

Amino Acid Derivatives, V [1]: Synthesis and Antiviral Evaluation of α -Amino Acid Esters Bearing an α -D-Mannofuranoside Side Chain

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Summary. D-Mannose was treated with dry acetone in the presence of conc. H_2SO_4 to afford 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside. Treating the latter with ethyl chloroacetate gave carboethoxymethyl 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside, which was hydrolyzed with $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ to afford the acid hydrazide derivative. Treating of the acid hydrazide with acylated amino acids, *via* the azide-coupling method afforded the corresponding *O*-glycopeptides. Reaction of the glycopeptide methyl esters with $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ afforded the corresponding hydrazides, which were coupled with the amino acid methyl esters to afford the dipeptides. Deprotection was carried out by using 70% *AcOH*. The prepared *O*-glycopeptides were tested for antiviral activity against hepatitis B virus and showed moderate activities.

Keywords. Carbohydrates; Mannofuranosides; Amino acids; *O*-Glycopeptides; Antiviral activity.

Introduction

Carbohydrate moieties in glycopeptides play a crucial role in a number of biological processes including cell recognition [2], adhesion, infection, and tumor metastasis [3]. The conformation [4] and solubility [5] of proteins are influenced by the oligosaccharide chain that can also prohibit the proteolytic cleavage [6]. As a result, the synthesis of glycopeptides is an attractive goal for an understanding of the mutual interactions between both moieties and for their biological interest [7]. Thus, glycopeptides have attracted much attention in recent years. It is therefore

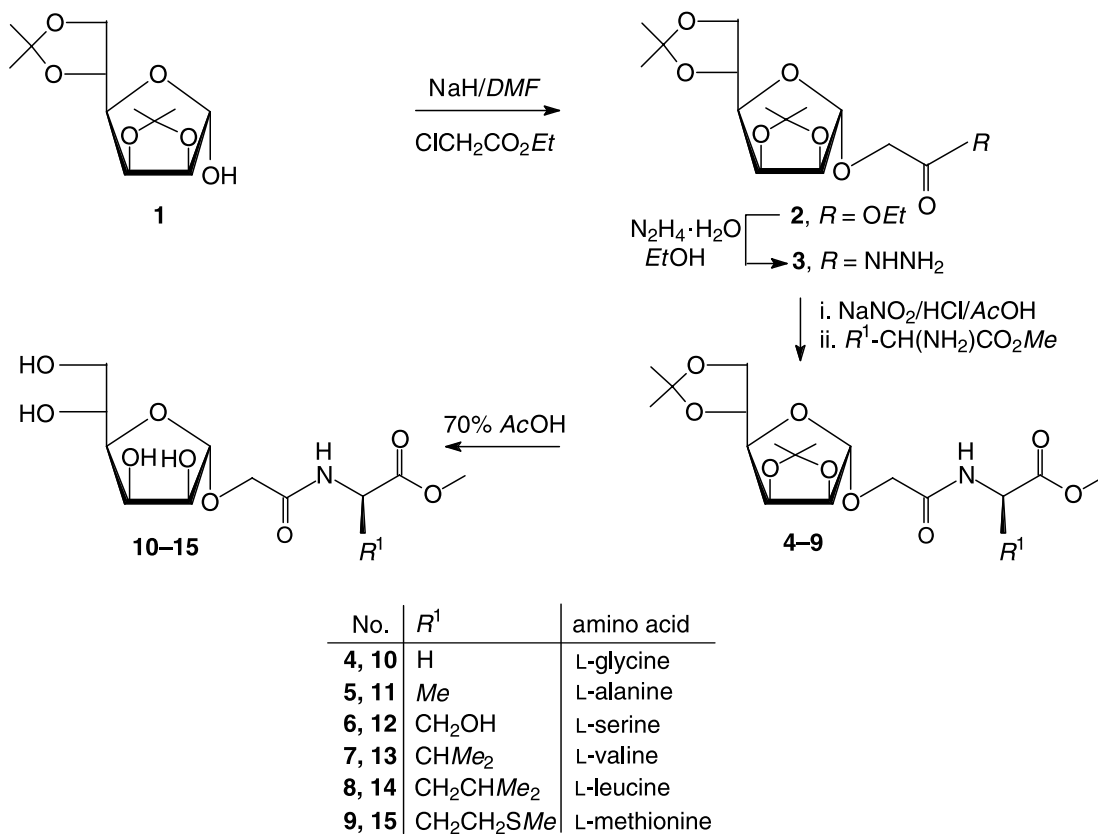
desirable that a convenient and high yielding method is available for the routine synthesis of glycopeptides [8]. Although a significant advancement has been made in the solid and solution phase glycopeptide synthesis during the last decade [9], limited availability of protected glycosylated amino acid derivatives has been impeding *O*-glycopeptide research. Our interest in the synthesis of such compounds was to shed some light on their antiviral properties as a part of our program aimed at the development of new α -amino acid derivatives as antiviral agents [1, 10].

Results and Discussion

Synthesis

D-Mannose was treated with dry acetone in the presence of conc. H_2SO_4 to afford 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside (**1**) [11]. Treating of **1** with ethyl chloroacetate in the presence of NaH and dry *DMF* gave carboethoxymethyl 2,3:5,6-di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside (**2**) in 80% yield. The acid hydrazide derivative **3** was obtained in 95% yield by reacting of **2** with $\text{N}_2\text{H}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ in ethanol at reflux temperature. This hydrazide was selected as a starting material for the coupling reaction with the appropriate acylated amino acids, *via* the azide-coupling method [12]. Thus, treatment of **3** at -5°C in *AcOH* and 1 *N* *HCl* with NaNO_2 afforded the inseparable azide derivative. The yellow syrupy

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Scheme 1

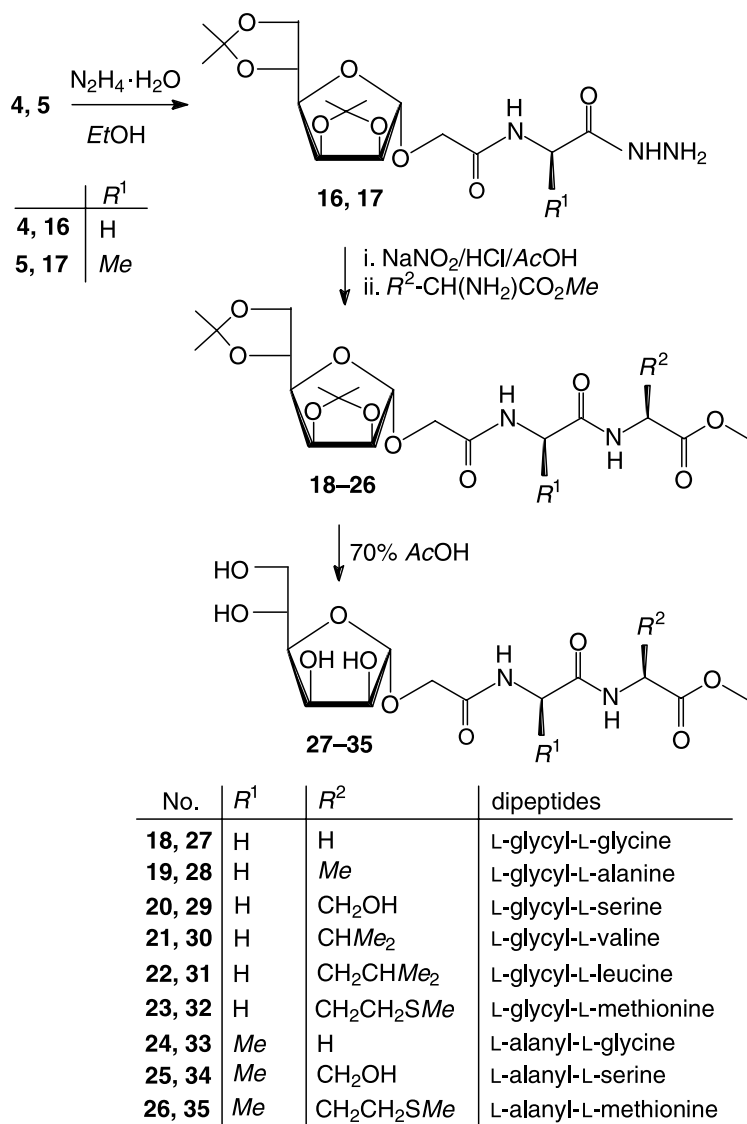
azide compound was then treated, *in situ*, with the appropriate amino acid methyl esters in ethyl acetate containing Et_3N at $0^\circ C$ to give, after neutralization, the desired *O*-glycopeptides **4–9** in 78–83% yields. The structures of **4–9** were assigned from their 1H NMR and mass spectra. The 1H NMR spectra showed four singlets at $\delta = 1.31–1.33$, $1.36–1.39$, $1.41–1.44$, and $1.46–1.49$ ppm corresponding to four *Me* of the two isopropylidene groups. The singlet at $\delta = 5.01–5.03$ ppm is corresponding to H-1 of the sugar moiety, which is consistent with the α -configuration [13]. The protons of the side chain were fully analyzed as well as the remaining protons. Deprotection of compounds **4–9** was carried out by using 70% *AcOH* at reflux temperature. The crude products were purified by silica gel column chromatography affording **10–15** in 78–89%. The structures of the deprotected derivatives were confirmed by their 1H NMR and mass spectra, which showed the disappearance of the isopropylidene groups in all cases (Scheme 1).

Treating of **4** or **5** with $N_2H_4 \cdot H_2O$ in ethanol at reflux temperature afforded the corresponding hy-

drazides **16** and **17** in 92% yield. Treatment of **16** or **17** at $-5^\circ C$ in *AcOH* and 1*N* *HCl* with $NaNO_2$ afforded the inseparable azide derivatives. The yellow syrupy azide compounds were treated, as mentioned above, with the appropriate amino acid methyl esters in ethyl acetate containing Et_3N at $0^\circ C$ to afford **18–26** in 80–86% yields. The structures of the protected dipeptide derivatives were confirmed by their 1H NMR and mass spectra. Deprotection of compounds **18–26** was carried out by using 70% *AcOH* at reflux temperature. The crude products were purified on silica gel column chromatography to give **27–35** in 80–87%. The structures of the deprotected derivatives were confirmed by their 1H NMR and mass spectra, which showed the disappearance of the isopropylidene groups (Scheme 2).

Testing

A preliminary viral screening against HBV (Hep G2 2.2.15 cell method) [14–16] indicated that compounds **11**, **13–15**, and **33–35** are active against



Scheme 2

HBV replication with IC_{50} 80–90 μM and CC_{50} 82–92 μM , while compounds **10**, **12**, and **16–32** showed moderate viral replication inhibition and moderate cytotoxicity. The drug Lamivudine, which is a potent selective inhibitor of HBV replication [17], was used as a standard for the comparative studies.

Conclusions

New α -amino acid derivatives bearing an α -D-mannofuranoside side chain (*O*-glycopeptides) were synthesized in order to increase the number of tested compounds screened for anti-HBV activity.

Experimental

Melting points were determined using a Kofler block instrument. TLC was performed on plastic plates Silica Gel 60 F₂₅₄ (E. Merck, layer thickness 0.2 mm). IR spectra were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer model 1720 FTIR (KBr), ¹H NMR spectra were recorded with Bruker AC 250 FT NMR spectrometer at 250 MHz with TMS as an internal standard. MALDI-MS were measured with a KRATOS Analytical Compact, using 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB) as matrix. The (M + Na)⁺ and (M + K)⁺ ions were peak-matched using ions derived from the 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid matrix. The microanalyses were performed at the microanalytical unit, Tokyo University, Japan, and were found to agree favorably with the calculated values. Viral screening against HBV was conducted at the National Liver Institute, Menoufia University, Egypt. Petroleum ether (PE), ethyl acetate (EE).

Carboethoxymethyl 2,3:5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside (2, C₁₆H₂₆O₈)

Sodium hydride (1.03 g, 43.0 mmol) was added to a solution of 10.40 g **1** [11] (40.0 mmol) in 100 cm³ dry DMF. The mixture was stirred for 10 min until the evolution of hydrogen was ceased. Ethyl chloroacetate (4.90 g, 40.0 mmol) was added, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h (TLC). The salt was removed by filtration, and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using *PE:EE* = 5:1 to afford 11.07 g **2** (80%) as oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, CH₃CH₂O), 1.33 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.45 (s, CH₃), 3.98–4.09 (m, CH₃CH₂O, CH₂), 4.11 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.20–4.24 (m, H-6), 4.37–4.43 (m, H-5), 4.71 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.08 (s, H-1) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 369 [(M + Na)⁺, 55].

Acetylhydrazine 2,3:5,6-di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside (3, C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₇)

A mixture of 3.46 g **2** (10 mmol) and 1.25 g N₂H₄·H₂O (25 mmol) in 30 cm³ ethanol was heated under reflux for 3 h. The excess of ethanol was removed under reduced pressure and the resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with ethanol, and recrystallized from ethanol to give 3.15 g **3** (95%). Mp 133–135°C; IR (KBr): $\bar{\nu}$ = 3305, 3210 (NH), 1660–1685 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.33 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.45 (s, CH₃), 1.46 (s, CH₃), 3.80 (br, s, NH₂), 3.99–4.16 (m, H-4, H-6, CH₂), 4.38–4.44 (m, H-5), 4.65 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, H-2), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.00 (s, H-1), 7.51 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 355 [(M + Na)⁺, 62].

General Procedure for the Preparation of 2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranoside Bearing Amino Acid Esters 4–9

A solution of 0.26 g **3** (0.80 mmol) in 6 cm³ HOAc, 3 cm³ 1 N HCl, and 25 cm³ H₂O was cooled in an ice-bath (–5°C). NaNO₂ (0.87 g, 12.60 mmol) in 3 cm³ cold H₂O was added with stirring. After stirring at –5°C for 15 min, the yellow syrup was formed. The azide was taken in 30 cm³ cold ethyl acetate, washed with 30 cm³ NaHCO₃ (3%), 30 cm³ H₂O, and dried (Na₂SO₄). A solution of the appropriate amino acid methyl ester hydrochloride (0.90 mmol) in 20 cm³ ethyl acetate containing 0.2 cm³ Et₃N was stirred at 0°C for 20 min, filtered, and the filtrate was added to the azide solution. The mixture was kept at –5°C for 12 h, then at room temperature for another 12 h, followed by washing with 30 cm³ 0.5 N HCl, 30 cm³ NaHCO₃ (3%), 30 cm³ H₂O, and dried (Na₂SO₄). The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using *PE:EE* = 5:1 to afford **4–9** in 78–83% yields.

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycine methyl ester (4, C₁₇H₂₇NO₉)

Colorless oil (80%); *R_f* = 0.22 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.32 (s, CH₃), 1.36 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.47 (s, CH₃), 3.72 (s, OCH₃), 4.11–4.29 (m, H-4,

H-6, NHCH₂), 4.43–4.60 (m, H-5, OCH₂), 4.75 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.90 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.01 (s, H-1), 7.20 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 412 [(M + Na)⁺, 42], 428 [(M + K)⁺, 30].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanine methyl ester (5, C₁₈H₂₉NO₉)

Colorless oil (80%); *R_f* = 0.23 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.34–1.38 (m, 3CH₃), 1.44 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 3.68 (s, OCH₃), 4.15 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.23–4.29 (m, H-6), 4.34–4.40 (m, H-5), 4.56 (s, OCH₂), 4.62 (m, CH), 4.76 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.88 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.03 (s, H-1), 7.08 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 426 [(M + Na)⁺, 19], 442 [(M + K)⁺, 43].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-serine methyl ester (6, C₁₈H₂₉NO₁₀)

Colorless oil (78%); *R_f* = 0.15 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.33 (s, CH₃), 1.39 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.46 (s, CH₃), 3.60 (m, CH), 3.70 (s, OCH₃), 4.17 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.25–4.32 (m, H-6), 4.40–4.56 (m, H-5, CH), 4.66–4.71 (m, H-2, OCH₂), 4.87 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.03 (s, H-1), 7.22 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 442 [(M + Na)⁺, 33], 458[(M + K)⁺, 26].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-valine methyl ester (7, C₂₀H₃₃NO₉)

Colorless oil (83%); *R_f* = 0.22 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 0.80 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.31 (s, CH₃), 1.39 (s, CH₃), 1.41 (s, CH₃), 1.44 (s, CH₃), 3.57 (s, OCH₃), 4.19 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.25–4.35 (m, H-6), 4.37–4.50 (m, H-5, CH, OCH₂), 4.75 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.89 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.01 (s, H-1), 5.59 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, CH), 7.04 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 454 [(M + Na)⁺, 45].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-leucine methyl ester (8, C₂₁H₃₅NO₉)

Colorless oil (79%); *R_f* = 0.22 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 0.85 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.09 (m, CH), 1.31 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.48 (s, CH₃), 2.09 (m, CH₂), 3.58 (s, OCH₃), 4.15 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.27–4.34 (m, H-6), 4.37–4.49 (m, H-5, CH, OCH₂), 4.70 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.88 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.02 (s, H-1), 7.20 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): *m/z* (%) = 468 [(M + Na)⁺, 40].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-O-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-methionine methyl ester (9, C₂₀H₃₃NO₉S)

Yellow oil (79%); *R_f* = 0.24 (*PE:EE* = 2:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.32 (s, CH₃), 1.39 (s, CH₃), 1.43 (s, CH₃), 1.48 (s, CH₃), 2.41 (s, SCH₃), 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, CH₂), 2.85 (m, CH₂), 3.69 (s, OCH₃), 4.19 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-4), 4.29–4.39 (m, H-6), 4.48–4.68 (m, H-5, CH, OCH₂), 4.75 (d, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.87 (dd, *J* = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.01 (s, H-1), 7.65 (br, s,

NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 486 [(M + Na)⁺, 32].

General Procedure for the Preparation of α -D-mannofuranoside Bearing Amino Acid Esters 10–15

Compounds **4–9** (3 mmol) were dissolved in 5 cm³ 70% AcOH and heated under reflux for 2 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was coevaporated two times with 3 cm³ H₂O and two times with 3 cm³ ethanol. The residual was purified by silica gel column chromatography using 10% MeOH in CHCl₃ to give **10–15** in 78–89% yields.

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycine methyl ester (**10**, C₁₁H₁₉NO₉)

White foam (85%); R_f = 0.18 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 3.33 (br, s, OH), 3.60–3.70 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.90–4.35 (m, H-2, H-3, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.55 (s, OCH₂), 5.01 (s, H-1), 7.00 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 332 [(M + Na)⁺, 23].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanine methyl ester (**11**, C₁₂H₂₁NO₉)

White foam (89%); R_f = 0.19 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.30 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 3.46–3.67 (m, OCH₃, OH, H-4), 3.89–4.30 (m, H-2, H-3, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.53 (s, OCH₂), 4.64 (m, CH), 5.03 (s, H-1), 6.89 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 346 [(M + Na)⁺, 23].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-serine methyl ester (**12**, C₁₂H₂₁NO₁₀)

White foam (78%); R_f = 0.10 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 3.40–3.56 (m, CH, OH), 3.64–3.72 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 4.00–4.50 (m, H-2, H-3, H-5, H-6, CH, 3OH), 4.56 (s, OCH₂), 5.02 (s, H-1), 7.00 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 362 [(M + Na)⁺, 20].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-valine methyl ester (**13**, C₁₄H₂₅NO₉)

White foam (81%); R_f = 0.19 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 0.90 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 3.32 (br, s, OH), 3.54 (s, OCH₃), 3.72 (m, H-4), 4.85–4.05 (m, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.20–4.56 (m, H-2, H-3, CH, OCH₂), 5.01 (s, H-1), 5.44 (m, CH), 7.03 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 374 [(M + Na)⁺, 32].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-leucine methyl ester (**14**, C₁₅H₂₇NO₉)

White foam (83%); R_f = 0.19 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 0.84 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.22 (m, CH), 2.12 (m, CH₂), 3.35 (br, s, OH), 3.54 (s, OCH₃), 3.80 (m, H-4), 4.07–4.37 (m, H-2, H-3, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.40–4.56 (m, CH, OCH₂), 5.01 (s, H-1), 7.04 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 388 [(M + Na)⁺, 32].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-methionine methyl ester (**15**, C₁₄H₂₅NO₉S)

Pale yellow foam (78%); R_f = 0.20 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 2.45 (s, SCH₃), 2.70 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, CH₂), 2.93 (m, CH₂), 3.40 (br, s, OH), 3.59 (s, OCH₃), 3.78 (m, H-4), 3.90–4.09 (m, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.28–4.58 (m, H-2, H-3, CH, OCH₂), 5.01 (s, H-1), 7.05 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 406 [(M + Na)⁺, 17].

General Procedure for the Preparation of the Hydrazides 16 and 17

A mixture of **4** or **5** (10 mmol) and 1.25 g N₂H₄ · H₂O (25 mmol) in 30 cm³ ethanol was heated under reflux for 3 h. The excess of ethanol was removed under reduced pressure and the resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with ethanol, and recrystallized from ethanol to give **16** and **17** in 92% yields.

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycine hydrazide (**16**, C₁₆H₂₇N₃O₈)

White powder (92%); mp 155–156°C; R_f = 0.08 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); IR (KBr): $\bar{\nu}$ = 3325, 3215 (NH), 1665–1690 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.30 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.43 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 3.90 (br, s, NH₂), 4.18–4.33 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.45–4.57 (m, H-5, OCH₂), 4.73 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.93 (dd, J = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.11 (s, H-1), 7.33 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 412 [(M + Na)⁺, 31].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -D-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanine hydrazide (**17**, C₁₇H₂₉N₃O₈)

White powder (92%); mp 173–173°C; R_f = 0.09 (*PE:EE* = 1:1); IR (KBr): $\bar{\nu}$ = 3320, 3210 (NH), 1670–1685 (C=O) cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (*DMSO*-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.35–1.39 (m, 3CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.47 (s, CH₃), 3.88 (br, s, NH₂), 4.19 (m, H-4), 4.27–4.33 (m, H-6), 4.38–4.42 (m, H-5), 4.58 (s, OCH₂), 4.65 (m, CH), 4.76 (m, H-2), 4.88 (m, H-3), 5.10 (s, H-1), 7.02 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 426 [(M + Na)⁺, 27].

General Procedure for the Preparation of the Glycopeptides 18–26

A solution of **16** or **17** (0.80 mmol) in 6 cm³ HOAc, 3 cm³ 1 N HCl, and 25 cm³ H₂O was cooled in an ice-bath (–5°C). NaNO₂ (0.87 g, 12.60 mmol) in 3 cm³ cold H₂O was added with stirring. After stirring at –5°C for 15 min, the yellow syrup was formed. The azide was taken in 30 cm³ cold ethyl acetate, washed with 30 cm³ NaHCO₃ (3%), 30 cm³ H₂O, and dried (Na₂SO₄). A solution of the appropriate amino acid methyl ester hydrochloride (0.90 mmol) in 20 cm³ ethyl acetate containing 0.2 cm³ Et₃N was stirred at 0°C for 20 min, filtered, and the filtrate was added to the azide solution. The mixture was kept at –5°C for 12 h, then at room temperature for another 12 h, followed by washing with 30 cm³ 0.5 N HCl, 30 cm³ NaHCO₃ (3%), 30 cm³ H₂O, and dried (Na₂SO₄). The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography using *PE:EE* = 5:1 to afford **18–26** in 80–86% yields.

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-glycine methyl ester (**18**, C₁₉H₃₀N₂O₁₀)
White foam (85%); $R_f=0.27$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.33 (s, CH₃), 1.35 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.48 (s, CH₃), 3.67 (s, OCH₃), 4.11–4.33 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.43–4.60 (m, H-5, NHCH₂), 4.69 (s, OCH₂), 4.77 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, H-2), 4.92 (dd, J = 3.5, 5.8 Hz, H-3), 5.07 (s, H-1), 6.60 (br, s, NH), 6.80 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 469 [(M + Na)⁺, 29].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-alanine methyl ester (**19**, C₂₀H₃₂N₂O₁₀)
White foam (86%); $R_f=0.28$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.32 (s, CH₃), 1.35 (s, CH₃), 1.40 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 1.44 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 3.70 (s, OCH₃), 4.17–4.33 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.43–4.52 (m, H-5, CH), 4.60 (s, OCH₂), 4.76 (m, H-2), 4.90 (m, H-3), 5.05 (s, H-1), 7.60 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 483 [(M + Na)⁺, 23].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-serine methyl ester (**20**, C₂₀H₃₂N₂O₁₁)
White foam (80%); $R_f=0.18$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.32 (s, CH₃), 1.35 (s, CH₃), 1.44 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 3.65 (s, OCH₃), 4.15–4.31 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.40–4.60 (m, H-5, 2OCH₂, CH), 4.72 (m, H-2), 4.90 (m, H-3), 5.05 (s, H-1), 5.70 (br, s, OH), 6.85 (br, s, NH), 6.95 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 499 [(M + Na)⁺, 18].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-valine methyl ester (**21**, C₂₂H₃₆N₂O₁₀)
White foam (86%); $R_f=0.28$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 0.90 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.33 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.43 (s, CH₃), 1.48 (s, CH₃), 2.50 (m, CH), 3.70 (s, OCH₃), 4.14–4.35 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.40–4.54 (m, H-5, CH), 4.64 (s, OCH₂), 4.70 (m, H-2), 4.90 (m, H-3), 5.06 (s, H-1), 7.30 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 511 [(M + Na)⁺, 14].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-leucine methyl ester (**22**, C₂₃H₃₈N₂O₁₀)
White foam (86%); $R_f=0.29$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 0.95 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.25 (m, CH), 1.31 (s, CH₃), 1.35 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 1.70 (m, CH₂), 3.68 (s, OCH₃), 4.10–4.28 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂), 4.45–4.65 (m, H-5, CH, OCH₂), 4.77 (m, H-2), 4.90 (m, H-3), 5.06 (s, H-1), 6.90 (br, s, NH), 7.30 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 525 [(M + Na)⁺, 15].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-methionine methyl ester (**23**, C₂₂H₃₆N₂O₁₀S)
Pale yellow foam (80%); $R_f=0.29$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.34 (s, CH₃), 1.37 (s, CH₃), 1.42 (s, CH₃), 1.48 (s, CH₃), 1.99 (s, SCH₃), 2.15 (m, CH₂), 2.65 (m, CH₂), 3.68 (s, OCH₃), 4.19–4.35 (m, H-4, H-6, NHCH₂),

4.45–4.65 (m, H-5, OCH₂, CH), 4.75 (m, H-2), 4.90 (m, H-3), 5.03 (s, H-1), 6.95 (br, s, NH), 7.40 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 543 [(M + Na)⁺, 22].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-alanyl-*L*-glycine methyl ester (**24**, C₂₀H₃₂N₂O₁₀)
White foam (86%); $R_f=0.27$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.35–1.30 (m, 3CH₃), 1.43 (s, CH₃), 1.48–1.52 (m, 2CH₃), 3.58 (s, OCH₃), 3.99 (m, NHCH₂), 4.15 (m, H-4), 4.20–4.27 (m, H-6), 4.30–4.40 (m, H-5), 4.57 (s, OCH₂), 4.73 (m, H-2), 4.80–4.88 (m, H-3, CH), 5.03 (s, H-1), 6.77 (br, s, NH), 7.45 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 483 [(M + Na)⁺, 33].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-alanyl-*L*-serine methyl ester (**25**, C₂₁H₃₄N₂O₁₁)
White foam (80%); $R_f=0.20$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.35–1.39 (m, 3CH₃), 1.43 (s, CH₃), 1.49 (s, CH₃), 3.58–3.70 (m, CH₂OH, OCH₃), 4.15–4.19 (m, H-4, CH), 4.25–4.30 (m, H-6), 4.40–4.55 (m, H-5, OCH₂), 4.79 (m, H-2), 4.88 (m, H-3), 5.03 (s, H-1), 5.45 (m, CH), 5.60 (br, s, OH), 6.79 (br, s, NH), 6.95 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 513 [(M + Na)⁺, 43].

O-(2,3:5,6-Di-*O*-isopropylidene- α -*D*-mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-alanyl-*L*-methionine methyl ester (**26**, C₂₃H₃₈N₂O₁₀S)
Pale yellow foam (80%); $R_f=0.30$ (*PE:EE* = 1:1); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 250 MHz): δ = 1.34–1.39 (m, 3CH₃), 1.43–1.50 (m, 2CH₃), 2.01 (s, SCH₃), 2.17 (m, CH₂), 2.55 (m, CH₂), 3.68 (s, OCH₃), 4.16 (m, H-4), 4.20–4.30 (m, H-6), 4.35–4.40 (m, H-5), 4.55 (s, OCH₂), 4.70–4.79 (m, H-2, CH), 4.80–4.88 (m, H-3, CH), 5.13 (s, H-1), 6.71 (br, s, NH), 7.00 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 557 [(M + Na)⁺, 28].

General Procedure for the Preparation of the Deprotected Glycopeptides 27–35

Compounds **18–26** (3 mmol) were dissolved in 5 cm³ 70% AcOH and heated under reflux for 2 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was coevaporated two times with 3 cm³ H₂O and two times with 3 cm³ ethanol. The residual was purified by silica gel column chromatography using 10% MeOH in CHCl₃ to afford **27–35** in 80–87% yields.

O-(α -*D*-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl *L*-glycyl-*L*-glycine methyl ester (**27**, C₁₃H₂₂N₂O₁₀)

White powder (84%); mp 190–192°C; $R_f=0.19$ (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 250 MHz): δ = 3.37 (br, s, OH), 3.65 (s, OCH₃), 3.75 (m, H-4), 3.90–4.07 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.13–4.40 (m, H-2, H-3, NHCH₂), 4.58 (s, OCH₂), 5.02 (s, H-1), 6.80 (br, s, NH), 6.95 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: *DHB*): m/z (%) = 389 [(M + Na)⁺, 40].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycyl-L-alanine methyl ester (**28**, C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₁₀)

White powder (86%); mp 183–184°C; R_f =0.20 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.44 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, CH₃), 3.39 (br, s, OH), 3.70–3.75 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.90–4.08 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.19–4.28 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.40–4.50 (m, CH), 4.62 (s, OCH₂), 5.02 (s, H-1), 7.50 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 403 [(M + Na)⁺, 39].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycyl-L-serine methyl ester (**29**, C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₁₁)

White powder (80%); mp 208–210°C; R_f =0.14 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 3.40 (br, s, OH), 3.65–3.75 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.95–4.18 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.20–4.60 (m, H-2, H-3, 2OCH₂, CH), 5.01 (s, H-1), 5.73 (br, s, OH), 6.90 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 419 [(M + Na)⁺, 33].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycyl-L-valine methyl ester (**30**, C₁₆H₂₈N₂O₁₀)

White powder (87%); mp 196–198°C; R_f =0.18 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 0.95 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2CH₃), 2.55 (m, CH), 3.33 (br, s, OH), 3.70–3.79 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.88–4.05 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.20–4.30 (H-2, H-3), 4.40–4.45 (m, CH), 4.56 (s, OCH₂), 5.00 (s, H-1), 7.20 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 431 [(M + Na)⁺, 30].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycyl-L-leucine methyl ester (**31**, C₁₇H₃₀N₂O₁₀)

White powder (85%); mp 203–205°C; R_f =0.19 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 0.92 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 2CH₃), 1.33 (m, CH), 1.77 (m, CH₂), 3.38 (br, s, OH), 3.69–3.76 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.95–4.08 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.22–4.35 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.45–4.50 (m, CH, OCH₂), 5.02 (s, H-1), 6.99 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 445 [(M + Na)⁺, 43].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-glycyl-L-methionine methyl ester (**32**, C₁₆H₂₈N₂O₁₀S)

Pale yellow powder (81%); mp 183–185°C; R_f =0.21 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 2.11 (s, SCH₃), 2.22 (m, CH₂), 2.60 (m, CH₂), 3.40 (br, s, OH), 3.65–3.75 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.99–4.25 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.22–4.39 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.49–4.58 (m, OCH₂, CH), 5.02 (s, H-1), 6.95 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 463 [(M + Na)⁺, 27].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanyl-L-glycine methyl ester (**33**, C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₁₀)

White powder (87%); mp 167–169°C; R_f =0.18 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.35–1.30 (m, 3CH₃), 1.48–1.52 (m, CH₃), 3.40 (br, s, OH), 3.60–3.76 (m, OCH₃, H-4), 3.96–4.12 (m, H-5, H-6, NHCH₂, 3OH), 4.20–4.36 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.55 (s, OCH₂), 4.80–4.85 (m, CH),

5.01 (s, H-1), 6.80 (br, s, NH), 7.15 (br, s, NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 403 [(M + Na)⁺, 25].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanyl-L-serine methyl ester (**34**, C₁₅H₂₆N₂O₁₁)

White powder (82%); mp 232–234°C; R_f =0.15 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.35–1.38 (m, CH₃), 3.38–3.68 (m, H-4, OH, CH₂OH, OCH₃), 3.90–4.12 (m, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.19 (m, CH), 4.27–4.39 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.55 (s, OCH₂), 5.02 (s, H-1), 5.48 (m, CH), 5.63 (br, s, OH), 6.90 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 433 [(M + Na)⁺, 10].

O-(α -D-Mannofuranosyl)-acetyl L-alanyl-L-methionine methyl ester (**35**, C₁₇H₃₀N₂O₁₀S)

Pale yellow powder (80%); mp 161–162°C; R_f =0.20 (*PE:EE* = 1:2); ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆, 250 MHz): δ = 1.37 (m, CH₃), 2.11 (s, SCH₃), 2.22 (m, CH₂), 2.66 (m, CH₂), 3.42–3.68 (m, H-4, OCH₃, OH), 3.88–4.00 (m, H-5, H-6, 3OH), 4.15–4.30 (m, H-2, H-3), 4.59 (s, OCH₂), 4.72 (m, CH), 4.84 (m, CH), 5.03 (s, H-1), 6.94 (br, s, 2NH) ppm; MS (MALDI, positive mode, Matrix: DHB): m/z (%) = 477 [(M + Na)⁺, 17].

Preparation and Culture of Hep G2 2.2.15 Cells

The required cell line was made by transfection of Hep G2-cells with a plasmid containing multiple tandem copies of the HBV genome (subtype ayw) [14]. The 2.2.15 cell line was maintained in RPMI-1640 (Glutamax) culture media containing 100 IU/cm³ nystatin and 380 μ g/cm³ G418 (geneticin). The transferred HEP G2-2.2.15 cell line was kept in tissue culture flask at 37°C + 5% CO₂. Subcultures were set up after a week by aspiration of the media from culture flask and washing the cells twice by PBS. A 10% versene/trypsin solution was added and the cells were incubated for 1 min at 37°C.

Cytotoxicity Assay

A colorimetric assay for living cells utilized the colorless substrate 3-(3,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (*MTT*) that is modified to colored product by any living cells, but not by dead cells or tissue culture medium. The cytotoxic effect of the compounds was accessed by culturing the Hep G2-2.2.15 cells in the presence of compounds using a *MTT*-assay [15, 16].

Calculation of IC₅₀ and CC₅₀

The 50% inhibitory concentration of antiviral drugs (*IC*₅₀) was determined by interpolation from the plots of amount of DNA copies versus antiviral drug concentration. The 50% cytotoxic effect (*CC*₅₀) was calculated from the average viability of the cells with concentration of drugs [16].

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