

Supporting Table 2. Calculated model-free parameters for the tetra-, hexa- and octa-saccharides (**1**, **2** and **3** respectively) of the NA-domain of heparan sulfate, using a constant internal correlation time of 30 ps, fitted to isotropic and anisotropic models of rotational diffusion. These values were calculated from experimental data collected at three magnetic-field strengths (14.1, 18.1 and 21.1 T). The  $S^2_{\text{calc}}$  and  $\alpha_{\text{calc}}$  values were calculated by averaging data extracted from 50 ns molecular dynamics simulations. In contrast to Table 2 (where a value of 1.01Å was used for the N-H distance) a value of 1.02Å was used for the N-H distance in model free analysis.

Isotropic			$S^2$	$S^2_{\text{calc}}$
<b>1</b>				
$\tau_M$ [ns]	0.55	$\alpha$	0.35	0.46
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03	$\beta$	0.38	0.59
		$\omega$	0.52	0.62
<b>2</b>				
$\tau_M$ [ns]	0.68	$\alpha$	0.37	0.49
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03	$\beta$	0.39	
		$\gamma$	0.64	0.70
		$\omega$	0.59	0.61
<b>3</b>				
$\tau_M$ [ns]	0.74	$\alpha$	0.35	
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03	$\beta$	0.38	
		$\gamma$	0.93	
		$\psi$	0.88	
		$\omega$	0.74	

(see over for anisotropic data).

Anisotropic			$S^2$	$\alpha[^\circ]$	$S^2_{\text{calc}}$	$\alpha_{\text{calc}}[^\circ]$
<b>1</b>						
$\tau_{\parallel}$ [ns]	0.35	$\alpha$	0.32	7.3	0.46	64.2
$\tau_{\perp}$ [ns]	0.63	$\beta$	0.39	42.3	0.59	62.1
$\tau_{\perp}/\tau_{\parallel}$	1.77	$\omega$	0.55	57.5	0.62	63.1
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03					
<b>2</b>						
$\tau_{\parallel}$ [ns]	0.56	$\alpha$	0.33	5.5	0.49	62.8
$\tau_{\perp}$ [ns]	0.75	$\beta$	0.39	54.0		
$\tau_{\perp}/\tau_{\parallel}$	1.34	$\gamma$	0.66	57.3	0.70	64.4
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03	$\omega$	0.65	85.7	0.61	63.3
<b>3</b>						
$\tau_{\parallel}$ [ns]	0.38	$\alpha$	0.42	72.3		
$\tau_{\perp}$ [ns]	0.98	$\beta$	0.45	65.2		
$\tau_{\perp}/\tau_{\parallel}$	2.57	$\gamma$	0.68	2.5		
$\tau_e$ [ns]	0.03	$\psi$	0.70	23.0		
		$\omega$	0.58	32.0		