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ABSTRACT

Two series of more available novel 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids were efficiently synthesized employing click chemistry approach and evaluated for their cytotoxic activities against three human cancer cell lines (EC-9706, MGC-803 and MCF-7). Among them, compound 14h showed excellent inhibition against MCF-7 (IC₅₀ = $1.93 \mu M$) and was more potent than 5-Fu and Jaspine B against all three cancer cell lines. Further investigation of apoptosis assay and cell cycle analysis demonstrated that compound 14h caused cellular early and late apoptosis and arrested the cell cycle at G2/M phase in a concentration- and time-independent manner. This was the first report about the synthesis and in vitro cytotoxic evaluation of 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids.

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1. Introduction

Jaspine B (Fig. 1), as the first naturally occurring anhydrophytosphingosine derivative, was isolated from the marine sponge Pachastrissa sp. and Jaspis sp. This natural Jaspine B was reported to exhibit submicromolar cytotoxicity against various cell lines [1,2]. Moreover, Yahya and co-workers revealed that Jaspine B inhibited sphingomyelin synthase (SMS) and consequently increased intracellular ceramide levels, resulting in apoptosis in tumor cell by a caspase-dependent pathway [3,4]. Fujii and coworkers revealed that Jaspine B and its diastereoisomers inhibited sphingosine kinases (SphKs) and atypical protein kinase C [5,6]. Due to its remarkable bioactivities and structural novelty, much more effort has been devoted to the synthesis of Jaspine B, its stereoisomers and analogues [3,5,7-18].

1, 2, 3-Triazoles, as an important class of heterocycles, display a wide range of biological activities [19–23] and are regarded as the interesting scaffold with significant anticancer profile in many human cell lines [24-27]. 1,2,3-Triazoles could be easily constructed by click chemistry reaction [28], and conferred small molecules with special properties like moderate dipole character, hydrogen bonding capability, rigidity and stability [29]. Recently,

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multiple series of 1,2,3-triazole derivatives with diverse biological activities have been reported [30–33], and several drug molecules containing 1,2,3-triazole group such as tazobactam [34] and the cephalosporin cefatrizine [35] are examples of antibiotic drugs that are clinically used for the treatment of bacterial infections (Fig. 1). Besides, 1,2,3-triazoles conjugated with other pharmacophores have exhibited potent anticancer activities [36,37]. For example, Kamal recently reported the synthesis of a new class of triazolechalcone-pyrrolo [2,1-c] [1,4] benzodiazepine (PBD) hybrids, which showed G1 cell cycle arrest and acted as inhibitors of Cyclin D1 and NF-kB protein [38]. Our group recently synthesized novel 1,2,3-triazole-dithiocarbamate hybrids and evaluated their cytotoxic activities, finding some promising candidates with broad spectrum anticancer activities and low cytotoxicity against the normal cell HEK-293. Particularly, some of them were more potent than the well-known anticancer drug 5-fluorouracil [39-41].

Jaspine B has a 2-tetradecanyltetrahydrofuran scaffold with a free amino group and a hydroxyl group. The long alkyl chain was normally introduced through Wittig reaction [10] and Ru-mediated cross-metathesis [42] or from expensive materials [15]. Therefore, the efficient synthesis of long alkyl chains of Jaspine B derivatives via relatively simple reaction is in highly demand. In continuation with our efforts in this area and considering the biological importance of Jaspine B and 1,2,3-triazole derivates as anticancer agents, herein we reported the synthesis of two series of novel 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids with chiral tetrahydrofuran backbone and a

Fig. 1. Structures of Jaspine B, Tazobactam and Cefatrizine.

lipophilic alkyl chain (Fig. 2) and further evaluated their cytotoxic activities.

2. Results and discussion

2.1. Chemistry

Compounds 1 and 7 were synthesized following our previous reported procedure [16]. The synthetic route for the 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids is outlined in Scheme 1. The synthetic route started with the reduction of aldehyde 1 using KBH₄, giving compound 2, which was further reacted with propargyl bromide in the presence of NaOH to yield compound 3 in 83% yield. Reduction of 3 under Staudinger reaction condition followed by treatment of the resultant amino group with $(Boc)_2O$ afforded the key intermediate 4. The alkynyl group of 4 was then subjected to click reaction with various azides having different chain lengths, affording 5 in excellent yield. The azides were efficiently prepared from the corresponding alkyl bromides and sodium azide via S_N2 reaction [43]. Pd/C-catalyzed one-pot deprotection of the N-Boc and benzyl group of compound 5 under acidic condition provided corresponding compound 6.

The synthetic route for 1, 2, 3-triazole-3-epi-Jaspine B hybrids is outlined in Scheme 2. Benzylation of compound **7** with benzyl bromide in the presence of K_2CO_3 in THF under reflux gave compound **8**, which was then treated with 75% TFA in DCM, affording the aldehyde **9** (a diastereomer of compound **1**). Compounds **14** were synthesized from aldehyde **9** according to the corresponding procedure mentioned in Scheme **1**.

All the synthesized compounds were fully characterized by ¹H, ¹³C NMR and high resolution mass spectra as described for compound **6g** (Fig. 3). We have identified H1–H9, H24 and C1–C9, C24 of compound **6g** from 1D NMR (¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and DEPT135) and 2D NMR (HSQC, COSY and HMBC) of **6g**. The numbers of the hydrogens and carbons corresponding to **6g** were showed below (Fig. 3). From the HSQC spectrum together with ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra, some direct C–H correlations were observed, confirming that the signals of the alkyl chain carbons (C-10 to C-23) appeared at 28.97–31.89 ppm and the alkyl protons appeared at 1.82–1.96, 1.25–1.31. For all the spectra of compound **6g**, please refer to the Supporting Information.

2.2. Biological evaluation

2.2.1. Cytotoxic activity

All the synthesized 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids were tested *in vitro* against three human cancer cell lines, including MGC-803 (human gastric cancer cell line), MCF-7 (human breast cancer cell line) and EC-9706 (human esophageal cancer cell line) using the MTT assay and the results were compared with Jaspine B and well-known anticancer drug 5-fluorouracil.

The IC_{50} values of the tested compounds were listed in Table 1. As shown in Table 1, compound **6a** with the shortest side-chain showed no cytotoxicity against all three cells. Compounds (**6b**–

6f) with prolonged side-chains showed enhanced cytotoxicity. Compound 6f with alkyl-chain of 14 carbon atoms showed the most potent cytotoxicity against EC-9706, MGC-803 and MCF-7 cells, respectively with the IC₅₀ values of 7.83, 8.21 and 1.85 μ M. However, compounds 6g and 6h with longer alkyl chain than 14 carbons exhibited relatively weak cytotoxicity ranging from 3.30 to 19.99 μM and 7.58–17.89 μM . More clear behavior of 1, 2, 3triazole-3-epi-Jaspine B hybrids 14a-14h was observed against all the tested cancer cells. Compounds with prolonged side-chains showed enhanced cytotoxicity. Specifically, compounds 14a-c showed no cytotoxicity against all the tested cell lines. Compounds **14d** and **14e** showed weak cytotoxicity ranging from 43.10 to 57.39 μ M and 2.62–115.08 μ M. Compound **14f**, with the same alkylchain length as Jaspine B exhibited similar cytotoxicity ranging from 2.45 to 8.79 μM . Compounds **14g** and **14h** with prolonged alkyl chain exhibited better cytotoxicity ranging from 2.26 to $6.32 \,\mu\text{M}$ and $1.93-3.11 \,\mu\text{M}$, suggesting that the length of side-chain may play an important role in cytotoxicity. It is worth noting that compound **14h** with the prolonged alkyl chain proved to be nearly 2-fold more potent than Jaspine B in all three cancer cell lines. This is different from compound **6h** that showed moderate cytotoxicity. Besides, most of the compounds were more active to MCF-7 than other two cell lines.

2.2.2. Apoptosis assay

Due to the excellent cytotoxicity of 14h against all tested human cancer cell lines, it was chosen to be further investigated regarding its mechanism of action. To test whether the inhibition of cell growth was related to cell apoptosis, we performed a biparametric cytofluorimetric analysis of 14h using propidium iodide (PI) and annexin-V-FITC in MCF-7 cells. After treatment with compound **14h** for 8 or 16 h at different concentrations (0, 2, 4, 8 μ M), MCF-7 cells were labeled with the two dyes, and the resulting red (PI) and green (FITC) fluorescence was monitored by flow cytometry. It can be observed from Fig. 4 that compound 14h caused the early and late apoptosis. Specifically, the early and late apoptosis rates were significantly increased from 8.2% to 6.8% (for the control group) to 23.8% and 18.6%, respectively (for the high concentration group, $8 \mu M$). Similarly, compared with control (11.1% and 0.7%), the early and late apoptosis rates for the high concentration group (8 μ M) were 57.9% and 12.5% after treatment for 16 h. The results revealed that **14h** caused a markedly increased the cellular apoptosis in a concentration- and time-independent manner.

2.2.3. Cell cycle analysis

To determine whether the high inhibitory effect of the **14h** were caused by cell cycle accumulation at a certain phase, a cell-cycle cytotoxicity assay was performed by treating MCF-7 cells at different concentrations of compound **14h** (0, 2, 4, 8 μ M). After treatment MCF-7 cells for **14h**, it was observed that the percentage of cells in G2/M phase at different concentrations were 19.35%, 27.97%, 30.72% and 39.13%, respectively (Fig. 5A), whereas when treatment for 16 h, the percentage of cells in G2/M phase were 20.08%, 28.6%, 36.4% and 47.4%, respectively (Fig. 5B). These results

Fig. 2. 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids.

OCHO a N3 OBn N3 OBn BocHN OBn

1 2 3 4

$$d \rightarrow BocHN OBn$$
 $R \rightarrow BocHN OBn$
 $R \rightarrow BocHN$
 $R \rightarrow BocH$

Scheme 1. Synthesis of the 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids (**6a**–**h**). Reagent and reaction conditions: (a) KBH₄, ethanol, rt; (b) propargyl bromide, NaOH, acetonitrile, reflux; (c) (i) PPh₃, THF-H₂O (6:1), reflux; (ii) THF, (Boc)₂O, rt; (d) alkylazide, CuSO₄.5H₂O, sodium ascorbate, THF-H₂O (1:1), rt; (e) 5% Pd/C, CH₃OH-HCl, 60 atm, 60 °C.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of the 1,2,3-triazole-3-*epi* Jaspine B hybrids (14a-h). Reagent and reaction conditions: (a) 75% TFA, dichloromethane, 40 °C; (b) BnBr, THF, reflux; (c) KBH₄, ethanol, rt; (d) propargyl bromide, NaOH, acetonitrile, reflux; (e) (i) PPh₃, THF-H₂O (6:1), reflux; (ii) THF, (Boc)₂O, rt; (f) alkylazide, CuSO₄-5H₂O, sodium ascorbate, THF-H₂O (1:1), rt; (g) 5% Pd/C, CH₃OH-HCl, 60 atm, 60 °C.

suggested that **14h** caused an obvious G2/M arrest in a concentration- and time-dependent manner with a concomitant decrease in terms of the number of cells in the G1 and S phases of the cell cycle.

3. Conclusion

In conclusion, two series of 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids were synthesized in high yields and screened for cytotoxic activities against three human cancer cell lines. Compounds **6f**, **14f**, **14g** and **14h** with 1,2,3-triazole side-chain exhibited excellent *in vitro* cytotoxicity. Further investigation of apoptosis assay and cell cycle analysis demonstrated that **14h** caused cellular early and late apoptosis and arrested the cell cycle at G2/M phase in a concentration- and time-independent manner. The results revealed that full carbon alkyl chain of natural Jaspine B was replaced successfully with more available 1,2,3-triazole linked alkyl chain. The sidechain length and 1,2,3-triazole unit had remarkable effects toward their cytotoxicity. Synthesis of more analogs and further mechanism studies are in progress and will be reported in due course.

4. Experimental section

4.1. General

Reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial sources and were used without further purification. Melting points were determined on an X-5 micromelting apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz and 100 MHz spectrometer respectively. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Waters Micromass Q-T of Micromass spectrometer.

4.2. Procedure for the synthesis of ((2S,3S,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy)tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-methanol compound **2**

To a solution of Compound 1 (569 mg, 2 mmol) in ethanol (15 mL) was added KBH4 (184 mg, 3 mmol) under the ice bath. The resultant solution was warmed to room temperature and allowed to react for 5 h. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated NH4Cl aqueous solution at 0 $^{\circ}$ C, and concentrated under

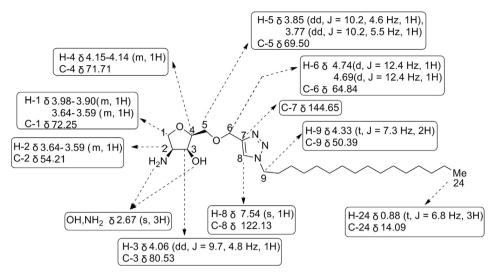


Fig. 3. 1H NMR and 13C NMR chemical shifts of compound 6g.

Table 1Primary *in vitro* anticancer activity of the 1,2,3-triazole-Jaspine B hybrids against three human cancer cell lines.

Compound	R	$IC_{50}(\mu M)^a$		
		EC-9706	MGC-803	MCF-7
6a	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₆	>128	>128	>128
6b	$CH_3(CH_2)_7$	44.27 ± 3.55	70.42 ± 4.17	28.11 ± 2.95
6c	$CH_3(CH_2)_8$	20.13 ± 2.46	13.81 ± 1.98	12.44 ± 1.84
6d	$CH_3(CH_2)_9$	15.57 ± 2.09	8.78 ± 1.39	9.64 ± 1.51
6e	$CH_3(CH_2)_{11}$	15.99 ± 2.05	21.39 ± 2.39	2.21 ± 0.19
6f	$CH_3(CH_2)_{13}$	7.83 ± 1.23	8.21 ± 1.29	1.85 ± 0.29
6g	$CH_3(CH_2)_{15}$	19.99 ± 2.15	27.88 ± 2.48	3.30 ± 0.37
6h	$CH_3(CH_2)_{17}$	17.80 ± 1.97	15.40 ± 1.83	7.58 ± 1.17
14a	$CH_3(CH_2)_6$	>128	>128	>128
14b	$CH_3(CH_2)_7$	>128	>128	>128
14c	$CH_3(CH_2)_8$	>128	>128	>128
14d	$CH_3(CH_2)_9$	43.10 ± 3.34	57.39 ± 3.69	44.99 ± 2.89
14e	$CH_3(CH_2)_{11}$	93.75 ± 3.90	115.08 ± 1.60	2.62 ± 0.06
14f	$CH_3(CH_2)_{13}$	6.68 ± 1.06	8.79 ± 1.36	2.45 ± 0.05
14g	$CH_3(CH_2)_{15}$	6.31 ± 1.01	5.34 ± 0.84	2.26 ± 0.01
14h	$CH_3(CH_2)_{17}$	2.29 ± 0.06	3.11 ± 0.35	1.93 ± 0.09
5-Fu		9.45 ± 1.26	11.34 ± 1.14	3.52 ± 0.61
Jaspine B		6.12 ± 0.79	5.10 ± 0.02	4.84 ± 0.68

^a Inhibitory activity was assayed by exposure for 48 h to substances and expressed as concentration required to inhibit tumor cell proliferation by 50% (IC₅₀). Data are presented as the means \pm SDs of three independent experiments.

reduced pressure. The residue was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL), and the organic layer was washed with brine (3 \times 15 mL), dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to give pure **2** (176 mg, 95% yield) as colorless oil; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.47–7.33 (m, 5H), 4.84 (d, J=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37–4.28 (m, 1H), 4.08 (d, J=5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, J=9.7, 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.95–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.84 (d, J=4.0 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 136.98, 128.71, 128.33, 127.94, 79.95, 79.56, 73.86, 69.38, 61.83, 61.22. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_3Na$ [M+Na] $^+$: 272.1108, found: 272.1110.

4.3. Procedure for the synthesis of (2S,3S,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy)-2-((prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)- methyl) tetrahydrofuran compound **3**

To a stirred solution of compound **2** (3.92 g, 15 mmol) and NaOH (2.75 g, 22.5 mmol) in CH₃CN (60 mL) was added propargyl

bromide dropwise (1.93 mL, 30 mmol) at 80 °C. After 4 h of stirring at this temperature, the mixture was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give an dark red oily residue, which was purified by column chromatography using the PE/EtOAc (10:1) as the eluent to afford compound **3** (3.76 g, 83% yield) as pale yellow oil; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.44–7.34 (m, 5H), 4.82 (d, J=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J=11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.27–4.22 (m, 2H), 4.17 (ddd, J=9.9, 6.3, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (dd, J=5.8, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 3.95–3.89 (m, 1H), 3.82 (dd, J=10.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (dd, J=10.1, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (t, J=2.4 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 137.36, 128.52, 128.06, 127.93, 79.52, 79.46, 79.11, 74.69, 73.91, 69.03, 68.64, 61.22, 58.63.

4.4. Procedure for the synthesis of tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-((prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)-methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate compound **4**

To a stirred solution of **3** (2.76 g, 9.61 mmol) in THF/H₂O (60 mL/ 10 mL) was added PPh₃ (7.14 g. 27.24 mmol). After 12 h of stirring at 65 °C the solvent was removed and a solution of di-tertbutyl dicarbonate (2.51 g, 11.50 mmol) in THF (40 mL) was added. The resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography using the PE/EtOAc (10:1) as the eluent to obtain **4** as white solid (2.984 g, two-step yield 86%); Mp: 60–61 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.39–7.30 (m, 5H), 5.38 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, 4.78 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 4.58 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1H),4.28-4.14 (m, 3H), 3.99 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 3.90-3.84 (m, 2H), 3.69 (dq, J = 10.4, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.37, 137.72, 128.45, 127.86, 127.79, 85.57, 83.85, 79.45, 78.93, 75.09, 73.08, 71.70, 69.67, 58.73, 55.69, 28.42. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{27}NO_5Na$ $[M+Na]^+$: 384.1787, found: 384.1785.

4.5. General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 5a-5h

To a solution of compound **4** (181 mg, 0.50 mmol) in THF/ H_2O (4 mL/8 mL) were added CuSO₄ (29.95 mg, 0.01 mmol), sodium ascorbate (20.16 mg, 0.012 mmol). After stirring for 10 min at room temperature, a solution of azide derivatives (0.75 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture, which was then stirred at room temperature for about 2 h. THF was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was extracted with ethyl

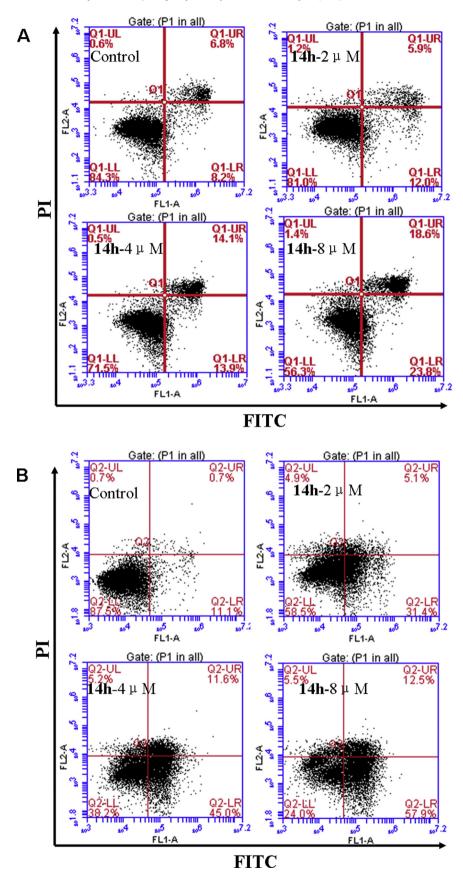


Fig. 4. Apoptosis effect on human MCF-7cell line induced by compound 14h. Apoptotic cells were detected with Annexin V/PI double staining after incubation with compounds 14h (0, 2, 4, 8 μ M) for 8 h or 16 h. (A) incubated for 8 h; (B) incubated for 16 h. The lower left quadrants represent live cells, the lower right quadrants are for early/primary apoptotic cells, upper right quadrants are for late/secondary apoptotic cells, while the upper left quadrants represent cells damaged during the procedure. The experiments were performed three times, and a representative experiment is shown.

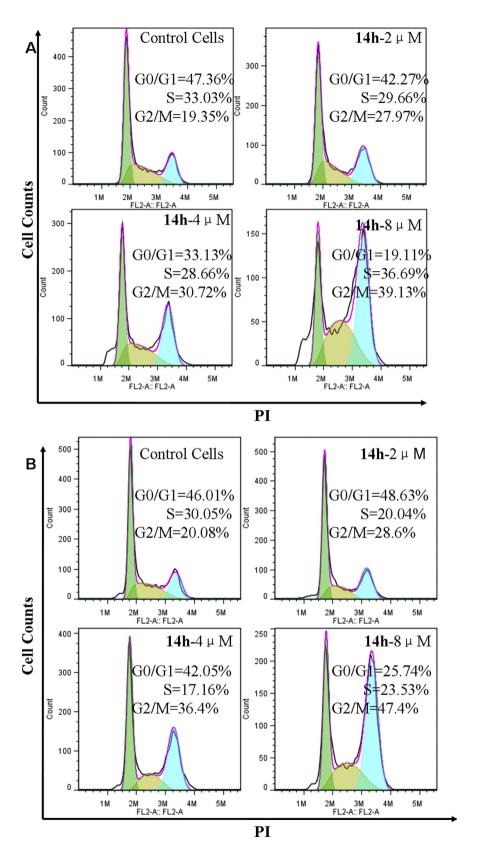


Fig. 5. Effect of compound 14h on the cell cycle distribution of MCF-7 cells. Cells were treated with different concentrations (0, 2, 4, 8 µM) for 8 h or 16 h. Then the cells were fixed and stained with Pl to analyze DNA content by flow cytometry. (A) incubated for 8 h; (B) incubated for 16 h. The experiments were performed three times, and a representative experiment is shown.

acetate. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated in vacuo followed by purification by column chromatography to yield the pure product.

4.5.1. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-heptyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5a**)

Yield 79%. White solid. Mp: 48–49 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.45–7.31 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.57 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.42–4.34 (m, 1H), 4.27 (td, J = 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 4.18–4.09 (m, 2H), 3.93 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.65 (m, 3H), 1.86 (p, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.42 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 9H), 1.37–1.23 (m, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.80, 137.62, 128.54, 128.00, 127.85, 122.26, 79.51, 79.25, 78.22, 73.72, 71.09, 68.86, 65.13, 52.03, 50.32, 31.55, 30.29, 28.65, 28.38, 26.44, 22.51, 14.02. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₇H₄₂N₄O₅Na (M+Na)⁺: 525.3053, found: 525.3054.

4.5.2. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-octyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5b**)

Yield 83%. White solid. Mp: 53-54 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.43-7.31 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.58 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.42-4.35 (m, 1H), 4.31-4.23 (m, 2H), 4.14 (td, J = 10.4, 5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.79-3.67 (m, 3H), 1.91-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.35-1.24 (m, 10H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.70, 144.82, 137.62, 128.55, 128.00, 127.86, 122.27, 79.53, 79.26, 78.23, 73.73, 71.09, 68.87, 65.12, 52.04, 50.33, 31.70, 30.30, 29.70, 29.04, 28.95, 28.39, 26.49, 22.59, 14.06. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₈H₄₄N₄O₅Na (M+Na)⁺: 539.3209, found: 539.3207.

4.5.3. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-nonyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5c**)

Yield 85%. Pale pink solid. Mp: 49–50 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.43–7.30 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.66–4.49 (m, 2H), 4.44–4.34 (m, 1H), 4.28 (dt, J = 7.6, 6.1 Hz, 2H), 4.20–4.08 (m, 2H), 3.93 (dd, J = 8.8, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.81–3.64 (m, 3H), 1.91–1.79 (m, 2H), 1.45 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 9H), 1.36–1.20 (m, 12H), 0.89 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.7 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.85, 137.63, 128.54, 127.99, 127.85, 122.26, 79.50, 79.26, 78.23, 73.72, 71.10, 68.86, 65.14, 52.04, 50.32, 31.79, 30.30, 29.33, 29.16, 28.99, 28.38, 26.49, 22.63, 14.09. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₉H₄₆N₄O₅ Na (M+Na)+: 553.3366, found: 553.3364.

4.5.4. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-decyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5d**)

Yield 77%. White solid. Mp: $66-67\,^{\circ}$ C; 1 H NMR ($400\,\text{MHz}$, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dt, J=14.0, 5.0 Hz, 5H), 5.41 (d, $J=8.8\,\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 4.57 (q, $J=11.6\,\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.37 (dd, J=14.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.33–4.21 (m, 2H), 4.19–4.04 (m, 2H), 3.93 (dd, J=8.6, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.63 (m, 3H), 1.94–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.44 (d, $J=6.1\,\text{Hz}$, 9H), 1.35–1.21 (m, 14H), 0.89 (t, $J=6.8\,\text{Hz}$, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.70, 137.62, 128.54, 127.99, 127.95, 127.85, 122.27, 79.51, 79.25, 78.22, 73.72, 71.08, 68.86, 65.12, 52.03, 50.33, 31.84, 30.29, 29.46, 29.37, 29.24, 28.99, 28.38, 26.49, 22.66, 14.10. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{30}H_{48}N_4O_5Na$ (M+Na)+: 567.3522, found: 567.3524.

4.5.5. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-dodecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5e**)

Yield 82%. White solid. Mp: $63-64\,^{\circ}$ C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.40–7.31 (m, 5H), 5.36 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.57 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.43–4.34 (m, 1H), 4.27 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.9 Hz, 2H), 4.19–4.10 (m, 2H), 3.98–3.88 (m, 1H), 3.78–3.68 (m, 3H), 1.90–1.81 (m, 2H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 9H), 1.29 (d, J = 18.9 Hz,

22H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.82, 137.62, 128.55, 128.00, 127.86, 122.24, 79.51, 79.26, 78.23, 73.72, 71.10, 68.87, 65.15, 52.04, 50.32, 31.90, 30.31, 29.60, 29.52, 29.39, 29.33, 29.01, 28.39, 26.51, 22.69, 14.12. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{32}H_{52}N_4O_5Na$ (M+Na)⁺: 595.3835, found; 595.3835.

4.5.6. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-tetradecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy) methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (5f)

Yield 87%. White solid. Mp: 67-68 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.42-7.30 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.57 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.42-4.34 (m, 1H), 4.27 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.9 Hz, 2H), 4.19-4.08 (m, 2H), 3.98-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.79-3.65 (m, 3H), 1.92-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 9H), 1.29 (d, J = 18.9 Hz, 22H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.81, 137.62, 128.54, 128.00, 127.85, 122.24, 79.50, 79.25, 78.22, 73.72, 71.16, 71.09, 68.86, 65.14, 52.03, 50.32, 31.92, 30.31, 29.67, 29.64, 29.60, 29.52, 29.39, 29.35, 29.01, 28.38, 26.50, 22.69, 14.13. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{34}H_{56}N_4O_5N_4$ (M+Na) $^+$: 623.4148, found: 623.4147.

4.5.7. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-hexadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy) methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5g**)

Yield 90%. White solid. Mp: 70–71 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.31 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.58 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.46–4.33 (m, 1H), 4.32–4.23 (m, 2H), 4.18–4.10 (m, 2H), 3.94 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78–3.69 (m, 3H), 1.91–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.29 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, 9H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.81, 137.62, 128.55, 128.00, 127.86, 122.24, 79.51, 79.25, 78.22, 73.72, 71.10, 68.86, 65.15, 52.03, 50.32, 31.93, 30.31, 29.69, 29.66, 29.61, 29.53, 29.39, 29.37, 29.01, 28.39, 26.51, 22.70, 14.13. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₃₆H₆₁N₄O₅Na (M+Na)⁺: 651.4456, found: 651.4464.

4.5.8. Tert-butyl ((3S,4S,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-octadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy) methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (**5h**)

Yield 89%. White solid. Mp: 81-82 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.44–7.31 (m, 5H), 5.40 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.58 (q, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.44–4.34 (m, 1H), 4.27 (dd, J = 7.6, 5.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18–4.11 (m, 2H), 3.94 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78–3.66 (m, 3H), 1.91–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.29 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 30H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.69, 144.81, 137.62, 128.54, 128.00, 127.86, 122.24, 79.25, 78.23, 73.72, 71.10, 68.87, 65.15, 52.03, 50.32, 31.93, 30.31, 29.70, 29.66, 29.61, 29.54, 29.40, 29.37, 29.02, 28.39, 26.51, 22.70, 14.13. HRMS (IES): m/z calcd for $C_{38}H_{64}N_4O_5Na$ (M + Na) $^+$: 679.4774, found: 679.4778.

4.6. General procedure for the synthesis of compounds 6a-6h

A mixture of 5a-h (0.31 mmol) and Pd/C (5% content, 30 mg) in methanol (50 mL) containing 0.1% HCl (v/v) was bubbled into hydrogen atmosphere at 60 °C and 60 atm pressure. The hydrogenation was kept at these conditions for about 3 h, the mixture was filtered through a short pad of silica gel and the silica pad was washed with MeOH/EtOAc (1:1), and the filtrate was concentrated. The residue was purified on a short silica gel column, which was pre-eluted with EtOAc containing 1% NH₄OH (v/v) using EtOAc/methanol/NH₄OH (70:10:1) as the eluent to furnish target compounds 6a-6h.

4.6.1. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-heptyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6a**)

Yield 71%. Colorless oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 4.70–4.56 (m, 2H), 4.47 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.07–4.01 (m, 1H), 3.83–3.75 (m, 2H), 3.65–3.57 (m, 2H), 3.54 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 1.98–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.32 (ddd, J = 9.2, 5.7, 2.7 Hz, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.72, 122.88, 81.76, 81.11, 71.47, 68.90, 64.57, 64.37, 49.62, 31.51, 30.19, 28.42, 26.23, 22.33, 13.44. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₅H₂₉N₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 313.2235, found; 313.2235.

4.6.2. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-octyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6b**)

Yield 75%. Yellow oil; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.91 (s, 1H), 4.70–4.52 (m, 2H), 4.51–4.36 (m, 3H), 4.10–3.98 (m, 1H), 3.87–3.69 (m, 2H), 3.66–3.56 (m, 2H), 3.52 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (s, 2H), 1.91 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (dd, J = 13.4, 5.4 Hz, 10H), 0.87 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.73, 122.87, 81.77, 81.11, 71.46, 68.90, 64.55, 64.38, 49.62, 31.61, 30.19, 26.28, 22.39, 13.47. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{16}H_{31}N_4O_3$ (M+H) $^+$: 327.2391, found: 327.2394.

4.6.3. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-nonyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (6c)

Yield 82%. Yellow solid. Mp: 51-52 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.93 (s, 1H), 4.71–4.56 (m, 2H), 4.48 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.12–3.98 (m, 1H), 3.79 (dt, J = 7.1, 5.0 Hz, 2H), 3.64–3.57 (m, 2H), 3.55 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.34 (dd, J = 15.0, 9.3 Hz, 12H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.72, 122.85, 81.77, 81.13, 71.43, 68.87, 64.51, 64.39, 49.62, 31.68, 30.19, 29.25, 29.06, 28.85, 26.27, 22.42, 13.48. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₇H₃₃N₄O₃ (M + H)⁺: 341.2547, found: 341.2554.

4.6.4. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-decyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6d**)

Yield 82%. White solid. Mp: 54-55 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.93 (s, 1H), 4.62 (q, J=12.2 Hz, 2H), 4.48 (dd, J=6.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.14–3.94 (m, 1H), 3.83–3.70 (m, 2H), 3.64–3.59 (m, 2H), 3.56–3.51 (m, 1H), 2.01–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.43–1.25 (m, 14H), 0.90 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.73, 122.85, 81.77, 81.12, 71.45, 68.89, 64.53, 64.39, 49.62, 31.73, 30.19, 29.30, 29.13, 28.85, 26.28, 22.44, 13.49. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{35}N_4O_3$ (M + H)+: 355.2704, found: 355.2702.

4.6.5. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-dodecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6e**)

Yield 84%. Yellow solid. Mp: 57–58 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.95 (s, 1H), 4.68–4.58 (m, 2H), 4.54 (dd, J = 6.2, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.18–4.08 (m, 1H), 3.88 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.60–3.53 (m, 1H), 1.98–1.86 (m, 2H), 1.33 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 18H), 0.89 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.66, 122.93, 81.69, 81.25, 71.12, 68.71, 64.36, 64.20, 49.65, 31.76, 30.20, 29.48, 29.32, 28.88, 26.29, 22.46, 13.52. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₀H₃₉N₄O₃ (M + H)⁺: 383.3017, found: 383.3019.

4.6.6. (2S,3S,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-tetradecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6f**)

Yield 82%. White solid. Mp: $63-64\,^{\circ}$ C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 4.70 (q, J = 12.4 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.04 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.94-3.89 (m, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (qd, J = 10.4, 4.1 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (dd, J = 9.1, 4.3 Hz,

1H), 3.35 (dd, J = 9.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.96–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.39–1.18 (m, 22H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 144.59, 122.47, 84.10, 79.66, 74.04, 70.73, 64.72, 59.71, 50.44, 31.91, 30.27, 29.67, 29.63, 29.60, 29.52, 29.39, 29.34, 29.00, 26.51, 22.68, 14.11. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{22}H_{43}N_4O_3$ (M+H)⁺: 411.3330, found: 411.3337.

4.6.7. (2S,3S,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-hexadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6g**)

Yield 79%. Yellow solid. Mp: 70-71 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.54 (s, 1H), 4.71 (q, J=12.5 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.15–4.14 (m, 1H), 4.06 (dd, J=9.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.98–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J=10.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (dd, J=10.2, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3.59 (m, 2H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 1.96–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.28 (d, J=25.4 Hz, 26H), 0.88 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 144.65, 122.13, 80.53, 72.25, 71.71, 69.50, 64.84, 54.21, 50.39, 31.89, 30.24, 29.65, 29.62, 29.57, 29.49, 29.35, 29.32, 28.97, 26.46, 22.66, 14.09. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C24H47N4O3 (M+H)⁺: 439.3643, found: 439.3647.

4.6.8. (2S,3S,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-octadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**6h**)

Yield 86%. White solid. Mp: 61-62 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 4.80-4.65 (m, 2H), 4.33 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (dd, J=6.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, J=10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.89-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.76-3.68 (m, 2H), 3.61 (dd, J=10.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.96-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.34-1.20 (m, 30H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 145.00, 122.29, 81.68, 80.79, 71.54, 69.40, 65.05, 64.78, 50.34, 31.93, 30.31, 29.70, 29.66, 29.61, 29.53, 29.39, 29.37, 29.02, 26.52, 22.70, 14.13. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{26}H_{51}N_4O_3$ (M+H)+: 467.3956, found: 467.3962.

4.7. Procedure for the synthesis of (2R,3R,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy)-2-(dimethoxymethyl)-tetrahydrofuran compound **8**

To a solution of compound **7** (6.00 g, 30 mmol) in THF (100 mL) were added NaOH (1.60 g, 40 mmol) and benzyl bromide (6.00 g, 35 mmol). The solution was heated under reflux for 6 h. The mixture was filtered and the solid was washed with EtOAc. The combined filtrates were evaporated and the residue was partitioned between EtOAc and brine, the organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluted with PE/EtOAc (15:1) to afford **8** (7.82 g, 90.3%) as colorless oil; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.47 (s, 3H), 3.95–4.07 (m, 5H), 4.37 (d, J = 6.3 Hz), 4.63 (q, J = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30–7.42 (m, 5H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 54.1, 55.5,65.7, 70.9, 72.1, 84.2, 84.5, 103.8,128.0, 128.0, 128.5, 137.3. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}N_{3}O_{4}N_{4}$ [M+Na] $^+$: 316.1273, found: 316.1273.

4.8. Procedure for the synthesis of (2R,3R,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy) tetrahydrofuran-2-carbaldehyde compound **9**

TFA (2.28 g, 20 mmol) was added to a solution of compound **8** (3.00 g, 10 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (40 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to 40 °C and stirred for 3 h. Upon completion, the mixture was washed with brine and the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain compound **9** (2.30 g, 91%) as colorless oil, which was used directly without further purification.

4.9. Procedure for the synthesis of ((2S,3R,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy)tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-methanol compound **10**

The procedure for the synthesis of compound **2** was the same as compound **10**. Yield 91%. Yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.41–7.29 (m, 5H), 4.60 (q, J = 11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.06–3.98 (m, 2H), 3.98–3.88 (m, 3H), 3.83–3.75 (m, 1H), 3.65 (ddd, J = 11.8, 6.9, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 137.1, 128.6, 128.20, 127.87, 84.84, 84.20, 72.54, 71.03, 65.94, 62.33.

4.10. Procedure for the synthesis of (2S,3R,4S)-4-azido-3-(benzyloxy)-2-((prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)-methyl) tetrahydrofuran compound 11

The procedure for the synthesis of compound **3** was the same as compound **11**. Yield 85%. Yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.44–7.30 (m, 5H), 4.68–4.58 (m, 2H), 4.23 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (ddd, J = 17.9, 7.8, 3.8 Hz, 4H), 3.96 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (dd, J = 2.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 137.23, 128.58, 128.10, 127.89, 84.80, 83.05, 79.34, 74.89, 72.34, 70.95, 69.39, 65.76, 58.66.

4.11. Procedure for the synthesis of tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-((prop-2-yn-1-yloxy) methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate compound **12**

The procedure for the synthesis of compound **4** was the same as compound **12**. Yield 88%. Yellow solid. Mp: 54-55 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.39-7.30 (m, 5H), 5.38 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.14 (m, 3H), 3.99 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 3.90-3.84 (m, 2H), 3.69 (qd, J = 10.4, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 2.43 (s, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.37, 137.75, 128.43, 127.84, 127.77, 85.60, 83.84, 78.95, 77.67, 75.05, 73.04, 71.70, 69.69, 67.91, 58.72, 28.40. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{20}H_{27}NO_5Na$ [M+Na] $^+$: 384.1787, found: 384.1789.

4.12. General procedure for the synthesis of compounds **13a–13h**

The procedure for the synthesis of compounds 5a-h was the same as compounds 13a-h.

4.12.1. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-heptyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13a)

Yield 88%. Pale pink solid. Mp: 50–51 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 5H), 5.43 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (dt, J = 17.4, 9.1 Hz, 3H), 4.55 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.26–4.18 (m, 1H), 4.05–3.94 (m, 2H), 3.90–3.77 (m, 2H), 3.74 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.98–1.82 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.31 (ddd, J = 9.6, 6.4, 4.0 Hz, 8H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.29, 144.45, 137.70, 128.42, 127.81, 122.22, 85.71, 83.97, 79.43, 73.03, 71.71, 70.56, 65.09, 55.81, 50.40, 31.55, 30.33, 28.65, 28.42, 26.46, 22.51, 14.01. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₇H₄₂N₄O₅Na (M+Na)⁺: 525.3053, found: 525.3054.

4.12.2. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-octyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy) methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13b)

Yield 84%. Pale pink solid. Mp: 60-61 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 5H), 5.43 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (dt, J = 17.4, 9.3 Hz, 3H), 4.55 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (dd, J = 8.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.89–3.77 (m, 2H), 3.74 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (d, J = 18.3 Hz, 9H), 1.30 (dd, J = 16.7, 8.6 Hz, 10H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm):

 δ 155.29, 144.44, 137.70, 128.43, 127.82, 122.24, 85.70, 83.98, 79.43, 73.04, 71.71, 70.56, 65.09, 55.79, 50.41, 31.70, 30.34, 29.04, 28.96, 28.43, 26.51, 22.60, 14.07. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{28}H_{44}N_4O_5N_4$ 0 (M+Na)+: 539.3209, found: 539.3207.

4.12.3. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-nonyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13c)

Yield 81%. White solid. Mp: 65-66 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 5H), 5.42 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (dt, J = 17.4, 9.5 Hz, 3H), 4.54 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.20 (dd, J = 8.6, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.03–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.90–3.76 (m, 2H), 3.76–3.68 (m, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J = 10.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (d, J = 18.6 Hz, 9H), 1.27 (dd, J = 26.9, 11.7 Hz, 12H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.29, 144.43, 137.69, 128.43, 127.82, 122.24, 85.69, 83.98, 79.44, 73.05, 71.71, 70.55, 65.09, 55.78, 50.41, 31.80, 30.35, 29.71, 29.34, 29.18, 29.01, 28.43, 26.51, 22.64, 14.11. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₉H₄₇N₄O₅ (M + H)⁺: 531.3541, found: 531.3547.

4.12.4. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-decyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13d)

Yield 85%. White solid. Mp: 73–74 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.51 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 5H), 5.42 (s, 1H), 4.73 (dt, J = 11.7, 6.7 Hz, 3H), 4.55 (dd, J = 11.7, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.21 (s, 1H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 3.84 (dd, J = 16.3, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.69–3.55 (m, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 9H), 1.28 (t, J = 12.9 Hz, 14H), 0.89 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.28, 144.43, 137.69, 128.42, 127.81, 122.22, 85.70, 83.98, 79.43, 73.04, 71.71, 70.55, 65.09, 55.77, 50.41, 31.85, 30.34, 29.47, 29.39, 29.25, 29.01, 28.43, 26.52, 22.67, 14.12. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₃₀H₄₈N₄O₅Na (M+Na)⁺: 567.3522, found: 567.3521.

4.12.5. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-dodecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)-methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13e)

Yield 85%. White solid. Mp: 71–72 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 5H), 5.41 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (dt, J = 17.3, 9.4 Hz, 3H), 4.54 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (dd, J = 10.7, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.00–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.87–3.76 (m, 2H), 3.73 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J = 10.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.35–1.18 (m, 18H), 0.93–0.82 (m, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.29, 144.43, 137.69, 128.43, 127.82, 122.23, 85.69, 83.98, 79.44, 73.05, 71.71, 70.55, 65.09, 55.78, 50.42, 31.91, 30.36, 29.71, 29.60, 29.53, 29.40, 29.34, 29.02, 28.43, 26.52, 22.69, 14.13.

HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{32}H_{52}N_4O_5Na$ $(M+Na)^+$: 595.3835, found: 595.3838.

4.12.6. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-tetradecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)-methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13f)

Yield 81%. White solid. Mp: 58-59 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 5H), 5.43 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (dd, J = 15.4, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (d, J = 11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 3.89-3.79 (m, 2H), 3.74 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.70-3.59 (m, 1H), 1.90 (s, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.30 (d, J = 26.2 Hz, 22H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.29, 144.44, 137.70, 128.41, 127.81, 122.22, 85.70, 83.97, 79.42, 73.01, 71.70, 70.55, 65.07, 55.81, 50.40, 31.91, 30.33, 29.67, 29.63, 29.59, 29.52, 29.38, 29.34, 29.00, 28.42, 26.51, 22.68, 14.12. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{34}H_{56}N_4O_5N_4$ (M+Na)+: 623.4148, found: 623.4148.

4.12.7. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-hexadecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)-methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13g)

Yield 84%. White solid. Mp: $61-62\,^{\circ}\mathrm{C};\,^{1}\mathrm{H}$ NMR ($400\,\mathrm{MHz}$, CDCl $_3$, ppm): δ 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J=5.4\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 5H), 5.41 (d, $J=8.5\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H), 4.71 (dt, J=17.4, 9.4 Hz, 3H), 4.54 (d, $J=11.8\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H), 4.32 (t, $J=7.3\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 2H), 4.25–4.16 (m, 1H), 4.01–3.90 (m, 2H), 3.89–3.77 (m, 2H), 3.72 (dd, J=8.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (dd, J=10.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (d, $J=6.6\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.28 (d, $J=26.8\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 26H), 0.88 (t, $J=6.8\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl $_3$, ppm): δ 155.29, 144.44, 137.70, 128.42, 127.81, 122.21, 85.70, 83.98, 79.43, 73.04, 71.71, 70.56, 65.10, 55.80, 50.41, 31.93, 30.35, 29.69, 29.66, 29.61, 29.53, 29.40, 29.37, 29.02, 28.43, 26.53, 22.70, 14.13. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{36}H_{60}N_4O_5Na$ (M+Na) $^+$: 651.4461, found: 651.4463.

4.12.8. Tert-butyl ((3S,4R,5S)-4-(benzyloxy)-5-(((1-octadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)-methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-yl) carbamate (13h)

Yield 90%. White solid. Mp: $74-75\,^{\circ}$ C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.34 (s, 5H), 5.44 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 4.81–4.64 (m, 3H), 4.55 (d, J=11.8 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (d, J=5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 3.91–3.77 (m, 2H), 3.74 (d, J=10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.68–3.59 (m, 1H), 1.92 (d, J=6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.37–1.22 (m, 30H), 0.90 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 155.30, 144.43, 137.70, 128.42, 127.81, 122.25, 85.70, 83.97, 79.44, 73.00, 71.71, 70.56, 65.05, 55.83, 50.42, 31.92, 30.33, 29.69, 29.65, 29.60, 29.53, 29.39, 29.36, 29.01, 28.42, 27.41, 26.52, 22.69, 14.12. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{38}H_{64}N_4O_5Na$ (M+Na)+: 679.4778, found: 679.4778.

4.13. General procedure for the synthesis of compounds **14a-14h**

The procedure for the synthesis of compounds 6a-h was the same as compounds 14a-h.

4.13.1. (2S,3R,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-heptyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (14a)

Yield 79%. Yellow oil; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.96 (d, J=9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 4.42 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (ddd, J=11.7, 9.8, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.88 (ddd, J=7.7, 5.7, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.73–3.68 (m, 1H), 3.66 (dd, J=7.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.64–3.59 (m, 1H), 1.98–1.88 (m, 2H), 1.39–1.24 (m, 8H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.72, 122.96, 84.06, 78.89, 71.66, 70.87, 67.70, 64.42, 49.66, 31.50, 30.17, 28.42, 26.24, 22.33, 13.44. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₅H₂₉N₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 313.2235, found: 313.2235.

4.13.2. (2S,3R,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-octyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14b**)

Yield 84%. Yellow oil; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.06–3.95 (m, 3H), 3.89 (dd, J = 5.9, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.67–3.59 (m, 2H), 1.99–1.86 (m, 5H), 1.56–1.17 (m, 10H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.73, 122.93, 84.07, 78.95, 71.69, 70.87, 67.73, 64.42, 49.65, 31.60, 30.16, 26.27, 22.38, 21.53, 13.45. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{16}H_{31}N_4O_3$ (M+H)⁺: 327.2391, found: 327.2394.

4.13.3. (2S,3R,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-nonyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14c**)

Yield 81%. Colorless oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.05–3.97 (m, 2H), 3.89 (dt, J = 10.0, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.73–3.68 (m, 1H), 3.67–3.60 (m, 2H), 1.93 (dd, J = 14.1, 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.42–1.25 (m, 12H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.72, 122.93, 84.09,

78.94, 71.69, 70.86, 67.72, 64.42, 49.65, 31.68, 30.17, 29.25, 29.06, 28.85, 26.27, 22.41, 13.47. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{17}H_{33}N_4O_3$ (M+H)⁺: 341.2547, found: 341.2552.

4.13.4. (2S,3R,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-decyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14d**)

Yield 85%. Pale yellow oil; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 4.63 (s, 2H), 4.42 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (dd, J = 8.2, 3.7 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (dt, J = 10.0, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd, J = 10.5, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (dt, J = 13.8, 5.1 Hz, 2H), 1.96–1.89 (m, 2H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 1.41–1.26 (m, 14H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, Acetone- d_6 , ppm): δ 144.73, 122.93, 84.07, 78.93, 71.68, 70.88, 67.74, 64.43, 49.66, 31.72, 29.30, 29.12, 28.85, 26.28, 22.43, 13.48. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{35}N_4O_3$ (M+H)+: 355.2704, found: 355.2707.

4.13.5. (2S,3R,4S)-4-amino-2-(((1-dodecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14e**)

Yield 76%. Yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 4.78–4.63 (m, 2H), 4.34 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (dd, J=9.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.95–3.89 (m, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J=8.7, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.68 (m, 2H), 3.64 (dd, J=9.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, J=9.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 1.97–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.38–1.18 (m, 18H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 144.60, 122.45, 84.06, 79.74, 74.04, 70.73, 64.72, 59.70, 50.44, 31.89, 30.27, 29.63, 29.59, 29.52, 29.38, 29.32, 29.00, 26.51, 22.67, 14.11. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₀H₃₉N₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 383.3017, found: 383.3021.

4.13.6. (2S,3R,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-tetradecyl-1H-1, 2, 3-triazol-4-yl)methoxy)methyl) tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14f**)

Yield 87%. White solid. Mp: 76–77 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.58 (s, 1H), 4.69 (q, J = 12.3 Hz, 2H), 4.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.04 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.99–3.92 (m, 1H), 3.87 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (qd, J = 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 2H), 3.66 (dd, J = 9.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (dd, J = 9.1, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 1.94–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.29 (d, J = 24.8 Hz, 22H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃. ppm): δ 144.48, 122.54, 84.16, 79.24, 73.72, 70.61, 64.66, 59.55, 50.45, 31.91, 30.26, 29.67, 29.63, 29.60, 29.52, 29.39, 29.34, 29.00, 26.51, 22.67, 14.11. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₂H₄₃N₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 411.3330, found: 411.3337.

4.13.7. (2S,3R,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-hexadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14g**)

Yield 88%. Yellow solid. Mp: 81-82 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 4.77–4.63 (m, 2H), 4.34 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (dd, J=9.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (dd, J=11.1, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J=8.7, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.80–3.68 (m, 2H), 3.63 (dd, J=9.1, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (dd, J=9.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 1.89 (dd, J=13.6, 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.36–1.20 (m, 24H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 144.60, 122.47, 84.10, 79.69, 74.08, 70.74, 64.72, 59.72, 50.44, 31.91, 30.28, 29.68, 29.65, 29.60, 29.53, 29.39, 29.35, 29.01, 26.51, 22.68, 14.11. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₄H₄₇N₄O₃ (M+H)⁺: 439.3643, found: 439.3649.

4.13.8. (2S,3R,4S)-4-Amino-2-(((1-octadecyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl) methoxy)methyl)tetrahydrofuran-3-ol (**14h**)

Yield 91%. White solid. Mp: 67-68 °C; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 7.57 (s, 1H), 4.78-4.64 (m, 2H), 4.34 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (dd, J=9.1, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.91 (m, 1H), 3.90-3.84 (m, 1H), 3.74 (t, J=4.0 Hz, 2H), 3.65 (dd, J=9.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (d, J=5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 1.98-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.22 (m, 30H), 0.89 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 3H). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ 144.59, 122.44, 84.08, 79.70, 74.00, 70.72, 64.73, 59.69, 50.44, 31.92, 30.28, 29.69, 29.65, 29.61, 29.54, 29.40, 29.36, 29.01, 26.51, 22.68, 14.12. HRMS

(ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{26}H_{51}N_4O_3$ $(M+H)^+$: 467.3956, found: 467.3962.

4.14. Antiproliferative activity assays

Exponentially growing cells were seeded into 96-well plates at a concentration of 5×10^3 cells per well. After 24 h incubation at 37 °C, the culture medium was removed and replaced with fresh medium containing the candidate compounds in different concentrations. The cells were incubated for another 48 h. Afterward, 20 mL of MTT solution (5 mg/mL) was added to all wells and incubated for 4 h at 37 °C. Discarded the suspension and added 150 mL of dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) to each well and shook the plates to dissolve the dark blue crystals (formazan); The absorbance was measured using a microplate reader at a wavelength of 490 nm. Each concentration was analyzed in triplicate and the experiment was repeated three times. The average 50% inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) was determined from the dose—response curves according to the inhibition ratio for each concentration.

4.15. Flow cytometric analysis of cell cycle distribution

For flow cytometric analysis of DNA content, 1×10^6 MCF-7 cells in exponential growth were treated with different concentrations of the test compounds for 8 or 16 h. After an incubation period, the cells were collected, centrifuged and fixed with icecold ethanol (75%). The cells were then treated with buffer containing RNAse A (5 ug/mL) and 1% Triton X-100 and then stained with PI (50 ug/mL) for 30 min. Samples were analyzed on Accuri C6 flow cytometer (Becton, Dickinson). Data obtained from the flow cytometer was analyzed using the FlowJo software (Tree Star, Inc., Ashland, OR, USA).

4.16. Flow cytometric analysis of cellular apoptosis

MCF-7 cells were plated in 6-well plates (1 \times 10⁶ cells/mL) and incubated for 12 h. Exponentially growing cells were then incubated for 8 or 16 h with complete medium (control) or with the compound. Cells were then harvested and the Annexin-V-FITC/Pl apoptosis kit (Biovision) was used according to the manufacturer's instructions to detect apoptotic cells. Ten thousand events were collected for each sample and analyzed by Accuri C6 flow cytometer.

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