

# Synthesis and Application of Carbohydrate-Derived Morpholine Amino Acids<sup>†</sup>

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The synthesis of series of diversely functionalized  $\epsilon$ -morpholine amino acids (MAAs, 5a-h) starting from an  $\epsilon$ -sugar amino acid and following a two-step oxidative glycol cleavage/reductive amination strategy, is described. In an alternative synthetic scheme, diastereoisomerically pure  $\delta$ -MAAs (12a,b) were obtained. Oligopeptides containing MAAs were prepared either by direct incorporation of a MAA building block or by subjecting a fully assembled SAA-containing peptide to the two-step glycol cleavage/reductive amination procedure.

## Introduction

The design, synthesis, and application of peptidomimetic compounds has been a focal point of research for many years. The generation of a plethora of peptide analogues and their incorporation in oligopeptides has led to the identification of pharmaceutically interesting compounds. As secondary structure is a decisive factor in the functioning of peptides and proteins, scaffolds that restrict the conformational freedom have been applied to provide structural stabilization when incorporated in oligopeptides.<sup>2</sup> Moreover, the incorporation of nonproteinogenic residues can have beneficial effects on metabolic stability, whereas additional functionalities on the molecular framework allow the attachment of potential pharmacophoric groups. Sugar amino acids (SAAs), carbohydrate scaffolds appended with an amine and carboxylic acid moiety, have been employed successfully as nonproteinogenic compounds. SAAs are a structurally and functionally diverse class of peptidomimetics and exist as furanoid, pyranoid, open-chain, and fused-ring systems. Hydroxyl groups that originate from the parent sugar can participate in secondary structure formation.

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# SCHEME 1a

<sup>a</sup> Reagents and conditions: (i) 2 M HCl/MeOH (1/3 v/v), 16 h, 82%; (ii)  $H_5IO_6$  (1.5 equiv), THF, 20 min, 94%; (iii) R-NH₂ (1.1 equiv), NaCNBH₃ (4.2 equiv), trimethyl orthoformate/MeOH (1/3 v/v), AcOH, 3 Å mol sieves, 16 h, **4a**; 54%, **4b**; 36%, **4c**; 38%, **4d**; 59%, **4e**; 33%, **4f**; 45%, **4g**; 41% and **4h**; 33%; (iv) 1 m NaOH (2 equiv), THF, 4 h, then Amberlite IR-120 (H<sup>+</sup>), **5a**; quant, **5b**; 94%, **5c**; quant, **5d**; quant, **5e**; 78%, **5f**; 45%, **5g**; 78% and **5h**; quant.

more, the generation of morpholine derivatives from nucleoside building blocks and their incorporation in oligonucleotide analogues that possess favorable antisense properties has been described.<sup>9</sup>

We herein report the synthesis of a series  $\delta$ - and  $\epsilon$ -morpholine amino acids (MAAs) bearing several different moieties on the endocyclic nitrogen, starting from SAA building blocks and following the aforementioned glycol-cleavage/reductive amination-strategy. To demonstrate the versatility of the approach, a single type II'  $\beta$ -turn of the model peptide GS has been replaced by an  $\epsilon$ -MAA, both through direct incorporation of an MAA building block and by modification of a SAA-containing GS analogue after complete assembly of the cyclic oligopeptide.

## **Results and Discussion**

The synthesis of a set of  $\epsilon$ -morpholine amino acids ( $\mathbf{5a}$ - $\mathbf{h}$ ) is outlined in Scheme 1. Starting from D-(+)-ribose, the protected SAA building block 1 was obtained following a high-yielding four-step procedure developed recently in our laboratory. This route entails the installation of the acetonide at the 2,3-diol, Wittig olefination at the anomeric center, mesylation of the remaining hydroxyl functionality, and subsequent introduction of the azide moiety. Removal of the isopropylidene protective group in SAA 1 by acidolysis exposed the *cis*-diol

system to give **2** in 82% yield. Glycol cleavage was effected by treatment with periodic acid to afford dialdehyde **3**, together with its corresponding hydrates. <sup>11</sup> The MAA-core structures  $\mathbf{4a-h}$  were obtained after slow addition of a solution of the appropriate amine in MeOH, that had been acidified with AcOH to approximately pH = 5 in advance, to a mixture of **3** and NaCNBH<sub>3</sub>. <sup>12</sup> The yields of the double reductive aminations varied for the benzylic amines ( $\mathbf{4a}$ ; 54%,  $\mathbf{4b}$ ; 36%,  $\mathbf{4c}$ ; 38%), the amino acid derivatives ( $\mathbf{4d}$ ; 59%,  $\mathbf{4e}$ ; 33%,  $\mathbf{4f}$ ; 45%), and the aliphatic amines ( $\mathbf{4g}$ ; 41%,  $\mathbf{4h}$ ; 33%). Saponification of the methyl ester functionalities in  $\mathbf{4a-h}$  produced the free  $\epsilon$ -morpholine amino acids  $\mathbf{5a-h}$ .

To establish whether the above-described approach to  $\epsilon$ -MAAs is also amenable for  $\delta$ -MAAs, SAA **7** (Scheme 2), having a similar cis-diol system as template **2**, was selected as our next synthetic target. The appropriate precursor **6** was prepared in a five-step procedure, comprising Kiliani ascension<sup>13</sup> of cyclohexylidene-protected D-(+)-ribose, followed by ditosylation, base-catalyzed ring contraction and introduction of the azide, according to the procedure developed by Fleet and coworkers. <sup>14</sup> The cis-diol in **7** was unveiled by acidic release of the cyclohexylidene group in **6** (59%). Periodate oxida-

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 $^a$  Reagents and conditions: (i) 4 M HCl/MeOH (1/4 v/v), 50 °C, 2 h, 59%; (ii)  $\rm H_5IO_6$ , THF, 30 min, 95%; (iii) R-NH $_2$  (1.1 equiv), NaCNBH $_3$  (4.2 equiv), trimethyl orthoformate/MeOH (1/2 v/v), AcOH, 3 Å mol sieves, 16 h, 8a; 22% and 8b; 22%.

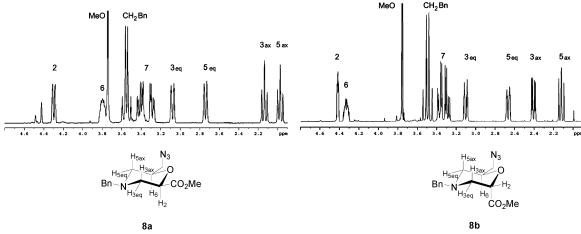


FIGURE 1. Parts of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 8a and 8b (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).

tion followed directly by reductive amination of the crude dialdehyde furnished, after silica column chromatography, the diastereoisomeric morpholines  $\bf 8a$  and  $\bf 8b$ , both in 22%.

The 2,6-cis configuration and 2,6-trans configuration of  $\bf 8a$  and  $\bf 8b$ , respectively, were established by comparison of the  $^1{\rm H}$  spectra (see Figure 1). The large geminal ( $^2J_{3{\rm ax},3{\rm eq}}=11.1~{\rm Hz}$ ) and vicinal ( $^3J_{3{\rm ax},2}=11.1~{\rm Hz}$ ) coupling constants confirmed a anti-periplanar relationship between  ${\rm H}_{3{\rm ax}}$  and  ${\rm H}_2$  in the case of  $\bf 8a$ . For  $\bf 8b$ , a large geminal ( $^2J_{3{\rm ax},3{\rm eq}}=11.6~{\rm Hz}$ ) and moderate vicinal ( $^3J_{3{\rm ax},2}=4.1~{\rm Hz}$ ) coupling constant were observed, indicating a gauche relationship between  ${\rm H}_{3{\rm ax}}$  and  ${\rm H}_2$ .

The unsuccessful attempts to suppress or circumvent epimerization during the glycol cleavage and ensuing reductive amination, together with the moderate yield and laborious separation, prompted us to select a sequence of reactions that excludes an intermediate  $\beta$ -keto ester. To this end, 2,5-anhydroglucitol **9** (Scheme 3) was prepared following a route described previously by our laboratory and that involves the acidic dehydration of D-(+)-mannitol, acetonation of the 1,3-cis-diol system, and consecutive introduction of the primary azide. <sup>15</sup> Acid-catalyzed methanolysis of the isopropylidene group produced triol **10**, which was subjected to glycol cleavage and reductive insertion of benzylamine to give morpholine **11** 

in 53%. Finally, oxidation of the primary hydroxyl in 11 was examined. We have previously shown that the 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-1-piperidinyloxyl (TEMPO)/[bis(acetoxy)iodo]benzene (BAIB)-mediated oxidation is a powerful means to chemo- and regioselectively obtain thiogly-curonic acids.  $^{16}$  Gratifyingly, this mild procedure proved effective for the transformation of 11 into  $\delta$ -MAA 12a, without affecting the nitrogen of the morpholine, in 61% yield. The C<sub>2</sub>-epimer of 12a was constructed from 2,5-anhydromannitol 14, which was obtained from D-(+)-glucosamine by nitrous deamination and NaBH<sub>4</sub> reduction, as described by Cassel et al.  $^{17}$  Ensuing selective mesylation of the resulting anhydromannitol 13 $^{18}$  and nucleophilic substitution with sodium azide furnished 14 in 45% over two steps. Periodic acid-mediated ring-

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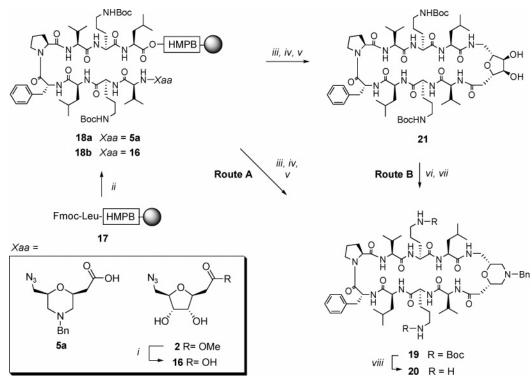
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# SCHEME 3a

 $^a$  Reagents and conditions: (i) TFA/MeOH (1/3 v/v), 1 h, quant; (ii)  $\rm H_5IO_6$ , THF, 30 min; (iii) benzylamine (1.1 equiv), NaCNBH3 (4.2 equiv), trimethyl orthoformate/MeOH (1/3 v/v), AcOH, 3 Å mol sieves, 16 h, 11; 53% and 15; 52% (two steps); (iv) TEMPO (0.2 equiv), BAIB (2 equiv), DCM, 0 °C, 6 h, 12a; 61% and 12b; 68%; (v) MsCl (1.0 equiv), pyridine, -40 °C, 1 h to 0 °C, 16 h; (vi) NaN3 (2.5 equiv), DMF, 70 °C, 48 h, 45% (two steps).

# SCHEME 4a



 $^a$  Reagents and conditions: (i) 1 M NaOH/THF (1/2 v/v), 3 h, then Amberlite IR-120 (H $^+$ ), 98%; (ii) repetitive deprotection piperidine/NMP (1/4 v/v); condensation: Fmoc-aa-OH (3 equiv) or N $_3$ -Xaa-OH (2 equiv), BOP (3 equiv), HOBt (3 equiv), DiPEA (3.5 equiv), NMP; (iii) PMe $_3$  (16 equiv), 1,4-dioxane/H $_2$ O (10/1 v/v); (iv) TFA/DCM (1/99 v/v), 4  $\times$  10 min; (v) PyBOP (5 equiv), HOBt (5 equiv), DiPEA (15 equiv), DMF, 16 h, 19; 71% and 21; 63%; (vi) NaIO $_4$  (2 equiv), THF/DMF/H $_2$ O (3/1/1 v/v/v), 16 h; (vii) benzylamine (1.5 equiv), NaCNBH $_3$  (5 equiv), trimethylorthoformate/MeOH (1/2 v/v), AcOH, 16 h, 63% (two steps); (viii) TFA/DCM (1/1 v/v), 30 min, 77%.

opening and reductive amination gave morpholine **15** (52%) that was subjected to TEMPO/BAIB oxidation to provide  $\delta$ -MAA **12b** in 68%.

At this stage, the application of MAAs as peptidomimetic compounds was explored and  $\epsilon$ -MAA  ${\bf 5a}$  was selected for incorporation in GS. Nonapeptide  ${\bf 18a}$  (Scheme 4) was assembled on 4-(4-hydroxymethyl-3-methoxyphenoxy)butyric acid (HMPB) functionalized 4-methylbenzhydrylamine (MBHA) resin  ${\bf 17}$  using standard Fmoc-based SPPS protocols. The terminal azide in  ${\bf 18a}$  was subjected

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to Staudinger reduction, and the peptide was released from the solid support by mild acidolysis and subsequently cyclized under highly dilute conditions to give fully protected 19 in 71% (route A).6 Liberation of the Boc protective groups, followed by HPLC purification, produced peptide 20 in 77%, which was characterized by <sup>1</sup>H NMR to reveal that the peptide prevalently adopts a  $\beta$ -sheet secondary structure reminiscent of the native peptide. 19 Encouraged by these results, we decided to examine whether MAA-containing peptidic constructs are also accessible through the glycol cleavage/reductive amination strategy when applied to SAAs that are already embedded in oligopeptide sequences. Thus, saponification of 2 gave SAA 16 in 98%. Following the sequence of reactions as described above for compound 19, resin-anchored nonapeptide 18b was constructed through SPPS, from which GS analogue 21 was readily prepared in 63%.20 Treatment of the cis-diol-containing peptide with NaIO<sub>4</sub> and reductive amination furnished 19 in 63% (route B), which was deprotected to produce **20**. The MAA-containing GS analogue **20** obtained from both routes were spectroscopically and spectrometrically identical.

In conclusion,  $\epsilon$ -morpholine amino acids, bearing several different substituents on the nitrogen of the morpholine core structure, were synthesized from furanoid  $\epsilon$ -SAAs via a two-step oxidative glycol cleavage/reductive amination approach. Diastereoisomeric mixtures of  $\delta$ -MAAs were obtained when the corresponding furanoid  $\delta$ -SAAs were subjected to the same sequence of events. To prevent epimerization during oxidative ring opening, an alternative scheme was developed, through which 2,5anhydroglucitol and 2,5-anhydromannitol were readily transformed into their diastereoisomerically pure  $\delta$ -MAA counterparts. We further demonstrated that  $\epsilon$ -MAAcontaining GS analogue 19 could be obtained in two ways; by directly employing 5a as building block or by first preparing GS analogue **21**, featuring  $\epsilon$ -SAA **16**, which is subsequently subjected to our ring-opening/ring-closing approach.

# **Experimental Section**

General Methods. Reactions were monitored by TLC analysis using DC-fertigfolien (Schleicher & Schuell, F1500, LS254) with detection by spraying with 20%  $\rm H_2SO_4$  in EtOH, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>Mo<sub>7</sub>O<sub>24</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (25 g/L), and (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Ce(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (10 g/L) in 10% sulfuric acid or by spraying with a solution of ninhydrin (3 g/L) in EtOH/AcOH (20/1 v/v), followed by charring at ~150 °C. Column chromatography was performed on Fluka silica gel (0.04–0.063 mm) and size-exclusion chromatography on Sephadex LH-20. For LC/MS analysis, an HPLC system (detection simultaneously at 214 and 254 nm) equipped with an analytical C<sub>18</sub> column (4.6 mm i.d. × 250 mm, 5  $\mu$ m particle size) in combination with buffers A (H<sub>2</sub>O),

B (MeCN), and C (0.5% aq TFA) and coupled to a mass instrument with a custom-made electronspray interface (ESI) was used. For reversed-phase HPLC purification of the peptides, an automated HPLC system supplied with a semipreperative  $C_{18}$  column (10.0 mm i.d.  $\times\,250$  mm, 5  $\mu m$  particle size) was used. The applied buffers were A (H<sub>2</sub>O), B (MeCN), and C (1.0% aq TFA).

Methyl 3,6-Anhydro-7-azido-2,7-dideoxy-D-allo-heptonate (2). To a mixture of methyl ester 1 (5.03 g, 18.56 mmol) in MeOH (75 mL) was added 2 M aq HCl (25 mL), and the solution was stirred overnight. After being neutralized with 1 M aq NaOH (50 mL), the mixture was partially concentrated and extracted with EtOAc ( $3\times$ ). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. Silica gel column chromatography (50% → 100% EtOAc in light PE) yielded the title compound as a clear oil (3.52 g, 15.25 mmol, 82%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 4.15$  (ddd, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>,  $J_{3,2a}$  $= J_{3,2b} = 6.5 \text{ Hz}, J_{3,4} = 6.3 \text{ Hz}, 4.06 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_5, J_{5,6} = 5.4 \text{ Hz},$  $J_{5,4}$ = 6.3 Hz), 4.00 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>,  $J_{6,7}$  = 4.3 Hz,  $J_{6,5}$  = 5.4 Hz),  $3.95 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_4, J_{4,5} = J_{4,3} = 6.3 \text{ Hz)}, 3.57 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_{7a}, J_{7a,6}$ = 3.4 Hz,  $J_{7a,7b}$  = 13.3 Hz), 3.31 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7b</sub>,  $J_{7b,6}$  = 4.3 Hz,  $J_{7\text{b},7\text{a}} = 13.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.77 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2\text{a},3} = 6.5 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{2\text{a},2\text{b}} = 16.3 \text{ Hz}$ Hz), 2.69 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2b}$ ,  $J_{2b,3} = 6.5$  Hz,  $J_{2b,2a} = 16.3$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 172.3$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 82.8 (C<sub>6</sub>), 79.1 (C<sub>3</sub>), 74.6 (C<sub>4</sub>), 72.1 (C<sub>5</sub>), 52.1 (C<sub>7</sub>), 52.0 (OMe), 37.9 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 3396.4, 2956.2, 2098.4, 1728.1, 1438.8, 1400.2, 1274.9, 1172.6, 1097.4, 1037.6, 987.5, 910.3, 850.5, 829.3, 731.0 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> = +80.4 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z = 232.1  $[M + H]^+$ , 253.8  $[M + Na]^+$ , 463.0  $[2M + H]^+$ .

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-benzyl-2,4,5,6,8pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4a). Clear oil (668 mg, 2.2 mmol, 54%).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3):  $\delta = 7.29$ (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.07 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.82 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.54 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\text{CHa,CHb}} = 13.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.47 (d, 1H,  ${
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m Hz},$  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9 \text{ Hz}$ ),  $3.10 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_{8b}$ ,  $J_{8b,7} = 3.9 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{8b,8a} = 12.9 \text{ Hz}$ Hz), 2.81 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{4eq}$ ,  $J_{4eq,6eq} = J_{4eq,3} = 1.9$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,4ax} = 10.9$  Hz), 2.67 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{6eq}$ ,  $J_{6eq,4eq} = J_{6eq,7} = 2.0$  Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax} = 10.9$  Hz), 2.53 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2a}$ ,  $J_{2a,3} = 7.7$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.3$  Hz), 2.38 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2b}$ ,  $J_{2b,3} = 5.3$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.3$  Hz), 1.88 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{6ax}}, {\it J_{6ax,6eq}} = {\it J_{6ax,7}} = 10.7$  Hz), 1.87 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{4ax}}, {\it J_{4ax,4eq}} = {\it J_{4ax,3}}$  10.7 Hz).  $^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.0$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 137.3 (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 129.0 128.3 128.1 127.2 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 75.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.5  $(C_3)$ , 62.8  $(CH_2 Bn)$ , 57.2  $(C_4)$ , 54.6  $(C_6)$ , 52.7  $(C_8)$ , 51.7 (OMe), 38.6 (C2). ATR-IR (thin film) 2094.6, 1735.8, 1454.2, 1436.9, 1348.1, 1330.8, 1288.4, 1251.7, 1213.1, 1168.8, 1149.5, 1110.9, 1056.9, 1028.0, 999.1, 956.6, 920.0, 742.5, 700.1 cm $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ] $^{23}$ D = -7.4 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z = 305.0 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>,  $327.1 [M + Na]^+$ 

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-p-methoxybenzyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4b). Clear oil (358 mg, 1.12 mmol, 36%).  $^{1}$ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  $= 7.21 (d, 2H, H_{ar}, J = 8.6 Hz), 6.85 (d, 2H, H_{ar}, J = 8.6 Hz),$ 4.06 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.79 (m, 4H, H<sub>7</sub>, Me PMB), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.50 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> PMB,  $J_{\text{CHa,CHb}} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.40 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> PMB,  $J_{\text{CHb,CHa}} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.25 (dd, 1H,  $H_{8a}$ ,  $J_{8a,7} = 6.8 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.10 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8b</sub>,  $J_{8b,7} = 3.8 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{8b,8a} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ Hz), 2.80 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4\text{eq,6eq}} = J_{4\text{eq,3}} = 1.8$  Hz,  $J_{4\text{eq,4ax}} = 11.1$  Hz), 2.66 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>6eq</sub>,  $J_{6\text{eq,4eq}} = J_{6\text{eq,7}} = 1.8$  Hz,  $J_{6\text{eq,6ax}} = 11.1$  Hz), 2.53 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2\text{a,3}} = 7.8$  Hz,  $J_{2\text{a,2b}} = 15.4$  Hz),  $J_{2\text{a,4b}} = 15.4$  Hz),  $J_{2\text{a,4b}} = 15.4$  Hz),  $J_{2\text{a,4b}} = 15.4$  Hz,  $J_{2\text{a,4$ 2.39 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2b}$ ,  $J_{2b,3} = 5.3$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.4$  Hz), 1.85 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{6ax}}, {J_{6ax,6eq}} = {J_{6ax,7}} = 10.8$  Hz), 1.84 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{4ax}}, {J_{4ax,4eq}} = {J_{4ax,3}} = 10.8$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.0$  $(C_1),\ 158.7\ (C_q\ PMB),\ 130.1\ (CH_{ar}),\ 129.2\ (C_q\ PMB),\ 113.6$ (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 75.1 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.5 (C<sub>3</sub>), 62.1 (CH<sub>2</sub> PMB), 57.1 (C<sub>4</sub>), 55.1 (Me PMB), 54.5 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.7 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.7 (OMe), 38.6 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2094.6, 1735.8, 1510.2, 1436.9, 1346.2, 1244.0, 1170.7, 1109.0, 1056.9, 1033.8, 817.8 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}_{D} = -5.0$  (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). MS (ESI):  $m/z = 355.2 \text{ [M + H]}^+, 357.0 \text{ [M + H]}^+$  $Nal^+$ 

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-benzhydryl-2,4,5, 6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4c). Clear oil

<sup>(19)</sup> Upon perusal of the acquired data reported in the Experimental Section, it was found that the coupling constants  $(^3J_{\rm NH,Ho})$  and chemical shift perturbation  $(\Delta \delta H_{\alpha})$  for the proteinogenic residues in peptide 20 follow a similar trend compared to native GS. These distinctive features validate a  $\beta$ -sheet conformation in GS analogues, as we have previously observed: Grotenbreg, G. M.; Kronemeijer, M.; Timmer, M. S. M.; El Oualid, F.; van Well, R. M.; Verdoes, M.; Spalburg, E.; van Hooft, P. A. V.; de Neeling, A. J.; Noort, D.; van Boom, J. H.; van der Marel, G. A.; Overkleeft H. S.; Overhand, M. J. Org. Chem., in press.

<sup>(20)</sup> To facilitate the characterization of GS analogue 21, a small aliquot was deprotected and purified by reversed-phase HPLC to produce the unprotected peptide in 69% yield.

(95 mg, 0.25 mmol, 38%).  $^{1}{\rm H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=7.27$  (m, 10H,  ${\rm H_{ar}}$ ), 4.22 (s, 1H, HCPh<sub>2</sub>), 4.13 (m, 1H,  ${\rm H_{3}}$ ), 3.87 (m, 1H,  ${\rm H_{7}}$ ), 3.63 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.16 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{8a}}$ ,  $J_{8{\rm a},7}=6.8$  Hz,  $J_{8{\rm a},8{\rm b}}=13.0$  Hz), 3.01 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{8b}}$ ,  $J_{8{\rm b},7}=3.5$  Hz,  $J_{8{\rm b},8{\rm a}}=13.0$  Hz), 2.79 (ddd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{4eq}}$ ,  $J_{4{\rm eq,6eq}}=J_{4{\rm eq,3}}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{4{\rm eq,4ax}}=11.3$  Hz), 2.66 (ddd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{6eq}}$ ,  $J_{6{\rm eq,4eq}}=J_{6{\rm eq,7}}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{6{\rm eq,6ax}}=11.3$  Hz), 2.46 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{2a}}$ ,  $J_{2{\rm a,3}}=8.4$  Hz,  $J_{2{\rm a,2b}}=15.1$  Hz), 2.30 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{2b}}$ ,  $J_{2{\rm b,3}}=4.8$  Hz,  $J_{2{\rm a,2b}}=15.1$  Hz), 1.79 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{6ax}}$ ,  $J_{6{\rm ax,6eq}}=J_{6{\rm ax,7}}=11.1$  Hz), 1.74 (dd, 1H,  ${\rm H_{4ax}}$ ,  $J_{4{\rm ax,3}}=10.5$  Hz,  $J_{4{\rm ax,4eq}}=11.1$  Hz).  $^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=171.0$  (Cl<sub>1</sub>), 141.7 (Cq Ph), 128.6, 127.8, 127.1 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 76.0 (CH Ph<sub>2</sub>), 75.4 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.7 (C<sub>3</sub>), 55.9 (C<sub>4</sub>), 53.5 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.7 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.7 (OMe), 38.6 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2094.6, 1735.8, 1490.9, 1450.4, 1436.9, 1282.6, 1251.7, 1168.8, 1110.9, 1055.0, 1028.0, 763.8, 746.4, 705.9 cm  $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ] $^{23}{\rm D}=-2.4$  (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). MS (ESI): mlz=381.1 [M + H] $^+$ , 403.1 [M + Na] $^+$ .

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butylglycinyl)-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4d). Clear oil (87 mg, 0.266 mmol, 59%).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 4.11$  (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.87 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.69 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.28 (dd, 1H,  $H_{8a}$ ,  $J_{7,8a} = 6.5$  Hz,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9$  Hz), 3.17(dd, 1H,  $H_{8b}$ ,  $J_{7,8b} = 4.1$  Hz,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9$  Hz), 3.14 (m, 2H,  $H_{\alpha}$ Gly), 2.88 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{4eq}$ ,  $J_{4eq,6eq} = J_{4eq,3} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,4ax} =$ 10.9 Hz), 2.80 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{6eq}$ ,  $J_{6eq,7} = J_{6eq,4eq} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}$ = 10.9 Hz), 2.56 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2a}$ ,  $J_{2a,3}$  = 7.5 Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}$  = 15.3 Hz), 2.43 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b, 3} = 5.6$  Hz,  $J_{2a, 2b} = 15.3$  Hz), 2.15 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6ax, 6eq} = J_{6ax, 7} = 10.9$  Hz), 2.12 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4ax, 4eq}$  $= J_{4ax,3} = 10.9$  Hz), 1.47 (s, 9H, t-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 170.8$ , 169.1 (C<sub>1</sub>, C=O *t*-Bu), 81.3 (C<sub>q</sub> *t*-Bu), 75.0  $(C_7)$ , 72.4  $(C_3)$ , 59.5  $(C_\alpha Gly)$ , 56.5  $(C_4)$  54.1  $(C_6)$ , 52.6  $(C_8)$ , 51.7 (OMe), 38.5 (C<sub>2</sub>), 28.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1735.8, 1442.7, 1365.5, 1218.9, 1149.5, 1064.6 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> = -4.4 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). HRMS: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>H 329.18195, found 329.18140.

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butyl-L-alaninyl)-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4e). Clear oil (110 mg, 0.43 mmol, 33%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 4.01$  (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.81 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.69 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.29 (dd, 1H,  $H_{8a}$ ,  $J_{7,8a} = 6.6$  Hz,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9$  Hz), 3.19 (q, 1H,  $H_{\alpha}$  Ala,  $J_{\alpha,\beta} = 7.1$  Hz), 3.14 (dd, 1H,  $H_{8b}$ ,  $J_{7,8b} = 4.2$  Hz,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.85 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{4eq}$ ,  $J_{4eq,6eq} = J_{4eq,3} = 2.0 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $\begin{array}{l} J_{4\mathrm{eq,4ax}}=10.9~\mathrm{Hz}),~2.73~\mathrm{(ddd,~1H,~H_{6\mathrm{eq}},J_{6\mathrm{eq,7}}=J_{6\mathrm{eq,4eq}}=1.9}\\ \mathrm{Hz},J_{6\mathrm{eq,6ax}}=10.9~\mathrm{Hz}),~2.56~\mathrm{(dd,~1H,~H_{2a},J_{2a,3}=7.6~Hz},J_{2a,2b} \end{array}$  $\begin{array}{l} \text{1.61}, \, 5_{\, 6eq, oax} & \text{1.61}, \, 12.05 \,\, (det, \, 111, \, 12.2a, \, 32.2a, \, 3.05 \,\, 112, \, 52.2a, \, 2.2a, \, 3.05 \,\, (de, \, 141, \, 12.a, \, 12.a, \, 32.a, \, 3.05 \,\, (de, \, 141, \, 14.a), \, 2.42 \,\, (dd, \, 14.a), \, 2.42 \,\, (dd, \, 141, \, 14.a)$  $H_{\beta}$  Ala,  $J_{\alpha,\beta} = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ ). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.9$ ,  $171.0 \text{ (C}_1, \text{C=O } t\text{-Bu)}, 81.1 \text{ (C}_q t\text{-Bu)}, 75.3 \text{ (C}_7), 72.9 \text{ (C}_3), 62.7$  $(C_{\alpha} \text{ Ala}), 52.7 (C_6, C_8), 51.7 (OMe), 51.6 (C_4), 38.5 (C_2), 28.0$  $(CH_3 t-Bu)$ , 14.5  $(C_\beta Ala)$ . ATR-IR (thin film): 2098.4, 1722.3, 1436.9, 1367.4, 1350.1, 1255.6, 1318.0, 1145.6, 1114.8, 1091.6,  $1062.7, 1049.2, 993.3, 952.8, 881.4, 846.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}. [\alpha]^{23}_{D} = -23.2$  $(c = 1.0, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)$ . MS (ESI):  $m/z = 343.1 \text{ [M + H]}^+, 365.2 \text{ [M}$ 

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butyl-L-phenylalaninyl)-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4f). Clear oil (103 mg, 0.25 mmol, 45%).  $^{1}$ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.23 (m, 5H, CH<sub>ar</sub>), 3.98 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.76 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.33 (dd, 1H, H<sub>α</sub>,  $J_{\alpha,\beta b}$  = 6.6 Hz,  $J_{\alpha,\beta a}$  = 9.1 Hz), 3.27 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8a</sub>,  $J_{8a,7}$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J_{8a,8b}$  = 13.0 Hz), 3.10 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8b</sub>,  $J_{8b,7}$  = 4.1 Hz,  $J_{8b,8a}$  = 13.0 Hz), 3.00 (m, 2H, H<sub>4eq</sub>, H<sub>βa</sub>), 2.89 (dd, 1H, H<sub>βb</sub>,  $J_{βb,\alpha}$  = 6.6 Hz,  $J_{βb,βa}$  = 13.4 Hz), 2.69 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>6eq</sub>,  $J_{6eq,4eq}$  =  $J_{6eq,7}$  = 2.0 Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}$  = 11.1 Hz), 2.57 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2a,3}$  = 7.7 Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}$  = 15.4 Hz), 2.45 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b,3}$  = 5.5 Hz,  $J_{2b,2a}$  = 15.4 Hz), 2.40 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6ax,6eq}$  =  $J_{6ax,7}$  = 10.7 Hz), 1.81 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4ax,4eq}$  =  $J_{4ax,3}$  = 10.8 Hz), 1.35 (s, 9H, CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu).  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 171.0, 170.2 (C<sub>1</sub>, C=0 t-Bu), 137.8 (C<sub>q</sub> Ph), 129.6, 129.4, 129.2, 128.2, 126.3 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 81.4 (CH<sub>q</sub> t-Bu), 75.4 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.9 (C<sub>3</sub>), 69.6 (CH<sub>α</sub>), 53.9 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.5 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.7 (OMe), 51.2 (C<sub>4</sub>), 38.4 (C<sub>2</sub>), 35.3 (C<sub>β</sub>), 28.1 (CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu). ATR-IR (thin film): 2098.4, 1422.3, 1367.4, 1288.4, 1253.6, 1145.6, 1112.9, 1064.6, 844.8,

742.5, 700.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = -13.6 (c = 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z = 419.2 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 441.2 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>. HRMS: calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>H 419.22890, found 419.22794.

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-allyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4g). Clear oil (121 mg, 0.48 mmol, 41%).  $^1{\rm H}$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=5.82$  (m, 1H, CH All), 5.19 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> All), 4.05 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.82 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.69 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.23 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8a</sub>,  $J_{8a,7}=6.6$  Hz,  $J_{8a,8b}=13.0$  Hz), 3.11 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8b</sub>,  $J_{7,8b}=4.1$  Hz,  $J_{8b,8a}=13.0$  Hz), 3.00 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> All), 2.86 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4eq,6eq}=J_{4eq,3}=1.9$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,4ax}=11.2$  Hz), 2.75 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>6eq</sub>,  $J_{6eq,4eq}=J_{6eq,7}=1.9$  Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}=11.2$  Hz), 2.56 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2a,3}=7.7$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}=15.4$  Hz), 2.43 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b,3}=5.8$  Hz,  $J_{2b,2a}=15.4$  Hz), 1.85 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6ax,6eq}=J_{6ax,7}=10.9$  Hz), 1.81 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4ax,4eq}=J_{4ax,3}=10.8$  Hz).  $^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=171.0$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 134.2 (CH All), 118.6 (CH<sub>2</sub> All), 75.1 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.5 (C<sub>3</sub>), 61.7 (CH<sub>2</sub> All), 57.2 (C<sub>4</sub>), 54.7 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.8 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.8 (OMe), 38.7 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1735.8, 1434.9, 1342.4, 1288.4, 1172.6, 1110.9, 1064.6, 995.2, 925.8 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [α]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = -12.8 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z = 255.0 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>. HRMS: calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>H 255.14517, found 255.14462.

Methyl 3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-isopropyl-2,4,5,6,8pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonate (4h). Clear oil (110 mg, 0.43 mmol, 33%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 3.98$ (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.75 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.63 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.23 (dd, 1H,  $\begin{array}{l} {\rm H_{8a}, J_{8a,7}=6.4\;Hz, J_{8a,\;8b}=12.9\;Hz),\,3.11\,(\rm dd,\,1H,\,H_{8b},\,J_{7,8b}=4.2\;Hz,\,J_{8a,8b}=12.9\;Hz),\,2.75\,(\rm ddd,\,1H,\,H_{4eq},\,J_{4eq,6eq}=J_{4eq,3}=1.2\,Hz),\,1.2\,Hz} \end{array}$ 1.9 Hz,  $J_{4\text{eq,4ax}} = 11.1$  Hz), 2.63 (m, 2H, H<sub>6eq</sub>, CH i-Pr), 2.51 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2a}$ ,  $J_{2a,3} = 7.4$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.3$  Hz), 2.37 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2b}$ ,  $J_{2b,3} = 5.7 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{2b,2a} = 15.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.99 (dd, 1H,  $H_{6ax}$ ,  $J_{6ax,6eq}$  $= J_{6ax,7} = 10.7 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.95 (dd, 1H,  $H_{4ax}$ ,  $J_{4ax,4eq} = J_{4ax,3} = 10.7$ Hz), 0.99 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub> *i*-Pr), 0.97 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub> *i*-Pr). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.0$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 75.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 73.9 (C<sub>3</sub>), 54.5 (CH i-Pr), 52.9 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>), 51.8 (OMe), 50.4 (C<sub>6</sub>), 38.7 (C<sub>2</sub>), 18.1 (CH<sub>3</sub> i-Pr), 18.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> i-Pr). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1737.7,  $1436.9, 1350.1, 1257.5, 1168.8, 1109.0, 1060.8, 999.1 cm^{-1}$  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> = -14.6 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z 257.2 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 279.0 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-benzyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5a). Clear oil (102 mg, 0.35 mmol, quant).  $^{1}\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\,\delta=7.22$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 3.93 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.67 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.45 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\text{CHa,CHb}} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.39 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\text{CHb,CHa}} = 12.8 \text{ Hz}$ ) Hz), 3.13 (m, 2H, H<sub>8</sub>), 2.84 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4\text{eq,6eq}} = J_{4\text{eq,3}} = 2.0$ Hz,  $J_{4\text{eq,4ax}}=11.3$  Hz), 2.62 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{6\text{eq}}$ ,  $J_{6\text{eq,4eq}}=J_{6\text{eq,7}}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{6\text{eq,6ax}}=11.1$  Hz), 2.35 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2\text{a}}$ ,  $J_{2\text{a,3}}=6.3$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 14.4 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.13 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b,3} = 7.3 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{2a,2b} = 14.4 \text{ Hz}$ ) Hz), 1.79 (dd, 1H,  $H_{6ax}$ ,  $J_{6ax,6eq} = J_{6ax,7} = 11.0$  Hz), 1.74 (dd, 1H,  $H_{4ax}$ ,  $J_{4ax,3} = 10.3$  Hz,  $J_{4ax,4eq} = 11.3$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 177.4 \, (C_1)$ , 136.8 ( $C_q \, Bn$ ), 129.0, 127.8, 126.9 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 74.4 (C<sub>7</sub>), 73.7 (C<sub>3</sub>), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 57.5 (C<sub>4</sub>), 54.5 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.6 (C<sub>8</sub>), 42.2 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film): 3033.8, 2786.9, 2933.5, 2380.0, 2100.3, 1569.9, 1494.7, 1398.3, 1361.7, 1296.1, 1191.9, 1107.1, 1051.1, 1028.0, 925.8, 742.5, 698.2 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> = +16.0 (c = 1.0, MeOH). MS (ESI):  $m/z = 290.8 \text{ [M + H]}^+, 313.0 \text{ [M}$ + Na]+.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-p-methoxybenzyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5b). Clear oil (117 g, 0.37 mmol, 94%).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=7.14$  (d, 2H,  $\mathrm{H_{ar}},J=8.5$  Hz), 6.76 (d, 2H,  $\mathrm{H_{ar}},J=8.5$  Hz), 3.92 (m, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_3}$ ), 3.67 (m, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_7}$ ), 3.64 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.48 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> PMB), 3.15 (m, 2H,  $\mathrm{H_8}$ ), 2.86 (ddd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{4eq}},J_{4eq,3}=1.5$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,6eq}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,4ax}=11.4$  Hz), 2.69 (ddd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{6eq}},J_{6eq,4eq}=J_{6eq,7}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}=11.4$  Hz), 2.33 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{2a}},J_{2a,3}=7.0$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}=15.0$  Hz), 2.21 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{2b}},J_{2b,3}=6.3$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}=15.0$  Hz), 1.93 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{6ax}},J_{6ax,6eq}=J_{6ax,7}=11.4$  Hz), 1.87 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{4ax}},J_{4ax,4eq}=J_{4ax,3}=11.4$  Hz).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=176.3$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 160.9 (C<sub>q</sub> PMB), 132.2 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 128.5 (C<sub>q</sub> PMB), 114.9 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 75.7 (C<sub>7</sub>), 74.0 (C<sub>3</sub>), 63.0 (CH<sub>2</sub> PMB), 57.8 (C<sub>4</sub>), 55.7 (Me PMB), 55.2 (C<sub>6</sub>), 53.9 (C<sub>8</sub>), 41.4 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1705.0, 1612.4, 1512.1, 1404.1, 1242.1,

1180.4, 1110.9, 1033.8, 817.8, 732.9 cm  $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ]  $^{23}_{D}$  = +20.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl3). MS (ESI):  $\emph{m/z}$  = 321.1 [M + H]  $^{+}$ , 343.0 [M + Na]  $^{+}$ . HRMS: calcd for  $C_{15}H_{20}N_{4}O_{4}H$  321.15573, found 321.15512.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-benzhydryl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5c). White solid (109 mg, 0.30 mmol, quant).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=7.17$  (m, 10H,  $\mathrm{H_{ar}}$ ), 4.08 (s, 1H, HCPh<sub>2</sub>), 3.95 (m, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{3}}$ ), 3.64 (m, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{7}}$ ), 2.92 (m, 2H,  $\mathrm{H_{8}}$ ), 2.72 (ddd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{4eq}}$ ,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,6eq}}=J_{4\mathrm{eq,3}}=1.9$  Hz,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,4ax}}=11.2$  Hz), 2.54 (ddd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{6eq}}$ ,  $J_{6\mathrm{eq,4eq}}=J_{6\mathrm{eq,7}}=1.9$  Hz,  $J_{6\mathrm{eq,6ax}}=11.0$  Hz), 2.23 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{2a}}$ ,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,3}}=7.2$  Hz,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,2b}}=15.2$  Hz), 2.04 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{2b}}$ ,  $J_{2\mathrm{b,3}}=5.8$  Hz,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,2b}}=15.2$  Hz), 1.61 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{6ax}}$ ,  $J_{6\mathrm{ax,6eq}}=J_{6\mathrm{ax,7}}=11.0$  Hz), 1.56 (dd, 1H,  $\mathrm{H_{4ax}}$ ,  $J_{4\mathrm{ax,3}}=10.5$  Hz,  $J_{4\mathrm{ax,4eq}}=11.2$  Hz).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=177.5$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 143.5 (C<sub>q</sub> Ph), 129.6, 129.0, 128.1 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 77.6 (CH Ph<sub>2</sub>), 76.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 74.8 (C<sub>3</sub>), 57.7 (C<sub>4</sub>), 55.1 (C<sub>6</sub>), 54.0 (C<sub>8</sub>), 42.0 (C<sub>2</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1712.7, 1581.5, 1450.4, 1265.2, 1110.9, 1056.9, 933.5, 732.9, 702.0 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ] $^{23}\mathrm{_D}=+23.8$  (c=1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). MS (ESI): m/z=367.2 [M + H]+, 389.3 [M + Na]+. HRMS: calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>H 367.17647, found 367.17575.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butylglycinyl)-2,4,5,6,8pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5d). Clear oil (61 mg, 0.19 mmol, quant). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta =$  $4.04 \text{ (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>)}, 3.83 \text{ (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>)}, 3.22 \text{ (dd, 1H, H<sub>8a</sub>, <math>J_{8,7} = 6.1$ Hz,  $J_{8a,8b} = 12.9 Hz$ ), 3.16 (dd, 1H,  $H_{8b}$ ,  $J_{8b,7} = 4.3 Hz$ ,  $J_{8b,8a} = 12.9 Hz$ 12.9 Hz), 3.15 (d, 1H,  $H_{\alpha}$  Gly,  $J_{\alpha a,\alpha b} = 16.7$  Hz), 3.09 (d, 1H,  ${
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m ab, lpha a} = 16.7$  Hz), 2.90 (ddd, 1H,  ${
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m 4eq, 3} =$ 1.8 Hz,  $J_{4\text{eq,4ax}} = 11.0$  Hz), 2.82 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{6\text{eq}}$ ,  $J_{6\text{eq,7}} = J_{6\text{eq,4eq}}$ = 1.8 Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}$  = 11.0 Hz), 2.50 (dd, 1H,  $H_{2a}$ ,  $J_{2a,3}$  = 7.1 Hz,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.36 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b, 3} = 6.0 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $J_{2a,2b} = 15.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.17 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6ax,6eq} = J_{6ax,7} = 11.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 2.12 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4ax,3} = J_{4ax,4eq} = 11.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.39 (s, 9H, t-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 174.4$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 168.7 (C=O t-Bu),  $81.7\,(C_q\,t\text{-Bu}),\,74.5\,(C_7),\,72.0\,(C_3),\,59.0\,(C_\alpha\,Ala),\,56.0\,(C_4),\,53.7\,(C_4)$ (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.6 (C<sub>8</sub>), 38.7 (C<sub>2</sub>), 28.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu). ATR-IR (thin film) 2977.9, 2098.4, 1728.1, 1367.4, 1288.4, 1222.8, 1149.5, 1110.9, 1058.8, 914.2, 842.8, 731.0 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}_D = +7.8 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3)$ . MS (ESI):  $m/z = 315.0 \text{ [M + H]}^+, 337.3 \text{ [M + Na]}^+. \text{ HRMS:}$ calcd for  $C_{13}H_{23}N_4O_5H$  315.16630, found 315.15637.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butyl-L-alaninyl)-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5e). White solid (57 mg, 0.17 mmol, 78%).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=3.86$  (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.67 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.17 (d, 2H, H<sub>8</sub>,  $J_{8,7}=5.0$  Hz), 3.19 (q, 1H, H $_{\alpha}$  Ala,  $J_{\alpha,\beta}=7.1$  Hz), 2.84 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,6eq}}=J_{4\mathrm{eq,3}}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,4ax}}=11.3$  Hz), 2.68 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>6eq</sub>,  $J_{6\mathrm{eq,7}}=J_{6\mathrm{eq,4eq}}=2.0$  Hz,  $J_{6\mathrm{eq,6ax}}=11.0$  Hz), 2.36 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,3}}=6.8$  Hz,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,2b}}=15.1$  Hz), 2.24 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2\mathrm{b}}$ ,  $_3=6.6$  Hz,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,2b}}=15.1$  Hz), 2.21 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6\mathrm{ax,6eq}}=J_{6\mathrm{ax,7}}=10.9$  Hz), 2.04 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4\mathrm{ax,3}}=10.3$  Hz,  $J_{4\mathrm{ax,4eq}}=11.3$  Hz), 1.41 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.26 (d, 3H, H $_{\beta}$  Ala,  $J_{\beta,\alpha}=7.1$  Hz).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=175.2$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 172.1 (C=O t-Bu), 80.9 (C $_{q}$  t-Bu), 74.8 (C $_{7}$ ), 73.4 (C $_{3}$ ), 62.9 (C $_{\alpha}$  Ala), 52.5, 52.2, 52.1 (C $_{4}$ , C $_{6}$ , C $_{8}$ ), 40.1 (C $_{2}$ ), 26.9 (CH $_{3}$  t-Bu), 13.4 (C $_{\beta}$  Ala). ATR-IR (thin film): 2098.4, 1722.3, 1581.5, 1367.4, 1255.6, 1218.9, 1145.6, 1089.7, 1031.8, 991.3, 846.7 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup> $_{D}=-3.6$  (c=1.0, MeOH). MS (ESI): m/z=243.0 [M + H]+.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-(tert-butyl-L-phenylalaninyl)-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5f). White solid (55 mg, 0.14 mmol, 45%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.20 (m, 5H, CH<sub>ar</sub>), 4.00 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.79 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.38 (dd, 1H, H<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>,  $J_{\alpha,\beta b}$  = 6.1 Hz,  $J_{\alpha,\beta a}$  = 9.4 Hz), 3.28 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8a</sub>,  $J_{8a,7}$  = 6.3 Hz,  $J_{8a,8b}$  = 12.9 Hz), 3.15 (dd, 1H, H<sub>8b</sub>,  $J_{8b,7}$  = 4.3 Hz,  $J_{8b,8a}$  = 12.9 Hz), 3.01 (m, 2H, H<sub>4eq</sub>, H<sub> $\beta a$ </sub>), 2.91 (dd, 1H, H<sub> $\beta b$ </sub>,  $J_{\beta b,\alpha}$  = 6.1 Hz,  $J_{\beta b,\beta a}$  = 13.3 Hz), 2.75 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>6eq</sub>,  $J_{6eq,4eq}$  =  $J_{6eq,7}$  = 1.8 Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}$  = 11.1 Hz), 2.60 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2a,3}$  = 7.7 Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}$  = 15.7 Hz), 2.50 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{6ax,6eq}$  =  $J_{6ax,7}$  = 10.9 Hz), 2.33 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4ax</sub>,  $J_{4ax,4eq}$  =  $J_{4ax,3}$  = 10.9 Hz), 1.34 (s, 9H, CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 175.6 (C<sub>1</sub>), 170.2 (C=O t-Bu), 137.6 (C<sub>q</sub> Ph), 129.3, 128.2, 126.4

(CH<sub>ar</sub>), 81.6 (CH<sub>q</sub> t-Bu), 75.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 72.6 (C<sub>3</sub>), 69.5 (CH<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>), 53.6 (C<sub>6</sub>), 52.6 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.1 (C<sub>4</sub>), 38.5 (C<sub>2</sub>), 35.3 (C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>), 28.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> t-Bu). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1720.4, 1450.4, 1365.5, 1257.5, 1149.5, 840.9 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = -8.8 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). HRMS: calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>H 405.21325, found 405.21136.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-allyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-p-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5g). White solid (45 mg, 0.19 mmol, 78%).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=5.81$  (m, 1H, CH All), 5.24 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> All), 4.01 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.77 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.22 (m, 2H, H<sub>8</sub>), 3.18 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> All), 3.05 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4eq,6eq}=J_{4eq,3}=1.7$  Hz,  $J_{4eq,4ax}=11.6$  Hz), 2.91 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{6eq,4eq}=J_{6eq,7}=1.7$  Hz,  $J_{6eq,6ax}=11.6$  Hz), 2.41 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2a,3}=7.0$  Hz,  $J_{2a,2b}=15.5$  Hz), 2.34 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2b</sub>,  $J_{2b,3}=6.1$  Hz,  $J_{2b,2a}=15.5$  Hz), 2.10 (dd, 1H,  $H_{6ax},J_{6ax,6eq}=J_{6ax,7}=11.2$  Hz), 2.03 (dd, 1H,  $H_{4ax},J_{4ax,4eq}=J_{4ax,3}=11.1$  Hz).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=175.5$  (C1), 132.6 (CH All), 121.9 (CH<sub>2</sub> All), 75.4 (C7), 73.4 (C3), 61.9 (CH<sub>2</sub> All), 57.2 (C4), 54.7 (C6), 53.7 (C8), 40.5 (C2). ATR-IR (thin film) 2094.6, 1705.0, 1573.8, 1423.4, 1296.1, 1188.1, 1110.91051.1, 999.1, 927.7, 819.7 cm $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ]  $^{23}\mathrm{D}=+12.0$  (c=1.0, MeOH). HRMS: calcd for  $\mathrm{C}_{10}\mathrm{H}_{16}\mathrm{N}_{4}\mathrm{O}_{3}\mathrm{H}$  241.12952, found 241.12821.

3,7-Anhydro-5-aza-8-azido-5-isopropyl-2,4,5,6,8-pentadeoxy-D-glycero-D-allo-octonic Acid (5h). White solid (53 mg, 0.22 mmol, quant).  $^1\mathrm{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta=4.04$  (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.81 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.27 (m, 2H, H<sub>8</sub>), 3.15 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>4eq</sub>,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,6eq}}=J_{4\mathrm{eq,3}}=1.7$  Hz,  $J_{4\mathrm{eq,4ax}}=11.6$  Hz), 2.99 (m, 2H, H<sub>6eq</sub>, CH *i*-Pr), 2.42 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,3}}=6.3$  Hz,  $J_{2\mathrm{a,2b}}=15.2$  Hz), 2.36 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6ax</sub>,  $J_{6\mathrm{ax,6eq}}=J_{6\mathrm{ax,7}}=11.2$  Hz), 2.30 (m, 2H, H<sub>4ax</sub>, H<sub>2b</sub>), 1.14 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub> *i*-Pr), 1.11 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub> *i*-Pr).  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=176.0$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 75.1 (C<sub>7</sub>), 73.9 (C<sub>3</sub>), 58.0 (CH *i*-Pr), 53.7, 53.5 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>), 51.0 (C<sub>6</sub>), 42.2 (C<sub>2</sub>), 17.8 (CH<sub>3</sub> *i*-Pr). ATR-IR (thin film)) 3375.2, 1211.9, 1733.9, 1635.5, 1575.7, 1398.3, 1107.1, 1020.3 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [c]|^{23}\_{\mathrm{D}}=+11.2 (c=1.0, MeOH). MS (ESI): m/z=243.0 [M + H]+. HRMS: calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>H 243.14517, found 243.14368.

Methyl 2,5-Anhydro-6-azido-6-deoxy-D-allonate (7). Cyclohexylidene-protected 6 (1.45 g, 4.88 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (20 mL) and treated with 4 M aq HCl (5 mL). The solution was stirred 2 h at 50 °C and poured into saturated aqueous NaHCO3. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3x), and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated. Purification by silica column chromatography ( $50\% \rightarrow 100\%$  EtOAc in light PE) gave diol **7** as a clear oil (628 mg, 2.88 mmol, 59%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 4.44$  (d, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>,  $J_{2,3} = 4.4$  Hz), 4.43 (dd, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>,  $J_{3,4} = J_{3,2} = 4.4 \text{ Hz}$ ), 4.09 (m, 2H, H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 3.80 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.60 (dd, 1H,  $H_{6a}$ ,  $J_{6a,5} = 3.3$  Hz,  $J_{6a,6b} = 13.5$  Hz), 3.45 (dd, 1H,  $H_{7b}$ ,  $J_{7b,6} = 4.7$  Hz,  $J_{7b,7a} = 13.5$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.3$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 82.4, 81.9 (C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 74.0, 72.2 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 52.6 (OMe), 52.1 (C<sub>6</sub>). MS (ESI):  $m/z = 218.1 \text{ [M + H]}^+$ , 239.9  $[M + Na]^{+}$ 

Methyl 2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy-D-glycero-D-ribo-heptonate (8a). Diol 7 (109 mg, 0.47 mmol) was treated as described in the general procedure for glycol cleavage and reductive amination (Supporting Information). Silica gel column chromatography of the resulting mixture (10% EtOAc in light PE) first gave 8b (32 mg, 0.11 mmol, 22%). Upon further elution of the column (10% -15% EtOAc in light PE), the lower running title compound 8a (31 mg, 0.11 mmol, 22%) was obtained as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.31$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.30 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>,  $J_{2,3\text{eq}} = 2.7 \text{ Hz}, J_{2,3\text{ax}} = 10.9 \text{ Hz}, 3.80 \text{ (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>)}, 3.58 \text{ (d, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>)}$  $CH_2 Bn, J_{CHa,CHb} = 12.9 Hz), 3.52 (d, 1H, CH_2 Bn, J_{CHb,CHa} =$ 12.9 Hz), 3.42 (dd, 1H,  $H_{7a}$ ,  $J_{7a,6} = 6.3$  Hz,  $J_{7a,7b} = 12.9$  Hz),  $3.29 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_{7b}, J_{7b,6} = 4.8 \text{ Hz}, J_{7b,7a} = 12.9 \text{ Hz}), 3.08 \text{ (ddd, }$ 3.25 (dd, 1H, 11/6,  $\sigma_{10,6} = 4.8$  Hz,  $J_{3eq,2} = 2.7$  Hz,  $J_{3eq,3ax} = 11.0$  Hz), 2.74 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{5eq}$ ,  $J_{5eq,3eq} = J_{5eq,6} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{3ex,5ax} = 11.1$  Hz), 2.14 (dd, 1H,  $H_{3ax}$ ,  $J_{3ax,3eq} = J_{3ax,2} = 11.0$  Hz), 1.97 (dd, 1H,  $H_{5ax}$ ,  $J_{5ax,5eq} = J_{5ax,6} = 11.1$  Hz).  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz),  $^{13}$ C NMR ( CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 169.6$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 136.9 (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 129.0, 128.4, 127.8, 127.4  $(CH_{ar})$ , 75.1  $(C_2)$ , 74.9  $(C_6)$ , 62.8  $(CH_2\ Bn)$ , 54.5  $(C_5)$ , 54.2  $(C_3)$ , 52.7 (C<sub>7</sub>), 52.2 (OMe). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1759.0,

 $1288.4,\,1203.5,\,1118.6,\,1064.6,\,740.6,\,702.0\,\,\mathrm{cm^{-1}}.\,[\alpha]^{23}_D=-7.6$  (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). HRMS: calcd for  $C_{14}H_{18}N_4O_3H$  291.14517, found 291.14508.

Methyl 2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy-D-glycero-D-arabino-heptonate (8b). Clear oil (32 mg, 0.11 mmol, 22%).  $^{1}$ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=7.31$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.42 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>,  $J_{2,3eq}=2.2$  Hz,  $J_{2,3ax}=4.1$  Hz), 4.33 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.52 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\rm CHa,CHb}=13.3$  Hz), 3.46 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\rm CHb,CHa}=13.3$  Hz), 3.37 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7a</sub>,  $J_{7a,6}=4.5$  Hz,  $J_{7a,7b}=13.0$  Hz), 3.29 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7b</sub>,  $J_{7b,6}=5.8$  Hz,  $J_{7b,7a}=13.0$  Hz), 3.10 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>3eq</sub>,  $J_{3eq,5eq}=J_{3eq,2}=2.2$  Hz,  $J_{3eq,3ax}=11.6$  Hz), 2.74 (ddd, 1H, H<sub>5eq</sub>,  $J_{5eq,6}=1.7$  Hz,  $J_{5eq,3eq}=2.2$  Hz,  $J_{5eq,5ax}=11.2$  Hz), 2.41 (dd, 1H, H<sub>3ax</sub>,  $J_{3ax,2}=4.1$  Hz,  $J_{3ax,eq}=11.6$  Hz), 1.97 (dd, 1H, H<sub>5ax</sub>,  $J_{5ax,6}=9.9$  Hz,  $J_{5ax,5eq}=11.2$  Hz).  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=171.3$  (C<sub>1</sub>), 137.2 (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 128.7, 128.2, 127.3 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 72.6 (C<sub>2</sub>), 70.9 (C<sub>6</sub>), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 54.9 (C<sub>5</sub>), 53.5 (C<sub>3</sub>), 52.7 (C<sub>7</sub>), 51.9 (OMe). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1743.5, 1272.9, 1203.5, 1126.4, 1026.1, 740.6, 702.0 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [α]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = +49.6 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). HRMS: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>H 291.14517, found 291.14456.

**2,5-Anhydro-6-azido-6-deoxy-p-glucitol** (10). Azide **9** (98 mg, 0.43 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (3 mL), and TFA (1 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 h, and all solvents were removed in vacuo. Residual traces of acid were removed by repeated coevaporation with toluene to furnish the title compound **10** (83 mg, 0.43 mmol) quantitatively as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 3.96$  (m, 2H, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>), 3.80 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>, J<sub>4,3</sub> = 1.9 Hz, J<sub>4,5</sub> = 3.6 Hz), 3.71 (m, 2H, H<sub>5</sub>, H<sub>1a</sub>), 3.64 (dd, 1H, H<sub>1b</sub>, J<sub>1b,2</sub> = 5.7 Hz, J<sub>1b,1a</sub> = 11.7 Hz), 3.36 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6a</sub>, J<sub>6a,5</sub> = 6.5 Hz, J<sub>6a,6b</sub> = 12.8 Hz), 3.32 (dd, 1H, H<sub>6b</sub>, J<sub>6b,5</sub> = 5.1 Hz, J<sub>6b,6a</sub> = 12.8 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 85.2$  (C<sub>5</sub>), 82.9 (C<sub>2</sub>), 80.7 (C<sub>4</sub>), 78.8 (C<sub>3</sub>), 61.8 (C<sub>1</sub>), 53.8 (C<sub>6</sub>). ATR–IR (thin film) 3357.4, 3103.3, 2924.5, 2104.2, 1635.5, 1338.5, 1280.6, 1045.3, 974.0, 923.8 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = +49.0 (c = 1.0, MeOH). MS (ESI): m/z = 190.0 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 212.0 [M + Nal<sup>+</sup>.

**2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy- D-glycero- D-ribo-heptitol** (11). Triol 10 (693 mg, 3.5 mmol) was subjected to glycol cleavage and reductive amination, as described in the general procedure (Supporting Information), to deliver 11 (486 mg, 1.85 mmol, 53%) as a white solid.  $^{1}$ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.30$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 3.87 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.76 (m, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>), 3.65 (dd, 1H, H<sub>1a</sub>,  $J_{1a,2} = 3.6$  Hz,  $J_{1a,1b} = 11.6$  Hz), 3.55 (dd, 1H, H<sub>1b</sub>,  $J_{1b,2} = 6.3$  Hz,  $J_{1b,1a} = 11.6$  Hz), 3.53 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 3.28 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7a</sub>,  $J_{7a,6} = 6.3$  Hz,  $J_{7a,7b} = 12.9$  Hz), 3.22 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7b</sub>,  $J_{7b,6} = 4.1$  Hz,  $J_{7b,7a} = 12.9$  Hz), 2.72 (ddd, 2H, H<sub>3eq</sub>, H<sub>5eq</sub>,  $J_{3eq,5eq} = J_{3eq,2} = J_{5eq,3eq} = J_{5eq,6} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{3ex,3e} = J_{5eq,5ax} = 10.6$  Hz), 1.98 (dd, 1H, H<sub>3ax</sub>,  $J_{3ax,3eq} = J_{3ax,2} = 11.0$  Hz), 1.95 (dd, 1H, H<sub>5ax</sub>,  $J_{5ax,5eq} = J_{5ax,6}$  11.0 Hz).  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 130.7$  (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 129.2, 128.4, 127.4 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 76.3 (C<sub>2</sub>), 75.2 (C<sub>6</sub>), 64.0 (C<sub>1</sub>), 63.1 (CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 55.0 (C<sub>5</sub>), 53.8 (C<sub>3</sub>), 53.0 (C<sub>7</sub>). ATR—IR (thin film) 3386.8, 2923.9, 2877.6, 2098.4, 1450.4, 1288.4, 1118.6, 1064.6, 918.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = +2.0 (c = 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). HRMS: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>H 263.15025, found 263.14951.

2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy-D-glycero-D-ribo-heptonic Acid (12a). To a vigorously stirred solution of morpholine 11 (79 mg, 0.30 mmol) in DCM (1 mL) and water (0.5 mL), that was cooled to 0 °C, were added TEMPO (9.4 mg, 0.06 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and BAIB (193 mg, 0.6 mmol, 2 equiv). After 6 h, the reaction was quenched with MeOH and the mixture was evaporated to dryness. Silica gel column chromatography (0%  $\rightarrow$  10% of a mixture of *n*-BuOH/ AcOH/water (1/1/1 v/v/v) in EtOAc) provided 12a as a clear oil (50 mg, 0.18 mmol, 61%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta$  = 7.38 (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.24 (m, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>), 3.96 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 3.87  $(m, 1H, H_6), 3.41 (m, 3H, H_7, H_{3eq}), 3.06 (d, 1H, H_{5eq}, J_{5eq,5ax} =$ 11.4 Hz), 2.51 (dd, 1H,  $H_{3ax}$ ,  $J_{3ax,3eq} = J_{3ax,2} = 11.4$  Hz), 2.43 (dd, 1H,  $H_{5ax}$ ,  $J_{5ax,5eq} = J_{5ax,6} = 11.2$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 173.1 \, (C_1)$ , 134.3 ( $C_q \, Bn$ ), 131.4, 129.8 ( $CH_{ar}$ ), 75.7  $(C_2)$ , 74.7  $(C_6)$ , 62.9  $(CH_2 Bn)$ , 54.7, 54.4  $(C_3, C_5)$ , 53.4  $(C_7)$ . IR (thin film) 2100.3, 1608.5, 1456.2, 1373.2, 1274.9, 1120.6, 1053.1, 999.1, 862.1, 754.1, 698.2 cm $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> = +4.8 (c = 1.0, MeOH). HRMS: calcd for  $C_{13}H_{17}N_4O_3H$  277.12952, found 277.12817.

2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy-D-glycero-D-arabino-heptonic Acid (12b). Compound 15 (95 mg, 0.36 mmol) was treated following the same procedure as for  $\mathbf{11}$ , to deliver MAA  $\mathbf{12b}$  (68 mg, 0.24 mmol, 68%) as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 7.36$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.30 (1H, H<sub>2</sub>, J<sub>2,3eq</sub> = 3.2 Hz, J<sub>2,3ax</sub> = 4.1 Hz), 4.24 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.69(d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\text{CHa,CHb}} = 13.1$  Hz), 3.65 (d, 1H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn,  $J_{\text{CHb,CHa}} = 13.1$  Hz), 3.37 (dd, 1H,  $H_{7a}$ ,  $J_{7a,6} = 4.7$  Hz,  $J_{7a,7b} =$ 13.0 Hz), 3.30 (dd, 1H,  $H_{7b}$ ,  $J_{7b,6} = 5.5$  Hz,  $J_{7b,7a} = 13.0$  Hz), 3.16 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{3eq}$ ,  $J_{3eq,5eq} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{3eq,2} = 3.2$  Hz,  $J_{3eq,3ax} = 11.8$  Hz), 2.75 (ddd, 1H,  $H_{5eq}$ ,  $J_{5eq,3eq} = 1.7$  Hz,  $J_{5eq,6} = 2.6$  Hz,  $\begin{array}{l} J_{5 \mathrm{eq},5 \mathrm{ax}} = 11.6 \; \mathrm{Hz}), \, 2.61 \; (\mathrm{dd}, \, 1\mathrm{H}, \, \mathrm{H_{3ax}}, \, J_{3 \mathrm{ax},2} = 4.3 \; \mathrm{Hz}, \, J_{3 \mathrm{ax},3 \mathrm{eq}} = \\ 11.8 \; \mathrm{Hz}), \, 2.35 \; (\mathrm{dd}, \, 1\mathrm{H}, \, \mathrm{H_{5ax}}, \, J_{5 \mathrm{ax},6} = 9.3 \; \mathrm{Hz}, \, J_{5 \mathrm{ax},5 \mathrm{eq}} = 11.6 \; \mathrm{Hz}). \end{array}$ <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 175.7$  (C<sub>1</sub>) 136.2 (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 130.8, 129.6, 129.1 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 73.7, (C<sub>2</sub>), 71.6 (C<sub>6</sub>), 63.3 (CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 55.2 (C<sub>5</sub>), 54.5 (C<sub>3</sub>), 53.4 (C<sub>7</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film) 2098.4, 1716.5, 1602.7, 1456.2, 1396.4, 1274.9, 1213.1, 1120.6, 752.2, 700.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>. [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> = +12.8 (c = 0.1, MeOH). MS (ESI): m/z =  $277.0 \text{ [M + H]}^+, 298.9 \text{ [M + Na]}^+. \text{ HRMS: calcd for } C_{13}H_{17}N_4$ O<sub>3</sub>H 277.12952, found 277.12799.

2,5-Anhydro-6-azido-6-deoxy-D-mannitol (14). Anhydromannitol 13 (6.65 g, 20 mmol) was mesylated as described by Guthrie et al.<sup>18</sup> The mesylate (2.20 g, 9.1 mmol) was subsequently dissolved in DMF (50 mL), NaN<sub>3</sub> (1.47 g, 22.7 mmol,  $\hat{2}.5$  equiv) was added, and the mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 48 h. Evaporation of the volatiles and silica column chromatography ( $0\% \rightarrow 10\%$  of MeOH in EtOAc) produced **14** (1.73 g, 9.1 mmol, 45% over two steps) as a clear oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta$ = 3.94 (dd, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>,  $J_{3,2} = J_{3,4} = 6.1$  Hz), 3.89 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>,  $J_{4,3} = J_{4,5} = 6.1$  Hz), 3.84 (m, 1H, H<sub>5</sub>), 3.76 (m, 1H,  $H_2$ ), 3.65 (dd, 1H,  $H_{1a}$ ,  $J_{1a,2} = 3.4$  Hz,  $J_{1a,1b} = 11.9$  Hz), 3.55 (dd, 1H, H<sub>1b</sub>,  $J_{1b,2} = 4.9$  Hz,  $J_{1b,1a} = 11.9$  Hz), 3.42 (dd, 1H,  $\rm H_{6a}$ ,  $J_{6a,5}=3.6$  Hz,  $J_{6a,6b}=13.1$  Hz), 3.28 (dd, 1H,  $\rm H_{6b}$ ,  $J_{6b,5}=5.6$  Hz,  $J_{6b,6a}=13.1$  Hz).  $^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (100 MHz, MeOD):  $\delta = 84.9 (C_2), 83.4 (C_5), 79.2 (C_4), 78.2 (C_3), 63.0 (C_1), 53.3 (C_6).$ ATR-IR (thin film) 3357.8, 2923.9, 2104.2, 1645.2, 1440.7, 1280.6, 1109.0, 1045.3, 933.5 cm<sup>-1</sup>.  $[\alpha]^{23}_D = +73.4$  (c = 1.0, MeOH). MS (ESI): m/z = 190.0 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 212.1 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>.

2,6-Anhydro-4-aza-7-azido-4-benzyl-3,4,5,7-tetradeoxy-**D-glycero-D-arabino-heptitol** (15). Triol 14 (280 mg, 1.4 mmol) was subjected to glycol cleavage and reductive amination, as described in the general procedure (Supporting Information), to obtain title compound 15 (191 mg, 0.73 mmol, 52%) as a clear oil.  $^1H$  NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\_3):  $\delta = 7.30$  (m, 5H, H<sub>ar</sub>), 4.16 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.92 (m, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>), 3.84 (dd, 1H, H<sub>1a</sub>,  $J_{1a,2} = 5.8 \text{ Hz}, J_{1a,1b} = 11.6 \text{ Hz}), 3.74 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_{1b}, J_{1b,2} = 3.4$ Hz,  $J_{1b,1a} = 11.6 Hz$ ),  $3.61 (dd, 1H, H_{7a}, J_{7a,6} = 7.3 Hz, J_{7a,7b} =$ 12.9 Hz), 3.47 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 3.27 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7b</sub>,  $J_{7b,6} = 4.8$  $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Hz,}\,J_{7{\rm b},7{\rm a}}=12.9\,{\rm Hz),}\,2.58\,({\rm dd,}\,1{\rm H,}\,{\rm H_{3a},}\,J_{3{\rm a},2}=3.4\,{\rm Hz,}\,J_{3{\rm a},3{\rm b}}=\\ 11.4\,{\rm Hz),}\,2.53\,({\rm dd,}\,1{\rm H,}\,{\rm H_{5a},}\,J_{5{\rm a},6}=3.4\,{\rm Hz,}\,J_{5{\rm a},5{\rm b}}=11.6\,{\rm Hz),} \end{array}$ 2.47 (dd, 1H,  $H_{3b}$ ,  $J_{3b,2} = 5.6$  Hz,  $J_{3b,3a} = 11.4$  Hz), 2.32 (dd, 1H, H<sub>5b</sub>,  $J_{5b,6} = 6.1$  Hz,  $J_{5b,5a} = 11.6$  Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 137.1$  (C<sub>q</sub> Bn), 128.9, 128.5, 127.4 (CH<sub>ar</sub>), 71.3,  $71.2 \ (C_2, C_6), 64.8 \ (C_1), 63.1 \ (CH_2 \ Bn), 54.4 \ (C_3), 54.2 \ (C_5), 51.8 \ (C_7)$ (C<sub>7</sub>). IR (thin film) 3384.5, 2936.2, 2094.6, 1454.2, 1265.2, 1149.6, 1112.9, 1053.1, 912.3, 742.5, 698.2 cm $^{-1}$ . [ $\alpha$ ] $^{23}$ D = +3.8  $(c = 1.0, \, \mathrm{CH_2Cl_2})$ . HRMS: calcd for  $\mathrm{C_{13}H_{18}N_4O_2H}$  263.15025, found 263.15015.

**3,6-Anhydro-7-azido-2,7-dideoxy-D-***allo***-heptonic Acid (16).** To a solution of ester **2** (350 mg, 1.52 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added 1 M aq NaOH (2 mL). The mixture was neutralized after 3 h with Amberlite IR-120 (H<sup>+</sup>), filtered, and concentrated. Purification by silica column chromatography  $(0\% \rightarrow 2\%$  AcOH in EtOAc) furnished **16**, as a clear oil (323 mg, 1.49 mmol, 98%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 4.16$  (ddd, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>,  $J_{3,2a} = 4.9$  Hz,  $J_{3,4} = 5.3$  Hz,  $J_{3,2b} = 8.4$  Hz), 3.96 (m, 2H, H<sub>5</sub>, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.84 (dd, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>,  $J_{4,3} = 5.3$  Hz,  $J_{4,5} = 5.4$  Hz), 3.51 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7a</sub>,  $J_{7a,6} = 3.1$  Hz,  $J_{7a,7b} = 13.2$  Hz), 3.29 (dd, 1H, H<sub>7b</sub>,  $J_{7b,6} = 4.4$  Hz,  $J_{7b,7a} = 13.2$  Hz), 2.67 (dd, 1H, H<sub>2a</sub>,

 $\begin{array}{l} J_{2\mathrm{a},3} = 4.9~\mathrm{Hz},\, J_{2\mathrm{a},2\mathrm{b}} = 15.7~\mathrm{Hz}),\, 2.50~\mathrm{(dd,\,1H,\,H_{2\mathrm{b}},\,J_{2\mathrm{b},3}} = 8.4~\mathrm{Hz},\, J_{2\mathrm{b},2\mathrm{a}} = 15.7~\mathrm{Hz}).\, ^{13}\mathrm{C~NMR}~\mathrm{(100~MHz,\,CD_3OD)};\,\,\delta = 174.6~\mathrm{(C_1)},\, 83.9~\mathrm{(C_6)},\, 81.2~\mathrm{(C_3)},\, 75.7~\mathrm{(C_4)},\, 73.0~\mathrm{(C_5)},\, 53.5~\mathrm{(C_7)},\, 39.4~\mathrm{(C_2)}.\,\,\mathrm{ATR-IR}~\mathrm{(thin~film)};\,\, 3434.6,\,\, 2927.7,\,\, 2100.3,\,\, 1706.9,\,\, 1406.0,\,\, 1272.9,\,\, 1180.4,\,\, 1097.4,\,\, 1033.8,\,\, 977.8,\,\, 912.3,\,\, 827.4,\,\, 748.3~\mathrm{cm}^{-1}.\,\, [\alpha]^{23}{}_{\mathrm{D}} + 54.4~\mathrm{(c} = 1.0,\,\mathrm{MeOH)}.\,\,\mathrm{MS}~\mathrm{(ESI)};\,\, m/z\,\, 217.9~\mathrm{[M~+~H]^+},\,\, 241.0~\mathrm{[M~+~Na]^+},\,\, 435.1~\mathrm{[2M~+~H]^+},\,\, 457.1~\mathrm{[2M~+~Na]^+}.\,\, \mathrm{HRMS};\,\,\, \mathrm{calcd}~\,\, \mathrm{for}~\,\, \mathrm{C_7H_{11}N_3O_5H}~\,\, 218.07715,\,\,\, \mathrm{found}\,\,\, 218.07724. \end{array}$ 

*cyclo*-[MAA-Val-Orn(Boc)-Leu-<sup>D</sup>Phe-Pro-Val-Orn-Leu] (19). Route A. Fmoc-based solid-phase peptide synthesis was performed as described previously,  $^6$  starting with preloaded resin 17 (100 μmol), with a final coupling of 5a (64 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2 equiv), BOP (132 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3 equiv), HOBt (41 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3 equiv), and DiPEA (58 μL, 0.35 mmol, 3.5 equiv) in NMP (2 mL), to ultimately furnish the title compound 19 (96 mg, 71 μmol, 71%) as a white amorphous solid.

**Route B.** Boc-protected GS analogue **21** (50 mg, 40  $\mu$ mol) was dissolved in THF (7.5 mL) and DMF (2.5 mL), and a solution of sodium periodate (17 mg, 80 µmol, 2 equiv) in water (2.5 mL) was added. Stirring was continued overnight, after which the milky suspension was concentrated and partitioned between water and chloroform. The water layer was extracted with chloroform  $(2\times)$ , and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated to quantitatively produce the crude dialdehyde (50 mg,  $40 \mu mol$ ). Subsequently, the dialdehyde (25 mg, 20  $\mu$ mol) was dissolved in MeOH (4 mL) and trimethyl orthoformate (2 mL) and NaCNBH<sub>3</sub> (7 mg,  $100 \mu \text{mol}$ , 5 equiv) was added. To this mixture was added a solution of benzylamine (3.2 µL, 30 µmol, 1.5 equiv) in MeOH (0.5 mL), trimethyl orthoformate (0.2 mL), and DMF (0.2 mL) that had been acidified to pH = 5 with AcOH in advance. After stirring overnight, all solvents were evaporated and the mixture was applied to a size exclusion column that was eluted with MeOH, to yield the title compound 19 (17 mg, 12  $\mu$ mol, 63%) as white amorphous solid.

cyclo-[MAA-Val-Orn-Leu-DPhe-Pro-Val-Orn-Leu] (20). A mixture of MAA-containing 19 (17 mg, 12  $\mu$ mol) in DCM (2 mL) was cooled to 0 °C, treated with TFA (2 mL), and stirred for 30 min. The solvents were evaporated, and the crude mixture was analyzed by LC/MS ( $t_R$  12.74 min (linear gradient  $05 \rightarrow 90\%$  B in 20 min.; m/z = 1144.0 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 572.7 [M + H]2+) followed by semipreparative RP-HPLC purification (linear gradient of 3.0 CV;  $35 \rightarrow 55\%$  B;  $t_R$  2.2 CV), to produce **20** (10.6 mg, 9.3  $\mu$ mol) in 77% after lyophilization of the pooled fractions. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OH):  $\delta = 8.86$  (d, 1H, NH <sup>D</sup>Phe<sub>5</sub>,  $J_{NH,H\alpha} = 3.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 8.65 (d, 1H, NH<sub>\alpha</sub> Orn<sub>8</sub>,  $J_{NH,H\alpha} = 8.2$ Hz), 8.56 (d, 1H, NH<sub>α</sub> Orn<sub>3</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha}$  = 8.9 Hz), 8.48 (d, 1H, NH Leu<sub>4</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha}$  = 8.7 Hz), 8.21 (d, 1H, NH Leu<sub>9</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha}$  = 8.4 Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H, NH Val<sub>7</sub>,  $J_{NH,H\alpha} = 7.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.83 (t, 1H, NH MAA<sub>1</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,8} = 5.8~{\rm Hz}),\, 7.47 - 7.45~({\rm m},\, 5{\rm H},\, {\rm H_{ar}}),\, 7.39~({\rm d},\, 1{\rm H},\, {\rm NH~Val_2},\,$  $J_{\rm NH, H\alpha} = 8.3~{\rm Hz}$ ),  $7.31 - 7.23~({\rm m}, 5{\rm H}, {\rm H}_{\rm ar})$ ,  $4.98~({\rm m}, 1{\rm H}, {\rm H}_{\alpha}~{\rm Orn}_3)$ , 4.63 (m, 1H,  $H_{\alpha}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>), 4.53 (m, 1H,  $H_{\alpha}$  <sup>D</sup>Phe<sub>5</sub>), 4.43 (m, 2H,  $H_{\alpha}$  Leu\_9,  $H_{\alpha}$  Orn\_8), 4.35 (m, 2H,  $H_{\alpha}$  Pro\_6,  $H_{\alpha}$  Val\_2), 4.23 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub> Bn), 4.11 (m, 1H, H<sub>3</sub> MAA<sub>1</sub>), 3.93 (m, 1H, H<sub>7</sub> MAA<sub>1</sub>),  $3.88 (m, 1H, H_{\alpha} Val_7), 3.71 (m, 1H, H_{\delta d} Pro_6), 3.36 (m, 1H, H_{8d})$  $MAA_1$ ), 3.32 (m, 2H,  $H_{4d}$ ,  $H_{6d}$   $MAA_1$ ), 3.07 (m, 2H,  $H_{\beta d}$   $^{D}Phe_5$ ,  $H_{8u}$  MAA<sub>1</sub>), 2.98 (m, 5H,  $H_{\delta}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>,  $H_{\delta}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>,  $H_{\beta u}$  Phe<sub>5</sub>), 2.75  $(m,\,1H,\,H_{4u}\,MAA_1),\,2.67\,(m,\,1H,\,H_{6u}\,MAA_1),\,2.53\,(m,\,2H,\,H_{2d}\,MAA_2)$  $MAA_1$ ,  $H_{\delta u}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>), 2.30 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta}$  Val<sub>7</sub>), 1.95 (m, 3H,  $H_{\beta}$  Val<sub>2</sub>,  $H_{\beta d}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>,  $H_{\beta d}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>), 1.88 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta d}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>), 1.75 (m, 5H,  $H_{\beta u,\gamma}$ Orn<sub>3</sub>, H<sub> $\gamma$ </sub> Orn<sub>8</sub>), 1.72 (m, 2H, H<sub> $\beta$ u, $\gamma$ d</sub> Pro<sub>6</sub>), 1.67 (m, 1H, H<sub> $\beta$ u</sub> Orn<sub>3</sub>), 1.66 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta u}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>), 1.65 (m, 1H,  $H_{\gamma u}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>), 1.64 (m, 3H,  $H_{\beta,\gamma}$  Leu<sub>9</sub>), 1.56 (m, 2H,  $H_{\beta d}$ ,  $_{\gamma}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>), 1.41 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta u}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>), 0.97 (m, 3H,  $H_{\gamma d}$  Val<sub>7</sub>), 0.93 (m, 6H,  $H_{\gamma}$  Val<sub>2</sub>), 0.90 (m, 9H,  $H_{\delta}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>,  $H_{\gamma u}$  Val<sub>7</sub>), 0.84 (m, 6H,  $H_{\delta}$  Leu<sub>9</sub>). HRMS: calcd for  $C_{60}H_{94}N_{12}O_{10}H$  1143.72886, found 1143.72632.

cyclo-[SAA-Val-Orn(Boc)-Leu-DPhe-Pro-Val-Orn-Leu] (21). In a similar scheme described in route A, preloaded resin 17 (100  $\mu$ mol) was elongated in a stepwise fashion, with a final condensation of SAA 16 (44 mg, 0.2 mmol, 2 equiv), BOP (132 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3 equiv), HOBt (41 mg, 0.3 mmol, 3 equiv), and DiPEA (58  $\mu$ L, 0.35 mmol, 3.5 equiv) in NMP (3 mL), to ultimately obtain the title peptide **21** (80 mg, 63  $\mu$ mol, 63%) as an off-white amorphous solid. An aliquot of 21 (14 mg,  $11.0 \mu mol$ ) was then dissolved in DCM (2 mL) and cooled to 0 °C, and TFA (2 mL) was added slowly. After the mixture was stirred for 30 min, the volatiles were removed in vacuo and the crude peptide was analyzed by LC/MS (t<sub>R</sub> 14.71 min (linear gradient 10  $\rightarrow$  90% B in 20 min; m/z= 1070.8 [M +H]+, 53 $\tilde{6}$ .1 [M + H]<sup>2+</sup>), purified by RP-HPLC (linear gradient of 3.0 CV;  $40\rightarrow50\%$  B;  $t_R=1.9$  CV) and the combined fractions were lyophilizated to furnish the unprotected peptide (8.1 mg, 7.6  $\mu$ mol, 69%) as an amorphous white powder. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OH):  $\delta = 8.90$  (d, 1H, NH <sup>D</sup>Phe<sub>5</sub>,  $J_{\text{NH,H}\alpha} = 3.5$  Hz),  $8.68\,({
m d,\,1H,\,NH_{\alpha}\,Orn_{3}}, J_{
m NH,H\alpha}=8.1\,{
m Hz}),\,8.62\,({
m d,\,1H,\,NH\,Leu_{4}},$  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha} = 9.4 \; {\rm Hz}$ ), 8.61 (d, 1H, NH<sub>\alpha</sub> Orn<sub>8</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha} = 8.9 \; {\rm Hz}$ ), 8.56 (d, 1H, NH Leu<sub>9</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,H\alpha}=8.9$  Hz), 8.07 (t, 1H, NH SAA<sub>1</sub>,  $J_{\rm NH,7}$ = 6.1 Hz), 7.86 (bs, 2H, NH $_{\delta}$  Orn<sub>3,8</sub>), 7.74 (d, 1H, NH Val<sub>7</sub>,  $J_{\text{NH,H}\alpha} = 8.6 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.55 (d, 1H, NH Val<sub>2</sub>,  $J_{\text{NH,H}\alpha} = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.38- $7.21\ (m,\,5H,\,H_{ar}),\,4.98\ (m,\,1H,\,H_{\alpha}\ Orn_{3}),\,4.71\ (m,\,1H,\,H_{\alpha}\ Orn_{8}),$  $4.65 \text{ (m, 1H, } H_{\alpha} \text{ Leu}_{4}), 4.56 \text{ (m, 1H, } H_{\alpha} \text{ Leu}_{9}), 4.51 \text{ (m, 1H, } H_{\alpha}$  $^{D}Phe_{5}),\,4.34\ (m,\,1H,\,H_{\alpha}\;Pro_{6}),\,4.24\ (m,\,1H,\,H_{\alpha}\;Val_{2}),\,4.06\ (m,\,1H,\,H_{\alpha}\;Val_{3}),\,4.06$  $1H,\,H_{\alpha}\,Val_{7}),\,3.95\,(m,\,2H,\,H_{3,}\,H_{6}\,SAA_{1}),\,3.86\,(dd,\,1H,\,H_{5}\,SAA_{1},$  $J_{5,4} = 5.2 \text{ Hz}, J_{5,6} = 3.0 \text{ Hz}), 3.78 \text{ (dd, 1H, H}_4 \text{ SAA}_1, J_{4,5} = 5.2$ Hz,  $J_{4,3} = 6.5$  Hz), 3.72 (m, 1H,  $H_{\delta d}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>), 3.36 (m, 1H,  $H_{7d}$ SAA<sub>1</sub>), 3.31 (m, 1H,  $H_{7u}$  SAA<sub>1</sub>), 3.07 (dd, 1H,  $H_{\beta d}$  <sup>D</sup>Phe<sub>5</sub>,  $J_{\beta d,\beta u}$ = 12.6 Hz,  $J_{\beta d,\alpha}$  = 5.0 Hz), 3.02 (m, 1H, H<sub> $\delta d$ </sub> Orn<sub>3</sub>), 2.98 (m, 1H,  $H_{\delta d}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>), 2.96 (m, 3H,  $H_{\delta u}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>,  $H_{\delta u}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>,  $H_{\beta u}$  DPhe<sub>5</sub>),  $2.50 \ (m, 3H, H_2 \ SAA_1, H_{\delta u} \ Pro_6), \ 2.28 \ (m, 1H, H_{\beta} \ Val_7), \ 1.99$ (m, 3H,  $H_{\beta d}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>,  $H_{\beta d}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>,  $H_{\beta}$  Val<sub>2</sub>), 1.83 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta d}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>), 1.74 (m, 2H, H  $_{\gamma}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>), 1.71 (m, 2H, H $_{\beta u, \gamma d}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>), 1.67 (m, 1H  $H_{\beta u}$  Orn<sub>3</sub>), 1.66 (m, 2H,  $H_{\gamma}$  Orn<sub>8</sub>), 1.64 (m, 3H,  $H_{\beta, \gamma}$  Leu<sub>9</sub>), 1.59 (m, 1H,  $H_{\gamma u}$  Pro<sub>6</sub>), 1.56 (m, 2H,  $H_{\beta d, \gamma}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>), 1.39 (m, 1H,  $H_{\beta u}$  $Leu_4),\, 0.95 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_{\gamma d} \; Val_7),\, 0.94 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_{\gamma d} \; Val_2),\, 0.92 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_{\gamma d} \; Val_3),\, 0.92 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_{\gamma d} \; Val_3),\, 0.92 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_{\gamma d} \; Val_3),\, 0.94 \; (m,\, 3H,\, H_$ 3H,  $H_{yu}$  Val<sub>2</sub>), 0.90 (m, 6H,  $H_{\delta}$  Leu<sub>4</sub>), 0.88 (m, 3H,  $H_{yu}$  Val<sub>7</sub>), 0.86 (m, 6H,  $H_{\delta}$  Leu<sub>9</sub>). ATR-IR (thin film): 3278.1, 3071.9, 2959.2, 2935.6, 2873.4, 1669.8, 1636.5, 1539.2, 1464.7, 1456.7, 1437.0, 1203.7, 1182.7, 1135.0, 1033.3, 1020.8, 837.1, 800.1, 722.6, 702.5 cm $^{-1}$ . HRMS: calcd for  $C_{53}H_{87}N_{11}O_{12}H$  1079.6608, found 1070.6521.

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**Supporting Information Available:** General experimental methods and copies of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra as well as 2D NMR spectra of compounds **4a**, **8a**,**b**, **12a**,**b**, **20**, and **21**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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