

Supplementary Information

Iodine-Mediated Regioselective 5-*endo* dig Electrophilic Cyclization Reaction of Selenoenynes: Synthesis of Selenophene Derivatives

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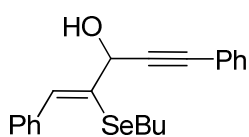
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Materials and Methods

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (^1H NMR) were obtained on a NMR spectrometer at 400 MHz. Spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 solutions. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, referenced to the solvent peak of CDCl_3 or tetramethylsilane (TMS) as the external reference. Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ), multiplicity, coupling constant (J) in Hertz and integrated intensity. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (^{13}C NMR) were obtained on a 400 NMR spectrometer at 100 MHz. Spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 solutions. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, referenced to the solvent peak of CDCl_3 . Abbreviations to denote the multiplicity of a particular signal are s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), quart (quartet), quint (quintet), sex (sextet), dd (double doublet) and m (multiplet). High resolution mass spectra were recorded on a mass spectrometer using electrospray ionization (ESI). Column chromatography was performed using Silica Gel (230-400 mesh) following the methods described by Still.^[1] Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using Gel GF254, 0.25 mm thickness. For visualization, TLC plates were either placed under ultraviolet light, or stained with iodine vapor, or acidic vanillin. Most reactions were monitored by TLC for disappearance of starting material. The following solvents were dried and purified by distillation from the reagents indicated: tetrahydrofuran from sodium with a benzophenone ketyl indicator. All other solvents were ACS or HPLC grade unless otherwise noted. Air- and moisture-sensitive reactions were conducted in flame-dried or oven dried glassware equipped with tightly fitted rubber septa and under a positive atmosphere of dry nitrogen or argon. Reagents and solvents were handled using standard syringe techniques.

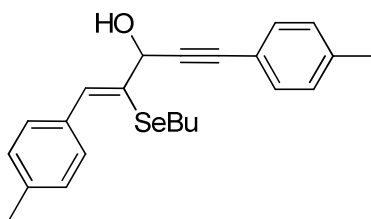
General Procedure for the Preparation of the (Z)-selenoenynes 1.

NaBH₄ (0.19g; 5 mmol) was added to a solution of 1,5-diphenylpenta-1,4-diyne-3-ol (0.370g; 1.0 mmol) and appropriate dibutyl diselenide (2.5 mmol) in ethanol (15 mL) under a argon atmosphere, at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) and washed with a saturated solution of NH₄Cl (3 x 10 mL). The organic phase was separated, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography and eluted with hexane/ ethyl acetate.



(Z)-2-(butylselenanyl)-1,5-diphenylpent-1-en-4-yn-3-ol (1a).

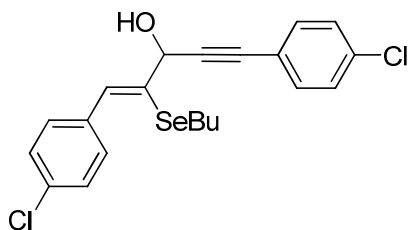
Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate 9:1 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.274 g (74%); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.71-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.29 (m, 7H), 5.30 (dd, J = 7.7 Hz, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.78-2.71 (m, 2H), 1.65-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.31 (qui, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 136.45, 134.23, 133.00, 131.76, 129.30, 128.60, 128.29, 128.08, 127.8, 122.4, 88.1, 86.6, 68.7, 32.3, 27.0, 22.8, 13.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relativeintensity)): 371 (8), 370 (37), 233 (71), 215 (81), 132 (85), 102 (100), 91 (44). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₂₃OSe (M + H⁺): 371.0914, found: 371.0921.



(Z)-2-(butylselenanyl)-1,5-dip-tolylpent-1-en-4-yn-3-

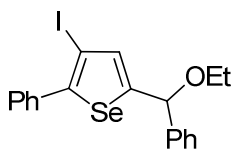
ol (2a). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate 90:10 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.272 g (68%); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.60 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.31 (s, 1H), 7.21-7.13 (m, 4H), 5.27 (dd, J = 7.7Hz, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 2.79-2.74 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.66-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.32 (qui, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 0.84 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ 38.7, 137.7, 134.2, 133.5, 132.0, 131.6, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 119.4, 87.5, 86.7, 68.8, 32.3, 27.0, 22.8, 21.4, 21.2, 13.4. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relativeintensity)): 399 (4), 398(11), 261 (32), 218 (32), 146

(45), 115 (100), 91 (25). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{27}OSe$ ($M + H^+$): 399.1227, found: 399.1235.



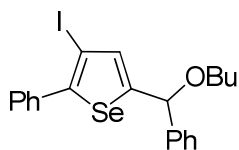
(Z)-2-(butylselanyl)-1,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)pent-1-en-4-yn-3-ol (1c). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate 90:10 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.249 g (56%); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.63 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.42-7.26 (m, 7H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 2.80 (s, 1H), 2.74 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.62-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.37-1.26 (m, 2H), 0.84 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 134.8, 134.7, 133.7, 133.6, 133.0, 132.9, 130.5, 128.6, 128.3, 120.8, 88.9, 85.5, 68.6, 32.2, 27.2, 22.7, 13.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 439 (6), 438 (32), 268 (17), 205 (58), 135 (76), 102 (90), 91 (39). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}Cl_2OSe$ ($M + H^+$): 439.0135, found: 439.0143.

General Procedure for the 3-iodoselenophene 2. To a solution of (Z)-selenoenyne **1** (0.25 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL) were added I_2 (1.5 equiv) and EtOH (3 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred for time indicated in Table 2. The mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) and washed with a saturated solution of $Na_2S_2O_3$ (10 mL). The organic phase was separated, dried over $MgSO_4$, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography and eluted with hexane/dichloromethane.



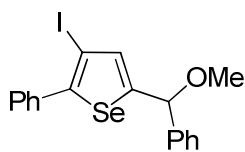
5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-phenylselenophene (2a). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.093 g (80%); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.56-7.28 (m, 10H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 3.62-3.51 (m, 2H), 1.25 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 155.5, 146.8, 141.3, 136.7, 135.7, 129.3, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 126.8, 80.8, 78.5, 64.8, 15.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 468 (4), 467 (6), 422 (17), 253 (58), 212 (38), 102 (26), 77

(39). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}IOSe$ ($M + H^+$): 468.9568, found: 468.9675.



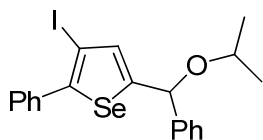
5-(butoxy(phenyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-phenylselenophene

(2b). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow solid. Yield: 0.089 g (72%); mp 44.6-47.2°C. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.61 (dd, $J = 8.1$ Hz, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.37 (m, 8H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 3.65-3.54 (m, 2H), 1.71 (qui, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 1.52 (sex, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 1.01 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 155.6, 146.6, 141.2, 136.6, 135.4, 129.1, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 126.8, 88.9, 78.4, 69.0, 31.8, 19.3, 13.8, 13.7. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 496 (11), 495 (13), 423 (32), 235 (37), 215 (44), 105 (92), 57 (38). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{21}H_{22}IOSe$ ($M + H^+$): 496.9881, found: 496.9888.



3-iodo-5-(methoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenylselenophene

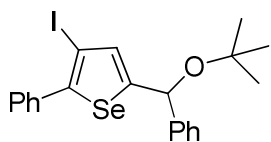
(2c). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.089 g (78%); mp 83.1-85.7°C. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.47-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 8H), 6.98 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 3.39 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 154.8, 146.9, 140.7, 136.6, 135.9, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 126.8, 82.7, 78.4, 57.0. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 455 (4), 454 (24), 422 (17), 247 (100), 215 (38), 115 (36), 77 (49). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{16}IOSe$ ($M + H^+$): 454.9411, found: 454.9416. 423 (32), 235 (37), 215 (44), 105 (92), 57 (38). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{21}H_{22}IOSe$ ($M + H^+$): 496.9881, found: 496.9888.



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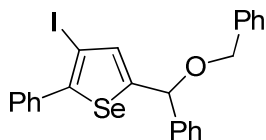
phenylselenophene (2d). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a white solid. Yield: 0.087 g (72%); mp 87.7-89.6°C. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.51-7.28 (m, 10H), 6.95 (s, 1H),

5.59 (s, 1H), 3.75 (sep, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 1.25 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 3H), 1.18 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 156.3, 146.6, 141.8, 136.7, 135.3, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 126.8, 78.4, 78.0, 69.8, 22.4, 22.0. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 482 (3), 481 (12), 422 (12), 233 (48), 215 (27), 107 (17), 105 (100). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 482.9724, found: 482.9730.



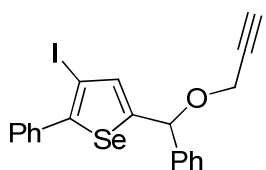
5-(tert-butoxy(phenyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-

phenylselenophene (2e). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow solid. Yield: 0.034 g (28%); mp 85.5-87.8°C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.57-7.29 (m, 10H), 6.85 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz 1H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 1.29 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 158.8, 146.1, 143.9, 136.8, 134.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 127.6, 126.6, 78.6, 75.8, 73.6, 28.6. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 496 (3), 495 (15), 422 (16), 233 (40), 215 (24), 105 (100), 57 (55). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 496.9881, found: 496.9885.



5-(benzyloxy(phenyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-

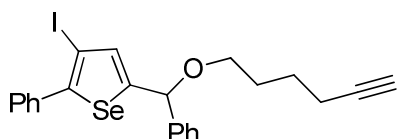
phenylselenophene (2f). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a white solid. Yield: 0.115 g (87%); mp 76.5-76.9°C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.61-7.55 (m, 4H), 7.51-7.36 (m, 11), 7.08 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz 1H), 5.66 (s, 1H), 4.69 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.1, 147.1, 140.8, 137.8, 136.7, 136.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.8, 127.1, 79.9, 78.5, 70.7. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 530 (8), 438 (15), 422 (18), 217 (37), 215 (34), 105 (100), 91 (73). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{20}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 530.9724, found: 530.9728.



3-iodo-2-phenyl-5-(phenyl(prop-2-

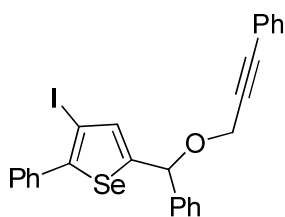
ynyloxy)methyl)selenophene (2g). Isolated by column chromatography

(hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.078 g (66%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.50-7.41 (m, 6H), 7.38-7.31 (m, 4), 7.04 (s, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 4.69 (m, 2H), 2.44 (t, $J = 2.3$, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 153.7, 147.3, 139.8, 136.5, 136.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.2, 127.1, 79.1, 78.8, 78.4, 75.1, 55.8. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 478(3), 477 (35), 371 (7), 215 (18), 165 (12), 126 (12), 105 (100). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 478.9411, found: 478.9416.



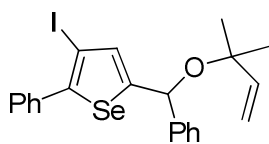
5-((hex-5-ynoxy)(phenyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-

phenylselenophene (2h). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.091 g (70%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.53-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.30 (m, 8H), 6.95 (d, $J = 1.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 3.60-3.45 (m, 2H), 2.21 (td, $J = 6.9, 2.7$ Hz, 2H), 1.93 (t, $J = 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.79 - 1.60 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.4, 146.7, 141.0, 136.6, 135.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 126.8, 84.2, 81.0, 78.4, 68.6, 68.4, 28.7, 25.1, 18.1. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 520 (3), 519 (4), 422 (36), 313 (41), 215 (100), 115 (38), 105 (95). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 520.9881, found: 520.9892.



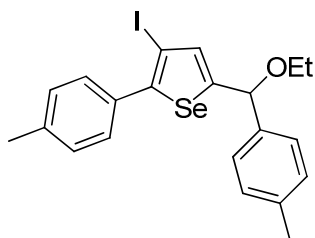
3-iodo-2-phenyl-5-(phenyl(3-phenylprop-2-

ynyloxy)methyl)selenophene (2i). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a black oil. Yield: 0.070 g (51%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.53-7.42 (m, 6H), 7.40-7.28 (m, 9H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 4.69 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 154.1, 147.4, 140.2, 136.6, 131.8, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.2, 122.6, 87.1, 84.6, 79.1, 78.5, 56.8. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 554 (2), 553 (4), 438 (15), 217 (25), 115 (10), 105 (100), 77 (14). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 554.9724, found: 554.9731.



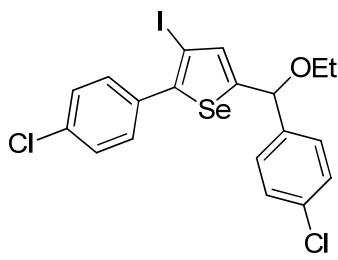
3-iodo-5-((2-methylbut-3-en-2-yloxy)(phenyl)methyl)-2-

phenylselenophene (2j). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.086 g (68%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 6.57-6.53 (m, 2H), 6.52-6.47 (m, 2H), 6.43-6.31 (m, 8H), 5.86 (d, $J = 1.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.08 (s, 1H), 1.50 (s, 1H), 0.64 (s, 3H), 0.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 157.2, 146.8, 142.8, 135.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 126.9, 78.6, 76.2, 73.2, 72.4, 30.3, 29.7. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 508 (3), 507 (14), 422 (36), 311 (41), 215 (52), 115 (87), 105 (95). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 508.9881, found: 508.9889.



5-(ethoxy(p-tolyl)methyl)-3-iodo-2-p-tolylselenophene

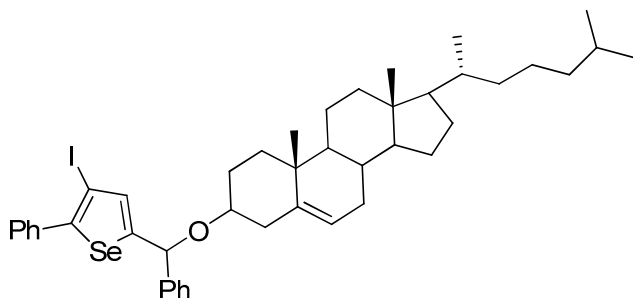
(2k). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.081 g (65%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.39 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H), 6.95 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 3.63-3.47 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.24 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.3, 146.8, 138.3, 138.0, 137.8, 135.4, 133.8, 129.2, 129.0, 129.0, 126.7, 80.6, 78.1, 64.6, 21.2, 21.1, 15.2. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 496 (25), 495 (5), 417 (22), 313 (37), 233 (24), 128 (28), 107 (55). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 496.9881, found: 496.9890.



2-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-((4-

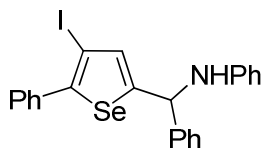
chlorophenyl)(ethoxy)methyl)-3-iodoselenophene (2l). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil.

Yield: 0.075 g (56%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.47-7.27 (m, 8H), 6.96 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.45 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.65-3.46 (m, 2H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.4, 145.5, 139.7, 135.8, 135.0, 134.3, 134.0, 130.4, 128.8, 128.6, 128.1, 80.0, 78.9, 64.9, 15.1. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 536 (6), 535 (23), 491 (25), 329 (100), 301 (40), 202 (27), 113 (53). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_2\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 536.8788, found: 536.8795.



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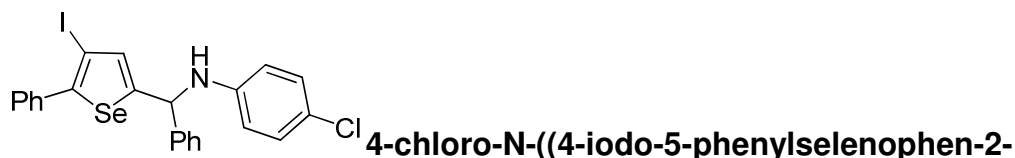
phenylselenophene (2m). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.111 g (55%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): 7.63-7.35 (m, 10H), 7.04 (d, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 5.40 (m, 1H), 3.53-3.41 (m, 1H), 2.59-2.37 (m, 1H), 2.15-1.86 (m, 4H), 1.76-1.32 (m, 13H), 1.28-0.94 (m, 22H), 0.77 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 156.4, 146.7, 141.9, 140.7, 136.8, 135.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 126.9, 121.9, 78.5, 78.0, 77.6, 56.8, 56.3, 50.2, 42.4, 39.9, 39.6, 39.2, 37.2, 36.9, 36.3, 35.8, 34.7, 34.5, 32.0, 28.9, 28.5, 28.3, 28.0, 27.0, 25.4, 24.3, 23.9, 22.9, 22.6, 21.1, 19.4, 18.8, 11.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{58}\text{IOSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 809.2698, found: 809.2703.



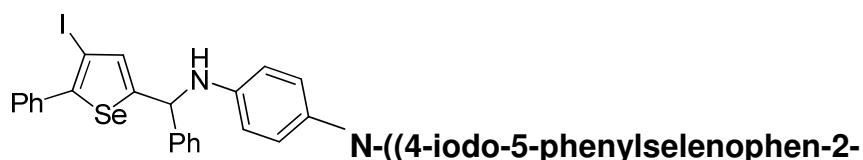
N-((4-iodo-5-phenylselenophen-2-

yl)(phenyl)methyl)aniline (2n). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a black oil. Yield: 0.062 g (48%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.51 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H),

7.40-7.31 (m, 6H), 7.16 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.09 (s, 1H), 6.75 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 4.39 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 156.5, 146.6, 142.0, 136.5, 135.9, 129.2, 129.2, 129.0, 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.0, 118.6, 113.9, 78.8, 60.5. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 515 (6), 422 (100), 420 (51), 295 (23), 207 (61), 115 (26), 77 (59). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{INSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 515.9727, found: 515.9735.

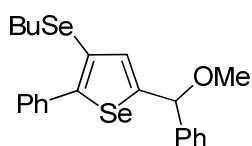


yl)(phenyl)methyl)aniline (2o). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a green oil. Yield: 0.109 g (80%); mp 62.1-65.2 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.58-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.35 (m, 8H), 7.16-7.12 (m, 3H), 6.64-6.58 (m, 2H), 5.70 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.8, 146.8, 145.1, 141.6, 136.4, 136.2, 129.2, 129.1, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 127.0, 123.4, 115.1, 78.8, 60.6. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 549 (14), 546 (32), 340 (42), 281 (25), 207(100), 151(18), 111 (44). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClINSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 549.9338, found: 549.9346.



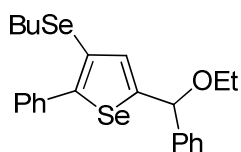
yl)(phenyl)methyl)-4-methylaniline (2p). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow solid. Yield: 0.101 g (77%); mp 62.1-65.2°C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.52-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.37-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.07 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.56 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 5.65 (s, 1H), 4.25 (s, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 156.8, 146.5, 144.3, 142.2, 136.6, 135.8, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.0, 114.1, 78.7, 60.8, 20.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 529 (5), 420 (56), 337 (43), 295 (23), 208 (45), 111 (33), 77 (60). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{INSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 529.9884, found: 529.9890.

General Procedure for the 3- chalcogenyl-Selenophenes 4. To a Schlenk tube, under ambient atmosphere, containing CH_2Cl_2 (3 mL) were added (*n*-BuSe)₂ (1.5 equiv) and NBS (1.5 equiv), and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. After this time, the appropriate (Z)-selenoenyne **1** (0.25 mmol) and EtOH (3 equiv) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for a determined time. Afterward, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (15 mL) and washed with a saturated solution of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (15 mL). The organic phase was separated, dried over MgSO_4 , and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography and eluted with hexane/dichloromethane.



3-(butylselenanyl)-5-(methoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-

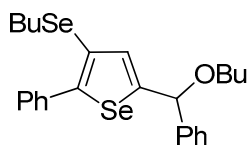
phenylselenophene (4a). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.074 g (64 %); ¹H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.59-7.32 (m, 10H), 7.08 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 2.72 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.55 (qui, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.32 (sex, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 0.86 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 152.3, 147.9, 141.2, 136.5, 133.2, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 126.9, 120.7, 83.1, 57.0, 32.2, 28.3, 22.7, 13.4. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 465 (2), 418 (47), 373 (55), 215 (18), 202 (15), 115 (21), 105 (100). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{OSe}_2$ ($M + \text{H}^+$): 465.0236, found: 465.0240.



3-(butylselenanyl)-5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-

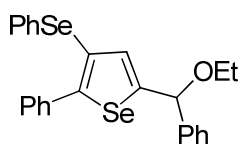
phenylselenophene (4b). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.099 g (83%); ¹H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.50-7.26 (m, 10H), 7.00 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.68-3.46 (m, 2H), 2.66 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (qui, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.30-1.19 (m, 5H), 0.78 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 152.9, 147.6, 141.6, 136.5, 132.8, 129.2, 128.4, 128.0, 127.88, 127.5, 126.7, 120.6, 81.1, 64.6, 32.1, 28.2, 22.6, 15.2, 13.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 479

(12), 478(44), 433 (23), 261 (100), 215 (27), 135 (15), 105 (28). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{23}H_{27}OSe_2$ ($M + H^+$): 479.0392, found: 479.0403.



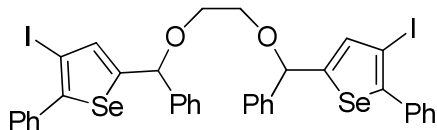
5-(butoxy(phenyl)methyl)-3-(butylselenanyl)-2-

phenylselenophene (4c). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.091g (72%); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.53-7.23 (m, 10H), 6.97 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 3.58-3.42 (m, 2H), 2.64 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.67-1.59 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.38 (m, 4H), 1.25 (sex, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 0.78 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 153.1, 147.5, 141.6, 136.5, 132.7, 129.2, 128.4, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 126.8, 120.6, 81.3, 69.0, 32.1, 31.8, 28.2, 22.6, 19.3, 13.8, 13.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 507 (2), 506 (20), 433 (16), 289 (32), 222 (100), 202 (15), 105 (35). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}OSe_2$ ($M + H^+$): 507.0705, found: 507.0705.



5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenyl-3-

(phenylselenanyl)selenophene (4d). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.067 g (54%); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.47-7.13 (m, 15H), 6.92 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.45 (s, 1H), 3.63-3.47 (m, 2H), 1.24 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 100 MHz): δ 153.6, 150.4, 141.6, 136.1, 133.9, 132.8, 130.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 128.1, 127.9, 126.7, 126.4, 120.1, 81.0, 64.6, 15.2. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 499 (5), 498 (20), 453 (20), 261 (100), 233 (63), 233 (63), 216 (32), 105 (41). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $C_{25}H_{23}OSe_2$ ($M + H^+$): 499.0079, found: 499.0085.

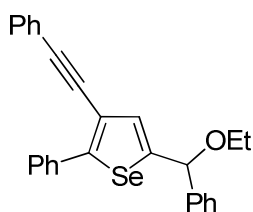


1,2-bis((4-iodo-5-phenylselenophen-2-

yl)(phenyl)methoxy)ethane (5). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.061 g (27%); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 400 MHz): δ 7.55-7.34 (m, 20H), 7.03 (m, 2H), 5.65 (s, 2H), 3.85-

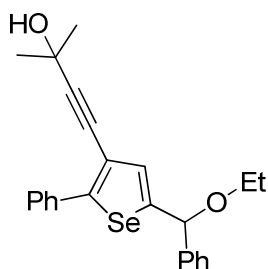
3.72 (m, 4H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 155.0, 146.9, 140.8, 136.6, 135.8, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 126.9, 81.4, 81.3, 78.4, 68.6, 68.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{29}\text{I}_2\text{O}_2\text{Se}_2$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 906.8587, found: 906.8595.

General Procedure for the Sonogashira Coupling Reaction 6. The 3-iodoselenophene (0.25 mmol) was added to a Schlenk tube containing $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ (0.0088 g, 5 mol %) and Et_3N (5 mL). To the resulting solution was added CuI (0.0010 g, 2 mol %). The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 min at room temperature, and a solution of the terminal alkyne (1.5 mmol) in Et_3N (1 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred under reflux temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (15 mL) and washed with brine (3×15 mL). The organic phase was separated, dried (MgSO_4), and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, hexane/ethyl acetate).



5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenyl-3-

(phenylethynyl)selenophene (6a). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and dichloromethane 75:25 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.068 g (62%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.84-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.23 (m, 13H), 7.08 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 3.68-3.52 (m, 2H), 1.27 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 152.6, 152.0, 141.4, 135.9, 131.4, 131.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 126.9, 123.4, 118.9, 89.9, 87.1, 81.0, 64.8, 15.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 443 (28), 442 (100), 397 (98), 315 (62), 304 (27), 239 (26), 156 (22), 77 (50). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{23}\text{OSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 443.0914, found: 443.0921.

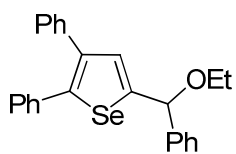


4-(5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenylselenophen-3-yl)-2-

methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (6b). Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and

ethyl acetate 90:10 as eluent) as a yellow oil. Yield: 0.051 g (48%); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): δ 7.78-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.48-7.29 (m, 8H), 7.00 (d, $J = 1.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 3.68-3.55 (m, 2H), 1.57 (s, 6H), 1.30 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 152.6, 151.9, 141.4, 135.8, 130.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 126.8, 118.3, 94.2, 81.0, 79.7, 65.6, 64.7, 31.2, 15.2. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 425 (8), 424 (30), 406 (44), 361 (51), 319 (29), 239 (36), 152 (26), 105 (100). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_2\text{Se}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 425.1020, found: 425.1027.

General Procedure for the Suzuki Coupling Reaction. A solution of 3-iodoselenophene (0.25 mmol) in DMF/ H_2O (5:1, 5 mL) was added to a mixture of $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (2 mol %) and K_2CO_3 (2 equiv). After that, the boronic acid (1.5 equiv) in DMF (0.5 mL) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred under reflux temperature for 12 h. The organic phase was separated, dried with MgSO_4 , and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate).



5-(ethoxy(phenyl)methyl)-2,3-diphenylselenophene (7).

Isolated by column chromatography (hexane and ethyl acetate 99:1 as eluent) as a blackoil. Yield: 0.066 g (63%); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.51-7.13 (m, 15H), 7.08 (d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 3.71-3.50 (m, 2H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz): δ 152.6, 144.6, 141.9, 139.1, 137.8, 136.5, 130.8, 129.2, 129.2, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.1, 126.8, 126.6, 81.4, 64.7, 15.3. MS (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensity)): 419 (13), 418 (52), 416 (28), 373 (60), 215 (18), 115 (20), 105 (100). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{OSe}$ ($\text{M} + \text{H}^+$): 419.0914, found: 419.0923.

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