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Facile regioselective oxidative selenocyanation of N-aryl enaminones under transition metal free conditions

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General experimental

All reactions were carried out in oven-dried glassware, all compounds were fully characterized by spectroscopic data. The NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker-400 spectrometers, (¹H: 400 MHz, ¹³C: 100 MHz), and were referenced to the residual peaks of CDCl₃ at 7.26 ppm (¹H NMR) and CDCl₃ at 77.23 ppm (¹³C NMR). Chemical shifts (δ) are expressed in ppm, and *J* values are given in Hz. Data are reported as follows: chemical shift in ppm (δ), multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, db = doublet broad, m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), and integration. The reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using silica gel GF₂₅₄. The melting points (m.p.) were determined on digital melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Mass measurement was performed on Agilent QTOF 6520 mass spectrometer with electron spray ionization (ESI) as the ion source. Column chromatography was carried out using commercially available silica gel (230-400 mesh) under pressure.

Materials

Unless otherwise indicated, all reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers used without further purification. PE refers to petroleum ether (b.p. 60-90 °C) and EA refers to ethyl acetate, and all reaction solvents were freshly distilled prior to use.

All substrates **1a** were synthesized according to the literature¹.

Typical experimental procedure for selenocyanation of N-aryl enaminones



N-aryl enaminone (0.60 mmol), KSeCN (2 equiv., 1.20 mmol), $K_2S_2O_8$ (1.50 mmol) in ethylene dichloride (DCE) (3 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 2 hrs. After completion of the reaction (monitored by TLC) reaction mixture was quenched using saturated solution of NaHCO₃ then it was extracted with dichloromethane (3x15 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified on a silica gel by column chromatography using hexane/EtOAc to get the pure product.

Spectroscopic Data of *a*-selenocynated enaminones 2

1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2a)

Yellow solid; m.p. 181–183 °C; 96%, 211 mg, $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.37 - 7.44$ (m, 4H, ArH), 7.45 - 7.49 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.50 - 7.57 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.68 – 7.72 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 109.9$, 116.7, 116.8, 124.1, 128.4, 128.6, 130.7, 139.8, 139.9, 153.06, 188.9; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₂N₂OSe 328.01; found 329.00 [M+H].

1-Phenyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2b)

Yellow solid; m.p. 165–167 °C; 94%, 212 mg, $R_f = 0.28$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.38$ (s, 3H, -Me), 7.27 - 7.32 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.41 - 7.48 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.50 - 7.55 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.68 – 7.72 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 20.8$, 108.4, 116.4, 127.3, 128.4, 130.3, 131.5, 137.9, 139.4, 145.3, 146.9, 187.9; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂OSe 342.02; found 342.95 [M+H].

1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2c)

Yellow semi solid; 98%, 208 mg, $R_f = 0.32$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.84$ (s, 3H, -OMe), 6.92 - 6.97 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.32 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.37 - 7.53 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.68 - 7.73 (m,2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 55.8$, 108.9, 113.6, 114.9, 116.8, 118.3, 128.4, 128.5, 130.7, 130.9, 138.8, 143.2, 145.0, 156.3, 189.9; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂O₂Se 358.02; found 359.00 [M+H].

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2d)

Brown viscous liquid; 95%, 198 mg, $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.39$ (s, 3H, -Me), 3.81 (s, 3H, -OMe), 6.95 -6.99 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.16 - 7.34 (m, 7H, -NH + ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 20.7, 55.4, 108.9, 113.7, 116.5, 130.4, 130.7, 131.3, 133.8, 136.9, 143.0, 145.5, 189.8; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₁₆N₂O₂Se 372.03; found 373.02 [M+H].

3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2e)

Brown viscous liquid; 92%, 199 mg, $R_f = 0.30$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.39$ (s, 3H, -Me), 7.23 - 7.33 (m, 4H, ArH) 7.36 - 7.43 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.43 - 7.52 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.61 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.64 - 7.74 (m, 1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 20.7$, 108.8, 116.45, 127.3, 128.4, 130.3, 131.5, 133.5, 137.8, 139.4, 145.3, 146.9, 187.1; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂OSe 342.02; found 343.03 [M+H].

1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2f)













Yellow viscous liquid; 90%, 187 mg, $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.82$ (s, 3H, -OMe), 6.96 - 7.01 (m, 2H, ArH) 7.10 - 7.17 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.30 - 7.35 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.70 - 7.76 (m, 3H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 55.6$, 109.2, 115.1, 115.2, 115.5, 118.0, 129.5 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 134.7 (d, J = 191.0 Hz), 143.5, 146.1, 156.2, 164.8 (d, J = 251.0 Hz), 186.59; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₇H₁₃FN₂O₂Se 376.01; found 377.02 [M+H].

1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2g)

Brown viscous liquid; 93%, 199 mg, $R_f = 0.30$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.29$ (s, 1H, ArH), 7.38 - 7.44 (m, 5H, ArH) 7.45 - 7.51 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.62 - 7.67 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 108.8, 116.3, 116.5, 123.9, 128.7, 128.7, 129.8, 137.6, 137.8, 140.1, 145.4, 186.9; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₁ClN₂OSe 361.97; found 362.99 [M+H].



3-(2-Fluorophenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2h)

Yellow semi solid; 90%, 187 mg, $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.22 - 7.28$ (m, 3H, ArH), 7.38 - 7.56 (m, 6H, ArH+NH), 7.69 - 7.73 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 109.1$, 115.5, 116.2 (d, J =18.7 Hz), 123.6 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), 124.8 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 127.4, 128.4, 128.9 (d, J = 10.8Hz), 131.7, 139.0, 144.0, 151.2 (d, J = 245.0 Hz), 188.5; MS(ESI): m/z calcd $C_{16}H_{11}FN_2OSe$ 346.00; found 347.01 [M+H].



1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2i)

Yellow semi solid; 98%, 211 mg, $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.0 - 7.16$ (m, 2H, ArH), 7.29 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.33 - 7.55 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.70 - 7.75 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 109.8$, 115.9, 116.0, 116.2, 124.1 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 125.0 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 128.4, 128.4, 131.1, 138.4, 141.8, 142.5, 151.0 (d, J = 243.0 Hz), 153.5 (d, J = 243Hz), 188.2; MS(ESI): m/z calcd $C_{16}H_{11}FN_2OSe$ 346.00; found 346.90 [M+H].



3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2j)

Yellow semi solid; 95%, 196 mg, $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.08 - 7.19$ (m, 3H, ArH), 7.25 - 7.28 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.36 - 7.41 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.42 - 7.47 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.71 - 7.76 (m, 2H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 109.8$, 115.4, 115.6, 117.5, 128.9, 129.7, 129.8, 129.8, 135.3 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 138.9, 165.0 (d, J = 250.8 Hz), 186.8; MS(ESI): m/z calcd C₁₆H₁₀ClFN₂OSe 379.96; found 380.95 [M+H].

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2k)





Dark brown semi-solid; 94%, 189 mg, $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.77$ (s, 3H, -OMe), 6.9 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.07 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.23 (d, J =8.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.51 - 7.57 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.61 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.85 - 7.95 (m, 3H, ArH), 8.12 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 55.6$, 109.2, 115.1, 118.1, 124.8, 125.8, 126.0, 126.1, 126.8, 128.3, 130.2, 130.5, 133.8, 133.9, 139.2, 145.6, 156.5, 188.3; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₂₁H₁₆N₂O₂Se 408.03; found 408.95 [M+H].

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino -1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2l)

Dark brown semi-solid; 92%, 185 mg, $R_f = 0.28$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.07$ (s, 1H, ArH), 7.27 - 7.30 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.34 - 7.38 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.44 - 7.50 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.52 - 7.57 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.60 - 7.63 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.86 - 7.90 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.10 - 8.40 (m, 1H, ArH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 108.9$, 117.5, 117.5, 124.7, 125.8, 126.0, 126.1, 126.9, 128.3, 128.8, 129.8, 130.1, 130.8, 133.8, 138.7, 138.9, 144.2, 189.2; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H1₃ClN₂OSe 411.98; found 412.95 [M+H].

1-(Furan-2-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2m)

Yellow gum; 83%, 185 mg, $R_f = 0.32$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 6.55$ (dd, J = 2.0 Hz, 4.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.27 (d, J = 3.62 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.43 - 7.46 (m, 7H, ArH), 8.07 (s, 1H, ArH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 107.9, 111.9, 115.2, 117.3, 118.5, 123.0, 132.9, 144.8, 145.0, 148.9, 156.7, 173.0; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀N₂O₂Se 317.99; found 318.97 [M+H].

3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2n)

Yellow gum; 85%, 186 mg, $R_f = 0.32$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.11 (dd, J = 4.0 Hz, 3.6Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.39 - 7.54 (m, 6H, ArH+NH), 7.58 - 7.61 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.63 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.66 - 7.69 (m, 1H, ArH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 108.9$, 116.1, 123.6, 127.9, 128.9, 129.6, 129.6, 131.4, 147.2,179.8; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₄H₁₀N₂OSSe 333.96; found 334.90 [M+H].

3-(2-Fluorophenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(20)

Brown semi solid; 85%, 186 mg, $R_f = 0.32$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.12 - 7.15 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.25 - 7.32 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.41 - 7.57 (m, 4H, ArH+NH), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.68 (dd, J=0.8 Hz, J=1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 109.7, 115.3, 116.1,$ 116.3, 123.6 (d, J = 7.2 Hz), 124.8 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 128.0, 128.8, 128.9, 129.3, 131.8, 143.6, 145.2, 151.2 (d, J = 244.0 Hz), 178.9; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₄H₉FN₂OSSe 351.95; found 352.90 [M+H].

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2-Selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2p)

Yellow gum; 88%, 188 mg, $R_f = 0.32$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.38$ (s, 3H, -Me), 7.11 (dd, J = 3.6 Hz, 4.0 Hz,1H, ArH), 7.27 - 7.38 (m, 5H, ArH+NH), 7.59 (dd, J = 1.2 Hz, J = 1.2 Hz,1H, ArH), 7.61 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.66 (dd, J = 1.2 Hz, 0.8 Hz,1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 20.75$, 108.5, 114.0, 116.7, 116.7, 126.9, 127.6, 130.1, 132.7, 144.4, 145.3, 146.7, 178.2; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₁₂N₂OSSe 347.98; found 348.95 [M+H].

5,5-Dimethyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4a)

Pale yellow gum; 88%, 196 mg, $R_f = 0.30$ in 50% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.01$ (s, 6H), 2.08 (s, 2H), 2.36 (s, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.42 (m, 3H);¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 28.3$, 34.3, 40.0, 50.9, 109.1, 128.7, 129.6, 130.2, 136.0, 153.4, 162.7, 190.3; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₆N₂OSe 319.27; found 320.96 [M+H].



5,5-Mimethyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)cyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4b)

Dark brown liquid; 92%, 201 mg, $R_f = 0.33$ in 50% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.00$ (s, 6H), 2.08 (s, 2H), 2.34 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 5H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 21.3$, 28.3, 29.6, 34.2, 40.0, 50.9, 108.8, 128.3, 130.9, 133.2, 139.7, 153.7, 162.9, 190.3; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₈N₂OSe 333.29; found 333.95 [M+H].

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1one-(4c)

Pale brown liquid; 95%, 203 mg, $R_f = 0.38$ in 50% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.00$ (s, 6H), 2.07 (s, 2H), 2.34 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 6.99 - 6.96 (m, 2H), 7.12 - 7.09 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 28.3$, 34.4, 40.0, 50.8, 55.9, 108.6, 115.4, 128.2, 129.9, 153.9, 160.1, 163.4, 190.3; MS(ESI): *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₈N₂O₂Se 349.29; found 351.00 [M+H].

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4d)









Pale yellow liquid; 92%, 196 mg, $R_f = 0.34$ in 50% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.00$ (s, 6H), 2.06 (s, 2H), 2.33 (s, 2H), 7.16 (dd, J = 6.8, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (dd, J = 6.7, 1.9 Hz, 2H);¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 28.3$, 34.3, 40.0, 50.8, 109.4, 130.1, 130.3, 134.6, 135.4, 153.0, 162.2, 190.3; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₅H1₅ClN₂OSe 353.71; found 354.95 [M+H].

3-(Benzylamino)-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4e)

Pale yellow liquid; 92%, 177 mg, $R_f = 0.38$ in 50% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.02$ (s, 6H), 2.36 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 4H), 5.08 (s, 2H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); $\delta = 28.4$, 34.2, 39.1, 46.9, 50.7, 108.6, 126.0, 127.6, 128.9, 135.9, 154.0, 161.7, 189.8; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₁₈N₂OSe 333.29; found 334.45 [M+H].

3-Selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6a)²

Light brown solid; m.p. 134-136°C (lit.136-137°C); 89%, 229 mg; $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.47 - 7.58$ (m, 2H, ArH), 7.74-7.82 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.19 (dd, J = 1.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.25

(s, 1H, ArH). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): 99.8, 112.6, 118.4, 121.9, 125.7, 126.4, 134.9, 153.0, 156.6, 174.1.

6-Methyl-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6b)²

Light yellow solid; m.p. 142-144°C (lit.145°C); 93%, 231 mg; $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.46$ (s, 3H, -Me), 7.43 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (dd, J = 2.0Hz, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.96 (s, 1H, ArH), 8.21 (s, 1H, ArH).

6-Methoxy-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6c)²

Light yellow solid; m.p. 143-145°C (lit.145-146°C); 93%, 221 mg; $R_f = 0.35$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.79$ (s, 3H, -OMe), 7.33 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.46 - 7.49 (m, 2H, ArH), 8.21 (s, 1H, ArH).

6,8-Dibromo-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6d)²

Light yellow solid; m.p. 131-133°C (lit.135°C); 96%, 194 mg; $R_f = 0.38$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.81$ (d, J = 2.4Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.06 (d, J = 2.4Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.32 (s, 1H, ArH.

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3-Selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7a)³













SeCN

Light yellow solid; m.p. 97-99°C (lit. 99-100°C); 96%, 273 mg; $R_f = 0.54$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.24-7.29$ (m, 2H, ArH), 7.35-7.40 (m, 2H, ArH); 7.69 - 7.73 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.84 (br, s, 1H, NH).

2-Methyl-3-selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7b)³

Light brown solid; m.p. 124-126°C (lit.124-126°C); 99%, 288 mg; $R_f = 0.44$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.55$ (s, 3H, -Me); 7.21-7.25 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.30 - 7.33 (m, 1H, ArH); 7.60 - 7.64 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.50 (br, s, 1H, NH).

5-Bromo-3-selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7c)³

Light brown solid; m.p. 138-140°C (lit.140-142°C); 98%, 227 mg; $R_f = 0.41$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.32$ (d, J = 8.8Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.39 - 7.43 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.55 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.88 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 8.68 (br, s, 1H, NH).

2,6-Dimethyl-4-selenocyanatoaniline-(8a)³

Light yellow liquid; 70%, 195 mg; $R_f = 0.38$ in 15% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.12$ (s, 6H, -Me), 3.83 (s, 2H, ArH).

3-Chloro-4-selenocyanatoaniline-(8b)³

Light yellow liquid; 72%, 197 mg; $R_f = 0.34$ in 15% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.99$ (s, 2H, ArH), 6.50 - 6.60 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.76 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, ArH).

3-Bromo-4-selenocyanatoaniline(8c)³

Light yellow liquid; 72%, 173 mg; $R_f = 0.36$ in 15% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.98$ (s, 2H, ArH), 6.55 - 6.63 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.92 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.48 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, ArH).

2-Fluoro-4-selenocyanatoaniline(8d)³

Light yellow liquid; 73%, 212 mg; $R_f = 0.32$ in 15% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 4.05$ (s, 2H, ArH), 6.69 - 6.74 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.19 - 7.23 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.27 - 7.31 (m, 1H, ArH).

1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9a)

Yellow oil; 79%, 150 mg, $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.09$ (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.18 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.31 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.43 – 7.54 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.57 - 7.62 (m, 2H,







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ArH), 8.07 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H, C=CH), 11.25 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 107.9$, 116.8 116.8, 124.2, 128.4, 128.7, 129.7, 130.8, 139.9, 139.9, 153.13, 195.4; MS(ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₆H₁₂N₂OS 280.0670; found 281.03 [M+H].

1-Phenyl-2-thiocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(9b)

Yellow dark oil; 89%, 165 mg, $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.37$ (s, 3H, -Me), 7.19 - 7.24 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.27 -7.33 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, ArH), 7.51 - 7.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.63 -7.73 (m, 2H, AH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 20.71$, 107.8, 116.4 127.2, 128.4, 129.7, 130.2, 131.4, 133.4, 137.8, 139.3, 145.3, 147.1; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂OS 294.08; found 295.05 [M+H].

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9c)

Dark brown semi solid ; 87%, 165 mg, $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.77$ (s, 3H, -OMe), 6.85 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.11 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.42 - 7.45 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.55 - 7.59 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.97 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H, C=CH), 11.23 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 55.6$, 107.1, 114.9 118.2, 128.4, 128.6, 130.0, 130.6, 133.5, 140.1, 153.5, 145.3, 156.7, 195.0; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂O₂S 310.0776; found 311.04 [M+H].



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1-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9d)

Brown semi solid ; 89%, 161mg; $R_f = 0.31$ in 30% (EtOAc:PET); Stain KMnO₄ Active; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.21 - 7.25$ (m, 1H, ArH), 7.28 - 7.33 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.33 - 7.39 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.47 - 7.54 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.59 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, H, ArH), 7.82 - 7.86 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.91 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H,ArH), 8.11 - 8.16 (m, 1H, ArH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 108.6$, 116.5, 123.8, 124.8, 125.9, 126.1, 126.9, 128.3, 129.8, 130.2, 130.7, 133.9, 139.0, 140.3, 144.6, 184.32; MS(ESI): *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₁₄N₂OS 330.0827; found 331.00 [M+H].



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Copies of ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR



Fig 1. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2a)

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Fig 2. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2a)



Fig 3. ¹*H-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2b)*

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Fig 4. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2b)



Fig 5. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2c)



Fig 6. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2c)



Fig 7. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2d)



Fig 8. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2d)



Fig 9. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2e)



Fig 10. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(p-tolyl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2e)



Fig 11. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2f)

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Fig 12. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2f)



Fig 13. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2g)





Fig 14. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2g)



Fig 15. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(2-Fluorophenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2h)



Fig 16. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(2-Fluorophenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2h)



Fig 17. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2i)



Fig 18. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2i)



Fig 19. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2j)

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Fig 20. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2j)



Fig 21. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2k)

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Fig 22. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2k)



Fig 23. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino -1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2l)

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Fig 24. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino -1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2l)



Fig 25. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(Furan-2-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2m)



Fig 26. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-(Furan-2-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(2m)


Fig 27. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2n)





Fig 28. ¹C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Phenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(2n)

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Fig.29¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(2-Fluorophenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(20)





Fig 30. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(2-Fluorophenylamino)-2-selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)prop-2-en-1-one-(20)



Fig 31. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 2-Selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2p)



Fig 32. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 2-Selenocyanato-1-(thiophen-2-yl)-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(2p)



Fig 33. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 5,5-Dimethyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4a)



Fig 34. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 5,5-Dimethyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4a)



Fig 35. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 5,5-Dimethyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)cyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4b)



Fig 36. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 5,5-Dimethyl-2-selenocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)cyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4b)



Fig 37. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-((4-Methoxyphenyl)amino)-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4c)



Fig 38. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4c)



Fig 39. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4d)



Fig 40. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Chlorophenyl)amino-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4d)



Fig 41. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Benzylamino)-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4e)



Fig 42. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(Benzylamino)-5,5-dimethyl-2-selenocyanatocyclohex-2-en-1-one-(4e)



Fig 43. ¹*H-NMR Spectrum of 3-Selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6a)*





Fig 44. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-Selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6a)



Fig 45. ¹*H-NMR Spectrum of 6-Methyl-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6b)*





Fig 46. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 6-Methoxy-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6c)



Fig 47. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 6,8-Dibromo-3-selenocyanato-4H-chromen-4-one-(6d)



Fig 48. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-Selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7a)





Fig 49. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 2-Methyl-3-selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7b)



Fig 50. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 5-Bromo-3-selenocyanato-1H-indole-(7c)



Fig 51. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 2,6-Dimethyl-4-selenocyanatoaniline-(8a)





Fig 52. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of Chloro-4-selenocyanatoaniline-(8b)





Fig 53. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-Bromo-4-selenocyanatoaniline(8c)





Fig 54. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 2-Fluoro-4-selenocyanatoaniline(8d)



Fig 55. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9a)

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Fig 56. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9a)



Fig 57. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-2-thiocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(9b)





Fig 58. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 1-Phenyl-2-thiocyanato-3-(p-tolylamino)prop-2-en-1-one-(9b)



Fig 59. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9c)

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Fig 60. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum of 3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)amino-1-phenyl-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9c)



Fig 61. ¹H-NMR Spectrum of 1-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9d)





Fig 62. ¹³C-NMR Spectrum 1-(Naphthalen-1-yl)-3-(phenylamino)-2-thiocyanatoprop-2-en-1-one-(9d)