## Imidazolium-linked azido-functionalized Guerbet glycosides: multifunctional surfactants for biofunctionalization of vesicles

# - Supplementary Material -

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## **Physical Studies**



Figure S1. Surface tension behavior of 11



**Figure S2.** Contact penetration of a mixture of **12** and **11b**<sub>3</sub> (10 %) with water under the optical polarizing microscope; massive formation of myelin figures indicates the lamellar phase



Figure S3. Vesicle size distribution for 12 with 5% 11b<sub>3</sub>



Figure S4. Zeta-potential distribution for vesicles of 12 with 5% 11b<sub>3</sub>

### **Experimental**

#### Compounds containing remaining impuities

2-Butyl-octyl  $6-[1-(8-azido-3,6-dioxa-octyl)-imidazolium-3-yl]-6-deoxy-\beta-D-glucopyranoside$ bromide (11a<sub>3</sub>). A solution of 5a (0.21 g, 0.39 mmol) and 9<sub>3</sub> (88 mg, 0.39 mmol) in xylene (3 mL)was heated to 130 °C. when TLC indicated the absence of starting material the solvent wasevaporated to provide 10a<sub>3</sub> (0.27 g, 91%) as a yellow syrup. <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis indicated about25-30% remaining 5a as impurity.

The intermediate  $10a_3$  (72 mg, 0.09 mmol) was subjected to Zemplen deacetylation in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (5 mL) using a catalytic amount of NaOMe. After stirring at rt overnight the catalyst was removed by treatment with Amberlite IR120 (H<sup>+</sup>) and the solvent was evaporated to furnish  $11a_3$  (54 mg, 89 %) as yellow syrup. The starting material impurities form  $10a_3$  remained.

Peracetate **10a**<sub>3</sub>:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -20$  (c 0.38, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ= 10.21 (bs, imidazole), 7.48, 7.37 (2 m<sub>c</sub>, 2 H, imidazole), 5.20 (dd~t, H-3), 4.87 (dd, H-2), 4.78-4.62 (m, 2 H, H-6), 4.67 (dd~t, H-4), 4.55 (d, H-1), 4.52 (ddd~m<sub>c</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>-A), 4.44 (ddd~m<sub>c</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>-B), 4.06 (ddd~bs, H-5), 3.89 (m<sub>c</sub>, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.74-3.52 (m, 11 H, α-CH<sub>2</sub>-A, EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.36 (t, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 3.30 (dd~m<sub>c</sub>, α-CH<sub>2</sub>-B), 2.22, 1.97, 1.93 (3 s, 3×3 H, Ac), 1.48 (m<sub>c</sub>, β-CH), 1.20 (m<sub>c</sub>, 16 H, bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.84 (t, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>1,2</sub> = 8.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>2,3</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>3,4</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>4,5</sub> = 9.5, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>6</sub> = 14.5 Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ= 170.50, 169.66, 169.14 (CO), 138.44 (imidazole-CHN<sub>2</sub>), 122.74, 122.58 (imidazole), 100.93 (C-1), 73.29 / 73.26 (α), 72.03 (C-3), 71.28 (C-5), 70.95 (C-2), 70.25, 70.19, 69.84 (EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.77 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 68.22 (C-4), 50.55 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 49.90 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 49.40 (C-6), 37.86 (β), 31.70 (ω-2), 30.95, 30.71, 30.60, 30.36, 29.55 / 29.53, 28.88, 28.73 (bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.67 / 26.51 (γ), 22.88, 22.52 (ω-1), 21.34, 20.40, 20.35 (Ac), 13.95 (ω).

**11a**<sub>3</sub>: IR [ATR, neat] v/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3370 (OH), 2925, 2858 (CH), 2106 (N<sub>3</sub>).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -12$  (c 0.24, CH<sub>3</sub>OH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  9.00 (s, imidazole-CHN<sub>2</sub>), 7.73, 7.61 (2 s, 2 H, imidazole), 4.68 (dd, H-6a), 4.48-4.43 (m, 3 H, H-6b, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 4.28 (d, H-1), 3.91-3.89 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.71-3.64 (m, 8 H, EG-CH<sub>2</sub>,  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-A, H-5), 3.43-3.36 (m, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>,  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-B, H-3), 3.17 (dd, H-2), 3.08 (dd~t, H-4), 1.60 (m<sub>c</sub>,  $\beta$ -CH), 1.32 (m<sub>c</sub>, 16 H, bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.93 (m<sub>c</sub>, 6H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>1,2</sub> = 8.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>2,3</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>3,4</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>4,5</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>5,6a</sub> = 2.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>6a,6b</sub> = 14.5 Hz; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  138.7 (imidazole-CHN<sub>2</sub>), 124.7, 124.1 (imidazole), 105.0 (C-1), 77.7 (C-3), 75.1 (C-2), 74.9 (C-5), 74.29 / 74.26 ( $\alpha$ ), 72.5 (C-4), 71.6 (2), 71.2 (EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 70.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 51.9 (C-6), 51.9 (-CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 51.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 39.64 ( $\beta$ ), 33.2, 32.4 / 32.3, 32.1 / 32.0, 30.99, 30.31 / 30.25, 28.03 / 27.96, 24.3 (bulk CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.9 ( $\omega$ -1), 14.6 ( $\omega$ ). HRMS (ESI): Calc. for [M-Br] [C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>50</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>]<sup>+</sup> 556.3710, 557.3744 (30%); found 556.3727, 557.3757 (34%). 2-Hexyl-decyl  $6-[1-(5-azido-3-oxa-pentyl)-imidazolium-3yl]-6-deoxy-\beta-D-glucopyranoside$ bromide (11b<sub>2</sub>). A solution of**5b**(0.12 g, 0.20 mmol) and**9**<sub>2</sub> (37 mg, 0.20 mmol) in xylene (2 mL)was heated to 130 °C. when TLC indicated the absence of starting material the solvent wasevaporated to provide 10b<sub>2</sub> (0.14 g, 89%) as a yellow syrup. <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis indicated about20-25% remaining**5b**as impurity.

The intermediate  $10b_2$  (0.12 g, 0.15 mmol) was subjected to Zemplen deacetylation in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (5 mL) using a catalytic amount of NaOMe. After stirring at rt overnight the catalyst was removed by treatment with Amberlite IR120 (H<sup>+</sup>) and the solvent was evaporated to furnish  $11b_2$  (90 mg, 92 %) as yellow syrup. The starting material impurities form  $10b_2$  remained.

Peracetate **10b**<sub>2</sub>:  $[a]_D^{25} = -20$  (c 0.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 10.46$  (s, imidazole), 7.37 (m<sub>c</sub>, 2 H, imidazole), 5.23 (dd~t, H-3), 4.90 (dd, H-2), 4.70 (dd, H-6A), 4.70 (dd~t, H-4), 4.63-4.45 (m, 3 H, H-6B, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 4.56 (d, H-1), 4.05 (ddd, H-5), 3.96 (m<sub>c</sub>, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.77-3.69 (m, 3 H, EG-CH<sub>2</sub>,  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-A), 3.40 (t, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 3.33 (dd,  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-B), 2.27, 2.01, 1.97 (3 s, 3×3 H, Ac), 1.52 (m<sub>c</sub>,  $\beta$ -CH), 1.24 (m<sub>c</sub>, 24 H, bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.87 (t, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>1,2</sub> = 8.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>2,3</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>3,4</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>4,5</sub> = 10.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>5,6A</sub> = 4.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>5,6B</sub> = 4.5, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>6</sub> = 14.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>αB,β</sub> = 6.0, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>α</sub> = 9.5 Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ = 170.6, 169.8, 169.2 (CO), 138.5 (imidazole-CHN<sub>2</sub>), 122.9, 122.6 (imidazole), 101.1 (C-1), 73.5 / 73.4 ( $\alpha$ ), 72.2 (C-3), 71.4 (C-5), 71.0 (C-2), 70.2 (EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 68.4 (C-4), 50.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 50.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 49.6 (C-6), 38.0 ( $\beta$ ), 31.9 ( $\omega$ -2), 31.0, 30.8, 30.02 / 30.00, 29.67 / 29.65, 29.59, 29.3 (bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.84 / 26.77 / 26.68 / 26.63 ( $\gamma$ ), 22.6 ( $\omega$ -1), 21.4, 20.52, 20.48 (Ac), 14.1 ( $\omega$ ).

**11b**<sub>2</sub>:  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -13(c \ 0.12, CH_3OH)$ . IR [ATR, neat] v/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3365 (OH), 2955, 2924, 2855 (CH), 2108 (N<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta = 8.55$  (bs, <1 H, imidazole), 7.70, 7.60 (2 d, 2 H, imidazole), 4.63 (dd~bd, H-6A), 4.46 (t, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 4.41 (dd, H-6B), 4.24 (d, H-1), 3.89 (t, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.74-3.64 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>,  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-A), 3.61 (ddd, H-5), 3.38 (dd~t, H-3), 3.37 (dd,  $\beta$ -CH<sub>2</sub>-B), 3.15 (dd, H-2), 3.06 (dd~t, H-4), 1.59 (m<sub>c</sub>,  $\beta$ -CH), 1.30 (m<sub>c</sub>, 24 H, bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.90 (t, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>1,2</sub> = 8.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>2,3</sub> = 9.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>3,4</sub> = 9.0, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>4,5</sub> = 9.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>5,6A</sub> = 2.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>5,6B</sub> = 7.0, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>6</sub> = 14.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>α,β</sub> = 2.0, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>α</sub> = 14.5, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>CH2N,CH2O</sub> = 4.5 Hz. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$ = 125.0, 123.9 (imidazole), 105.0 (C-1), 77.8 (C-3), 75.1 (C-2), 74.9 (C-5), 74.3 ( $\alpha$ ), 72.5 (C-4), 71.4 (EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 69.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 51.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>), 51.8 (C-6), 51.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>), 39.7 ( $\beta$ ), 33.2 ( $\omega$ -2), 32.36 / 32.34, 32.30 / 32.28, 31.3, 31.0, 30.88 / 30.87, 30.6 (bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.03 / 28.01 / 27.97 / 27.96 ( $\gamma$ ), 23.9 ( $\omega$ -1), 14.6 ( $\omega$ ). HRMS (ESI): Calc. for [M-Br] [C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>54</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub>]<sup>+</sup> 568.4074; found 568.4056.

Micelle conjugation and reference compound

2-Butyl-octyl  $6-\{1-[11-(4-hydroxymethyl-1H-1,2,3-triazole-1-yl)-3,6,9-trioxa-undecyl]-imidazolium-3-yl\}-6-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranoside bromide (14). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): δ$ 8.95 (s, imidazole-CHN<sub>2</sub>), 7.97 (s, triazole), 7.68, 7.56 (2s, 2 H, imidazole), 4.67 (m<sub>c</sub>, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>OH,H-6A), 4.59 (t, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>trizole</sub>), 4.40 (m<sub>c</sub>, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>imidazole</sub>, H-6B), 4.25 (d, H-1), 3.93-3.90 (m, >2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.66-3.53 (m, >12 H, EG-CH<sub>2</sub>, H-5, α-CH<sub>2</sub>-A), 3.40-3.35 (m, 2 H, H-3, α-CH<sub>2</sub>-B), 3.13(dd, H-2), 3.04 (dd~t, H-4), 1.55-1.48 (m, β-CH), 1.29 (m<sub>c</sub>, >14 H, bulk-CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.93 (m<sub>c</sub>, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>). $HRMS (ESI): Calc. for [M-Br] <math>[C_{32}H_{58}N_5O_9]^+$  656.4231, 657.4269 (35%); found 565.4231, 657.4257 (32%).

*1,8-Diazido-3,6-dioxa-octane (15).* A solution of 1,2-bis-(2-chloroethoxy)-ethane (3.0 mL, 19 mmol) in DMF (50 mL) was treated with NaN<sub>3</sub> (3.7 g, 57 mmol) and the reaction was heated to 80 °C overnight. The solvent was evaporated at reduced pressure and the residue extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> to furnish **15** as colourless liquid (3.7 g, 97%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  3.68-3.65 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.37 (t, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  70.8, 70.2 (-OCH<sub>2</sub>), 50.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>).

*1,8-Bis-(4-hydroxymethyl-1,2,3-triazole-1-yl)-3,6-dioxa-octane (16).* A solution of **15** (0.50 g, 2.5 mmol) and propargyl alcohol (0.36 mL, 6.2 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (20 mL) was treated with Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (70 mg, 0.4 mmol) and sodium ascorbate (0.22 g, 1.1 mmol) under ice-bath cooling. After 30 min the reaction was alowed to warm to rt and stirred overnight. Methanol was evaporated at reduced pressure and the residue was distributed between butanol and water. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated to furnish crude triazole **16** as yellow liquid (0.58 g, 74%). NMR-analysis revealed that the product contained minor contents of the solvent (<sup>n</sup>BuOH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  7.93 (s, 2 H, triazole), 4.68 (s, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 4.55 (t, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>triazole</sub>), 3.83 (t, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.56 (m, 4 H, EG-CH<sub>2</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 149.1 (triazole-C), 124.9 (triazole-CH), 71.4 (EG-CH<sub>2</sub>), 70.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 56.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>OH), 51.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>N). HRMS (ESI): Calc. for [M+Na] [C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na]<sup>+</sup> 335.1431, 336.1478 (13%); found 335.1431, 336.1457 (14%).

## NMR Spectra:





Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of  $9_2$ 





Figure S6. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of  $9_3$ 





Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of  $9_4$ 



Figure S8. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 5a





Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **5b** 





Figure S10. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of  $10a_2$ 



Figure S11. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11a<sub>2</sub>





Figure S12. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 10a<sub>3</sub>



Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11a<sub>3</sub>





120

112 104 96 88 80 Chemical Shift (ppm) 32 24 16

8 0

48 40

64 56

72

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192 184

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168 160

152

144 136 128



Figure S15. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11a<sub>4</sub>





Figure S16. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of **10b**<sub>2</sub>



Figure S17. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11b<sub>2</sub>





112 104 96 Chemical Shift (ppm)

88 80

56 48 40

32 24 16 8

72 64

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184 176 168 160

152 144

136 128



Figure S19. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11b<sub>3</sub>





112 104 96 88 Chemical Shift (ppm) 80 72

**64 56 48 40 32 24 16 8 0** 

200 192 184 176 168 160 152 144 136 128 120



Figure S21. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 11b<sub>4</sub>



Figure 22. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 14 obtained by CLICK-coupling in micellar phase





Figure S23. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 15





Figure S24. <sup>1</sup>H & APT-<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 16