), p-nitrophenyl 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside, p-nitrophenyl O-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-

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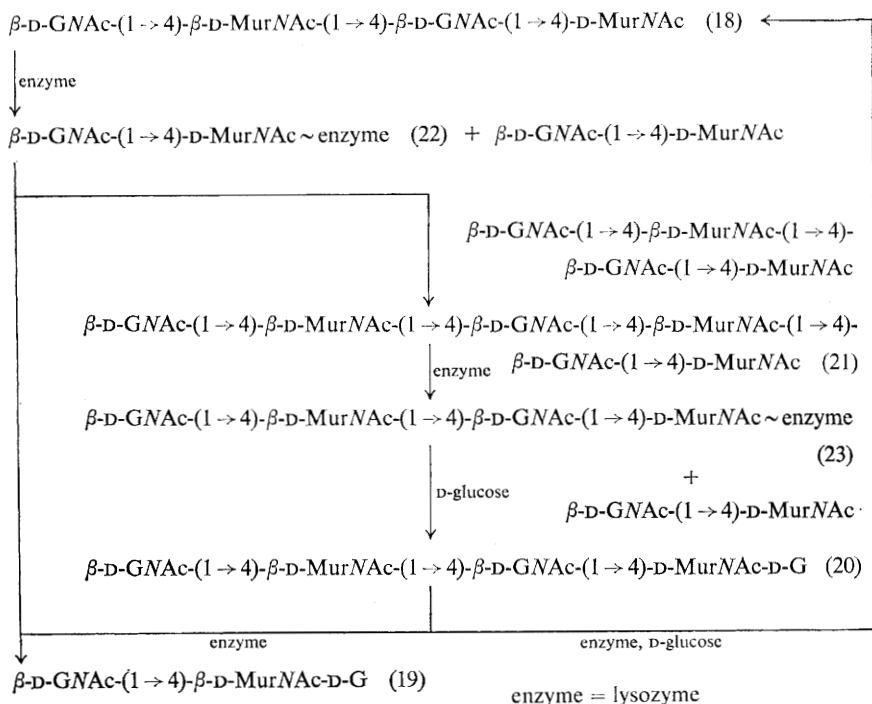
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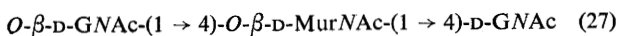
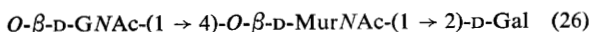
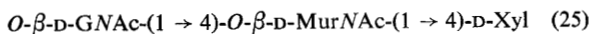
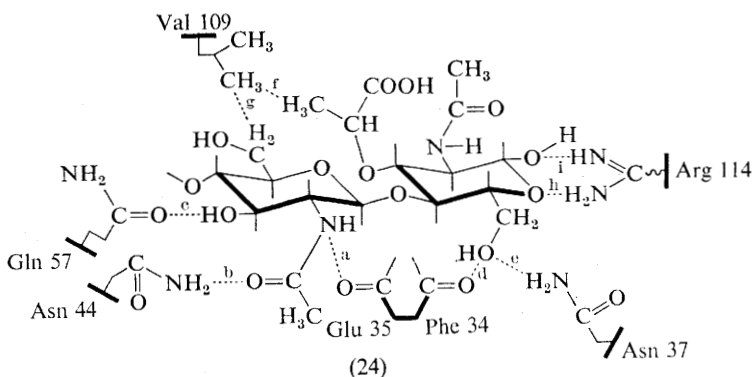
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Scheme 6



deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (A), *p*-nitrophenyl *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (B), *p*-nitrophenyl *O*-(2-benzamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside, and *p*-nitrophenyl *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranoside (C) has been investigated.³⁶⁸ The concentrations inducing 50% inhibition of the lysis of *M. lysodeikticus* cell walls were determined, and these along with other parameters allowed quantitative estimation of the affinity of the molecules for the active site of the enzyme. It was shown for the biosides A and B that the position of the glycosidic bonds determined the affinity of the substrate for the active site, whereas trioside C possessed strong affinity for the active site.

The interaction site of the *N*-methylnicotinamide chloride-hen egg-white lysozyme complex has been analysed by means of chemical modifications to the enzyme and by competition for complex formation by carbohydrate inhibitors.³⁶⁹ The binding sites were identified and compared with those of bovine α -lactalbumin. Acetylated allyl β -glycosides of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose were specific inhibitors of lysozyme, their action being irreversible.³⁷⁰

The retention of enzymic and immunological properties of lysozyme has been studied using a series of reversible blocking reagents for the amino-group.³⁷¹ Modified lysozyme molecules have also been used in a partial determination of the immunological determinants of the enzyme.³⁷² Antibodies from rabbits sensitized with crystalline lysozyme reacted with the reduced and *S*-carboxymethylated forms as well as with the natural form.³⁷³ Inhibition of these cross-reactions was investigated using tryptic peptides of *S*-carboxymethyl-lysozyme.

A method involving Sephadex and Bio-gel chromatography has been developed for the isolation of the most heavily damaged part of γ -irradiated lysozyme.³⁷⁴ The method minimised the secondary changes of protein structure occurring after irradiation.

Other Polysaccharidases and Oligosaccharidases

Cellulases.—The cellulase production of the fungus *Myrothecium verrucaria* was regulated by the carbohydrate uptake of the organism, but neither

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³⁷² A. D. Strosberg and L. Kanarek, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, 14, 161.

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³⁷⁴ V. I. Maksimov and V. A. Mosin, *J. Chromatog.*, 1970, 47, 361.

cellulose nor other carbohydrate was required *per se* for enzyme production.³⁷⁵ Cellulolytic fungi grown on D-glucose as the sole carbon source effected a small but definite depolymerisation of carboxymethylcellulose; depolymerase activity increased considerably at the time of exhaustion of D-glucose from the medium. It was concluded from the various studies that the cellulases were produced in response to a strict regulation of metabolism rather than by the inductive influence of a specific medium additive. Hence, they seemed to be constitutive enzymes, the production of which could be repressed by an abundance of any carbon source capable of being utilised rapidly.

Chitinases.—Melanin was an inhibitor of the chitinase activity of a multi-polysaccharidase system from *Streptomyces* sp., which degraded hyaline and melanised cell walls of *Aspergillus nidulans*.³⁷⁶ The role of chitinase and other lysozymal enzymes of *Coprinus lagopus* in the autolysis of the fruiting bodies has been investigated.³⁷⁷

The extracellular, bacteriolytic activity found in the cultures of *Staphylococcus aureus* was purified by isoelectric focusing, and the enzyme had a molecular weight of 7×10^4 by gel filtration.³⁷⁸ The properties and mode of action of this enzyme, which was produced by several strains of *S. aureus*, were investigated and the results suggested that it was not a lysozyme, but an endo-acetamidodeoxyglucosidase.^{379, 380}

Dextranases.—Dextranase activity has been found associated with the coleoptiles of *Avena sativa*; previously the enzyme had been found only in micro-organisms and animals.³⁸¹ The enzyme was sensitive to the plant-growth hormone auxin, and it was considered to be an important factor in the plasticisation of the cell wall in auxin-regulated cell elongation in coleoptiles.

Galactanases.—The galactanase produced by *Phytophthora infestans* degraded a 1,4-linked β -D-galactose polymer present in potato and lupin pectins. The enzyme rapidly reduced the viscosity of solutions of the polysaccharide with concomitant release of reducing groups and D-galactose in monomeric or oligomeric form.³⁸² The enzyme released total carbohydrate more rapidly than D-galactose from potato cell walls, and appeared on the basis of the results to be an endo-glycanohydrolase having negligible β -galactosidase activity.

Heparin Lyases and Heparan Sulphate Lyases.—A crude enzyme preparation obtained from heparin-induced *Flavobacteria* has been fractionated into

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a heparan sulphate lyase, which acted on heparan sulphate and related compounds, and a heparin lyase, which acted mainly on heparin.⁸⁶ Both enzymes were purified to one hundred times the purity of previous preparations, and again acted as eliminases rather than as true hydrolases yielding products containing 4-deoxy-L-threo-hex-4-enosyluronic acid residues. The specificity of the heparan sulphate lyase appeared to be such that it required the presence of acetamido- or sulphamido-groups and the absence of *O*-sulphate groups. The specificity of the heparin lyase required the presence of *O*-sulphate and sulphamido-groups, but derivatives containing acetamido- or free amino-groups were not substrates. The heparin lyase degraded heparan sulphate to a limited extent apparently by acting on the heparin-like portions of the structure.

Hyaluronidases and Hyaluronate Lyases.—The hyaluronidase activity in the livers of patients with Hurler and Sanfilippo syndromes was increased above the normal value.²⁶⁶

A novel hyaluronate lyase, an eliminase, was isolated from *Streptomyces hyalurolyticus* nov. sp.³⁸³ The enzyme had unusual substrate specificities, including its inability to act on other glycosaminoglycuronans.

Laminarinases.—Laminarinase has been isolated from the crystalline style of a member of the bivalvia, *Spisula sachalinensis*, by gel filtration and sulphoethyl-Sephadex chromatography.³⁸⁴ Tests with a range of substrates showed that the enzyme had specific laminarinase activity and hydrolysed laminaribiose at a very slow rate. Melanin was an inhibitor of the laminarinase activity of a multi-enzyme system prepared from *Streptomyces* sp., which degraded hyaline and melanised cell walls of *Aspergillus nidulans*.³⁷⁶

Oligo-1,6-glucosidases.—A study of the oligo-1,6-glucosidases (limit dextrinases) of cereals showed their ability to release (1 → 6)-linked α -maltosyl or α -maltotriosyl units from oligosaccharides (*e.g.* α -maltotriosyl-(1 → 6)-maltotriose and maltosyl-cycloamyloses) and certain polysaccharides (*e.g.* pullulan and amylopectin β -limit dextrin).³⁸⁵ In this respect, the enzymes were similar to the bacterial pullulanases; however, they differed significantly from the latter in having no action on amylopectin, glycogen, or glycogen β -limit dextrin. The development of an oligo-1,6-glucosidase during cereal germination has been studied.³⁸⁶

Polygalacturonases and Polygalacturonate Lyases.—Polygalacturonase formation in *Erwinia aroidae* was stimulated by an active factor in carrot

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³⁸⁷ H. Tomizawa, K. Izaki, and H. Takahashi, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 1064.

extracts;³⁸⁷ the partial purification of this factor and the stimulating effect of other compounds have been described.

A polygalacturonate lyase isolated from cultures of *Bacillus sphaericus* released, *via* an eliminative mechanism, oligomers containing terminal, non-reducing 4-deoxy-L-threo-hex-4-enosyluronic acid residues from Vi antigen, a surface polysaccharide formed by some members of the Enterobacteriaceae.³⁸⁸ The enzyme was also able to degrade de-O-acetylated Vi antigen, pectin, and polygalacturonic acid, the end products being analogous to those formed from the Vi antigen. The enzyme appeared to be a single species. The Vi antigen was also attacked by an apparently true hydrolase produced by a strain of *B. polymyxa* induced with pectin.

Pullulanases.—The specificity of a pullulanase from *Aerobacter aerogenes* has been tested using a number of oligosaccharides.³⁸⁹ Hydrolysis was confined to cleavage of α -(1 \rightarrow 6)-interchain links between oligosaccharide chains containing a minimum of two D-glucose units per chain. Starch oligosaccharides and dextrans containing two or more α -(1 \rightarrow 6)-links were also cleaved, but in no case was D-glucose observed as a product of enzymic action. A single (1 \rightarrow 6)-linked α -D-glucose 'stub' did not interfere with pullulanase action, and oligosaccharides containing such residues were found as products. Under specific conditions, pullulanase preparations exhibited condensation and transferase properties.

Trehalases.—Plasma trehalase activity is elevated above control levels in cases of diabetes mellitus.³⁹⁰

Xylanases.—The production of xylanase activity by *Streptomyces xylophagus* has been investigated.³⁹¹

Carbohydrate Oxidases

Glucose Oxidases.—The anomeric specificity of the glucose oxidase reaction has been studied by n.m.r. spectroscopy using D-glucose, 2-deoxy-D-arabino-hexose, and D-arabino-hexosulose as substrates.³⁹² Although the presence of the enzyme caused substantial line broadening in the spectra of the carbohydrates, the results indicated that, in all three cases, the β -pyranose form was preferentially oxidised during the reaction. That the signal diminution was a result of enzyme catalysis was evident from the fact that β -signals reappeared at the expense of α -signals on heat-inactivation of the enzyme. The experiments also indicated that the reactions of 2-deoxy-D-arabino-hexose and D-arabino-hexosulose were stereochemically equivalent to that of D-glucose. Chromatographic analysis of the products of enzymic

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³⁹⁰ L. C. Eze and D. A. P. Evans, *Clin. Chim. Acta*, 1970, 28, 153.

³⁹¹ T. Kawaminami and H. Iizuka, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1969, 33, 1787.

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action upon 2-deoxy-D-*arabino*-hexose and D-*arabino*-hexosulose showed them to be 2-deoxy-D-*arabino*-hexonic acid and 2-keto-D-gluconic acid, respectively; *i.e.* compounds analogous to D-glucono-1,5-lactone, which was the product obtained from D-glucose.

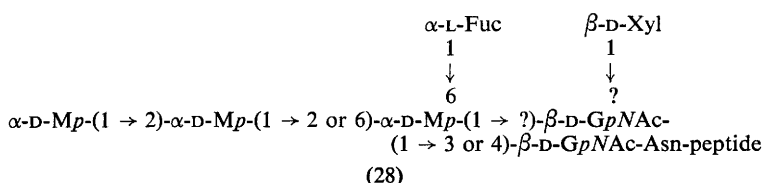
Insolubilised derivatives of glucose oxidase have been prepared using nickel-nickel oxide³⁹³ and polystyrene³⁹⁴ as the support.

Galactose Oxidases.—It emerged from an investigation of a number of compounds as substrates for galactose oxidase, that dihydroxyacetone had an activity relative to D-glucose of 1.1.³⁹⁵

Peptidases

Four proteolytic enzymes isolated from autolysing *Saccharomyces carlsbergensis* were found to be glycoproteins, the carbohydrate moieties containing glucose and mannose residues in the ratios 1 : 2, 1 : 1, 2 : 1, and 2 : 1, respectively. The same yeast secreted four glycoprotein proteases into the growth medium, one of which contained mannose as the only carbohydrate. The other three contained glucose and mannose (3 : 1, 1 : 3, and 1 : 3).³⁹⁶

The composition and structure of the carbohydrate prosthetic group of the proteolytic enzyme pineapple-stem bromelain have been investigated using the glycopeptide obtained from it by pronase digestion.³⁹⁷ This glycopeptide contained D-mannose, L-fucose, D-xylose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (3 : 1 : 1 : 2). Two of the D-mannose residues, the L-fucose residue and the D-xylose residue, were specifically liberated by the action of α -D-mannosidase, α -L-fucosidase, and β -D-xylosidase, respectively. β -Acetamidodeoxyglucosidase released 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose from the (neutral sugar)-free glycopeptide. The results of partial acid hydrolysis, periodate oxidation, Smith degradation, and other studies were consistent with the structure (28) for the glycopeptide.



Guinea-pig serum and liver L-asparaginases appeared to be glycoproteins, and immunological studies were carried out on them.^{398, 399}

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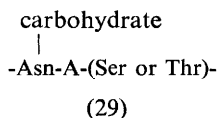
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Ribo- and Deoxyribo-nucleases

α -Mannosidase treatment of the asparaginyl-oligosaccharide derived by trypsin and carboxypeptidase treatment of bovine pancreatic juice ribonuclease B yielded a product containing asparagine, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and mannose (1 : 2 : 1).⁴⁰⁰ The remaining mannose residue was enzyme resistant, but could be removed by Smith degradation, a procedure which did not affect the 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose residues. The product was shown to be *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2-acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosylamine. The mannose residue appeared to be linked to the 3-position of the terminal, non-reducing 2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl residue, rather than to the 4-position.

From studies carried out on a series of glycopeptide fractions from porcine pancreatic ribonuclease, the three sites of polysaccharide attachment were recognised to be at positions 21, 34, and 76 of the 124 amino-acid chain, and were designated sites I, II, and III.⁴⁰¹ Aspartic acid occupied each of the three positions, and it was presumed that the carbohydrate-peptide bonds were 2-acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy-D-glucosylamine linkages. The oligosaccharides attached to the three sites had notably different compositions. The side-chain at site II contained 2-acetamido-2-deoxyglucose (2) and mannose (6 residues), and was homologous with the single oligosaccharide side-chain in bovine ribonuclease B with respect to composition and site of attachment. The side-chains at sites I and III were about twice as large, more complex, and contained galactose, fucose, and *N*-glycolylneuraminic acid. The three sites were recognised to be at residues having external side-chains in regions of the molecule remote from the active site. All the sites were in sequences of the type (29), where at



sites I and III, A = serine, and at site II, A = methionine. From these data it was concluded that the nature of A exerted a determinative influence on the manner and complexity in which the oligosaccharide chain was elaborated during biosynthesis of the glycoprotein.

Porcine pancreatic ribonuclease P contained mannose (7.2%), galactose (2.2%), fucose (1.2%), and 2-acetamido-2-deoxyglucose (10.5%).⁴⁰² Pronase and trypsin digestion gave several glycopeptides, and it was concluded that the ribonuclease structure had at least two carbohydrate chains branching

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⁴⁰¹ R. L. Jackson and C. H. W. Hirs, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 624.

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from the protein backbone. The glycopeptide linkages were isolated and identified as 2-acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine.

Whale pancreatic ribonuclease W₂ contained mannose (1.4%), galactose (1.8%), fucose (1.0%), 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose (3.1%), and 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose (0.7%), and had a molecular weight of 1.5×10^4 .⁴⁰³ A glycopeptide isolated from a pronase digest of the nuclease contained aspartic acid, serine, and threonine (1:1:1), and had aspartic acid as the *N*-terminus. 2-Acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosylamine was isolated from the glycopeptide after hydrolysis.

The extracellular nuclease of *Micrococcus sodonensis* had a molecular weight of 5×10^5 and consisted of 21% carbohydrate.⁴⁰⁴ Glucose, galactose, rhamnose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose were identified as the component monosaccharides (2:1:1:4). A 2-amino-2-deoxyglucosyl-serine glycopeptide linkage, involving at least 80% of the serine residues, was demonstrated by β -carbonyl elimination. The carbohydrate moiety of the purified enzyme was related both chemically and immuno-logically to the cell-wall carbohydrate.

The earlier resolution of preparations of bovine pancreatic deoxyribonuclease into active fractions by sulphoethyl-Sephadex chromatography has been improved using columns of phosphocellulose.⁴⁰⁵ Gradient elution with sodium acetate (pH 4.7) showed the presence of at least four isoenzymes which all possessed comparable specific activities. Pancreatic juice contained deoxyribonucleases which were chromatographically indistinguishable from the three major forms isolated from tissue. The three main fractions (A—C) present in the pancreatic juice, molar proportions 4:1:1, were glycoproteins having *N*-terminal leucine, *C*-terminal threonine, and carbohydrate attached at a single position. Deoxyribonucleases A and B had the following sugar composition: A, mannose (6 residues), 2-acetamido-2-deoxyglucose (2); B, galactose (1), mannose (5), 2-acetamido-2-deoxyglucose (3), and sialic acid (1). Enzyme C was similar to A in that it possessed a neutral carbohydrate moiety, mannose (5), 2-acetamido 2-deoxyglucose (2), but contained one less histidine residue and one more proline residue than enzymes A and B.

Miscellaneous Enzymes

N-Acetylneuraminate lyase isolated from beef-kidney cortex was not inhibited by 3-deoxy-3-fluoro-*N*-acetylneuraminic acid and, in contrast to the *N*-acetylneuraminate lyase from *Clostridium welchii*, the compound was not a substrate.⁴⁰⁶

⁴⁰³ T. Tsuruo, K. Sudo, T. Terao, and T. Ukita, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **200**, 560.

⁴⁰⁴ S. A. Berry, K. G. Johnson, and J. N. Campbell, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **220**, 269.

⁴⁰⁵ J. Salnikow, S. Moore, and W. H. Stein, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 5685.

⁴⁰⁶ D. A. Sirbasku and S. B. Binkley, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **206**, 479.

A glucosylamidase, isolated from the snail *Limnaea stagnalis*, was highly specific, cleaving the amide bond in glycopeptides containing 2-acetamido-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]-2-deoxy-D-glucosylamine units in which the amino- and carboxy-groups of the aspartic acid residue were free. The activity was separated into two fractions having different pH optima.⁴⁰⁷

Pectinesterase was extracted from the pulp of tomato fruit, *Lycopersicon esculentum*, and obtained in ultracentrifugally and disc electrophoretically pure form.⁴⁰⁸ Compositional studies showed that several amino-acids were absent.⁴⁰⁹ The mode of action of the pectinesterase was studied using poly-(methyl galacturonate) methyl glycoside as substrate.⁴¹⁰ Determination of the amount of enzymic de-esterification occurring at the 'reducing-ends' of the substrate chains, using a polygalacturonase produced by *Clostridium multifementans*, showed that half of the pectinesterase activity was initiated near the reducing-ends of highly esterified pectin molecules.

It was possible to replace the *N*-acetylneuraminic acid units of neuraminidase-treated sheep-brain alkaline phosphatases using CMP-*N*-acetylneuraminic acid.⁴¹¹ The original, desialylated, and re-sialylated enzymes had the same activities and kinetics.

A sulphamidase has been isolated from lymphoid tissues of man, dogs, and rats, and purified by gel electrophoresis and filtration.⁸⁵ It catalysed the hydrolysis of a single *N*-sulphate residue from heparin and from hexa- and tetra-saccharides originating from the degradation of heparin by bacterial enzymes. In contrast to bacterial sulphamidase, the enzyme had no action upon 2-deoxy-2-sulphamido-D-glucose 6-sulphate, and was also inactive against *N*-sulphated disaccharides and several sulphated glycosaminoglycuronans.

A multi-enzyme system capable of degrading keratan sulphates to D-galactose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and inorganic sulphate was found in the liver of *Charonia lampas*.⁸⁷ The concerted action of the enzyme system was attributed in part to a sulphatase, designated as 'keratosulphatase'. The enzyme could be separated into two forms by DEAE-Sephadex chromatography; both forms released all the sulphate from keratan sulphate, but neither was identical with the glycosulphatase or chondrosulphatase present in *Ch. lampas*.

Bovine-plasma monoamine oxidase contained galactose (0.85%), mannose (1.51%), 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose (1.09%), and sialic acid (0.84%).⁴¹² A number of carbohydrate fragments containing carbohydrate, obtained by

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⁴⁰⁸ H. Nakagawa, Y. Yanagawa, and H. Takehana, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 991.

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⁴¹¹ S. Sarawathi and B. K. Bachhawat, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **212**, 170.

⁴¹² K. Watanabe and K. T. Yasunobu, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 4612.

pronase digestion of the phenylhydrazone derivative of the oxidase, were separated by ion-exchange chromatography and gel filtration to give a major component comprising asparagine (1), D-mannose (5), and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (2 residues). The susceptibility of this component to glucosylamidase indicated a glycosylamine-type linkage between asparagine and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose. Three residues of D-mannose, one residue of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and the two remaining residues of D-mannose, in this order, were released on successive treatment with Jack bean α -mannosidase, β -acetamidodeoxyglucosidase, and α -mannosidase.

α -Lactalbumin, one of the two component enzymes of lactose synthetase, had a similar amino-acid sequence to hen egg muramidase, but assumed a different molecular conformation in solution.³⁶¹ The binding sites of the macromolecule from a bovine source have been compared with those of lysozyme.³⁶⁹ G.l.c. of the trimethylsilyl derivatives of the methyl glycosides released on methanolysis of bovine α -lactalbumin showed that all preparations contained D-galactose, D-mannose, 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose, and 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-galactose;⁴¹³ the total carbohydrate content ranged from 0.25 to 1.5%.

Pig-heart citrate synthetase contained hexose (2%), but it was doubted if this represented a functional part of the enzyme due to the failure to detect any 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose.⁴¹⁴

Modification of the visible spectrum of the amylopectin-iodine complex by dextrin glycosyltransferase has been used to assay the enzyme.⁴¹⁵

The monosaccharides obtained from heparin by treatment with heparin-induced *Flavobacterium heparinum* enzymes did not include D-glucuronic acid.⁸³ Accordingly, a uronic acid isomerase, a constitutive enzyme of *F. heparinum*, was isolated and characterised. The enzyme converted D-glucuronic acid and D-galacturonic acid into D-fructuronic and D-tagaturonic acids, respectively. Monosaccharides derived from heparin and chondroitin sulphates by incubation with *F. heparinum* enzymes did not affect the activity of the isomerase, whereas the monosaccharides from hyaluronic acid markedly inhibited the enzyme.

An enzyme fraction from the seaweed *Gigantina stellata* effected formation of 3,6-anhydride units in κ -carrageenan.⁴¹⁶ This enzyme appeared to be capable of reducing the 'kinks' in the polysaccharide chains, thereby increasing chain rigidity, and of effecting metabolic control of the polysaccharide's conformation and function.

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⁴¹⁵ T. E. Nelson, D. H. Palmer, and J. Larnier, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **212**, 269.

⁴¹⁶ C. J. Lawson and D. A. Rees, *Nature*, 1970, **227**, 392.

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† Sialidase is used generally to include neuraminidase and unspecified neuraminatase glycohydrolases.

A recent review⁴¹⁷ on glycosphingolipids (sugar sphingosine conjugates) included sections on glycosphingolipid nomenclature, stereochemical aspects of sphingosines and phytosphingosines, natural and synthetic sphingosines, dihydrosphingosines and phytosphingosines of different chain lengths, the biosynthesis of sphingosines and glycosphingolipids, ceramide mono- and oligo-saccharides, sulphatides, glycosphingolipids of plant materials and micro-organisms, and gangliosides.

T.l.c. has been used for the separation of glycolipids from lipid extracts of animal tissues (*e.g.* rat spleen) into different classes *viz.* ceramide glucose and galactose mono-, di-, tri-, and tetra-hexosides, sulphatides, and mono-galactosyl diglycerides.⁴¹⁸ Ceramide monogalactosides (galactocerebro-sides), ceramide monoglucosides (glucocerebro-sides), and ceramide dihexosides (lactosides) from bovine brain sphingolipids, and ceramide tri- and tetra-hexosides from human erythrocyte stroma were also investigated using t.l.c.

It has been demonstrated that the losses of monosaccharides in hydrolyses of glycolipids with hydrochloric acid are due to transglycosylation (Maillard) reactions occurring during evaporation.¹⁰ Detection of such undesirable reactions was achieved by inclusion of D-[¹⁴C]glucose in the hydrolysate, which was then investigated by paper chromatography and autoradiography.

Data have been presented which indicate that the Lewis Le^a and Le^b antigens in human plasma are glycosphingolipids.⁴¹⁹ Active purified preparations contained a mixture of glycosphingolipids, acid hydrolysis of which gave fucose, galactose, glucose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyglucose.

Monosialoganglioside, the end-product of neuraminidase action on the intrinsic ganglioside substrate of adult grey matter, remained associated with the membrane fragments.³¹⁶

Two major groups of glycolipids have been isolated from human tumour tissue: group 1 contained fucose and group 2 contained sialic acid.⁴²⁰ Fractionation of group 1 on Biosil A gave two major fractions A and B, which were subfractionated on silica gel plates into A₁₋₅ and B₁₋₂, A₁ and

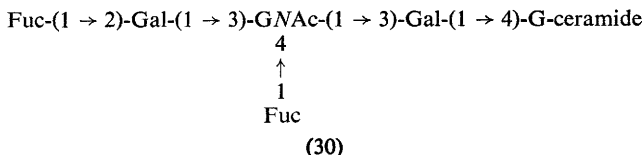
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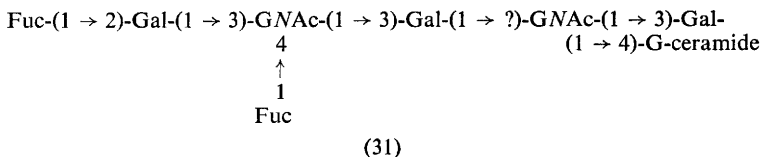
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B₁ having the highest mobilities. A₁, the major component of A, did not exhibit H, Le^a, or Le^b activities, whereas A₃ and A₄ were highly Le^a-active in precipitin and agglutination tests; the latter fractions had similar carbohydrate compositions and released a lacto-*N*-fucopentaose on cleavage of the glycoside-lipid bond. Fraction A₂ had a similar carbohydrate composition to that of A₃ and A₄, while fraction A₅ was highly active in Le^b precipitin tests and hemagglutination inhibition. Methylation studies suggested that A₅ had the structure (30). Fraction B₂ yielded another Le^b-



active glycolipid, and showed a high inhibition of Le^b hemagglutination but only a faint line with anti-Le^b serum. The carbohydrate sequence and partial structure (31) were indicated by degradation studies, methylation,



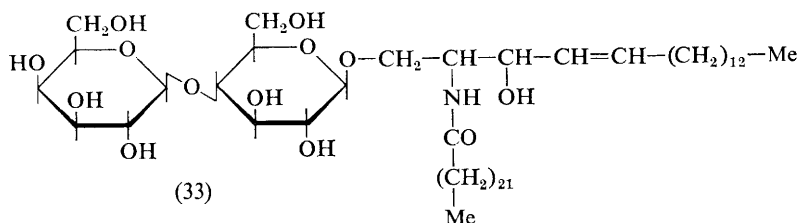
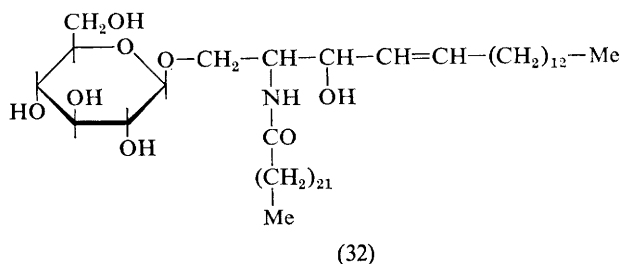
and cross-reactions. Blood-group A and B activities were not detected in these glycolipid fractions, whereas those from normal glandular tissues (intestinal tract and pancreas) contained significant quantities of blood-group A or B glycolipids. These results established that both Le^a- and Le^b-glycolipids are present in human adrenocarcinoma tissue regardless of the Lewis blood type of the tumour donor. Liver samples from cases of G_{M1}-gangliosidosis Type 1 contained increased amounts of G_{M1}-ganglioside.¹⁴¹

The gangliosides from human spleen and bovine spleen and kidney have been extracted and their carbohydrate moieties characterised.⁴²¹ Those from both bovine locations contained the same sialo-oligosaccharide moieties, and, in all, eleven bovine and five human gangliosides were identified. They were derived from *O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucose (lactose), *O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-galactosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*- β -D-galacto-syl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucose, *O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-galactosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucose, *O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucose, and *O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*O*- β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)-D-glucose, and differed in their sialic acid contents. Gangliosides from human tissue

⁴²¹ H. Weigandt and H. W. Bücking, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, 15, 287.

contained *N*-acetylneuraminic acid only, whereas those from bovine tissue contained *N*-acetylneuraminic acid or *N*-glycolylneuraminic acid or both. Human normal and cataractous lens, and bovine lens and iris contained a ganglioside composed of sialic acid, glucose, galactose, and ceramide (1 : 1 : 1 : 1).⁴²² The human lens contained, in addition, a second component comprising sialic acid, glucose, galactose, 2-amino-2-deoxygalactose, and ceramide (1 : 1 : 2 : 1 : 1). No differences were detected between the ganglioside compositions of normal and cataractous human lens.

Ceramide mono- and di-hexosides have been isolated from cows' milk.⁴²³ The structures of these glycolipids were established by methylation and partial hydrolysis as β -D-glucosyl-(1 \rightarrow 1)-*N*-acylsphingosine [ceramide glucoside, (32)] and β -D-galactosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)- β -D-glucosyl-(1 \rightarrow 1)-*N*-acylsphingosine [ceramide lactoside, (33)]; the D-configurations of the hexoses



were assumed. Studies on the J blood-group substance of cattle suggested that the determinant group is a glycosphingolipid.⁴²⁴ Gangliosides from various bovine brain regions have been determined, and their distribution was assessed by measurement of the sialic acid.²³² A controlled procedure for the quantitative extraction and isolation of five pure gangliosides from bovine kidney has been described.⁴²⁵ Two of these gangliosides (72% of the total) were hematosides, a third (22%) was a dineuraminyl-dihexoside, whereas the other two (together 6%) were more complex

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⁴²³ Y. Fujino, M. Nakano, and T. Saeki, *Agric. and Biol. Chem. (Japan)*, 1970, **34**, 442.

⁴²⁴ O. W. Thiele and J. Koch, *European J. Biochem.*, 1970, **14**, 379.

⁴²⁵ K. Puro, *Acta Chem. Scand.*, 1970, **24**, 13.

polysialogangliosides. Calf retinal gangliosides have been separated, and were shown to contain *N*-acetylneuraminic acid.⁴²⁶

Porcine plasma and erythrocytes were found to contain, in similar concentrations, the same glycosphingolipids as human sources, namely glucosyl ceramide, lactosyl ceramide, and galactosyl-galactosyl-glucosyl-ceramide.⁴²⁷ *In vivo* labelling indicated the site of synthesis of these molecules and showed that the release or catabolism of erythrocyte glycosphingolipids was the major source of all four plasma glycosphingolipids.

The composition and synthesis of glycolipids and glycoproteins in isolated synaptosomes and synaptosomal intraneural mitochondria from guinea-pig cerebral cortex have been determined by the incorporation of labelled monosaccharides.²³⁷ Sialic acid, fucose, hexose, and 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose were identified as components.

Glycolipids, containing fucose, galactose, mannose, 2-amino-2-deoxyhexose, and sialic acid, from mouse fibroblast (L cell) and its surface membrane have been investigated.²³⁸ The glycolipids of the fibroblast (L cell) were isolated and separated into four classes: ceramide lactoside (20% of total), mono- and di-sialogangliosides (38%), and hematosides (42%).⁴²⁸ The sequences, determined after partial hydrolysis with acid, were galactosyl-(2-amino-2-deoxy-galactosyl)-galactosyl-glucosyl-ceramide for the mono- and di-sialogangliosides, and galactosyl-glucosyl-ceramide for the hematosides, which also contained *N*-acetylneuraminic acid and *N*-glycolylneuraminic acid. Only the disialogangliosides and hematosides were identified in the cell-surface membrane. The effect of testosterone on the composition and biosynthesis of mouse-kidney glycosphingolipids has been investigated.⁴²⁹

An investigation of the biosynthesis of rat-liver mannosyl lipid showed that retinol (vitamin A) stimulated the incorporation of [¹⁴C]mannose from GDP-[¹⁴C]mannose.²⁴⁹ Enzymes involved in the synthesis of gangliosides in developing rat brain have been studied;²⁴³ *N*-acetylgalactosaminyl-(*N*-acetylneuraminy)-galactosyl-glucosyl-ceramide galactosyltransferase has been located in rat brain.⁴³⁰

About half of the gangliosides from various fish brains consisted of the ceramide tetra- and penta-*N*-acetylneuraminylganglio-*N*-tetraosides.⁴³¹ They differed from the brain gangliosides of warm-blooded animals in the occurrence of 8-*ON*-diacetylneuraminic acid and the preponderance of tetra- and penta-sialogangliosides.

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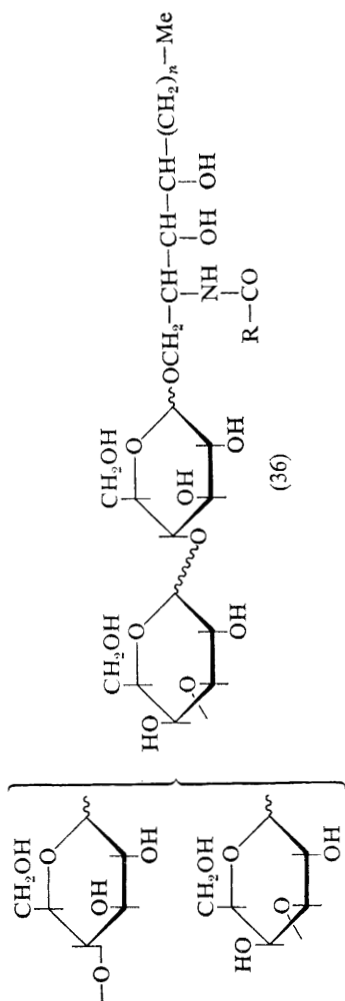
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⁴²⁸ D. B. Weinstein, J. B. Marsh, M. C. Glick, and L. Warren, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, **245**, 3928.

⁴²⁹ J. B. Hay and G. M. Gray, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **202**, 566.

⁴³⁰ G. B. Yip and J. A. Dain, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **206**, 252.

⁴³¹ I. Ishizuka, M. Kloppenburg, and H. Wiegandt, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1970, **210**, 299.



R = Fatty acid residue, $n = 11, 13, 15$, or 19

The monosaccharide contents of lipid extracts of fifty species of marine invertebrates have been determined.⁴³² Glycolipids were found in all of the species, for which Spongia and Echinodermata had the highest and Coelenterata and Arthropoda the lowest contents. The glycolipids were characterised by t.l.c. as acylated cerebroside-like lipids, cerebroside-like lipids, and glycolipids of middle and high polarity, and were shown to contain hexose, 6-deoxyhexose, pentose, and unidentified monosaccharides. Gangliosides were found only in Echinodermata. A new sialoglycolipid, containing ceramide, *N*-acetylneuraminic acid, and D-glucose, has been isolated from the sea urchin *Strongylocentrotus intermedius*, and was suggested from hydrolysis, periodate oxidation, and methylation studies to have either structure (34) or (35).⁴³³ The long-chain bases of the sialoglycolipid were shown to contain phytosphingosine and dehydrophtosphingosine, and the compositions of the fatty acids acylating the amino-group of the sphingosine base were determined.⁴³⁴ A sialoglycolipid isolated from the digestive gland of the starfish *Distolasterias nippon*, by preparative t.l.c. of the lipid extract, contained phytosphingosine, D-glucose, D-galactose, and sialic acids (1 : 2 : 2 : 2:6), the latter being a mixture of *N*-acetylneuraminic acid and an unidentified sialic acid.⁴³⁵ Partial hydrolysis yielded lactosyl ceramide, while methylation studies showed that the glycolipid had linear oligosaccharide chains with both D-glucose residues being substituted at C-4 and both D-galactose residues being substituted at C-3 (36).⁴³⁶

The positions of the acyl groups in two partly acylated glycolipids from strains of *Ustilago* (smut fungi) were located using a series of reactions which involved replacement of the acyl groups with methyl groups, and subsequent identification of the positions of the methyl groups in the sugar residues after acid hydrolysis.⁴³⁷

Investigations of a glucose-containing phosphoglyceride of *Mycoplasma laidlawii* indicated a structural similarity to a diglycosyl-diglyceride containing glycerophosphate bound to one of the glucose units.⁴³⁸

⁴³² V. E. Vaskovsky, E. I. Kostetsky, V. I. Svetashev, I. G. Zhukova, and G. P. Smirnova, *Comparative Biochem. Physiol.*, 1970, **34**, 163.

⁴³³ N. K. Kochetkov, G. P. Smirnova, and I. G. Zhukova, *Doklady Akad. Nauk S.S.S.R.*, 1970, **193**, 344.

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⁴³⁷ S. S. Bhattacharjee, R. H. Haskins, and P. A. J. Gorin, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **13**, 235.

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Chemical Synthesis and Modification of Polysaccharides etc.

Synthesis of Polysaccharides, Oligosaccharides, and Glycopeptides

Polymerisation of 1,6-anhydro- β -D-mannopyranose in the presence of chloroacetic acid gave a high molecular weight, ethanol-insoluble fraction which, on the basis of periodate oxidation studies, contained (1 \rightarrow 6)-like linkages (42%), (1 \rightarrow 2)- or (1 \rightarrow 4)-like linkages (36%), and (1 \rightarrow 3)-like linkages (22%). End-group analysis gave $\overline{DP} = 113$. The polymer reacted vigorously with concanavalin A, indicating that it was a highly branched polymer containing multiple α -D-mannopyranosyl residues at chain-ends.⁴³⁹

The Lewis acid-catalysed polymerisation of 1,6-anhydro-2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- α -D-glucopyranosyl)- β -D-glucopyranose (hexabenzyl-1,6-anhydromaltose) led to products of number-average molecular weight up to 1.4×10^4 and specific rotations up to $+97^\circ$; these parameters were considerably affected by variations in the reaction conditions.⁴⁴⁰ Debenzylation of the products having the highest molecular weights and optical rotations yielded hydrated, comb-shaped polysaccharides in which the rotational values corresponded to a high degree of stereoregularity in the main chain and predominantly α -D-linkages in both the main and side-chains. Similar Lewis acid-catalysed polymerisation of 1,6-anhydro-2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)- β -D-glucopyranose (hexabenzyl-1,6-anhydrocellobiose) gave products of number-average molecular weight up to 7×10^3 and specific rotation up to $+80^\circ$.⁴⁴¹ The effect of variation of reaction conditions on the characteristics of the polymer was investigated, and the conditions giving maximum stereoregularity and molecular weight were similar to those observed for the corresponding maltose derivative. Debenzylation of the products yielded non-dialysable, hydrated, comb-shaped polysaccharides, analysis of which indicated the presence of 1.5 moles of water per repeating disaccharide unit; the same value was obtained for the water-content of the maltose derivative.

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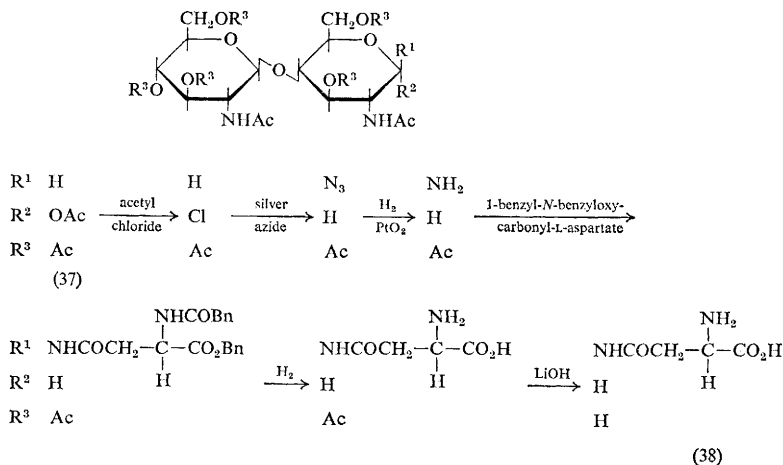
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Methods for the preparation of β -1,4-linked oligosaccharides of 2-acetamido-2-deoxy-D-glucose (chitin oligosaccharides) with DP 2–6 have been described.⁴⁴² Comparable products were obtained with the two routes employed: *viz.* acetolysis of chitin followed by de-*O*-acetylation, and hydrolysis of chitin with 2N-HCl, but the latter route was recommended on account of its greater convenience. Good separations of the oligosaccharide products were obtained using Sephadex LH20 columns, whilst use of a previously recommended medium (charcoal–Celite) proved unsatisfactory due to slow flow rates and the reverse order of elution of the oligosaccharides.

Malto-oligosaccharides, terminated by [U-¹⁴C]sucrose, have been prepared by incubation of cyclohexa-amylose (α -cyclodextrin) and [U-¹⁴C]sucrose with *Bacillus maceans* transferase.³²⁹

A di-*N*-acetylchitobiose-asparagine derivative, 2-acetamido-4-*O*-(2-acetamido-2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-1-[(*N*- β -L-aspartyl)amino]2-deoxy- β -D-glucopyranosylamine (38) has been synthesised from α -chitobiose octa-acetate (37) (Scheme 7).⁴⁴³



Scheme 7

Modification of Polysaccharides and Uses of Modified Polysaccharides

A review of graft polymerisation onto polysaccharides covers methods of initiation, copolymerisation reaction methods, solid- and solution-state grafting, and characterisation.⁴⁴⁴ Considerable attention is given to grafting onto starch and cellulose and their derivatives.

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⁴⁴³ M. Spinola and R. W. Jeanloz, *J. Biol. Chem.*, 1970, 245, 4158.

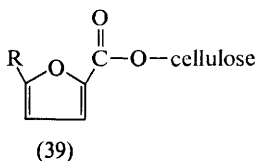
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A dichlorotriazine dye, CCAB10B, has been coupled to laminarin, amylopectin, dextran, sargassan, pelvetian, pectin, zosterine, and a galacturonan from zosterine pre-treated with diazomethane.⁴⁴⁵ This process of polysaccharide modification was used for following these polysaccharides during gel electrophoresis and gel filtration.

Ivory nut mannan B and cellulose have been oxidised with nitrogen tetroxide to transform the C-6 hydroxy-groups into carboxy-groups. Both products contained keto-groups which were formed as a result of side-reactions.⁴⁴⁶ Reduction of the oxidised polysaccharides with sodium borotritide and determination of the incorporated radioactivity indicated that the ratio of keto-groups in the oxycellulose to those in the oxymannan was 2:1. The oxymannan contained one keto-group for every ten anhydro-D-mannose units.

Cotton cellulose, modified with *N*-methylbis-(2-chloroethyl)amine, incorporated 0.034 mol of reagent per D-glucopyranosyl unit. Hydrolysis of the product gave D-glucose, a series of substituted D-glucoses {i.e. 2-O-, 3-O-, and 6-O-[(*N*-methyl-*N*-2-hydroxyethylamino)ethyl]-D-glucopyranoses}, and a series of simple cross-linked D-glucoses {i.e. *N*-methylaminobis-[O-(*N*-2-ethyl)-D-glucopyranoses]} with D-glucose linkages at 2,2', 6,6', and 2,6'-positions only.⁴⁴⁷ These structures were confirmed by synthesis, and the relative distribution of (*N*-methyl-*N*-2-hydroxyethylamino)ethyl groups among the 2-, 3-, and 6-positions was 2.30:0.28:1.00. The relative distribution of cross-linkages among the 2,2', 6,6', and 2,6'-positions was 2.10:3.72:1.00. The monofunctionally-substituted fraction, having a single reagent unit in the substituent group, accounted for 42.6% of the nitrogen, whereas the cross-linked fraction, having a single reagent unit in the cross-link, accounted for 25.8%; complex products accounted for the remainder of the nitrogen of the cross-linked cellulose.

Cellulose furoates (39) were prepared by the reaction of purified cotton cellulose with 2-furoyl chloride, 5-bromo-2-furoyl chloride, 5-methyl-2-furoyl chloride, and 2-furanacryloyl chloride in pyridine as the acid



scavenger and DMF as the diluent.⁴⁴⁸ The bromo-substituted cellulose furoates underwent nucleophilic displacement reactions with pyridine, *NN*-dimethylcyclohexylamine, and triethylamine to give the corresponding salts; possible mechanisms for the displacement reactions were discussed.

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⁴⁴⁶ C. Mercer and H. I. Bolker, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **14**, 109.

⁴⁴⁷ E. J. Roberts and S. P. Rowland, *Canad. J. Chem.*, 1970, **48**, 1383.

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The temperature dependence of radiation-induced grafting of styrene to cellulose, the monomer consumption, and the replacement of styrene with sixteen different styryl monomers have been studied.⁴⁴⁹ For the system cellulose-styrene-methanol irradiated in air, additives (e.g. pyridine, acetone, and stilbene) showed inhibition of styrene grafting at low concentrations but sensitisation at high concentrations.⁴⁵⁰

The swelling of cellulose in aqueous zinc chloride solutions depends on a mechanism involving the formation of a complex with the vicinal hydroxy-groups on C-2 and C-3 of the D-glucopyranose repeating unit.⁴⁵¹

Modified cellulose acetates have been formed by acetylating *O*-(carboxymethyl)-, *O*-nitro-, and *O*-(cyanoethyl)-cellulose.⁴⁵² Elastic films produced from *O*-(cyanoethyl)cellulose acetate were tough, and had better desalination characteristics than the standard cellulose acetate membrane. 6-Azido-6-deoxycellulose acetate (40) has been prepared and converted into 6-aldehydocellulose (41) by photolysis (Scheme 8).⁴⁵³ The degree of substitution of the 6-aldehydocellulose was determined by formation of the 6-(2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazone) (42) or by reduction with sodium borodeuteride followed by hydrolysis, acetonation, and mass spectrometric determination of the extent and position of deuterium incorporation into the resultant 1,2:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-glucofuranose (43) (Scheme 8). The gel chromatographic properties of cellulose nitrate in acetone⁴⁵⁴ and factors affecting the dissolution rate of cellulose acetate phthalate in aqueous solution in relation to drug availability of enteric-coated preparations⁴⁵⁵ have been studied.

Carboxymethylcellulose has been converted into *N*-(*m*-dihydroxyborylphenyl)carbamylnmethylcellulose (44) by reaction of its azide with an aqueous solution of *m*-aminobenzeneboronic acid (Scheme 9).⁴⁵⁶ Aminoethylcellulose reacted with an aqueous solution of *N*-(*m*-dihydroxyborylphenyl)succinamic acid (45) in the presence of *N*-cyclohexyl-*N'*- β -(4-methylmorpholinium)ethylcarbodi-imide *p*-tolylsulphonate to yield *N*-[*N'*-(*m*-dihydroxyborylphenyl)succinamyl]aminoethylcellulose (46) (Scheme 9). The two cellulose derivatives were shown to form specific complexes of variable stabilities with nucleic acid components, sugars, and other polyols. In chromatographic columns of these cellulose derivatives, the retention volume of a particular polyol depended on the availability of a glycol group with the appropriate configuration and conformation, the pH of the elution solvent, the ionic strength and nature of the cations in the

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⁴⁵⁰ S. Dilli and J. L. Garnett, *Austral. J. Chem.*, 1970, **23**, 1767.

⁴⁵¹ N. J. Richards and D. G. Williams, *Carbohydrate Res.*, 1970, **12**, 409.

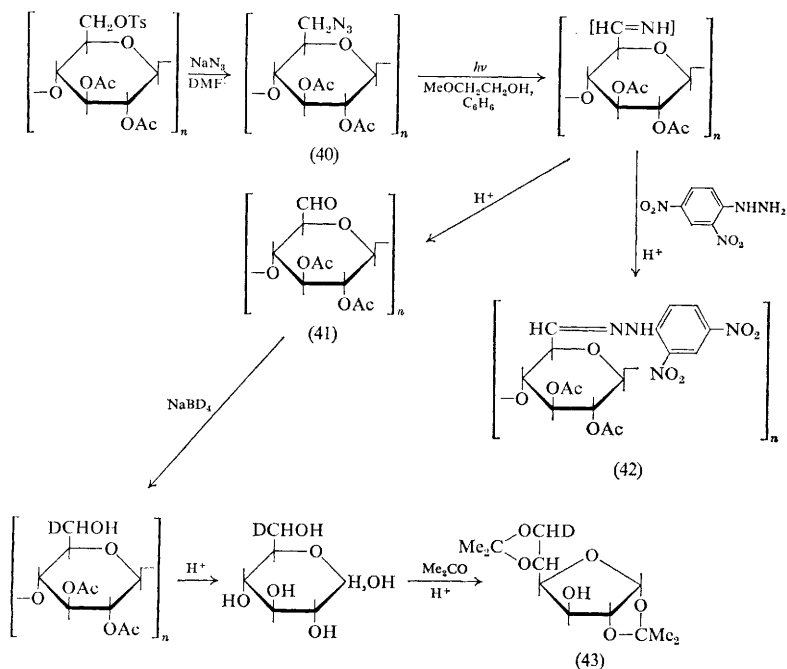
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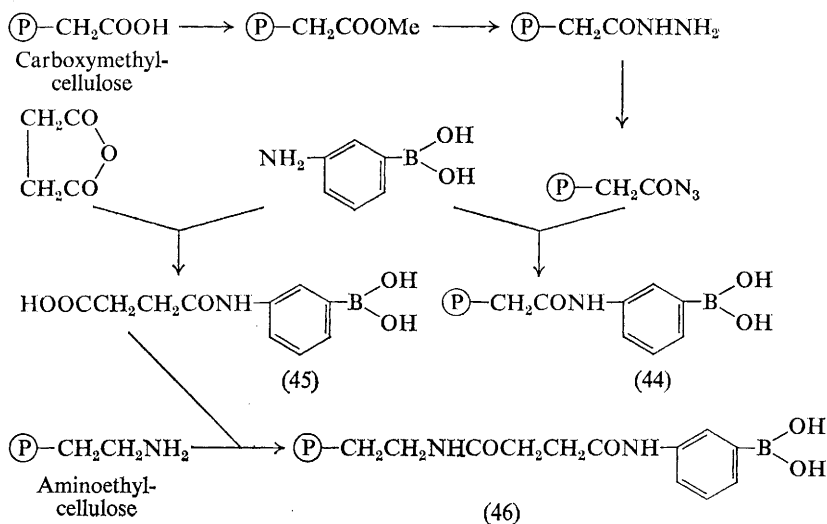
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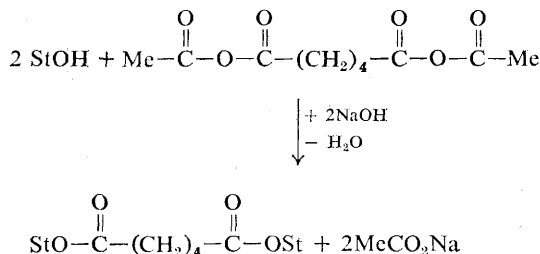
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elution solvent, and, in the case of nucleotides, the nature of the base attached to the glycol group. A study of the complex formation of two carboxymethylcelluloses, substituted to different extents, at acid pH with α -, α s-, β -, and κ -caseins revealed that complex formation between different casein components and carboxymethylcellulose commenced at different pHs, and that selective precipitation could be achieved for mixtures of caseins.¹⁷⁹

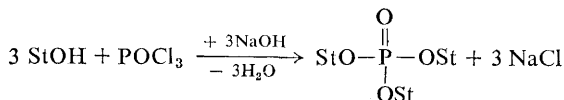
A method has been outlined whereby chlorohydroxypropyl derivatives of cross-linked hydroxypropylcellulose and hydroxypropyl-Sephadex can be prepared with a controlled DS.⁴⁵⁷ The introduction of halogen into the insoluble polymer facilitated further substitution reactions exemplified by the preparation of aminohydroxypropyl, aminoethoxypropyl, *N*-hydroxyethylaminohydroxypropyl, lithocholamidohydroxypropyl, and mercaptohydroxypropyl derivatives. These Sephadexes proved useful for gel chromatography in organic solvents.

DEAE-cellulose has been used as the support in an insolubilised form of glucoamylase,³⁴⁹ and the further use of diazo-, isothiocyanato-, and azido-derivatives for the preparation of insolubilised amylases has been reported.³³⁶ The action of organic cyanates on cellulose Avicel, Sepharose, and cross-linked dextran (Sephadex) to give activated forms of these matrices suitable for attachment of enzymes has been investigated.²²⁰ Cyclic imidocarbonate structures were suggested to constitute the activated groups on the polymers. Aminoethylcellulose, bromoacetylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, and Sepharose 4B have been used to form myoglobin derivatives, which could then be used as immunoabsorbents.⁴⁵⁸

The preparation and properties of modified starches, particularly adipate cross-linked starches (Scheme 10), phosphate cross-linked starches



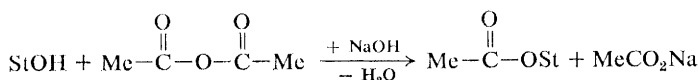
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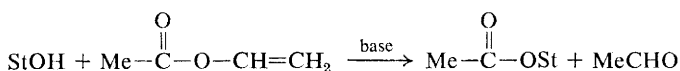
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Scheme 12



Scheme 13

(Scheme 11), and starch stabilised to acid by acetylation (Schemes 12 and 13) have been briefly reviewed.⁴⁵⁹ Carboxymethylation of potato starch with monochloroacetic acid in aqueous methanol gave products having DS of 0.20, 0.50, 0.97, and 1.23.⁴⁶⁰ The material of DS 0.50 had the highest viscosity, and it was concluded that the quantity and distribution of the carboxymethyl groups played a dominant rôle in determining the viscosity of aqueous solutions of the carboxymethyl-starches.

Treatment of insoluble wheat starch with acidified ceric ammonium nitrate or ferrous ammonium sulphate-hydrogen peroxide under conditions used for graft polymerisation gave products only partially dispersible in aqueous DMSO.⁴⁶¹ Treatment with dilute nitric acid alone gave a completely dispersible product, as did electron-beam irradiation. Possible structures for the modified starches were discussed.

A new type of highly insoluble, polyfunctional, diazotisable resin (47) has been prepared by the condensation of dialdehyde starch with *p,p'*-diaminodiphenylmethane and subsequent reduction of the Schiff-base-type polymeric product (Scheme 14). After diazotisation, the resins were suitable for the attachment of enzymes.⁴⁶²

Acid hydrolysis of *O*-(2-hydroxyethyl)starch (DS 0.1) gave, in addition to the expected 2-, 3-, and 6-*O*-(2-hydroxyethyl)-D-glucoses, 1,2-*O*-ethylene-α-D-glucofuranose, 1,2-*O*-ethylene-β-D-glucopyranose, and 1,2-*O*-ethylene-α-D-glucopyranose.⁴⁶³ A series of methyl α-maltodextrins⁴⁶⁴ and maltodextrins reduced or oxidised at C-1 of the terminal reducing D-glucose unit have been prepared.³²³

6-*O*-Tritylamylose has been oxidised with DMSO-acetic anhydride and the product oximated.⁴⁶⁵ Subsequent reduction, detritylation, and dialysis yielded a compound bearing an amino-group at C-2, which was oriented

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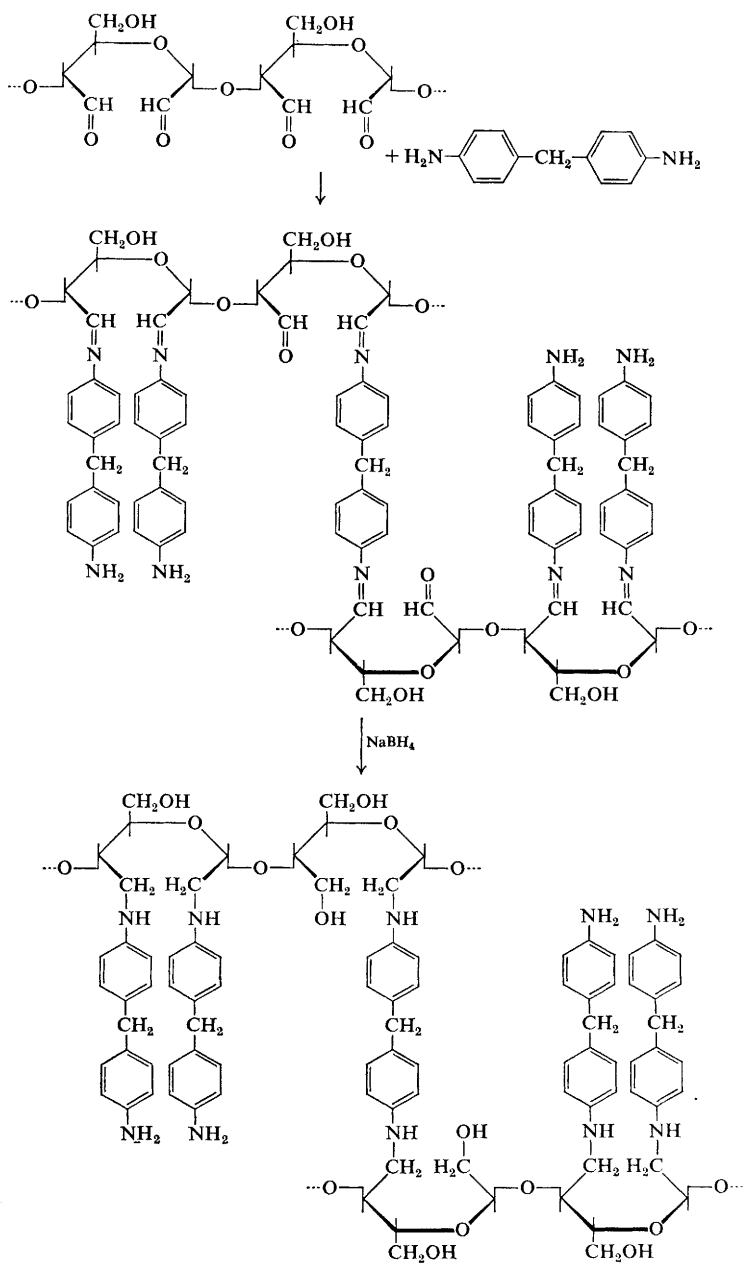
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almost entirely in the D-glucos configuration. The reaction of amylose with iodine has been used in the detection of carboxylic acids on thin-layer chromatograms.⁴⁶⁶ A coloured derivative of amylose (Cibachron Blue amylose) has proved useful for the specific assay of α -amylase in the presence of glucoamylase.³²²

The preparation of a number of agarose bead (Sephacrose) derivatives containing ω -aminoalkyl, bromoacetamidoethyl, succinylaminoethyl, *p*-aminobenzamidoethyl, tyrosyl, and sulphhydryl groups has been described.⁴⁶⁷ The use of these derivatives in the purification of proteins by affinity chromatography was investigated, and Sepharose was used in a similar way for the purification of a carbohydrase.²¹⁹ Cyanogen bromide derivatives of agarose have been employed in the preparation of insolubilised concanavalin A^{24, 25} and enzymes.⁴⁶⁸

Periodate-oxidised amylose reacted with aqueous ammonia to give imidazole and 4(5)-(2-hydroxyethyl)imidazole, whereas periodate-oxidised dextran gave imidazole and 4(5)-methylimidazole; the reaction with periodate-oxidised laminarin gave only traces of imidazoles.⁴⁶⁹ Mechanisms were proposed for these reactions, which appear to be specific for the linkage in the parent polysaccharide.

The peracetates of amylose, cyclohexa- and cyclohepta-amylose have been investigated by i.r. and n.m.r. spectroscopy to establish the conformation of the polymer chains.⁴⁷⁰ Gel-forming materials have been prepared by cross-linking of cyclohepta-amylose with epichlorhydrin, and their use in chromatographic separations of nucleic acid derivatives, nucleotides, and nucleosides was described.⁴⁷¹ Separation was believed to rely on inclusion complex formation similar to that of cycloamylose in solution.

The preparation of benzoylated DEAE-Sephadex and its application in the synthesis of deoxyribonucleotides has been reported.⁴⁷²

Xylo- and manno-dextrans, containing 10% D-xylose and 5% D-mannose, respectively, have been prepared by transglycosylation reactions in alkali. Methylation analyses of the product polysaccharides showed that α -D-xylopyranosyl and α -D-mannopyranosyl residues had been introduced as end-groups mainly at the C-2 positions of the dextran.⁴⁷³

Pectic acid propionate was reduced with gaseous diborane to yield a series of polysaccharides having different carboxy-group contents.⁴⁷⁴ Sulphation of the reduced polymers with various molar ratios of the

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sulphur trioxide-DMF complex yielded a series of polysaccharides having different contents of *O*-sulphate and carboxy-groups. Treatment of the reduced polymers with ethylenimine prior to sulphation yielded a second series of polysaccharides having different proportions of *N*- and *O*-sulphate and carboxy-groups. All the sulphated polysaccharides showed activity in delaying the clotting time of recalcified human plasma. The anticoagulant activity of the reduced *O*-sulphated polysaccharides increased with increasing degree of sulphation and decreasing carboxy-group content. An increase in anticoagulant activity with decreasing carboxy-group content was also observed for preparations containing *N*- and *O*-sulphate groups, but the nitrogen contents, representing the *N*-sulphate contents, had little relationship to the anticoagulant activities.

Peracetylated and permethylated derivatives of orange pectic acid, and methylene blue and ruthenium red complexes of pectic acid have been formed for use in conformational studies of the D-galactopyranosiduronic acid moiety.⁴⁷⁵ Polymethyl-poly-D-galacturonic acid methyl glycoside was used as substrate for studies on a pectinesterase.⁴¹⁰

Chitin has been degraded, and chitosan formate prepared from the resultant chitosan by formic acid treatment.⁴⁷⁶ The derivative was employed to form chitosan-impregnated cellulose thin layers, which were used for ion-exchange t.l.c. of nucleic acid constituents.

A ⁵⁹Fe-labelled iron-chondroitin sulphate colloid was used in an investigation of the iron distribution in mice.⁸⁰ A method has been developed whereby pure tritium-labelled heparin can be prepared.⁸⁴

Escherichia coli lipopolysaccharide has been cross-linked and insolubilised by glutaraldehyde, and was then used to isolate anti-polysaccharide antibodies.²²¹

Modification of Glycoproteins and Enzymes and Uses of Modified Glycoproteins and Enzymes

The preparation and use of glutaraldehyde-cross-linked concanavalin A for the isolation of polysaccharides and glycoproteins has been reported.⁴⁷⁷ The insoluble derivative was suitable for use in a column, and removed from solution polysaccharides and glycoproteins that normally react with concanavalin A, *e.g.* glycogen, immunoglobulin M, and dextrans. Laminarin and cyclohexa-amylose, which do not normally react, were not absorbed by the matrix. The absorbed macromolecules could be desorbed by using methyl α -D-glucopyranoside or methyl α -D-mannopyranoside. In combination with enzymes, the glutaraldehyde-cross-linked concanavalin A has been used for the detection and measurement of cell interior and surface glycoproteins.⁶

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A cyanogen bromide-activated derivative of concanavalin A acted as a group-specific absorbent for serum components of high carbohydrate content.²⁵ The properties of a similar concanavalin A derivative and those of an insoluble poly-L-leucyl derivative, formed by reaction of concanavalin A with L-leucine-*N*-carboxyanhydride, were found to be identical.²⁴ They bound highly branched α -D-glucose and α -D-mannose polymers, but not an α -D-glucose polymer with a low degree of branching. The utility of the preparations in the fractionation of carbohydrate polymers was demonstrated by the separation of blood-group (A + H) substance into two fractions.

Dimeric bovine serum albumin was prepared by oxidation of mercapto-albumin; on treatment with alkali at pH 10.3, the dimer reverted to the monomer.¹⁹⁹ The *S*-carboxymethyl derivative of orosomucoid,¹⁹¹ the *S*-sulphonyl derivative of luteinizing hormone,¹⁷⁰ and the *S*-alkyl²²² and *O*-succinyl²²³ derivatives of Tamm-Horsfall glycoprotein have been prepared.

Immunoabsorbents were prepared by covalently coupling macromolecules such as human IgG and antibodies to porous glass using a silane as coupler.⁴⁷⁸ The immunoabsorbents complexed with specific antibodies and enzymes, which could be desorbed in high purity and in high yield. The insolubilised antibodies were very stable and could be used many times.

Comparisons of the properties of aminoethylcellulose, bromoacetylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, ethylene-maleic anhydride copolymer, and Sepharose 4B derivatives of myoglobin indicated that Sepharose-myoglobin was superior as an immunoabsorbent.⁴⁵⁸ Molar propionic acid eluted 60–100% of the adsorbed antibody, and 60–90% of the eluted protein was precipitable antibody; the yields were higher than those achieved with other dissociating solvents. Immunoabsorbents have also been formed by making insoluble derivatives of insulin antibodies,²²⁰ anti- β -galactosidase antibody,²¹⁹ and *Escherichia coli* lipopolysaccharide.²²¹ In the latter case, bound antibodies could be eluted with 0.2M-glycine buffer (pH 2.2), and the antibody recovered amounted to 10%. The immunoabsorbent was used repeatedly without significant reduction in its binding capacity for antibodies.

Active insolubilised derivatives of α -amylase have been prepared by coupling to diazo-, isothiocyanato-, and azido-groups of modified cross-linked polyacrylamides.³³⁵ Analogous derivatives of β -amylase could be prepared by coupling through diazo- and isothiocyanato-groups only. The stabilities of the enzyme preparations were comparable to those of the corresponding cellulose derivatives of the enzymes. In the case of α -amylase, the polyacrylamide derivatives were more stable than the free enzyme in solution. Comparisons of the retention of activity of the

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cellulose-bound insolubilised enzymes showed that, although considerable desorption of physically-bound enzyme took place on initial re-use, the derivatives could then be re-used with comparatively little loss of activity.³³⁶ The polyacrylamide derivatives were superior in that retention of activity was good on initial use and repeated re-use.

A process involving diazotisation has been described for the chemical attachment of an enzyme to the surface of a polystyrene matrix;²⁷⁴ for example, β -fructofuranosidase was chemically attached to the surface of polystyrene beads and tubes using this process. The properties of the carrier-fixed enzyme were investigated, and the pH-activity curve showed a marked difference from that of the free enzyme in solution.

Up to 55% of the activity of free glucoamylase was retained on binding to DEAE-cellulose. Derivatisation narrowed the pH optimum and lowered the temperature optimum of the enzyme.³⁴⁹ The insolubilised enzyme was used in column form for the continuous conversion of starch, and maintained its activity for several weeks.

Glucose oxidase has been covalently attached to polystyrene, which had been nitrated, reduced, and diazotised.³⁹⁴ The use of the enzyme derivative in automated assays was described. An insoluble derivative of glucose oxidase was also produced by covalently coupling it to nickel oxide on nickel screening.³⁹³ The derivative had kinetic values similar to those of the soluble enzyme, but showed greater thermal and duration stabilities. Water-insoluble derivatives of papain, mercuripapain, subtilopeptidase A, polytyrosyltrypsin,⁴⁶² and hexokinase⁴⁶⁸ have also been reported.

The aminoethyl derivative of β -galactosidase,²⁸⁹ the *S*-carboxymethyl³⁷³ and other derivatives^{371, 372} of lysozyme, the *O*-acetyl derivative of α -amylase,³³⁰ and the phenylhydrazone of monoamine oxidase⁴¹² have been prepared. De-sialylated and re-sialylated forms of alkaline phosphatase have been produced.⁴¹¹

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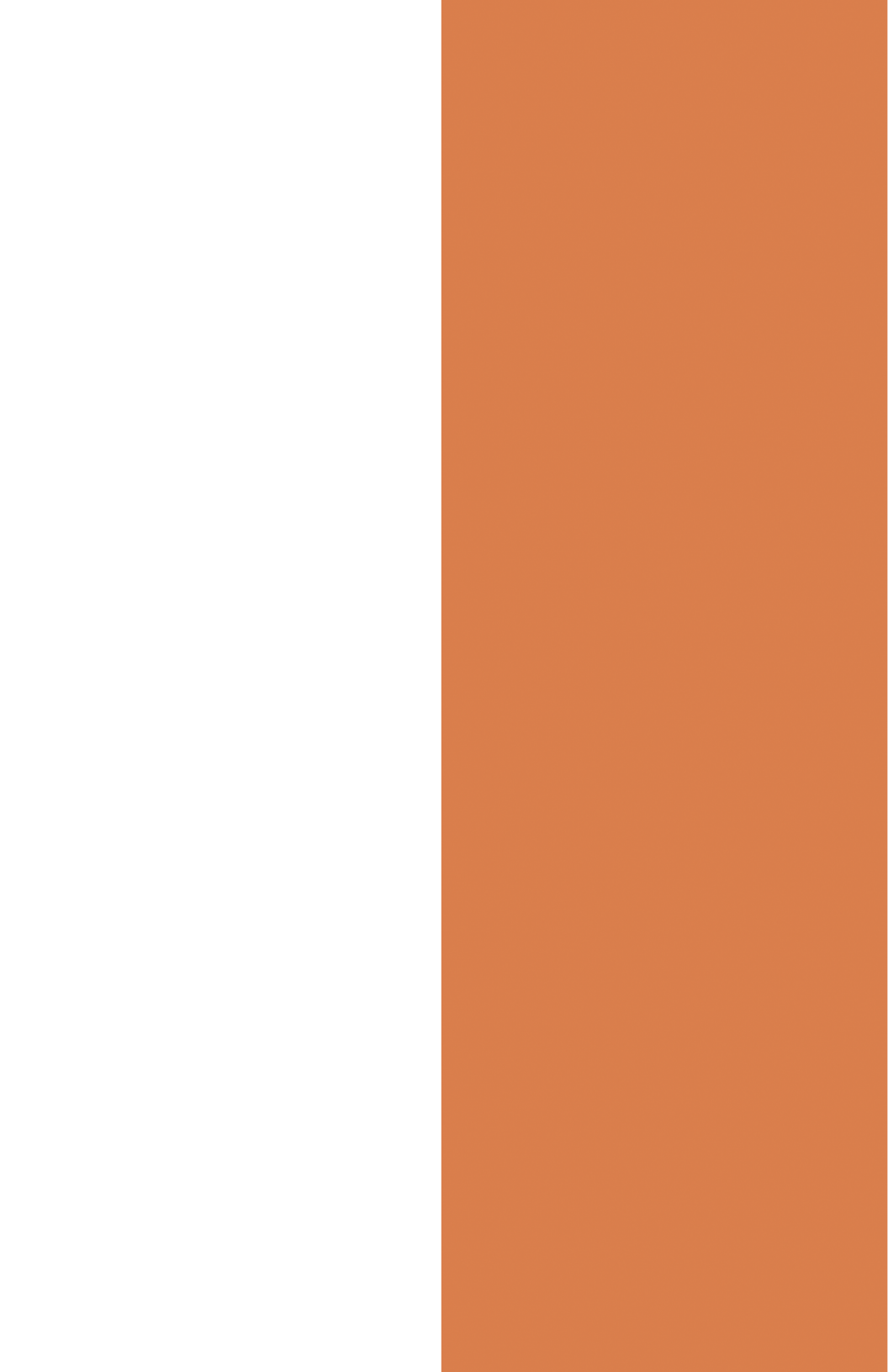
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