

# **REGIOSELECTIVE BIOCATALYTIC DE-O-ACETYLATION OF TETRAACETYL THIOGLYCOSIDES**

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## INTRODUCTION

Carbohydrate mimetics play vital roles in various cell-mediated processes due to their structural resemblance to natural sugars, yet they exhibit distinct properties.<sup>[1]</sup> Thioglycosides, in which an exocyclic oxygen atom is replaced by sulfur, are recognized as key building blocks in the preparation of glycans and the development of novel monosaccharides.<sup>[2]</sup> These compounds serve as valuable intermediates in carbohydrate chemistry, being widely utilized in sequential glycosylation strategies for oligosaccharide synthesis.<sup>[3]</sup> In drug design and therapeutics, thioglycosides have shown potential as anti-diabetic and anti-tumor agents, enzyme inhibitors, and have demonstrated in vitro inhibitory effects on DNA virus replication.<sup>[2]</sup>

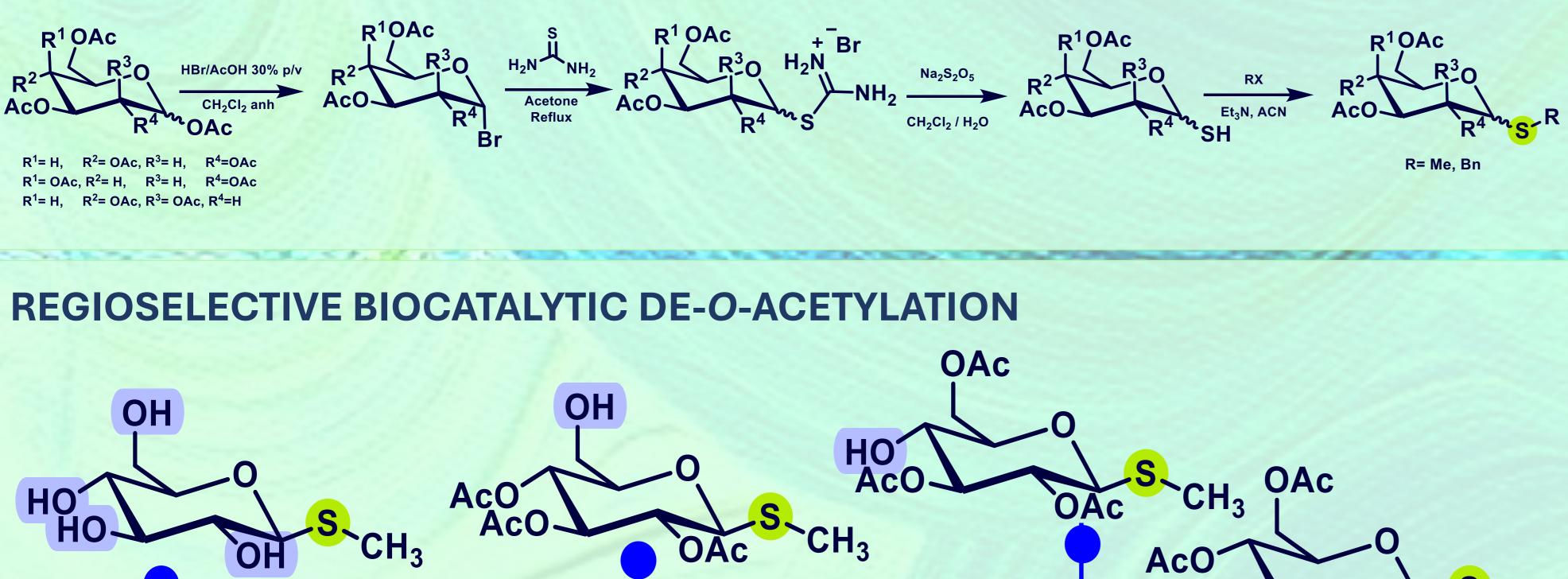
Traditional methods for producing these compounds encounter significant challenges due to their reliance on multi-step chemical synthesis, which often involves toxic reagents, contaminating solvents, and inefficient protocols.<sup>[4]</sup> Enzymatic regioselective hydrolysis of per-O-acetylated sugars, catalyzed by



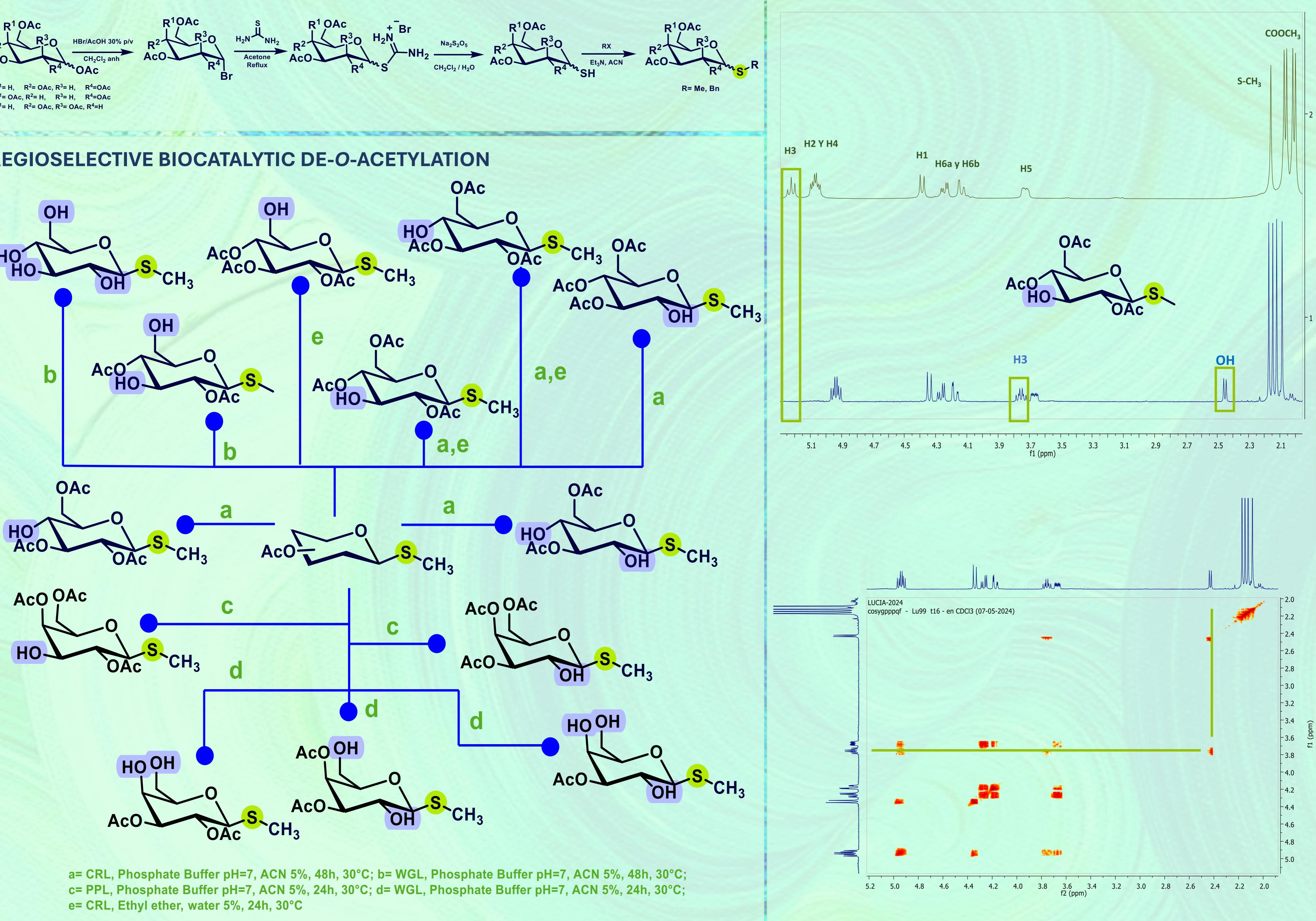
lipases, has emerged as a promising alternative, offering a simpler and more efficient route for synthesizing sugar building blocks.

### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

#### **SYNTHESIS OF THE SUBSTRATES**



#### **STRUCTURE ELUCIDATION BY 1D AND 2D NMR**



## CONCLUSION

The regioselectivity of various lipases towards tetra-O-acetyl thioglycosides was evaluated, resulting in a wide range of compounds with distinct deacetylation patterns.

- Modifications in the glycone portion of the thioglycosides significantly influenced both the activity and the regioselectivity of the lipases employed.
- The structures of each product were unambiguously determined using 1D and 2D NMR spectroscopy.

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