

## E2-40 Preparation and reactions of 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-D-mannose S-ethyl O-methyl monothioacetal

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Reaction of perbenzylated derivative of methyl  $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranoside (1) with dimethylboron bromide ( $\text{Me}_2\text{BBr}$ ) and thiophenol ( $\text{PhSH}$ ) at room temperature gave low yield of phenylthio- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (2). Reaction of perbenzylated derivative of methyl  $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranoside (3) with  $\text{Me}_2\text{BBr}$  and ethanethiol at  $-65^\circ\text{C}$  gave acyclic O-S-acetals (4 and 5) in good yields. Reaction of 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-5-O-trimethylsilyl-D-mannose S-ethyl O-methyl monothioacetal (6) with  $\text{Me}_2\text{BBr}$  and  $\text{PhSH}$  at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  gave S-ethyl S-phenyl dithioacetal 7 and reaction of 6 with  $\text{Me}_2\text{BBr}$  and 3 kinds of lithium methylcuprates (dimethyl lithium cuprate, mixed methyl cuprate and salt-free methyl lithium cuprate) at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  gave elimination products 8, 9 and cyclized product 10.

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