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## 1 Neighbouring Group Participation in O-Glycosilation

Stereoselective Glycosilation reactions are one of the most challenging tasks for synthetic glycochemists. Protective Building Blocks on the glycosides contribute significantly in attaining the required stereochemistry of the resulting glycoside.

→ Strategic Installation of Protective Groups in C-2 position vincinal to anomeric carbon, renders neighbouring group participation

### 1.1 Some Biological Aspects

Introduction Slide:

- Lactose: Build up from Glucose and Galactose (Epimers)
- ATP used for energy in cell
- Cellulose is complex carbohdrate, that forms main structural component of plant cell walls, making up to 33% of all vegetable matter
- Daunomycin: used for acute myeloid leukemia, administered via injection to a vine. Interacts with the DNA via intercalation and inhibits macromolecular biosynthesis
- Erythromycin: Used in treatment of various bacterial infections. It is the 271st most commonly prescribed medication in the US, has bacteriostatic activity
- Heparin: blood antivogualant, increases the activity of antithrombin. Used in treatment of heart attacks and unstable angina. Isolated from Dog Liver hepar is the greek word for liver

### Cell Surface Glycans

Diverse Class of macromolecules that participate in many key biological processes including cell-cell communication. The glycan covering that surrounds the cell surface termed glycocylyx can both promote and hinder binding of canonical protein ligandds to cell surface receptors

### 1.2 Overview Carbohydrates

Biomolecule composed of carbon (C), hydrogen and oxygen

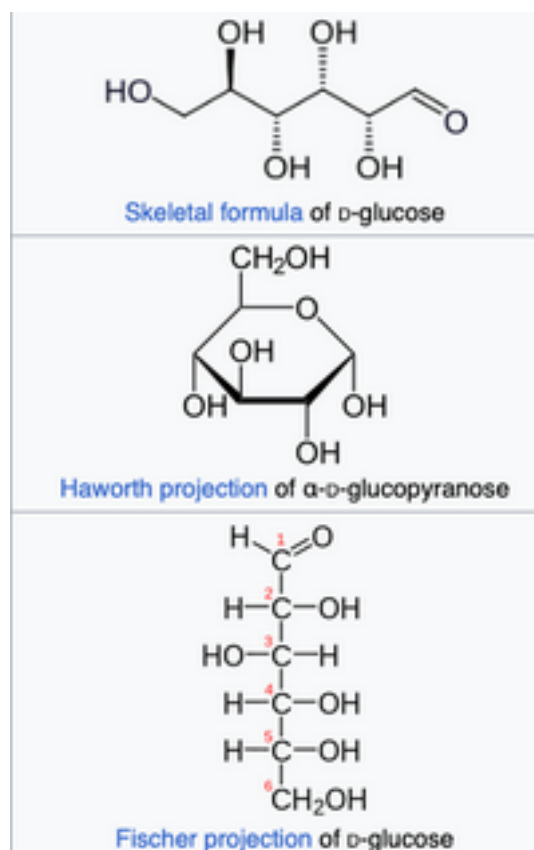


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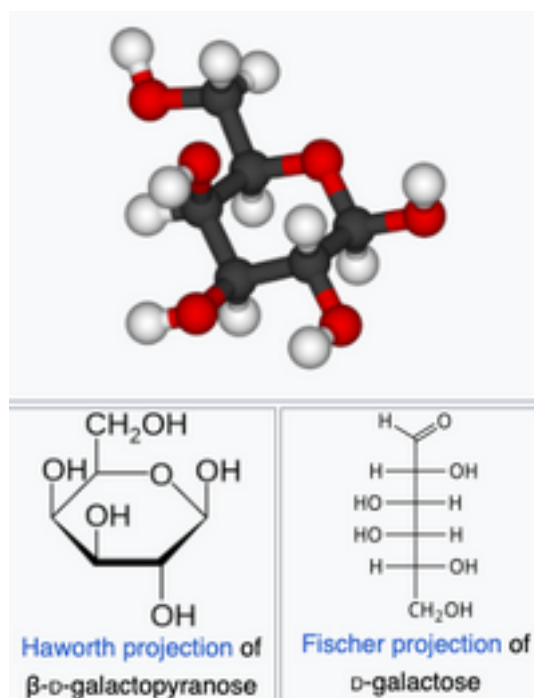


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Division:

- Monosaccharides: Glucose, Galactose, Fructose Xylose
- Disacharrides: Sucrose, Lactose, Maltose
- Oligosaccharides 3-9; Maltodextrines, Raffinose
- Polysaccharides >9: Starch, Amylose, Glycogen, Cellulose

### 1.3 Some facts about glycosidation

Glycosidation is the most crucial step in the oligosaccharide synthesis. Main problem in the glycosilation is the structural complexity of the carbohydrate.

- Mechanistic pathway depends on many factors: Concentration of participating moieties, reaction temperature, hydrogen bonding, solvent, nature of the leaving group and promoter
- Mechanism of glycosilation lies at the interface of  $S_N1 - S_N2$  reaction, the continuum expands in both direction
- **Destabilization and greater reactivity of the oxocarbenium, causes the nucleophilic part to attack in a concerted process  $S_N2$**
- **\*\*Stability of the Carbocation contributes the dissociative two step  $S_N1$  reaction.** (Studied by Codee et al by mapping a ensemble of conformations in a conformational energy landscape study)
- Protective Groups enable to shift this  $SN1/SN2$  spectrum to attain desired stereochemical outputs

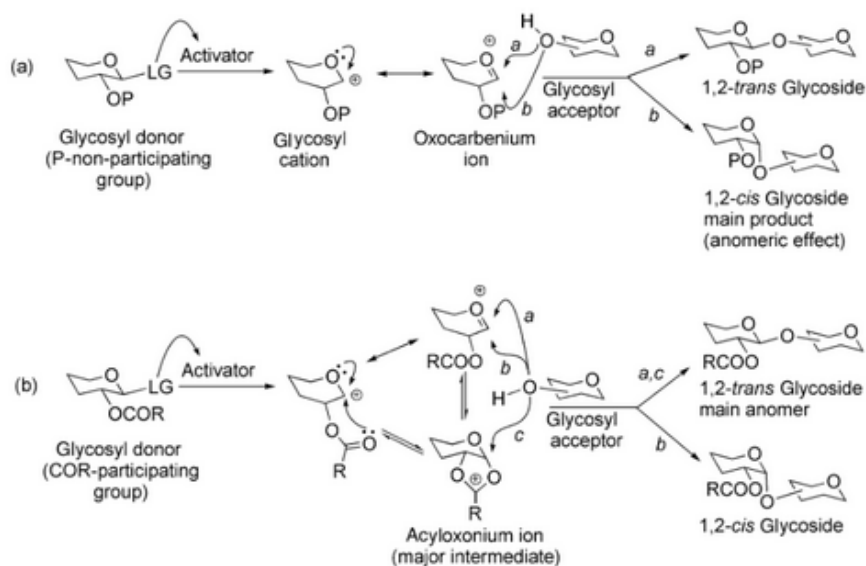


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#### 1.4 Formation of 1,2 Trans glycosides

An acyl protecting group in the vicinal C-2 position is widely accepted as the participating group facilitating the formation of the 1,2-*trans* glycoside.

- Electron Deficient Acyloxonium ion forms, this blocks off the alpha face, inducing the attack of the nucleophile from the opposite side leading to the *trans* glycoside
- *Cis* and *Trans* → *Cis* Hydroxyl group of anomeric carbon and the substituent of the carbon its bond to are on the same side, *Trans* opposite

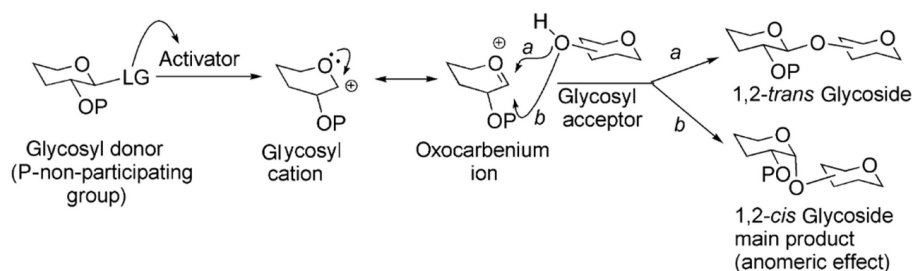


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#### 1.5 Acetyl and Benzoyl Protecting Groups

In the scheme on **Slide 15** both were activated under air with catalytic amounts of methanesulphonic acid.

→ Significant 1,2-trans selectivity means neighbouring group participation

## 1.6 Leuvinioyl protective groups

can be cleaved by using AcOH again yielding selective 1,2 trans glycosides and is a substitute to acetyl or benzoyl protection. Often one can also use this masked protecting group, Thioacetal!

## 1.7 Pivalate Protecting groups

Another participating ester group, the neopentyl group introduced here reduces probability of for a nucleophilic attack at the oxocarbenium centre instead of the anomeric carbon.

- Removal often requires harsher condition, the one with the tert-dimethylsilyl in the scheme can be cleaved off with the help of fluoride anions.
- The one with the olefinic bond needed hydroboration oxidation
- Cyanopivaloyl ester protection group showed high versatility, → reduces formation of the orthoester intermediate. Can be cleaved off by hydrogenation in the presence of Pd-C this allows for orthogonal deprotection

**On slide 20 this is an orthogonal deprotection where all the protective groups can be deprotected in one step to yield the desired product**

## 1.8 Notes to the non-ester participating groups

Problem is that the ester groups are electron withdrawing and reduce the reactivity of the glycosyl donors. But this C-2 protection helps the formation of the desired stereochemical output.

- **Slide 23** Typical MOM methoxymethyl or also BOM benzyloxymethyl protective groups.
- Activation of the glycoside donor, happens through a combination of NIS and IN(OTf) the nucleophilic attack of the acceptor follows

Again Mechanism on Slide 24:

- Formation goes through an oxocarbenium intermediate. This was shown by Kulkarni and co-workers which made an efficient neighbouring group participation and enabling the  $\pi - \pi$  interaction between the p orbitals of the oxonium ion intermediate and the aromatic ring