

Supplementary material

Synthesis and evaluation of saccharide-based aliphatic and aromatic esters as antimicrobial and antibiofilm agents

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1. Characterization of glucose and mannose fatty acid ester derivatives 7b–e and 8a–e.

6-*O*-Decanoyl-D-mannopyranose (mannose caprate, URB1390) (7b) [1]

Yield = 59%, $\alpha/\beta = 1:0.5$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H+1.5H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, CH_3), 1.24–1.26 (m, 12H+6H), 1.49–1.53 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.25–2.31 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.21–3.32 (m, 1.5H, $\text{H}^{3\beta}$, $\text{H}^{4\beta}$, $\text{H}^{5\beta}$), 3.35–3.41 (m, 1H, $\text{H}^{4\alpha}$), 3.49–3.56 (m, 2H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{3\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{2\beta}$), 3.70 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{6\beta\alpha}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{6\alpha\alpha}} = 7.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{4\alpha}} = 9.0$ Hz, $\text{H}^{5\alpha}$), 3.94–4.01 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\beta}$), 4.27–4.32 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.53–4.59 (m, 1H+1H, $\text{OH}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{1\beta}$, $\text{OH}^{2\beta}$), 4.63 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\alpha}\text{-H}^{3\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\alpha}$), 4.66 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\beta}\text{-H}^{3\beta}} = 5.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\beta}$), 4.86 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}\text{-H}^{2\alpha}} \approx J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}\text{-OH}^{1\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{H}^{1\alpha}$), 4.89 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\alpha}\text{-H}^{4\alpha}} = 6.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\alpha}$), 4.94 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\beta}\text{-H}^{4\beta}} = 5.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\beta}$), 6.26 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\beta}\text{-H}^{1\beta}} = 8.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\beta}$), 6.37 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\alpha}\text{-H}^{1\alpha}} = 5.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\alpha}$) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$ (1.5C), 22.6 (1.5C), 24.9 (1.5C), 28.9 (1.5C), 29.1 (1.5C), 29.2 (1.5C), 29.3 (1.5C), 31.7 (1.5C), 33.9 (1.5C), 64.7 (C6, 1.5C), 67.2 (C5, 0.5C), 67.6 (C5, 1C), 70.8 (C4, 1C), 70.9 (C3, 1C), 71.8 (C2, 1C), 72.0 (C2, 0.5C), 73.9 (C4, 0.5), 74.5 (C3, 0.5C), 94.5 (C1, 1C), 94.6 (C1, 0.5C), 173.5 (CO, 1.5C) ppm.

6-*O*-Dodecanoyl-D-mannopyranose (mannose laurate, URB1380) (7c) [1]

Yield = 12%, $\alpha/\beta = 1:0.5$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H+1.5H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH_3), 1.24–1.26 (m, 16H+8H), 1.49–1.53 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.25–2.30 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.21–3.33 (m, 1.5H, $\text{H}^{3\beta}$, $\text{H}^{4\beta}$, $\text{H}^{5\beta}$), 3.35–3.41 (m, 1H, $\text{H}^{4\alpha}$), 3.49–3.55 (m, 2H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{3\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{2\beta}$), 3.70 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{6\beta\alpha}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{6\alpha\alpha}} = 7.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}\text{-H}^{4\alpha}} = 9.0$ Hz, $\text{H}^{5\alpha}$), 3.94–4.02 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\beta}$), 4.27–4.32 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.53–4.59 (m, 1H+1H, $\text{OH}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{1\beta}$, $\text{OH}^{2\beta}$), 4.63 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\alpha}\text{-H}^{3\alpha}} = 4.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\alpha}$), 4.66 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\beta}\text{-H}^{3\beta}} = 5.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\beta}$), 4.86 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}\text{-H}^{2\alpha}} \approx J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}\text{-OH}^{1\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{H}^{1\alpha}$), 4.89 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\alpha}\text{-H}^{4\alpha}} = 5.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\alpha}$), 4.94 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\beta}\text{-H}^{4\beta}} = 5.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\beta}$), 6.26 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\beta}\text{-H}^{1\beta}} = 8.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\beta}$), 6.38 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\alpha}\text{-H}^{1\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\alpha}$) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$ (1.5C), 22.6 (1.5C), 24.9 (1.5C), 28.9 (1.5C), 29.17 (1.5C), 29.20 (1.5), 29.4

(1.5), 29.5, 31.8 (1.5C), 33.88 (0.5C), 33.93 (1C), 64.6 (C6, 0.5C), 64.7 (C6, 1C), 67.3 (C5, 0.5C), 67.6 (C5, 1C), 70.8 (C4, 1C), 70.9 (C3, 1C), 71.8 (C2, 1C), 72.0 (C2, 0.5C), 73.9 (C4, 0.5), 74.5 (C3, 0.5C), 94.5 (C1, C), 94.6 (C1, 0.5C), 173.5 (CO, 1.5C) ppm.

(2R,3S,4S,5S,6S)-6-O-Tetradecanoyl-D-mannopyranose and **(2R,3S,4S,5S,6R)-6-O-tetradecanoyl-D-mannopyranose (mannose myristate, URB1381) (7d) [1]**

Yield = 60%, $\alpha/\beta = 1:0.5$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H+1.5H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, CH_3), 1.24–1.26 (m, 20H+10H), 1.50–1.53 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.26–2.31 (m, 2H+1H, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.21–3.33 (m, 1.5H, $\text{H}^{3\beta}$, $\text{H}^{4\beta}$, $\text{H}^{5\beta}$), 3.35–3.41 (m, 1H, $\text{H}^{4\alpha}$), 3.49–3.55 (m, 2H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{3\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{2\beta}$), 3.70 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}} = 7.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{4\alpha}} = 9.0$ Hz, $\text{H}^{5\alpha}$), 3.94–4.02 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.27–4.32 (m, 1H+0.5H, $\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.53–4.59 (m, 1H+1H, $\text{OH}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{1\beta}$, $\text{OH}^{2\beta}$), 4.63 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\alpha}-\text{H}^{3\alpha}} = 4.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\alpha}$), 4.66 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{3\beta}-\text{H}^{3\beta}} = 5.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\beta}$), 4.86 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}-\text{H}^{2\alpha}} \cong J_{\text{H}^{1\alpha}-\text{OH}^{1\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{H}^{1\alpha}$), 4.89 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\alpha}-\text{H}^{4\alpha}} = 5.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\alpha}$), 4.94 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{4\beta}-\text{H}^{4\beta}} = 5.0$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\beta}$), 6.26 (d, 0.5H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\beta}-\text{H}^{1\beta}} = 8.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\beta}$), 6.38 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}^{1\alpha}-\text{H}^{1\alpha}} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\alpha}$) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$ (1.5C), 22.6 (1.5C), 24.9 (1.5C), 29.0 (1.5C), 29.18 (1.5C), 29.21 (1.5), 29.38 (1.5), 29.5, 31.8 (1.5C), 33.9 (1.5C), 64.7 (C6, 1.5C), 67.3 (C5, 0.5C), 67.6 (C5, 1C), 70.8 (C4, 1.5C), 71.8 (C2, 1C), 72.0 (C2, 0.5C), 74.0 (C4, 0.5), 74.5 (C3, 0.5C), 94.5 (C1, C), 94.6 (C1, 0.5C), 173.4 (CO, 1.5C) ppm.

(2R,3S,4S,5S,6S)-6-O-Esadecanoyl-D-mannopyranose and **(2R,3S,4S,5S,6R)-6-O-esadecanoyl-D-mannopyranose (mannose palmitate, URB1382) (7e) [2]**

Yield = 32%, $\alpha/\beta = 1:0.8$. MS (ESI): 417.5 [M-H], 436.4 [M+NH₄], 441.4 [M+Na]. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H+2.4H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, CH_3), 1.24–1.26 (m, 24H+10H), 1.50–1.53 (m, 2H+1.6H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.25–2.30 (m, 2H+1.6H, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.24–3.32 (m, 0.8x3H, $\text{H}^{3\beta}$, $\text{H}^{4\beta}$, $\text{H}^{5\beta}$), 3.34–3.39 (m, 1H, $\text{H}^{4\alpha}$), 3.51–3.56 (m, 2H+0.8H, $\text{H}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{3\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{2\beta}$), 3.71 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}} = 7.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}^{5\alpha}-\text{H}^{4\alpha}} = 9.0$ Hz, $\text{H}^{5\alpha}$), 3.95–4.02 (m, 1H+0.8H, $\text{H}^{6\alpha\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.28–4.33 (m, 1H+0.8H, $\text{H}^{6\beta\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{6\beta\beta}$), 4.51–4.53 (m, 1H+0.8H, $\text{OH}^{2\alpha}$, $\text{H}^{1\beta}$), 4.57–4.59 (m, 1H+0.8H, $\text{OH}^{3\alpha}$, $\text{OH}^{2\beta}$),

4.62 (d, 0.8H, $J_{\text{OH}3\beta\text{-H}3\beta} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{3\beta}$), 4.84–4.87 (m, 2H, $\text{H}^{1\alpha}$, $\text{OH}^{4\alpha}$), 4.90 (d, 0.8H, $J_{\text{OH}4\beta\text{-H}4\beta} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{4\beta}$), 6.22 (d, 0.8H, $J_{\text{OH}1\beta\text{-H}1\beta} = 8.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\beta}$), 6.35 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}1\alpha\text{-H}1\alpha} = 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OH}^{1\alpha}$) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$ (1.8C), 22.6 (1.8C), 24.9 (1.8C), 29.0 (1.8C), 29.16 (1.8C), 29.20 (1.8C), 29.4 (1.8C), 29.47, 29.51, 31.8 (1.8C), 33.88 (0.8C), 33.93 (1C), 64.7 (C6, 1.8 C), 67.3 (C5, 0.8C), 67.6 (C5, 1C), 70.8 (C4, 1.8C), 71.8 (C3, 1C), 72.0 (C2, 1C), 74.0 (C4, 0.8), 74.5 (C3, 0.8C), 94.5 (C1, 1C), 94.6 (C1, 0.8C), 173.4 (CO, 1.8C) ppm.

6-*O*-Decanoyl-D-glucopyranose (glucose caprate, URB1385) (8b) [3]

Yield = 15%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH_3), 1.22–1.28 (m, 12H), 1.48–1.54 (m, 2H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.28 (t, 2H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.03 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-OH}4} = 6.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-H}3} = 9.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-H}5} = 9.5$ Hz, H^4), 3.13 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-H}1} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-OH}2} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-H}3} = 9.0$ Hz, H^2), 3.43 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}3\text{-OH}3} = 5.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}3\text{-H}2} \cong J_{\text{H}3\text{-H}4} = 9.0$ Hz, H^3), 3.77 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}6b} = 2.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}6a} = 6.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}4} = 9.5$ Hz, H^5), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}6a\text{-H}5} = 6.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}6a\text{-H}6b} = 12.0$ Hz, H^{6a}), 4.27 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}6b\text{-H}5} = 2.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}6b\text{-H}6a} = 12.0$ Hz, H^{6b}), 4.54 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}2\text{-H}2} = 6.5$ Hz, OH^2), 4.76 (d, H, $J_{\text{OH}3\text{-H}3} = 5.0$ Hz, OH^3), 4.90 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}1\text{-H}2} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}1\text{-OH}1} = 4.5$ Hz, H^1), 5.05 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}4\text{-H}4} = 6.0$ Hz, OH^4), 6.35 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}1\text{-H}1} = 4.5$ Hz, OH^1) ppm. ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$, 22.6, 24.9, 28.9, 29.1, 29.2, 29.3, 31.7, 33.9, 64.3 (C6), 69.6 (C5), 71.0 (C4), 72.7 (C2), 73.3 (C3), 92.7 (C1), 173.4 (CO) ppm.

6-*O*-Dodecanoyl-D-glucopyranose (glucose laurate, URB1384) (8c) [3]

Yield = 15%. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH_3), 1.23–1.26 (m, 16H), 1.49–1.52 (m, 2H, OCCH_2CH_2), 2.27 (t, 2H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, OCCH_2CH_2), 3.04 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-OH}4} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-H}3} = 9.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}4\text{-H}5} = 9.5$ Hz, H^4), 3.12 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-H}1} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-OH}2} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}2\text{-H}3} = 9.0$ Hz, H^2), 3.43 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}3\text{-OH}3} = 5.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}3\text{-H}2} \cong J_{\text{H}3\text{-H}4} = 9.0$ Hz, H^3), 3.76 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}6b} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}6a} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}5\text{-H}4} = 9.5$ Hz, H^5), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}6a\text{-H}5} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}6a\text{-H}6b} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6a}), 4.26 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}6b\text{-H}5} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}6b\text{-H}6a} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6b}), 4.51 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}2\text{-H}2} = 6.5$ Hz, OH^2), 4.73 (d, H, $J_{\text{OH}3\text{-H}3} = 5.0$ Hz, OH^3), 4.89 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H}1\text{-H}2} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H}1\text{-OH}1} = 4.5$ Hz, H^1), 5.02 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH}4\text{-H}4}$

= 5.5 Hz, OH⁴), 6.32 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH1-H1}} = 4.5$ Hz, OH¹) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$, 22.6, 24.9, 28.9, 29.16, 29.18, 29.4, 29.5 (2C), 31.8, 33.9, 64.3 (C6), 69.6 (C5), 71.0 (C4), 72.7 (C2), 73.3 (C3), 92.8 (C1), 173.4 (CO) ppm.

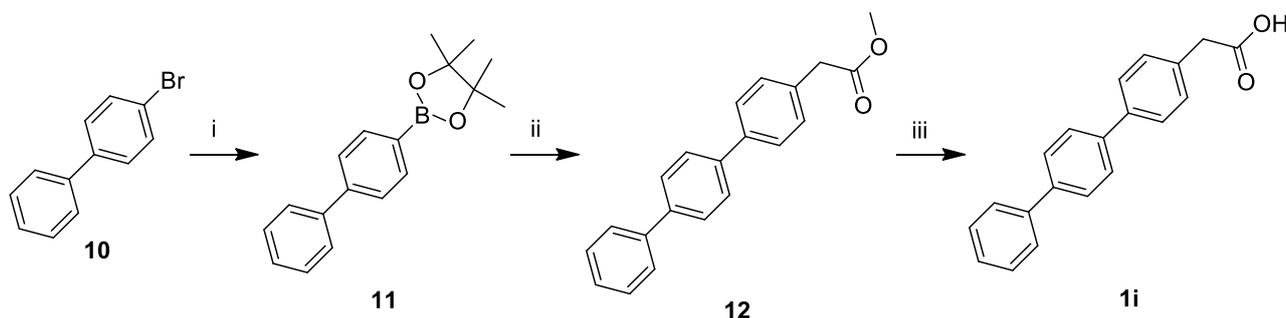
Tetradecanoyl-D-glucopyranose (glucose myristate, URB1386) (8d) [3]

Yield = 10%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.85$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH₃), 1.21–1.28 (m, 20H), 1.47–1.54 (m, 2H, OCCH₂CH₂), 2.27 (t, 2H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, OCCH₂CH₂), 3.03 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H4-OH4}} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H4-H3}} = 9.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H4-H5}} = 9.5$ Hz, H⁴), 3.13 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H2-H1}} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H2-OH2}} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H2-H3}} = 9.0$ Hz, H²), 3.43 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H3-OH3}} = 5.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H3-H2}} \cong J_{\text{H3-H4}} = 9.0$ Hz, H³), 3.77 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H5-H6b}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H5-H6a}} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H5-H4}} = 9.5$ Hz, H⁵), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H6a-H5}} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H6a-H6b}} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6a}), 4.27 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H6b-H5}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H6b-H6a}} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6b}), 4.55 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH2-H2}} = 6.5$ Hz, OH²), 4.79 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH3-H3}} = 5.0$ Hz, OH³), 4.89 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H1-H2}} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H1-OH1}} = 4.5$ Hz, H¹), 5.06 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH4-H4}} = 5.5$ Hz, OH⁴), 6.36 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH1-H1}} = 4.5$ Hz, OH¹) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$, 22.6, 24.9, 28.9, 29.18, 29.19, 29.37, 29.48, 29.50, 29.52, 31.8, 33.9, 64.3 (C6), 69.6 (C5), 71.0 (C4), 72.7 (C2), 73.3 (C3), 92.8 (C1), 173.4 (CO) ppm.

Esadecanoyl-D-glucopyranose (glucose palmitate, URB1387) (8e) [3]

Yield = 5%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH₃), 1.19–1.28 (m, 24H), 1.47–1.53 (m, 2H, OCCH₂CH₂), 2.27 (t, 2H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, OCCH₂CH₂), 3.04 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H4-OH4}} = 5.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H4-H3}} = 9.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H4-H5}} = 9.5$ Hz, H⁴), 3.12 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H2-H1}} = 4.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H2-OH2}} = 6.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H2-H3}} = 9.5$ Hz, H²), 3.43 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H3-OH3}} = 4.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H3-H2}} \cong J_{\text{H3-H4}} = 9.5$ Hz, H³), 3.77 (ddd, 1H, $J_{\text{H5-H6b}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H5-H6a}} = 6.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H5-H4}} = 9.0$ Hz, H⁵), 3.99 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H6a-H5}} = 6.0$ Hz, $J_{\text{H6a-H6b}} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6a}), 4.27 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H6b-H5}} = 1.5$ Hz, $J_{\text{H6b-H6a}} = 11.5$ Hz, H^{6b}), 4.51 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH2-H2}} = 6.5$ Hz, OH²), 4.74 (d, H, $J_{\text{OH3-H3}} = 4.5$ Hz, OH³), 4.90 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{H1-H2}} \cong J_{\text{H1-OH1}} = 4.0$ Hz, H¹), 5.02 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH4-H4}} = 5.5$ Hz, OH⁴), 6.34 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{OH1-H1}} = 4.0$ Hz, OH¹) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO): $\delta = 14.4$, 22.6, 24.9, 28.9, 29.16 (2C), 29.19, 29.36, 29.46 (2C), 29.5 (2C), 31.2, 31.8, 33.9, 64.3 (C6), 69.6 (C5), 71.0 (C4), 72.7 (C2), 73.3 (C3), 92.8 (C1), 173.4 (CO) ppm.

2. Synthesis of triphenylacetic acid (**1i**) (Scheme S1).



Scheme 1S. Reagents and conditions: (i) B_2pin_2 , $Pd(dppf)Cl_2/CH_2Cl_2$, $dppf$, $KOAc$, dry dioxane, 80 °C, 16 h; (ii) methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)acetate, $Pd(II)(dba)_3$, PCy_3 , K_3PO_4/H_2O , dioxane:H₂O 2:1, 75 °C, 16 h; (iii) $LiOH$, MeOH:H₂O 3:1, 60 °C, 5 h.

Methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)acetate (**11**) [4]

A mixture of *p*-phenylbromobenzene (0.534 g, 2.29 mmol) (**10**), B_2pin_2 (1.635 g, 6.44 mmol), $Pd(dppf)Cl_2$ in CH_2Cl_2 (0.170 g, 0.21 mmol), $dppf$ (0.083 g, 0.15 mmol) and $KOAc$ (1.320 g, 13.43 mmol) in dry dioxane (11.6 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 20 h, then filtered on Celite[®], and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with H₂O, dried (Na_2SO_4), and concentrated. The purification of the residue by column chromatography (cyclohexane/EtOAc 98:2) gave **11** as a white solid. Yield = 96%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 1.29 (s, 12H, 6 CH₃), 7.26–7.31 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.35–7.39 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.53–7.56 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.81–7.83 (m, 2H, ArH).

Methyl 2-[(1,1':4',1''-triphenyl)-4-yl]acetate (**12**) [4]

A K_3PO_4 1.27 M aqueous solution (4 mL) was added to solution of **11** (0.999 g, 3.57 mmol), methyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)acetate (0.682 g, 2.98 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3$ (0.164 g, 0.18 mmol), PCy_3 (0.114 g, 0.41 mmol) in a mixture 2:1 dioxane/H₂O (8 mL). The solution was stirred at 80 °C for 20 h, then filtered on Celite[®], and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with H₂O, dried (Na_2SO_4), and concentrated. The purification by column chromatography (cyclohexane/EtOAc 98:2 then petroleum ether/Et₂O 95:5) gave **12** as a white solid. Yield = 47%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ = 3.62 (s, 2H, CH₂), 3.65 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.29–7.31 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.34–7.41 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.53–

7.58 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.59–7.61 (m, 4H, ArH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 40.8, 52.1, 127.0, 127.2, 127.3, 127.4, 127.5, 128.8, 129.7, 133.1, 139.6, 139.7, 140.2, 140.7, 172.0 ppm.

2-[(1,1',4',1''-triphenyl)4-yl]acetic acid (**1i**) [5]

A solution of **12** (0.420 g, 1.39 mmol) and LiOH (0.292 g, 6.95 mmol) in a mixture 3:1 MeOH/H₂O (9.3 mL) was stirred at 60 °C for 5 h, then acidified with HCl 2N to pH = 2, and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with H₂O, dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated. The purification by recrystallization from EtOAc gave **1i** as a white solid. Yield = 79%. Mp = 266-268 °C. MS (ESI): 289 [M + H]⁺, 287 [M - H]⁻, 243 [M - COOH]⁻. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO): δ = 3.64 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.37–7.40 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.47–7.51 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.67–7.69 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.72–7.74 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.75–7.78 (m, 4H, ArH), 12.36 (brs, 1H, COOH) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO) δ = 40.8 (CH₂), 126.9, 127.0, 127.52, 127.56, 127.7, 128.0, 129.5, 130.5, 134.9, 138.4, 139.4, 139.5, 140.1, 173.11 ppm.

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