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glycoconjugates using a serum-protein binder

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Scheme S1: Synthesis and characterization of 8



Compound **30** was prepared chemoenzymatically using *N*-Acetyl neuraminic acid (Neu5Ac) (8.7 mg, 28.2 µmol), cytidine triphosphate disodium salt (14.85 mg, 28.2 µmol), 1M MgCl₂ (240 µL), distilled H₂O (1.8 mL) and 1M TrisHCl buffer (1.2 mL, pH 8.8) were dissolved in a round bottom flask. *Neisseria meningitides* CMP-Neu5Ac synthetase (NmCSS) (600 µL),² octenyl- β -lactoside **29**, (8.4 mg, 18.6 µmol), *Pasteurella multocida* α (2 \rightarrow 6)-sialyltransferase (600 µL)³ and distilled H₂O (1.8 mL) were charged to the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight. After the reaction was completed, ethanol was added, and the solution was centrifuged, and the supernatant was then lyophilized. The crude product was purified by a sep-pack C-18 reverse phase cartridge eluted with H₂O to MeOH/ H₂O (1:1, v/v) to afford compound **30** (18.50 mg; 88%) as a white solid power after concentration of the fractions containing desired product. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C31H53NO19 [M-H]+ 743.3212, found: 743.3139.

Compound **8** was obtained through irradiation of compound **30**¹ (12 mg, 0.016 mmol) and cysteamine hydrochloride (12.4 mg, 0.16 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (1 mL) and then solution was bubbled with N₂, and the tube was filled with N₂. The reaction mixture was irradiated under UV light for 45 min, after completion the solution was concentrated, and the crude mixture was purified by C₁₈ Sep-pak chromatography using gradient elution (0.5% aq. AcOH to 2:8 v/v

MeOH/0.5% aq. AcOH), followed by treatment with HO⁻ resin afforded the amine **8** (11.8 mg, 89 %) as a white powder. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, D₂O): δ 4.43 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H, H-1'), 4.38 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H, H-1), 3.92-3,68 (m, 6H), 3.76-3.68 (m, 2H), 3.68-3.64 (m, 1H), 3.66-3.46 (m, 11H), 3.28 (t, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂-), 3.17 (t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 2H, CH₂-), 3.80 (t, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 2H, CH₂-), 2.66 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 18.6 Hz, 1H, Heq-3), 3.56 (t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂-), 1.98 (s, 3H, NHAc), 1.69 (t, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1H, Hax-3), 1.59-1.52 (m, 4H), 1.34-1.29 (band, 8H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, D₂O): δ 175.77, 174.34, 104.06, 102.74, 101.16, 80.55, 75.57, 75.48, 74.55, 73.61, 73.38, 73.22, 73.64, 71.64, 71.49, 69.36, 69.24, 69.21, 64.42, 63.50, 61.17, 52.63, 40.95, 39.23, 31.57, 29.51, 29.37, 29.07, 28.97, 28.57, 25.77, 22.91; HRMS (ESI): m/z [M-H]+ calcd for C33H59N2O19S: 819.3431, found: 819.3438.

Scheme S2: Structure of (a) conjugate 9 and A-type II conjugate 10, (b) conjugate 28¹

(a)



(b)

















(a)







Figure S5: (a) 1 H and (b) 13 C NMR spectra of compound 16.



Figure S6: (a) 1 H, (b) 19 F and (b) 13 C NMR spectra of compound 17.



Figure S7: (a) 1 H, and (b) 13 C NMR spectra of compound 18.







Figure S9: (a) 1 H, (b) 13 C, (c) 19 F NMR spectra of compound 21.



Figure S10: (a) 1 H, (b) 13 C, (c) 19 F NMR spectra of compound 22.





Figure S11: MALDI data of (a) NHS-PEG (13) and (b) conjugate 20.

Figure S12: MALDI data of (a) NHS-PEG (13) and (b) conjugate 21.





Figure S13: MALDI data of (a) NHS-PEG (13) and (b) conjugate 22.

Figure S14: (a) 1 H, (b) 13 C, (c) 19 F NMR spectra of compound 27.



Figure S15: MALDI data of conjugate 27.



Scheme S3: Synthesis of compound 24.



Compound 5 (5 mg, 0.01 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of methanol and water (2 mL, 1:1, v/v). To this suspension was added LiOH (1.5 mg, 0.06 mmol) and the solution was left steering for overnight at room temperature. After completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C in an ice-bath and the solution was neutralized with aq. HCl (1N). The crude product was extracted

with EtOAc (3x 20 mL), washed with water, brine solution, combined organic layers was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated under vacuum to afford NH2-terminated 4-fluorobenzoic acid derivative (4 mg) of compound 5. The compound was used directly for coupling with fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC, 25) without further purification. NH₂-terminated 4-fluorobenzoic acid derivative (2 mg, 0.005 mmol) of compound 5 and FITC 25 (2.4 mg, 0.06 mmol) were dissolved in anhydrous DMF (100 µL). DIPEA (1.7 µL, 0.016, 3 equiv.) was added to the solution and pH of the solution was adjusted to 8.5-9.0. The solution was left stirred for overnight under dark at room temperature. After completion, solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude product was purified by C_{18} Sep-pak chromatography using gradient elution (0.1%) aq. AcOH to 1:8 v/v MeOH/0.1% aq AcOH) under dark to afford derivative 24 (3.14 mg, 75 %). Rf = 0.4 (10% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.67-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.05 (m, 1H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.06-4.03 (m, 2H), 3.67-3.64 (m, 2H), 2.62 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.18-2.11 (m, 2H), 1,98-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.29 (m, 4H). LC-MS calcd for C40H39N4FSO8: 753.3, found: 753.1.





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