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Total syntheses of disulphated glycosphingolipid SB1a and the related monosulphated SM1a†

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Total syntheses of two natural sulphoglycolipids, disulphated glycosphingolipid SB1a and the structurally related monosulphated SM1a, are described. They have common glycan sequences and ceramide moieties and are associated with human epithelial carcinomas. The syntheses featured efficient glycan assembly and the glucosyl ceramide cassette as a versatile building block. The binding of the synthetic sulphoglycolipids by the carcinoma-specific monoclonal antibody AE3 was investigated using carbohydrate microarray technology.

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Introduction

Sulphoglycolipids are acidic glycosphingolipids that contain one or two sulphate (HSO_3^-) groups, and are components of cell membranes.¹ To date, several sulphoglycolipids have been isolated and characterised.^{1,2} Interestingly, many of them have the same glycan sequence as ganglio-series³ or globo-series gangliosides⁴ but they contain sulphate groups instead of sialic acid residues. These sulphated glycolipids with a ganglio-series core framework are found in mammalian nervous tissue and in the kidney, where they may play a role in osmotic adaptation.⁵ In addition, many of these sulphated glycolipids are known to be associated with various carcinomas.⁶ SB1a, for instance, a di-sulphated analogue of the sialoglycolipid GD1a, has been found to be abundantly expressed on the surface of the human hepatocellular carcinoma cell line PLC/PRF/15 but not in glycolipid extracts from a cirrhotic liver or normal liver.^{6a} Although association has been suggested between sulphoglycolipid accumulation and cancerous behaviours of epithelial cancer cells,^{6b-d,7} the precise roles of these sulphoglycolipids in carcinomas and other biological systems has not been clarified. To elucidate these roles, structurally homogeneous forms of sulphoglycolipids are in great demand. In the course of searching for carbohydrate sequences recognized by the epithelial cancer-specific monoclonal antibody (mAb)

AE3, microarray analyses were performed with approximately 500 sequence-defined glycan probes. These revealed an unpredicted binding of the antibody to SM1a,⁸ the monosulphated analogue of the sialoglycolipid GM1. The mAb AE3 was bound relatively weakly to the three structurally-related gangliosides asialo-GM1, GM1 and GM1 (Gc). There was no binding to the di-sulphated analogue SB1a. As the SM1a and SB1a included in the screening analyses were from natural sources, it was important to rule out the presence of any minor contaminants which could not be detected by mass spectrometry. The structures of SM1a (**1**) and SB1a (**2**), which were first isolated from rat kidney,⁹ were assigned as shown in Fig. 1.^{9,2a} Characteristically, their ceramide compositions were mainly C24 non-hydroxylated fatty acids (tetracosanoic acid) and C18 4-hydroxysphinganine (*D*-ribo-phytosphingosine). Very recently, Li and co-workers reported the first total synthesis of SM1a; however, its ceramide part consisted of unnatural unsaturated sphingosine.¹⁰ Previously, our group accomplished the syntheses of a large number of sialoglycans, including gangliosides¹¹ and their sulphated analogues,¹² using a chemical approach. Here we report the first total syntheses of the di-sulphated glycolipid SB1a and the monosulphated SM1a, each with a ceramide tail as found in natural products. The binding of the synthesized sulphoglycolipids by mAb AE3 was investigated using carbohydrate microarray technology.

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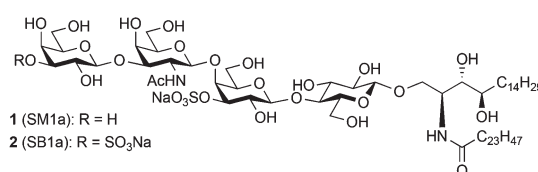


Fig. 1 Structures of SM1a and SB1a.



Results and discussion

Fig. 2 presents the retrosynthetic analyses of the target compounds. Obviously, the systematic synthesis of SB1a and SM1a is possible because they have a gangliotetraose skeleton and a ceramide part. The key disconnection toward total synthesis is performed between the inner galactose and the reducing end glucose residues to produce key fragments, *i.e.* the non-reducing end trisaccharide unit and the glucosyl ceramide (GlcCer) cassette. Each C3 position of the galactose residues should be protected by the different selectively removable protecting groups because they are potential sites to introduce the sulphate group. To date, we have succeeded in the efficient total synthesis of natural gangliosides such as GQ1b,¹³ GalNAc-GD1a,¹⁴ GalNAc-GM1b,¹⁵ X2,¹⁶ LLG-3¹⁷ and GAA-7,¹⁸ using the GlcCer cassette approach.¹⁹ This approach has been proven to be able to overcome a long-standing issue in glycolipid synthesis, namely that coupling of the flexible, poor reactive ceramide acceptor and the oligosaccharyl donor results in low yield and loss of the valuable oligosaccharide unit. Encouraged by previous successes, we decided to apply the GlcCer cassette approach to the present total syntheses. The present GlcCer cassette **4** was designed as shown in Fig. 2 and could be divided into the known glucose **7** and ceramide **8** derivatives. The common trisaccharyl donor **3** could be assembled from the known monosaccharide derivatives **5** and **6**.

First, following the above synthetic strategy, the common trisaccharyl donor **3** was prepared from the known galactose

derivative **5**²⁰ and *N*-Troc-protected galactosamine derivative **6**.²¹ As shown in Scheme 1, selective introduction of the benzyl group at the C3 position of **5** was performed in a one-pot fashion with two steps, tin acetal formation and subsequent benzylation, giving the 4-OH galactosyl acceptor **9** in 93% yield. The benzyl group was extremely stable under both acidic and basic reaction conditions, and it could be chemoselectively removed by hydrogenolysis prior to sulphonation.

Thereafter, the non-reducing end galactose unit was also prepared from **5**. The 3-OH of **5** was selectively protected as a levulinoyl ester by treatment with levulinic acid, EDC-HCl and DMAP in CH₂Cl₂ at -20 °C, affording **10** in 88% yield. Regioselectivity was produced on the basis of the difference in reactivity between equatorial 3-OH and axial 4-OH. The selectively removable Lev group in the presence of other acyl protecting groups was installed for SB1a. After acetylation of 4-OH (giving **11**), the *p*-methoxyphenyl (*p*MP) group at the anomeric position was removed with CAN and H₂O in an optimised mixed solvent system²² to give hemiacetal **12** in 81% yield. Finally, the introduction of the trichloroacetimidoyl group²³ yielded the non-reducing end galactosyl donor **13** in a nearly quantitative yield.

Scheme 2 illustrates the synthesis of the inner disaccharide GalNβ(1 → 4)Gal acceptor **16**. The glycosylation of **9** with the known galactosaminyl donor **6** equipped with the 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl (Troc) group at C2 as a β-stereo-directing element was performed in the presence of NIS and TfOH²⁴ in

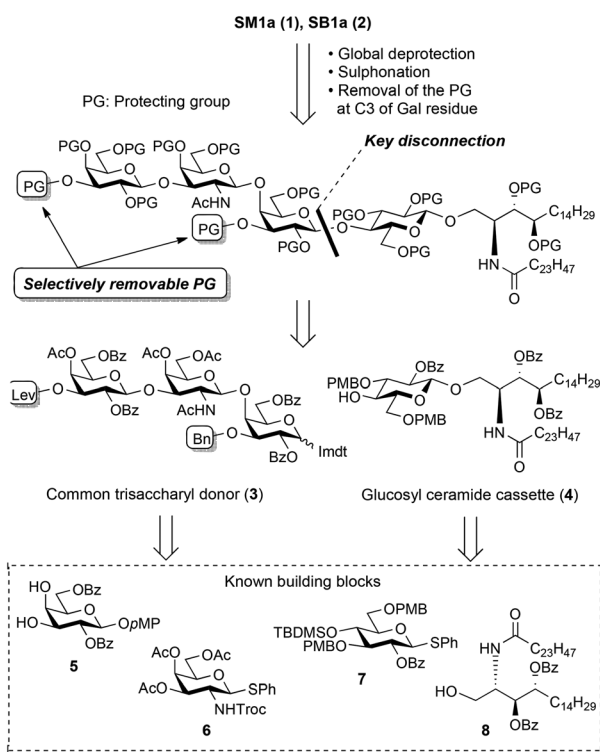
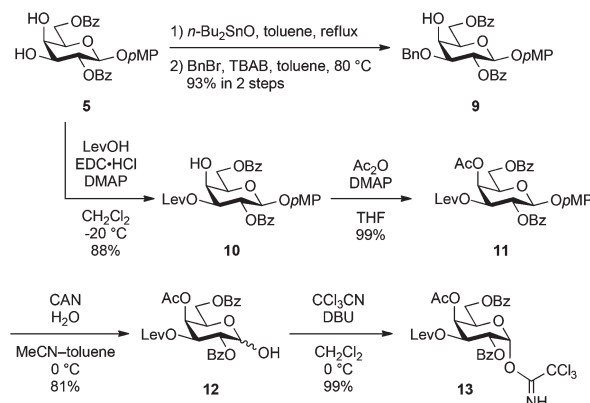
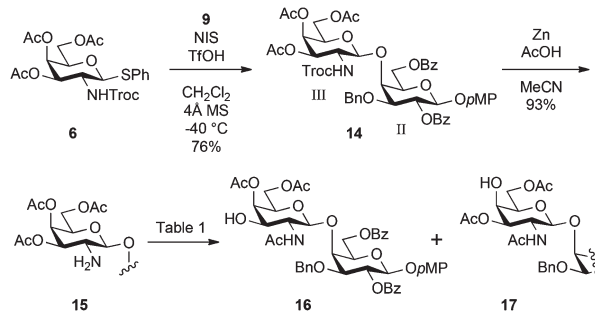


Fig. 2 Retrosynthetic analysis of the target compounds, SB1a and SM1a.



Scheme 1 Synthesis of galactose derivatives **9** and **13**.

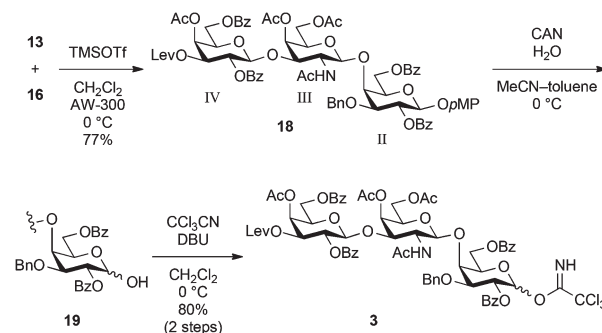


Scheme 2 Synthesis of disaccharide acceptor **16**.

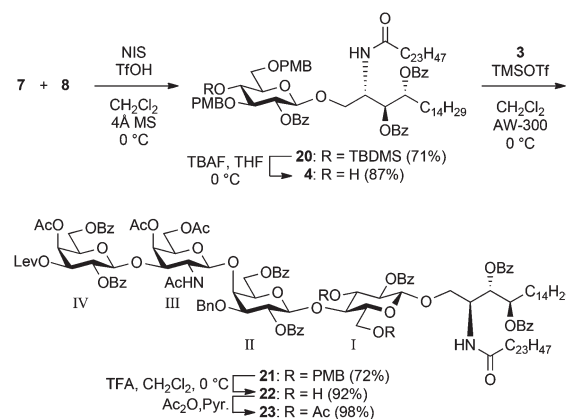
CH_2Cl_2 at -40°C , giving disaccharide **14** as a single β -isomer in 76% yield. The reductive removal of the Troc group by treatment with zinc and acetic acid in MeCN gave the amino derivative **15** in good yield. MeCN was selected as a solvent to obtain the pure amino derivative before the following acetyl migration step because our previous study on the synthesis of a ganglioside found that MeCN effectively suppressed random acetyl group migration.¹⁷ To rapidly convert **15** into the acceptor form **16**, acetyl migration from 3-O to 2-N was exerted. Although this reaction was attempted several times under different conditions, the undesired formation of **17**, which was the over-migrated product from 4-O to 3-O, could not be avoided. The results are summarised in Table 1. As shown in entry 1, the reaction was performed in 1,4-dioxane under acidic conditions at 60°C . The migration of the acetyl group was very sluggish and prolonged reaction time increased the generation of the over-migrated side-product **17**. Moreover, 19% of **15** were recovered. In entry 2, to facilitate acetyl migration, the reaction temperature was increased up to 90°C . However, the reaction was an abysmal failure, providing a complex mixture after 16 h. Changing the solvent to DMF did not affect the outcome significantly (entry 3). However, in AcOH/DMF 1 : 4 at 90°C (entry 4), the reaction time decreased and the best result (56% of **16**) was obtained. Although basic conditions using triethylamine were also examined, the yield of **16** was not improved (entry 5).

As shown in Scheme 3, access to the trisaccharyl donor **3** as a pivotal common unit began with glycosylation of **16** with **13** in the presence of TMSOTf in CH_2Cl_2 at 0°C , giving trisaccharide **18** in 77% yield. The selective removal of the *p*-methoxyphenyl group with CAN and H_2O followed by the introduction of the trichloroacetimidoyl group afforded the common trisaccharyl donor **3** in 80% yield over two steps.

Scheme 4 shows the assembly of the targeted tetrasaccharyl ceramide framework. First, the GlcCer cassette **4** was constructed by the coupling of the known glucosyl donor **7**¹⁶ and ceramide acceptor **8**²⁵ mediated by a NIS-TfOH promoter system in CH_2Cl_2 at 0°C to afford **20** in 71% yield. A previous study on the GlcCer cassette approach has shown the importance of the protection of hydroxyl groups in the Glc residue to increase the reactivity of the 4-OH of the GlcCer cassette. The best combination for protection was the presence of electron-donating groups on both O4 and O6 and an electron-withdrawing group on O2.^{13–15} Furthermore, the TBDMS protection of the C4 hydroxy group on a Glc donor is also important for efficient coupling of glucose and ceramide.¹⁷ Thus, we used



Scheme 3 Synthesis of common trisaccharide donor **3**.



Scheme 4 Synthesis of GlcCer cassette **4** followed by glycosylation with **3**.

the Glc donor **7** in this study. The removal of the TBDMS group in **20** by exposure to TBAF gave an 87% yield of the GlcCer cassette **4**, which was the coupling partner for the trisaccharyl donor **3** in the final glycosylation.

The key glycosylation reaction performed between the equimolar amounts of trisaccharyl donor **3** and GlcCer cassette **4** was allowed to proceed in the presence of a catalytic amount of TMSOTf in CH_2Cl_2 at 0°C , providing the tetrasaccharyl ceramide framework **21** in 72% yield. Following this, the *p*-methoxybenzyl groups in **21** were removed under acidic conditions (giving **22**). Subsequent acetylation afforded **23**, which was used for the following reaction sequences as the core framework of both target compounds.

Table 1 Examination of 3-O to 2-N acetyl migration toward **16**

Entry	Additive/solvent	Temp. ($^\circ\text{C}$)	Time (h)	Yield of 16 (%)	Yield of 17 (%)	Recovered 15 (%)
1	AcOH/1,4-dioxane (1 : 4)	60	78	51	19	30
2	AcOH/1,4-dioxane (1 : 4)	90	16	Complex mixture	—	—
3	AcOH/DMF (1 : 4)	60	48	49	19	32
4	AcOH/DMF (1 : 4)	90	4	56	18	26
5	Et_3N /DMF (1 : 4)	60	72	49	11	40

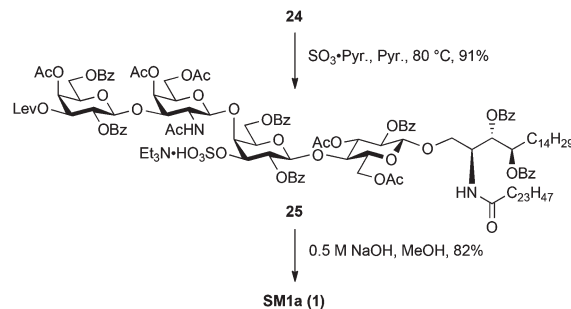


The selective removal of the benzyl group in **23** by hydrogenation was examined. The results are summarised in Table 2. The Pearlman's catalyst ($\text{Pd}(\text{OH})_2\text{-C}$) was chosen as a Pd catalyst and the reaction was performed in EtOAc under ambient pressure of H_2 gas. Consequently, only a poor yield (5%) of the desired product **24** was obtained and most of the starting material **23** was recovered (entry 1). Although increasing the Pd catalyst amount gave a marginally better result (9%), the effect was very limited (entry 2). As entry 3 shows, the reaction solvent was changed to EtOH, which has been often used as a solvent for hydrogenolysis. After stirring for 72 h under ambient pressure, the reaction was subsequently subjected to a work-up process, providing **24** in 50% yield. Further prolonged stirring produced unwanted by-products, one of which was identified as a product in which the benzene ring of the benzoyl groups was reduced. The separation of the crude mixture of **24** and by-products by silica gel column chromatography was a laborious task. We speculated that steric hindrance surrounding the benzyl group made access of the benzyl group onto the surface of palladium carbon difficult.

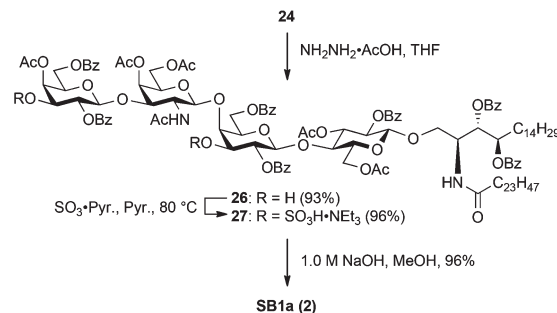
Toward solving the problem, the reaction was carried out under a H_2 atmosphere at higher pressure (0.3 MPa) (entry 4). As anticipated, the reaction rate became faster and the yield of **24** was increased up to 77%. Although reduction of the benzene ring of the benzoyl group was observed, the limited reaction time (<24 h) minimised the formation of the by-product. The hydroxyl group of the obtained **24** was available for sulphonation toward SM1a.

Scheme 5 shows the final steps to mono-sulphated glycosphingolipid SM1a. For sulphonation of the hydroxyl group at the C3 position of the inner galactose residue, **24** was reacted with $\text{SO}_3\cdot\text{Pyr}$ in pyridine at 80 °C, yielding **25** in 91% yield. Finally, saponification of whole acyl protecting groups using 0.5 M aq. NaOH in MeOH was performed to furnish one of the target compounds SM1a (**1**) as an Na form in good yield.

SB1a was also derived from **24** via three steps (Scheme 6). First, the levulinoyl group was removed by treatment with $\text{NH}_2\text{NH}_2\cdot\text{AcOH}$ in THF, giving diol **26** in excellent yield.



Scheme 5 Sulphonation followed by global deprotection toward SM1a.

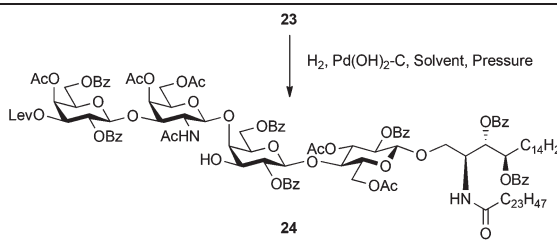


Scheme 6 Conversion of **24** into SB1a through sulphonation followed by deprotection.

Sulphonation of two hydroxyl groups was performed using the same procedure as that of SM1a, affording the fully protected SB1a **27** in 96% yield. Finally, cleavage of acyl groups under saponification conditions successfully delivered the targeted SB1a (**2**) in excellent yield.

The synthetic sulphoglycolipids SM1a and SB1a were printed in a small focused microarray together with the naturally occurring SM1a. The array was then probed with mAb AE3 to compare the binding signals elicited (Fig. 3). The synthetic and the naturally occurring SM1a were equally well

Table 2 Removal of the benzyl group in **23**, giving **24**

					
Entry	Equiv. of Pd ($\text{OH})_2\text{-C}$	Solvent	Pressure (MPa)	Time (h)	% Yield of 24
1	0.1	EtOAc	—	24	5
2	1.8	EtOAc	—	11	9
3	3.6	EtOH	—	72	50
4	3.6	EtOH	0.3	23	77

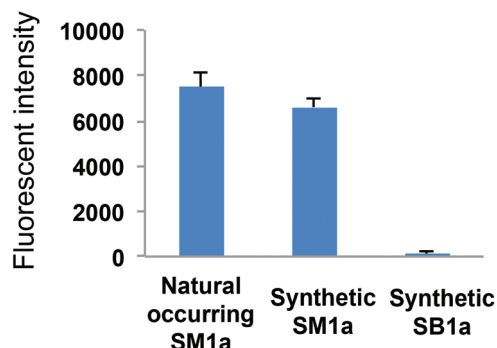


Fig. 3 Microarray analyses of mAb AE3 with the naturally occurring and chemically synthesized SM1a and synthetic SB1a. The results shown are binding intensities with duplicated spots of the three glycolipids printed at 5 fmol in the arrays with error bars representing half of the difference between the two values.



bound by mAb AE3, whereas there were no binding signals with the synthetic disulphated glycolipid SB1a. This result corroborated the previous finding in the screening array analysis that AE3 binding was restricted to the monosulphated glycolipid SM1a with an unsubstituted terminal galactose residue. Sulphation of this galactose, as in SB1a, obviated the AE3 binding.

Conclusions

The total synthesis of disulphated glycosphingolipid SB1a was accomplished for the first time, as well as synthesis of the related monosulphated SM1a with a natural ceramide moiety. These glycolipids were systematically synthesised by efficient glycan assembly using common building blocks and the GlcCer cassette approach. The success of the total synthesis of sulphoglycolipids demonstrates the broad utility of the GlcCer cassette approach for glycolipid synthesis. Furthermore, binding analysis using the two synthetic sulphoglycolipids corroborated the previous observations on the recognition of the SM1a glycolipid by mAb AE3, although the antibody was originally raised against a cancer-associated mucin-type glycoprotein. These findings raise the possibility that sulphated O-glycan analogs of SM1a occur on cancer-associated mucins.

Experimental section

General methods

All reactions were carried out under a positive pressure of argon, unless otherwise noted. All chemicals were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification, unless otherwise noted. Molecular sieves were purchased from Wako Chemicals Inc. (Miyazaki, Japan) and dried at 300 °C for 2 h in a muffle furnace prior to use. Solvents as reaction media were dried over molecular sieves and used without purification. TLC analysis was performed on Merck TLC plates (silica gel 60F₂₅₄ on glass plates). Compound detection was either by exposure to UV light (2536 Å) or by soaking in a solution of 10% H₂SO₄ in ethanol followed by heating. Silica gel (80 mesh and 300 mesh) manufactured by Fuji Silysia Co. was used for flash column chromatography. The quantity of silica gel was usually estimated as 100 to 200-fold weight of the sample to be charged. Solvent systems in chromatography were specified in v/v. Evaporation and concentration were carried out *in vacuo*. ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded with Bruker AVANCE III 500/800 spectrometers. Chemical shifts in ¹H-NMR spectra are expressed in ppm (δ) relative to the signal of Me₄Si, adjusted to δ 0.00 ppm. Data are presented as follows: Chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, dd = double of doublet, td = triple doublet, m = multiplet and/or multiple resonances), integration, coupling constant in hertz (Hz), position of the corresponding proton. COSY methods were used to confirm the NMR signal assignments. The sugar units were numbered with

Roman numerals I, II, III, IV beginning at the reducing ("upstream") end of the molecule. The individual resonances were numbered with Roman numeral superscripts as, for example, the following: H-3^I, H-3^{II}, H-3^{III}, H-3^{IV}. High-resolution mass (ESI-TOF MS) spectra were run on the Bruker microTOF. Optical rotations were measured with a "Horiba SEPA-300" high-sensitive polarimeter.

Synthetic procedures

4-Methoxyphenyl 2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl-β-D-galactopyranoside (9). A mixture of **5** (205 mg, 0.41 mmol) and di-*n*-butyltin(IV) oxide (116 mg, 0.45 mmol) in toluene (8.2 mL) was refluxed for 31 h with the azeotropic removal of water using Dean-Stark apparatus. The mixture was then cooled to 80 °C, and benzyl bromide (54 μL, 0.45 mmol) and tetrabutylammonium bromide (145 mg, 0.45 mmol) were added to the mixture. After stirring for 13 h at 80 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 15:1), the reaction mixture was quenched with a solution of cesium fluoride (5 wt% in H₂O). The mixture was extracted with CHCl₃, and then the organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 80:1) to give **9** (223 mg, 93%) as an amorphous compound; [α]_D +38.0° (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07–7.15 (m, 15H, Ph), 6.89–6.57 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.72 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, *J*_{2,3} 9.7 Hz, H-2), 4.91 (d, 1H, H-1), 4.76–4.64 (m, 3H, H-6a, H-6b, PhCH₂), 4.57 (d, 1H, *J*_{gem} 12.3 Hz, PhCH₂), 4.16 (s, 1H, H-4), 3.95 (m, 1H, H-5), 3.75 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.76 (s, 1H, OH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 165.3, 155.4, 151.3, 136.9, 133.2, 133.1, 129.9, 129.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 118.8, 114.3, 100.9, 78.2, 72.6, 71.8, 71.0, 66.2, 63.5, 55.5; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M + Na]⁺ 607.1936, C₃₄H₃₂O₉ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 607.1939.

4-Methoxyphenyl 2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl-β-D-galactopyranoside (10). To a solution of **5** (200 mg, 0.40 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (8 mL) were added 4-oxopentanoic acid (61 μL, 0.60 mmol), 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide hydrochloride (115 mg, 0.60 mmol), and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (4.9 mg, 40 μmol) at –20 °C. After stirring for 4 h at –20 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 15:1), the reaction mixture was diluted with CHCl₃, and then successively washed with water and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by crystallization (*n*-hexane/EtOAc) to give **10** (207 mg, 88%) as a white crystal; M.p. 94–96 °C (from *n*-hexane/EtOAc); [α]_D +32.0° (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07–7.42 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.93–6.61 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.83 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, *J*_{2,3} 10.3 Hz, H-2), 5.13 (dd, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 3.2 Hz, H-3), 5.04 (d, 1H, H-1), 4.72–4.65 (m, 2H, H-6a, H-6b), 4.32 (dd, 1H, *J*_{4,OH} 7.3 Hz, H-4), 4.09 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 6.1 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 6.5 Hz, H-5), 3.69 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.22 (d, 1H, OH), 2.74–2.44 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.0, 171.9, 166.3, 155.5, 151.2, 133.3, 133.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 128.4, 128.4, 118.9, 114.3, 101.0, 74.1, 72.6, 69.4, 66.6,



63.2, 55.5, 38.2, 29.6, 28.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 615.1837, $C_{32}H_{32}O_{11}$ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 615.1837.

4-Methoxyphenyl 4-O-acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (11). To a solution of **10** (360 mg, 0.61 mmol) in THF (6.1 mL) were added acetic anhydride (87 μ L, 0.92 mmol) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (7.5 mg, 0.061 mmol) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 30 min as the reaction was monitored by TLC ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 25:1), the reaction mixture was quenched with MeOH and diluted with EtOAc. The organic layer was then washed with satd aq. $NaHCO_3$ and brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 100:1) to give **11** (384 mg, 99%) as an amorphous compound; $[\alpha]_D +14.4^\circ$ (c 3.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.04–7.42 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.92–6.63 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.77 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.1 Hz, $J_{2,3}$ 10.4 Hz, H-2), 5.62 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.3 Hz, H-4), 5.33 (dd, 1H, H-3), 5.10 (d, 1H, H-1), 4.56 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$ 7.6 Hz, J_{gem} 11.3 Hz, H-6a), 4.44 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6b}$ 5.6 Hz, H-6b), 5.62 (t, 1H, H-5), 3.68 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 2.65–2.39 (m, 4H, CH_2CH_2), 2.23 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.01 (s, 3H, Ac); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 205.6, 171.6, 170.1, 165.8, 165.1, 155.5, 150.9, 133.3, 133.2, 129.7, 129.6, 129.33, 129.2, 128.3, 118.7, 114.3, 100.9, 71.1, 71.1, 69.2, 67.2, 61.2, 55.4, 37.5, 29.3, 27.7, 20.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 657.1946, $C_{34}H_{34}O_{12}$ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 657.1942.

4-O-Acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl-D-galactopyranose (12). To a solution of **11** (670 mg, 1.06 mmol) in acetonitrile/toluene/ H_2O (6/5/3, 10.6 mL) was added ammonium cerium(IV) nitrate (5.81 g, 10.6 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 15 min at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 50:1), the reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc. The organic layer was successively washed with satd aq. $NaHCO_3$ and brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 150:1 \rightarrow 100:1) to give **12** (455 mg, α/β 5:1, 81%) as a white solid; 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.05–7.42 (m, 12.2H, Ph), 5.70–5.68 (m, 2H, H-1 α , H-2 α), 5.62 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.3 Hz, $J_{4,5}$ 1.0 Hz, H-4 α), 5.56 (d, 0.2H, $J_{3,4}$ 1.8 Hz, H-4 β), 5.39 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 10.0 Hz, H-3 α), 5.35–5.33 (m, 0.4H, H-2 β , H-3 β), 4.87 (t, 0.2H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.0 Hz, $J_{1,OH}$ 8.2 Hz, H-1 β), 4.65 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.7 Hz, H-5 α), 4.53 (dd, 0.2H, $J_{5,6a}$ 6.6 Hz, J_{gem} 11.3 Hz, H-6a β), 4.47 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 11.3 Hz, H-6a α), 4.36 (dd, 0.2H, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.9 Hz, H-6b β), 4.29 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.9 Hz, H-6b α), 4.15 (t, 0.2H, H-5 β), 4.10 (d, 0.2H, OH β), 3.43 (d, 1H, OH α), 2.73–2.37 (m, 5H, $CH_2CH_2\alpha,\beta$), 2.19 (s, 3.6H, $CH_3\alpha,\beta$), 2.04 (s, 3.7H, Ac α,β); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 206.0, 171.8, 170.3, 166.1, 166.0, 133.7, 133.5, 133.3, 130.0, 129.7, 129.4, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 96.2, 90.9, 71.9, 71.1, 70.5, 69.0, 68.4, 67.5, 67.4, 66.4, 62.1, 61.8, 37.7, 37.7, 29.6, 29.5, 27.8, 27.7, 20.7, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 551.1524, $C_{27}H_{28}O_{11}$ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 551.1524.

4-O-Acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl- α -D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (13). To a solution of **12** (450 mg, 0.86 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (8.5 mL) were added trichloroacetonitrile (2.4 mL, 17 mmol) and 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (100 μ L, 0.94 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h at 0 °C as the

reaction was monitored by TLC ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 20:1), the reaction mixture was concentrated and then purified by silica gel column chromatography ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 100:1) to give **13** (572 mg, 99%) as an amorphous compound; $[\alpha]_D +77.7^\circ$ (c 0.6, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.59 (s, 1H, NH), 8.01–7.41 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.76 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.0 Hz, H-1), 5.73–5.66 (m, 3H, H-2, H-3, H-4), 4.65 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.6 Hz, H-5), 4.48 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 11.4 Hz, H-6a), 4.36 (dd, 1H, H-6b), 2.72–2.42 (m, 4H, CH_2CH_2), 2.22 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.06 (s, 3H, Ac); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 205.8, 171.7, 170.1, 165.8, 165.5, 160.5, 133.6, 133.3, 129.9, 129.7, 129.3, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 93.6, 90.7, 69.3, 67.8, 67.7, 67.4, 61.9, 37.7, 29.5, 27.7, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 694.0615, $C_{29}H_{28}Cl_3NO_{11}$ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 694.0620.

4-Methoxyphenyl [3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-deoxy-2-(2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl)- β -D-galactopyranosyl]-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (14). 4 Å Molecular sieves (1.75 g), **6** (501 mg, 0.875 mmol), **9** (511 mg, 0.875 mmol), and NIS (236 mg, 1.05 mmol) were suspended in CH_2Cl_2 (17.5 mL) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 30 min, the mixture was cooled to –40 °C. TfOH (9.3 μ L, 0.105 mmol) was then added to the mixture, which was stirred for 30 min at –40 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC ($CHCl_3$ /EtOAc 5:1). The reaction mixture was quenched with satd aq. $NaHCO_3$ and then filtered through a pad of Celite, and then washed with $CHCl_3$. The combined filtrate and washings were washed with satd aq. $Na_2S_2O_3$ and brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography ($CHCl_3$ /EtOAc 25:1 \rightarrow 15:1 \rightarrow 5:1) and the product obtained was then subjected to crystallization to give **14** (696 mg, 76%) as a white crystal; M.p. 187 °C (from n -hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_D +1.5^\circ$ (c 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 8.07–7.22 (m, 15H, Ph), 6.89–6.56 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.71 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.2 Hz, $J_{2,3}$ 9.9 Hz, H-2^{II}), 5.38 (br d, 1H, $J_{2,NH}$ 7.4 Hz, NH^{III}), 5.32 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.9 Hz, H-4^{III}), 4.98 (br d, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 10.3 Hz, H-3^{III}), 4.90 (d, 1H, H-1^{II}), 4.86 (d, 1H, J_{gem} 12.1 Hz, Cl_3CCH_2), 4.80 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.5 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.76–4.71 (m, 2H, H-6a^{II}, Cl_3CCH_2), 4.65 (d, 1H, J_{gem} 11.6 Hz, Ph CH_2), 4.60–4.57 (m, 2H, H-6b^{II}, Ph CH_2), 4.20 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 1.7 Hz, H-4^{II}), 4.12–4.05 (m, 2H, H-5^{III}, H-6a^{III}), 3.98–3.91 (m, 2H, H-5^{II}, H-2^{III}), 3.83–3.68 (m, 2H, H-6b^{III}, H-3^{II}), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 2.15, 2.03, 1.97 (3 s, 9H, 3Ac); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 170.4, 170.2, 170.2, 166.3, 164.9, 155.4, 154.4, 151.4, 136.8, 133.2, 133.2, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 128.1, 118.8, 114.3, 101.6, 101.1, 96.0, 79.4, 74.4, 74.1, 73.5, 72.3, 71.4, 70.7, 70.4, 66.6, 64.0, 61.3, 55.5, 52.7, 20.6, 20.6, 20.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 1068.1985, $C_{49}H_{50}Cl_3NO_{18}$ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 1068.1986.

4-Methoxyphenyl (3,4,6-tri-O-acetyl-2-amino-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (15). To a solution of **14** (442 mg, 0.42 mmol) in acetonitrile/AcOH (4:1, 8.4 mL) was added zinc powder (2.1 g). After stirring for 20 min at ambient temperature as the reaction was monitored by TLC ($CHCl_3$ /MeOH 15:1), the reaction mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite, and then washed with EtOAc. The filtrate and washings



were combined and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was successively washed with satd aq. NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 100 : 1) to give **15** (342 mg, 93%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+38.0^\circ}$ (*c* 0.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07–7.18 (m, 15H, Ph), 6.89–6.55 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.80 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, *J*_{2,3} 10.0 Hz, H-2^{II}), 5.32 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.6 Hz, H-4^{III}), 4.92 (d, 1H, H-1^{II}), 4.74–4.70 (m, 2H, H-3^{III}, H-6a^{III}), 4.67–4.57 (m, 3H, H-6b^{III}, PhCH₂), 4.52 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.9 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.21 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.7 Hz, H-4^{II}), 4.14–4.07 (m, 2H, H-6a^{III}, H-6b^{III}), 3.94 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 4.1 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 8.1 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.82 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 6.6 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 7.3 Hz, H-5^{III}), 3.76 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, H-3^{II}), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.29 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.8 Hz, H-2^{III}), 2.13, 2.05, 2.02 (3 s, 9H, 3Ac), 1.65 (s, 2H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 170.4, 170.3, 166.3, 165.2, 155.4, 151.4, 137.0, 133.2, 133.2, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 118.6, 114.3, 105.3, 100.9, 78.7, 74.2, 73.9, 72.6, 72.5, 71.2, 70.7, 66.3, 64.1, 61.7, 55.5, 51.8, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found $[M + Na]^+$ 894.2944, C₄₆H₄₉NO₁₆ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 894.2944.

4-Methoxyphenyl (2-acetamido-4,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (16). A solution of **15** (100 mg, 0.115 mmol) in AcOH/DMF (1 : 4, 11.5 mL) was stirred for 4 h at 90 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 20 : 1). The reaction mixture was neutralized with ice-cooled satd aq. NaHCO₃ and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was then washed with H₂O and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 80 : 1) to give **16** (56 mg, 56%) as an amorphous compound; $[\alpha]_D^{+14.0^\circ}$ (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08–7.14 (m, 15H, Ph), 6.89–6.57 (m, 5H, Ar, NH), 6.08 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,OH} 2.0 Hz, OH), 5.75 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, *J*_{2,3} 9.9 Hz, H-2^{II}), 5.27 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 3.2 Hz, H-4^{III}), 4.92 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, H-1^{II}), 4.77 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 3.7 Hz, *J*_{gem} 12.1 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.66 and 4.62 (2 d, 2H, *J*_{gem} 10.7 Hz, PhCH₂), 4.28 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6b} 8.1 Hz, *J*_{gem} 12.1 Hz, H-6b^{II}), 4.47 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.6 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.19 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.9 Hz, H-4^{II}), 4.12 (d, 2H, H-6a^{III}, H-6b^{III}), 4.00 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 3.6 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 8.1 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.92–3.88 (m, 2H, H-2^{III}, H-3^{II}), 3.77 (t, 1H, *J*_{5,6a}, *J*_{5,6b} 6.4 Hz, H-5^{III}), 3.68 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.58 (m, 1H, H-3^{III}), 2.16, 2.05, 1.90 (3 s, 9H, 3Ac); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2, 170.6, 170.4, 166.4, 165.1, 155.5, 151.2, 135.8, 133.5, 133.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 118.8, 114.3, 102.5, 100.7, 80.0, 75.8, 74.5, 74.0, 72.3, 71.4, 71.3, 68.0, 64.0, 62.1, 55.8, 55.5, 22.6, 20.8, 20.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found $[M + Na]^+$ 894.2944, C₄₆H₄₉NO₁₆ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 894.2944.

4-Methoxyphenyl (4-O-acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranoside (18). 4 Å Molecular sieves (1.1 g, MS AW300), **13** (571 mg, 0.840 mmol) and **16** (472 mg, 0.540 mmol) were suspended in CH₂Cl₂ (17.5 mL) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 30 min, the mixture was cooled to 0 °C. TMSOTf (9.8 μ L, 0.054 mmol) was then added to the

mixture, which was stirred for 93 h at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 20 : 1). The reaction mixture was quenched with satd aq. NaHCO₃ and filtered through a pad of Celite, and then washed with CHCl₃. The combined filtrate and washings were washed with satd aq. Na₂S₂O₃ and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/EtOAc 25 : 1 \rightarrow 15 : 1 \rightarrow 5 : 1) and the product was then subjected to crystallization to give **18** (574 mg, 77%) as a white crystal; M.p. 184 °C (from *n*-hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_D^{+160.0^\circ}$ (*c* 0.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.06–7.07 (m, 25H, Ph), 6.81–6.50 (2 d, 4H, Ar), 5.62–5.58 (m, 2H, NH, H-2^{II}), 5.52 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 3.0 Hz, H-4^{IV}), 5.46–5.42 (m, 2H, H-4^{III}, H-2^{IV}), 5.22 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, *J*_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.18 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.3 Hz, H-1^{III}), 5.05 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.9 Hz, *J*_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{III}), 4.81 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.78 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.9 Hz, H-1^{II}), 4.63 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6b} 3.7 Hz, *J*_{gem} 12.2 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.58–4.48 (m, 3H, H-6a^{IV}, H-6b^{II}, PhCH₂), 4.36 (d, 1H, *J*_{gem} 12.8 Hz, PhCH₂), 4.31 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6b} 7.1 Hz, *J*_{gem} 11.2 Hz, H-6b^{IV}), 4.10–4.02 (m, 2H, H-5^{IV}, H-6a^{III}), 3.99 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.5 Hz, H-4^{II}), 3.94 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6b} 6.8 Hz, *J*_{gem} 11.5 Hz, H-6b^{III}), 3.84 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6b} 8.3 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.79 (t, 1H, H-5^{III}), 3.64 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.56 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.0 Hz, H-3^{II}), 3.24–3.19 (m, 1H, H-2^{III}), 2.63–2.36 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂), 2.21, 2.15, 2.01, 1.72 (4 s, 15H, 3Ac, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.7, 172.6, 171.7, 170.5, 170.3, 170.0, 166.2, 165.8, 165.1, 165.0, 155.3, 151.3, 137.1, 133.6, 133.2, 129.9, 129.8, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.7, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 118.6, 114.2, 101.7, 100.8, 99.1, 78.0, 74.4, 72.9, 72.4, 71.9, 71.0, 70.7, 69.4, 67.1, 64.2, 62.5, 61.5, 55.5, 37.7, 29.6, 29.4, 27.8, 23.2, 20.8, 20.7, 20.7; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found $[M + Na]^+$ 1404.4469, C₇₃H₇₅NO₂₆ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 1404.4470.

(4-O-Acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl trichloroacetimidate (3). To a solution of **18** (335 mg, 0.242 mmol) in acetonitrile/toluene/H₂O (6 : 5 : 3, 12 mL) was added ammonium cerium(IV) nitrate (1.33 g, 2.40 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 40 min as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 20 : 1), the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was successively washed with satd aq. NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 150 : 1 \rightarrow 100 : 1) to give **19**. The obtained residue was then dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL). To the solution were added trichloroacetonitrile (685 μ L, 4.84 mmol) and 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (283 μ L, 2.66 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 20 : 1), the reaction mixture was concentrated and then purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 80 : 1) to give **3** (275 mg, 80% over 2 steps) as an amorphous compound; 3α : $[\alpha]_D^{+42.9^\circ}$ (*c* 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.39 (s, 1H, C=NH), 8.05–7.14 (m, 25H, Ph), 6.51 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 3.6 Hz, H-1^{II}), 5.64 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.4 Hz, H-2^{II}), 5.51–5.49 (m, 2H, NH^{II}, H-4^{III}), 5.21 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, *J*_{3,4} 3.5 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.17



(d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.3 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.98 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 10.8 Hz, $J_{3,4}$ 3.5 Hz, H-3^{III}), 4.77 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.9 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.63–4.58 (m, 2H, H-6a^{IV}, PhCH₂), 4.52 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.4 Hz, J_{gem} 11.3 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.43 (d, 1H, J_{gem} 12.5 Hz, PhCH₂), 4.38–4.29 (m, 3H, H-5^{IV}, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.15 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.0 Hz, H-4^{II}), 4.09–4.00 (m, 3H, H-3^{II}, H-5^{II}, H-6a^{III}), 3.91 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6b}$ 7.2 Hz, J_{gem} 11.6 Hz, H-6b^{III}), 3.78 (t, 1H, H-5^{III}), 3.24–3.19 (m, 1H, H-2^{III}), 2.64–2.34 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂), 2.20–1.36 (5 s, 15H, 4Ac, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.6, 172.1, 171.7, 170.4, 170.2, 169.9, 166.2, 165.8, 165.3, 164.9, 160.2, 137.1, 133.5, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 127.9, 101.7, 99.2, 94.1, 90.9, 74.7, 74.0, 73.9, 71.9, 71.6, 71.0, 70.9, 70.7, 69.4, 69.2, 68.5, 67.0, 64.5, 62.6, 61.4, 60.3, 55.3, 37.6, 29.6, 29.4, 27.7, 23.0, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 1441.3147, C₆₈H₆₉Cl₃N₂O₂₅ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 1441.3147.

(2-O-Benzoyl-4-O-tert-butylidimethylsilyl-3,6-di-O-p-methoxybenzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2S,3S,4R)-3,4-di-O-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (20). 4 Å Molecular sieves (0.28 g), 7 (104 mg, 0.142 mmol), 8 (124 mg, 0.142 mmol), and NIS (38 mg, 0.17 mmol) were suspended in CH₂Cl₂ (17.5 mL) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 30 min, the mixture was cooled to 0 °C. TFOH (9.8 μ L, 0.054 mmol) was then added to the suspension, which was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (toluene/EtOAc 10:1). The reaction mixture was quenched with satd aq. NaHCO₃ and filtered through a pad of Celite, and then washed with CHCl₃. The combined filtrate and washings were washed with satd aq. Na₂S₂O₃ and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (toluene/EtOAc 30:1) to give **20** (150 mg, 71%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+35.0}$ (c 0.7, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01–7.35 (m, 15H, Ph), 7.27–6.60 (4 d, 8H, Ar), 6.16 (d, 1H, $J_{NH,2}$ = 9.0 Hz, NH), 5.58 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 7.8 Hz, $J_{3,4}$ 3.5 Hz, H-3^{Cer}), 5.38–5.35 (m, 1H, H-4^{Cer}), 5.11 (near t, 1H, $J_{1,2}$, $J_{2,3}$ 8.5 Hz, H-2^I), 4.56–4.47 (m, 4H, ArCH₂, H-1^I, H-2^{Cer}), 4.30–4.15 (2 d, 4H, J_{gem} 11.7 Hz, ArCH₂), 4.03 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.6 Hz, J_{gem} 10.1 Hz, H-1a^{Cer}), 3.78 and 3.68 (2 s, 6H, OCH₃), 3.64 (dd, 1H, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.59–3.55 (m, 3H, H-3^I, H-4^I, H-6a^I), 3.41 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.4 Hz, H-5^I), 3.32 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 10.6 Hz, H-6b^I), 1.88–1.70 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.60–1.09 (m, 66H, 33CH₂), 0.89–0.83 (m, 6H, 2CH₃), 0.81 (s, 9H, ^tBu), –0.03, –0.05 (s, 6H, 2SiCH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.0, 166.0, 165.2, 165.1, 159.1, 158.8, 133.1, 132.9, 132.8, 130.3, 130.2, 130.1, 130.0, 129.8, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 113.7, 113.4, 100.3, 82.7, 74.4, 74.2, 73.7, 73.2, 70.9, 68.9, 66.4, 55.2, 55.0, 47.9, 36.3, 31.9, 29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 25.9, 25.5, 25.4, 22.7, 17.9, 14.1, –3.8, –4.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 1518.9706, C₇₃H₇₅NO₂₆ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 1518.9701.

(2-O-Benzoyl-3,6-di-O-p-methoxybenzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2S,3S,4R)-3,4-di-O-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (4). To a solution of **20** (90 mg, 0.060 mmol) in THF (3.0 mL) was added tetrabutylammonium fluoride (90 μ L, 0.090 mmol, 1.0 M solution in THF) at 0 °C. After stirring

for 6 h at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 2:1), the reaction mixture was concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 2:1) to give **4** (73 mg, 87%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+19.0}$ (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.00–7.26 (m, 15H, Ph), 7.16–6.65 (4 d, 8H, Ar), 6.09 (d, 1H, $J_{NH,2}$ 9.1 Hz, NH), 5.54 (dd, 1H, $J_{2,3}$ 7.8 Hz, $J_{3,4}$ 3.7 Hz, H-3^{Cer}), 5.37–5.34 (m, 1H, H-4^{Cer}), 5.06 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.9 Hz, $J_{2,3}$ 9.3 Hz, H-2^I), 4.63–4.52 (m, 3H, ArCH₂, H-2^{Cer}), 4.41 (d, 1H, H-1^I), 4.34–4.26 (2 d, 4H, J_{gem} 11.5 Hz, ArCH₂), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 3.4 Hz, J_{gem} 10.1 Hz, H-1a^{Cer}), 3.79, 3.70 (2 s, 6H, 2OCH₃), 3.68–3.56 (m, 3H, H-3^I, H-4^I, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.47–3.37 (m, 3H, H-5^I, H-6a^I, H-6b^I), 2.87 (s, 1H, OH), 1.91–1.73 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.46–1.09 (m, 66H, 33CH₂), 0.94–0.86 (m, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.9, 166.0, 165.2, 165.0, 159.3, 159.1, 133.2, 133.0, 129.8, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 113.8, 113.7, 100.6, 81.1, 73.9, 73.7, 73.5, 73.3, 73.1, 72.8, 70.3, 66.8, 55.2, 55.1, 47.8, 36.3, 31.9, 29.7, 29.7, 29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 25.5, 25.4, 22.7, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found $[M + Na]^+$ 1404.8831, C₈₅H₁₂₃NO₁₄ calcd for $[M + Na]^+$ 1404.8836.

(4-O-Acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-levulinoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-benzyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(2-O-benzoyl-3,6-di-O-p-methoxybenzyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2S,3S,4R)-3,4-di-O-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (21). 4 Å Molecular sieves (200 mg, MS AW300), 3 (90 mg, 0.064 mmol), and **4** (89 mg, 0.064 mmol) were suspended in CH₂Cl₂ (17.5 mL) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 30 min, the mixture was cooled to 0 °C. TMSOTf (9.8 μ L, 0.054 mmol) was then added to the mixture, which was stirred for 6 h at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 20:1). The reaction mixture was quenched with satd aq. NaHCO₃ and filtered through a pad of Celite, and then washed with CHCl₃. The combined filtrate and washings were washed with satd aq. Na₂S₂O₃ and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by gel filtration (Sephadex LH-20, CHCl₃/MeOH 1:1) and silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 4:3 \rightarrow 1:1) to give **21** (122 mg, 72%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+28.0}$ (c 2.4, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03–6.60 (m, 50H, Ar), 6.02 (d, 1H, $J_{NH,2}$ = 8.9 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 5.53–5.49 (m, 3H, H-4^{IV}, NH^{III}, H-3^{Cer}), 5.45 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.4 Hz, H-4^{III}), 5.40 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.9 Hz, $J_{2,3}$ 10.5 Hz, H-2^{IV}), 5.34–5.30 (m, 2H, H-2^{II}, H-4^{Cer}), 5.17 (dd, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.4 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.09 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 8.3 Hz, H-1^{III}), 5.05–4.97 (m, 2H, H-2^I, H-3^{III}), 4.76 (d, 1H, H-1^{IV}), 4.73 (d, 1H, J_{gem} 10.5 Hz, ArCH₂), 4.59 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$ 5.1 Hz, J_{gem} 11.8 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.55–4.46 (m, 5H, H-2^{Cer}, H-1^{II}, H-6a^{IV}, ArCH₂), 4.31–4.27 (m, 4H, ArCH₂, H-1^I, H-6b^{IV}), 4.11–4.05 (m, 2H, H-5^{IV}, H-6b^{III}), 4.02–3.88 (m, 5H, H-4^{II}, ArCH₂, H-4^I, H-1a^{Cer}, H-6a^{III}), 3.84 (dd, 1H, $J_{1b,2}$ 6.9 Hz, J_{gem} 11.5 Hz, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.74 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.1 Hz, H-5^{III}), 3.69–3.64 (m, 7H, 2OCH₃, H-3^I), 3.55 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 10.3 Hz, H-6b^{III}), 3.46 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$, $J_{5,6b}$ 6.0 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.42 (dd, 1H, $J_{5,6a}$ 3.8 Hz, J_{gem} 11.4 Hz, H-6a^I), 3.35–3.30 (m, 2H, H-3^{II}, H-6b^I),



3.19–3.13 (m, 2H, H-5^I, H-2^{III}), 2.62–2.31 (m, 4H, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 2.18–1.93 (4 s, 12H, 3Ac, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 1.83–1.69 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.60–1.00 (m, 66H, 33CH₂), 0.99–0.81 (m, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.6, 172.9, 172.3, 171.7, 170.4, 170.2, 170.0, 166.2, 165.9, 165.8, 165.1, 165.0, 164.9, 164.9, 159.1, 158.9, 137.3, 133.4, 133.1, 132.9, 132.8, 130.3, 130.2, 130.0, 129.9, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 113.6, 113.4, 101.7, 100.6, 100.2, 99.3, 80.0, 76.2, 75.0, 74.8, 73.9, 73.6, 73.3, 73.1, 72.9, 72.3, 71.9, 71.4, 71.0, 70.9, 70.6, 69.4, 69.2, 67.5, 67.0, 66.7, 63.7, 62.5, 61.4, 55.4, 55.1, 55.0, 47.7, 37.6, 36.2, 31.9, 29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 27.7, 27.7, 25.4, 25.3, 23.0, 22.6, 21.4, 20.7, 20.7, 20.5, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M + Na]⁺ 2662.2887, C₁₅₁H₁₉₀N₂O₃₈ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 2662.2889.

(4-*O*-Acetyl-2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-levulinoyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-benzyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(2-*O*-benzoyl-β-*D*-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 1)-(2*S*,3*S*,4*R*)-3,4-di-*O*-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (22). To a solution of 21 (120 mg, 45.4 μmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.8 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (0.9 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 2 h at 0 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 25 : 1), the reaction mixture was diluted with CHCl₃. The organic layer was successively washed with ice-cooled satd aq. NaHCO₃ and brine. The organic solution was dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (*n*-hexane/EtOAc 4 : 3) to give 22 (100 mg, 92%) as a white solid; [α]_D²⁰ +40.0° (*c* 0.9, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05–7.06 (m, 40H, Ph), 6.31 (d, 1H, J_{NH,2} 9.7 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 5.60 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} 9.3 Hz, J_{3,4} 2.8 Hz, H-3^{Cer}), 5.52–5.50 (m, 2H, H-4^{IV}, NH^{III}), 5.45–5.32 (m, 4H, H-4^{III}, H-2^{IV}, H-2^{II}, H-4^{Cer}), 5.19 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, J_{3,4} 3.5 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.08 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} 8.3 Hz, H-1^{III}), 5.05 (dd, 1H, J_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, J_{2,3} 9.6 Hz, H-2^I), 4.97 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} 10.9 Hz, J_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{III}), 4.76 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} 7.9 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.73 (dd, 1H, J_{5,6a} 2.6 Hz, J_{gem} 12.6 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.53–4.49 (m, 5H, H-1^{II}, H-2^{Cer}, H-6a^{IV}, ArCH₂, OH), 4.35 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} 7.9 Hz, H-1^I), 4.32–4.21 (m, 3H, ArCH₂, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.07 (t, 1H, J_{5,6a}, J_{5,6b} 6.9 Hz, H-5^{IV}), 4.02 (dd, 1H, J_{5,6a} 5.1 Hz, J_{gem} 11.6 Hz, H-6a^{III}), 3.92–3.88 (m, 2H, H-4^{II}, H-6b^{III}), 3.83 (t, 1H, J_{2,3}, J_{3,4} 9.3 Hz, H-3^I), 3.78–3.75 (m, 3H, H-1a^{Cer}, H-5^{II}, H-5^{III}), 3.64 (t, 1H, J_{3,4}, J_{4,5} 9.2 Hz, H-4^I), 3.50–3.45 (m, 2H, H-1b^{Cer}, H-3^{II}), 3.17–3.10 (m, 2H, H-2^{III}, H-6a^I), 3.02 (br d, 1H, J_{5,6a} 9.5 Hz, H-5^I), 2.90 (br d, 1H, J_{gem} 11.7 Hz, H-6b^I), 2.67 (dd, 1H, J_{OH,6a} 3.9 Hz, J_{OH,6b} 10.4 Hz, OH), 2.62–2.21 (m, 4H, CH₃COCH₂CH₂CO), 2.20–2.00 (4 s, 12H, 3Ac, CH₃COCH₂CH₂CO), 1.97–1.40 (m, 7H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂, Ac), 1.38–1.17 (m, 66 H, 33CH₂), 0.91–0.85 (m, 6 H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.7, 173.0, 171.7, 170.5, 170.2, 169.8, 166.5, 166.1, 165.8, 165.6, 165.0, 164.9, 136.8, 133.2, 132.8, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 101.7, 99.5, 99.2, 80.4, 77.6, 73.9, 73.7, 73.1, 72.2, 71.9, 71.0, 70.7, 69.4, 69.3, 64.1, 62.6, 61.5, 55.3, 48.0, 37.7, 36.5, 31.9,

29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.3, 29.2, 28.4, 27.8, 25.5, 23.0, 22.6, 20.8, 20.7, 20.7, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M + Na]⁺ 2422.1740, C₁₃₅H₁₇₄N₂O₃₆ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 2422.1739.

(4-*O*-Acetyl-2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-levulinoyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-benzyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(3,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-benzoyl-β-*D*-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 1)-(2*S*,3*S*,4*R*)-3,4-di-*O*-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (23). To a solution of 22 (62 mg, 0.026 mmol) in pyridine (1.3 mL) was added acetic anhydride (645 μL, 6.82 mmol) at 0 °C. The progress of the reaction was monitored by MALDI-TOF MS. After stirring for 9 d at ambient temperature, pyridine was co-evaporated with toluene. The residue was diluted with EtOAc, and washed with 2 M HCl, H₂O, satd aq. NaHCO₃, and brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 120 : 1) to give 23 (63 mg, 98%) as a white solid; [α]_D²⁰ +19.0° (*c* 1.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05–7.06 (m, 40H, Ph), 6.04–6.02 (m, 2H, NH^{III}, NH^{Cer}), 5.53–5.50 (m, 2H, H-3^{Cer}, H-4^{IV}), 5.45–5.42 (m, 2H, H-4^{III}, H-2^{IV}), 5.32–5.23 (m, 3H, H-4^{Cer}, H-3^I, H-2^{II}), 5.20 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, J_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.14 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} 8.3 Hz, H-1^{III}), 5.05 (dd, 1H, J_{2,3} 10.9 Hz, J_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{III}), 4.98 (dd, 1H, J_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, J_{2,3} 9.7 Hz, H-2^I), 4.79 (d, 1H, J_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.58 (dd, 1H, J_{5,6a} 4.5 Hz, J_{gem} 12.0 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.53–4.48 (m, 3H, H-1^{II}, H-2^{Cer}, H-6a^{IV}), 4.34–4.24 (m, 5H, H-1^I, ArCH₂, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.07 (t, 1H, J_{5,6a}, J_{5,6b} 6.8 Hz, H-5^{IV}), 3.98–3.85 (m, 5H, H-6a^{III}, H-6a^I, H-4^{II}, H-1a^{Cer}, H-6b^{III}), 3.80–3.73 (m, 2H, H-6b^I, H-5^{III}), 3.66 (dd, 1H, J_{5,6a} 4.7 Hz, J_{5,6b} 8.0 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.60 (t, 1H, J_{3,4}, J_{4,5} 9.5 Hz, H-4^I), 3.49–3.43 (m, 2H, H-1b^{Cer}, H-3^{II}), 3.37–3.34 (m, 1H, H-5^I), 3.13–3.09 (m, 1H, H-2^{III}), 2.62–2.33 (m, 4H, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 2.19–1.89 (5 s, 15H, 4Ac, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 1.88–1.75 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.62 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.46–1.13 (m, 69H, 33CH₂, Ac), 0.91–0.86 (m, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.6, 172.8, 172.6, 171.6, 170.4, 170.2, 170.2, 169.8, 166.2, 166.0, 165.8, 165.1, 165.0, 164.8, 164.6, 137.0, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.8, 130.0, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 101.6, 100.3, 100.0, 98.8, 78.1, 75.0, 74.4, 73.6, 72.7, 72.6, 72.1, 71.9, 71.8, 71.7, 71.1, 71.0, 70.9, 70.6, 69.3, 67.1, 66.8, 63.7, 62.5, 61.5, 55.4, 47.7, 37.6, 36.3, 31.9, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 28.8, 27.7, 25.4, 25.4, 23.0, 22.6, 20.7, 20.7, 20.7, 20.6, 20.3, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M + Na]⁺ 2506.1951, C₁₃₉H₁₇₈N₂O₃₈ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 2506.1950.

(4-*O*-Acetyl-2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-levulinoyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-β-*D*-galactopyranosyl)-(1 → 4)-(3,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-benzoyl-β-*D*-glucopyranosyl)-(1 → 1)-(2*S*,3*S*,4*R*)-3,4-di-*O*-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (24). To a solution of 23 (41 mg, 16.5 μmol) in EtOH (1.6 mL) was added Pd(OH)₂-C (41 mg, 20% on carbon). The flask containing the mixture was evacuated and filled with H₂ gas, which was repeated three times. The mixture was then



stirred under 0.3 MPa pressure of H₂ gas. After stirring for 23 h at ambient temperature as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 25 : 1), the reaction mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite and the precipitate was washed with EtOH. The filtrate was concentrated and the residue obtained was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 80 : 1) to give **24** (31 mg, 77%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+20.5^\circ}$ (*c* 2.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05–7.33 (m, 35 H, Ar), 6.08 (d, 1 H, *J*_{NH,2} 9.3 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 6.01 (d, 1 H, *J*_{NH,2} 6.5 Hz, NH^{III}), 5.54–5.49 (m, 3H, H-3^{Cer}, H-1^{III}, H-4^{IV}), 5.44–5.41 (m, 2H, H-4^{III}, H-2^{IV}), 5.32–5.20 (m, 3H, H-4^{IV}, H-3^I, H-3^{IV}), 5.01–4.94 (m, 2H, H-2^{II}, H-2^I), 4.75 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.59 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 4.6 Hz, *J*_{gem} 11.9 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.52–4.45 (m, 3H, H-2^{Cer}, H-3^{III}, H-6a^{IV}), 4.39 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.7 Hz, H-1^{II}), 4.33–4.26 (m, 3H, H-1^I, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.11–4.07 (m, 2H, H-5^{IV}, H-4^{II}), 4.01–3.94 (m, 2H, H-6a^{III}, H-6b^{III}), 3.90–3.83 (m, 3H, H-6a^I, H-5^{III}, H-1a^{Cer}), 3.77 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 4.8 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 7.2 Hz, H-5^{II}), 3.73–3.64 (m, 3H, H-4^I, H-1b^{Cer}, H-3^{II}), 3.38 (dd, 1H, *J*_{5,6a} 3.3 Hz, *J*_{5,6b} 9.9 Hz, H-5^I), 3.25 (d, 1H, *J*_{OH,3} 10.1 Hz, OH), 3.14 (m, 1H, H-2^{III}), 2.62–2.32 (m, 4H, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 2.19, 2.15, 1.99, 1.94, 1.89 (5 s, 15H, 4Ac, CH₃COCH₂CH₂COO), 1.84–1.76 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.71, 1.59 (2 s, 6H, 2Ac), 1.52–1.13 (m, 66H, 33CH₂), 0.94–0.85 (m, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.6, 173.2, 172.8, 171.7, 170.4, 170.3, 170.2, 169.7, 166.2, 166.1, 165.8, 165.1, 165.0, 164.8, 133.7, 133.5, 133.2, 133.1, 132.9, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 101.8, 100.1, 98.9, 75.5, 75.0, 74.6, 73.7, 73.1, 72.7, 72.5, 72.3, 72.0, 71.8, 71.7, 70.9, 69.6, 69.5, 67.0, 67.0, 63.6, 62.4, 62.1, 61.5, 55.9, 47.7, 37.6, 36.3, 31.9, 30.0, 29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 28.7, 27.7, 25.5, 25.4, 22.8, 22.7, 20.8, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6, 20.4, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M + Na]⁺ 2416.1478, C₁₃₂H₁₇₂N₂O₃₈ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 2416.1480.

(4-*O*-acetyl-2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-levulinoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl-3-*O*-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(3,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2*S*,3*S*,4*R*)-3,4-*O*-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol triethylamine salt (**25**). To a solution of **24** (10 mg, 4.2 μ mol) in pyridine (0.2 mL) was added the SO₃-pyridine complex (13 mg, 0.084 mmol) at 80 °C. After stirring for 4 h at 80 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 15 : 1), the reaction was quenched with triethylamine, and pyridine was co-evaporated with toluene. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH/Et₃N 120 : 1 : 1.2) to give **25** (9.8 mg, 91%) as a white solid; $[\alpha]_D^{+9.8^\circ}$ (*c* 2.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.3 (br s, 1H, Et₃NH), 8.04–7.33 (m, 35H, Ar), 7.12 (d, 1H, *J*_{NH,2} 7.3 Hz, NH^{III}), 6.01 (d, 1H, *J*_{NH,2} 9.2 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 5.50–5.48 (m, 2H, H-3^{Cer}, H-4^{IV}), 5.40–5.35 (m, 2H, H-4^{III}, H-2^{IV}), 5.30–5.27 (m, 1H, H-4^{Cer}), 5.22 (t, 1H, *J*_{2,3}, *J*_{3,4} 9.5 Hz, H-3^I), 5.15 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.5 Hz, *J*_{3,4} 3.4 Hz, H-3^{IV}), 5.00 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.4 Hz, *J*_{2,3} 9.8 Hz, H-2^{II}), 4.96–4.92 (m, 2H, H-1^{III}, H-2^I), 4.79 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.60–4.58 (m, 3H, H-6a^{II},

H-3^{II}, H-4^{II}), 4.50–4.46 (m, 2H, H-2^{Cer}, H-6a^{IV}), 4.42 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.1 Hz, H-1^{II}), 4.33–4.26 (m, 3H, H-1^I, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.08 (t, 1H, *J*_{5,6a}, *J*_{5,6b} 6.8 Hz, H-5^{IV}), 4.04–4.00 (m, 2H, H-6a^I, H-3^{III}), 3.87–3.74 (m, 6H, H-6a^{III}, H-6b^{III}, H-2^{III}, H-5^{II}, H-1a^{Cer}, H-6a^I), 3.68–3.62 (m, 2H, H-5^{III}, H-4^I), 3.47 (dd, 1H, *J*_{1b,2} 3.7 Hz, *J*_{gem} 10.1 Hz, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.34–3.31 (m, 1H, H-5^I), 3.07–3.03 (m, 6H, 3NCH₂CH₃), 2.61–2.30 (m, 4H, CH₃COCH₂CH₂CO), 2.18–1.68 (6 s, 18H, 5Ac, CH₃COCH₂CH₂CO), 1.76–1.71 (m, 4H, H-5a^{Cer}, H-5b^{Cer}, NHCOCH₂), 1.49–1.17 (m, 69H, 33CH₂, Ac), 0.89–0.83 (m, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.7, 172.8, 171.6, 170.6, 170.1, 170.0, 169.4, 166.0, 165.9, 165.0, 165.0, 164.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 132.9, 130.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.6, 129.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 101.7, 99.8, 77.6, 76.0, 73.5, 72.8, 72.3, 71.3, 71.1, 70.9, 69.8, 69.4, 67.2, 62.6, 61.7, 47.7, 46.0, 37.6, 36.3, 31.9, 30.0, 29.7, 29.7, 29.6, 29.6, 29.5, 29.5, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 28.8, 27.7, 25.4, 25.4, 22.8, 22.7, 20.7, 20.6, 20.6, 20.4; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M – H][–] 2472.1078, C₁₃₈H₁₈₆N₂O₄₁S calcd for [M – H][–] 2472.1083.

SM1a (1). To a solution of **25** (9.8 mg, 3.8 μ mol) in MeOH (0.28 mL) was added NaOH aq. (0.5 M solution, 480 μ L) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 48 h at ambient temperature as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH/20 mM ZnCl₂ aq. 12 : 9 : 2), the reaction mixture was concentrated. The residue was purified by gel filtration (Sephadex LH-20, CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O 5 : 4 : 1) to give **1** (4.5 mg, 82%); $[\alpha]_D^{+15.0^\circ}$ (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O 5 : 4 : 1); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 4.56 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 8.6 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.33 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.27 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.21 (d, 1H, *J*_{1,2} 7.8 Hz, H-1), 4.13 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 10.6 Hz, H-2^{III}), 3.94 (d, 1H, *J*_{3,4} 2.4 Hz, H-4^{III}), 2.11 (t, 2H, NHCOCH₂CH₂), 1.95 (s, 3H, Ac), 1.53–1.15 (m, 68H, 34CH₂), 0.80 (2 t, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 171.9, 171.0, 104.6, 103.4, 103.3, 81.0, 80.7, 78.0, 75.9, 75.3, 75.2, 74.8, 73.8, 73.4, 73.2, 73.0, 72.3, 70.7, 70.6, 69.8, 69.6, 69.1, 68.2, 67.2, 65.2, 62.8, 60.8, 60.5, 60.2, 59.4, 39.9, 31.4, 31.3, 30.7, 29.3, 29.28, 29.21, 29.20, 29.16, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 28.73, 28.70, 25.5, 25.4, 23.3, 22.2, 22.1, 14.0; HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: found [M – H][–] 1435.8351, C₁₃₈H₁₈₆N₂O₄₁S calcd for [M – H][–] 1435.8352.

(4-*O*-Acetyl-2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(2,6-di-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(3,6-di-*O*-acetyl-2-*O*-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2*S*,3*S*,4*R*)-3,4-di-*O*-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol (**26**). To a solution of **24** (47 mg, 19.6 μ mol) in DMF (0.39 mL) was added hydrazine acetate (8.8 mg, 98.0 μ mol) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 2 h at ambient temperature as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 15 : 1), the reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc and successively washed with satd aq. NH₄Cl and brine. The organic layer was then dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH 60 : 1) to give **26** (42 mg, 93%) as a colorless syrup; $[\alpha]_D^{+19.8^\circ}$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07–7.33 (m, 35H, Ph), 6.34 (d, 1H, *J*_{2,NH} 6.3 Hz, NH^{III}), 6.22 (d, 1H, *J*_{2,NH} 9.2 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 5.55 (dd, 1H, *J*_{2,3} 8.6 Hz, *J*_{3,4} 3.3 Hz, H-3^{Cer}), 5.48



(d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.9 Hz, H-1^{III}), 5.43 (2 d, 2H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.5 Hz, H-4^{IV}, H-4^{III}), 5.29 (m, 1H, H-4^{Cer}), 5.24, 5.23 (2 t, 2H, H-3^I, H-2^{IV}), 4.99 and 4.98 (2 t, $J_{1,2}$ 7.8 Hz, 2H, H-2^{III}, H-2^{II}), 4.71 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.8 Hz, H-1^{IV}), 4.60 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 11.8 Hz, $J_{5,6a}$ 4.6 Hz, H-6a^{II}), 4.52–4.45 (m, 3H, H-2^{II}, H-3^{III}, H-6a^{IV}), 4.37 (d, 1H, H-1^{II}), 4.32 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.7 Hz, H-1^I), 4.31–4.28 (m, 3H, H-6b^{IV}, H-6b^{II}), 4.09 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 2.4 Hz, H-4^{II}), 4.01–3.93 (m, 4H, H-3^{IV}, H-5^{IV}, H-6a^{III}, H-5^{III}), 3.86–3.77 (m, 4H, OH, H-1a^{Cer}, H-6b^{III}, H-5^{II}), 3.71–3.67 (m, 2H, H-3^{II}, H-4^I), 3.63 (t, 1H, J_{gem} 9.5 Hz, $J_{5,6a}$ 9.5 Hz, H-6a^I), 3.47 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 9.7 Hz, $J_{1b,2}$ 3.5 Hz, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.37–3.32 (m, 2H, H-6b^I, H-5^I), 3.14 (m, 1H, H-2^{III}), 2.66 (d, 1H, $J_{3,OH}$ 5.5 Hz, OH), 2.19–1.74 (m, 16H, 4Ac, 2CH₂), 1.68 and 1.64 (2 s, 6H, 2Ac), 1.47–1.12 (m, 66H, 33CH₂), 0.88, 0.87 (2 t, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.3, 172.9, 171.1, 170.5, 170.4, 170.3, 169.7, 166.3, 166.2, 166.1, 165.9, 165.8, 165.2, 164.8, 133.7, 133.2, 133.1, 132.9, 130.1, 129.9, 129.85, 129.80, 129.76, 129.71, 129.70, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.44, 128.40, 128.3, 101.5, 100.2, 99.1, 77.6, 75.3, 74.9, 74.7, 73.8, 73.3, 73.1, 73.0, 72.7, 72.4, 72.3, 72.0, 71.8, 71.7, 71.3, 71.0, 69.7, 69.6, 67.0, 63.7, 62.5, 62.1, 62.0, 55.9, 47.8, 36.3, 31.9, 29.74, 29.65, 29.60, 29.56, 29.55, 29.49, 29.35, 29.2, 28.6, 25.5, 25.4, 23.0, 22.7, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6, 20.4, 14.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found [M + Na]⁺ 2318.1113, C₁₂₇H₁₆₆N₂O₃₆ calcd for [M + Na]⁺ 2318.1113.

(4-O-Acetyl-2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-(2-acetamido-4,6-di-O-acetyl-2-deoxy- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(2,6-di-O-benzoyl-3-O-sulfo- β -D-galactopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 4)-(3,6-di-O-acetyl-2-O-benzoyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 1)-(2S,3S,4R)-3,4-di-O-benzoyl-2-tetracosanamido-1,3,4-octadecanetriol triethylamine salt (27). To a solution of 26 (33 mg, 14.4 μ mol) in pyridine (1.4 mL) was added the SO₃-pyridine complex (46 mg, 0.288 mmol) at 80 °C. After stirring for 2 h at 80 °C as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH 15 : 1), the reaction was quenched with triethylamine. Pyridine was then co-evaporated with toluene. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH/Et₃N 30 : 1 : 0.2) and then gel filtration (Sephadex LH-20, CHCl₃/MeOH 1 : 1) was performed to give 27 (37 mg, 96%) as a white solid; [α]_D +9.8° (c 2.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.50 (br s, 2H, Et₃NH), 7.99–7.27 (m, 35H, Ph), 6.97 (d, 1H, $J_{2,NH}$ 9.0 Hz, NH^{III}), 5.98 (d, 1H, $J_{2,NH}$ 9.2 Hz, NH^{Cer}), 5.70 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.3 Hz, H-4^{III}), 5.42 (dd, 1H, H-3^{Cer}), 5.31 (d, 1H, $J_{3,4}$ 3.1 Hz, H-4^{III}), 5.25 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.8 Hz, $J_{2,3}$ 10.1 Hz, H-2^{IV}), 5.22 (m, 1H, H-4^{Cer}), 5.15 (t, 1H, $J_{2,3}$, $J_{3,4}$ 9.5 Hz, H-3^I), 4.92 (dd, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.8 Hz, $J_{3,4}$ 9.7 Hz, H-2^I), 4.76 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.4 Hz, H-1^{III}), 4.70 (d, 1H, H-1^{IV}), 4.61 (dd, 1H, H-3^{IV}), 4.53 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 12.3 Hz, $J_{5,6a}$ 3.3 Hz, H-6a^{III}), 4.49–4.45 (m, 2H, H-3^{II}, H-4^{II}), 4.41 (m, 1H, H-2^{Cer}), 4.33 (d, 1H, H-1^{II}), 4.31–4.19 (m, 4H, H-1^I, H-3^{II}, H-6b^{III}, H-6a^{II}), 3.96 (t, 1H, $J_{5,6}$ 6.5 Hz, H-5^{III}), 3.93 (near d, 1H, J_{gem} 10.7 Hz, H-6a^{IV}), 3.86–3.70 (m, 5H, H-2^{III}, H-1a^{Cer}, H-6a^I, H-6b^{IV}, H-5^{II}), 3.57–3.52 (m, 3H, H-4^I, H-6b^I, H-5^{IV}), 3.40 (dd, 1H, J_{gem} 13.0 Hz, $J_{1b,2}$ 4.7 Hz, H-1b^{Cer}), 3.27 (m, 1H, H-5^I), 3.01 (2 q, 12H, 2NCH₂CH₃), 2.19–1.60 (m, 19H, 5Ac, 2CH₂), 1.39–1.04 (m, 89H, Ac, 34CH₂, 6NCH₂CH₃), 0.80 (2 t, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.0, 172.9, 170.6, 170.2, 170.0, 169.9,

169.6, 167.7, 166.2, 166.1, 166.0, 165.3, 165.2, 165.1, 164.9, 133.5, 133.4, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 132.4, 130.9, 130.1, 130.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.7, 129.66, 129.64, 129.55, 129.53, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.48, 128.40, 128.36, 128.30, 128.25, 103.0, 102.0, 101.2, 99.8, 78.1, 77.7, 77.3, 76.4, 76.2, 74.9, 73.7, 72.8, 72.7, 72.3, 71.5, 71.2, 71.1, 70.2, 69.8, 69.5, 68.6, 68.1, 66.9, 64.3, 62.8, 62.5, 61.8, 51.5, 47.7, 46.9, 46.8, 46.5, 38.7, 36.2, 31.9, 30.3, 30.0, 29.7, 29.6, 29.5, 29.49, 29.47, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 28.9, 28.4, 25.4, 25.3, 23.7, 22.9, 22.6, 22.3, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6, 20.2, 14.1, 14.0, 10.9, 9.0, 8.8, 8.6; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found [M – H + Na][–] 2476.0103, C₁₂₇H₁₆₄N₂O₄₂S₂ calcd for [M – H + Na][–] 2476.0103.

SB1a (2). To a solution of 27 (77 mg, 16.8 μ mol) in MeOH (0.34 mL) was added NaOH aq. (1.0 M solution, 0.34 mL) at ambient temperature. After stirring for 48 h at ambient temperature as the reaction was monitored by TLC (CHCl₃/MeOH/5% CaCl₂ aq. 84 : 45 : 10), the reaction mixture was concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (Iatrobeads, CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O 6 : 4 : 0 \rightarrow 6 : 4 : 0.5) to give 2 (28 mg, 96%); [α]_D +13.0° (c 0.5, CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O 5 : 4 : 1); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 4.47 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.1 Hz, H-1), 4.43 (d, 1H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.6 Hz, H-1), 4.30 (2 d, 2H, $J_{1,2}$ 7.9 Hz, 2 H-1), 2.21 (t, 2H, J_{gem} , $J_{1,2}$ 7.2 Hz, H-1a^{Cer}, H-1b^{Cer}), 2.07 (br s, 3H, Ac), 1.63–1.16 (m, 68H, 34CH₂), 0.89 (2 t, 6H, 2CH₃); ¹³C NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 171.9, 170.4, 104.3, 103.6, 103.5, 103.4, 80.8, 80.2, 79.1, 77.9, 75.7, 75.1, 74.9, 74.8, 74.7, 74.3, 73.9, 73.5, 73.3, 70.6, 69.8, 69.5, 69.04, 69.02, 67.3, 66.2, 60.8, 60.24, 60.18, 59.4, 50.5, 50.2, 50.1, 39.9, 35.6, 35.5, 31.34, 31.32, 30.7, 29.32, 29.27, 29.20, 29.19, 19.15, 29.09, 29.04, 29.03, 29.01, 29.00, 28.8, 28.7, 28.6, 25.5, 25.4, 23.34, 23.30, 22.13, 22.12, 14.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z : found [M – H + Na][–] 1537.7741, C₆₈H₁₂₆N₂O₃₀S₂ calcd for [M – H + Na][–] 1537.7740.

Microarray construction and analysis

The naturally occurring SM1a and the synthetic SM1a and SB1a were robotically arrayed in duplicate at 2 and 5 fmol per spot on nitrocellulose-coated glass slides using a non-contact instrument as described.²⁶ Antibody binding analyses were performed essentially as described.²⁷ In brief, after blocking with 3% w/v bovine serum albumin (Sigma) in HEPES-buffered saline (5 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 5 mM CaCl₂), the microarray was probed with the undiluted mAb AE3-containing culture supernatant. Binding was detected using biotinylated anti-mouse IgM (Sigma, μ -chain specific) at a 1 : 200 dilution, followed by Alexa Fluor-647-labelled streptavidin (1 μ g mL^{–1}; Molecular Probes). Imaging and data analysis were as described.^{7,28} The results shown are at 5 fmol per spot.

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