New α,γ -cyclic peptides for large-diameter self-assembling peptide nanotubes

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. General Methods, Instrument Details and Materials

► General. Commercially available N-Boc amino acids. O-(7-azabenzotriazol-1-yl)-1,1,3,3tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate (HATU) and O-Benzotriazol-1-yl-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium tetrafluoroborate (TBTU) were all used as obtained from Novabiochem, Applied Biosystems or Bachem. Deuterated chloroform (CDCl₃) was obtained from Aldrich. All other reagents obtained from commercial suppliers were used without further purification unless otherwise noted. Dichloromethane (DCM) and piperidine were dried and distilled over calcium hydride.^{1,2} DIEA was dried and distilled over calcium hydride, and then redistilled over nynhidrin.^{1,2} Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed on E. Merck silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ plates. Compounds, which were not UV active, were visualized by dipping the plates in a nynhidrin solution and heating. Silica gel flash chromatography was performed using E. Merck silica gel (type 60SDS, 230-400 mesh). Solvent mixtures for chromatography are reported as v/v ratios. HPLC purification was carried out on Phenomenex Maxsil-10 silica column with CH2Cl2/MeOH gradients between 100 and 85:15. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AMX-500 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm, δ) relative to tetramethylsilane (δ 0.00). ¹H NMR splitting patterns are designated as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q) or pentuplet (p). All first-order splitting patterns were assigned on the basis of the appearance of the multiplet. Splitting patterns that could not be easily interpreted are designated as multiplet (m) or broad (br). Carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker AMX-500 MHz spectrometer. Carbon resonances were assigned using distortionless enhancement by polarization transfer (DEPT) spectra obtained with phase angles of 135. Fast Atom Bombardement (FAB) mass spectra were recorded on a Micromass Autospec mass spectrometer. Mass Spectrometry of Laser Desorption/Ionization-Time of Flight (MALDI-TOF) was obtained on a Bruker Autoflex mass spectrometer. FT-IR measurements were made on a JASCO FT/IR-400 spectrophotometer using 5-10 mM in CHCl₃ and placed in a NaCl solution IR cell.

▶ ¹H-NMR Assignments of Cyclic Peptides. The signals of the ¹H NMR spectra of the peptides in CDCl₃ were identified from the corresponding double-quantum-filled 2D COSY (2QF-COSY), TOCSY and/or NOESY and ROESY spectra acquired at concentration and temperature indicated. Mixing times (~250 ms or 400 ms) were not optimized. Spectra were typically acquired using Bruker standard pulse sequences on 500 MHz apparatuses, and were referenced relative to residual proton resonances in CDCl₃ (at 7.26 ppm).

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2. Cyclic Peptide Synthesis

Linear peptides were prepared following the synthetic strategy previously described.³

cyclo[(L-Leu-D-^{Me}N-γ-Acp)₄-] (3b). Synthesis from linear octapeptide. A solution of Boc-[(L-Leu-D-^{Me}Ny-Acp)₄-]-OFm (22.0 mg, 17.6 umol) in 20% piperidine in DCM (250 uL) was stirred at rt for 20 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in DCM (5 mL), and this solution was washed with HCl (5 %), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The resulting residue was dissolved in 200 µL of TFA/DCM (1:1) and stirred at rt for 15 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dried under high vacuum for 3 h and used without further purification. The linear peptide was dissolved in DCM (17.6 mL) and treated with TBTU (6.0 mg, 19.4 µmol), followed (dropwise) by DIEA (12 µL, 70.4 µmol) [an additional 1 equiv. of TBTU (5.6 mg, 17.6 µmol) and 4 equiv. of DIEA (12 µL, 70.4 µmol) were added when the starting material was detected by HPLC, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at rt to complete the reaction]. After 12 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude was purified by HPLC, affording 4.3 mg of **3b** as a white solid $[27\%, R_t = 16 \text{ min} (\text{Phenomenex Maxsil-10 semipreparative column,})$ 5-15 % MeOH in CH₂Cl₂, 30 min)]. ¹**H** NMR (CDCl₃, 500.13 MHz, δ): 8.33 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.16 (m, 1H, Hα_{Leu}), 4.84 (m, 1H, Hγ_{Acp}), 3.06 (m, 1H, Hα_{Acp}), 3.03 (s, 3 H, NC<u>H</u>₃), 2.09-1.14 (m, 9H, 3 x CH₂ γ-Acp + CH_{2Leu} + CH_{Leu}), 0.94 (dd, J_1 = 17.7 Hz, J_2 = 6.3 Hz, 6H, CH_{3Leu}). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125.77 MHz, δ): 174.9 (CO), 173.4 (CO), 54.6 (CH), 46.8 (CH), 43.3 (CH), 42.2 (CH₂), 32.8 (CH₂), 29.4 (NCH₃), 27.9 (CH₂), 26.9 (CH₂), 24.7 (CH), 23.4 (CH₃), 22.2 (CH₃). FTIR (293 K, CHCl₃): 3307 (amide A), 3004, 2960, 1664, 1627 (amide I), 1540 (amide II_{II}) cm⁻¹. MS (FAB⁺) [m/z (%)]: 953 ($[MH]^+$, 25), 477 (8). HRMS (FAB⁺) calculated for $C_{52}H_{89}N_8O_8([MH]^+)$ 953.680338, found 953.680045.

cyclo[(*L*-Leu-*D*-^{Me}N- γ -Acp)₄-] (3b). Synthesis from linear tetrapetide. A solution of Boc-[(*L*-Leu-*D*-^{Me}N- γ -Acp)₂-]-OFm (50.0 mg, 64.8 µmol) in 20% piperidine in DCM (1.25 mL) was stirred at rt for 20 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in DCM (10 mL), and this solution was washed with HCl (5%), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The resulting residue was dissolved in 1 mL of TFA/DCM (1:1) and stirred at rt for 15 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in DCM (13.0 mL) and treated with TBTU (25.0 mg, 77.7 µmol), followed (dropwise) by DIEA (46 µL, 259.1 µmol) [an additional 1 equiv. of TBTU (20.8 mg, 64.8 µmol) and 4 equiv. of DIEA (46 µL, 259.1 µmol) were added when the starting material was detected by HPLC, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at rt to complete the reaction]. After 12 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude was purified by HPLC, affording 12.4 mg of **3b** as a white solid [40%, R_t = 16 min (Phenomenex Maxsil-10 semipreparative column, 5-15 %

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MeOH in CH₂Cl₂, 30 min)]. **MS (MALDI-TOF)** [m/z (%)]: 993 $([M + K]^+, 7)$, 975 $([M + Na]^+, 100)$, 953 $([MH]^+, 34)$. **HRMS (MALDI-TOF) calculated** for C₅₂H₈₈N₈O₈Na $([M + Na]^+)$ 975.6617, found 975.6573.

cyclo[(D-Leu-L-^{Me}N-Y-Acp)₅-] (4b). A solution of Boc-[(D-Leu-L-^{Me}N-Y-Acp)₅-]-OFm (26.8 mg, 18.0 µmol) in 20% piperidine in DCM (250 µL) was stirred at rt for 20 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in DCM (5 mL), and this solution was washed with HCl (5 %), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The resulting residue was dissolved in 200 µL of TFA/DCM (1:1) and stirred at rt for 15 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dried under high vacuum for 3 h and used without further purification. The linear peptide was dissolved in DCM (18 mL) and treated with TBTU (6.4 mg, 19.8 µmol), followed (dropwise) by DIEA (13 µL, 72.2 µmol) [an additional 1 equiv. of TBTU (5.8 mg, 18.0 µmol) and 4 equiv. of DIEA (13 µL, 72.2 µmol) were added when the starting material was detected by HPLC, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at rt to complete the reaction]. After 12 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude was purified by HPLC, affording 9.4 mg of **4b** as a white solid [44%, $R_t = 18$ min (Phenomenex Maxsil-10 semipreparative column, 8-15 % MeOH in CH₂Cl₂, 30 min)]. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500.13 MHz, δ): 8.42 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.20 (dt, $J_1 = 3.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 9.3$ Hz, 1H, H α_{Leu}), 4.92 (m, 1 H, $H\gamma_{Acp}$), 3.18 (dt, $J_1 = 9.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 15.0$ Hz, 1H, $H\alpha_{Acp}$), 3.02 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 1.99 (m, 2H, 2 x CH_{Acp}), 1.87-1.67 (m, 4H, 4 x CH_{Acp}), 1.61 (dd, $J_1 = 7.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 18.4$ Hz, 1H, CH_{Leu}), 1.51 (ddd, $J_1 = 3.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 9.8$ Hz, $J_3 = 13.4$ Hz, 1H, 0.5 x CH_{2Leu}), 1.36 (ddd, $J_1 = 3.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 9.6$ Hz, $J_3 = 13.2$ Hz, 1H, 0.5 x CH_{2Leu}), 0.95 (dd, $J_1 = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, J_2 = 43.9 \text{ Hz}, 6\text{H}, CH_{3Len}$. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125.77 MHz, δ): 174.9 (CO), 173.3 (CO), 54.2 (CH), 46.8 (CH), 43.9 (CH₂), 42.2 (CH), 31.5 (CH₂), 29.1 (NCH₃), 28.3 (CH₂), 26.2 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH), 23.7 (CH₃), 22.1 (CH₃). FTIR (293 K, CHCl₃): 3313 (amide A), 3019, 2961, 1665, 1627 (amide I), 1534 (amide II_{II} cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI-TOF) [m/z (%)]: 1229 ([M +K]⁺, 14), 1213 ([M +Na]⁺, 100), 1191 ([MH]⁺, 4). **HRMS (MALDI-TOF) calculated** for $C_{65}H_{110}N_{10}O_{10}Na$ ([M +Na]⁺) 1213.8304, found 1213.8336.

cyclo[(*D*-Phe-*L*-^{Me}N- γ -Acp)₆-] (5). A solution of Boc-[(*D*-Phe-*L*-^{Me}N- γ -Acp)₆-]-OFm (40.0 mg, 20.8 µmol) in 20% piperidine in DCM (250 µL) was stirred at rt for 20 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in DCM (5 mL), and this solution was washed with HCl (5 %), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The resulting residue was dissolved in 200 µL of TFA/DCM (1:1) and stirred at rt for 15 min. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dried under high vacuum for 3 h and used without further purification. The linear peptide was dissolved in DCM (20.8 mL) and treated with TBTU (8.0 mg, 24.9 µmol), followed (dropwise) by DIEA (15 µL, 83.0 µmol) [an additional 1 equiv. of TBTU (6.7 mg, 20.8 µmol) and 4 equiv. of DIEA (15 µL, 83.0 µmol) were added when the starting material was detected by HPLC, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h at rt to complete the reaction]. After 12 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the crude was purified by HPLC, affording 25.4 mg of **5** as a white solid [75%, R_t = 22 min (Phenomenex Maxsil-10 semipreparative column, 5-15 % MeOH in CH₂Cl₂, 30 min)]. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500.13 MHz, δ): 8.61 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.22 (m, 5H, Ar-H_{Phe}), 5.36 (dd, *J_i* =

8.4 Hz, $J_2 = 15.5$ Hz, 1H, H α_{Phe}), 4.78 (m, 1 H, H γ_{Acp}), 3.11 (dd, $J_I = 8.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 17.0$ Hz, 1H, H α_{Acp}), 2.94 (m, 2H, CH₂ β_{Phe}), 2.57 (s, 3H, NC<u>H</u>₃), 1.93 (c, J = 11.9 Hz, 2H, 2 x CH_{Acp}), 1.78-1.48 (m, 3H, 3 x CH_{Acp}), 1.24 (m, 1H, CH_{Acp}). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125.77 MHz, δ): 174.6 (CO), 172.1 (CO), 136.2 (C), 129.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 54.6 (CH), 49.9 (CH), 42.0 (CH), 41.1 (CH₂), 30.8 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₃), 28.1 (CH₂), 26.3 (CH₂). FTIR (293 K, CHCl₃): 3315 (amide A), 3008, 2967, 1665, 1623 (amide I), 1525 (amide II_{II}) cm⁻¹. MS (MALDI-TOF) [m/z (%)]:1673 ([M +K]⁺, 14), 1656 ([M +Na]⁺, 100), 1634 ([MH]⁺, 4). HRMS (MALDI-TOF) calculated for C₉₆H₁₂₀N₁₂O₁₂Na ([M +Na]⁺) 1655.9041, found 1655.9057.

3. X-ray Crystallographic Determination of the Structure of Dimer D3b

Preparation of Single Crystals for X-ray Analysis. In a typical experiment, 3 mg of HPLC-purified **3b** was dissolved in 0.5 mL of 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane and equilibrated by vapour-phase diffusion against 2.5 mL of hexanes. The corresponding dimer crystallized spontaneously within 7-10 days.

X-ray Crystallographic Analysis. Data were collected at low temperature (120 K) in a Bruker Smart X1000 diffractometer using Mo Kα radiation and a graphite monochromator. All calculations were performed on an IBM-compatible PC using the programs COLLECT⁴, HKL Denzo and Scalepack⁵, SORTAV⁶, SHELX-97⁷, WinGx⁸, SIR2002⁹, ORTEP3¹⁰, PLATON (SQUEEZE)¹¹, and PARST¹². Supplementary crystallographic data for **D3b** (CIF format) can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via the Internet at www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

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cyclo[(L-Leu-D-^{Me}N-γ-Acp)₄-] (3b)

1) COSY [10.02 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



2) ROESY [10.02 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



3) TOCSY [10.02 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



4) FT-IR [CHCl₃, 298 K (25 °C)]



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5) X-Ray ORTEP diagrams of D3b



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cyclo[(*D*-Leu-*L*-^{Me}N-γ-Acp)₅-] (4b)

1) COSY [13.17 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



2) NOESY [13.17 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



3) ROESY [13.17 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



4) FT-IR [CHCl₃, 298 K (25 °C)]





cyclo[(D-Phe-L-^{Me}N-γ-Acp)₆-] (5)

1) COSY [15.32 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



2) ROESY [15.32 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



3) TOCSY [15.32 mM, CDCl₃, 298 K (25 °C), 500.13 MHz]



4) FT-IR [CHCl₃, 298 K (25 °C)]

