## Inhibition of Glycosidases by Lactam Oximes: Influence of the Aglycon in Disaccharide Analogues

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The influence of a substituent at the hydroximo function of the lactam analogue 1 on the inhibition of  $\beta$ - and  $\alpha$ -glucosidases is evaluated. In contrast to 1, the O-alkyl oximes 5, 6, 9, and 10 are selective inhibitors of  $\beta$ glucosidases. Alkylation of the p-gluconohydroximo-1,5-lactam 19 with the triflate 12, or condensation of the thiogluconolactam 20 with the hydroxylamines 14 or 18 afforded the benzylated cellobioside analogues 21 and 23, respectively. The O-alkyl oximes 33 and 39 were prepared similarly (Scheme 3). Deprotection afforded the cellobioside analogues 5 and 6, and the O-alkyl oximes 9 and 10. The lactam O-alkyl oximes 5, 6, 9, and 10 are strong inhibitors of the  $\beta$ -glucosidase from C. saccharolyticum ( $IC_{50} = 0.3 - 8 \mu M$ ) and, with exception of the dodecyl analogue 9 ( $IC_{50} = 2 \mu M$ ), moderate-to-weak inhibitors of  $\beta$ -glucosidases from sweet almond ( $IC_{50} = 2 \mu M$ )  $60-1000 \,\mu\text{m}$ ; see Table). In contrast to the strong inhibition of  $\alpha$ -glucosidase from brewer's yeast by 1 ( $K_i$ 2.9  $\mu$ M), the ethers 5, 6, and 10 are weak inhibitors of this enzyme ( $IC_{50}$  between 2500 and  $> 5000 \mu$ M). Similarly, the p-galactohydroximo-1,5-lactam 7 is a potent inhibitor of the  $\alpha$ -galactosidase from coffee beans and of the  $\beta$ galactosidases from bovine liver and E. coli ( $K_i = 5, 10, \text{ and } 0.1 \, \mu\text{M}, \text{ resp.}$ ), while the lactoside analogue 8 is a strong inhibitor of the *E. coli*  $\beta$ -galactosidase ( $K_i = 0.1 \, \mu \text{M}$ ), but a moderate-to-weak inhibitor of coffee-bean  $\alpha$ galactosidase and bovine-liver  $\beta$ -galactosidase ( $K_i = 250 \, \mu \text{M}$  and  $IC_{50} = 2500 \, \mu \text{M}$ , resp.). The galacto-configured lactam oximes 7 and 8 are good inhibitors of the  $\beta$ -glucosidase isolated from C. saccharolyticum ( $K_i = 2.5$  and 3.3 μm, resp.).

**Introduction.** – The weakly basic hydroximolactam 1 (p $K_{\rm HA}$  ca. 5) is a stronger inhibitor of the  $\beta$ -glucosidases from sweet almonds and from *Agrobacterium faecalis* than the neutral hydroximolactone 2, but it is less selective, inhibiting yeast α-glucosidase about as strongly ( $K_i$ =2.9 μmol) as the *Agrobacterium*  $\beta$ -glucosidase ( $K_i$ =0.6 μmol) [1][2]<sup>1</sup>). The higher potency and the lack of selectivity have been traced back to the higher basicity of the hydroximolactam, and to the position of the exocyclic N-center relative to the mean plane of the ring [7]. The higher basicity and the position of the basic center allow this inhibitor to interact with the catalytic acid of  $\beta$ - and (less well) also of  $\alpha$ -glucosidases. *O*-Acylation of the hydroximolactone, as in the carbamate 3, increases its inhibitory potency, both against sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidases that have an affinity for hydrophobic aglyca and against the *Agrobacterium*  $\beta$ -glucosidase [8]; it also decreases the  $\alpha/\beta$ -selectivity. The 2,4-dinitrophenyl ether 4 is even a stronger inhibitor of yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase than of sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidase [9].

Introduction into an inhibitor of a substituent that more specifically mimicks the aglycon can lead to improved selectivity and provide information about the binding of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>) D-Glucono-1,5-lactone and its neutral analogues such as D-glucono-1,5-lactam (nojirilactam) and (5R,6R,7S,8S)-6,7,8-tris(benzyloxy)-5-[(benzyloxy)methyl]-5,6,7,8-tetrahydrotetrazolo[1,5-a]pyridine (nojiritetrazole) are also selective inhibitors of  $\beta$ -glucosidases with  $K_i$  values in the micromolar range [3-6].

the aglycon moiety  $[10-13]^2$ ). An analogous modification should improve the inhibitory selectivity of the hydroximolactam **1**. The oxime function is particularly suitable for the introduction of substituents, and oxime-linked neoglycoproteins and oximes derived from C(1)-O-amino monosaccharides have been reported [24][25]. The disaccharide analogues **5** and **6**, related to **1**, should provide information about the influence of the aglycon on the selectivity of the inhibition of  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -glucosidases. Similarly, **8** may be a more selective inhibitor of  $\beta$ -galactosidases than the monosaccharide **7**. For the sake of comparison, the O-dodecyl oxime **9** and the 1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-yl derivative **10** were also prepared and evaluated.

**Results and Discussion.** – 1. *Synthesis*. Two approaches to the methyl  $\beta$ -cellobioside analogue **5** were investigated (*Scheme 1*), *viz*. alkylation of the hydroximolactam **19** [2] with the triflate **12** [16], and condensation of the thiogluconolactam **20** [26] with the hydroxylamine **14**.

The galacto-configured triflate 12 was obtained in 93% yield from the readily available galactopyranoside 11 [27]<sup>3</sup>). O-Alkylation of 19 under phase-transfer conditions [29] yielded 59% of 21. Debenzylation of 21 with Li in EtNH<sub>2</sub> [30] afforded the pseudo-disaccharide 5, which was purified via the acetate 22. Attempted debenzylation of 21 using Na in NH<sub>3</sub> and THF as cosolvent [31] did not affect the starting material; prolonging the reaction time led to decomposition products from which methyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside was isolated after acetylation.

The hydroxylamine **14** was prepared in two steps and 80% yield from the triflate **12** by base-promoted substitution with *N*-hydroxyphthalimide in DMPU (1,3-dimethyl-

<sup>2)</sup> For related disaccharide analogues, see [14-23].

<sup>3)</sup> The substitution of carbohydrate triflates by oximes has been reported [28].

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## Scheme 1

BnO S 
$$H_2$$
  $H_2$   $H_3$   $H_4$   $H_4$   $H_5$   $H_5$   $H_6$   $H_7$   $H_8$   $H_8$ 

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*a*) Tf<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; 93% (**12**), 90% (**16**). *b*) *N*-Hydroxyphthalimide (FtNOH), DMPU, Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N or Et<sub>3</sub>N; 91% (**13**), 76% (**17**). *c*) N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, EtOH; 90% (**14**), 80% (**18**). *d*) NaOH, Et<sub>4</sub>NBr, toluene; 59%. *e*) Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N, THF; 72%. *f*) Li, EtNH<sub>2</sub>, THF, -70°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 80%. *g*) NH<sub>3</sub>, MeOH; 77%. *h*) Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N, THF; 70%. *i*) Na, NH<sub>3</sub>, -33°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 41%. *k*) NaOMe, MeOH; 96%.

3,4,5,6-tetrahydropyrimidin-2(1H)-one)<sup>4</sup>) followed by deprotection of the resulting phthalimide **13** with hydrazine hydrate in boiling EtOH [34] (*Scheme 1*)<sup>5</sup>). The hydroxylamine **14** was condensed with **20** in the presence of Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>. This yielded 72% of **21**; no epimerization was observed (*cf.* [26] for a similar condensation). Thus, the two syntheses of **21** are about equivalent.

Attempts to prepare the  $\alpha$ -D-configured disaccharide analogue **23** by O-alkylation of the hydroximolactam **19** with the triflate **16** [16][35] failed under conditions that proved successful for the preparation of the anomeric analogue **21**. Decomposition of the triflate **16** proceeded more rapidly than its substitution by the hydroximolactam **19**, while milder methods, such as treatment with NaH, [18]crown-6 ether in THF or in THF/DMPU at 23° [28], or with  $H\ddot{u}nig$ 's base and DMPU did not promote substitution. Higher temperatures led to degradation of the triflate, while the lactam oxime was recovered. However, at 22°, the triflate **16** was smoothly converted to the

<sup>4)</sup> Alkylation in DMF or DMSO was slower and afforded the phthalimide 13 in lower yield.

<sup>5)</sup> For syntheses of other monosaccharide derived hydroxylamines, see [32][33].

phthalimide 17. The hydroxylamine 18, resulting from hydrazinolysis of 17, was condensed with the thiogluconolactam 20 to afford 70% of the methyl  $\alpha$ -cellobioside analogue 23. Debenzylation with Li/EtNH<sub>2</sub> and purification *via* the heptaacetate 24 gave the  $\alpha$ -cellobioside analogue 6 in 40% yield.

The *galacto*-hydroximolactam **7** [36] was conveniently prepared by analogy to the *gluco*-analogue **1** [2] (*Scheme* 2). Thus, treatment of the lactam **25** [37] with *Lawesson*'s reagent afforded the thiogalactonolactam **26** which was condensed with NH<sub>2</sub>OH according to *Hoos et al.* [2] to give the hydroximolactam **27** in 78% yield. Debenzylation under *Birch* conditions produced the *galacto*-hydroximolactam **7**, which was purified *via* the pentaacetate **28**. The benzyl(Bn)-protected analogue **29** of methyl  $\beta$ -lactoside was synthesized by condensing the thionolactam **26** and the hydroxylamine **14**<sup>6</sup>). Deprotection of the heptabenzyl ether **29**, again under *Birch* conditions, afforded 83% of the desired  $\beta$ -lactoside analogue **8**.

a) Lawesson's reagent, toluene; 88%. b) NH<sub>2</sub>OH·HCl, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, MeOH; 89%. c) Li, EtNH<sub>2</sub>, THF, -60°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 69%. d) NH<sub>3</sub>, MeOH; 91%. e) Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N, THF; 80%. f) Li, EtNH<sub>2</sub>, THF, -60°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 88%. g) NH<sub>3</sub>, MeOH; 94%.

The Bn-protected lactam *O*-dodecyl oxime **33** was obtained in good yield either by alkylation of the lactam oxime **19** with 1-bromododecane (**31**) under phase-transfer conditions, or by condensation of the thiogluconolactam **20** with *O*-dodecylhydroxylamine (**32**) [38] (*Scheme 3*). Debenzylation and purification *via* the tetraacetate **34** yielded 70% of the lactam *O*-dodecyl oxime **9**<sup>7</sup>). The protected D-gluconolactam *O*-(1,3-dihydroxypropan-2-yl) oxime **39** was prepared in 81% yield by the Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>-promoted [26] condensation of the thiogluconolactam **20** with the hydroxylamine **38**. This hydroxylamine was obtained by transforming *cis*-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-5-ol (**35**) [39] *via* the triflate **36** into the *N*-alkoxyphthalimide **37**, followed by dephthaloylation.

<sup>6)</sup> Alternatively, 29 was obtained in moderate yield by coupling the hydroximolactam 27 with the triflate 12.

<sup>7)</sup> Homologues of 33 with longer alkyl chains proved less soluble in EtNH<sub>2</sub>. A 12-tricosyl homologue of the lactam O-dodecyl oxime 9 was synthesized by condensing the Ac-protected analogue of the thiogluconolactam 20 [7] with the appropriate hydroxylamine by in situ activation with Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> and deprotection. It was very poorly soluble in H<sub>2</sub>O.

*a*) NaOH, Et<sub>4</sub>NBr, toluene; 67%. *b*) NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, MeOH; 73%. *c*) Li, EtNH<sub>2</sub>, THF, -78°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 74%. *d*) NaOMe, MeOH; 97%. *e*) Tf<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; 88%. *f*) *N*-Hydroxyphthalimide (FtNOH), DMPU, Et<sub>3</sub>N; 77%. *g*) N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, EtOH; 75%. *h*) Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N, THF; 81%. *i*) Li, EtNH<sub>2</sub>, -78°; Ac<sub>2</sub>O, pyridine; 79%. *k*) NaOMe, MeOH; 95%.

The correponding tosylate [40] did not react with *N*-hydroxyphthalimide under otherwise identical conditions. Deprotection of **39** with Li/EtNH<sub>2</sub> and purification of the *O*-alkyl oxime **10** via the hexaacetate **40** proceeded in 75% yield.

Triflation of **11** and **15** is evidenced by the H-C(4) signal of **12** and **16** at 5.40 and 5.42 ppm, respectively, which is shifted to 4.45 and 4.38 ppm for the phthalimides **13** and **17**. The H-C(4) signal for the hydroxylamines **14** and **18** is observed at 3.84 and 4.07 ppm, respectively. The benzylated *O*-alkyl oximes **21** and **23** are characterized by an exchangeable NH signal at 5.44 (5.45) ppm and by J(1,2) = 7.8 (3.7) Hz. The imino group gives rise to a C(1) s at 149.05 (148.93) ppm, characteristic for the (Z)-configuration [2], and a C=N band at 1653 (1651) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

J(2',3')=5.8, J(3',4')=5.8, and J(4',5')=9.3 Hz in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of the acetylated cellobioside analogue **22** indicate a  $B_{2.5}$  conformation of the lactam-oxime moiety, as reported for penta-O-acetyl-D-gluconohydroximo-1,5-lactam [2]; the J values for the anomer **24** are similar (J(2',3')=6.2, J(3',4')=6.2, and J(4',5')=8.4 Hz). The J values of the anomeric deprotected cellobioside analogues **5** (J(2',3')=8.4, J(3',4')=8.6, and J(4',5')=9.1 Hz) and **6** (J(2',3')=8.5, J(3',4')=8.5, and J(4',5')=9.2 Hz) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD are in agreement with a flattened <sup>4</sup> $C_1$  conformation of the lactam-oxime moiety.

The thiogalactonolactam **26** is characterized by a s at 201.6 ppm, and a C=S band at 1514 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Conversion of **26** to the hydroximolactam **27** is confirmed by the replacement of the C=S s at 201.6 ppm by a s at 150.1 ppm, by the shift of the NH signal to 5.80 ppm, and by a new OH resonance at 8.09 ppm. (Z)-Configuration of **27** is indicated by the C(1) s at 150.1 ppm (cf. [2]). The hepta-O-benzyl-lactose analogue **29** shows resonances consistent with those of **21** and **23**, with a MeO s at 3.60 ppm, and a NH s at 5.63 ppm. A d at 104.8 and a s at 149.6 ppm evidence the presence of the anomeric and oxime C-atoms, respectively; the analogous signals for the deprotected lactose analogue **8** are a d at 105.7 and a s at 155.5 ppm. J(2,3) = 8.9 and J(2',3') = 8.7 Hz indicate that both rings of **8** have a  ${}^4C_1$  conformation in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.

Similarly, the lactam O-alkyl oximes **33** and **39** are characterized by an exchangeable NH signal at 5.47 and 5.36 ppm and a C(1) s at 148.90 and 150.10 ppm, respectively. The  $B_{2,5}$  conformation of the acetylated gluconolactam oxime **40** is evidenced by J(2,3) = 5.9, J(3,4) = 6.2, and J(4,5) = 9.6 Hz. The same conformation is indicated for the dodecyl ether **34** (J(2,3) = 5.3, J(3,4) = 5.9, and J(4,5) = 9.3 Hz). A  ${}^4C_1$  conformation is indicated for the gluconolactam O-alkyl oximes **9** and **10** by J(2,3) = 8.3, J(3,4) = 8.4, and J(4,5) = 9.2 as well as J(2,3) = 8.3, J(3,4) = 8.5, and J(4,5) = 8.8 Hz, respectively.

2. Evaluation of the Lactam Oximes 5-10 as Inhibitors of Glucosidases and Galactosidases. The  $\beta$ -glucosidases from sweet almonds are equally well inhibited by the lactam oxime 1 and the  $\beta$ -D-anomer 5 of the disaccharide analogue, while the  $\alpha$ -D-anomer 6 is ca. 16 times weaker  $(Table)^8$ ). This difference must reflect the structure of the active site. Although the complete amino-acid sequence of the sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidases is not known, they have recently been classified as family-1 enzymes on the basis of the active-site residues [43]. The known three-dimensional structure of another glycosidase of family 1, cyanogenic  $\beta$ -glucosidase from white clover, shows several hydrophobic residues at the aglycon binding site (i.e., Trp-185, Phe-197, Val-254, and Trp-369 [44]) of which Trp-369 is likely to  $\pi$ -stack with an aromatic glycosyl substrate. Sweet-almond and white clover  $\beta$ -glucosidases have a comparable substrate specificity. It may well be that the flatter aglycon moiety of the methyl  $\beta$ -cellobioside analogue 6 fits better into the aglycon binding site than the one of the  $\alpha$ -cellobioside analogue 6.

Table. Inhibition Constants K<sub>i</sub> and IC<sub>50</sub> Values for the Lactam Oximes 1 and 5-10

Enzyme	$K_M^{a}$ )	pН	$K_i$ [μM] or, in italics, $IC_{50}$ values [μM]						
			<b>1</b> <sup>b</sup> )	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\beta$ -Glucosidases from sweet almonds	3.0 (1.2)	6.8	16	60	1000			2	150
$\beta$ -Glucosidase from <i>C. saccharolyticum</i>	1.2 (1.2)	6.8	3.3	3.6	2	2.5	3.3	0.3	8
$\alpha$ -Glucosidase from brewer's yeast	1.2 (1.2)	6.8	2.9	2500	> 5000			40	4000
$\beta$ -Galactosidase from bovine liver	0.24 (0.24)	7.0				10 <sup>c</sup> )	2500		
$\beta$ -Galactosidase from E. coli	0.04	6.8				0.1	0.1		
$\alpha$ -Galactosidase from coffee beans	0.19	6.0				5	250		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a)</sup>  $K_{\rm M}$  values [mm] for corresponding 4-nitrophenyl hexopyranosides. In parenthesis, start concentration of the substrate [mm]. <sup>b)</sup> Values taken from [7]. <sup>c)</sup> Value taken from [36].

The cellobioside analogues **5** and **6** inhibit the  $\beta$ -glucosidase from *Caldocellum* saccharolyticum about as strongly as the parent hydroximolactam **1**.

The cellobioside analogues **5** and **6** show a ca. 1000-fold weaker binding efficiency against yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase than the parent hydroximolactam **1**. The  $\beta$ -cellobioside analogue **5** inhibits yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase 40 times more weakly than sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidases and 700 times more weakly than the  $\beta$ -glucosidase from C. saccharolyticum. Thus, the methyl  $\beta$ -cellobioside analogue **5** shows a marked selectivity for the inhibition of  $\beta$ -glucosidases, while the methyl  $\alpha$ -cellobioside **6** is inactive against yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase and even differentiates between  $\beta$ -glucosidases.

The galacto-configured hydroximolactams **7** and **8** are potent competitive inhibitors of the E.  $coli \beta$ -galactosidase (family 2) with a  $K_i$  of 100 nm, suggesting that the glucosyl ring of **8** does not interfere with the binding of the hydroximolactam unit in the active site. The comparable inhibition by **7** and **8** is not surprising given that lactose is the natural substrate for the E. coli enzyme. Molecular modelling suggests that, despite the

<sup>8)</sup> The methyl α-cellobioside analogue 6 was also examined as a potential inhibitor of glycogen phosphorylase b (GPb) from rabbit muscle. No inhibition was observed at a concentration of 1.0 mm [41]. This contrasts with the moderate inhibition of GPb by p-gluconohydroximo-1,5-lactone (2; K<sub>i</sub>= 0.92 mm) [41][42].

larger distance between the two rings, the lactose analogue 8 adopts a conformation similar to that of lactose.

The hydroximolactam **7** ( $K_i = 10 \, \mu \text{M}$ ) binds bovine-liver  $\beta$ -galactosidase ca. 100 times more strongly than the hydroximolactam ether **8** ( $IC_{50}$  ca. 2.5 mM), in keeping with the strong preference of the bovine-liver enzyme for aryl pyranosides. This contrasts somewhat with the results for the inhibition of the sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidases, which also have a preference for aryl-pyranoside substrates (see above). It would seem that the aromatic aglycon binding site in the bovine liver  $\beta$ -glycosidase is more selective than the one in the sweet-almond  $\beta$ -glucosidases.

The potent inhibition of coffee-bean  $\alpha$ -galactosidase by the hydroximolactam **7** ( $K_i = 5 \, \mu \text{M}$ ) is significantly weakened by the introduction of the glucosyl moiety in **8** ( $K_i = 250 \, \mu \text{M}$ ), similarly to the results obtained for the *gluco*-configured lactam oximes **1** and **5** 

Finally, the  $K_i$  values of the D-galactonohydroximo-1,5-lactam **7** (2.5  $\mu$ M) and the lactoside analogue **8** (3.3  $\mu$ M) against the  $\beta$ -glucosidase from *C. saccharolyticum* (family 1) are similar to those for the *gluco*-analogues **1** and **5**, confirming that family-1 glucosidases are not selective for the configuration at C(4), and also that the aglycon binding site is adapted for hydrophilic as well as hydrophobic residues. This is in keeping with the role of the enzyme as an *exo*-cellulase [45].

To examine whether the increased  $\alpha/\beta$ -glucosidase selectivity of the cellobioside analogues **5** and **6** is an aglycon specific effect, we evaluated the lactam *O*-alkyl oximes **9** and **10**, possessing a hydrophobic and a hydrophilic aglycon moiety with differing steric requirements. The dodecyl analogue **9** is a stronger inhibitor of the examined  $\beta$ -glucosidases than the parent hydroximolactam **1**, and inhibits the  $\beta$ -glucosidases from sweet almonds and *C. saccharolyticum* 30- and 10-fold more strongly than the cellobioside analogue **5**<sup>9</sup>). It inhibits yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase 10 times more weakly than the hydroximolactam **1**, but 60 times more strongly than the disaccharide analogue **5**. Thus, the *O*-alkyl oxime **9** is a stronger inhibitor than **1**, **5**, and **6**. It is more highly selective than **1**, but less so than **5** and **6**. The propanediol derivative **10** is a weaker inhibitor of the examined  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -glucosidases than **1** and **5**, and partially weaker than **6**. It is almost as selective as **5**, but less so than **6**. Obviously, the selectivity is readily influenced by additional substituents at the hydroximo function.

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## **Experimental Part**

1. General. Enzymes were purchased from Sigma Chemical Co. and used without further purification. Solvents were distilled before use. Moisture sensitive reactions were run under Ar or  $N_2$  in dry solvents. TLC: Merck silica gel 60  $F_{254}$  plates; detection by heating with 'mostain' (400 ml of 10% aq.  $H_2SO_4$  soln., 20 g of  $(NH_4)_6MO_7O_{24} \cdot H_2O$ , 0.4 g of  $Ce(SO_4)_2$ ) or 20% aq.  $H_2SO_4$ . Flash chromatography (FC): silica gel Merck 60

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>) The enhanced inhibition of 9 might be caused by the transfer of the hydrophobic alkyl chain from the aqueous phase onto the more lipophilic environment of the active site. The analogous hydrophobic *N*-dodecyl-β-p-glucosylamine [46] and  $N^1$ -dodecyl-p-gluconamidine [47][48] have been reported to be very strong inhibitors of bovine β-glucosidase ( $IC_{50} = 1.5$  and 0.2 nm, resp.).

(0.040-0.063 mm). M.p.: uncorrected. Chemical shifts  $\delta$  in ppm and coupling constants J in Hz. 3-NOBA = 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol.

2. Preparation of **5**. Methyl 2,3,6-Tri-O-benzyl-4-O-[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside (**12**) [16]. At  $-15^\circ$ , Tf  $_2$ O (8.6 g, 5.0 ml, 32.7 mmol) was added dropwise within 20 min to a stirred suspension of **11** [27] (7.6 g, 16.0 mmol), pyridine (2.6 ml, 32.7 mmol), and 3-Å molecular sieves (0.2 g) in CH $_2$ Cl $_2$  (50 ml). The suspension was warmed to 0° within 3 h, poured into cold 1M aq. HCl soln. (50 ml), and the org. layer was washed with H $_2$ O (3 × 40 ml). Evaporation and FC (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) gave **12** (8.9 g, 93%). Colourless oil.  $R_t$  (hexane/AcOEt 2:1) 0.45. IR (CH $_2$ Cl $_2$ ): 3033w, 2875w, 1497w, 1454m, 1407s, 1210s, 1143s, 1105s, 1081s, 1029m, 921s, 630m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 300 MHz): 3.57 (s, MeO); 3.61 –3.77 (m, H–C(2), H–C(3), H–C(5), 2 H–C(6)); 4.32 (d, J = 7.5, H–C(1)); 4.46 (d, J = 11.5), 4.61 (d, J = 11.5), 4.65 (d, J = 11.2), 4.74 (d, J = 10.9), 4.86 (d, J = 10.9), 4.89 (d, J = 11.8, 6 PhCH); 5.40 (d, J = 2.2, H–C(4)); 7.26 –7.42 (m, 15 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 75 MHz): 57.28 (q, MeO); 66.99 (t, C(6)); 71.02 (d, C(4)); 72.91, 73.69, 75.40 (3t, 3 PhCH $_2$ ); 77.73 (d, C(5)); 78.36 (d, C(2)); 81.66 (d, C(3)); 104.83 (d, C(1)); 118.60 (q,  $^1J$ (C,F) = 319, CF $_3$ ); 127.80 –128.63 (several d); 137.19, 137.35, 138.22 (3s). <sup>19</sup>F-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 282 MHz): -73.76. FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 596 (35,  $[M]^+$ ), 595 (100,  $[M-H]^+$ ), 505 (20), 181 (37), 91 (27).

*Methyl* 2,3,6-*Tri*-O-*benzyl*-4-O-*phthalimido*-β-D-*glucopyranoside* (13). A soln. of 12 (5.3 g, 8.9 mmol) and *N*-hydroxyphthalimide (1.8 g, 11.0 mmol) in DMPU (20 ml) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (1.6 ml, 11.0 mmol) was stirred at 22°. After 24 h, the mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (80 ml), and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 × 25 ml). The org. layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 25 ml), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated to afford, after FC (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) 13 (4.8 g, 91%). Colourless solid.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.42. M.p. 78.6−79.3° (hexane/Et<sub>2</sub>O). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3033w, 2927m, 2873m, 1791m, 1734s, 1497m, 1468m, 1454m, 1373m, 1360m, 1189s, 1170m, 1121s, 1082s, 1028s, 1018s, 990m, 878m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.49 (*dd*, J ≈ 8.4, 7.8, H−C(2)); 3.60 (*s*, MeO); 3.83 (*ddd*, J = 9.5, 5.9, 1.8, H−C(5)); 3.91 (*dd*, J = 10.9, 6.2, H−C(6)); 4.10 (t, J ≈ 8.5, H−C(3)); 4.17 (*dd*, J = 10.9, 1.6, H′−C(6)); 4.42 (*d*, J = 7.8, H−C(1)); 4.45 (*dd*, J = 9.3, 8.4, H−C(4)); 4.62 (*d*, J = 11.2), 4.63 (*d*, J = 11.2, 2 hCH); 4.64 (*s*, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.93 (*d*, J = 11.2), 5.01 (*d*, J = 11.5, 2 PhCH); 6.97 −7.07 (*m*, 4 arom. H); 7.23 −7.38 (*m*, 12 arom. H); 7.53 −7.61 (*m*, 3 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 57.05 (*q*, MeO); 70.03 (t, C(6)); 72.95 (*d*, C(5)); 73.58 (t, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 74.13 (t, 2 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 82.37 (*d*); 82.68 (*d*); 82.76 (*d*); 104.24 (*d*, C(1)); 123.25 − 128.43 (several *d*); 128.70 (2s); 134.14 (2*d*); 138.31, 138.41, 138.69 (3s); 163.19 (s, 2 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 608 (77), 470 (81), 181 (66), 91 (100).

*Methyl* 4-O-*Amino*-2,3,6-tri-O-*benzyl*-β-D-*glucopyranoside* (**14**). A soln. of **13** (4.7 g, 7.9 mmol) in EtOH (100 ml) and hydrazine hydrate (80%, 10 ml) was kept under reflux for 3 h. Concentration to *ca*. 50 ml gave a colourless solid, which was removed by filtration. Further evaporation and FC of the residue (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) afforded **14** (3.4 g, 90%). Colourless solid.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.15. M.p. 78.5 −79.0° (hexane/Et<sub>2</sub>O). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = −25.2 (c = 0.98, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3089w, 3033m, 2913m, 2870m, 1587m, 1496m, 1454m, 1388w, 1359m, 1309w, 1209m, 1090s, 1056s, 1028s, 912m. H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.45 (dd, J = 9.0, 7.8, H −C(2)); 3.60 (s, MeO); 3.54 −3.62 (m), 3.66 −3.73 (m, H −C(3), H −C(5), H −C(6)); 3.84 (t, J ≈ 9.0, H −C(4)); 3.86 (dd, J ≈ 10.4, 3.1, H' −C(6)); 4.32 (d, J = 7.8, H −C(1)); 4.64 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.74 (d, J = 11.2), 4.79 (d, J = 11.5), 4.93 (d, J = 11.5), 4.95 (d, J = 11.2, 4 PhCH); 5.09 (s, exchange with D<sub>2</sub>O, NH<sub>2</sub>); 7.26 −7.42 (m, 15 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 57.01 (q, MeO); 69.97 (t, C(6)); 72.94 (d, C(5)); 73.51, 74.67, 74.77 (st, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 80.12 (d); 82.31 (d); 82.50 (d); 104.49 (d, C(1)); 127.67 −128.43 (several d); 138.32, 138.66, 138.90 (3s). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 959 (43, [2M +H]+), 448 (71, [M −HNO]+), 181 (28), 91 (100). Anal. calc. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>6</sub> (479.57): C 70.13, H 6.94, N 2.92; found: C 70.28, H 7.02, N 2.73.

Methyl 4-O-[(Z)-(5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranosylidene)amino]-2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranoside (21). a) From 12 and 19. A vigorously stirred mixture of 19 [2] (1.31 g, 2.37 mmol), 12 (1.30 g, 2.37 mmol), Et<sub>4</sub>NBr (50 mg) in toluene (50 ml), and an aq. soln. of NaOH (4.0 g in 25 ml) was heated to reflux for 24 h. The layers were separated, and the aq. layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the combined org. layers (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) afforded 21 (1.41 g, 59%).

b) From 14 and 20. At 22°, a soln. of 20 [26] (1.32 g, 2.40 mmol) and 14 (1.15 g, 2.40 mmol) in THF (40 ml, freshly distilled) was treated with Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N (1.43 ml, 8.40 mmol) and Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (1.14 g, 3.59 mmol). After 16 h at 20°, the mixture was filtered through *Celite* and evaporated. The residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 ml), and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. (2 × 35 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 9:1) afforded 21 (1.74 g, 72%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) 0.25,  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.80. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>25</sub> = +27.5 (c = 2.3, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3422w, 3068s, 2987s, 2868m, 1653m, 1604w, 1551w, 1496m, 1453s, 1422s, 1361m, 1288s, 1213m, 1094s, 1060s, 1028m, 989m, 896s. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): 3.39 (dd, J = 9.7, 6.5, H – C(6')); 3.41 – 3.44 (m, H – C(5)); 3.43 (dd, J = 8.9, 8.0, H – C(2)); 3.60 (s, MeO); 3.63 – 3.67 (m, H – C(4'), H' – C(6')); 3.71 (ddd, J = 9.4, 6.4, 2.8, H – C(5')); 3.86 (t, J ≈ 3.2, H – C(3')); 3.86 – 3.89

 $(m, H-C(4)); 3.98-4.06 \ (m, H-C(2'), H-C(3), 2 H-C(6)); 4.31 \ (d, J=11.6), 4.35 \ (d, J=10.9, 2 PhCH); 4.37 \ (d, J=7.8, H-C(1)); 4.40 \ (d, J=12.0), 4.43 \ (d, J=12.0), 4.45 \ (d, J=12.1), 4.51 \ (d, J=11.7), 4.52 \ (d, J=11.6, 5 PhCH); 4.57 \ (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.61 \ (d, J=12.0), 4.62 \ (d, J=11.2), 4.69 \ (d, J=11.2), 4.72 \ (d, J=11.1), 4.89 \ (d, J=11.1, 5 PhCH); 5.44 \ (s, exchange with D<sub>2</sub>O, NH); 7.11-7.35 \ (m, 35 arom. H). \ \ ^{13}C-NMR \ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz): 51.32 \ (d, C(5')); 57.07 \ (q, MeO); 69.11, 69.56 \ (2t, C(6), C(6')); 70.30, 71.53, 72.22, 73.11, 73.49 \ (5t, 5 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 73.64 \ (d); 73.73 \ (d); 74.81, 75.01 \ (2t, 2 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 80.37 \ (d); 80.40 \ (d); 80.62 \ (d); 81.92 \ (d); 82.39 \ (d); 104.61 \ (d, C(1)); 127.20-128.49 \ (several d); 137.45-139.17 \ (several s); 149.05 \ (s, C(1')). FAB-MS \ (3NOBA: 999 \ (35, [M+H]^+), 967 \ (17), 133 \ (60), 91 \ (100). Anal. calc. for <math>C_{62}H_{66}N_2O_{10} \ (999.21)$ : C 74.53, H 6.66, N 2.80; found: C 74.27, H 6.74, N 3.09.

Methyl 2,3,6-Tri-O-acetyl-4-O-[(Z)-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-5-amino-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranosylidene)amino]  $\beta$ -p-glucopyranoside (22). At  $-70^{\circ}$ , a soln. of 21 (1.50 g, 1.50 mmol) in THF (6.5 ml) was added dropwise to a deep-blue soln. of Li (0.31 g, 44.3 mmol) in condensed EtNH<sub>2</sub> (ca. 50 ml). The mixture was stirred at  $-70^{\circ}$ for 15 min and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (2.0 g). After evaporation, the residue was dried, dissolved in pyridine (20 ml), and treated with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (10 ml) at  $-15^{\circ}$ . After 12 h at 22°, the mixture was taken to dryness and the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml), and washed with brine (2 × 25 ml). Drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 6:4) afforded 22 (0.81 g, 80%), which was further purified by HPLC (hexane/AcOEt 2:1). Colourless oil. R<sub>f</sub> (hexane/AcOEt 4:6) 0.50. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3400w, 3068m, 2987s, 1756s, 1659w, 1550w, 1422s, 1369m, 1237s, 1160w, 1040m, 987w, 896s. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): 2.03, 2.05, 2.08, 2.09, 2.10, 2.11, 2.14 (7s, 7 AcO); 3.50 (s, MeO); 3.67 (dddd, J = 9.3, 6.4, 2.9, 1.5, H - C(5')); 3.83 (ddd, J = 9.9, 5.3, 2.2, H - C(5)); 4.03  $(dd, J = 11.9, 6.4, H - C(6')); 4.07 (t, J \approx 9.7, H - C(4)); 4.26 (dd, J = 12.1, 5.3, H - C(6)); 4.29 (dd, J = 11.9, 2.9, 4.29);$ H'-C(6'); 4.36 (dd, J=12.1, 2.2, H'-C(6)); 4.39 (d, J=8.0, H-C(1)); 4.95 (dd, J=9.7, 8.0, H-C(2)); 4.99  $(dd, J = 9.3, 5.9, H - C(4')); 5.20 (t, J \approx 5.8, H - C(3')); 5.32 (d, J = 5.8, H - C(2')); 5.35 (t, J \approx 9.5, H - C(3)); 5.35 (t, J$ (br. s, NH). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 20.60, 20.66, 20.74, 20.79, 20.82, 20.87 (6q, 7 Me); 52.24 (d, C(5')); 57.06 (q, MeO); 62.86, 63.08 (2t, C(6), C(6')); 67.64 (d); 69.99 (d); 71.79 (d); 71.87 (d); 72.04 (d); 72.27 (d); 78.35 (d, C(4)); 101.71 (d, C(1)); 147.85 (s, C(1')); 169.00 - 171.28 (several s, 7 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 663  $(100, [M+H]^+), 631(16), 360(14),$ 

*Methyl* 4-O-[(Z)-(5-Amino-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranosylidene)amino]-β-D-glucopyranoside (**5**). At 0°, a soln. of **22** (0.75 g, 1.13 mmol) in MeOH (15 ml) was treated dropwise with a sat. soln. of NH<sub>3</sub> in MeOH (1.0 ml), stirred at 5° for 6 h, and evaporated to give after reversed-phase HPLC (*RP-18* silica gel) **5** (320 mg, 77%). Colourless solid.  $R_t$  (AcOEt/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:2:1) 0.45. M.p. 115.5 –116° (MeOH). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = −10.4 (*c* = 1.16, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3425s, 3343s, 3292s, 2991m, 2942m, 1661s, 1643s, 1456m, 1417m, 1334s, 1097s, 1078s, 975s, 875m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 3.15 (*ddd*, *J* = 9.1, 6.8, 2-9, H−C(5')); 3.23 (*dd*, *J* = 8.9, 8.0, H−C(2)); 3.39 (*dd*, *J* = 9.1, 8.6, H−C(4')); 3.52 –3.57 (*m*, H−C(5), H−C(6')); 3.53 (*s*, MeO); 3.55 (*t*, *J* ≈ 8.6, H−C(3')); 3.71 (*dd*, *J* = 12.3, 4.9, H−C(6)); 3.75 (*t*, *J* ≈ 9.2, H−C(3)); 3.79 (*t*, *J* ≈ 9.2, H−C(4)); 3.82 (*dd*, *J* = 12.3, 2.3, H′−C(6)); 3.88 (*dd*, *J* = 11.1, 2.9, H′−C(6')); 3.99 (*d*, *J* = 8.4, H−C(2')); 4.19 (*d*, *J* = 7.8, H−C(1)). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O): 55.16 (*d*, C(5')); 58.34 (*q*, MeO): 62.08, 63.35 (2*t*, C(6), C(6')); 70.40 (*d*); 70.81 (*d*); 71.48 (*d*); 72.33 (*d*); 73.35 (*d*); 76.65 (*d*); 80.16 (*d*, C(4)); 100.71 (*d*, C(1)); 154.16 (*s*, C(1')). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 391 (49), 369 (100, [*M* + H]<sup>+</sup>), 289 (20), 136 (35). Anal. calc. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>·½ H<sub>2</sub>O (377.33): C 41.38, H 6.68, N 7.42; found: C 41.18, H 6.53, N 7.72.

3. Preparation of **6**. Methyl 2,3,6-Tri-O-benzyl-4-O-[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]- $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranoside (**16**) [16] [35]. At  $-20^\circ$ , Tf  $_2$ O (4.7 g, 2.8 ml, 18.1 mmol) was added dropwise within 15 min to a stirred suspension of **15** [27] (4.2 g, 9.0 mmol), pyridine (1.5 ml, 18.1 mmol), and 3-Å molecular sieves (0.1 g) in CH $_2$ Cl $_2$  (25 ml). The suspension was stirred at  $-10^\circ$  for 8 h, poured into cold 1M aq. HCl soln. (50 ml), and the org. layer was washed with H $_2$ O (3 × 40 ml). Evaporation and FC (hexane/AcOEt 4: 1) gave **16** (4.8 g, 90%). Colourless oil.  $R_1$  (hexane/AcOEt 7: 3) 0.60. IR (CH $_2$ Cl $_2$ ): 3100w, 2880w, 1456m, 1412s, 1208s, 1136s, 1100s, 1076s, 935s. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 300 MHz): 3.38 (s, MeO); 3.55 – 3.65 (m, 2 H – C(6)); 3.79 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.1, H – C(2)); 4.00 (dd, J = 10.0, 2.5, H – C(3)); 4.09 (t, J ≈ 6.9, H – C(5)); 4.47 (d, J = 11.2), 4.62 (d, J = 11.8, 2 PhCH); 4.64 (d, J = 3.1, H – C(1)); 4.66 (d, J = 12.1), 4.67 (d, J = 11.5), 4.85 (d, J = 12.5), 4.88 (d, J = 11.8, 4 PhCH); 5.42 (d, J = 2.5, H – C(4)); 7.27 – 7.44 (m, 15 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 75 MHz): 55.53 (q, MeO); 66.60 (d, C(4)); 67.29 (t, C(6)); 73.00, 73.52, 73.80 (3t, 3 PhCH $_2$ ); 74.65 (d); 74.86 (d); 83.71 (d, C(3)); 98.68 (d, C(1)); 118.51 (q,  $^1J$ (C,F) = 319.8, CF $_3$ ); 127.75 – 128.46 (several d); 137.34, 137.39, 137.86 (3s). <sup>19</sup>F-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 282 MHz): -73.71.

*Methyl* 2,3,6-*Tri*-O-*benzyl*-4-O-*phthalimido*- $\alpha$ -D-*glucopyranoside* (**17**). A soln. of **16** (5.2 g, 8.8 mmol) and *N*-hydroxyphthalimide (1.8 g, 11.0 mmol) in DMPU (20 ml) and Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N (1.9 ml, 11.1 mmol) was stirred at 22°. After 24 h, the mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (80 ml) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 × 25 ml). The org. layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 25 ml), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated to afford, after FC (hexane/AcOEt 4:1), **17** (4.0 g, 76%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.35. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3032w, 2912w, 1790w, 1733s, 1497w,

1468w, 1454w, 1375m, 1189m, 1156m, 1098m, 1082m, 1047m, 1027m, 1018m, 1002m, 878w.  $^1$ H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.42 (s, MeO); 3.59 (dd, J = 9.4, 3.4 H-C(2)); 3.93 (dd, J = 11.2, 5.0, H-C(6)); 3.99-4.06 (m, H-C(5), H'-C(6)); 4.38 (t, J  $\approx$  8.7, H-C(4)); 4.53 (t, J  $\approx$  9.0, H-C(3)); 4.58 (d, J = 12.2), 4.62 (d, J = 11.8, 2 PhCH); 4.63 (d, J = 2.9, H-C(1)); 4.68 (d, J = 12.1, PhCH); 4.71 (d, J = 11.8, 2 PhCH); 5.12 (d, J = 11.5, PhCH); 7.03-7.11 (m, 4 arom. H); 7.22-7.37 (m, 12 arom. H); 7.55-7.60 (m, 3 arom. H).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 55.18 (q, MeO); 67.84 (d, C(5)); 69.21 (t, C(6)); 73.06, 73.54, 74.57 (3t, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 79.74 (d); 80.42 (d); 82.25 (d); 97.51 (d, C(1)); 123.17-128.52 (several d); 128.73 (2s); 134.05 (2d); 137.79, 138.24, 138.89 (3s); 163.16 (s, 2 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 608(4), 181 (45), 91 (100).

*Methyl* 4-O-*Amino-*2,3,6-tri-O-*benzyl-a*-D-*glucopyranoside* (**18**). A soln. of **17** (4.5 g, 7.6 mmol) in EtOH (100 ml) and hydrazine hydrate (80%, 10 ml) was kept under reflux for 2 h. Concentration to *ca*. 50 ml gave a colourless solid, which was removed by filtration. Further evaporation and FC of the residue (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) afforded **18** (2.9 g, 80%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.20.  $[a]_{\rm D}^{25}$  = + 17.9 (c = 1.45, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3591w, 3327w, 3089m, 3032m, 2912m, 2870m, 1721w, 1585w, 1496m, 1453m, 1361m, 1328m, 1194m, 1158m, 1097s, 1048s, 1028s, 910m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.39 (s, MeO); 3.55 (dd, J = 9.7, 3.4, H−C(2)); 3.60 (t, J ≈ 9.4, H−C(3)); 3.66 (dd, J = 10.9, 4.7, H−C(6)); 3.72 (dd, J = 10.9, 2.5, H′−C(6)); 3.87 (ddd, J = 10.0, 4.4, 2.2, H−C(5)); 4.07 (t, J ≈ 9.4, H−C(4)); 4.56 (d, J = 12.1, PhCH); 4.61 (d, J = 4.0, H−C(1)); 4.62 (d, J = 12.1), 4.66 (d, J = 12.2, 2 PhCH); 4.80 (d, J = 12.4, 2 PhCH); 4.98 (d, J = 11.5, PhCH); 5.20 (br. s, NH<sub>2</sub>); 7.20−7.45 (m, 15 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 55.40 (q, MeO); 68.57 (d, C(5)); 69.36 (t, C(6)); 73.47, 73.61, 75.30 (d<sub>3</sub>, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 78.84 (d); 80.31 (d); 82.33 (d); 98.28 (d, C(1)); 127.86−128.72 (several d); 138.45 (2s); 139.30 (s). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 610(25), 520(50), 488(100), 448 (60, [M − HNO]<sup>+</sup>), 91 (18). Anal. calc. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>6</sub> (479.57): C 70.13, H 6.94, N 2.92; found: C 70.21, H 7.00, N 2.75.

zyl-α-D-glucopyranoside (23). At 22°, a soln. of 20 (2.8 g, 5.0 mmol) and 18 (2.4 g, 5.0 mmol) in THF (60 ml, freshly distilled) was treated with Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N (3.0 ml, 17.5 mmol) and Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (2.4 g, 7.5 mmol), and kept for 8 h at 22°. After filtration through Celite and evaporation, the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO3 soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO4), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 9:1) afforded 23 (3.5 g, 70%), which was sufficiently pure (1H-NMR) to be used for the next step. Colourless oil. R<sub>f</sub> (hexane/AcOEt 7:3) 0.50. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3422w, 3088m, 3032m, 2912m, 2868m, 1651m, 1497m, 1454s, 1362m, 1323m, 1208m, 1162m, 1097s, 1052s, 1028s, 914m.  $^1$ H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.42 - 3.50(m, H-C(5), H-C(6')); 3.46 (s, MeO); 3.61 (m, J=12.5, 3.1, H'-C(6')); 3.60-3.78 (m, H-C(2), H-C(6), H-C(6)); 3.61 (m, H-C(2), H-C(6), H-C(6)); 3.61 (m, H-C(5), H-C(6')); 3.61 (m, H-C(5), H-C( $H-C(4'), H-C(5'); 3.90 (t, J \approx 3.3, H-C(3')); 4.06 (br. s, H-C(2')); 4.12-4.17 (m, H-C(4), H'-C(6)); 4.33 (br. s, H-C(3')); 4.12-4.17 (m, H-C(4), H'-C(6)); 4.33 (br. s, H-C(4), H'-C(4), H'$  $(t, J \approx 9.0, H-C(3)); 4.35 (d, J=11.5), 4.36 (d, J=11.7), 4.47 (d, J=12.2, 3 PhCH); 4.49 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.53 (d, J=11.7), 4.70 (d, J=12.2, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.70 (d,$ (d, J=11.2, PhCH); 4.54  $(s, PhCH_2)$ ; 4.56 (d, J=11.2), 4.68 (d, J=11.8, 2 PhCH); 4.69 (d, J=3.7, H-C(1)); 4.71 (d, J = 12.2, PhCH); 4.78 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.87 (d, J = 12.1, PhCH); 5.45 (s, NH); 7.16 - 7.40 (m, 35 arom. H). $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 51.31 (d, C(5)); 55.15 (q, MeO); 69.06 (d); 68.93, 69.11 (2t, C(6), C(6')); 70.28, 71.52, 72.25, 73.06, 73.38, 73.42, 75.23 (7t, 7 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 78.61 (d); 79.55 (d); 80.26 (d); 80.50 (2d); 81.97 (d); 98.50 (d, C(1)); 127.54-128.80 (several d); 137.53-139.41 (several s); 148.93 (s, C(1')). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 999  $(100, [M+H]^+), 967(45), 91(17).$ 

Methyl 2,3,6-Tri-O-acetyl-4-O-[(Z)-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-5-amino-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranosylidene)amino]α-p-glucopyranoside (24). A soln. of 23 (0.31 g, 0.31 mmol) in THF (1.5 ml) was added to a deep-blue soln. of Li (50 mg, 7.1 mmol) in condensed EtNH<sub>2</sub> (ca. 15 ml) at  $-60^{\circ}$  within 4 min. The mixture was stirred at  $-60^{\circ}$ for 15 min and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (50 mg). After evaporation, the residue was dried, dissolved in pyridine (10 ml), and treated with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml) at 0°. After 16 h at 21°, the mixture was taken to dryness, and the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 6:4) afforded 24 (0.15 g, 73%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm I}$  (hexane/ AcOEt 1:1) 0.15. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3392w (br.), 2999w, 2941m, 2843w, 1732s, 1657s, 1434s, 1372s, 1330m, 1206s, 1170m, 1129m, 1036s, 904m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 2.02, 2.06, 2.07, 2.08, 2.09, 2.12, 2.13 (7s, 7 AcO); 3.38 (s, MeO); 3.59-3.64 (m, H-C(5')); 3.96-4.10 (m, H-C(4), H-C(5), H-C(6')); 4.23-4.32 (m, 2H-C(6), H-C(6))H'-C(6'); 4.82 (dd, J=8.7, 3.4, H-C(2)); 4.89 (d, J=3.0, H-C(1)); 4.98 (dd, J=8.4, 6.2, H-C(4')); 5.19  $(t, J \approx 6.2, H-C(3')); 5.29 (d, J = 6.2, H-C(2')); 5.32 (br. s, NH); 5.48 (t, J \approx 8.7, H-C(3)).$  <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, NH) <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) <sup>13</sup> 75 MHz): 20.58, 20.63, 20.68, 20.73, 20.78, 20.84, 20.91 (7q, 7 Me); 52.31 (d, C(5)); 55.35 (q, MeO); 62.90, 63.07 (2t, C(6), C(6')); 67.60(d); 67.69(d); 69.81(d); 69.92(d); 71.09(d); 71.75(d); 78.94(d); 96.81(d, C(1)); 147.74(d); 96.81(d, C(1)); 147.74(d); 96.81(d, C(1)); 147.74(d); 96.81(d, C(1)); 147.74(d); 96.81(d); 96.81(d(s, C(1')); 169.03, 169.73, 169.76, 170.33, 170.57, 170.96, 171.25 (7s, 7 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 663 (100,  $[M+H]^+$ , 631 (20).

Methyl 4-[(Z)- $(5-Amino-5-deoxy-D-glucopyranosylidene)amino]-<math>\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (6). At 0°, a soln. of 24 (0.14 g, 0.21 mmol) in MeOH (5 ml) was treated dropwise with a freshly prepared 1n soln. of NaOMe in

MeOH ( $ca.\ 0.2\ \text{ml}$ ). The mixture was stirred at 5° for 8 h, neutralized by treatment with *Amberlite IR-120* (H<sup>+</sup> form), filtered, and evaporated. The crude product was purified by reversed-phase HPLC (RP-18 silica gel, MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 1:9  $\rightarrow$ 9:1) to give, after crystallization from MeOH, **6** (68 mg, 88%). Colourless crystals.  $R_{\rm f}$  (AcOEt/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:2:1) 0.40. M.p. 128 – 129° (dec., MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O). [a] $_{\rm D}^{\rm 25}$  = + 110.9 (c = 0.71, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3425s, 3343s, 3310s, 2928m, 1662s, 1450m, 1405m, 1332s, 1109s, 935s, 906m.  $^{\rm 1}$ H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 500 MHz): 3.15 (ddd, J = 9.2, 6.9, 2.9, H–C(5')); 3.38 (dd, 9.1, 8.5, H–C(4')); 3.40 (s, MeO); 3.46 (dd, J = 9.6, 3.8, H–C(2)); 3.53 (dd, J = 11.1, 7.1, H–C(6')); 3.55 (t, J  $\approx$  8.5, H–C(3')); 3.69 (t, 3.80 (t, H–C(3)), 4.70 (t, 4.70 (t), 4.70 (t), 4.70 (t), 5.70 (t), 5.81 (t) (t), 6.81 (t), 6.81 (t), 6.81 (t), 6.81 (t), 70.81 (t), 71.48 (t), 72.33 (t), 73.35 (t), 76.65 (t), 80.16 (t), 100.71 (t), C(1)); 154.16 (t), C(1')). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 737 (t), [t], 74.47 (t), 391 (30), 369 (100, [t], t], 337 (32). Anal. calc. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>. t2 H<sub>2</sub>O (377.33): C 41.38, H 6.68, N 7.42; found: C 41.20, H 6.51, N 7.63.

4. Preparation of **7**. 5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-1-thio-D-galactono-1,5-lactam (**26**). A soln. of **25** [37] (1.5 g, 2.8 mmol) in toluene (20 ml) was treated with Lawesson's reagent (1.0 g, 2.5 mmol), heated at 80° for 20 min, and evaporated. FC (hexane/Et<sub>2</sub>O 1:2) of the residue gave **26** (1.4 g, 88%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) 0.50.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{\rm 25}$  = + 106.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3356w, 3006w, 2870w, 1514m, 1454m, 1361w, 1316m, 1135m, 1102s, 1069s, 1028m. ¹H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): 3.48 – 3.76 (m, H – C(5), 2 H – C(6)); 3.82 (dd, J = 7.9, 2.1, H – C(3)); 4.06 (m, H – C(4)); 4.44 (d, J = 12.0, PhCH); 4.48 (d, J = 7.5, H – C(2)); 4.50 (d, J = 12.0), 4.56 (d, J = 12.0), 4.63 (d, J = 12.4), 4.76 (d, J = 12.0), 4.84 (d, J = 11.6), 4.87 (d, J = 10.8), 5.37 (d, J = 10.4, 7 PhCH); 7.23 – 7.49 (m, 20 arom. H); 8.17 (br. s, NH).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 50 MHz): 57.25 (d, C(5)); 69.15 (t, C(6)); 72.07 (d); 72.67, 73.28, 73.39, 73.56 (dt, 4 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 78.86 (d); 80.93 (d); 125.46 – 128.92 (several d); 137.20, 137.60, 137.84, 137.97 (ds); 201.61 (s, C(1)). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 1105 (2, [d — H]†), 554 (100, [d + H]†), 91 (21). Anal. calc. for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>35</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S (553.72): C 73.75, H 6.37, N 2.53; found: C 73.74, H 6.38, N 2.52.

(*Z*)-5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-D-galactonohydroximo-1,5-lactam (**27**). A soln. of **26** (1.10 g, 2.0 mmol) in dry MeOH (20 ml) was treated with NH<sub>2</sub>OH·HCl (0.45 g, 6.5 mmol) and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (0.55 g, 6.5 mmol), and kept under reflux for 2 h. Evaporation and FC (hexane/AcOEt 3:1) gave **27** (0.98 g, 89%). Colourless oil.  $R_t$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.45.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +32.2$  (c=1.14, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 3597w, 3397w (br.), 3006w, 2869w, 1731w, 1648m, 1496w, 1454m, 1368w, 1308w, 1252w, 1094s, 1027m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.77 (s, H-C(5), 2 H-C(6)); 3.92 (dd, J=5.3, 2.2, H-C(3)); 4.19 (d, J=5.3, H-C(2)); 4.22-4.25 (m, H-C(4)); 4.49 (d, J=11.9), 4.54 (d, J=11.8), 4.56 (d, J=11.9), 4.57 (d, J=11.8), 4.59 (d, J=12.1), 4.67 (d, J=12.1), 4.68 (d, J=11.8), 4.82 (d, J=11.5, 8 PhCH); 5.80 (br. s, NH); 7.23-7.38 (m, 20 arom. H); 8.09 (br. s, OH). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 53.66 (d, C(5)); 71.46 (t, C(6)); 72.06, 72.38, 72.59 (3t, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 73.29 (d); 73.35 (t, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 74.00 (d); 77.49 (d); 127.56-128.49 (several d); 138.11, 138.21, 138.32 (3s, 4 C); 150.10 (s, C(1)). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 1105 (3, [2M+H]<sup>+</sup>), 553 (100, [M+H]<sup>+</sup>), 91 (27). Anal. calc. for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (552.67): C 73.89, H 6.57, N 5.07; found: C 73.85, H 6.56, N 4.86.

(Z)-N<sup>1</sup>,2,3,4,6-Penta-O-acetyl-5-amino-5-deoxy-D-galactonohydroximo-1,5-lactam (28). At  $-60^\circ$ , a soln. of 27 (0.75 g, 1.4 mmol) in THF (2 ml) was added to a deep-blue soln. of Li (0.10 g, 14.3 mmol) in condensed EtNH<sub>2</sub> (ca. 10 ml) within 2 min. The mixture was stirred at  $-60^\circ$  for 10 min and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (0.10 g). After evaporation, the residue was dried, dissolved in pyridine (10 ml), and treated with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml) at 0°. After 1 h at 20°, the mixture was taken to dryness, and the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 1:2), followed by HPLC (hexane/AcOEt 2:3), afforded 28 (0.39 g, 69%). Colourless oil.  $R_t$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:2) 0.22. [ $\alpha$ ] $_D^{\text{S}} = + 31.0$  (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3408w, 3068w, 2960w, 1753s, 1640m, 1438m, 1370m, 1218s, 1078m, 1047m, 1002m, 941m, 596w. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 1.98, 2.03, 2.06, 2.08, 2.11 (5s, 5 AcO); 3.83 (m, H-C(5)); 3.99 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.5, H-C(6)); 4.15 (dd, J = 11.2, 5.9, H'-C(6)); 5.26 (dd, J = 9.3, 2.8, H-C(3)); 5.55 (m, H-C(4)); 5.65 (d, J = 9.3, H-C(2)); 5.66 (s, Nh). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 19.43, 20.27, 20.35, 20.43 (4q, 5 Me); 51.66 (d, C(5)); 62.97 (t, C(6)); 65.13 (d); 66.01 (d); 69.87 (d); 151.36 (s, C(1)); 169.00, 169.71, 169.81, 170.53 (4s, 5 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 1207 (4, [3M+H]<sup>+</sup>), 805 (40, [2M+H]<sup>+</sup>), 747 (5), 403 (100, [M+H]<sup>+</sup>), 360 (9). Anal. calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>·½ H<sub>2</sub>O (411.34): C 46.72, H 5.64, N 6.81; found: C 46.74, H 5.40, N 6.71.

(Z)-5-Amino-5-deoxy-D-galactonohydroximo-1,5-lactam (7) [36]. At 5°, a soln. of **28** (160 mg, 0.4 mmol) in MeOH (5 ml) was treated with a sat. soln. of NH<sub>3</sub> in MeOH (2 ml), stirred at 5° for 4 h, and evaporated to give, after crystallization from MeOH, **7** (70 mg, 91%). Colourless crystals.  $R_t$  (AcOEt/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:2:1) 0.15. M.p. 149–151° (dec., MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O). IR (KBr): 3418s, 3344s, 3290s, 2993m, 2942m, 1663s, 1643s, 1456m, 1419m, 1338s, 1159m, 1096s, 1078s, 974s, 875m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 300 MHz): 3.33–3.37 (m, H–C(5)); 3.58 (dd, J = 11.2, 7.1, H–C(6)); 3.66 (dd, J = 11.2, 5.9, H'-C(6)); 3.70 (br. d, J = 8.1, H–C(3)); 4.04 (br. s, H–C(4)); 4.27

(br. d, J = 9.3, H–C(2)). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O, 75 MHz): 53.58 (d, C(5)); 60.02 (t, C(6)); 65.00 (d); 66.37 (d); 71.58 (d); 156.80 (s, C(1)). Anal. calc. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>·¼ H<sub>2</sub>O (196.66): C 36.64, H 6.36, N 14.24; found: C 36.89, H 6.41, N 14.05.

5. Preparation of 8. Methyl 4-O-[(Z)-(5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-D-galactopyranosylidene)amino]-2,3,6-tri-O-benzyl-β-D-glucopyranoside (29). At 22°, a soln. of 26 (0.25 g, 0.45 mmol) and 14 (0.23 g, 0.48 mmol) in THF (10 ml, freshly distilled) was treated with Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N (1 ml, 5.8 mmol) and Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (0.23 g, 0.72 mmol), and kept for 8 h at 22°. After filtration through Celite and evaporation, the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 9:1) afforded 29 (0.38 g), which was sufficiently pure (1H-NMR) to be used for the next step. Colourless oil.  $R_f$  (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) 0.50. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3089w, 3033m, 2910m, 2868m, 1654m, 1497m, 1454m, 1421w, 1390m, 1361m, 1310m, 1211m, 1070s, 1028s, 896m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): 3.45 - 3.47 (m, H - C(5)); 3.60 (s, MeO); 3.66 - 3.72 (m, H - C(2), H - C(5'), 2H - C(6')); 3.78 - 3.80(m, H-C(3)); 3.81-3.91 (m, H-C(4), H-C(6), H-C(3')); 4.07 (d, J=8.3, H-C(2')); 4.05-4.12(m, H'-C(6)); 4.19 (m, H-C(4')); 4.28 (d, J=12.4, PhCH); 4.34 (d, J=7.0, H-C(1)); 4.38 (d, J=11.2), $4.46 \ (d, J = 11.7), \ 4.47 \ (d, J = 12.0, \ 3 \ PhCH); \ 4.54 \ (s, PhCH_2); \ 4.57 \ (d, J = 12.4, \ 2 \ PhCH); \ 4.59 \ (d, J = 11.6, \ 4.59)$ 2 PhCH); 4.72 (d, J = 11.6, 2 PhCH); 4.79 (d, J = 11.6), 4.89 (d, J = 11.2, 2 PhCH); 5.63 (s, NH); 7.11 - 7.36(m, 35 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 53.84 (d, C(5')); 57.17 (q, MeO); 69.55, 71.81 (2t, C(6), C(6')); 71.85, 72.56, 72.83 (3t, 3 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 73.30 (d); 73.40, 73.58, 73.68, 73.74 (4t, 4 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 73.92 (d); 74.34 (d); 77.74 (d); 80.27 (d); 80.66 (d); 82.46 (d); 104.80 (d, C(1)); 127.45 – 128.81 (several d); 138.31 – 139.44 (several s); 149.55 (s, C(1')). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 999 (65,  $[M+H]^+$ ), 967 (12), 91 (100).

Methyl 2,3,6-Tri-O-acetyl-4-O-[(Z)-(2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl-5-amino-5-deoxy-D-galactopyranosylidene)amino]-β-D-glucopyranoside (30). At  $-60^{\circ}$ , a soln. of 29 (0.31 g, 0.31 mmol) in THF (1 ml) was added to a deepblue soln. of Li (50 mg, 7.1 mmol) in condensed EtNH<sub>2</sub> (ca. 15 ml) within 2 min. The mixture was stirred at  $-60^{\circ}$ for 15 min and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (50 mg). After evaporation, the residue was dried, dissolved in pyridine (10 ml), and treated with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml) at 0°. After 3 h at 21°, the mixture was taken to dryness, and the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln.  $(2 \times 25 \text{ ml})$ . Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, FC (hexane/AcOEt 2:1), and HPLC (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) afforded pure 30 (0.18 g, 88%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.15.  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = +7.7$  (c=0.53, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3068w, 2960w, 1753s, 1647m, 1437m, 1370s, 1227s, 1172m, 1045s, 906m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 2.03, 2.04, 2.05, 2.08, 2.10, 2.12, 2.15 (7s, 7 AcO); 3.49 (s, MeO); 3.71 – 3.79 (m, H-C(5), H-C(5')); 3.95 (dd, 10.9, 7.8, H-C(6')); 4.04  $(t, J \approx 9.7, H-C(4)); 4.18 (dd, J=10.9, 5.3, H'-C(6)); 4.24 (dd, J=12.1, 5.6, H-C(6)); 4.38 (d, J=8.1, 1.2);$ H-C(1); 4.43 (dd, J = 12.1, 2.2 H'-C(6)); 4.95 (dd, J = 10.0, 8.1, H-C(2)); 5.19 (dd, J = 9.3, 2.5, H-C(3')); 5.28  $(t, J \approx 9.3, H-C(3))$ ; 5.28 (s, NH); 5.56 (m, H-C(4)); 5.65 (d, J=9.3, H-C(2)). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 50 MHz): 20.59, 20.75 (2q, 7 Me); 51.66 (d, C(5')); 56.84 (q, MeO); 62.90, 63.47 (2t, C(6), C(6')); 65.09 (d); 66.26(d); 70.20(d); 71.44(d); 72.26(d); 72.36(d); 78.74(d); 101.53(d, C(1)); 147.31(s, C(1')); 169.45 - 170.82(several s, 7 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 1347 (3,  $[2M+H]^+$ ), 685 (22), 663 (100,  $[M+H]^+$ ), 631 (12). Anal. calc. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>17</sub> (662.60): C 48.94, H 5.78, N 4.23; found: C 48.96, H 5.90, N 4.20.

*Methyl* 4-O-[(Z)-(5-Amino-5-deoxy-D-galactopyranosylidene)amino]-β-D-glucopyranoside (**8**). At 0°, a soln. of **30** (0.11 g, 0.17 mmol) in MeOH (5 ml) was treated with a sat. soln. of NH<sub>3</sub> in MeOH (2 ml), stirred at 5° for 8 h, and evaporated to give, after crystallization from MeOH, **8** (59 mg, 94%). Colourless crystals.  $R_{\rm f}$  (AcOEt/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:2:1) 0.10. M.p. 166–168° (dec., MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O). ¹H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 500 MHz): 3.23 (dd, J = 8.7, 7.9, H−C(2)); 3.35 (ddd, J = 7.2, 5.3, 2.9, H−C(5')); 3.52 (s, MeO); 3.54 (ddd, J = 9.4, 4.9, 2.3, H−C(5)); 3.67 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.6, H−C(3')); 3.69 – 3.73 (m, 2 H−C(6')); 3.74 (t, J ≈ 8.9, H−C(3)); 3.75 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.0, H−C(6)); 3.78 (t, J ≈ 9.3, H−C(4)); 3.82 (dd, J = 12.3, 2.2, H'−C(6)); 4.05 (t, J ≈ 2.7, H−C(4')); 4.19 (t, t = 7.8, H−C(1)); 4.30 (t, t = 8.9, H−C(2')). ¹³C-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 75 MHz): 57.08 (t, t = 7.04 (t + 1.05 (t + 1.

6. Preparation of 9. (Z)-5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-1-N-(dodecyloxy)-D-gluconimido-1,5-lactam (33). a) From 19 and 31. A vigorously stirred mixture of 19 (0.43 g, 0.78 mmol), dodecyl bromide (31) (0.19 ml, 0.78 mmol), Et<sub>4</sub>NBr (20 mg), in toluene (20 ml), and an aq. soln. of NaOH (1.3 g in 10 ml) was heated to reflux for 16 h. The layers were separated and the aq. layer was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (2 × 15 ml). Drying of the combined org. layers (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) afforded 33 (0.38 g, 67%).

b) From **20** and **32**·HCl. A mixture of **20** (1.58 g, 2.85 mmol), **32**·HCl [38] (1.21 g, 5.10 mmol), and NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (0.80 g, 10.0 mmol) in MeOH (30 ml) was heated to reflux for 6 h. Evaporation and FC (hexane/

AcOEt 6:1) afforded **33** (1.50 g, 73%). Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 4:1) 0.80. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3400w, 3088m, 3032m, 2930s, 2850s, 1650m, 1505m, 1453s, 1361m, 1326m, 1213m, 1158m, 1098s, 1050s, 1030s, 912m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.90 (t, t = 6.9, Me); 1.27 (br. s, 18 H); 1.61 – 1.72 (m, 2 H); 3.51 (dd, t = 9.7, 6.8, H – C(6)); 3.53 (dd, t = 9.9, 4.3, H' – C(6)); 3.69 – 3.77 (m, H – C(4), H – C(5)); 3.94 (dd, t = 4.4, 2.5, H – C(3)); 4.03 (t, t = 6.8, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 4.09 (br. t + 0.10; 4.37 (t + 11.5), 4.40 (t + 11.9), 4.50 (t + 11.5), 4.52 (t + 11.5), 4.55 (t + 12.1), 4.57 (t + 12.1), 4.66 (t + 11.5), 4.77 (t + 12.2, 8 PhCH); 5.47 (t + NH); 7.16 – 7.20 (t + 2 arom. H); 7.26 – 7.41 (t + 18 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 14.03 (t + 13.03 (t + 13.04); 29.30 (t + 13.05; 29.54 (t + 13.05; 29.56 (t + 13.05); 51.24 (t + 13.05; 69.26 (t + 13.05; 70.42, 71.70, 72.36, 73.06 (t + 13.06); 73.58 (t + 13.06); 74.34 (t + 13.06) (t + 13.07; 73.58 (t + 13.07; 74.34 (t + 13.06) (t + 13.07; 73.58 (t + 13.08; 74.34 (t); 80.60 (t); 82.26 (t); 127.72 – 128.57 (several t); 137.72, 137.98, 138.01, 138.08 (t + 13.08; 148.90 (t + 13.00; C(1)).

(Z)-5-Amino-5-deoxy-1-N-(dodecyloxy)-D-gluconimido-1,5-lactam (9). At 0°, a soln. of 34 (0.12 g, 0.23 mmol) in MeOH (5 ml) was treated dropwise with a freshly prepared ln soln. of NaOMe in MeOH (ca. 0.2 ml). The mixture was stirred at 22° for 8 h, neutralized by treatment with Amberlite IR-120 (H<sup>+</sup>-form), filtered, and evaporated to afford, after FC (AcOEt), 9 (80 mg, 97%). Colourless crystals.  $R_t$  (AcOEt/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 7:2:1) 0.75. M.p. 107.5 – 108° (dec., AcOEt/MeOH).  $[\alpha]_D^{15} = + 24.4$  (c = 0.66, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3425s, 3312s, 2990m, 2965m, 1663s, 1575m, 1453m, 1410w, 1322s, 1125s, 970s, 896m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 0.90 (t, J = 6.9, Me); 1.29 (br. s, 18 H); 1.61 – 1.66 (m, 2 H); 3.14 (ddd, J = 9.2, 7.5, 2.9, H–C(5)); 3.34 (dd, J = 9.2, 4.4 (J = 0.2), 3.48 (J = 0.2), 3.48 (J = 0.2), 3.49 (J =

7. Preparation of 10. cis-2-Phenyl-5-[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyloxy]-1,3-dioxane (36). At  $-15^\circ$ , Tf  $_2$ O (10.0 g, 5.8 ml, 38 mmol) was added dropwise within 25 min to a stirred suspension of cis-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-5-ol (35) [39] (3.4 g, 19 mmol), pyridine (3.0 ml, 36 mmol), and 3-Å molecular sieves (0.1 g) in CH $_2$ Cl $_2$  (25 ml). The suspension was stirred at  $-15^\circ$  for 2 h, poured into a cold IM aq. HCl soln. (50 ml), and the org. layer was washed with H $_2$ O (3 × 40 ml). Evaporation and FC (hexane/AcOEt 2:1) gave 36 (5.2 g, 88%), which was of sufficient purity for the next step. Colourless solid.  $R_t$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.80. M.p. 35 – 36 $^\circ$  (hexane/AcOEt). IR (CH $_2$ Cl $_2$ ): 3030w, 2880w, 1520w, 1451m, 1408s, 1212s, 1145s, 1108s, 1079s, 1029m, 960s.  $^1$ H-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 300 MHz): 4.23 (dd, J = 13.7, <1.0, 2 H); 4.45 (dd, J = 13.7, 1.3, 2 H); 4.86 (br. s, H–C(5)); 5.57 (s, H–C(2)); 7.27 – 7.54 (m, 5 arom. H).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 75 MHz): 68.95 (t, C(4), C(6)); 79.86 (d, C(5)); 101.67 (d, C(2)); 118.70 (q,  $^1$ J(C,F) = 321, CF $_3$ ); 128.67 (2d); 129.75 (2d); 130.04 (d); 137.26 (s).  $^{19}$ F-NMR (CDCl $_3$ , 282 MHz): -74.99. FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 179 (70, [M – CF $_3$ SO $_2$ ] $^+$ ), 105 (90), 91 (100).

trans-2-Phenyl-5-(phthalimidooxy)-1,3-dioxane (= 2-[(trans-2-Phenyl-1,3-dioxan-5-yl)oxy]-1H-isoindole-1,3-(2H)-dione; **37**). A soln. of **36** (0.4 g, 1.2 mmol) and N-hydroxyphthalimide (0.24 g, 1.48 mmol) in DMPU (2 ml), and Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.26 ml, 1.48 mmol) was stirred at 22°. After 20 h, the mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O (20 ml), and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 × 25 ml). The org. layer was washed with a sat. aq. soln. of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (3 × 15 ml), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated to afford, after trituration with Et<sub>2</sub>O, **37** (0.3 g, 77%). Colourless solid.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.30. M.p. 172.5 – 173° (EtOH). IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3068w, 2952w, 2869w, 1792m, 1736s, 1469m, 1456m, 1394m, 1374m, 1222m, 1188s, 1158m, 1118m, 1100s, 1082m, 1026s, 1010m, 978m, 879m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.97 (t,  $J \approx 10.9$ , 2 H); 4.45 – 4.49 (m, H – C(5)); 4.58 – 4.60 (m, 2 H); 5.48 (s, H – C(2));

7.35 – 7.41 (m, 3 arom. H); 7.45 – 7.49 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.75 – 7.81 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.84 – 7.90 (m, 2 arom. H). 
<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 68.47 (t, C(4), C(6)); 75.89 (d, C(5)); 101.50 (d, C(2)); 124.07 (2d); 126.40 (2d); 128.59 (2d); 128.97 (2s); 129.40 (d); 135.06 (2d); 137.39 (s); 163.93 (s, 2 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 651 (4, [2M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 326 (100, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 220 (35). Anal. calc. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> (325.32): C 66.46, H 4.65, N 4.31; found: C 66.22. H 4.77. N 4.31.

trans-5-Aminooxy-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxane (= O-(trans-2-Phenyl-1,3-dioxan-5-yl)hydroxylamine; **38**). A soln. of **37** (0.2 g, 0.6 mmol) in EtOH (5 ml) and hydrazine hydrate (80%, 1 ml) was kept under reflux for 2 h. Concentration to ca. 50 ml gave a colourless solid, which was removed by filtration. After evaporation to dryness the residue was purified by FC (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) to afford **38** (0.18 g, 75%). Colourless oil.  $R_t$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:4) 0.80. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3331w, 3038m, 2982m, 2924m, 2862m, 2763m, 1674w, 1606w, 1589w, 1470m, 1456m, 1388m, 1316m, 1214m, 1156m, 1098s, 1077s, 1037s, 977m, 905m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.63 (t,  $J \approx$  10.4, 2 H); 3.95 – 3.99 (m, H – C(5)); 4.46 (dd, J = 10.5, 5.0, 2 H); 5.41 (s, H – C(2), NH<sub>2</sub>); 7.36 – 7.42 (m, 3 arom. H); 7.49 – 7.52 (m, 2 arom. H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 69.29 (t, C(4), C(6)); 72.06 (t, C(5)); 101.41 (t, C(2)); 126.42 (2t); 128.57 (2t); 129.23 (t); 137.99 (t). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 236 (100), 196 (85, [t] + H]<sup>+</sup>), 130 (80, [t] – HNO]<sup>+</sup>), 105 (47), 91 (40).

(Z)-5-Amino-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-deoxy-I-N-[(trans-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-5-yl)oxy]-D-gluconimido-I,5-lactam (39). At 21°, a soln. of 20 (0.97 g, 1.8 mmol) and 38 (0.34 g, 1.75 mmol) in THF (5 ml, freshly distilled) was treated with Et(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>N (0.90 ml, 5.30 mmol) and Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (0.84 g, 2.64 mmol), and stirred for 16 h at 21°. After filtration through *Celite* and evaporation, the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation, and FC (hexane/AcOEt 9:1) afforded 39 (1.01 g, 81%), which was sufficiently pure ( $^{1}$ H-NMR) to be used for the next step. Colourless oil.  $R_{\rm f}$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.75. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3420w, 3085w, 3053m, 2912m, 2886m, 1650w, 1450s, 1362m, 1210m, 1155m, 1088s, 1050s, 914m.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 3.48 (dd, J = 10.2, 7.1, H-C(6)); 3.49 (dd, J = 10.3, 3.7, H'-C(6)); 3.69 –3.79 (m, H-C(4), H-C(5), H-C(4'), H-C(6')); 3.92 (dd, J = 4.4, 2.8, H-C(3)); 4.04 (br. s, H-C(2)); 4.38 –4.59 (m, 9 H); 4.62 (d, J = 11.9), 4.75 (d, J = 11.8, 2 PhCH); 5.36 (s, NH); 5.45 (s, H-C(2')); 7.17 –7.22 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.24 –7.43 (m, 21 arom. H); 7.50 –7.55 (m, 2 arom. H).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 50 MHz): 50.58 (d, C(5)); 69.57, 69.92, 70.18 (3r, C(6), C(4'), C(6')); 70.21 (d, C(5')); 70.87, 72.08, 72.62, 73.32 (4t, 4 PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 74.02 (d); 80.52 (d); 82.11 (d); 101.63 (d, C(2')); 126.49 –129.28 (several d); 137.79 (s); 137.91 (2s); 138.07 (2s); 150.10 (s, C(1)). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 715 (100, [m+H]<sup>+</sup>), 91 (45).

(Z)-2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-acetyl-5-amino-5-deoxy-1-N-[2-acetoxy-1-(acetoxymethyl)ethoxy]-D-gluconimido-1,5-lactam (40). A soln. of 39 (0.20 g, 0.28 mmol) in THF (1.5 ml) was added to a deep-blue soln. of Li (50 mg, 7.1 mmol) in condensed EtNH<sub>2</sub> (ca. 15 ml) at  $-78^{\circ}$  within 4 min. The mixture was stirred at  $-78^{\circ}$  for 15 min and treated with NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (50 mg). After evaporation, the residue was dried, dissolved in pyridine (10 ml), and treated with Ac<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml) at  $0^{\circ}$ . After 16 h at 23°, the mixture was taken to dryness, and the residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (25 ml) and washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. (2 × 25 ml). Drying of the org. phase (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation FC (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) and HPLC (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) afforded 40 (0.11 g, 79%). Colourless oil.  $R_f$  (hexane/AcOEt 1:1) 0.10. IR (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>): 3380w (br.), 3008w, 2940m, 2866w, 1730s, 1657s, 1430s, 1369m, 1207s, 1153m, 1129m, 1037s, 912m. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 2.05, 2.06, 2.07, 2.10, 2.11, 2.12 (6s, 6 AcO); 3.67 (dddd, J = 9.6, 6.2, 2.8, 1.6, H-C(5)); 4.04 (dd, J = 12.2, 6.3, H-C(6)); 4.19-4.29 (m, H-C(6)); 5.07 (ddd, J = 9.6, 6.2, 4.3 -4.39 (m, H-C(1')); 5.02 (dd, J = 9.6, 6.5, H-C(4)); 5.24 (t, t  $\approx$  6.2, H-C(3)); 5.37 (d, J = 5.9, H-C(2)); 5.41 (br. s, NH). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 20.72, 20.75, 20.76, 20.82, 20.91, 20.98 (6g, 6 Me); 52.31 (d, C(5)); 62.53 (t, 2 AcOCH<sub>2</sub>); 63.01 (t, C(6)); 67.92 (d); 70.11 (d); 72.24 (d); 78.50 (d, C(1')); 147.78 (s, C(1)); 169.27, 169.69, 169.81, 171.02, 171.10, 171.15 (s, 6 C=O). FAB-MS (3-NOBA): 519 (100, [M + H] $^+$ ).

8. Inhibition Studies. a) Inhibition of Sweet-Almond  $\beta$ -Glucosidases. The  $IC_{50}$  value was determined at 37°, using commercial sweet-almond- $\beta$ -glucosidases, a 0.08M KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> buffer (pH 6.8), and 4-nitrophenyl  $\beta$ -

D-glucopyranoside (1.2 mm) as substrate. Measurements were started by addition of the enzyme. The increase of absorption per min at 400 nm was taken as velocity for the hydrolysis of the substrate. The increase was linear during all measurements (3 min).

- b) Inhibition of Caldocellum saccharolyticum  $\beta$ -Glucosidase. Similarly as described in a, using commercial Caldocellum saccharolyticum  $\beta$ -glucosidase. The  $IC_{50}$  value was determined at 55°.
- c) Inhibition of Brewer's Yeast  $\alpha$ -Glucosidase. Similarly as described in a using commercial brewer's yeast  $\alpha$ -glucosidase and 4-nitrophenyl  $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (1.2 mm) as substrate.
- d) Inhibition of Bovine  $\beta$ -Galactosidase. Similarly as described in a using commercial bovine  $\beta$ -galactosidase, a 0.05m NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> buffer (pH 7.0), 0.1% BSA (bovine serum albumin), 1 mm MgCl<sub>2</sub>, and 4-nitrophenyl  $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside (0.24 mm) as substrate.
- e) Inhibition of E. coli  $\beta$ -Galactosidase. The  $K_i$  value was determined at 30°, using commercial E. coli  $\beta$ -D-galactosidase, a 0.2m KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> buffer (pH 6.8), 1 mm MgCl<sub>2</sub>, and 4-nitrophenyl  $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside (0.1–1.0 mm) as substrate. Rates were measured at a series of substrate concentrations (typically 7 concentrations) which bracket the  $K_M$  value in the presence of a range of inhibitor concentrations (typically 5 concentrations) which bracket the  $K_i$  value ultimately determined.
- f) Inhibition of Coffee Beans  $\alpha$ -Galactosidase. Similarly as described in e using commercial coffee beans  $\alpha$ -galactosidase, a 0.1m NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>/Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> buffer (pH 6.0), and 4-nitrophenyl  $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranoside (0.1 1.2 mm) as substrate.

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