

## Note

### Reaction of Meldrum's acid with D-mannose and L-arabinose

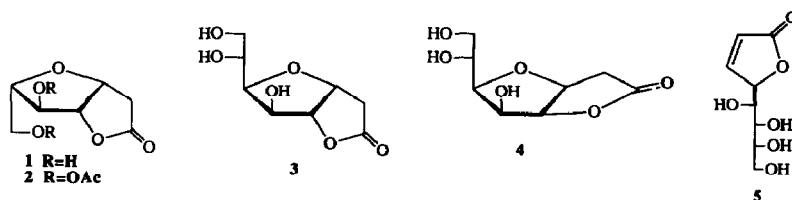
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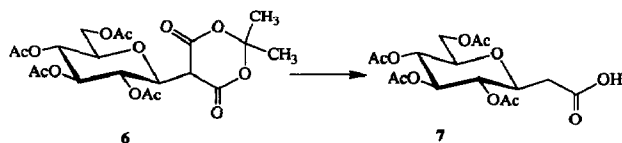
The reaction<sup>1</sup> of Meldrum's acid (2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione) with D-xylose, D-glucose, and D-galactose yields mainly 3,6-anhydro-2-deoxyaldono-1,4-lactones. We now report further examples of this reaction.

Thus, reaction of L-arabinose gave syrupy 3,6-anhydro-2-deoxy-L-gluco-heptono-1,4-lactone (**1**), which was characterised as its 5,7-diacetate **2**. The  $J_{4,5}$  values (1.1 and 0.0 Hz, respectively) of **1** and **2** accord<sup>2–4</sup> with the *trans* arrangement of H-4,5 and confirm the proposed bicyclic structure.



Likewise, D-mannose gave the 3,6-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-galacto-octono-1,4-lactone (**4**), the  $J_{4,5}$  value (4.0 Hz) of which accorded<sup>3,5,6</sup> with a *cis* arrangement of H-4,5. A second product isolated after this reaction was identified as the known<sup>1</sup> 3,6-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-ido-octono-1,4-lactone (**3**). Compound **3** could be formed by inversion of configuration at C-4 in the unsaturated lactone **5**, which is a probable intermediate in these reactions. This inversion has been observed with D-galactose<sup>1</sup> and D-mannose in the Wittig and Knoevenagel–Doebner reactions<sup>7</sup>.

As the desired C-glycosyl derivatives of Meldrum's acid could not be obtained directly from unprotected sugars, the reaction was applied to 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-D-glucose which gave **6**, the  $\beta$  configuration of which was indicated by the  $J_{1,2}$  value (10.0 Hz). Compound **6** is a useful intermediate for the preparation of other C-D-glucosyl derivatives. Thus, hydrolysis in aqueous acetic acid gave a good yield of known<sup>8</sup> 4,5,6,7-tetra-O-acetyl-3,7-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-gulo-octonic acid (**7**).



## EXPERIMENTAL

**General.** — Solutions were concentrated *in vacuo* at  $<40^\circ$ . Melting points were determined with a Gallenkamp apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were measured at  $18^\circ$  with a Perkin–Elmer 141 polarimeter (10-cm cell). T.l.c. was performed on Silica Gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> (Merck) with detection by u.v. light or charring with H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Flash-column chromatography was performed as described<sup>9</sup>. F.t.-i.r. spectra (KBr discs) were recorded with a Michelson 100 spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H-N.m.r. spectra were recorded with a Bruker WP-80-SY (80.13 MHz) or Varian XL-200 (200 MHz) instrument, and <sup>13</sup>C-n.m.r. spectra with a Bruker WP-80-SY (20.15 MHz) spectrometer.

**3,6-Anhydro-2-deoxy-L-gluco-heptono-1,4-lactone (1).** — A solution of 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione (1.44 g, 10.0 mmol), L-arabinose (1.48 g, 10.0 mmol), and triethylamine (1.4 mL, 10.0 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (5 mL) was heated for 7 days at  $40$ – $50^\circ$ , then concentrated under diminished pressure. Column chromatography (6:1 CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH) of the residue gave **1** (0.8 g, 47%), isolated as a syrup,  $[\alpha]_D +10^\circ$  (c 1, H<sub>2</sub>O),  $R_F$  0.65. N.m.r. data [(CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO]: <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$  5.66 (d, 1 H,  $J_{5,OH}$  4.8 Hz, HO-5), 4.85 (t, 1 H,  $J_{7,OH}$  5.2 Hz, HO-7), 4.76 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{3,4}$  4.4,  $J_{4,5}$  1.1 Hz, H-4), 4.69 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2a,3}$  5.4,  $J_{2b,3}$  0.0 Hz, H-3), 4.02 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6}$  4.6 Hz, H-5), 3.67 (td, 1 H,  $J_{6,7a} = J_{6,7b} = 5.5$  Hz, H-6), 3.60–3.30 (m, 2 H, H-7a,7b), 2.85 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2a,2b} - 18.2$  Hz, H-2a), and 2.45 (d, 1 H, H-2b); <sup>13</sup>C,  $\delta$  35.8 (C-2), 61.2 (C-7), 75.4, 76.9, 87.1, 89.9 (C-3/6), 175.2 (C-1).

The 5,7-diacetate **2** (0.52 g, 71%) had m.p.  $65$ – $66^\circ$  (from EtOH),  $[\alpha]_D +86^\circ$  (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\nu_{max}$  1788 and 1739 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O). N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$  5.21 (d, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  0.0,  $J_{5,6}$  3.9 Hz, H-5), 4.98–4.78 (m, 2 H, H-3, 4), 4.40–4.10 (m, 1 H, H-6), 4.38 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{6,7a}$  5.1,  $J_{7a,7b} - 12.7$  Hz, H-7a), 4.18 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{6,7b}$  4.1, H-7b), 2.74 (m, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 2.13, 2.08 (2 s, 6 H, 2 OAc); <sup>13</sup>C,  $\delta$  20.3 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 35.8 (C-2), 63.1 (C-7), 77.7 (C-5), 78.2 (C-3), 83.2 (C-6), 86.9 (C-4), 169.4, 170.3 (2 CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 173.8 (C-1).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C, 51.16; H, 5.46. Found: C, 51.31; H, 5.44.

**3,6-Anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-ido-octono-1,4-lactone (3) and 3,6-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-galacto-octono-1,4-lactone (4).** — Treatment of D-mannose (4.05 g, 22.5 mmol), as described for L-arabinose, gave, first, **3**<sup>1</sup> (1.8 g, 39%).

Eluted second was **4** (0.5 g, 11%), m.p.  $166$ – $167^\circ$  (from EtOH),  $[\alpha]_D +136^\circ$  (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>),  $R_F$  0.32;  $\nu_{max}$  1785 and 1751 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O). N.m.r. data [(CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO]: <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$  5.29 (d, 1 H,  $J_{5,OH}$  5.7 Hz, HO-5), 5.02 (d, 1 H,  $J_{7,OH}$  5.2 Hz, HO-7), 4.52 (t, 1 H,  $J_{8,OH}$  5.6 Hz, HO-8), 4.52 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{3,4}$  1.9,  $J_{4,5}$  4.0 Hz, H-4), 4.31 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2a,3}$  4.01,  $J_{2b,3}$  0.0 Hz, H-3), 3.70–3.10 (m, 5 H, H-5/8), 2.87 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{2a,2b} - 16.9$  Hz, H-2a), 2.28 (d, 1 H, H-2b); <sup>13</sup>C,  $\delta$  37.8 (C-2), 61.0 (C-8), 66.8, 71.6, 72.9, 79.4, 81.6 (C-3/7), 175.6 (C-1).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C, 47.06; H, 5.92. Found: C, 47.28; H, 5.93.

**2,2-Dimethyl-5-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione (6).** — A solution of 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione (0.74 g, 5.18 mmol), 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-D-glucose (0.91 g, 2.59 mmol), and triethylamine (0.36 mL, 2.59 mmol) in acetonitrile (2 mL) was heated for 2 days at 40–50°, then concentrated under diminished pressure. Column chromatography (20:1 chloroform–methanol) of the residue gave **6** (0.72 g, 59%), m.p. 192–194° (from aq. 90% EtOH),  $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 12^\circ$  (*c* 1, EtOH),  $R_F$  0.20;  $\nu_{\max}$  1746 and 1602  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=O). N.m.r. data [(CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO]: <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$  5.74 (t, 1 H,  $J_{2,3}$  9.5 Hz, H-2), 5.04 (t, 1 H,  $J_{3,4}$  9.5 Hz, H-3), 4.84 (t, 1 H,  $J_{4,5}$  9.5 Hz, H-4), 4.42 (d, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  10.0 Hz, H-1), 4.10 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6a}$  5.04,  $J_{6a,6b}$  –11.8 Hz, H-6a), 3.87 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{5,6b}$  2.5, H-6b), 3.75–3.50 (m, 1 H, H-5), 1.99, 1.96, 1.88, 1.79 (4 s, 12 H, 4 OAc), 1.38 (s, 6 H, 2 CMe); <sup>13</sup>C,  $\delta$  20.1 (OAc), 25.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>-2'), 62.7 (C-6), 70.3 (C-5'), 68.9, 69.3, 73.8, 75.0, 75.3 (C-1/5), 98.9 (C-2'), 146.7 (C-1',3'), 168.2, 169.0, 169.4, 169.8 (4 OAc).

*Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>13</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 48.98; H, 5.34. Found: C, 48.70; H, 5.30.

**4,5,6,7-Tetra-O-acetyl-3,7-anhydro-2-deoxy-D-glycero-D-gulo-octonic acid (7).** — A solution of 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione (0.65 g, 4.51 mmol), 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-D-glucose (1.13 g, 3.24 mmol), and triethylamine (0.40 mL) in acetonitrile (4 mL) was treated as described in the preparation of **6**. After evaporation of the solvent, a solution of the residue in 10:1 acetic acid–water was heated for 2 h at 100°, then concentrated under diminished pressure, and the residue was treated with water. The residue was recrystallised from ethanol–water to give **7** (0.76 g, 60%), m.p. 99–100°,  $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 2.4^\circ$  (*c* 3.4, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); lit.<sup>8</sup> m.p. 104.5–105.5°,  $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 4.3^\circ$  (*c* 1.95, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). N.m.r. data (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$  5.40–3.50 (m, 5 H, H-3/7), 4.25 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{7,8a}$  4.6,  $J_{8a,8b}$  –11.5 Hz, H-8a), 4.05 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{7,8b}$  2.9 Hz, H-8b), 2.55 (m, 2 H, H-2a,2b), 2.07, 2.03, 2.02, 2.00 (4 s, 12 H, 4 OAc); <sup>13</sup>C,  $\delta$  20.5 (4 CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 37.0 (C-2), 62.2 (C-8), 68.7, 71.7, 74.3, 74.4, 76.0 (C-3/7), 169.4, 169.6, 170.2, 170.6 (4 CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 174.3 (C-1).

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