

**Supplementary Figure S4.** 500-MHz  $^1$ H NMR spectra of isolated ΔM, ΔMM, ΔMMM, ΔG, and ΔGG, recorded in  $D_2O$  at 300K (See also Supplementary Fig S5).  $\underline{\Delta}4M\alpha$ ,  $\underline{\Delta}4M\beta$ , and  $\underline{\Delta}4M$  mean  $\Delta$  H-4 of the presented saccharides, etc.;  $\underline{M}red1\alpha$  and  $\underline{M}red1\beta$  mean M H-1 of the reducing-end  $\alpha$ -M and  $\beta$ -M residue, respectively, in the presented saccharides, etc.;  $\underline{M}1Mred\alpha$ ,  $\underline{M}1Mred\beta$ , and  $\underline{M}1M$  mean M H-1 of internal M-residues in the presented tri or tetrasaccharide, etc.;  $\underline{G}red1\alpha$  and  $\underline{G}red1\beta$  mean G H-1 of the reducing-end  $\alpha$ -G and  $\beta$ -G residue, respectively, in the presented saccharides, etc.;  $\underline{G}1$  means G H-1 of the internal G-residue in the presented trisaccharide, etc. (see Table 2 in main text).