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# Synthesis of Enantiopure Polyhydroxylated Carbo and Sulfurated Cycles with Potential or Proved Biological Activity, Starting from D-Mannitol

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Starting from alcohol sugars, by means of sulfur, enantiopure Conduritols, diarnino Conduritols, thiepines and polyhydroxylated thianes have been synthesized.

Keywords: Conduritols; Diamino Conduritols; Thiepines; Hydroxylated Thianes

Using Me<sub>3</sub>SiI we have achieved the synthesis of sulfurated polyhydroxylated enantiopure 6 membered cycles by ring contraction (Scheme 1) of 7 membered rings, obtained from alcohol sugars.<sup>1</sup>

Furthermore from thiepane 2 the thiepin 5 can be obtained. Analogously, starting from a thiepane derivative with the opposite stereochemistry at  $C_3$  and  $C_6$  the related enantiopure thiane and thiepine were obtained, compounds reported as useful synthetic intermediates as well as therapeutic agents.<sup>2</sup>

With a simple and inexpensive procedure, mediated by sulfur,<sup>3</sup> we also synthesized polyhydroxylated enantiopure carbocycles like the Conduritols (Scheme 2), compounds known as glycolidase inhibitors.<sup>4</sup>

 $i = MCPBA, CH_2Cl_2; ii = CCl_4, t-BuOH, H_2O, KOH; iii = H_2SO_4 0.1 N$ 

#### Scheme 2

We also tried to synthesize the unreported 2,3-diamino Conduritol. Modifying our procedure, we have synthesized 12 (Scheme 3) compound not accessible by nucleophilic substitution on 8a.

 $i = MsCl, Py; ii = NaN_3, DMSO; iii = MCPBA, CH_2Cl_2; iv = CCl_4, t-BuOH, H_2O, KOH; v = LiAlH_4, THF.$ 

#### Scheme 3

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