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# Synthesis and antitumor activity of 5'-demethyl-5'-trifluoromethyl-daunorubicin and -doxorubicin

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### **Abstract**

The title compounds were prepared by coupling phenyl 4-O-acetyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-1-thio-3-trifluoroacetamido- $\alpha$ -L- and  $\beta$ -L-lyxo-hexopyranoside with daunomycinone. The key step of this synthesis is the C-trifluoromethylation of a 1-protected 2,3-dideoxy-3-azido-D-erythro-pentodialdose, prepared from 2-deoxy-D-erythro-pentose, to give a 6,6,6-trifluoro-L-lyxo-hexose derivative. The synthetic products showed higher cytotoxicity than doxorubicin against most of the human tumor cell lines tested in vitro, possibly by the effect of the  $CF_3$  group at C-5'. © 1999 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

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## 1. Introduction

In the course of our study to develop novel anthracycline glycosides [1] having higher antitumor activity with lower toxicity than the clinically used anthracycline antibiotics, such as daunorubicin and doxorubicin (DOX), we have recently reported 7-O-(2,6-dideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro -  $\alpha$  - L - lyxo - hexopyranosyl)adriamycinone (1), which showed stronger antitumor activity than DOX against murine leukemia L1210 in vivo in a low dose range [2].

	<del>K</del> .	H-	H*
DOX	ОН	$NH_2$	CH <sub>3</sub>
1	ОН	ОН	CF <sub>3</sub>
2	Н	$NH_2$	CF <sub>3</sub>
3	ОН	$NH_2$	CF <sub>3</sub>

A characteristic chemical feature of 1 is that it has the strongly electron-withdrawing CF<sub>3</sub> group at C-5' instead of the CH<sub>3</sub> group present in normal anthracycline antibiotics; this replacement stabilizes the glycosidic bond against acidic hydrolysis by decreasing the

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electron density at the glycosidic oxygen, and thus restricting protonation. The high activity of 1 may be attributed to this stabilization and is also because of the high lipophilicity of the CF<sub>3</sub> group, which may enhance cellular uptake of the compound. In pursuing our research, we are interested in introducing a 3'-NH<sub>2</sub> group instead of the 3'-OH group in 1 because the protonated 3'-NH<sub>2</sub> group could form a hydrogen bond with O-2 of thymidine or with the O-4' atom (ring O) of deoxycytidine in DNA, respectively, at the d(C-GATCG) site of the substrate-DNA complex [3], or could form a multiple water bridge with a backbone phosphate oxygen of DNA, stabilizing the complex, as reported on the DOX-DNA complex [3]. Furthermore, the presence of the 3'-NH<sub>2</sub> group is expected to promote the formation of ion-pair bonding with DNA, which is acidic in nature, owing to the initial adhesion mechanism [4] (which occurs before the final complexing), facilitating the approach of 2 (or 3) to DNA. We report here the preparation and antitumor activity of 7-O- $(3-amino-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-\alpha-L$ lyxo-hexopyranosyl)-daunomycinone (2) and -adriamycinone (3), that is, 5'-demethyl-5'trifluoromethyl-daunorubicin and -doxorubicin, respectively.

## 2. Results and discussion

Synthesis.—We designed the synthesis of compounds **2** and **3** by the coupling of a suitably protected 5-demethyl-5-trifluoromethyldaunosamine with daunomycinone. Synthesis of such 5-CF<sub>3</sub> sugars has been rarely reported, and although 3-(N-benzyltrifluoroacetamido)-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-4-O-methoxymethyl-1-O-p-nitrobenzoyl-L-lyxo-hexopyranose was prepared [5] from D-glyceraldehyde in 14 steps, the coupling of this synthetic sugar with daunomycinone has not been described.

We chose methyl 3-azido-5-O-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl - 2,3 - dideoxy -  $\alpha$  - D - erythro-pentofuranoside (4) [6,7] as the starting material, prepared from 2-deoxy-D-erythro-pentose. Treatment of 4 with 1,3-pro-panedithiol in the presence of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> in Cl(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl gave the dithioacetal 5. Benzyla-

tion of 5 (to give 6) with subsequent desilylation gave an acyclic, 5-hydroxyl sugar 7. Swern oxidation of 7 gave an unstable aldehyde 8, which was trifluoromethylated by treatment with Me<sub>3</sub>SiCF<sub>3</sub> in the presence of a catalytic amount of Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (oxolane, -40 °C) according to the procedure of Prakash et al. [8]. Desilvlation of the resulting products gave a mixture of the desired 3azido-4-O-benzyl - 2,3,6 - trideoxy - 6,6,6 - trifluoro - L - lyxo-hexose propane-1,3-diyl dithioacetal 9 (31%) and its epimer, 3-azido-4-Obenzyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-D-ribohexose propane-1,3-diyl dithioacetal **10** (40%) in approximately equal amounts. The configurations of the newly introduced asymmetric center at C-5 were determined after converting the products into the corresponding pyranoses. The undesired isomer 10 could be converted into 9 by treating the triflate of 10 with NaNO<sub>2</sub> in DMF [9], although the yield was low. Deprotection of the dithioacetal group [Hg(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·3H<sub>2</sub>O and CaCO<sub>3</sub>] of 9 gave the unstable cyclic sugar 11, which was isolated as its 1-acetate 12 as an anomeric mixture. The L-lyxo structure with the  ${}^{1}C_{4}(L)$  conformation of 12 was supported by the large  $J_{2\alpha x}$  3 (13 Hz) and small coupling constants  $J_{4.5}$  (<2 Hz) in its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum as well as the presence of NOEs between H-3 and H-5 (for the  $\alpha$ - and β-L anomers) and between H-1 and H-5 (for the β-L anomer). Similarly, 10 was converted into the 1-acetate 14 via 13. Its structure was determined to be  $\beta$ -D-ribo with the  ${}^4C_1(D)$ conformation from the large coupling constants of  $J_{1,2ax}$  (7.5 Hz) and  $J_{4.5}$  (7.5 Hz) and the existence of NOEs between H-1 and H-5, and between H-2ax and H-4. Reduction of 12 with Raney nickel gave an amino sugar 15, which was successively hydrogenolyzed over Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub> catalyst on carbon with cyclohexene (catalytic hydrogen-transfer hydrogenolysis of benzyl groups [10]) to give 16. Compound 16, after 3-trifluoroacetylation (to give 17), was acetylated to give a mixture of 1,4-diacetates 18 ( $\alpha$ -L) and 19 ( $\beta$ -L). The structures of the compounds were confirmed by their <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra (Table 1).

Coupling of the 1-bromo (or 1-iodo) derivative of **18** and **19** with daunomycinone under Koenigs–Knorr conditions [HgO (yellow),

Table 1 Selected <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>19</sup>F NMR data for compounds **5–12** and **14–21** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

Compound	Chemical sh	nifts in ppm (J in	Hz)							
	H-1	H-2a (or 2ax)	H-2b (or 2eq)	H-3	H-4	H-5	SCH <sub>2</sub>	$PhCH_2$	Ac	CF <sub>3</sub>
5	4.17 dd $J_{1,2a}$ 10.5 $J_{1,2b}$ 4.5	2.08 ddd $Je_{2a,2b}$ 14.5 $J_{2a,3}$ 3	1.83 ddd J <sub>2b,3</sub> 10.5	3.88 ddd J <sub>3,4</sub> 5.5	3.67 ddt J <sub>4,5a</sub> 6 J <sub>4,5b</sub> 4	3.78 (5a) dd J <sub>5a,5b</sub> 10.5 3.74 (5b) dd	2.77–2.98 m			
6	4.17 dd $J_{1,2a}$ 10 $J_{1,2b}$ 5	← 2.20–1.80 →		$J_{2a,3}$ 10 $J_{2b,3}$ 4 $J_{3,4}$ 4	$J_{4,OH}$ 5 3.54 dt $J_{4,5a}$ 5 $J_{4,5b}$ 5	3.80 (5a) dd $J_{5a,5b}$ 11 3.75 (5b) dd	2.77–2.98 m	$4.55 d$ $4.49 d$ $J_{\text{gem}} 12$		
7	4.18 dd $J_{1,2a}$ 10	2.10 ddd $J_{2a,2b}$ 14.5	1.85 ddd $J_{2b,3}$ 10	$4.03 \text{ ddd}$ $J_{3,4}$ 5	3.53 appar. q $J_{4,5a} \sim 4.5$ $J_{4,5b} \sim 4.5$	3.75 (5a,5b) br	2.79–2.99 m	4.70 d 4.63 d		
8	$J_{1,2b}$ 4.5 4.12 dd $J_{1,2a}$ 10 $J_{1,2b}$ 5	$J_{2a,3}$ 3.5 $\leftarrow$ 2.19–1.81 $\rightarrow$		4.10 dt $J_{2a,3}$ 10 $J_{2b,3}$ 3.5 $J_{3,4}$ 3.5	$3.87 \text{ dd}$ $J_{4,5}$ 2	9.68 d	2.79–2.97 m	$J_{\text{gem}}$ 11.5 4.74 d 4.70 d $J_{\text{gem}}$ 12		
9	4.16 dd $J_{1,2a}$ 10.5 $J_{1,2b}$ 4.5	2.11 ddd $J_{2a,2b}$ 14.5 $J_{2a,3}$ 3	1.87 ddd $J_{2b,3}$ 10.5	$3.94 \text{ ddd}$ $J_{3,4} 6$	3.71 dd $J_{4,5}$ 1	4.04 ddq $J_{5,OH}$ 10.5 $J_{5,CF_3}$ 7.5	2.75–3.04 m	4.68 s		−77.9 d
10	a 1,26	$ \leftarrow 2.21 - 1.80 \rightarrow $		a	3.86 dd J 7.5 J 2.5	a , CF <sub>3</sub> / 10	2.79–3.00 m	$4.75 d$ $4.63 d$ $J_{\text{gem}} 11$		$-76.1$ d $J_{5,\mathrm{CF}_3}$ $7$
11 <sup>b</sup>	5.56 br s	2.34 ddt $J_{1,2ax}$ 3.5 $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 12.5 $J_{2ax,3}$ 12.5	1.98 ddt $J_{1,2eq} \sim 1$ $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	3.76 ddd <i>J</i> <sub>3,4</sub> 2.5	4.00 br s	4.33 dq $J_{4,5} \sim 1$ $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5		$J_{\text{gem}}$ 17 4.77 d 4.70 d $J_{\text{gem}}$ 10.5		-73.6 (β-L) d (0.4 F) $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5 -74.0 (α-L) d (2.6 F)
12 <sup>b</sup>	6.40 br d $J_{1,2ax}$ 3.5	$J_{2ax, OH} 2$ 2.48 dt $J_{2ax, 2eq} 13$ $J_{2ax, 3} 13$	1.97 ddt $J_{1,2eq} \sim 1$ $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	3.68 ddd $J_{3,4}$ 2.5	4.04 br s	4.16 br q $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5		$4.77 \text{ d}$ $4.71 \text{ d}$ $J_{\text{gem}} 10.5$	2.11 s	-73.5 (β-L) d (0.8 F) $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6 $-74.0$ (α-L) d
14	6.02 dd $J_{1,2ax}$ 7.5 $J_{1,2eq}$ 2.5	1.83 ddd $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 13.5 $J_{2ax,3}$ 3.5	2.14 ddd $J_{2eq,3}$ 5.5	$J_{3,4} = 3.5$	3.83 dd $J_{4,5}$ 7.5	$\begin{array}{c} 4.33 \text{ dq} \\ J_{5,\text{CF}_3} \end{array} 7$		$4.68 \text{ d}$ $4.63 \text{ d}$ $J_{\text{gem}} 11.5$	2.08 s	(2.2 F) -74.4 d

Table 1 (Continued)

Compound	Chemical shifts in ppm $(J \text{ in Hz})$									
	H-1	H-2a (or 2ax)	H-2b (or 2eq)	H-3	H-4	H-5	SCH <sub>2</sub>	$PhCH_2$	Ac	CF <sub>3</sub>
15 b	6.31 br d $J_{1,2ax} \sim 3.5$	2.02 ddd $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 13.5 $J_{2ax,3}$ 12.5	1.75 ddt $J_{1,2eq} \sim 1$ $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	3.14 ddd $J_{3,4}$ 2.5	3.87 br s	4.19 br q $J_{5,{ m CF}_3}$ 7		$\begin{array}{c} 4.86 \text{ d} \\ 4.54 \text{ d} \\ J_{\text{gem}} \text{ 11} \end{array}$	2.09 s	$-73.7$ (β-L) d (1 F) $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5 $-74.2$ (α-L) d
16 <sup>b</sup>	6.32 br d $J_{1,2ax} \sim 3.5$	2.00 ddd $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 14 $J_{2ax,3}$ 12	1.76 ddt $J_{1,2eq} \sim 1$ $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	3.31 ddd $J_{3,4}$ 3	3.95 br s	4.17 br q $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5			2.11 s	(2 F) -74.1 (β-L) d (0.6 F) $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5 -74.6 (α-L) d (2.4 F)
17 <sup>b</sup>	6.36 br d $J_{1,2ax} \sim 3.5$	2.23 ddd $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 14 $J_{2ax,3}$ 13	1.95 br dd $J_{2eq,3}$ 5	4.48 dddd J <sub>3,4</sub> 2.5 J <sub>3,NH</sub> 8.5	4.21 br d	4.28 br q $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6.5			2.15 s	(2.4 F) $-74.1 (\beta-L) d$ (0.7 F) $J_{5,CF_3} 6$ $-74.6 (\alpha-L) d$ (2.3 F) -76.35 s ( $\beta$ -L, COCF <sub>3</sub> ) -76.36 s ( $\alpha$ -L, COCF <sub>3</sub> )
18	6.43 br d $J_{1,2ax}$ 3.5	2.18 ddd $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 13.5 $J_{2ax,3}$ 12.5	2.06 dddd $J_{1,2eq}$ 1.5 $J_{2eq,3}$ 5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	4.58 dddd $J_{3,4}$ 2.5 $J_{3,NH}$ 8	5.60 br s	4.39 dq $J_{4,5} \sim 1$ $J_{5,CF_3}$ 6			2.18 s 2.16 s	-75.2 d -76.43 s (COCF <sub>3</sub> )
19	5.89 dd $J_{1,2ax}$ 9.5	2.02 dt $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 12.5	$J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5	4.34 dddd $J_{3,4}$ 3	5.51 br d	4.10 dq $J_{4,5}$ 1			2.20 s 2.16 s	-74.6 d -76.40 s (COCF <sub>3</sub> )
20	$J_{1,2eq}$ 2.5 5.80 br d $J_{1,2ax}$ 5.5	$J_{2ax,3}$ 12.5 2.44 dt $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 13 $J_{2ax,3}$ 13	$J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$ 2.26 ddt $J_{1,2eq} \sim 1$ $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5	$J_{3,NH}$ 7.5 4.52 dddd $J_{3,4}$ 2.5 $J_{3,NH}$ 7	5.60 br d	$J_{5,{\rm CF}_3}$ 6 4.91 dq $J_{4,5} \sim 1$ $J_{5,{\rm CF}_3}$ 6.5			2.17 s	-74.4 d -76.38 s (COCF <sub>3</sub> )
21	4.90 dd $J_{1,2ax}$ 11.5 $J_{1,2eq}$ 2.5	1.98 appar. q $J_{2ax,2eq}$ 12.5 $J_{2ax,3}$ 12.5	$J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$ 2.26 dddd $J_{2eq,3}$ 4.5 $J_{2eq,4} \sim 1$	$J_{3,4} \ 3$ $J_{3,NH} \ 7$	5.48 br d	$\begin{array}{c} 3.98 \; \mathrm{dq} \\ J_{4,5} \; 1 \\ J_{5,\mathrm{CF_3}} \; 6 \end{array}$			2.16 s	-74.9 d -76.40 s (COCF <sub>3</sub> )

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}$   $\delta$  4.22–4.11.  $^{b}$   $^{l}H$  NMR data for the  $\alpha\text{-L}$  anomer.

HgBr<sub>2</sub> or HgI<sub>2</sub>, molecular sieves 3 Å] was first expected to be easy, since an analogous synthesis of 1 with the corresponding 3,4-di-Oacetyl-5-trifluoromethyl glycosyl bromide was successful [2]; however, this mode of coupling gave no product. The reason is not clear, however it may be the formation of a  $(F_3CCO)N^-(HgX)^+$  salt (X: Br or I) at N-3 of the sugar halides; the HgX2 catalyst is not expected to approach Br(or I)-1 of the glycosyl halides because of positive charge repulsion between Hg and Hg. A similar coupling using 4-O-acetyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-2-fluoro-3-trifluoroacetamido-L-talopyranosyl with daunomycinone also gave the condensation product in only poor yield [11]. Coupling of a mixture of 18 and 19 with daunomycinone in the presence of Me<sub>3</sub>SiOSO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub> [12] also failed. However, coupling of daunomycinone with phenyl thioglycosides 20 ( $\alpha$ -L) and 21 ( $\beta$ -L), prepared from a mixture of 18 and 19 with Me<sub>3</sub>SiSPh and Me<sub>3</sub>SiOSO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>, in the presence of N-iodosuccinimide and CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H [13], gave the  $\alpha$ -L-glycoside **22**  $(J_{1',2'ax} < 3 \text{ Hz})$ in moderate yield. Alkaline deblocking of 22 gave desired 5'-demethyl-5'-trifluoromethyldaunorubicin 2. Compound 2 was next transformed into the doxorubicin-type compound 3 according to, basically, the procedure of Arcamone et al. [14]. Bromination of 2 with Br<sub>2</sub> in the presence of HC(OMe)<sub>3</sub> gave the 14bromo-13-dimethyl acetal, the dimethyl acetal being removed subsequently by treatment with acetone to give the 14-bromo derivative. Treatment of the derivative with HCO<sub>2</sub>Na in aqueous acetone gave the desired 5'-demethyl-5'-trifluoromethyldoxorubicin 3 (49%). The structures of 2 and 3 were confirmed by their <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F, and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra (Table 2).

Antitumor activity.—The DOX-type compound 3 showed antitumor activity comparable with that of DOX against murine leukemia L1210 in vivo, although it is slightly more toxic in a high dose range (Table 3). Compound 2 was less active. However, both 2 and 3 (especially 3) showed stronger growth inhibitory activity than DOX against various human tumor cell lines in vitro (Table 4). It should be stressed that these compounds displayed 60–70 fold stronger activity against human epithelioid carcinoma (HeLa) and human leukemia (HL60), suggesting that the 5'-

Table 2  $^{13}$ C NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ , ppm) and coupling constants ( $J_{\text{C,F}}$ , Hz in parentheses) of compounds 2 and 3 (both as hydrochlorides) in D<sub>2</sub>O

C	2	3 a
1	120.4 в	120.5 в
2	137.5	137.5
2 3	120.3 b	120.3 b
4	161.2	161.3
4a	119.6	119.6
5	186.5 °	186.6 °
5a	111.38 <sup>d</sup>	111.50 <sup>d</sup>
6	154.9 <sup>e</sup>	154.8 <sup>e</sup>
6a	134.4 <sup>f</sup>	134.1 <sup>f</sup>
7	70.8	70.5
8	36.0	36.1
9	76.6	76.1
10	32.3	32.7
10a	134.4 <sup>f</sup>	134.47 <sup>f</sup>
11	156.5 <sup>e</sup>	156.3 e
l 1a	111.44 <sup>d</sup>	111.54 <sup>d</sup>
12	186.8 °	186.8 °
l2a	135.1 <sup>f</sup>	134.53 <sup>f</sup>
13	216.0	215.1
14	25.0	65.0
OMe	57.2	57.3
1'	100.6	100.4
2'	28.8	28.6
3'	46.8	46.8
4'	62.6	62.4
5'	69.9 q (30.5)	69.9 q (30)
6'	124.3 q (279.5)	124.3 q (280)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Measured at 45 °C.

CF<sub>3</sub> group plays a notable role in eliciting the antitumor activity in comparison with the 5′-CH<sub>3</sub> group.

# 3. Experimental

General methods.—Melting points were determined on a Kofler block, and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were measured with a Perkin–Elmer 241 polarimeter. NMR spectra (<sup>1</sup>H at 250 and 500 MHz, <sup>13</sup>C at 125.8 MHz, and <sup>19</sup>F at 235.3 MHz) were recorded with Bruker AC-250P and AMX-500 spectrometers, using Me<sub>4</sub>Si and CFCl<sub>3</sub> (for <sup>19</sup>F) as the internal standards. TLC was performed on Kieselgel 60 F<sub>254</sub> (E. Merck), column chromatography on Kieselgel 60, and flash column chromatography on Wakogel C-300. Solvent A for TLC is a solution of 20:3.8:0.45 CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH–aq 17% NH<sub>4</sub>OH.

b,c,d,e,f Figs. in the same column may be interconvertible.

Table 3
Antitumor activities <sup>a</sup> of **2** and **3** in comparison with DOX against the murine L1210 cell line [T/C <sup>b</sup> (%); 60-day survivor numbers/treated numbers of mice]

Compound <sup>c</sup>	Dose (mg k	$(xg^{-1} day^{-1})$							
	5	2.5	1.25	0.6	0.3	0.15			
2	92 <sup>d</sup>	129 <sup>d</sup>	169 <sup>d</sup>	227	146	132			
3	0/4 132 <sup>d</sup>	0/4 176 <sup>d</sup>	0/4 >481 <sup>d</sup>	0/4 > 559	0/4 >302	0/4 329			
5	0/4	0/4	1/4	2/4	1/4	0/4			
DOX	190 d	>603	> 529	>451	>519	>312			
	0/4	2/4	2/4	1/4	2/4	1/4			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Leukemia L1210 cells ( $10^5$ ) were inoculated into CDF<sub>1</sub> mice ( $20 \pm 1$  g) i.p. Drugs were administered daily, starting 24 h after inoculation, from day 1 to 9 i.p.

3 - Azido - 5 - O - tert - butyldiphenylsilyl - 2,3*dideoxy-*D-erythro-*pentose* propane-1,3-divl dithioacetal (5).—A solution of 4 (18.96 g, 46 mmol), 1,3-propanedithiol (6.8 mL, 68 mmol), and BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (1.7 mL, 14 mmol) in dry Cl(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl (150 mL) was kept for 70 min at 50 °C. After dilution with CHCl<sub>3</sub>, the solution was washed with aq 5% NaOH and water, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. The residue chromatographed (toluene  $\rightarrow$  25:1 toluene-EtOAc) to give 5 as a colorless syrup, 19.62 g (87%), TLC (toluene):  $R_c$  0.2 (cf 4:  $R_c$ 0.35),  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} - 22^{\circ}$  (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (liquid film): v 2100 cm<sup>-1</sup> (N<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Si: C, 59.10; H, 6.82; N, 8.62. Found: C, 59.44; H, 6.93; N, 8.20 (Scheme 1). 3-Azido-4-O-benzyl-5-O-tert-butyldiphenylsilyl-2,3-dideoxy-D-erythro-pentose propane-1,3-diyl dithioacetal (6).—To a cold (-40 °C) suspension of NaH (1.72 g, 60% NaH in mineral oil, 43 mmol) in dry DMF (70 mL) was added a solution of 5 (19.52 g, 40 mmol) and PhCH<sub>2</sub>Br (5.0 mL, 42 mmol) in DMF (80 mL) over 5 min, and the mixture was stirred for 4 h at 0 °C. After addition of AcOH (2.5 mL) followed by water (1 L), the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The extracts were washed with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated) and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. The residue was chromatographed (1:2 hexanetoluene) to give 6 as a colorless syrup, 17.69 g (77%),  $[\alpha]_D^{21} - 15^\circ$  (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (liquid film): v 2100 cm<sup>-1</sup> (N<sub>3</sub>). Anal Calcd for  $C_{31}H_{39}N_3O_2S_2Si$ : C, 64.43; H, 6.80; N, 7.27. Found: C, 64.68; H, 6.92; N, 7.34.

3-Azido-4-O-benzyl-2,3-dideoxy-D-erythropentose propane-1,3-diyl dithioacetal (7).—To a solution of **6** (17.69 g, 30.6 mmol) in oxolane (120 mL) was added Bu<sub>4</sub>NF·3H<sub>2</sub>O (10.10 g, 32 mmol) and the solution was kept for 1.5 h at room temperature (rt). After concentration of the solution, the residue was chromatographed (toluene → 12:1 toluene—EtOAc) to give **7** as a colorless syrup, 8.86 g (85%),  $[\alpha]_{19}^{19} + 23^{\circ}$  (c 1.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (liquid film):  $\nu$  2110 cm<sup>-1</sup> (N<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C, 53.07; H, 6.23; N, 12.38; S, 18.89. Found: C, 53.19; H, 6.31; N, 12.12; S, 18.64.

3-Azido-4-O-benzyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6trifluoro-L-lyxo-hexose propane-1,3-diyl dithioacetal (9) and 3-azido-4-O-benzyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-D-ribo-hexose propane-1,3divl dithioacetal (10).—To a cold  $(-78 \, ^{\circ}\text{C})$ solution of (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (1.55 mL, 18 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (24 mL) was added (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO (1.9 mL, 27 mmol) and 7 (3.02 g, 8.9 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (42 mL), and the mixture was stirred for 40 min at the same temperature under the atmosphere of Ar. Ethyldiisopropylamine (7.8 mL, 45 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 30 min, then for 1.5 h at 0 °C. Ice-cooled aq NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (saturated) was added, and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The extracts were washed with cold water, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give crude aldehyde 8 as a yellowish brown syrup, 3.08 g, which was positive to the Tollens reaction; TLC:  $R_c$  0.2 (100:1 toluene–EtOAc). To a cold  $(-40 \,^{\circ}\text{C})$  mixture of the syrup

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> (Mean survival days of treated mice/mean survival days of control mice) ×100.

c Hydrochloride.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> More than 10% weight decrease in the treated mice was observed.

(3.08 g) and Me<sub>3</sub>SiCF<sub>3</sub> (2.4 mL, 16 mmol) in oxolane (30 mL) was added a 0.6 M solution of Bu<sub>4</sub>NF·3H<sub>2</sub>O in oxolane (1.5 mL) and the solution was kept for 10 min at the same temperature. TLC (100:1 toluene-EtOAc) showed two major spots at  $R_{\rm f}$  0.7 and 0.8 (trimethylsilyl ethers of 9 and 10). After addition of a 0.6 M solution of Bu<sub>4</sub>NF·3H<sub>2</sub>O in oxolane (15 mL) the mixture was kept for 10 min at 0 °C. Concentration gave a residue, to which water (100 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The extracts were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. chromatography (100:1Flash toluene-EtOAc) of the residue gave 9 as a colorless syrup (chromatographically homogeneous), 0.26 g (7%), along with crude 9 (1.05 g), and 10 as a colorless syrup, 1.45 g (40%), the last being crystallized from EtOAc-hexane to afford plates. Flash chromatography (2:1 hexane-iPr<sub>2</sub>O) of crude 9 afforded 0.88 g (24%) of pure material. The total yield of 9 was 1.14 g (31%). Compound **9**, TLC:  $R_f$  0.2 (100:1 toluene–EtOAc),  $[\alpha]_D^{19} + 9^\circ$  (*c* 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (liquid film):  $v = 2125 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (N<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{16}H_{20}F_3N_3O_2S_2$ : C, 47.16; H, 4.95; N, 10.31. Found: C, 47.42; H, 5.02; N, 10.39. Compound 10, TLC:  $R_f$  0.15 (100:1 toluene– EtOAc), mp 90-91 °C,  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$  -3° (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (KBr):  $v = 2120 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (N<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C, 47.16; H, 4.95; N, 10.31. Found. C, 47.17; H, 5.00; N, 10.38.

Preparation of 9 from 10.—A mixture of 10 (416 mg, 1.02 mmol), (CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>O (0.22 mL, 1.3 mmol), and pyridine (0.41 mL, 5.1 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6 mL) was kept for 1 h at 0 °C. MeOH was added, and the solution, after dilution with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, was washed with aq

NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated), aq 20% KHSO<sub>4</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give the 5-triflate as a chromatographically homogeneous syrup, 593 mg; <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = -72.0$  (br dq,  $J_{5 \text{ F-}6}$  $J_{\text{F-6.SO}_2\text{C}F(F',F'')}$ 3 Hz,  $CF_3$ -5), CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>). A mixture of the syrup, NaNO<sub>2</sub> (315) mg, 4.6 mmol), and 15-crown-5 (0.40 mL, 2.0 mmol) in DMF (5.6 mL) was stirred for 4 h at rt. After dilution with water, the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The extracts were washed with water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. Chromatography (100:1 toluene-EtOAc) of the residue gave 9, 158 mg (38%), which was identical with the specimen obtained from 8.

1 - O - Acetyl - 3 - azido - 4 - O - benzvl - 2,3,6trideoxy - 6,6,6 - trifluoro - L - lyxo - hexopyranose (12).—To a mixture of 9 (1.83 g, 4.5 mmol) and CaCO<sub>3</sub> (2.74 g, 27 mmol) in aq oxolane (1:3.8, 26 mL) was added  $Hg(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$ (10.86 g, 22.5 mmol) in oxolane (16 mL) and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at rt. After addition of aq NaHCO3 (saturated, 30 mL) followed by CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, the mixture was filtered through a Celite bed, which was repeatedly washed with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The filtrate and washings combined were washed with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated), aq 10% KI, and water, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give 11 as a pale yellowish-green syrup, 1.51 g, which was positive to the Tollens reagent; TLC:  $R_c$  0.05 (toluene). A solution of the syrup and Ac<sub>2</sub>O (0.70 mL, 7.4 mmol) in pyridine (9.5 mL) was kept for 15 h at rt. Water was added, the solution was concentrated with the aid of toluene, and the residue was subjected to flash chromatography (toluene) to give an anomeric

Table 4 Growth-inhibitory effect of 2 and 3 in comparison with DOX against various human cell lines a in vitro

Compound b	$IC_{50}$ ° (µg m $L^{-1}$ )							
	HeLa	HL60	PC3	A431	PC6	MCF7	TT	DLD-1
2	0.47	0.025	0.79	0.49	0.48	0.32	0.56	0.83
3	0.18	0.032	1.52	0.086	0.11	0.11	0.23	0.26
DOX	12.2	1.54	10.3	0.73	0.78	0.47	0.46	0.77

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> HeLa, human epithelioid carcinoma; HL60, human leukemia; PC3, human prostatic adenocarcinoma; A431, human epidermoid carcinoma; PC6, human lung carcinoma; MCF7, human breast adenocarcinoma; TT, human esophageal carcinoma; DLD-1, human colon carcinoma.

b Hydrochloride.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> IC<sub>50</sub> values (50% inhibition concentration) were determined by MTT assay [15] on day-3 culture.

Scheme 1.

mixture of **12** as a colorless syrup, 1.09 g (68%). From other fractions, crude **12** (paleyellow syrup, 310 mg) and the 5-acetate of **9** [colorless syrup, 71 mg (3.5%)] were obtained. Flash chromatography (toluene) of crude **12** afforded 160 mg (10%) of pure material and the 5-acetate of **9**, 80 mg (4.4%). Total yield of **12** was 1.25 g (78%). Compound **12**, TLC:  $R_f$  0.2 (toluene); IR (liquid film):  $\nu$  2110 (N<sub>3</sub>), 1770 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{15}H_{16}F_3N_3O_4$ : C, 50.14; H, 4.49; F, 15.86; N, 11.70. Found: C, 50.29; H, 4.31; F, 16.21; N, 11.73.

1 - O - Acetyl - 3 - azido - 4 - O - benzyl - 2,3,6*trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro-β-*D-ribo-*hexopyranose* (14).—To a mixture of 10 (100 mg, 0.25 mmol) and CaCO<sub>3</sub> (149 mg, 1.5 mmol) in aq mL) oxolane (1:4,1.5 was  $Hg(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 3H_2O$  (607 mg, 1.3 mmol) in oxolane (0.8 mL) and the mixture was stirred for 30 min at rt. Successive processing as described for 11 gave 13 as a pale yellowishgreen syrup, 80 mg, which was unstable and positive to the Tollens reaction; TLC:  $R_{\rm f}$  0.1 (30:1 toluene–EtOAc). A solution of the syrup and Ac<sub>2</sub>O (0.05 mL, 0.5 mmol) in pyridine (0.5 mL) was kept for 2 h at rt. After addition of water, the solution was concentrated. The residue, after dissolution in CHCl<sub>3</sub>, was washed with aq 20% KHSO<sub>4</sub>, aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated), and water, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give **14** as a colorless syrup, 85 mg (96%), which was crystallized from CHCl<sub>3</sub>-hexane to give prisms, TLC:  $R_f$  0.4 (30:1 toluene–EtOAc), mp 90–90.5 °C, [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>23</sup> + 21° (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (KBr): v 2090 (N<sub>3</sub>), 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 50.14; H, 4.49; N, 11.70, Found: C, 50.06; H, 4.54; N, 11.65.

1-O-Acetyl-3-amino-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6trifluoro-L-lyxo-hexopyranose (16).—To a solution of 12 (498 mg, 1.4 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (6 mL) was added Raney Ni (thick suspension in water,  $\sim 4$  mL) portionwise over 1 h, whereupon the spot of 12  $(R_c \ 0.9)$  in TLC (10:1 CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH) disappeared. After dilution with EtOAc, the mixture was filtered through a Celite bed and washed thoroughly with EtOAc. The filtrate and washings combined were washed with brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give crude 15 as a syrup, 386 mg, which contained  $\sim 10\%$  of 16. A mixture of the syrup, cyclohexene (4.7 mL, 46 mmol), and 20% Pd(OH), on carbon (Pearlman's catalyst, 103 mg) in EtOH (9.6 mL) was stirred for 15 h at 75 °C. Additional cyclohexene (twice; each 1.2 mL, 12 mmol) was added halfway. The mixture was filtered through a Celite bed and washed thoroughly with 1:2 cyclohexene-EtOH. The filtrate and washings were concentrated and the turbid solution of the residue in EtOAc containing the catalyst particles accompanied was filtered through a Celite bed with successive washing with EtOAc, then the solution was concentrated. This procedure was repeated twice to obtain an anomeric mixture of 16 as yellow-green foam, 251 mg (75%). An analytical sample was prepared by flash chromatography (solvent A) to give a colorless solid, TLC:  $R_{\ell}$  0.1 (10:1 CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH). Anal. Calcd  $C_8H_{12}F_3NO_4$ : C, 39.51; H, 4.97; N, 5.76. Found: C, 39.83; H, 5.14; N, 5.89.

1,4-Di-O-acetyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifl*uoro-3-trifluoroacetamido-\alpha-L-* (18) and  $\beta$ -Llyxo-hexopyranose (19).—To an ice-cold solution of 16 (1.02 g, 4.2 mmol) and pyridine (1.9 mL, 23.6 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (18.5 mL) was added (CF<sub>3</sub>CO)<sub>2</sub>O (1.2 mL, 8.5 mmol) and the solution was kept for 1 h at 0 °C. TLC (10:1 CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH) showed two spots corresponding to 17 ( $R_f$  0.5, major) and to the 4-O-trifluoroacetyl derivative of 17  $(R_c \ 0.9)$ . After addition of MeOH (1 mL) followed by EtOAc (60 mL), the solution was poured into 20% NaCl in aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated, 120 mL) and the mixture was stirred vigorously for 30 min at rt, whereupon the spot at  $R_f$  0.9 disappeared. The aqueous layer separated was repeatedly extracted with EtOAc. The extracts and the original organic layer combined were washed with brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to give 17 as a yellow-brown foam, 1.45 g. A solution of this and Ac<sub>2</sub>O (0.8 mL, 8.5 mmol) in pyridine (13 mL) was kept for 15 h at rt, concentrated, and the residue was subjected to flash chromatography (12:1 toluene-acetone) to give a mixture of 18 and 19 as a solid, 1.13 g (71%). Analytical samples were prepared by further flash chromatography (12:1 toluene-acetone) of the solid followed by crystallization (CHCl<sub>3</sub>-hexane) of the separated products to give 18 as needles and 19 as an amorphous solid, respectively. Compound 18, TLC:  $R_f$  0.18 (12:1 toluene– acetone), mp 138.5–141 °C,  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  – 107° (c 0.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>6</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>: C, 37.81; H. 3.44; N. 3.67. Found: C. 37.67; H.

3.38; N, 3.53. Compound **19**, TLC:  $R_f$  0.21 (12:1 toluene–acetone),  $[\alpha]_D^{19} - 34^\circ$  (c 0.6, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{12}H_{13}F_6NO_6$ : C, 37.81; H, 3.44; N, 3.67. Found: C, 38.14; H, 3.39; N, 3.60.

Phenyl 4-O-acetyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifl*uoro-1-thio-3-trifluoroacetamido-\alpha-L-* (20) *and*  $-\beta$ -L-lyxo-hexopyranoside (21).—To a solution of a mixture of 18 and 19 (596 mg, 1.56 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (12 mL) were added mL, 6.2 Me<sub>3</sub>SiSPh (1.2)mmol) Me<sub>3</sub>SiOSO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub> (0.34 mL, 1.9 mmol) and the solution was refluxed for 15 h. After dilution with EtOAc, the solution was washed with cold ag 5% NaOH and cold brine, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. Flash chromatography (50:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-EtOAc) of the residue gave an anomeric mixture of 20 and **21**, in a 54:46 ratio, as a solid (488 mg, 72%). The anomers were resolved by flash chromatography (25:1 toluene-acetone). Crystallization of each anomer from EtOAc-hexane afforded 20 as needles and 21 as an amorphous solid. Compound 20 sublimes at ~ 170 °C, TLC:  $R_f$  0.15 (25:1 toluene–acetone),  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{21}$  – 184° (c 0.85, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{16}H_{15}F_6NO_4S$ : C, 44.55; H, 3.50; N, 3.25. Found: C, 44.65; H, 3.48; N, 3.21. Compound **21**, TLC:  $R_f$  0.25 (25:1 toluene–acetone),  $[\alpha]_D^{21}$ (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for  $+34^{\circ}$ C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>6</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S: C, 44.55; H, 3.50; N, 3.25. Found: C, 44.67; H, 3.66; N, 3.27.

7-O-(4-O-Acetyl-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifl*uoro-3-trifluoroacetamido-α-*L-lyxo-*hexopyran*osyl)daunomycinone (22).—To an ice-cold suspension of an anomeric mixture of 20 and 21 (368 mg, 0.85 mmol), daunomycinone (548 mg, 1.38 mmol), and powdered 4 Å molecular sieves (594 mg, activated at 350 °C under a stream of N<sub>2</sub>) in dry Cl(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl (60 mL) were added N-iodosuccinimide (200 mg, mmol) and a 0.09 M solution of CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H in Cl(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl (0.3 mL), and the mixture was stirred at 0 °C. After 20 min, additional CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H solution (0.5 mL) was poured, and the stirring was continued for 30 min at the temperature. Triethylamine (0.04 mL) was added, and the mixture was filtered through Celite together with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic solution was washed with aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated), aq 10% Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and water, dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>),

and concentrated. Flash chromatography (6:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-EtOAc) of the residue followed by precipitation from EtOAc-hexane gave 22 as a red solid, 245 mg (40%), TLC:  $R_f$  0.3 (6:1  $CH_2Cl_2-EtOAc$ ),  $[\alpha]_D^{23} + 225^{\circ}$  (c 0.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  14.00, 13.25 (each 1 H s, OH-6,11), 8.04 (dd, 1 H,  $J_1$ , 7.5,  $J_1$ , ~ 1 Hz, H-1), 7.79 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{1,2}$  7.5,  $J_{2,3}$  8.5 Hz, H-2), 7.40 (dd, 1 H, H-3), 6.29 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{3',NH} \sim 7$ Hz, NH), 5.71 (br s, 1 H, H-1'), 5.60 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{3',4'}$  2.5 Hz, H-4'), 5.28 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{7,8ax}$  4.5,  $J_{7,8eq}$  2 Hz, H-7), 4.69 (br q, 1 H,  $J_{5',F}$  6.5 Hz,  $H-5^{\circ}$ ), 4.44–4.31 (m, 1 H, H-3'), 4.08 (s, 3 H, OMe-4), 3.79 (s, 1 H, OH-9), 3.19 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{10ax,10eq}$  19,  $J_{10eq,8eq}$  1.5 Hz, H-10eq), 3.01 (d, 1 H, H-10ax), 2.39 (s, 3 H, H-14), 2.17 (s, 3 H, OAc), 2.47–2.37 and 2.23–2.03 (each m of 1 H and 3 H, respectively, H-2'ax 2'eq 8ax 8eq). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta - 74.9$  (d, 3 F,  $J_{5',F}$  6.5 Hz, CF<sub>3</sub>-5'), -76.5 (s, 3 F, COCF<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{31}H_{27}F_6NO_{12}\cdot 1.5$   $H_2O:$  C, 49.87; H, 4.05; N, 1.88. Found: C, 49.93; H. 3.92; N. 1.90.

7-O-(3-Amino-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro- $\alpha$ -L-lyxo-hexopyranosyl)daunomycinone (2).— A suspension of 22 (45 mg, 0.063 mmol) in aq 0.2 M NaOH (4.6 mL) was stirred for 2.5 h at 0 °C. After addition of water (2 mL), the deep-purple solution was neutralized with aq 0.1 M HCl (10.7 mL) and the aq solution was washed with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. Aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (saturated, 2 mL) was added, and the aqueous solution was repeatedly extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic solution was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated. To a solution of the residue in  $CHCl_3$  (0.15 mL)-MeOH (0.15 mL)-0.3 M methanolic HCl (0.25 mL) was added diisopropyl ether, and the resulting precipitate was collected (centrifugation) and thoroughly washed with diisopropyl ether. A red solid of 2 (hydrochloride) was obtained, 31 mg (79%), TLC:  $R_f$  0.45 (solvent A),  $[\alpha]_D^{22} + 240^\circ$  (c 0.1, MeOH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  7.58 (apparently t, 1 H,  $J_{1,2} = J_{2,3} \sim 8$  Hz, H-2), 7.35 - 7.29 (m, 2 H, H-1, 3), 5.63 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{1',2'ax}$  4 Hz, H-1'), 4.76 (br, 1 H, H-7), 4.69 (br q, 1 H,  $J_{5',F}$ 6.5 Hz, H-5'), 4.36 (br s, 1 H, H-4'), 3.86 (s, 3 H, OMe), 3.75 (ddd, 1 H,  $J_{2'ax,3'}$  13,  $J_{2'eq,3'}$  4.5,  $J_{3',4'}$  3 Hz, H-3'), 2.85 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{10a,10b}$  18 Hz, H-10a), 2.67 (br d, 1 H, H-10b), 2.43 (s, 3 H, H-14), 2.22 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{8a.8b}$  14.5 Hz, H-8a),

2.15 (apparently dt, 1 H,  $J_{1',2'ax}$  4,  $J_{2'ax,2'eq}$  13.5,  $J_{2'ax,3'}$  13 Hz, H-2'ax), ~2.08 (1 H, overlapped with the signals of H-2'eq, H-8b), 2.06 (br dd, 1 H, H-2'eq). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  – 74.9 (d,  $J_{5',F}$  6.5 Hz, CF<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>26</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>10</sub>·HCl·1.5 H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 50.28; H, 4.69; N, 2.17. Found: C, 50.29; H, 4.79; N, 2.18.

7-O-(3-Amino-2,3,6-trideoxy-6,6,6-trifluoro- $\alpha$ -L-lyxo-hexopyranosyl)adriamycinone (3).— To a suspension of 2 (hydrochloride, 31 mg, 50 μmol) in dry 1,4-dioxane (1.1 mL) was added a 5% solution of HC(OMe)<sub>3</sub> in dry MeOH (0.76 mL), and the solution was kept for 45 min at rt. After cooling (ice bath), 2.1%  $Br_2$  in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (0.17 mL;  $Br_2$ , 66 µmol) was added, and the solution was kept for 30 min at 0 °C, and then 2 h at rt. TLC (solvent A) of the solution showed a main spot at  $R_f$ 0.53 (the 14-bromo-13-dimethyl acetal, cf 2:  $R_c$ 0.48). The solution was poured into diisopropyl ether (4 mL) with subsequent addition of hexane (10 mL) to give a red precipitate, which was collected (centrifugation) and washed with hexane. A solution of the solid in acetone (1.8 mL) was kept for 1 h at rt, whereupon a spot at  $R_f$  0.48 (solvent A) (13dedimethyl acetal) became a major one. After concentration, a mixture of the residue and HCO<sub>2</sub>Na (65 mg, 0.96 mmol) in 1:1.5 aq acetone (3 mL) was stirred vigorously for 15 h at rt. An additional amount of HCO<sub>2</sub>Na (18 mg, 0.26 mmol) was added and stirring was continued further 5 h. TLC (solvent A) of the mixture showed a main spot at  $R_f$  0.35 (3). Concentration gave a residue, which was diluted with water and the mixture was washed with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. To the aqueous solution was added NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (920 mg) and the product was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic solution was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. To the residue dissolved in 0.24 M methanolic HCl (0.27 mL) was added toluene, and the resulting precipitate was collected (centrifugation) and washed thoroughly with toluene to give a red solid of 3 as the hydrochloride, 16 mg (49%),  $[\alpha]_D^{22} + 243^{\circ}$  (c 0.1, MeOH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O,  $\overline{45}$  °C):  $\delta$  7.62 (br t, 1 H,  $J_{1,2} = J_{2,3}$  8 Hz, H-2), 7.39-7.34 (m, 2 H, H-1,3), 5.68 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{1',2'ax}$  4 Hz, H-1'), 4.80 (s, 2 H, H-14), 4.78 (br, 1 H, H-7), 4.69 (br q, 1 H,  $J_{5',F}$  6.5 Hz, H-5'), 4.38 (br s, 1 H, H-4'), 3.90 (s, 3 H,

OMe), 3.77 (ddd, 1 H,  $J_{2'ax,3'}$  13,  $J_{2'eq,3'}$  5,  $J_{3',4'}$  2.5 Hz, H-3'), 2.93 (d, 1 H,  $J_{10a,10b}$  18 Hz, H-10a), 2.65 (d, 1 H, H-10b), 2.28 (br d, 1 H,  $J_{8a,8b}$  15 Hz, H-8a), 2.18 (apparently dt, 1 H,  $J_{1',2'ax}$  4,  $J_{2'ax,2'eq}$  13.5,  $J_{2'ax,3'}$  13 Hz, H-2'ax), 2.08 (dd, 1 H, H-2'eq), 2.04 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{8a,8b}$  15,  $J_{7,8b}$  5 Hz, H-8b). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta$  – 74.9 (d,  $J_{5',F}$  6.5 Hz, CF<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>26</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>11</sub>·HCl·H<sub>2</sub>O: C, 49.74; H, 4.48; N, 2.15. Found: C, 50.10; H, 4.70; N, 2.03.

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