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Dithionite-Catalysed Addition of Perfluoroalkyl Iodides to Unsaturated Carbohydrates

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The perfluoroalkyl chains $(-C_4F_9, -C_6F_{13}, -C_8F_{17})$ were terminally connected to the 5-enopyranose 1, and the 5-enofuranoses 8 and 23 by addition, in the presence of sodium dithionite, of the corresponding homologous perfluoroalkyl iodides to the double bond. Up to six products were separated from each reaction mixture and then fully characterised. The 5-iodo derivatives 9, 10 (prepared from 8), 24, 25, and 26 (prepared from 23) were diastereomeric mixtures (5R/5S).

Compounds 9, 10, and 25 were hydrodeiodinated to the methylene derivatives 17, 18, and 27, respectively. Complete deprotection of the perfluoroalkyl-substituted pyranose 3 (prepared from 1), and of the furanoses 17 and 18 led to the carbohydrate-based amphiphilic mesogens 29/30, 21, and 22, respectively, with a perfluoroalkyl tail. These formed mesophases of the *smectic* A type.

Fluorocarbons are biochemically inert, dense, have a low surface tension and have a very high gas dissolving capacity. For use as "artificial blood" for drug delivery and targeting, and for use as contrast agents, fluorocarbons have to be emulsified with water. For stable emulsions a variety of biocompatible, strongly surface active fluorophilic/hydrophilic amphiphiles are needed. However, the higher the fluorine content of the amphiphile, the lower is its hemolytic activity^[2]. Perfluoro-alkylated carbohydrates may serve as useful emulsifiers for "water-in-fluorocarbon" emulsions intended for biomedical uses, such as drug targeting, because their hydrophilic sugar head group may make them susceptible to recognition by specific receptors^{[3][4]}. In most of the perfluoroalkyl-substituted carbohydrate amphiphiles which are already known, the perfluoroalkyl chain is attached to the carbohydrate via a hydrocarbon spacer and an ester, ether, amide, or phosphate bond^{[4][5]}. In this paper we report on the syntheses of carbohydrate-based perfluoroalkyl amphiphiles, where the perfluoroalkyl chain is directly attached to the carbohydrate skeleton by a C-C bond.

Perfluoroalkyl halides are useful reagents for the introduction of perfluoroalkyl chains into organic molecules^[6]. One of the simplest and most convenient methods for perfluoroalkylation is the radical addition of perfluoroalkyl iodides to double bonds. Such reactions are usually initiated by heating, light, use of radical initiators^[7], or by the addition of metals such as nickel^{[8][9]}, copper^[10], magnesium^[11], zinc^[12], titanium^[13] and metal complexes^[14]. Moreover, electrochemical initiation^[15] and addition of triethyl borane^{[16][17]}, or sodium dithionite^{[18][19]} have been described.

We tested several methods for the perfluoroalkylation of carbohydrates^[20] with the aim of synthesizing a new group of "single tailed" amphiphilic liquid crystals. The most convenient, mild and inexpensive method seemed to be the dithionite initiated addition of perfluoroalkyl halides to unsaturated compounds in water/acetonitrile^{[18][19]}, which gave moderate and reproducible yields. The first applications of the dithionite initiation method in carbohydrate chemistry were reported by Portella and coworker^[21] and Huang and coworkers^[22]. We were unable to reproduce the results of the latter; a perfluoroalkylation of triacetylglucal. Nearly no glucal reacted in the course of the reaction. However, the addition of some perfluoroalkyl iodides to unsaturated monosaccharides with an exocyclic double bond in the 5-position did prove successful. Thus, the enopyranose 1 was reacted with perfluorohexyl iodide in the presence of sodium dithionite to give a product mixture (compounds 2-7), where the perfluoroalkyl chain is regioselectively attached to the 6-position in all cases (Scheme 1). The introduction of iodine into the 5-position was not observed, probably for steric reasons. The main products were the two saturated diastereomers 2 (5%) and 3 (13%). In addition, the 5-eno isomers 4 and 5 (E- and Z-form, respectively) and the diastereomeric dimers 6 and 7 were isolated. All six products should be formed from the same radical intermediate.

The NMR spectra of the compounds 2–7 confirm that the isopropylidene protecting groups are not attacked under the reaction conditions. In agreement with the given structures, the proton spectra of the compounds 2 and 3 show seven, and the eno-pyranoses 4 and 5 only five, proton sig-

Scheme 1

nals of the sugar skeleton. The H,H-coupling constants of the diastereomer 2 correspond to the data for 6-bromo-6deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-galactopyranose^[23], whereas the couplings found for the diastereomer 3 correspond to 6-bromo-6-deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-β-Laltropyranose^[23]. In this case, the differences of the $J_{4/5}$ coupling constants of 2 and 3 are characteristic. Because of the cis-arrangement of 4-H and 5-H in the galactose derivative 2, the $J_{4/5}$ coupling is small (2.1 Hz). By contrast the diastereomer 3 has a $J_{4/5}$ coupling constant of 9.8 Hz indicating the trans arrangement of these two protons. Thus, the L-altro configuration is assigned to compound 3. Moreover, the relatively small $J_{2/3}$ coupling constant of 3 (1.2) Hz) gives rise to speculation that the compound adopts a distorted ${}^{1}C_{4}$ conformation. Compound 2 has a $J_{2/3}$ coupling constant of 2.5 Hz, characteristic for di-O-isopropylidene-galactopyranose derivatives^{[23][24]}, which generally adopt a highly distorted conformation^[25]. The NMR effects of fluorine were used to support the structures of the unsaturated diastereomers 4 and 5. Thus, the 6-H signals of 4 and 5 split to two doublets (4: $J_{H/F} \approx 13.0$ Hz/15.1 Hz; 5: $J_{\rm H/F} \approx 14.6~{\rm Hz}/15.9~{\rm Hz}$) because of the coupling with neighbouring fluorine atoms. The C-5 signals of these compounds are significantly shifted ($\delta \approx 157$) to lower field. Furthermore, it is characteristic that the C-6 peaks of 4 and 5 are split by coupling with the fluorine atoms. Thus, the two doublets of 4 (δ = 99.1, ${}^2J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 21.5$ Hz, ${}^2J_{\text{C-6/F'}} \approx$ 26.8 Hz) indicate that the two α-fluorine atoms are diastereotopic in this compound. The dimers 6 and 7 (ratio 3.3:1), probably generated via a radical recombination reaction, could also be unambiguously characterised by NMR spectroscopy and MS. The crystalline dimer 7 is the 5-meso form, showing two different pyranose moieties in the ¹Hand ¹³C-NMR spectra. The syrupy dimer **6** is either the (5R,5R) or the (5S,5S) isomer. In this case only one set of NMR signals is found for the two pyranoses, since various protons and C-atoms are homotopic. In agreement with the C-5 to C-5' connection no proton is detectable in the 5-position within the dimers 6 and 7.

In a second experiment we investigated the addition of perfluorohexyl and perfluorooctyl iodide to the 5-enofuranose 8, which contains a double bond some distance from the ring (Scheme 2). Now the 5-iodo compounds 9(5R/S) and 10(5R/S) were formed as the major products when the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. Since the composition of the product mixture changed significantly, ultrasonic acceleration of the reaction (horn system, 13 mm, reaction time 1 h) did not give any advantage. Thus, the yield of 9(5R/S) was decreased to 8%, while the amount of the minor products was increased (see Experimental Section); caused by activation of benzyl groups under sonochemical conditions.

Scheme 2

9, 11, 13, 15, 17: $R_F = C_6 F_{13}$; 10, 14, 16, 18, 12: $R_F = C_8 F_{17}$

The compounds 9(5R/S) and 10(5R/S) represent diastereomeric mixtures of the corresponding (5R)- and (5S)forms, respectively. The ratio of the diastereomers, determined by integration of the corresponding C-1 signals in the ¹³C-NMR spectra, is in the range 3:1 to 15:1. In the 13 C-NMR spectra of the perfluorohexyl derivative 9(5R/S)and the perfluorooctyl compound 10(5R/S) the signals for C-5, where the iodo-atom is attached to, were found to be a multiplet at about $\delta = 10$, which is a typical ¹³C shift for a -CHI- segment. Because of overlapping of the peaks of the minor diastereomer by the peaks of the major one, we report only the NMR data for the predominant component in the diastereomeric mixture of 9 and 10. As mentioned some byproducts were formed in the reaction of the 5-enofuranose 8 with perfluorohexyl and perfluorooctyl iodide. Because benzyl groups are susceptible to a radical attack, products like 11 and 12, having two perfluoroalkyl chains, or dimers like 13, 14 and 15, 16, are formed in the course of the reaction (Scheme 2). An intact 3-O-benzyl group was proved in the ${}^{1}\text{H-NMR}$ spectra of the compounds 9(5R/S), 10(5R/S), 17, and 18, while an isopropylidene group was detectable for all the products 9-16 isolated from both reaction mixtures.

The corresponding signals of two different perfluoroalkyl chains are found in the NMR spectra of the furanoses 11

and 12. Furthermore, the double doublets at $\delta = 4.91$ could be assigned to the 3-OCH proton in 11 ($J_{H/F} \approx 6.7$ Hz, $J_{H/F'} \approx 15.1$ Hz) and 12 ($J_{H/F} \approx 7.3$ Hz, $J_{H/F'} \approx 15.8$ Hz), respectively, because no H–H-coupling had been detected for these signals in a COSY experiment.

The dimers 13, 14 show only one set of ${}^{1}\text{H-}$ and ${}^{13}\text{C-}$ NMR signals for the two halves of the molecule, indicating that various protons and C-atoms are homotopic and therefore their signals have the same chemical shift. It could not be decided, whether the (5R,5R) or the (5S,5S) configuration was present in these symmetrical compounds. The two aliphatic protons of the -CH-(Ph)-CH(Ph) bridge are represented by a singlet (13: $\delta = 4.44$; 14: $\delta = 4.45$). Compared to 13 and 14 the crystalline dimers 15 and 16 are the corresponding *meso* forms, and two different carbohydrate rings are found in their NMR spectra. Here there is coupling with each other among the aliphatic protons of the -CH(Ph)-CH(Ph) segment (15: $\delta = 4.19$, 4.42, $J \approx 8.6$ Hz; 16: $\delta = 4.20$, 4.42, $J \approx 8.4$ Hz).

The diastereomeric mixtures 9(5*R*/*S*) and 10(5*R*/*S*) were not separated but were hydrodehalogenated with tributyl-stannane/AIBN^{[26][27][28]} in moderate yields to form the 5-deoxy derivatives 17 and 18, respectively (Scheme 3). Deprotection of the homologous furanoses 17 and 18 (debenzylation by hydrogen/palladium/charcoal (10%)^[29] to 19 and 20, respectively, and deacetalation by 90% TFA^[30]) afforded the amphiphilic carbohydrates 21 and 22, respectively (Scheme 3). These compounds are liquid crystals showing a narrow *smectic* A phase. Their mesogenic behaviour was investigated by polarising microscopy and DSC measurements and will be discussed in ref.^[31] in more detail, together with further examples of this new type of perfluoroalkyl-substituted carbohydrate-based mesogens.

9, 17, 19, 21: $R_F = C_6 F_{13}$; **10, 18, 20, 22**: $R_F = C_8 F_{17}$

19, 20

In order to suppress side reactions and to increase the yield of the major products, we replaced the radical-sensitive benzyl group in **8** for a methyl group. Thus, the enofuranose **23** was treated with perfluorobutyl, perfluorohexyl, and perfluorooctyl iodide to give the addition products **24**(R/S), **25**(R/S), and **26**(R/S) in yields of 34%, 52%, and 32%, respectively (Scheme 4). The iodo derivative **25**(R/S)

was hydrodeiodinated by treatment with tributylstannane/ AIBN to form the 5-deoxy product 27, which had also been a byproduct in the addition reaction of 23. Attempts to deprotect both the isopropylidene and the methyl group simultaneously were not successful. Thus, treatment of 27 with the BF₃/tetrabutylammonium iodide reagent in dichloromethane, as recommended by Mandal et al. [32] for the cleavage of methyl ether functions, only led to the cleavage of the isopropylidene group. The active intermediate (probably an 1,2-anhydride of the furanose unit[33]) reacted to give the 1,2': 2,1'-dianhydrofuranose 28 containing two furanose units in a yield of 28%. Because of the symmetry of compound 28, various protons and C-atoms are homotopic so that only one set of signals for the two furanose rings is observed in the corresponding ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra. Treatment of 2-O-acetyl-D-furanosyl fluorides with methanolic sodium methoxide had led to similar dimerisation products^[34]. The NMR data of these previously reported compounds are very similar to those of compound 28.

Scheme 4 -RF R_FI Na₂S₂O₄ / NaHCO₃ CH₃CN/H₂O 24(5R/S): RF = C4F9 23 25(5R/S): RF = C6F13 26(5R/S): RE = C8F17 C₆F₁₃ C₆F₁₃ CH₂ Bu₃SnF AIBN 25(5R/S) 27 BF₃·Et₂O

-C₆F₁₃

28

CH₂

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Finally, the L-altro-pyranose **3** was deacetalated to a mixture of the anomeric L-altro-pyranoses **29** and -furanoses **30** containing four OH groups besides a perfluoroalkyl tail (Scheme 5). The ratio of the anomeric pyranoses and furanoses (see Table 2) was determined by integration of the signals of their anomeric protons. In order to assign the 1-H signals to the corresponding anomers, a C,H-correlation experiment (COSY) was used. The corresponding C-1 signals of the anomeric pyranoses and -furanoses could be easily found by comparison with ¹³C-NMR data for D-altroses reported in ref.^[35]. The mixture of the amphiphilic L-altroses **29/30** did show thermotropic mesogenic properties

Scheme 3

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with a range of about 30 K. Because the ratio of the anomeric pyranoses to furanoses in solution ($[D_6]$ acetone) was 1.8:1, we assume that the content of anomeric furanoses is also relatively high in the liquid crystalline state.

Scheme 5

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Experimental Section

 1 H and 13 C{ 1 H} NMR: Bruker AC 250; internal standard TMS, J values in Hz. - 19 F{ 1 H} NMR: external standard CFCl₃. - TLC: Silica gel foils 60 F₂₅₄ (Merck). - Column chromatography: Silica gel 60 (63-200 μm) (Merck). - Melting points: Polarising microscope Leitz Laborlux 12 Pol equipped with a hot stage Mettler FP 90. Sonication: Vibracell horn system, 20 kHz, 400 W (30%), horn 13 mm diameter.

Perfluoroalkylation (General Procedure A): The corresponding perfluoroalkyl iodide (20 mmol) was slowly added, via a syringe, to a vigorously stirred mixture of 10 mmol of the unsaturated carbohydrate 1, 8, or 23, $Na_2S_2O_4$ (3.48 g, 20 mmol) and $NaHCO_3$ (1.68 g, 20 mmol) in acetonitrile/ H_2O (20 ml, 1:1 v/v), under an argon atmosphere at room temp. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC) the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 ml H_2O and extracted with Et_2O (2 × 20 ml). The organic layer was dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and evaporated in vacuo to give a light yellow sirupy product mixture which was separated by column chromatography (eluent: heptane/AcOEt = 15:1).

Hydrogenation (General Procedure B): The 5-iodofuranose (2 mmol) and AIBN (25 mg) were dissolved in dry toluene (5 ml) and argon was passed through the solution for 30 min. Tributylstannane (0.6 ml, 2.2 mmol) was then added slowly via a syringe. The reaction mixture was kept at 60 °C for 6 to 8 h until the starting material had disappeared (monitored by TLC). KF (0.3 g, 5 mmol), dissolved in water (2 ml) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temp. After filtration, the organic phase was separated, washed with water (10 ml), dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure to give a colourless syrup which was purified by column chromatography [eluent: heptane/AcOEt (15:1)].

Debenzylation (General Procedure C): The corresponding carbohydrate (1 mmol) was dissolved in ethanol/methanol (5 ml, 1:1 v/v), a catalytic amount of 10% palladium/charcoal was added and the reaction mixture was stirred under 1 atm H_2 for 24 h. The mixture was filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to give a white solid which was purified by column chromatography [eluent: heptane/AcOEt (6:1)] and/or recrystallisation.

Deisopropylidenation (General Procedure D): The carbohydrate (0.5 mmol) was dissolved in 90% aqueous trifluoroacetic acid (5

ml) and kept at room temp. for 60 h. The solvent was co-evaporated with toluene (10 ml, three to four times) and the resulting material was purified by column chromatography [eluent: toluene/AcOEt (1:1)] and recrystallisation.

6-Deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-6-C-perfluorohexyl- α -Dgalactopyranose (2), 6-Deoxy-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-6-C-perfluorohexyl- β -L-altropyranose (3), 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-Octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2:3,4-Di-O-isopropylidene-α-D-xylo-dodeca-5-enopyranoses (4 and 5), Bis-[6,7,8,9,10,11,12-heptadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro1,2:3,4-di-O-isopropylidene-β-L-arabinododecanopyranos-5-yl] (6), and Bis[6,7,8,9,10,11,12-heptadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2:3,4-di-O-isopro*pylidene-β-L-arabino-dodecanopyranos-5-yl]* (7): The unsaturated Dpyranose 1^[36] (2.42 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorohexyl iodide as described in the General Procedure A (reaction time: under stirring 5 h; under sonication 1 h). The six pure products 2 (0.28 g, 5%), 3 (0.73 g, 13%), 4 (0.5 g, 9%), 5 (0.17 g, 3%), 6 (0.14 g, 3%), and 7 (0.46 g, 10%) were obtained after chromatographical separation.

2: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.66$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}=-23.15$ (c=1.08, CHCl₃). $-{}^{1}{\rm H}$ NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=1.33$, 1.34, 1.45, 1.53 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.34–2.53 (m, 2 H, 6,6′-H), 4.15 (dd, $J_{3/4}\approx7.9$ Hz, $J_{4/5}\approx2.1$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 4.25 (ddd, $J_{5/6}\approx6.0$ Hz, $J_{5/6'}\approx5.8$ Hz, 1 H, 5-H), 4.32 (dd, $J_{1/2}\approx5.1$ Hz, $J_{2/3}\approx2.5$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.63 (dd, 1 H, 3-H), 5.50 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $-{}^{13}{\rm C}$ NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=24.4$, 24.9, 25.8, 25.9 (CH₃), 32.1 (t, $J_{C-6/F}\approx20.9$ Hz, C-6), 61.7 (C-5), 70.1 (C-2), 70.8 (C-3), 72.9 (C-4), 96.4 (C-1), 109.0, 109.6 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). $-{}^{19}{\rm F}$ NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-126.0$ (s, 2 F, CF_2 –CF₃), -123.2, 122.7, 121.6 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -112.6 (s, 2 F, CF₂–CH₂), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF₃). $-{}^{19}{\rm K}$ Ms, m/z (70 eV): 547 [M⁺ – CH₃]. $-{}^{18}{\rm H}_{19}{\rm F}_{13}{\rm O}_5$ (562.3): calcd. C 38.41, H 3.38; found C 38.55, H 3.23.

3: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.64$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}=-46.43$ (c=1.12, CHCl₃). $^{-1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=1.34$, 1.35, 1.43, 1.49 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.13–2.34 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 2.34–2.61 (m, 1 H, 6'-H), 3.61 (m, 1 H, 5-H), 3.89 (dd, $J_{3/4}\approx5.1$ Hz, $J_{4/5}\approx9.8$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 4.26 (dd, $J_{1/2}\approx2.4$ Hz, $J_{2/3}\approx1.2$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.56 (dd, 1 H, 3-H), 5.26 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $^{-13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=25.7$, 25.8, 27.8, 27.8 (CH₃), 33.5 (t, $J_{C-6/F}\approx21.7$ Hz, C-6), 66.7 (C-5), 72.6 (C-4), 74.3 (C-3), 75.5 (C-2), 96.8 (C-1), 109.1, 111.1 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). $^{-19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF₂–CF₃), -123.2, -122.6, -121.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -112.4 (s, 2 F, CF₂–CH₂), -80.7 (s, 3 F, CF₃). $^{-1}$ MS (70 eV): mlz 547 [M $^{+}$ $^{+}$ CH₃]. $^{-}$ C₁₈H₁₉F₁₃O₅ (562.3): calcd. C 38.41, H 3.38; found C 38.41, H 3.40.

4: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.56$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}=-70.56$ (c=1.07, CHCl₃). $-^{1}{\rm H}$ NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=1.37$, 1.37, 1.45, 1.48 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 4.26 (dd, $J_{1/2}\approx3.1$ Hz, $J_{2/3}\approx1.8$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.48 (d, $J_{3/4}\approx6.4$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 4.58 (dd, 1 H, 3-H), 5.06 (dd, $J_{E/6}\approx13.0$ Hz, $J_{E'/6}\approx15.1$ Hz, 1 H, 6-H), 5.68 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $-^{13}{\rm C}$ NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=25.0$, 25.4, 26.7, 26.8 (CH₃), 71.2 (C-3), 71.6 (C-4), 74.3 (C-2), 97.6 (C-1), 99.1 (dd, $J_{C-6/F}\approx21.5$ Hz, $J_{C-6/F'}\approx26.8$ Hz, C-6), 110.6, 111.6 ($C({\rm CH_{3}})_{2}$), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃), 157.0 (dd, $J_{C-5/F}\approx3.9$ Hz, $J_{C-5/F'}\approx7.8$ Hz, C-5). $-^{19}{\rm F}$ NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-126.0$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.1 (m, 2 F, CF₂), -122.7, -121.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -108.5-104.0 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.8 (s, 3 F, CF₃). - MS (CIisobutane): m/z 561 [M⁺ + H]. - C₁₈H₁₇F₁₃O₅ (560.3): calcd. C 38.59, H 3.06; found C 39.20, H 3.02.

5 (minor diastereomer of **4**): Syrup, $R_f = 0.60$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)]. $-{}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.37, 1.37, 1.45, 1.45$

(s, 3 H, CH₃), 4.33 (dd, $J_{1/2}\approx 3.7$ Hz, $J_{2/3}\approx 2.4$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.62 (dd, $J_{3/4}\approx 7.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.97 (dd, $J_{4/6}\approx 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 5.39 (ddd, $J_{F/6}\approx 14.6$ Hz, $J_{F'/6}\approx 15.9$ Hz, 1 H, 6-H), 5.68 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $-^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=24.6$, 25.4, 26.3, 26.4 (CH₃), 70.0, 72.6, 77.2 (C-2, C-3, C-4), 97.8 (C-1), 103.6 (t, $J_{C-6/F}\approx 24.6$ Hz, C-6), 110.8, 111.2 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃), 157.8 (m, C-5). $-^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF_2 -CF₃), -122.6 (s, 4 F, CF_2), -121.2 (s, 2 F, CF_2), -105.3-101.7 (m, 2 F, CF_2 -CH₂), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF_3).

6: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.68$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[a]_{\rm D}^{22}=-4.32$ (c=0.81, CHCl₃). $-^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=1.34$, 1.36, 1.41, 1.47 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.83–3.31 (m, 2 H, 6,6'-H), 3.98 (d, $J_{1/2}\approx3.2$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.64 (d, $J_{3/4}\approx4.7$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.95 (d, 1 H, 4-H), 5.56 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $-^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=25.7$, 26.1, 26.4, 27.2 (CH₃), 36.7 (t, $J_{\rm C-6/F}\approx19.0$ Hz, C-6), 72.6 (m, C-4), 74.5 (m, C-3), 79.2 (C-2), 84.9 (m, C-5), 96.4 (C-1), 108.8, 110.8 ($C({\rm CH}_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). $-^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=-125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF₂–CF₃), -123.7, -122.5, -121.2 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -112.3 – 108.1 (m, 2 F, CF₂–CH₂), -80.6 (CF₃). In the NMR spectra of compound **6** only one set of signals appears owing to the symmetry of the molecule; the configuration at two homotopicC-5 atoms is (R,R) or (S,S). - MS (DCI {CH₂Cl₂} isobutane): m/z=1123 [M⁺+H]. - C₃₆H₃₆F₂₆O₁₀ (1122.6): calcd. C 38.52, H 3.23; found C 39.13, H 3.45.

7: M.p. 99-102°C (heptane); $R_f = 0.52$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)]; $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +4.24$ (c = 1.01, CHCl₃). $- {}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.28, 1.32$ (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.35 (s, 6 H, CH₃), 1.38 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.43 (s, 6 H, CH₃), 1.49 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.47-2.97 (m, 3 H, 6,6'-H), 3.14–3.44 (m, 1 H, 6'-H), 3.92 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 2.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_a), 3.98 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.4$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_b), 4.43 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 5.4$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H_a), 4.57 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 5.3$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H_b), 4.62 (d, 1 H, 4-H_b), 4.78 (d, 1 H, 4-H_a), 5.51 (d, 1 H, 1-H_b) 5.62 (d, 1 H, 1-H_a). - ¹³C NMR (62) MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 24.8, 25.2, 25.3, 25.8, 26.1, 27.1, 27.4, 27.5$ (CH₃), 31.4 (m, C-6), 34.7 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 20.3$ Hz, C-6), 71.6 (m, C_{b} -4), 73.0 (m, C_b-3), 73.4 (C_a-4), 75.3 (C_a-3), 77.5 (C_b-2), 79.1 (C_a-2), 82.4 (C-5), 83.4 (C-5), 95.3 (m, C_a-1), 95.5 (C_b-1), 106.7, 109.7, 110.2, 110.3 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 10 CF₂, 2 CF₃). – ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -126.1$ (s, 4 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -123.1 (m, 2 F, CF₂), -122.7 (m, 4 F, CF₂), -121.5, -121.2 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -109.9 - 104.2 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.9, -80.8 (CF₃). The two pyranose rings are indicated with a and b, the configuration at C_a -5, C_b -5 is (R,S) or (S,R). – MS (CI-isobutane): $m/z = 1065 \text{ [M}^+ - (\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CO} + \text{H]}. - \text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{36}\text{F}_{26}\text{O}_{10}$ (1122.6): calcd. C 38.52, H 3.23; found C 38.38, H 3.18.

3-O-Benzyl-5,6-dideoxy-5-iodo-1,2-O-isopropylidene-6-C-perfluorohexyl- α -"D-gluco"|"L-ido"-furanose (9), 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-Octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-(perfluorohexyl-phenylmethyl)- α -D-xylododecanofuranose (11), 1,2-Bis(5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-dodecanofuranos-3-O-yl)-1,2-diphenylethane (13), meso-1,2-Bis(5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,2,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-dodecanofuranos-3-O-yl)-1,2-diphenylethane (15): The unsaturated D-furanose 8^[37](2.76 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorohexyl iodide under stirring (24 h) or under sonication (1 h) as described in the General Procedure A. After the given time no starting material 8 was detectable by TLC. Five products were chromatographically separated and characterised (see Table 1).

9: Syrup, $R_{\rm f} = 0.53$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22} = -29.8$ (c = 0.28, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.31$, 1.52 (s,

Table 1. Products from the perfluorination of the unsaturated D-furanose **8**^[37] (2.76 g, 10 mmol) with perfluorohexyl iodide under stirring (24 h) or under sonication (1 h) as described in the General Procedure A

	9(R/S) ^[a]	11	13 ^[b]	15	17
Stirring	1.59 g (22%)	traces	traces	traces	0.42 g (7%) traces
Sonication		0.46 g (5%)	1.31 g (11%)	1.43 g (12%)	

[a] Mixture of the (5R) and (5S) isomer. – [b]The configuration at the chiral centres of the ethane moiety is (1R,2R) or (1S,2S).

3 H, CH₃), 2.51–2.79 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 3.23–3.48 (m, 1 H, 6-H'), 4.27 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 2.8$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.31–4.50 (m, 2 H, 4,5-H), 4.60 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.66 (m, 2 H, CH₂-Ph), 5.96 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.30–7.39 (m, 5 H, Ph). $-^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 11.5$ (m, C-5), 26.2, 26.9 (CH₃), 37.0 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 20.5$ Hz, C-6), 73.2 (CH₂-Ph), 81.5 (C-2), 82.5 (C-4), 83.9 (C-3), 105.9 (C-1), 112.2 ($C(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃), 128.2, 128.2, 128.6, 137.0 (Ph). $-^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.5, -122.6, -121.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -115.7–111.9 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF₃). - MS, mlz (70 eV): 722 [M⁺]. - C₂₂H₂₀F₁₃IO₄ (722.3): calcd. C 36.58, H 2.79; found C 36.90, H 2.73.

11: Syrup, $R_f = 0.52$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)]; $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -1.9$ (c = 1.13, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.12$, 1.42 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.92-2.52 (m, 4 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 4.08 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.15 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.19 (m, 1 H, 4-H), 4.91 (dd, $J_{\rm H/F}\approx$ 6.7 Hz, $J_{\rm H/F'}\approx$ 15.1 Hz, 1 H, CH–Ph), 5.62 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.43 (s, 5 H, Ph); the stereochemistry of the $O-CH(Ph)R_F$ group in 11 was not noted. - ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 19.6 (C-5), 26.3, 26.9 (CH₃), 28.5 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.5 \text{ Hz}$, C-6), 79.3 (C-4), 79.6 (dd, $J_{\text{C/F}} \approx 21.9$ Hz, $J_{\text{C/F}'} \approx 28.2$ Hz, CH-Ph), 82.0 (C-3), 85.8 (C-2), 104.6 (C-1), 112.1 (C(CH₃)₂), 105-125 (m, 10 CF₂, 2 CF₃), 128.5, 129.1, 130.3, 133.2 (Ph). -¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -126.0$ (m, 3 F, CF₂), - 125.5-123.3 (m, 3 F, CF₂), -122.7 (s, 4 F, CF₂), -121.7 (m, 5 F, CF₂), -120.4 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -117.1-115.9 (m, 1 F, CF₂), -114.3 (s, 2 F, CF_2 -CH), -80.7 (s, 6 F, CF_3). - MS, m/z (70 eV): 915 $[M^+ + H]$. - $C_{28}H_{20}F_{26}O_4$ (914.4): calcd. C 36.78, H 2.20; found C 37.43, H 2.20.

13 Syrup, $R_f = 0.43$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -29.26$ (c =1.15, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.28$, 1.42 (s, 6) H, CH₃), 1.81-2.32 (m, 8 H, 5.5', 6.6'-H), 3.64 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.0$ Hz, 2 H, 3-H_a, 3-H_b), 4.05 (m, 2 H, 4-H_a, 4-H_b), 4.44 (s, 2 H, CH-Ph), 4.52 (d, 2 H, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 2-H_a, 2-H_b), 5.81 (d, 2 H, 1-H_a, 1-H_b), 7.07 (m, 4 H, Ph), 7.20 (m, 6 H, Ph). - ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 19.5 (C_a-5, C_b-5), 25.8, 26.5 (CH₃), 27.9 (t, $J_{C-6/F} \approx$ 22.5 Hz, C_a -6, C_b -6), 78.6 (C_a -4, C_b -4), 80.7 (C_a -3, C_b -3), 82.0 (C_a -2, C_b -2), 83.6 (CH-Ph), 104.8 (C_a -1, C_b -1), 111.3 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105-125 (m, 10 CF₂, 2 CF₃), 127.9, 128.2, 128.4, 137.2 (Ph), -¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.9$ (s, 4 F, CF_2-CF_3), -123.1, -122.6, -121.6 (s, 4 F, CF_2), -114.3 (s, 4 F, CF_2-CH_2 , -80.6 (s, 6 F, CF_3). Because of the molecule symmetry, various atoms are homotopic. – MS (CI-isobutane) m/z = 1074 $[M^+ - 2 (CH_3)_2O)$. $- C_{44}H_{40}F_{26}O_8$ (1190.8): calcd. C 44.36, H 3.39; found C 44.18, H 3.27.

15: M.p. $103-106^{\circ}$ C (heptane), $R_{\rm f} = 0.34$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22} = -15.22$ (c = 1.34, CHCl₃). $- {}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.09$, 1.10, 1.33, 1.34 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.54–2.27 (m, 8

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H, 5,5′,6,6′-H), 3.49 (m, 2 H, 3-H_a, 3-H_b), 3.52 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_b), 3.86 (m, 2 H, 4-H_a, 4-H_b), 4.14 (d, 1 H, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 2-H_a), 4.19 (d, 1 H, $J \approx 8.6$ Hz, CH-Ph), 4.42 (d, 1 H, $J \approx 8.6$ Hz, CH-Ph), 5.13 (d, 1 H, 1-H_b), 5.57 (d, 1 H, 1-H_a), 7.34-7.40 (m, 10 H, Ph). The furanose rings were marked with a and b. $^{-13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 19.4 (C_a-5, C_b-5), 25.7, 26.0, 26.5, 26.6 (CH₃), 27.4-29.0 (m, C_a-6, C_b-6), 78.5, 79.1 (C_a-4, C_b-4), 79.9, 81.5 (C_a-3, C_b-3), 82.0 (C_a-2), 84.1, 84.4 (CH-Ph), 84.8 (C_b-2), 104.4, 104.7 (C_a-1, C_b-1), 111.3, 111.5 (C(CH₃)₂), 105-125 (m, 10 CF₂, 2 CF₃), 127.2-128.9, 138.2 (Ph). $^{-19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): δ = $^{-125.9}$ (s, 4 F, CF₂-CF₃), $^{-123.1}$, $^{-122.6}$, $^{-121.6}$ (s, 4 F, CF₂), $^{-114.1}$ (s, 4 F, CF₂-CH₂), $^{-80.6}$ (s, 6 F, CF₃). $^{-1}$ MS (CI-isobutane) $^{-1}$ Mz = 1191 [M⁺ + H). $^{-1}$ C₄₄H₄₀F₂₆O₈ (1190.8): calcd. C 44.36, H 3.39; found C 44.35, H 3.06.

3-O-Benzyl-5,6-dideoxy-5-iodo-1,2-O-isopropylidene-6-C-perfluorooctyl-"D-gluco"/"L-ido"-furanose (10), 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-Decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,13,13,14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-(perfluorooctyl-phenylmethyl)- α -D-xylo-tetradecanofuranose (12), 1,2-Bis(5,6,7,8,9,1)10,11,12,13,14-decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,13,13, 14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylotetradecanofuranos-3-O-yl)-1,2-diphenyl-ethane (14), meso-1,2-Bis(5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11, 12,12,13,13,14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -Dxylo-tetradecanofuranos-3-O-yl)-1,2-diphenylethane (16): The unsaturated 3-O-benzyl-D-furanose 8[37] (2.76 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorooctyl iodide under stirring (reaction time: 20 h) as described in the General Procedure A. The five pure products 10 (0.66 g, 8%, mixture of the (5R) and (5S) isomer), 12 (0.78 g, 7%), **14** (0.42 g, 3%), **16** (1.39 g, 10%), and **18** (traces) were obtained after chromatographical separation.

10: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.52$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}=-22.64$ (c=0.27, CHCl₃). $-^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=1.32$, 1.52 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.52–2.80 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 3.25–3.50 (m, 1 H, 6-H'), 4.28 (d, $J_{3/4}\approx2.8$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.32–4.50 (m, 2 H, 4,5-H), 4.61 (d, $J_{1/2}\approx3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.67 (m, 2 H, CH₂-Ph), 5.97 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.31–7.45 (m, 5 H, Ph). $-^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=11.6$ (m, C-5), 26.2, 26.9 (CH₃), 37.2 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}}\approx20.9$ Hz, C-6), 73.2 (CH₂-Ph), 81.5 (C-2), 82.5 (C-4), 83.9 (C-3), 106.0 (C-1), 112.2 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 7 CF₂, CF₃), 128.2, 128.2, 128.6, 137.0 (Ph). $-^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), −123.4, −122.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂), −122.0−121.1 (m, 6 F, CF₂), −115.7−111.7 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), −80.5 (s, 3 F, CF₃). $-C_{24}$ H₂₀F₁₇IO₄ (822.3): calcd. C 35.06, H 2.45; found C 34.83, H 2.19.

12: M.p. 93-95°C (heptane), $R_f = 0.49$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{22} = +0.79 (c = 1.26, CHCl_3). - {}^{1}H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl_3):$ $\delta = 1.12, 1.42$ (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.91-2.50 (m, 4 H, 5.5', 6.6'-H), 4.08(d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.15 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.8$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.19 (m, 1 H, 4-H), 4.91 (dd, $J_{H/F} \approx 7.3$ Hz, $J_{H/F'} \approx 15.8$ Hz, 1 H, CH-Ph), 5.62 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.43 (s, 5 H, Ph). The stereochemistry of the $O-CH(Ph)R_F$ group in 12 was not noted. - ^{13}C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.3$ (m, C-5), 26.0, 26.6 (CH₃), 28.2 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.5 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-6}), 79.1 \text{ (C-4)}, 79.3 \text{ (dd, } J_{\text{C/F}} \approx 22.0 \text{ Hz},$ $J_{C/F'} \approx 28.5 \text{ Hz}, CH-Ph$), 81.6 (C-3), 85.5 (C-2), 104.3 (C-1), 111.8 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 14 CF₂, 2 CF₃), 128.2, 128.2, 128.8, 128.8, 130.0, 132.8 (Ph). $- {}^{19}F$ NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta =$ -126.1 (s, 4 F, CF₂), -123.2 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -122.7 (s, 4 F, CF₂), -121.8 (s, 13 F, CF₂), -120.4 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -117.1-115.8 (m, 1 F, CF₂-CH), -114.3 (s, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.8 (m, 6 F, CF₃). - C₃₂H₂₀F₃₄O₄ (1114.5): calcd. C 34.49, H 1.81; found C 34.53, H 1.69.

14: Syrup, $R_f = 0.46$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -24.59$ $(c = 1.05, CHCl_3)$. – ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.27, 1.42$ (s, 6 H, CH₃), 1.81–2.38 (m, 8 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 3.64 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.2$ $Hz,\ 2\ H,\ 3\text{-}H_a,\ 3\text{-}H_b),\ 4.05\ (m,\ 2\ H,\ 4\text{-}H_a,\ 4\text{-}H_b),\ 4.45\ (s,\ 2\ H,$ CH-Ph), 4.49 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 2 H, 2-H_a, 2-H_b), 5.80 (d, 2 H, 1- H_a , 1- H_b), 7.07-7.12 (m, 4 H, Ph), 7.18-7.21 (m, 6 H, Ph). - 13 C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.5$ (m, C_a-5, C_b-5), 25.8, 26.5 (CH₃), 27.9 (t, $J_{C-6/F} \approx 22.7$ Hz, C_a -6, C_b -6), 78.6 (C_a -4, C_b -4), 80.7 $(C_a-3, C_b-3), 81.9 (C_a-2, C_b-2), 83.6 (CH-Ph), 104.8 (C_a-1, C_a-1),$ 111.3 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 14 CF₂, 2CF₃), 127.9, 128.3, 128.4, 137.3 (Ph). $- {}^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -126.0$ (s, 4 F, CF_2 - CF_3), -123.2, -122.5 (s, 4 F, CF_2), -121.9-121.4 (m, 12 F, CF₂), -114.5 (s, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.7 (s, 6 F, CF₃). The configuration at the chiral centres of the ethane moiety is (1R,2R) or (1S,2S). Because of the molecule symmetry, various atoms are homotopic. - C₄₈H₄₀F₃₄O₈ (1390.8): calcd. C 41.45, H 2.90; found C 42.04, H 2.74.

16: M.p. 111–113°C (heptane), $R_f = 0.41$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -13.52$ (c = 1.79, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.09$, 1.09, 1.32, 1.34 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.55–2.28 (m, 8 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 3.50 (m, 2 H, 3-H_a, 3-H_b), 3.52 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_b), 3.86 (m, 2 H, 4-H_a, 4-H_b), 4.15 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_a), 4.20 (d, $J \approx 8.4$ Hz, 1 H, CH-Ph), 4.42 (d, $J \approx 8.4$ Hz, 1 H, CH-Ph), 5.13 (d, 1 H, 1-H_b), 5.57 (d, 1 H, 1-H_a), 7.31-7.43(m, 10 H, Ph) The two furanose rings were marked with a and b. $- {}^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.4$ (m, C_a-5, C_b-5), 25.6, 26.0, 26.5, 26.6 (CH₃), 27.7 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.4$ Hz, C-6), 28.4 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.2 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-6}$), 78.6, 79.2 (C_a-4, C_b-4), 79.9, 81.6 (C_a-3, C_b-3), 82.0 (C_a-2), 84.2, 84.4 (CH-Ph), 84.6 (C_b-2), 104.4, 104.7 (C_a-1, C_b-1), 111.3, 111.5 (C(CH₃)₂), 105-125 (m, 14 CF₂, 2 CF₃), 127.3, 127.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.6, 128.6, 128.9, 138.2, 141.1 (Ph). $- {}^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta =$ -126.1 (s, 4 F, CF_2-CF_3), -123.3, -122.7 (s, 4 F, CF_2), -122.2-121.4 (m, 12 F, CF₂), -114.5, -114.3 (s, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.9 (s, 6 F, CF₃) . $-C_{48}H_{40}F_{34}O_8$ (1390.8): calcd. C 41.45, H 2.90; found C 41.46, H 2.82.

3-O-Benzyl-5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-dodecano-furanose (17): The iodofuranose 9 (1.44 g, 2.0 mmol) was hydrodehalogenated as described in the General Procedure B; yield of 17 0.63 g (53%).

17: Syrup, $R_{\rm f}=0.47$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}=-20.7$ (c=1.04, CHCl₃). $-^{1}{\rm H}$ NMR (250 MHz , CDCl₃): $\delta=1.32$, 1.48 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.81–2.40 (m, 4 H, 5,5′,6,6′-H), 3.80 (d, $J_{3/4}\approx3.3$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.20 (ddd, $J_{4/5}\approx5.1$ Hz, $J_{4/5}\approx8.0$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 4.48 (d, $J\approx11.8$ Hz, 1 H, 1 CH₂–Ph), 4.63 (d, $J_{1/2}\approx3.8$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.71 (d, 1 H, 1 CH₂–Ph), 5.91 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.28–7.37 (m, 5 H, Ph). $-^{13}{\rm C}$ NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta=19.4$ (m, C-5), 26.1, 26.6 (CH₃), 37.9 (t, $J_{\rm C-6/F}\approx22.4$ Hz, C-6), 71.7 (CH₂–Ph), 78.9 (C-4), 81.8 (C-3), 82.2 (C-2), 104.8 (C-1), 111.5 (C(CH₃)₂), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃), 127.9, 128.1, 128.6, 137.1 (Ph). $-^{19}{\rm F}$ NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta=-125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF₂–CF₃), -123.2, -122.6, -121.6 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -114.3 (s, 2 F, CF₂–CH₂), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF₃). $-C_{22}{\rm H}_{21}{\rm F}_{13}{\rm O}_{4}$ (596.4): calcd. C 44.31, H 3.55; found C 44.32, H 3.56.

3-*O*-Benzyl-5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,13,13,14,14-heptadecafluoro-1,2-*O*-isopropylidene-α-*D*-xylo-tetradecano-furanose (**18**): The iodofuranose **10** (0.41 g, 0.5 mmol) was hydrodehalogenated as described in the General Procedure B; yield of **18** 0.17 g (50%). **18**: Syrup, $R_{\rm f} = 0.45$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], [α]_D²³ = -18.95 (c = 0.57, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.32$, 1.48 (s, 3 H,

CH₃), 1.81–2.40 (m, 4 H, 5,5′,6,6′-H), 3.80 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.3$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.15 (m,1 H, 4-H), 4.47 (d, $J \approx 11.9$ Hz, 1 H, CH_2 -Ph), 4.63 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.71 (d, 1 H, CH_2 -Ph), 5.91 (d, 1 H, 1-H), 7.28–7.36 (m, 5 H, Ph). $^{-13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.5$ (t, $J_{C-5/F} \approx 4.0$ Hz, C-5), 26.2, 26.7 (CH₃), 27.9 (t, $J_{C-6/F} \approx 22.2$ Hz, C-6), 71.8 (CH_2 -Ph), 79.0 (C-4), 81.8 (C-3), 82.3 (C-2), 104.8 (C-1), 111.6 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 7 CF₂, CF₃), 127.9, 128.2, 128.6, 137.2 (Ph). $^{-19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF_2 -CF₃), $^{-123.2}$, $^{-122.5}$ (s, 2 F, CF₂), $^{-121.6}$ (m, 6 F, CF₂), $^{-114.2}$ (s, 2 F, CF_2 -CH₂), $^{-80.7}$ (s, 3 F, CF₃). $^{-12.4}$ CF₃). $^{-12.4}$ CF₄ (696.4): calcd. C 41.39, H 3.04; found C 41.61, H 2.86.

5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-Octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-dodecanofuranose (19): The furanose 17 (0.60 g, 1.0 mmol) was debenzylated as described in the General Procedure C to yield the crystalline derivative 19 (0.46 g, 91%), m.p. 113° C (heptane), $R_f = 0.27$ [heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -6.8$ (c = 1.11, CHCl₃). $- {}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.30$, 1.48 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.81–2.47 (m, 4 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 4.08-4.18 (m, 2 H, 3-H, 4-H), 4.51 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.8$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.90 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $- {}^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.3$ (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx 4.0 \text{ Hz}$, C-5), 26.1, 26.6 (CH₃), 28.1 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.6$ Hz, C-6), 75.6 (C-4), 79.0 (C-3), 85.5 (C-2), 104.4 (C-1), 111.7 $(C(CH_3)_2)$, 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). – ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.2, -122.6, -121.6 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -114.3 (s, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF₃). - C₁₅H₁₅F₁₃O₄ (506.3): calcd. C 35.59, H 2.99; found C 35.58, H 2.80.

5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14 - Decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10, 11,11,12,12,13,13,14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene- α -D-xylo-tetradecanofuranose (20): The furanose 18 (0.14 g, 0.2 mmol) was debenzylated as described in the General Procedure C giving the crystalline derivative 20 in a yield of 0.11 g (90%), m.p. 121-122 °C (heptane), $R_f = 0.22$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{23} =$ -10.19 (c = 0.53, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.31, 1.49 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.81-2.46 (m, 4 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 4.08-4.18 (m, 2 H, 3-H, 4-H), 4.51 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.8$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.90 (d, 1 H, 1-H). $- {}^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 19.3$ (t, $J_{C-5/F} \approx 4.7$ Hz, C-5), 26.1, 26.6 (CH₃), 28.1 (t, $J_{C-6/F} \approx 22.4$ Hz, C-6), 75.6 (C-4), 79.0 (C-3), 85.5 (C-2), 104.4 (C-1), 111.7 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 7 CF₂, CF₃). $- {}^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.1, -122.4 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -121.5 (m, 6 F, CF₂), -114.3 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -80.5 (s, 3 F, CF₃) . -C₁₇H₁₅F₁₇O₄ (606.3): calcd. C 33.68, H 2.49; found C 33.76, H 2.40.

5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-Octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12-tridecafluoro-D-xylo-dodecanose (21): The isopropylidene furanose 19 (0.25 g, 0.5 mmol) was deacetalated as described in the General Procedure D yielding 0.19 g (83%) of the liquid crystalline product (S_A) 21, m.p. 131–132°C (heptane/acetone), c.p. 146–147°C, $R_f =$ 0.07 (heptane/AcOEt (1:1)]. - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, [D₆]acetone): $\delta = 1.80 - 2.08$ (m, 4 H, 5-H_{\alpha,\beta}, 5'-H_{\alpha,\beta}) 2.18 - 2.49 (m, 4 H, 6-H_{\alpha,\beta}, 6'-H_{α,β}), 3.96 (dd, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, $J_{2/3} \approx 2.5$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_α), 3.99 (dd, $J_{2/3} \approx 2.0$ Hz, $J_{3/4} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H_{β}), 4.01 (dd, $J_{1/2} \approx 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_B), 4.08 (dd, $J_{3/4} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H_a), 4.14 (dd, $J_{4/5} \approx 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, 4\text{-H}_{\alpha}$), 4.17 (dd, $J_{4/5} \approx 6.2 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, 4\text{-H}_{\beta}$), 5.04 (d, 1 H, 1-H_{β}), 5.34 (d, 1 H, 1-H_{α}). – ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, [D₆]acetone): δ = 21.4 (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx$ 4.6 Hz, C-5), 22.2 (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx$ 4.1 Hz, C-5), 28.5 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.2$ Hz, C-6), 28.6 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.2$ Hz, C-6), 77.0 (C_{β} -3), 77.3 (C_{α} -3), 78.2 (C_{α} -2), 78.3 (C_{β} -4), 81.4 $(C_{\alpha}-4)$, 82.0 $(C_{\beta}-2)$, 97.0 $(C_{\alpha}-1)$, 103.8 $(C_{\beta}-1)$, 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). - ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, [D₆]acetone/CFCl₃): $\delta = -126.4$

(s, 2 F, CF_2 – CF_3), -123.7, -123.1, -122.1 (s, 2 F, CF_2), -114.5 (m, 2 F, CF_2 – CH_2), -81.4 (s, 3 F, CF_3). $-C_{12}H_{11}F_{13}O_4$ (466.2): calcd. C 30.92, H 2.38; found C 30.95, H 2.24.

5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-Decadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12, 13,13,14,14,14-heptadecafluoro-D-xylo-tetradecanose (22): The isopropylidene furanose 20 (0.07 g, 0.11 mmol) was deacetalated as described in the General Procedure D yielding 0.06 g (79%) of the liquid crystalline product (S_A) 22, m.p. 136-137°C (heptane/acetone), c.p. $149-150^{\circ}$ C, $R_f = 0.07$ (heptane/AcOEt (1:1)]. $- {}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, [D₆]acetone): $\delta = 1.80 - 2.08$ (m, 4 H, 5-H_{\alpha,\beta}, 5'- $H_{\alpha,\beta}$), 2.18–2.49 (m, 4 H, 6- $H_{\alpha,\beta}$, 6'- $H_{\alpha,\beta}$), 3.96 (dd, $J_{1/2} \approx 4.0$ Hz, $J_{2/3} \approx 2.5 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, 2\text{-H}_{\alpha}), 3.99 \text{ (dd, } J_{2/3} \approx 2.0 \text{ Hz}, J_{3/4} \approx 4.0 \text{ Hz}, 1$ H, 3-H_β), 4.01 (dd, $J_{1/2} \approx 1.0$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H_β), 4.08 (dd, $J_{3/4} \approx 4.0$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H_a), 4.14 (dd, $J_{4/5} \approx 6.1$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H_a), 4.17 (dd, $J_{4/5} \approx 6.2 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, 4\text{-H}_{\beta}), 5.04 \text{ (d}, 1 \text{ H}, 1\text{-H}_{\beta}), 5.34 \text{ (d}, 1 \text{ H}, 1\text{-H}_{\alpha}).$ - ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, [D₆]acetone): δ = 21.5 (t, $J_{C-5/F}$ ≈ 4.1 Hz, C-5), 22.3 (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx 3.9$ Hz, C-5), 28.6 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.2$ Hz, C-6), 28.7 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx$ 22.1 Hz, C-6), 77.0 (C_{\beta}-3), 77.3 (C_{\alpha}-3), 78.2 (C_{\alpha}-3) 2), 78.4 (C_{β} -4), 81.4 (C_{α} -4), 82.1 (C_{β} -2), 97.1 (C_{α} -1), 103.9 (C_{β} -1), 105-125 (m, 7 CF₂, CF₃). - ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, [D₆]acetone/ CFCl₃): $\delta = -126.3$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.6, -122.9 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -122.1 (s, 6 F, CF₂), -114.4 (m, 2 F, CF₂-CH₂), -81.3 (s, 3 F, CF₃). $-C_{14}H_{11}F_{17}O_4$ (566.2): calcd. C 29.70, H 1.96; found C 30.10, H 1.82.

5,6-Dideoxy-5-iodo-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-methyl-6-Cperfluorobutyl-α-"D-gluco"/"L-ido"-furanose (24): The unsaturated 3-O-methyl-D-furanose 23^[37] (2.0 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorobutyl iodide (reaction time: 7 h) as described in the General Procedure A. Yield of 24 (1.86 g, 34%). 24: Syrup (mixture of the (5R) and (5S)-isomer), $R_f = 0.48$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -39.11$ (c = 0.53, CHCl₃). $- {}^{1}$ H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.31$, 1.50 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.50-2.75 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 3.18-3.44 (m, 1 H, 6'-H), 3.47 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.99 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 2.9$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.24-4.43 (m, 2 H, 4,5-H), 4.57 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.94 (d, 1 H, 1-H). - ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 11.5 (m, C-5), 26.2, 26.9 (CH₃), 37.1 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 21.0 \text{ Hz}$, C-6), 58.4 (OCH₃), 80.9 (C-2), 83.7 (C-4), 84.2 (C-3), 105.9 (C-1), 112.2 $(C(CH_3)_2)$, 105–125 (m, 3 CF₂, CF₃). – ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, $CDCl_3/CFCl_3$): $\delta = -125.7$ (m, 2 F, CF_2-CF_3), -124.5 (s, 2 F, CF_2), -112.1 - 116.9 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -80.8 (s, 3 F, CF_3). - C₁₄H₁₆F₉IO₄ (546.2): calcd. C 30.79, H 2.95; found C 31.00, H 2.87.

5,6-Dideoxy-5-iodo-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-methyl-6-C-perfluorohexyl-α-"D-gluco"/"L-ido"-furanose (25): The unsaturated 3-O-methyl-D-furanose 23[37] (2.0 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorohexyl iodide (reaction time: 7 h) as described in the General Procedure A. Yield of 25 (3.36 g, 52%). 25: Syrup, $R_{\rm f} = 0.51$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22} = -31.23$ (c = 1.05, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.32$, 1.51 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.51-2.75 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 3.23-3.44 (m, 1 H, 6'-H), 3.47 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.99 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx$ 3.0 Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.29 (ddd, $J_{4/5} \approx$ 10.7 Hz, $J_{5/6} \approx 9.8$ Hz, $J_{5/6'} \approx 1.8$ Hz, 1 H, 5-H), 4.38 (dd, 1 H, 4-H), 4.57 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.94 (d, 1 H, 1-H). - ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 11.4$ (C-5), 26.2, 26.9 (CH₃), 37.3 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 20.6 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-6}, 58.4 (OCH_3), 81.0 (C-2), 83.8 (C-4), 84.2$ (C-3), 106.0 (C-1), 112.1 ($C(CH_3)_2$), 105–125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). – 19 F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF_2 - CF_3), -123.4, -122.5, -121.4 (s, 2 F, CF_2), -113.7 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -80.7 (s, 3 F, CF_3). - MS, m/z (CI-isobutane): 647 $[M^++H]$. - $C_{16}H_{16}F_{13}IO_4$ (646.2): calcd. C 29.74, H 2.50; found C 29.93, H 2.65.

5,6-Dideoxy-5-iodo-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-methyl-6-C-per-fluorooctyl- α -"D-gluco" L-ido"-furanose (**26**): The unsaturated 3-

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O-methyl-D-furanose 23[37] (2.0 g, 10 mmol) was perfluoro-alkylated with perfluorooctyl iodide as described in the General Procedure A (reaction time: 2.5 h). Yield of 26 (2.39 g, 32%). 26: Syrup, $R_{\rm f} = 0.47$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{23} = -23.75$ (c = 1.46, CHCl₃). - ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.32$, 1.51 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.49-2.77 (m, 1 H, 6-H), 3.20-3.44 (m, 1 H, 6'-H), 3.47 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.99 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 2.6$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.24–4.44 (m, 2 H, 4,5-H), 4.58 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.6$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.94 (d, 1 H, 1-H), other diastereomer: $\delta = 5.98$ (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 1-H). $- {}^{13}$ C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 11.4$ (m, C-5), 26.2, 26.9 (CH₃), 37.2 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 20.3 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-6}$, 58.4 (OCH₃), 80.9 (C-2), 83.7 (C-4), 84.2 (C-3), 106.0 (C-1), 112.2 (C(CH₃)₂), 105-125 (m, 7 CF₂, CF₃); other diastereomer: $\delta = 105.6$ (C-1). $- {}^{19}F$ NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.8$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.4, -122.4 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -121.6 (s, 4 F, CF₂), -121.3 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -116.6 -111.8 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF_3). $-C_{18}H_{16}F_{17}IO_4$ (746.2): calcd. C 28.97, H 2.16; found C 29.11, H 2.09.

5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-Octadeoxy-7,7,8,8,9,9,10,10,11,11,12,12,12tridecafluoro-1,2-O-isopropylidene-3-O-methyl- α -D-xylo-dodecanofuranose (27): The iodofuranose 25 (1.29 g, 2.0 mmol) was dehalogenated as described in the General Procedure B to yield the syrupy product 27 (1.04 g, 63%), $R_f = 0.45$ (heptane/AcOEt (3:1)], $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -20.76$ (c = 1.05, CHCl₃). $- {}^{1}H$ NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.31$, 1.48 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.81–2.45 (m, 4 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 3.41 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.59 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.2$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 4.16 (ddd, $J_{4/5} \approx 4.8$ Hz, $J_{4/5} \approx 8.1$ Hz, 1 H, 4-H), 4.58 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 5.86 (d, 1 H, 1-H). – ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 19.4 (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx$ 4.1 Hz, C-5), 26.1, 26.7 (CH₃), 28.1 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx 22.1 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-6}), 57.8 (OCH_3), 78.9 (C-4), 81.6 (C-2), 84.7$ (C-3), 104.7 (C-1), 111.4 (C(CH₃)₂), 105-125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). - 19 F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF_2-CF_3 , -123.2, -122.6, -121.6 (s, 2 F, CF_2), -114.2 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF_3). - MS, m/z (CI-isobutane): 521 $[M^++H]$. - $C_{16}H_{17}F_{13}O_4$ (520.3): calcd. C 36.94, H 3.29; found C 36.99, H 3.23.

1,2':1',2-Di-anhydro-bis[5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12-octadeoxy-7.7.8.8.9.9.10.10.11.11.12.12.12-tridecafluoro-3-O-methyl-p-xylododecano-furanose / (28): Tetrabutylammonium iodide (0.32 g, 1.0 mmol) and BF₃-diethyl ether (0.12 ml) were added to a solution of compound 27 (0.42 g, 0.8 mmol) in dichloromethane (5 ml). The mixture was stirred under argon for 4.5 h at room temp. and then neutralised with solid NaHCO3, filtered, diluted with chloroform (5 ml), and successively washed with aq. Na₂S₂O₃ solution (5 ml) and water (5 ml). The organic layer was separated, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and the solvents were evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (eluent: heptane/AcOEt (5:1)] and recrystallized to give 0.10 g (28%) of 28; $R_f = 0.28$ (heptane/AcOEt 3:1), m.p. 42-44°C (heptane/ acetone). – ¹H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.81 - 2.48$ (m, 4 H, 5,5',6,6'-H), 3.40 (s, 3 H, OCH₃), 3.73 (d, $J_{3/4} \approx 3.7$ Hz, 1 H, 3-H), 3.95 (d, $J_{1/2} \approx 3.9$ Hz, 1 H, 2-H), 4.27 (ddd, $J_{4/5} \approx 5.0$ Hz, $J_{4/5'} \approx 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{ H}, 4\text{-H}), 5.13 (d, 1 \text{ H}, 1\text{-H}). - {}^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (62) MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 19.4 (t, $J_{\text{C-5/F}} \approx$ 4.0 Hz, C-5), 28.0 (t, $J_{\text{C-6/F}} \approx$ 22.1 Hz, C-6), 57.5 (OCH₃), 75.8 (C-2), 79.8 (C-4), 85.5 (C-3), 97.2 (C-1), 105-125 (m, 5 CF₂, CF₃). - ¹⁹F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃/ CFCl₃): $\delta = -125.9$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.2, -122.7, -121.7(s, 2 F, CF_2), -114.4 - 114.2 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -80.6 (s, 3 F, CF_3). - MS (CI-isobutane): $m/z = 925 (M^+ + H)$. - $C_{26}H_{22}F_{26}O_6$ (924.4): calcd. C 33.78, H 2.40, found C 33.84, H 2.25.

6-Deoxy-6-C-perfluorohexyl-L-altrose (29/30): The pyranose derivative 3 (0.22 g, 0.4 mmol) was deacetalated as described in the General Procedure D (20 h, room temp.). The residue was purified

by column chromatography (eluent: AcOEt; $R_{\rm f} = 0.43$). The product is an equilibrium mixture of the pyranoses $29\alpha,\beta$ and the furanoses 30α,β (yield: 0.04 g, 21%) showing thermotropic liquid crystalline properties (S_A): m.p. 136–139°C; c.p. 171–172°C. The ratio of the anomeric pyranoses and furanoses dissolved in [D₆]acetone was determined by ¹H-NMR measurements (see Table 2). $-^{19}$ F NMR (235 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -126.4$ (s, 2 F, CF₂-CF₃), -123.7, -123.1, -121.0 (s, 2 F, CF₂), -114.5-110.7 (m, 2 F, CF_2-CH_2), -81.3 (s, 3 F, CF_3). $-C_{12}H_{11}F_{13}O_5$ (482.2): C 29.89, H 2.30; found C 29.90, H 2.30.

Table 2. The ratio of the anomeric pyranoses and furanoses dissolved in [D₆]acetone as determined by ¹H-NMR measurements

Components	Percentage	δ (1-H) ^[a]	J _{1/2} (Hz)	δ (C-1) ^[a]
α -pyranose (29 α) β -pyranose (29 β) α -furanose (30 α) β -furanose (30 β)	33.2%	4.84	≈ 1.7	95.1
	30.3%	4.98	≈ 1.5	92.5
	23.5%	5.14	≈ 1.8	103.0
	13.0%	5.19	≈ 4.5	96.6

^[a] ¹H NMR (250 MHz, [D₆]acetone); ¹³C NMR (62 MHz, [D₆]ace-

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