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Design, synthesis and biological evaluation of water-soluble per-O-methylated cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates as anti-influenza virus agents

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Abstract:

The most common fullerene member C_{60} displays many biological applications, such as, anticancer, human immunodeficiency virus and hepatitis C virus inhibitors, O_2 uptake inhibitor and vectors for drug and DNA. Nevertheless, the innate hydrophobicity of C_{60} constrains its further development. We introduced cyclodextrins to enhance the water-solubility of C_{60} . Nine cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates, including seven α -cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates and two γ -cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates, were designed and synthesized. All of these conjugates did not show obvious cytotoxicity. The anti-influenza virus activity of nine conjugates was assessed. Two γ -cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates, which were relatively more water-soluble, exerted higher inhibition with IC_{50} values of 87.73 μ M and 75.06 μ M, respectively, than seven α -cyclodextrin- C_{60} conjugates.

Keywords: Anti-influenza virus: Synthesis: Cyclodextrin-C60 conjugates: Water-soluble

1. Introduction

Influenza is a common disease to both humans and animals. The respiratory diseases and secondary bacterial infection caused by influenza virus increase the life-threatening risk, especially for elder people [1]. There are three types of influenza viruses, which are A, B and C. Influenza virus A is the major one to cause morbidity and mortality. Currently, two classes of anti-influenza drugs (neuraminidase inhibitors and M2 ion channel protein inhibitors) have been approved by the FDA for the interruption of specific processes in influenza infection. However, the emergence of drug-resistant influenza viruses has limited the use of those drugs, illustrating the urgent need to develop novel anti-influenza drugs [2, 3].

 C_{60} serves as radical scavenger, reactive oxygen species (ROS) producer under irradiation, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and hepatitis C virus (HCV) inhibitors, O_2 uptake inhibitor, drug and DNA vectors [4, 5]. Nevertheless, its poor water-solubility limits the further development of C_{60} . The functionalization of C_{60} not only ameliorates the water-solubility of C_{60} , but also gives a possibility to discover new application of C_{60} in biology. Bis(phenethylamincuccinate) C_{60} (C1) is firstly reported to inhibit HIV through interaction with the large hydrophobic pocket of HIV aspartic protease (Figure 1) [6]. Further study has shown that the modified C_{60} s with amino acid group (C2 and C3) inhibit HIV reverse transcriptase and C_{60} derivatives with quaternary ammonium salts (C4 and C5) have HCV RNA-dependent RNA polymerase inhibition activities [7]. Fmoc protected C_{60} derivative (C6) exhibits potent HIV aspartic protease inhibition [8]. Echegoyen, Llano et al. have characterized the mechanism of C_{60} derivatives with quaternary ammonium salts in HIV inhibition. These derivatives prevent HIV-1 maturation with protease-independent way [25]. Even though some progress has been made by the aforementioned researches, the C_{60} derivatives with structural novelty and their mechanism in virus inhibition are still open issues. Based on these studies, we choose cyclodextrins (CDs) as functionalization groups to enhance the water-solubility of C_{60} and conduct research on other virus inhibition.

CDs, composed of 6, 7 and 8 saccharides (α -CD, β -CD and γ -CD, respectively), are ideal candidates to improve the water-solubility of C_{60} . Because of the relatively easy synthesis of β -CD derivatives, a lot of work was focused on β -CD- C_{60} conjugates and β -CD/ C_{60} micelle, which displayed photodynamic activity on DNA cleavage and HeLa cells inhibition [9-12, 15]. γ -CD with the largest cavity is capable to encapsulate C_{60} [13, 16]. γ -CD/ C_{60} complexes serve as photosensitizers and two γ -CD- C_{60} conjugates generate the highest singlet oxygen compared to other CD- C_{60} conjugates [14, 16-19].

There is few studies on α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates and their biological applications in the literature. We previously reported that α -CD-C₆₀ conjugate (C7) inhibits HCV entry into the host cells with IC₅₀ value of 0.17 μ M [5]. In order to increase the family of α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates, we designed and synthesized seven α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates (**Figure 2**). However, these α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates did not display the promising inhibitory activity against HCV (unpublished data). Here we evaluated the anti-influenza A/WSN/33 (H1N1) virus activity of seven α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates and two reported γ -CD-C₆₀ conjugates (**Figure 2**) [19].

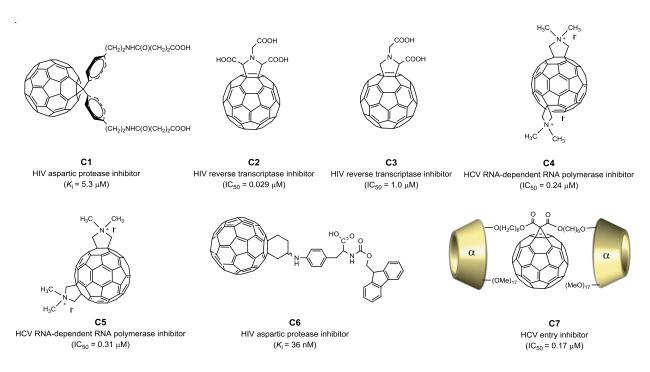


Figure 1. The reported antiviral C_{60} derivatives

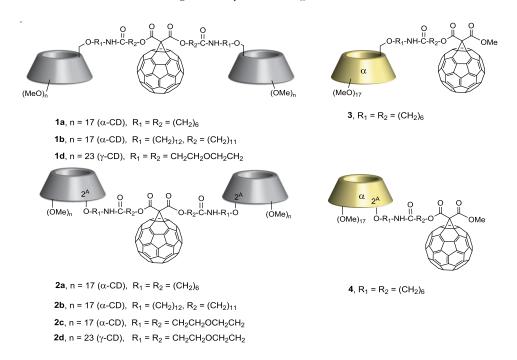
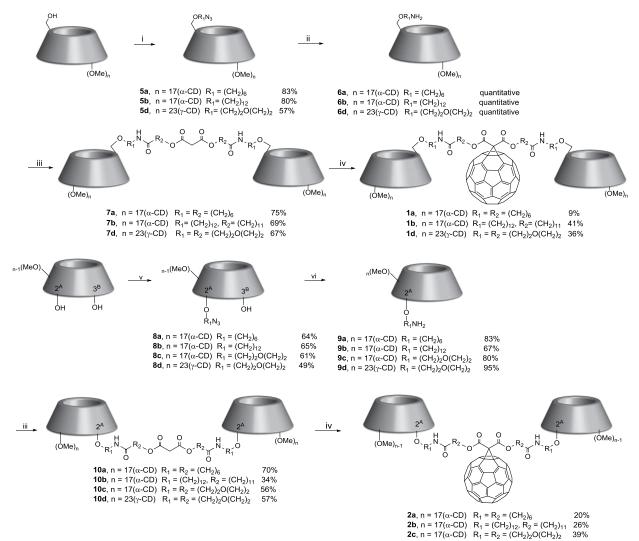


Figure 2. Nine CD- C_{60} conjugates

2. Results and discussion

2.1 Chemistry



Scheme 1. Synthetic routes of CD-C₆₀ conjugates 1 and 2. Reagents and conditions: (i) N₃(CH₂)₆OTs or N₃(CH₂)₁₂OTs or N₃CH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂OTs, NaH, dry DMF, 80 °C, 72h; (ii) HS(CH₂)₃SH, dry Et₃N, dry MeOH, r.t., 7d; (iii) (HOOC(CH₂)₆OCO)₂CH₂ or (HOOC(CH₂)₁₁OCO)₂CH₂ or (HOOCCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂OCO)₂CH₂, EDC HCl, HOBt, dry DCM, r.t.; (iv) CBr₄ (or I₂), DBU, C₆₀, dry PhMe, r.t.; (v) N₃(CH₂)₆OTs or N₃(CH₂)₁₂OTs or N₃CH₂CH₂OCH₂CH₂OTs, NaH, dry DMF, r.t., 6h; (vi) CH₃I, NaH, dry DMF, r.t., overnight; HS(CH₂)₃SH, dry Et₃N, dry MeOH, r.t., 7d.

As shown in **Scheme 1**, monol and diol of per-O-methylated CDs [20] were alkylated to obtain **5** and **8**, respectively. Because -OH at position 2 is more acidic than position 6 and position 3, the alkylation condition of diol per-O-methylated CDs is milder than that of monol of per-O-methylated CDs. The remaining OH group of compound **8** was methylated to give compound **9** quantitatively. The alkylated compounds were converted to amino CD derivatives **6** and **9**. Then, **6** and **9** were coupled with $(HOOCR_2OCO)_2CH_2$, which gave dimer **7** and **10**, respectively. **7** and **10** were attached to C_{60} , yielding **1** and **2** via Bingel–Hirsch cyclopropanation.

The α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates 3 and 4 with one α -CD moiety were synthesized through the same methodology (Scheme 2). Since the condensed compounds 11a and 13a with –OH groups could not be attached to C₆₀ directly, the free –OH groups of 11a and 13a were first methylated, before C₆₀ was conjugated with 12a and 14a to afford 3 and 4, respectively.

Scheme 2. Synthetic routes of CD-C₆₀ conjugates 3 and 4. Reagents and conditions: (i) (HOOC(CH₂)₆OCO)₂CH₂ (1.0 eq.), EDC HCl, HOBt, dry DCM, r.t., overnight; (ii) CH₃I, NaH, dry DMF, 4 Å M.S., r.t., overnight; (iii) CBr₄, DBU, C₆₀, dry PhMe, r.t.

We estimated visually the water-solubility of nine conjugates at r.t., which was: 2d > 1d > 2c > 2a > 2b > 1a > 1b, 3, 4. It was obviously inferred that γ -CD is a better water-solubilizing reagent than α -CD and the hydrophilic linker at the secondary rim is beneficial to give water-soluble conjugate.

2.2 SAR of anti-influenza A/WSN/33 (H1N1) virus activity

As part of our biological profiling [21], a cytopathic effect (CPE) reduction assay and a CellTiter-Glo assay were utilized in parallel to evaluate the antiviral activity of nine CD-C₆₀ conjugates (**1a-1b**, **1d**, **2a-2d**, **3**, **4**) against the influenza A/WSN/33 (H1N1) virus that was propagated in MDCK cells [22]. Firstly, the CellTiter-Glo assay displayed that all tested compounds had no obvious cytotoxicity against uninfected MDCK cells at a concentration of 100 μ M (**SI Figure 1**). Then, the CPE reduction assay was carried out to screen the antiviral activity. All the conjugates were preliminarily tested at one concentration (100 μ M) and oseltamivir (OSV), an inhibitor of influenza neuraminidase, was used as a positive control. As shown in **Figure 3**, all the α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates had no anti-influenza virus activity at the concentration of 100 μ M, except for compounds **1d** and **2d**. These two γ -CD-C₆₀ conjugates **1d** and **2d** displayed significant anti-influenza virus activity (58.5 and 66.9 %, respectively) at 100 μ M, which suggested that the C₆₀ conjugates with γ -CD moieties were more effective than that with α -CD moieties. Interestingly, **1d** and **2d** had also higher water-solubility than seven α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates, indicating that the anti-influenza activity of CD-C₆₀ conjugates may relate to the water-solubility of the conjugates. Moreover, compared to α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates, γ -CD-C₆₀ conjugates displayed much less aggregation in aqueous solution, which was evaluated by the generation of singlet oxygen species [19, 26]. The further work will focus on the design and synthesis of water-soluble CD-C₆₀ conjugates with less aggregation.

After the preliminary screening at one concentration, conjugates 1d and 2d were selected to undergo dose response assays. The concentrations of compounds 1d and 2d required to inhibit viral replication by 50% (IC₅₀) are summarized in Table 1. Although conjugates 1d and 2d showed about half potent anti-influenza activity than that of OSV (IC₅₀: 87.73 and 75.06 μ M νs 33.6 μ M, respectively), they can be used as new lead compounds of anti-influenza inhibitor for further structural modification.

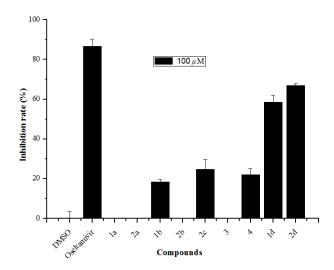


Figure 3. Cytopathic effect-based screening of nine CD-C₆₀ conjugates. 0.5% DMSO (final concentration) was used as the negative; oseltamivir was utilized as a positive control. Error bars indicate standard deviations of triplicate experiments.

Table 1. In vitro anti-influenza virus activity of the active CD-C60 conjugates

Compound	$IC_{50} (\mu M)^a$
1d	87.73 ± 6.9
2d	75.06 ± 5.1
OSV	33.6 ± 2.2 [21]

a Concentration inhibiting viral replication by 50%. The values are means of at least three independent determinations; the corresponding standard deviations are noted.

3. Conclusion

We designed and synthesized nine CD-C₆₀ conjugates. Cyclodextrin moieties enhanced apparently the water-solubility of C₆₀. CD-C₆₀ conjugates with γ -CD attachment and hydrophilic spacer of moderate length are the most water-soluble. Then, their anti-influenza A/WSN/33 (H1N1) virus activity in MDCK cells was evaluated. All of the conjugates did not show obvious cytotoxicity at the concentration of 100 μ M. The most water-soluble conjugates 1d and 2d displayed the highest anti-influenza virus activity. Although the inhibitory efficiency of 1d and 2d was only half of that of OSV, C₆₀ derivatives are firstly reported to exhibit anti-influenza virus activity. According to our previous study, one of the obvious differences between α -CD-C₆₀ conjugates and γ -CD-C₆₀ conjugates could be the less aggregation in aqueous solution of γ -CD-C₆₀ conjugates [19, 26]. Further studies along this line are currently ongoing.

4. Experimental section

4.1 Chemistry

General information

All of the reactants were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification. DCM and PhMe were degassed, and dried on alumina using Pure SolvTM systems. DMF and NEt₃ were dried over 4 Å molecular sieve and stored under argon. HRMS were recorded on a Bruker microTOF spectrometer, using Agilent ESI-L Low Concentration Tuning-Mix as reference. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-400 MHz or Bruker Avance II 600 MHz using the signal of the residual solvent as an internal reference. The NMR assignments were determined by COSY and HSQC experiments.

The synthetic protocols and the NMR assignments of γ -CD derivatives 1d and 2d were reported in our previous work [19].

4.1.1 6-azidoalkyl permethylated α -CD 5a

To a solution of 6^A -monol- α -CD^{Me} [23] (218 mg, 0.18 mmol) in dry DMF (4 mL), NaH (22 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.54 mmol) was added at 0 °C under argon. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 1 h. Then 6-azidohexyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (107 mg, 2.0 eq., 0.36 mmol) in dry DMF (1 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C overnight. CH₃OH was added dropwise to quench the reaction at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (3 × 10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 4:1, then 3.5:1) to give the product **5a** (172 mg, 83%) as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.35 (Cyclohexane/Acetone = 1:1). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz,

CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.31-1.39 (m, 4H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.51-1.65 (m, 4H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₁₁), 3.16 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.23 (t, 2H, J = 6.82 Hz, 2 × H₁₂), 3.38 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.47 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.54 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.62 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.78 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 5.03 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁), 3.33 - 3.90 (m, 14H, 2 × H₇, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b})ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.86, 26.72, 28.94, 29.64 (4C, C₈, C₉, C₁₀, C₁₁), 51.50 (1C, C₁₂), 57.94, 57.97, 58.00 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.04, 59.10, 59.15 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.88, 61.90, 61.92 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 69.57 (1C, C₇), 71.31, 71.34 (6C, 6 × C₃), 71.41, 71.58, 71.62, 71.67 (6C, 6 × C₆), 81.37, 81.42, 81.44, 82.29, 82.33, 82.39, 82.41, 82.48, 82.58, 82.61 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.21, 100.24, 100.25, 100.30, 100.35 (6C, 6 × C₁). HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₅₉H₁₀₅N₃O₃₀ [M + Na]⁺ 1358.6675, found 1358.6666 (mass accuracy of 0.7 ppm).

4.1.2 6-aminoalkyl permethylated α-CD 6a

To a solution of compound **5a** (268 mg, 0.20 mmol) in dry MeOH (6 mL) was added propane-1,3-dithiol (0.91 mL, 45 eq., 9.0 mmol), dry NEt₃ (1.3 mL, 45 eq., 9.0 mmol) at r.t. under N₂. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 7 days. The solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol 30:1, then 3:1) to give the product **6a** (234 mg, 89%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.2$ (DCM/MeOH = 4:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.34 (m, 4H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.48 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.58 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 2.55 (br, 2H, -NH₂), 2.71 (t, 2H, J = 6.82 Hz, 2 × H₁₂), 3.16 (m, 6H , 6 × H₂,), 3.38 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.47 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.58 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.63 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.79 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 5.03 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁), 3.33 - 3.90 (m, 14H, 2 × H₇, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b})ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 26.06, 26.80 (2C, C₉, C₁₀), 29.83 (1C, C₈), 32.57 (1C, C₁₁), 41.73 (1C, C₁₂), 57.96, 57.98, 58.02 (6C, 6×OCH₃(C₂)), 59.06, 59.12, 59.17 (5C, 5×OCH₃(C₆)), 61.91 (6C, 6×OCH₃(C₃)), 69.56 (1C, C₇), 71.31, 71.35 (6C, 6×C₅), 71.54, 71.58, 71.68 (6C, 6×C₆), 82.28, 82.33, 82.38, 82.48, 82.57, 82.63 (18C, C₂, C₃, C₄), 100.06, 100.21, 100.25, 100.28, 100.35 (6C, C₁)ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₅₉H₁₀₈NO₃₀ [M + Na]⁺ 1310.6951, found 1310.6900 (mass accuracy of 3.9 ppm).

4.1.3 6-permethylated α-CD dimer 7a

To a solution of 7,7'-(malonylbis(oxy))diheptanoic acid (23 mg, 0.064 mmol) in dry DCM (10mL) was added EDC HCl (37 mg, 3 eq., 0.19 mmol) and HOBt (29 mg, 3 eq., 0.19 mmol). After stirring at r.t. for 2 h, compound **6a** (184 mg, 2.2 eq., 0.14 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 48 h. After washed with H_2O (3 × 3 mL), brine (3 mL), dried with MgSO₄, the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: ethyl acetate/methanol 9:1, then 7:1) to give the product **7a** (140 mg, 75%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.1$ (Cyclohexane/Acetone = 1:3). **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.31 (m, 8H, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀), 1.34 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₇), 1.35 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₆), 1.44 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₁), 1.58 (m, 4H, 4 × H₈), 1.62 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₅), 1.64 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₈), 2.14 (t, 4H, 4 × H₁₄), 3.13-3.22 (m, 12H, 12 × H₂), 3.21 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₂), 3.35 (s, 2H, -COCH₂CO-), 3.39 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.44 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.48 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.54 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.63 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.82 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.62-3.94 (m, 24H, 12 × H₆₈), 4.12 (t, 4H, J = 6.61 MHz, J = 4.0 Hz, J =

4.1.4 2:1 per-O-methylated α -CD-C $_{60}$ conjugate 1a

To a solution of compound **7a** (126 mg, 0.043 mmol), CBr₄ (35 mg, 2.5 eq., 0.11 mmol), C_{60} (154 mg, 5 eq., 0.21 mmol) in dry PhMe (15 mL), DBU was added under argon. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 24h. The reaction mixture was directly chromatographed, eluting first with toluene to recover the excess of C_{60} , then cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1 to provide the product **1a** (14 mg, 9%) as a brown foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.2$ (Cyclohexane/Acetone = 1:3). $[\mathbf{a}]_{\mathbf{D}}^{\mathbf{D}0} = +123.5$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.02). $^{\mathbf{1}}\mathbf{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.25-1.45 (m, 16H, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₇, 4 × H₁₆), 1.48 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₁), 1.58 (m, 4H, 4 × H₈), 1.66 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₅), 1.84 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₈), 2.14 (t, 4H, 4 × H₁₄), 3.12-3.19 (m, 12H, 12 × H₂), 3.21 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₂), 3.39 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.65, 3.89 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.48 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.54 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.63 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.82 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.41-3.86 (m, 24H, 24 × H₆), 4.48 (t, 4H, J = 8 MHz, 4 × H₁₉), 5.04 (m, 12H, 12 × H₁), 5.65 (t, 2H, 2 × -NH-)ppm; 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.77, 25.89, 26.01, 28.58, 29.03, 29.42, 29.78, 29.89 (16C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇, 2 × C₁₈), 36.79 (2C, 2 × C₁₄), 39.62 (2C, 2 × C₁₂), 57.96, 57.99, 58.03 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.10, 59.15, 59.22 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.91, 61.92, 61.95 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 67.47 (2C, 2 × C₁₉), 69.53 (2C, 2 × C₇), 71.30, 71.36 (12C, 12 × C₃), 71.57, 71.63, 71.74 (14C, 12 × C₆, 2 × sp³-C₆₀), 71.78 (1C, 1 × C₂₁), 81.38, 81.43, 81.46, 82.29, 82.34, 82.41, 82.60 (36C, 12 × C₂, 12 × C₃), 12 × C₄), 100.10, 100.23, 100.27 (12C, 12 × C₁), 139.12, 141.10, 142.04, 142.34, 143.13, 143.18, 143.25, 144.03, 144.75, 144.78, 144.84, 145.04, 145.30, 145.34, 145.41, 145.47 (58C, 58 × sp²-C₆₀), 163.78 (2C, 2 × C₂₀), 173.00 (2C, 2 × C₁₃) ppm. **HRMS** (ESI): mz calcd for $C_{199}H_{256}N_{206$

4.1.5 6-azidoalkyl permethylated α -CD 5b

To a solution of 6^A -monol- α -CD^{Me} [23] (200mg, 0.17 mmol) in dry DMF (5 mL) was added NaH (20 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.50 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirred at room temperature for 2h, 12-azidododecyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (95 mg, 1.5 eq., 0.25 mmol) in dry DMF (1 mL) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 24h. CH₃OH was added dropwise to quench the reaction at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 ml). The combined organic

layers were washed with brine (3 × 15 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 1:1) to afford the product $\bf 5b$ (137 mg, 80%) as a white foam. $\bf R_f$ = 0.15 (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). $^{1}\bf H$ NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.21-1.36 (m, 16H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2 × H₁₂, 2 × H₁₃, 2 × H₁₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₁₆), 1.57 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₇, 2 × H₈), 3.13-1.16 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.23 (t, 2H, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 × H₁₈), 3.37 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.46, 3.47 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.55 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.62 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃), 3.68 (m, 1H, 1 × H_{7a}), 3.76 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 3.83 (m, 1H, 1 × H_{7b}), 3.39-3.86 (12H, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b}), 5.03 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁)ppm; 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 26.32, 26.82, 28.94, 29.25, 29.57, 29.64, 29.67, 29.69, 29.74, 29.82 (10C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₂, 1 × C₁₃, 1 × C₁₄, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇), 51.64 (1C, 1 × C₁₈), 57.94, 57.96, 57.98 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.05, 59.08, 59.12 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.89 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 69.62 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.31, 71.33 (6C, 6 × C₃), 71.54, 71.56, 71.60, 71.63 (6C, 6 × C₆), 81.37, 81.43, 82.32, 82.37, 82.53, 82.58 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.01, 100.19, 100.22, 100.26, 100.28 (6C, 6 × C₁)ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₆₅H₁₁₇N₃O₃₀ [M + Na]* 1442.7620, found 1442.7610 (mass accuracy of 0.7 ppm).

4.1.6 6-aminoalkyl permethylated α-CD 6b

To a solution of **5b** (40 mg, 0.028 mmol) in dry MeOH (2 mL) was added propane-1,3-dithiol (0.17 mL, 45 eq., 1.26 mmol) and dry triethylamine (0.17 mL, 44 eq., 1.23 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 7 days. The solvent was evaporated. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 30:1, then 5:1) to give the product **6b** (37 mg, 95%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.3$ (DCM/MeOH = 5:1). **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.20-1.36 (m, 16H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2 × H₁₂, 2 × H₁₃, 2 × H₁₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₁₆), 1.60 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 1.71 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₇), 2.94 (t, 2H, J = 7.7 Hz, 2 × H₁₈), 3.15 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.37, 3.38 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.47 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.55 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.62, 3.63 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.68 (m, 1H, 1 × H_{7a}), 3.76 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 3.84 (m, 1H, 1 × H_{7b}), 3.40-3.81 (12H, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b}), 5.03 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) δ 25.09 (1C, 1 × C₈), 27.89 (1C, 1 × C₁₇), 26.76, 29.25, 29.50, 29.56, 29.67, 29.79, 29.82, 29.95 (8C, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₂, 1 × C₁₃, 1 × C₁₄, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆), 40.21 (1C, 1 × C₁₈), 58.04, 58.06, 58.09 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.17, 59.19, 59.23 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.98, 62.00 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 69.72 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.41, 71.44 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.66, 71.71, 71.82 (6C, 6 × C₆), 81.48, 81.53, 82.35, 82.40, 82.44, 82.47, 82.60, 82.62, 82.66 (18C, 2 × C₂, 2 × C₃, 2 × C₄), 100.08, 100.28, 100.30, 100.35, 100.38 (6C, 6 × C₁)ppm. **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z calcd for C₆₅H₁₂₀NO₃₀ [M + H]⁺ 1394.7890, found 1394.7880 (mass accuracy of 0.7 ppm).

4.1.7 6-permethylated α-CD dimer 7b

To a solution of 12,12'-(malonylbis(oxy))diodecanoic acid (43 mg, 0.085 mmol) in dry DCM (4mL) was added EDC HCl (44 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.23 mmol) and HOBt (35 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.23 mmol). After the reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 2h, compound **6b** (215 mg, 2.2 eq., 0.15 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 48 h. After washed with H₂O (3 × 3 mL), brine (1 × 3 mL), dried over MgSO₄ and filtrated, the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 1.5:1) to give the product **7b** (123 mg, 49%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.3$ (Cyclohexane/Acetone = 1:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.50 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₇), 1.61 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₁), 1.62 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₉), 1.20-1.70 (m, 64H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₁, 4 × H₁₂, 4 × H₁₃, 4 × H₁₄, 4 × H₁₅, 4 × H₂₆, 4 × H₂₃, 4 × H₂₆, 4 × H₂₇, 4 × H₂₈), 2.14 (t, 4H, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 × H₂₀), 3.16 (m, 12H, 12 × H₂), 3.20 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₈), 3.35 (s, 2H, 2 × H₃₂), 3.38, 3.39 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.48 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.56 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃), 12 × H₄), 3.63, 3.64 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.69, 3.85 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.80 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.42-3.86 (m, 24H, 24 × H₆), 4.12 (t, 4H, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 × H₃₀), 5.04 (m, 12H, 12 × H₁), 5.47 (br, 2H, 2 × -NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.92, 25.96, 26.36, 27.09, 28.60, 29.32, 29.47, 29.49, 29.59, 29.64, 29.71, 29.75, 29.77, 29.81, 29.86 (38C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₂, 2 × C₁₃, 2 × C₁₄, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇, 2 × C₂₁, 2 × C₂₂, 2 × C₂₃, 2 × C₂₄, 2 × C₂₅, 2 × C₂₆, 2 × C₂₇, 2 × C₂₈, 2 × C₂₉), 37.08 (2C, 2 × C₂₀), 39.63 (2C, 2 × C₁₈), 41.85 (1C, 1 × C₃), 57.96, 57.98, 58.01 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.09, 59.12, 59.16 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.92 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 65.84 (2C, 2 × C₁₈), 49.80, 41.85 (1C, 1 × C₂), 71.34, 71.36 (12C, 12 × C₅), 71.57, 71.63, 71.72 (12C, 12 × C₆), 81.39, 81.45, 8

4.1.8 2:1 6-permethylated α-CD-C₆₀ conjugate 1b

To a solution of C_{60} (10 mg, 0.014 mmol) in 8 mL dry PhMe was added the solution of **7b** (44 mg, 1.0 eq., 0.014 mmol) in dry PhMe (2 mL) under Ar. I_2 (4 mg, 1.23 eq., 0.017 mmol) was added. DBU (4.5 μ L, 2.23 eq., 0.030 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture at 0 °C. After stirred for 2h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). After washed with brine (3 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: toluene, then cyclohexane/acetone 1.5:1) to give the product **1b** as a brown foam (27 mg, 53%). $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.4$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). $[\mathbf{q}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20}} = +91.6$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.025). HNMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.46 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₇), 1.61 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₁), 1.18-1.65 (m, m, 64H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₁, 4 × H₁₂, 4 × H₁₃, 4 × H₁₄, 4 × H₁₅, 4 × H₁₆, 4 × H₂₂, 4 × H₂₃, 4 × H₂₄, 4 × H₂₅, 4 × H₂₆, 4 × H₂₇, 4 × H₂₈), 1.82 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₉), 2.13 (t, 4H, J = 8 Hz, 4 × H₂₀), 3.15 (m, 12H, 12 × H₂), 3.20 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₈), 3.37, 3.38 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.27 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.62, 3.63 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.50-3.64 (24H, 12 × H₃), 12 × H₄), 3.76 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.69, 3.83 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.30-3.84 (m, 24H, 24 × H₆), 4.48 (t, 4H, J = 8.0 Hz, 4 × H₃₀), 5.01-5.05 (m, 12H, 12 × H₁), 5.48 (t, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz, 2 × -NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.96, 26.12, 26.35, 27.04, 27.09, 28.73, 29.35, 29.41, 29.46, 29.50, 29.53, 29.64, 29.68, 29.75, 29.77, 29.81, 29.86 (38C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₂, 2 × C₁₃, 2 × C₁₄, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇, 2 × C₂₁, 2 × C₂₂, 2 × C₂₃, 2 × C₂₄, 2 × C₂₅, 2 × C₂₆, 2 × C₂₉, 37.04 (2C, 2 × C₃₀), 67.61 (2C, 2 × C₁₈), 57.95, 57.97, 58.00 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.08, 59.11, 59.15 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.92, 67.59, 69.61 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 67.59 (2C, 2 × C₃₀), 67.61 (2C, 2 × C₇),

141.06, 142.03, 142.32, 143.10, 143.13, 143.99, 144.71, 144.80, 145.30, 145.37, 145.52 (58C, $58 \times \text{sp}^2\text{-}C_{60}$), 163.78 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{31}$), 173.09 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{19}$)ppm. **HRMS** (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{217}H_{280}\,N_2O_{66}\,[M+2Na]^{2+}$ 2007.9200, found 2007.9254 (z = 2, mass accuracy of -2.7 ppm).

4.1.9 2-azidoalkyl α-CD 8a

To a solution of 2^{A} , 3^{B} -diol-α-CD^{Me} [23] (238 mg, 0.20 mmol) in dry DMF, NaH (16 mg, 2.0 eq., 0.40 mmol) was added 0 °C under Ar. Then the reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 1 h. Then 6-azidohexyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (94 mg, 1.6 eq., 0.32 mmol) in dry DMF (1 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 6 h. CH₃OH was added dropwise to quench the reaction at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with H₂O (3 × 10 mL), brine (10 mL), dried with MgSO₄, filtrated and the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 4:1, then 3.5:1) to give the product 8a (168 mg, 64%) as a white foam. $R_f = 0.15$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 2:1). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.33 (m, 4H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.55 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.63 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 3.13 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂), 3.20 (m, 1H, 1 × H₂^B), 3.22 (t, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz, 2 × H₁₂), 3.27 (m, 1H, 1 × H₂^A), 3.37, 3.38 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.44, 3.45, 3.51 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.58, 3.60 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.44-3.62 (m, 11H, 5 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.58-3.89 (20H, 12 × H₆, 6 × H₅, 2 × H₇), 4.03 (t, 1H, $J_1 = 9.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 9.6$ Hz, 1 × H₃^B), 4.91 (d, 1H, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 × H₁^A), 4.98 (d, 1H, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 × H₁), 5.00 (m, 3H, 3 × H₁), 5.06 (d, 1H, J = 4.0 Hz, 1 × H₁^B)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.25, 26.36 (2C, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀), 28.74 (1C, 1 × C₁₁), 29.55 (1C, 1 × C₈), 51.34 (1C, 1 × C₁₂), 57.74, 57.78 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 57.94, 57.98 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 59.04, 59.08, 59.11, 59.14, 59.19 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 70.02, 71.15, 71.20, 71.30, 71.36, 71.59, 71.78 (7C, 6 × C₅, 1 × C₃^B), 71.17, 71.25, 71.43, 71.45, 71.67 (6C, 6 × C₆), 72.71 (1C, 1 × C₇), 81.01, 81.19, 81.27, 81.38, 82.24, 82.29, 82.32, 82.39, 82.45, 82.50, 82.57, 82.67, 82.91, 83.80 (17C, 6 × C₂, 5 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.12, 10

4.1.10 2-aminoalkyl permethylated α-CD 9a

To a solution of **8a** (249 mg, 0.19 mmol) in dry DMF (4 mL) was added NaH (23 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.57 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirred at r.t. for 2h, CH₃I (0.037 mL, 3.0 eq., 0.57 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. overnight. The excess NaH was quenched by MeOH. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL), washed with H₂O (1 × 5 mL), brine (3 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was used for further reaction without purification. Dry methanol (4 mL) dissolved the residue. Propane-1,3-dithiol (0.86 mL, 45 eq., 8.6 mmol) and dry triethylamine (0.86 mL, 34 eq., 6.4 mmol) were added at r.t. under N₂. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 7 days. The solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 30:1, then 3:1) to give the product **9a** (167 mg, 67%) as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.5 (DCM/MeOH = 3:1). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.35 (m, 4H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.51 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.62 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 2.72 (t, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 × H₁₂), 3.15 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.21 (dd, 1H, J₁ = 3.3 Hz, J₂ = 9.4 Hz, 1 × H₂), 3.38 (m, 20H, 2 × H₇, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.47, 3.48 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.54 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.60, 3.61, 3.62, 3.63 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.77 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 3.62-3.90 (m, 12H, 12 × H₆), 4.95 (d, 1H, J = 3.3 Hz, 1 × H₁), 5.03 (m, 5H, 5 × H₁)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.82, 26.79 (2C, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀), 30.11 (1C, 1 × C₈), 32.21 (1C, 1 × C₁₁), 41.51 (1C, 1 × C₁₂), 57.93, 57.99, 58.04, 58.22 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.04, 59.05, 59.09 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.73, 61.86, 61.91, 61.94, 62.28 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 70.68 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.23, 71.27, 71.30, 71.35 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.55, 71.59, 71.64, 71.68 (6C, 6 × C₆), 81.27, 81.31, 81.37, 81.40, 82.02, 82.30, 82.36, 82.42, 82.49, 82.57, 82.60, 82.67 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.17, 100.23, 100.38, 100.50, 100

4.1.11 2-permethylated α -CD dimer 10a

To a solution of 7,7'-(malonylbis(oxy))diheptanoic acid (14 mg, 0.038 mmol) in dry DCM (8 mL) was added EDC HCl (22 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.11 mmol) and HOBt (18 mg, 3 eq., 0.11 mmol). After stirring at r.t. for 2 h, compound **9a** (104 mg, 2.1 eq., 0.79 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 24 h. After washed with H_2O (3 × 3 mL), brine (1 × 3 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: EtOAc/MeOH 15:1, then 10:1) to give the product **10a** (74 mg, 66%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.1$ (Cyclohexane/Acetone = 1:1). **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ ¹H NMR (400M, CDCl₃, 300K) δ 1.30-1.42 (m, 20H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₆, 4 × H₁₇), 1.46 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₁), 1.62 (m, 8H, 4 × H₁₈, 4 × H₁₅), 2.14 (t, 4H, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 × H₁₄), 3.14 (m, 10H, 10 × H₂), 3.20 (m, 6H, 4 × H₁₂, 2 × H₂), 3.34 (s, 2H, 2 × H₂₁), 3.38 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.40 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.47, 3.48 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.53 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.60, 3.62, 3.63 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.77 (m, 12H, 12 × H₃), 3.61-3.92 (m, 24H, 24 × H₆), 4.12 (t, 4H, J = 6.7 Hz, 4 × H₁₉), 4.95 (d, 2H, J = 3.3 Hz, 2 × H₁), 5.03 (m, 10H, 10 × H₁), 5.70 (t, 2H, J = 5.0 Hz, 2 × -NH-) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 25.51, 25.55, 25.59, 26.73, 28.30, 28.80, 29.61, 29.97 (16C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇, 2 × C₁₈), 36.56 (2C, 2 × C₁₄), 39.41 (2C, 2 × C₁₂), 41.68 (1C, 1 × C21), 57.81, 57.85, 57.87, 58.12 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₂)), 58.93, 58.97 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.61, 61.72, 61.78, 61.81, 62.18 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 65.47 (2C, 2 × C₁₉), 70.55 (2C, 2 × C₇), 71.12, 71.15, 71.17, 71.23 (12C, 12 × C₅), 71.41, 71.48, 71.53 (12C, 12 × C₆), 81.25, 81.25, 81.25, 81.35, 81.39, 81.99, 82.28, 82.30, 82.36, 82.42, 82.50, 82.58, 82.59, 82.60, 82.64 (36C, 12 × C₂, 12 × C₃), 12 × C₄), 100.17, 100.24, 100.33, 100.53, 100.61 (12

4.1.12 2:1 2-permethylated α -CD-C₆₀ conjugate 2a

To a solution of compound 10a (90 mg, 0.031 mmol), CBr₄ (25 mg, 2.5 eq., 0.072 mmol), C_{60} (110 mg, 5.0 eq., 0.15 mmol) in dry PhMe (11 mL), DBU (0.011 mL, 2.5 eq., 0.072 mmol) was added under argon. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 24h. The reaction mixture was directly chromatographed, eluting first with

toluene to recover the excess of C_{60} , then cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1 to provide the product 2a (22 mg, 20%) as a brown foam. $R_f = 0.5$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:2). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.30-1.69 (m, 28H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₁, 4 × H₁₅, 4 × H₁₆, 4 × H₁₇), 1.84 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₈), 2.17 (t, 4H, J = 7.6 Hz, 4 × H₁₄), 3.14 (m, 10H, 10 × H₂), 3.20 (m, 6H, 2 × H₂, 4 × H₁₂), 3.39 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C_6)), 3.40 (m, 4H, 4 × H₇), 3.48, 3.49 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C_2)), 3.55 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.60, 3.62, 3.63, 3.64 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C_3)), 3.78 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.62-3.92 (m, 24H, 12 × H_{6a}, 12 × H_{6b}), 4.48 (t, 4H, J = 6.4 Hz, 4 × H₁₉), 4.96 (d, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz, 2 × H₁), 5.04 (m, 10H, 10 × H₁), 5.72 (t, 2H, J = 5.8 Hz, 2 × -NH-)ppm; 13 C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.77, 25.90, 26.93, 29.04, 29.83, 30.01, 30.14 (14C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇), 28.57 (2C, 2 × C₁₈), 36.76 (2C, 2 × C₁₄), 39.58 (2C, 2 × C₁₂), 57.96, 57.97, 58.02, 58.03, 58.28 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C_2)), 59.08, 59.12, 59.15 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C_6)), 61.77, 61.88, 61.94, 61.97, 62.34 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C_3)), 67.46 (2C, 2 × C₁₉), 70.69 (2C, 2 × C₇), 71.26, 71.29, 71.32, 71.37, 71.52 (12C, 12 × C₅), 71.55, 71.57, 71.63, 71.67, 71.69 (14C, 12 × C₆, 2 × sp³-C₆₀), 71.80 (1C, 1×C₂₁), 81.27, 81.32, 81.37, 81.41, 81.43, 81.45, 82.03, 82.31, 82.33, 82.39, 82.45, 82.53, 82.60, 82.62, 82.66, 82.68 (36C, 12 × C₂, 12 × C₃, 12 × C₄), 100.18, 100.20 100.26, 100.35, 100.55, 100.62 (12C, 12 × C₁), 139.12, 141.10, 142.03, 142.34, 143.13, 143.17, 143.24, 144.02, 144.75, 144.78, 144.83, 145.03, 145.30, 145.33, 145.41, 145.47 (58C, 58×sp²-C₆₀), 163.78 (2C, 2 × C₂₀), 172.87 (2C, 2 × C₁₃)ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{199}H_{236}N_2O_{66}$ [M + 2Na]²⁺ 1853.7478, found 1853.7538 ($z = 2^+$, mass accuracy of -3.2 ppm).

4.1.13 2-azidoalkyl α -CD 8b

To a solution of $2^A, 3^B$ -diol- α -CD^{Me} (252 mg, 0.21 mmol) [23] in dry DMF (5 mL), NaH (25 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.64 mmol) was added 0 °C under Ar. Then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. Then 12-azidododecyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (121 mg, 1.5 eq., 0.32 mmol) in dry DMF (1 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 h. CH₃OH was added dropwise to quench the reaction at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 20 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with H₂O (1 × 10 mL), brine (3 × 10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone = 4:1, then 3.5:1) to give the product **8b** (193 mg, 65%) as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.4 (cyclohexane/acetone = 5:4). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.21-1.40 (m, 16H, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2 × H₁₂, 2 × H₁₃, 2 × H₁₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₁₆), 1.58 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₇), 1.60 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 3.17 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂), 3.25 (m, 3H, 1 × H₂^B, 2 × H₁₈), 3.30 (m, 1H, 1 × H₂), 3.40, 3.41 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.48, 3.49, 3.54 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.56 (11H, 5 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.62, 3.63, 3.64 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.79 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 3.65-3.90 (m, 14H, 2 × H₇, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b}), 4.07 (t, 1H, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 × H₃^B), 4.97 (d, 1H, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 × H₁), 5.05 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁), 5.10 (d, 1H, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 × H₁)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.69, 26.93, 28.85, 29.15, 29.31, 29.45, 29.48, 29.51, 29.56, 29.58, 29.73 (10C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₂, 1 × C₁₃, 1 × C₁₄, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇), 51.49 (1C, 1 × C₁₈), 57.67, 57.72, 57.87, 57.91 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 58.98, 59.02, 59.04, 59.07, 59.13 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆), 61.81, 61.87, 61.96 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 70.07, 71.19, 71.25, 71.31, 71.63, 71.80 (7C, 6 × C₅, 1 × C₇), 71.40 (1C, 1 × C₃^B), 71.22, 71.34, 71.48, 71.71, 73.05 (6C, 6 × C₆)

4.1.14 2-aminoalkyl α-CD 9b

To a solution of **8b** (163 mg, 0.12 mmol) in dry DMF (4 mL) was added NaH (14 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.35 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirred at r.t. for 2h, CH₃I (0.015 mL, 0.23 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. overnight. The excess NaH was quenched by MeOH. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL), washed with H₂O (1 × 5mL), brine (3 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was used for further reaction without purification. Dry methanol (7 mL) dissolved the residue. Propane-1,3-dithiol (0.73 mL, 45.0 eq., 5.4 mmol) and dry NEt₃ (0.75 mL, 45.0 eq., 5.4 mmol) were added at r.t. under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 7 days. The solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 30:1, then 5:1) to give the product **9b** (166 mg) quantitatively as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.5 (DCM/MeOH = 3:1). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.20-1.40 (m, 18H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2 × H₁₂, 2 × H₁₃, 2 × H₁₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₁₆), 1.44 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₇), 2.70 (t, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 × H₁₈), 3.16 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.22 (dd, 1H, J₁ = 3.3 Hz, J₂ = 9.7 Hz, 1 × H₂), 3.39 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.40 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.48, 3.49 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.55 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, × H₄), 3.62, 3.63, 3.64, 3.66 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.78 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 3.65-3.91 (m, 12H, 6 × H₆₈, 6 × H₆₈), 4.97 (d, 1H, J₁ = 3.0 Hz, 1 × H₁), 5.05 (m, 5H, 5 × H₁)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 26.12, 27.02, 29.62, 29.68, 29.81, 30.25 (10C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₂, 1 × C₁₃, 1 × C₁₄, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇), 42.17 (1C, 1 × C₁₈), 57.97, 58.03, 58.08, 58.25 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.10, 59.14 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.76, 61.91, 61.96, 61.99, 62.33 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 70.96 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.16, 71.24, 71.33, 71.40 (6C, 6 × C₃), 71.52, 71.58, 71.62, 71.68, 71.73 (6C, 6 × C₆),

4.1.15 2-permethylated α -CD dimer 10b

To a solution of 12,12'-(malonylbis(oxy))didodecanoic acid (23 mg, 0.045 mmol) in dry DCM (5mL) was added EDC HCl (26 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.14 mmol) and HOBt (21 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.14 mmol). After the reaction mixture was stirred for 2h at r.t., compound **9b** (126 mg, 2 eq., 0.090 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. After washed with H₂O (3 × 3 mL), brine (3 mL), dried over MgSO₄, the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 1:1) to give the product **10b** (50 mg, 34%) as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.2 (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.20-1.35 (m, 64H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₁, 4 × H₁₂, 4 × H₁₃, 4 × H₁₄, 4 × H₁₅, 4 × H₁₆, 4 × H₂₂, 4 × H₂₃, 4 × H₂₄, 4 × H₂₅, 4 × H₂₆, 4 × H₂₇, 4 × H₂₈), 1.45 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₇), 1.61 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₁), 1.64 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₉), 2.13 (t, 4H, J = 7.5 Hz, 4 × H₂₀), 3.15 (m, 10H, 10 × H₂), 3.21 (m, 6H, 4 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂), 3.34 (s, 2H, 2 × H₃₂),

3.38 (m, 36H, $12 \times \text{OCH}_3(C_6)$), 3.39 (m, 4H, $4 \times \text{H}_7$), 3.47, 3.48 (m, 30H, $10 \times \text{OCH}_3(C_2)$), 3.54 (m, 24H, $12 \times \text{H}_3$), 1.60, 3.62, 3.64 (m, 36H, $12 \times \text{OCH}_3(C_3)$), 3.77 (m, 12H, $12 \times \text{H}_3$), 3.62-3.90 (m, 24H, $12 \times \text{H}_{6a}$, $12 \times \text{H}_{6b}$), 4.11 (t, 4H, J = 6.6 Hz, $4 \times \text{H}_{30}$), 4.96 (d, 2H, J = 3.4 Hz, $2 \times \text{H}_1$), 5.03 (m, 10H, $10 \times \text{H}_1$), 5.48 (t, 2H, J = 6.4 Hz, $2 \times \text{-NH}$ -)ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 25.90, 25.95, 26.08, 27.07, 28.57, 29.31, 29.39, 29.45, 29.48, 29.58, 29.62, 29.66, 29.69, 29.72, 29.74, 29.79, 29.83, 30.20 (38C, $2 \times \text{C}_8$, $2 \times \text{C}_9$, $2 \times \text{C}_{10}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{11}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{12}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{13}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{14}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{15}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{16}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{17}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{21}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{22}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{23}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{24}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{25}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{26}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{27}$, $2 \times \text{C}_{29}$), 37.03 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{20}$), 39.64 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{18}$), 41.84 (1C, $1 \times \text{C}_{32}$), 57.92, 57.97, 58.01, 58.20 (10C, $10 \times \text{OCH}_3(\text{C}_2)$), 59.07, 59.11 (12C, $12 \times \text{OCH}_3(\text{C}_6)$), 61.73, 61.88, 61.93, 61.96, 62.31 (12C, $12 \times \text{OCH}_3(\text{C}_3)$), 65.76 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{30}$), 70.88 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_7$), 71.21, 71.27, 71.35 (12C, $12 \times \text{C}_5$), 71.53, 71.58, 71.62, 71.68 (12C, $12 \times \text{C}_6$), 81.23, 81.28, 81.33, 81.38, 82.00, 82.28, 82.34, 82.39, 82.49, 82.58, 82.62, 82.66 (36C, $12 \times \text{C}_2$), $12 \times \text{C}_3$, $12 \times \text{C}_4$), 100.16, 100.22, 100.37, 100.49, 100.64 (12C, $12 \times \text{C}_1$), 166.81 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{31}$), 173.12 (2C, $2 \times \text{C}_{19}$)ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{157}\text{H}_{282}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{66}$ [M + 2Na]²⁺ 1648.9284, found 1648.9270 (mass accuracy of $10 \times \text{D}_7$).

4.1.16 2:1 2-permethylated α-CD-C₆₀ conjugate 2b

To a solution of C_{60} (11 mg, 0.015 mmol), **10b** (50 mg, 1.0 eq., 0.015 mmol) and I_2 (5 mg, 1.23 eq., 0.02 mmol) in 11 mL dry toluene was added DBU (5.2 µL, 2.23 eq., 0.035 mmol) at 0 °C under Ar. After stirred for 1.5 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: toluene, then cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1) to give the product **2b** as a brown foam (17 mg, 29%). $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.3$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). $^{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{H}$ **NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.20-1.54 (m, 68H, 4 × H₈, 4 × H₉, 4 × H₁₀, 4 × H₁₁, 4 × H₁₂, 4 × H₁₃, 4 × H₁₄, 4 × H₁₅, 4 × H₁₆, 4 × H₁₇, 4 × H₂₂, 4 × H₂₃, 4 × H₂₅, 4 × H₂₆, 4 × H₂₇, 4 × H₂₈), 1.62 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₁), 1.83 (m, 4H, 4 × H₂₉), 2.14 (t, 4H, 4 × H₂₀), 3.06-3.21 (m, 16H, 12 × H₂, 4 × H₁₈), 3.33 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.42, 3.43 (m, 30H, 10 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.50 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.55, 3.57, 3.58 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.72 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.37-3.85 (m, 28H, 12 × H_{6a}, 12 × H_{6b}, 4 × H₇), 4.49 (t, 4H, J = 6.5 Hz, 4 × H₃₀), 4.96 (d, 2H, 2 × H₁), 5.06 (m, 10H, 10 × H₁), 5.47 (br, 2H, 2 × -NH-)ppm; $^{\mathbf{13}}\mathbf{C}$ **NMR** (150 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 28.89 (2C, 2 × C₂₉), 26.10, 26.27 27.25, 29.49, 29.61, 29.65, 29.77, 29.82, 29.84, 29.95, 30.02 (36C, 2 × C₈, 2 × C₉, 2 × C₁₀, 2 × C₁₁, 2 × C₁₂, 2 × C₁₃, 2 × C₁₄, 2 × C₁₅, 2 × C₁₆, 2 × C₁₇, 2 × C₂₁, 2 × C₂₂, 2 × C₂₃, 2 × C₂₄, 2 × C₂₅, 2 × C₂₆, 2 × C₂₇, 2 × C₂₈), 37.20 (2C, 2 × C₂₀), 39.78 (2C, 2 × C₁₈), 58.10, 58.16, 58.22, 58.38 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.16, 59.20, 59.23 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.84, 61.97, 62.02, 62.05, 62.39 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 67.73 (2C, 2 × C₃₀), 71.10, 71.14, 71.40, 71.46, 71.48, 71.49, 71.53, 71.57, 71.73, 71.77, 71.83, 71.89, 72.04 (29C, 12 × C₅, 12 × C₆, 2 × C₇, 2 × sp³-C₆₀, 14 × C₃₂), 81.47, 81.49, 81.60, 81.64, 82.24, 82.50, 82.52, 82.56, 82.62, 82.66, 82.67, 82.68, 82.70, 82.74, 82.75, 82.79, 82.84 (36C, 12 × C

4.1.17 2-azidoalkyl α -CD 8c

To a solution of $2^A, 3^B$ -diol- α -CD^{Me} (92 mg, 0.079 mmol) [23] in dry DMF (3 mL) was added NaH (10 mg, 3 eq., 0.24 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirred at r.t. for 2h, 2-(2-azidoethoxy)ethyl 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (33 mg, 1.5 eq., 0.12 mmol) in dry DMF (1 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 6h. MeOH was added dropwise to quench the reaction. The reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL), washed with H₂O (1 × 5 mL), brine (3 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (cyclohexane/acetone 2.5:1) to give the product **8c** (51 mg, 49%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.3$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). $^{\mathbf{I}}\mathbf{H}$ **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 3.14 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.20 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 3.1$ Hz, $J_2 = 10$ Hz, $1 \times H_2^B$), 3.38 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₀), 3.37, 3.38 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.40, 3.54 (m, 11H, 5 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.45, 3.46, 3.50 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.59, 3.60, 3.61, 3.62 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.58-4.0 (m, 18H, 2 × H₇, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b}), 3.77 (m, 6H, 6 × H₅), 4.04 (t, 1H, J = 9.6 Hz, I × H₃^B), 5.01 (m, 5H, 5 × H₁), 5.07 (d, 1H, J = 3.3 Hz, I × H₁^B)ppm; I C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 50.59 (1C, I × C₁₀), 57.82, 57.84, 57.94, 57.96 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.05, 59.09, 59.13, 59.17 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.89, 61.94, 61.98 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₃)), 69.95 (1C, I × C₈), 70.59 (1C, I × C₇), 71.34, 71.44, 71.48, 71.54, 71.72, 71.77 (7C, 6 × C₆, I × C₉), 70.16, 71.26, 71.30, 71.39, 71.46, 71.84 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.80 (1C, I × C₈), 81.07, 81.24, 81.30, 81.40, 82.24, 82.27, 82.35, 82.44, 82.46, 82.58, 82.66, 82.68, 82.84, 83.75 (17C, 6 × C₂, 5 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.05, 100.15, 100.20, 100.36, 100.42, 101.47 (6C, 6 × C₁)ppm. **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z calcd for C₅₆H₉₉N₃O₃₁ [M + Na]* 1332.6155, found 1332.6137 (mass accuracy of 1.3 ppm).

4.1.18 2-aminoalkyl permethylated α -CD 9c

To a solution of **8c** (185 mg, 0.14 mmol) in dry DMF (7 mL) was added NaH (17 mg, 3 eq., 0.42 mmol). After stirred for 2h, CH₃I (0.018 mL, 2 eq., 0.28 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. overnight. The excess NaH was quenched by MeOH. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), washed with H₂O (1 × 5mL), brine (3 × 10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was used for further reaction without purification. Dry methanol (9 mL) dissolved the residue. Propane-1,3-dithiol (0.85 mL, 45 eq., 6.3 mmol) and dry triethylamine (0.88 mL, 44 eq., 6.3 mmol) were added at room temperature under N₂. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 7 days. The solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 30:1, then 3:1) to give the product **9c** (165 mg, 91%) as a white foam. **R**_f = 0.2 (DCM/MeOH = 5:1). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 2.86 (t, 2H, J = 5.3 Hz, 2 × H₁₀), 3.14 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.29 (m, 1H, 1 × H₂^A), 3.38 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.52 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.53 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.62, 3.63 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.47 (m, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.67 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.77 (m, 6H, 6 × H₃), 3.86 (m, 2H, 2 × H₈), 3.62-3.90 (m, 12H, 6 × H_{6a}, 6 × H_{6b}), 4.99 (d, 1H, J = 3.0 Hz, 1 × H₁^A), 5.03 (m, 5H, 5 × H₁)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100M, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 41.87 (1C, 1 × C₁₀), 57.94, 57.99, 58.03, 58.15 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.06, 59.10 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.72, 61.86, 61.91, 61.94, 62.14 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 69.96 (1C, 1 × C₈), 70.69 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.29, 71.35 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.49, 71.52, 71.60, 71.70 (6C, 6 × C₆), 72.69 (1C, 1 × C₉), 81.34, 81.38, 81.41, 81.47, 81.72, 82.08, 82.32, 82.36, 82.42, 82.52, 82.58, 82.63, 82.66 (18C, 6 × C₅), 71.49, 71.52, 71.60, 71.70 (6C, 6 × C₆), 72.69 (1C, 1 × C₉), 81.34, 81.38, 81.41, 81.47, 81.72, 82.08, 82.32, 82.36, 82.42, 82.52, 82.58, 82.63, 82.66 (18C, 6 ×

 $6 \times C_3$, $6 \times C_4$), 100.19, 100.25, 100.37, 100.45, 100.68 (6C, $6 \times C_1$)ppm. **HRMS (ESI)**: m/z calcd for $C_{57}H_{104}NO_{31}$ [M + H]⁺ 1298.6587, found 1298.6595 (mass accuracy of -0.7 ppm).

4.1.19 2-permethylated α-CD dimer 10c

To a solution of 8,10-dioxo-4,7,1,14-tetraoxaheptadecanedioic acid (17 mg, 0.05 mmol) in dry DCM (5 mL) was added EDC HCl (29 mg, 3 eq., 0.15 mmol) and HOBt (23 mg, 3.0 eq., 0.15 mmol). After stirred at r.t. for 2h, compound 9c (129 mg, 2 eq., 0.1 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. overnight, then diluted with DCM (20 mL), washed with H_2O (5 × 3 mL), brine (5 × 1 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (DCM/ MeOH 15:1) to afford the product 10c (95 mg, 67%) as a white foam. $R_f = 0.3$ (DCM/MeOH = 10:1). 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 2.46 (t, 4H, J = 5.9 Hz, 4 × H₁₂), 3.13 (m, 10H, 10 × H₂), 3.29 (m, 2H, 2 × H₂^A), 3.37 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.42 (s, 2H, 2 × H₁₇), 3.46 (m, 32H, 10 × OCH₃(C₂), 2 × H_{10b}), 3.54 (m, 24H, 12 × H₃, 12 × H₄), 3.37 (m, 2H, 2 × H_{10b}), 3.60, 3.61, 3.62 (m, 36H, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.65 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₄), 3.73 (m, 4H, 4 × H₁₃), 3.76 (m, 12H, 12 × H₅), 3.82 (m, 4H, 4 × H₈), 3.52 (m, 4H, 4 × H₉), 3.48, 3.90 (m, 28H, 12 × H_{6a}, 12 × H_{6b}, 4 × H₇), 4.25 (t, 4H, J = 5.0 Hz, 4 × H₁₅), 4.97 (d, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz, 2 × H₁^A), 5.02 (m, 10H, 10 × H₁), 6.53 (t, 2H, J = 5.4 Hz, 2 × -NH-)ppm; 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 36.92 (2C, 2 × C₁₂), 39.42 (2C, 2 × C₁₀), 41.32 (1C, 1 × C₁₇), 57.90, 57.92, 57.99, 58.28 (10C, 10 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.00, 59.07, 59.09 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.72, 61.82, 61.85, 61.88, 61.90, 62.09 (12C, 12 × OCH₃(C₃)), 64.53 (2C, 2 × C₁₅), 68.77 (2C, 2 × C₁₄), 67.45 (2C, 2 × C₁₃), 69.75 (2C, 2 × C₈), 69.87 (2C, 2 × C₉), 71.23, 71.26, 71.32, 71.34, 71.44 (12C, 12 × C₃), 71.48, 71.51, 71.55, 71.62 (12C, 12 × C₆), 70.63 (2C, 2 × C₇), 81.27, 81.33, 81.36, 81.40, 81.45, 81.53, 81.61, 82.07, 82.27, 82.30, 82.33, 82.40, 82.49, 82.57, 82.62 (36C, 12 × C₂, 12 × C₃, 12 × C₄), 100.15, 100.22, 100.24, 100.52, 100.57 (12C, 12 × C₁), 166.45 (2C, 2 × C₁₆), 171.03 (2C, 2 × C₁₁)ppm. HR

4.1.20 2:1 2-permethylated α -CD-C₆₀ conjugate 2c

To a solution of C_{60} (15 mg, 0.020 mmol), 10c (59 mg, 1 eq., 0.020 mmol) and I_2 (6 mg, 1.23 eq., 0.025 mmol) in 14 mL dry toluene was added DBU (6.8 µL, 2.23 eq., 0.045 mmol) at 0 °C under argon. After stirred at r.t. for 1.5h, the reaction mixture was subjected to flash chromatography (eluent: PhMe, then DCM/MeOH 17:1) to give the product 2c as a brown foam (28 mg, 39%). $R_f = 0.4$ (DCM/MeOH = 10:1). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +40.8$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.012). 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 2.47 (t, 4H, J = 6.0 Hz, $4 \times H_{12}$), 3.16 (m, 10H, $10 \times H_2$), 3.30 (m, 2H, $2 \times H_2^A$), 3.38 (m, 36H, $12 \times OCH_3(C_6)$), 3.41 (m, 2H, $2 \times H_{10a}$), 3.47, 3.48 (m, 30H, $10 \times OCH_3(C_2)$), 3.48 (m, 2H, $2 \times H_{10b}$), 3.54 (m, 24H, $12 \times H_3$, $12 \times H_4$), 3.55 (m, 4H, $4 \times H_9$), 3.61, 3.62, 3.63 (36H, $12 \times OCH_3(C_3)$), 3.77 (m, 12H, $12 \times H_9$), 3.82 (m, 4H, $4 \times H_{13}$), 3.84 (m, 4H, $4 \times H_{14}$), 3.60-3.93 (m, 32H, $12 \times H_{6b}$, $4 \times H_7$, $4 \times H_8$), 4.62 (t, 4H, J = 5.0 Hz, $4 \times H_{15}$), 4.98 (d, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz, $2 \times H_1^A$), 5.04 (m, 10H, $10 \times OCH_3(C_2)$), 59.06, 59.11, 59.15 (12C, $12 \times OCH_3(C_6)$), 61.77, 61.87, 61.91, 61.92, 61.95, 62.15 (12C, $12 \times OCH_3(C_3)$), 66.22 (2C, $2 \times C_{15}$), 67.56 (2C, $2 \times C_{13}$), 68.70 (2C, $2 \times C_{14}$), 69.88 (2C, $2 \times C_9$), 70.64 (2C, $2 \times C_7$), 71.27, 71.30, 71.37, 71.48, 71.55, 71.57, 71.59, 71.65, 71.65 (29C, $2 \times C_8$, $1 \times C_{17}$, $2 \times sp^3$ - C_{60} , 12 × C_5 , 12 × C_6), 81.30, 81.36, 81.40, 81.44, 81.46, 81.53, 81.71, 82.12, 82.34, 82.44, 82.53, 82.62 (36C, $12 \times C_2$, $12 \times C_3$, $12 \times C_4$), 100.19, 100.26, 100.55, 100.61 (12C, $12 \times C_{16}$) ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for $C_{187}H_{220}N_2O_{70}$ [M + Na]* 3638.3675, found 3638.3726 (mass accuracy of -1.4 ppm).

4.1.21 6-alkyl α-CD 11a

To a solution of 7,7'-(malonylbis(oxy))diheptanoic acid (42 mg, 0.12 mmol) in dry DCM (7 mL) was added EDC HCl (22 mg, 1.0 eq., 0.12 mmol) and HOBt (18 mg, 1.0 eq., 0.12 mmol). After stirred at r.t. for 1h, **6a** (50 mg, 0.33 eq., 0.038 mmol) was added. After stirred at r.t. overnight, the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 mL by DCM, washed with water (2 × 5 mL), brine (1 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 15:1). The product **11a** (41 mg, 65%) was obtained as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.3$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1 :1). **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.25-1.35 (m, 6H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.37 (m, 8H, 2 × H₁₇, 2 × H₂₅, 2 × H₁₆, 2 × H₂₆), 1.50 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.66 (m, 8H, 2 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₂₇), 2.17 (t, 2H, J = 7.26 Hz, 2 × H₁₄), 2.31 (t, 2H, J = 7.26 Hz, 2 × H₂₈), 3.16 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.22 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₂), 3.36 (s, 2H, 2 × H₂₁), 3.38, 3.39 (5 × s, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.48 (m, 20H, 2 × H₇, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.49-3.61 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.63, 3.64 (m, 19H, 1 × H_{6a}^A, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.66-3.87 (m, 6 × H₅, 10 × H₆), 3.89 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 3.12$ Hz, $J_2 = 10.66$ Hz, 1 × H_{6b}^A), 4.13 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₉, 2 × H₂₉), 5.03 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁), 5.65 (t, J = 5.10 Hz, 1 × -NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 24.85, 25.57, 25.69, 25.71, 25.96, 26.89, 28.39, 28.45, 28.69, 28.95, 29.69 (12C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇, 1 × C₁₈, 1 × C₂₄, 1 × C₂₅, 1 × C₂₆, 1 × C₂₇), 34.00 ((1C, 1 × C₂₈), 36.75 ((1C, 1 × C₁₄), 39.66 (1C, 1 × C₁₂), 41.99 (1C, 1 × C₂₁), 57.97, 58.00, 58.03 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.04, 59.12, 59.18 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.89, 61.92, 61.95 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 65.55, 65.65 (2C, 1 × C₁₉, 1 × C₂₃), 69.53 (1C, 1 × C₆^A), 71.31, 71.36 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.50 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.60, 71.70 (5C, 5 × C₆), 81.40, 81.48, 81.50, 82.25, 82.33, 82.35,

4.1.22 6-alkyl α-CD 12a

To a solution of **11a** (64 mg, 0.039 mmol) in dry DMF (3 mL) was added K_2CO_3 (11mg, 2 eq., 0.078 mmol) and CH_3I (3 μ L, 1.3 eq., 0.05 mmol). After stirred at r.t. overnight, the reaction mixture was diluted with DCM (20 mL), washed with water (1 × 5 mL), brine (3 × 5 mL), dried with MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 2:1) to give the product **12a** (42 mg, 65%) as a white foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.5$ (cyclohexane: acetone = 1: 1.2). **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.32 (m, 12H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₆, 2 × H₂₅, 2 × H₁₇, 2 × H₂₆), 1.46 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.61 (m, 8H, 2 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₂₇), 2.11 (t, J = 7.36 Hz, 2 × H₁₄), 2.28 (t, J = 7.36 Hz, 2 × H₂₈), 3.13 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.19 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₂), 3.33 (s, 2H, 2 × H₂₁), 3.35, 3.36 (5 × s, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.43 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₇), 3.46 (6 × s, 18H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.47-3.60 (m, 12H, 6 × H₂, 6 × H₃), 3.61 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.63 (s, 3H, 3 × H₃₀), 3.64-3.85 (m, 17H, 1 × H_{6a}^A, 6 × H₅, 10 × H₆), 3.87 (dd, 1H, 1 × H_{6b}^A), 4.09 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₉, 2 × H₂₉), 5.02 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁), 5.56 (t, 1H, J = 5.83 Hz, 1 × NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 24.84, 25.54, 25.56, 25.59, 25.92, 26.99, 28.38, 28.76, 28.83, 29.68, 29.75 (12C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇, 1 × C₁₈, 1 × C₂₆, 1 × C₂₅, 1 × C₂₆, 1 × C₂₇), 34.06 (1C, 1 × C₂₈), 36.66 (1C, 1 × C₁₄), 39.49 (1C, 1 × C₁₂), 41.73 (1C, 1 × C₂₁), 51.59 (1C, 1 × C₃₀), 57.90, 57.92, 57.95 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.01, 59.07, 59.13 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.84, 61.86, 61.90 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 65.35, 65.38 (2C, 1 × C₁₉, 6 × C₂₃), 69.7 (1C, 1 × C₆^A), 71.25, 71.30 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.48, 71.55, 71.64 (6C, 5 × C₆, 1 × C₇), 81.32, 81.37, 81.40, 82.23, 82.28, 82.34, 82.36, 82.53, 82.57 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.02, 100.15, 100.20, 100.25, 100.31 (6C, 6 × C₁), 17

4.1.23 α-CD^{Me}-C₆₀ conjugate 3

To a solution of **12a** (42 mg, 0.025 mmol), C_{60} (91 mg, 5 eq., 0.13 mmol), C_{Br4} (21 mg, 2.5 eq., 0.65 mmol) in dry toluene (8 mL) was added DBU (9.4 μ L). The brown reaction mixture was stirred overnight, which was subjected to silica chromatography directly (eluent: toluene to remove the excess of C_{60} , then cyclohexane/acetone 2.5:1). The product **3** was obtained (9 mg, 15%) as a foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.5$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1:1). $[\mathbf{a}]_{\mathbf{D}}^{\mathbf{D}0} = +56.3$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.024). $^{\mathbf{L}}$ **H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.32-1.42 (m, 6H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀), 1.43 (m, 8H, 2 × H₁₆, 2 × H₂₆, 2 × H₁₇, 2 × H₂₅), 1.46 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₁), 1.66 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₂₇), 1.85 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂₄), 2.14 (t, 2H, J = 8.01 Hz, 2 × H₁₄), 2.32 (t, 2H, J = 7.72 Hz, 2 × H₂₈), 3.16 (m, 6H, 6 × H₂), 3.23 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₂), 3.38, 3.39, 3.40 (5 × s, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.48 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.49 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.51-3.61 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 2 × H₄), 3.64, 3.65 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.66 (m, 1H, 1 × H_{6a}), 3.67 (s, 3H, 3 × H₃₀), 3.62-3.87 (m, 6 × OCH₃(C₃), 6 × H₅, 10 × H₆), 3.90 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 3.60$ Hz, $J_2 = 11.39$ Hz, 1 × H_{6b}), 4.49 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₉, 2 × H₂₃), 5.05 (m, 6H, 6 × H₁), 5.51 (t, 1H, J = 5.34 Hz, 1 × -NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 24.98, 25.73, 25.85, 26.01, 27.01, 28.86, 28.99, 29.84, 29.90 (10C, 1 × C₈, 1 × C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1 × C₁₁, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₂₅, 1 × C₂₅, 1 × C₂₆, 1 × C₂₇), 28.57 (2C, 1 × C₁₈, 1 × C₂₄), 34.17 (1C, 1 × C₂₈), 36.85 (1C, 1 × C₁₄), 39.67 (1C, 1 × C₂₃), 69.61 (1C, 1 × C₆), 71.32, 71.33, 71.38, 71.57, 71.62, 71.72, 71.73, 71.81 (16C, 6 × C₅, 5 × C₆, 1 × C₂₁, 2 × sp³-C₆₀, 1 × C₇), 81.39, 81.40, 81.45, 81.47, 82.31, 82.35, 82.44, 82.49, 82.62, 82.65 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6 × C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.10, 100.24, 100.28, 100.34, 100.40 (6C, 6 × C₁), 139.10, 139.14, 141.10, 141.13, 142.04, 142.35, 143.14, 143.18

4.1.24 2-alkyl α-CD 13a

To a solution of 7,7'-(malonylbis(oxy))diheptanoic acid (77 mg, 0.21 mmol) in dry DCM (6 mL) was added EDC HCl (41 mg, 1 eq., 0.21 mmol) and HOBt (33 mg, 1 eq., 0.21 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 2h and 9a (140 mg, 0.5 eq., 0.11 mmol) was added. After stirred overnight at r.t., the reaction mixture was diluted with DCM (20 mL), washed with water (2 × 7 mL), brine (1 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: DCM/MeOH 9 :1) to give the product 13a (106 mg, 60%) as a white foam. $R_f = 0.2$ (DCM/MeOH = 6 :1). 1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 1.29-1.40 (m, 16H, 2 × H₈, 2 × H₉, 2 × H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2 × H₁₆, 2 × H₁₇, 2 × H₂₅, 2 × H₂₆), 1.62 (m, 2H, 2 × H₁₅), 1.64 (m, 6H, 2 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂₄, 2 × H₂₇), 2.17 (t, 2H, J = 7.22 Hz, 2 × H₁₄), 2.31 (t, 2H, J = 7.22 Hz, 2 × H₂₈), 3.12-3.18 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.22 (m, 3H, 1 × H₂^A, 2 × H₁₂), 3.35 (s, 2H, 2 × H₂₁), 3.39 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.41 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.48 (m, 15H, 5 OCH₃(C₂)), 3.49-3.60 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.61, 3.63, 3.64 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.65-3.86 (m, 17H, 6 × H₅, 11 × H₆), 3.91 (dd, 1H, $J_1 = 10.88$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.81$ Hz, $J_3 = 3.81$ Hz, J

4.1.25 **2-alkyl α-CD 14a**

To a solution of 13a (55 mg, 0.03 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (9 mg, 2 eq., 0.06 mmol) in dry DMF (2 mL) was added MeI (3 μ L, 1.5 eq., 0.045 mmol) at r.t.. After stirred overnight, the reaction mixture was extracted with DCM (20 mL), washed with brine (5 × 5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (eluent: cyclohexane/acetone 1.5:1) to give the product 14a (45 mg, 81%) as a white foam. $R_f = 0.5$ (DCM: MeOH = 8:1). 1 H

NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 1.29 – 1.54 (m, 16H, 2 × H₈, 2× H₉, 2× H₁₀, 2 × H₁₁, 2× H₁₆, 2× H₁₇, 2× H₂₅, 2× H₂₆), 1.62 (m, 8H, 2 × H₁₈, 2 × H₂₄, 2 × H₁₅, 2 × H₂₇), 2.12 (t, 2H, J = 7.78 Hz, 2 × H₁₄), 2.28 (t, 2H, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 × H₂₈), 3.13 (m, 5H, 5 × H₂), 3.19 (m, 1H, 1 × H₂^A), 3.20 (m, 2H, 2× H₁₂), 3.33 (s, 2H, 2× H₂₁), 3.37 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 3.39 (m, 2H, 2 × H₇), 3.46, 3.47 (5 × s, 15H, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 3.48-3.59 (m, 12H, 6 × H₃, 6 × H₄), 3.59-3.63 (m, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 3.64 (s, 3H, 3 × H₃₀), 3.65-3.85 (m, 17H, 6 × H₅, 11× H₆), 3.89 (dd, 1H, J₁ = 3.54 Hz, J₂ = 10.64 Hz, 1 × H₆), 4.09 (m, 4H, 2 × H₁₉, 2 × H₂₃), 4.94 (d, 1H, J = 2.92 Hz, 1 × H₁^A), 5.02 (m, 5H, 5 × H₁), 5.61 (t, 1H, J = 6.01 Hz, 1 × -NH-)ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ 24.85, 25.57, 25.62, 25.69, 26.83, 28.36, 28.39, 28.77, 28.86 (12C, 1 × C₈, 1× C₉, 1 × C₁₀, 1× C₁₁, 1 × C₁₅, 1 × C₁₆, 1 × C₁₇, 1 × C₁₈, 1 × C₂₄, 1 × C₂₅, 1 × C₂₆, 1 × C₂₇), 34.06 (1C, 1× C₂₈), 36.69 (1C, 1× C₁₄), 39.49 (1C, 1× C₁₂), 41.73 (1C, 1× C₂₁), 51.61 (1C, 1× C₃₀), 57.90, 57.96, 58.21 (5C, 5 × OCH₃(C₂)), 59.01, 59.06 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₆)), 61.71, 61.82, 61.88, 61.91, 62.27 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(C₃)), 65.48 (2C, 1 × C₁₉, 1× C₂₃), 70.65 (1C, 1 × C₇), 71.21, 71.24, 71.27, 71.33 (6C, 6 × C₅), 71.51, 71.57, 71.61 (6C, 6 × C₆), 81.22, 81.26, 81.32, 81.37, 81.41, 81.97, 82.25, 82.28, 82.33, 82.39, 82.47, 82.54, 82.56, 82.61 (18C, 6 × C₂, 6× C₃, 6 × C₄), 100.13, 100.20, 100.30, 100.49, 100.57 (6C, 6 × C₁), 170.22, 170.31 (2C, 1 × C₂₀), 172.86 (1C, 1 × C₂₉), 174.16 (1C, 1 × C₁₃)ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₇₇H₁₃₅NO₃₇ [M + Na]⁺ 1688.8605, found 1688.8654 (mass accuracy of -2.9 ppm).

$4.1.26 \alpha$ -CD Me -C $_{60}$ conjugate 4

To a solution of **14a** (113 mg, 0.068 mmol), C_{60} (244 mg, 5 eq., 0.34 mmol) and CBr_4 (113 mg, 5 eq., 0.34 mmol) in dry toluene (21 mL) was added DBU (25 μ L, 2.5 eq., 0.17 mmol) at r.t. under Ar. After stirred for overnight, the brown reaction mixture was subjected to silica chromatography directly (toluene to remove the excess of C_{60} , then cyclohexane / acetone 2 : 1) to give the product **4** (40 mg, 25%) as a brown foam. $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.3$ (cyclohexane/acetone = 1 : 1). $[\mathbf{q}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20}} = +51.69$ (CHCl₃, c = 0.039). $^{\mathbf{1}}\mathbf{H}$ NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 1.41 (m, 6H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{16} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{26} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{9}), 1.48 (m, 4H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{17} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{25}), 1.49 (m, 2H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{10}), 1.50 (m, 2H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{11}), 1.60 (m, 2H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{3}), 1.64 (m, 4H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{15} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{27}), 1.84 (m, 4H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{18} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{24}), 2.16 (t, J = 7.49 Hz, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{14}), 2.32 (t, J = 7.49 Hz, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{28}), 3.15 (m, 5H, 5 × \mathbf{H}_{2}), 3.21 (m, 3H, 1 × \mathbf{H}_{2}^{A} , 2 × \mathbf{H}_{12}), 3.39 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(\mathbf{C}_{9})), 3.40 (m, 2H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{7}), 3.48 (5 × s, 15H, 5× OCH₃(\mathbf{C}_{9})), 3.49-3.59 (m, 12H, 6 × \mathbf{H}_{3} , 6 × \mathbf{H}_{4}), 3.60, 3.61, 3.62, 3.63, 3.64 (6 × s, 18H, 6 × OCH₃(\mathbf{C}_{3})), 3.66 (s, 3H, 3 × \mathbf{H}_{30}), 3.67-3.87 (m, 17H, 6 × \mathbf{H}_{5} , 11× \mathbf{H}_{6}), 3.90 (dd, 1H, $J_{1} = 3.54$ Hz, $J_{2} = 10.64$ Hz, 1 × \mathbf{H}_{10}), 4.48 (m, 4H, 2 × \mathbf{H}_{19}), 2 × \mathbf{H}_{23}), 4.95 (d, 1H, J = 2.99 Hz, 1 × \mathbf{H}_{1}^{A}), 5.04 (m, 5H, 5 × \mathbf{H}_{1}), 5.56 (t, 1H, J = 5.60 Hz)ppm; ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K) : δ 24.97, 25.73, 25.76, 25.83, 25.84, 26.91, 28.85, 28.98, 30.12 (10C, 1 × \mathbf{C}_{8} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{10} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{11} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{15} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{16} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{17} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{25} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{27}), 28.59 (2C, 1 × \mathbf{C}_{18} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{24}), 34.09 (1C, 1 × \mathbf{C}_{19}), 36.23 (6C, 6 × OCH₃(\mathbf{C}_{3})), 67.42 (2C, 1 × \mathbf{C}_{19} , 1 × \mathbf{C}_{29}), 71.26, 71.29, 71.32, 71.37, 71.41, 71.

4.2 Cytotoxicity test

Cells were seeded in 96-well plates in DMEM supplemented with 10% FBS and cultured overnight at 37 °C in 5% CO₂. Then the tested compounds were added and the cells were further incubated at 37 °C in 5% CO₂ for 40 hours. Cell viability was assessed using the CellTiter-Glo assay kit as recommended by the supplier, and the plates were read using a plate reader (Tecan Infinite M2000 PRO; Tecan Group Ltd., Mannedorf, Switzerland) Viability was calculated using the background-corrected absorbance as follows:

Viability (%) = A of experiment well/A of control well \times 100%.

4.3 Cytopathic effect (CPE) reduction assay

The assay was performed as reported by Noah et al. with some modifications [24]. MDCK cells were seeded into 96-well plates, incubated overnight and infected with influenza virus (MOI = 0.1) suspended in DMEM supplemented with 1% FBS, containing 2 µg/mL TPCK-treated trypsin and tested compound, with a final DMSO concentration of 1% in each well. After incubation for 40h, CellTiterGlo reagent (Promega Corp., Madison, WI, USA) was added and the plates were read using a plate reader (Tecan Infinite M2000 PROTM; Tecan Group Ltd., Mannedorf, Switzerland).

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