

Starch biosynthesis: sucrose as a substrate for the synthesis of a highly branched component found in 12 varieties of starches

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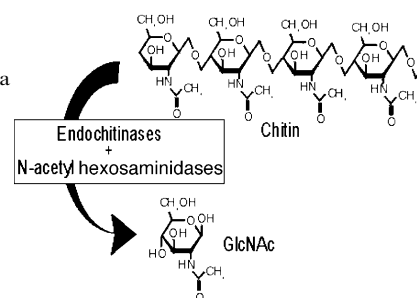
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Starches	Maize	Amz-5	Amz-7	Waxy Maize	Rice	Potato	Wheat	Barley	Rye	Lima Bean	Tapioca	Shoti
Total ^{14}C cpm	16,880	34,160	22,080	16,770	5,545	922	34,410	7,220	17,876	2,186	2,168	396
% α -LD	60.5	30.6	16.1	62.3	84.1	31.5	40.4	31.2	29.3	27.9	16.9	22.4
MW α -LD	5,023	4,003	2,367	5,753	5,510	4,846	3,469	4,311	3,809	3,841	3,290	2,578
% branching in α -LD	17.8	21.5	37.2	16.4	15.6	17.4	27.2	22.3	25.2	25.0	33.2	41.1

Enhanced enzymatic hydrolysis of langostino shell chitin with mixtures of enzymes from bacterial and fungal sources

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Structure and serological characterization of the O-antigen of *Proteus mirabilis* O18 with a phosphocholine-containing oligosaccharide phosphate repeating unit

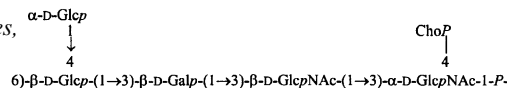
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Structure of a highly substituted β -xylan of the gum exudate of the palm *Livistona chinensis* (Chinese fan)

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The gum from *Livistona chinensis* forms a low-viscosity solution, and its highly substituted glycanoxylan has a main chain of (1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-linked β -Xylp units substituted at O-2, O-3, and O-2,3 by side-chains, some long, containing α -GlcA-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-Xylp, 4Me- α -GlcA-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-Xylp, α -Araf, and α -Fucp-(1 $\rightarrow$ 2)-Ara terminals. The presence of fucose in such a polysaccharide appears typical of gum exudates from palms (Arecaceae).

***Methylobacterium* sp. isolated from a Finnish paper machine produces highly pyruvated galactan exopolysaccharide**

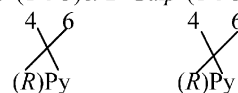
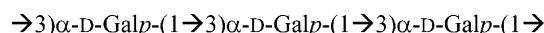
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Macromolecular and solution properties of Cepacian: the exopolysaccharide produced by a strain of *Burkholderia cepacia* isolated from a cystic fibrosis patient

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Light scattering, viscosity and potentiometric titration experiments defined the aggregation properties of the exopolysaccharide produced by a bacterial strain involved in cystic fibrosis pulmonary infections.

Isolation and characterization of water-soluble hemicelluloses from flax shive

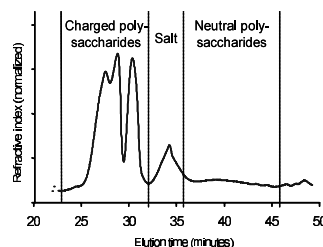
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Water-soluble hemicelluloses (*O*-acetyl-4-*O*-methylglucuronoxylan and *O*-acetyl-glucomannan) were solubilized from flax shive by microwave treatment. The mixture of charged and neutral polysaccharides were effectively separated by aqueous size-exclusion chromatography.

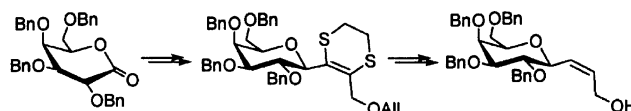


A novel approach to the stereocontrolled synthesis of C-vinyl β -D-galactopyranosides

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Biochemical and catalytic properties of an endoxylanase purified from the culture filtrate of *Sporotrichum thermophile*

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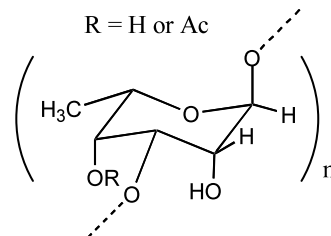
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An endo- β -1,4-xylanase (1,4- β -D-xylan xylanoxylase, EC 3.2.1.8) present in culture filtrates of *Sporotrichum thermophile* ATCC 34628 was purified to homogeneity by Q-Sepharose and Sephacryl S-200 column chromatographies.

Elucidation of the O-chain structure from the lipopolysaccharide of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain C58

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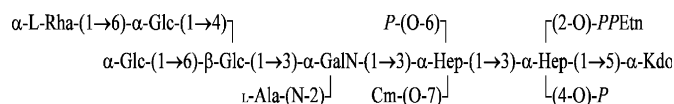
Structure of the lipopolysaccharide of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* O-12 with a randomly O-acetylated core region

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Cassia grandis Linn. f. seed galactomannan: structural and crystallographical studies

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Man-Gal ratio: 3.20 (HPLC); 3.15 (GLC); 3.13 (¹³C NMR); 3.10 (¹H NMR) $M_w = 8.02 \times 10^5$; $M_w/M_n = 1.35$; $dn/dc = 0.15$; $[\eta] = 848$ mL/g. Unit cell parameters: $a = 9.00$; $b = 24.81$; $c = 24.81$ Å. Physico-Chemical, Methylation, periodate oxidation, Smith degradation, NMR and X-ray studies reveals that the gum has the basic structure of legume galactomannans with a β -(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)-linked main mannan backbone and α -(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-galactosyl branching.

