

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### **Alkyl Selenol Reactivity with Common Solvents and Ligands: Influences on Phase Control in Nanocrystal Synthesis**

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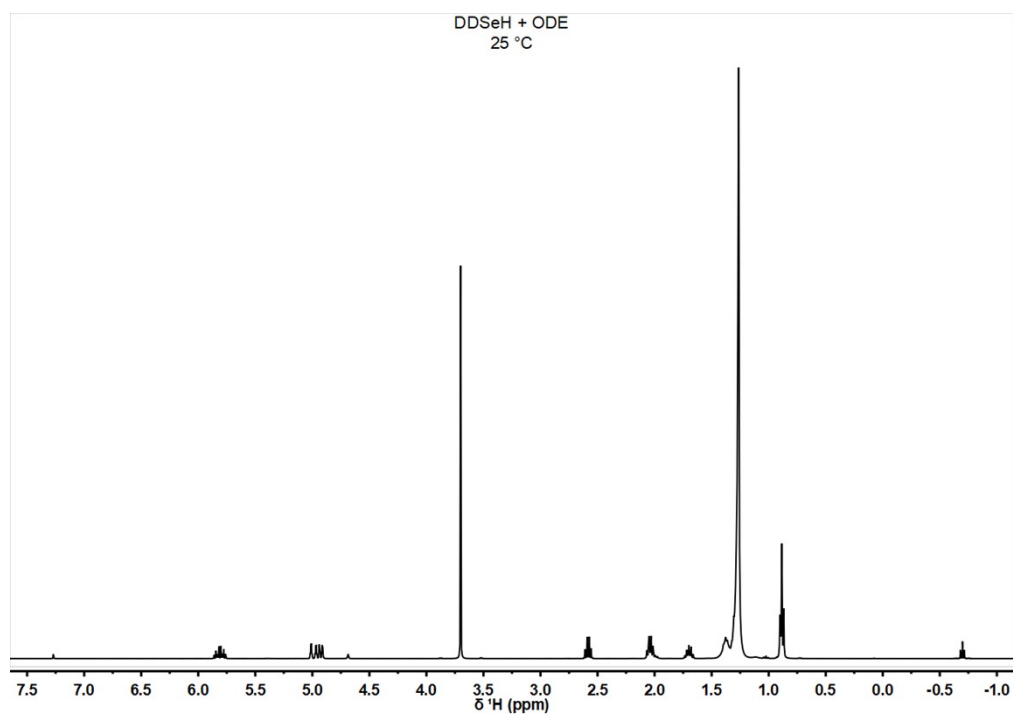
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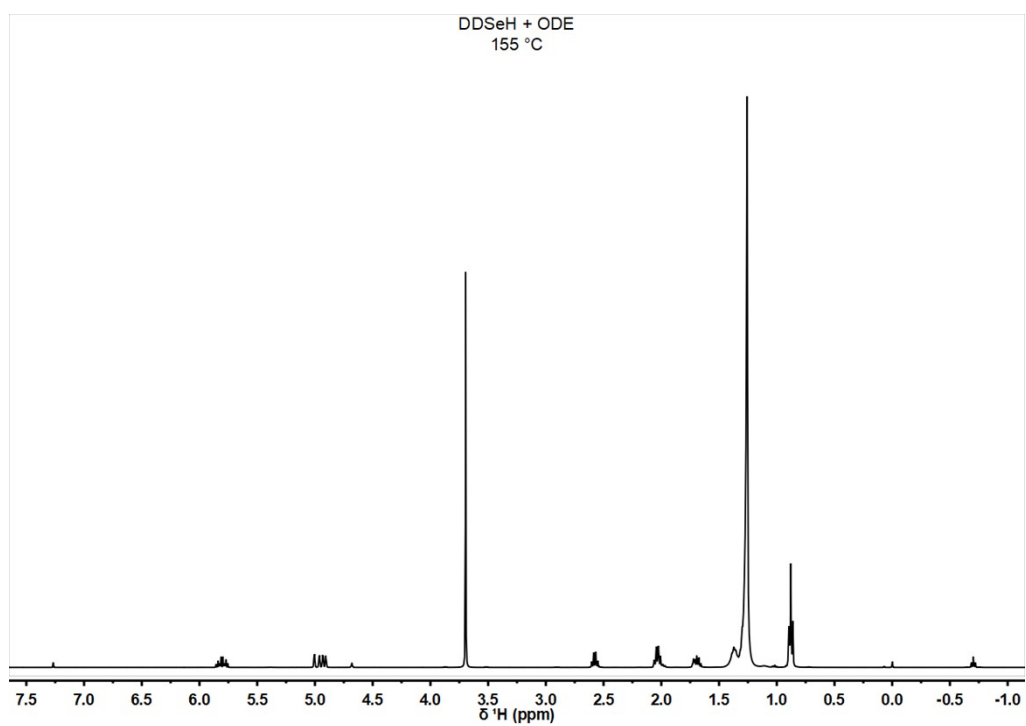
**Table S1:** NMR parameters used for  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{77}\text{Se}$  experiments.

	$^1\text{H}$ -NMR	$^{77}\text{Se}$ -NMR	$^{77}\text{Se}$ -NMR (for upfield detection of TOP:Se)
Number of Scans	16	128	128
Spectral Width (ppm)	13	1000	1000
Recycle Delay (s)	-	5	5
Centre Shift (ppm)	5	250	-500

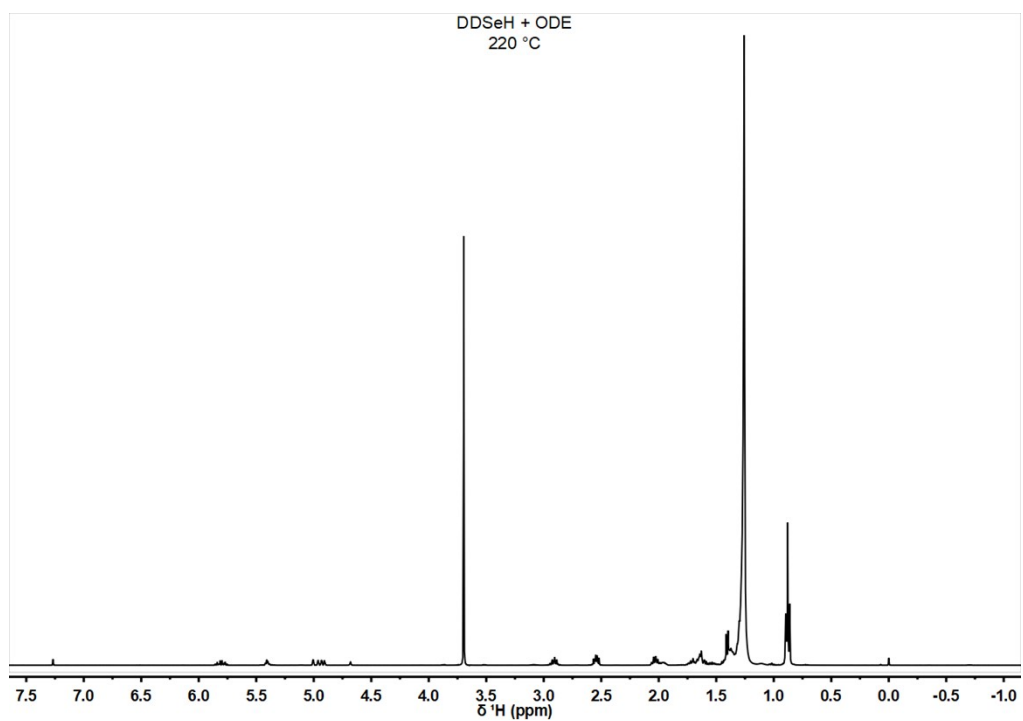
**$^1\text{H}$  NMR of all DDSeH and ligand combinations at 25 °C, 155 °C and 220 °C.**



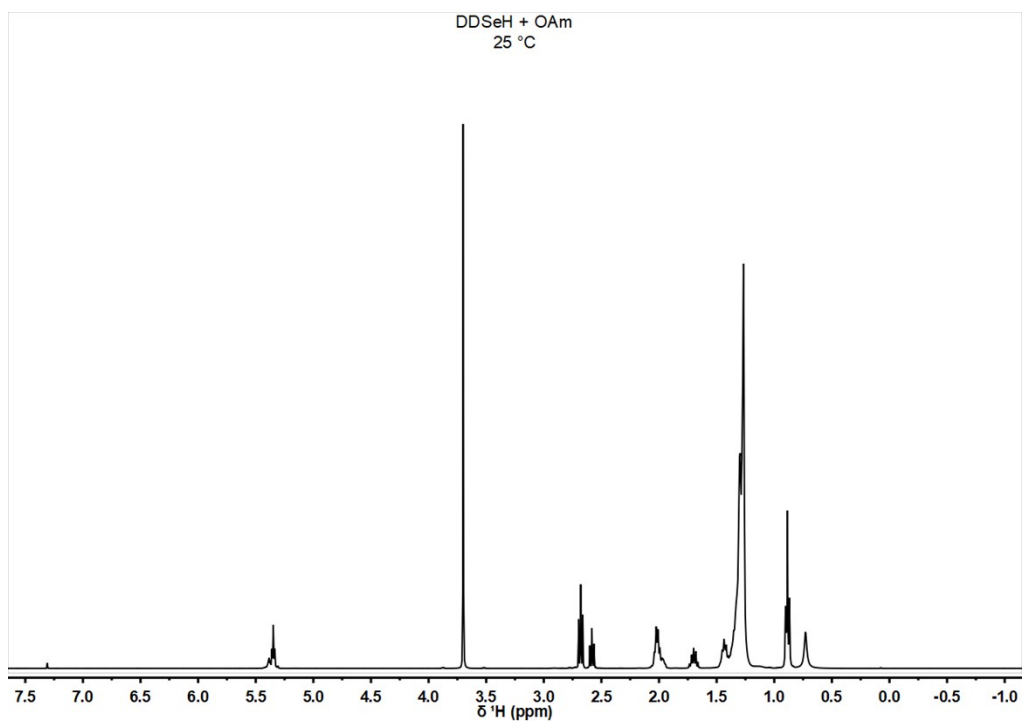
**Figure S1:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and ODE at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



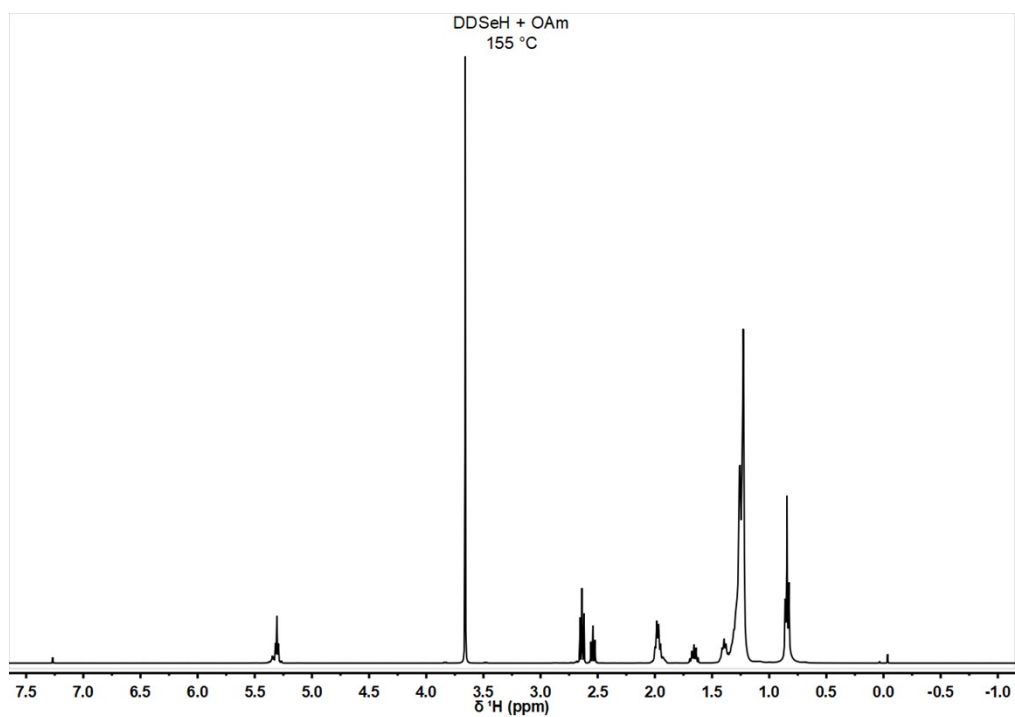
**Figure S2:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and ODE at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



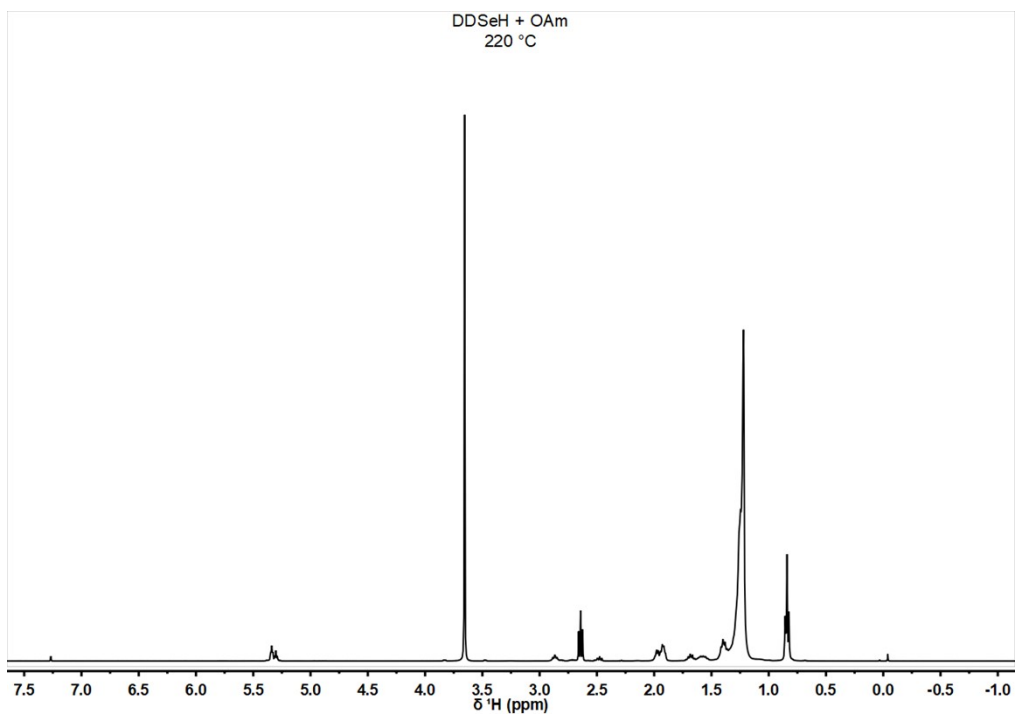
**Figure S3:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and ODE at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



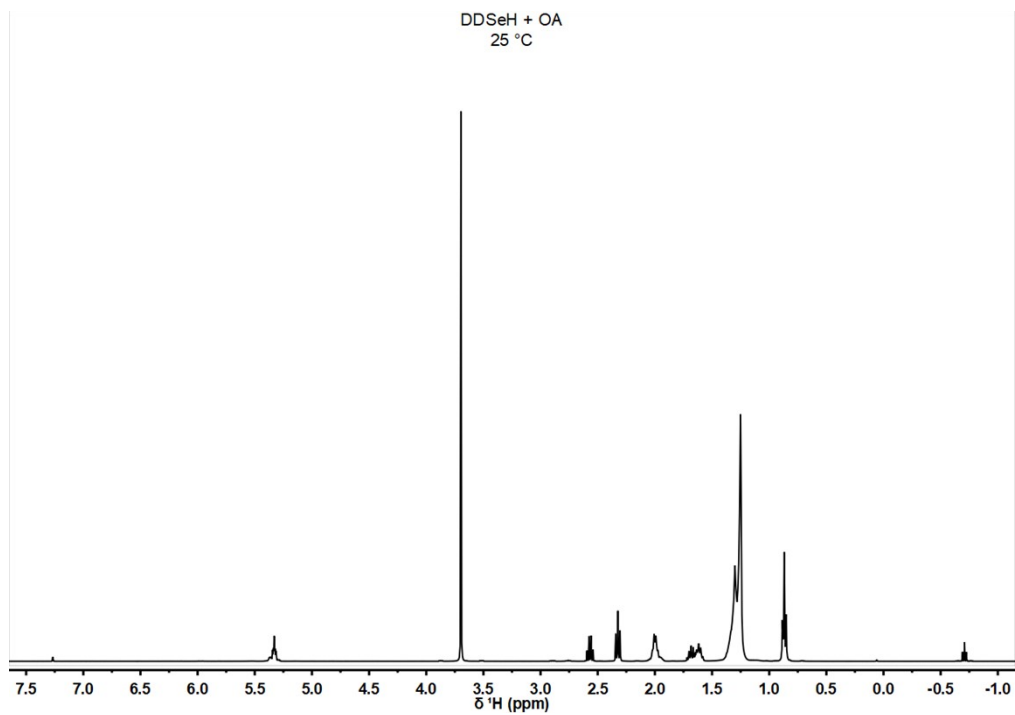
**Figure S4:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleylamine at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



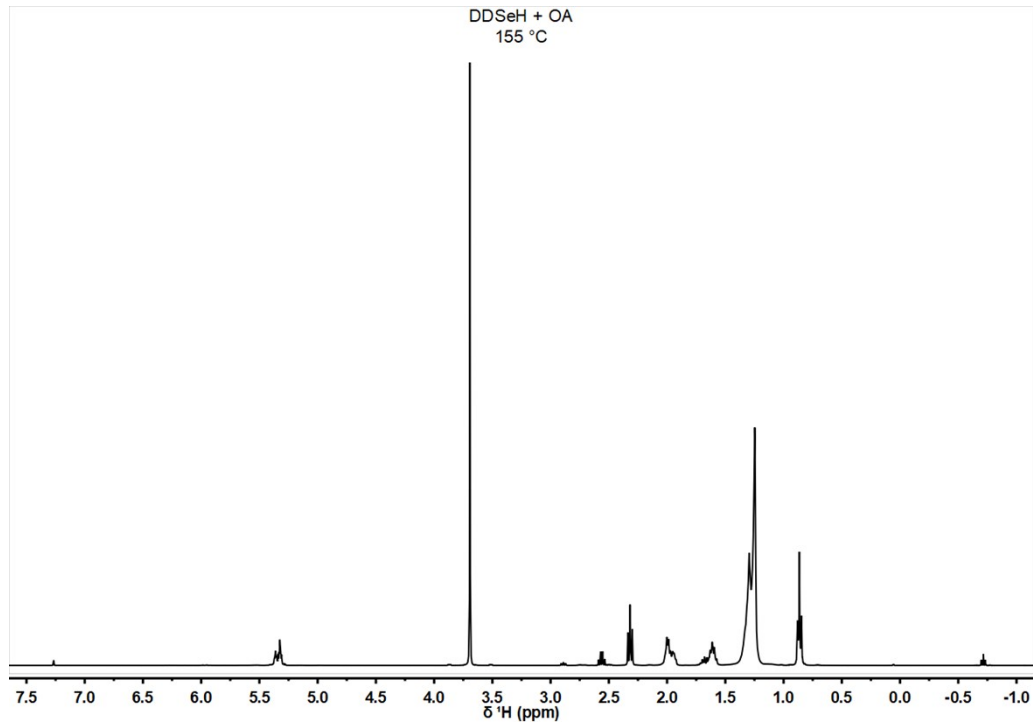
**Figure S5:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleylamine at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



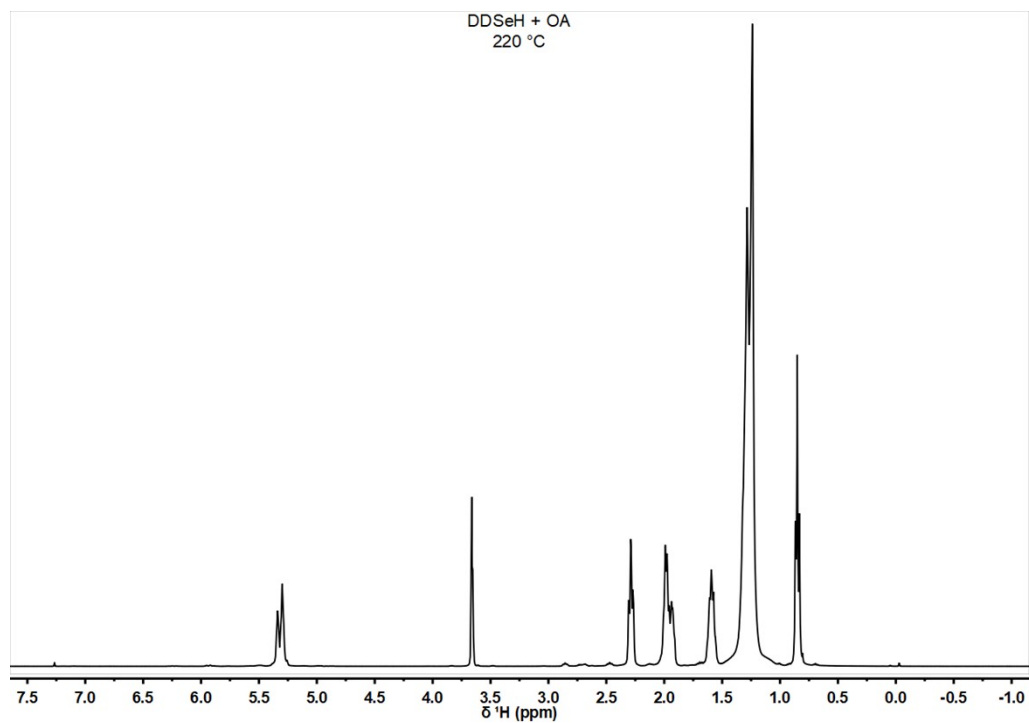
**Figure S6:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleylamine at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



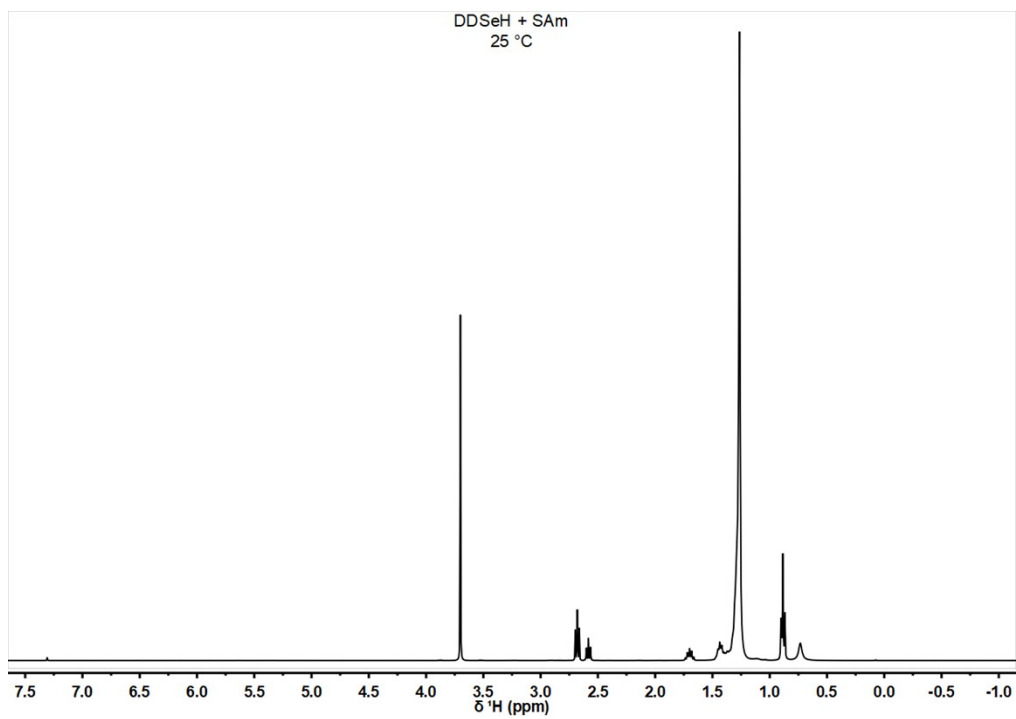
**Figure S7:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleic acid at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



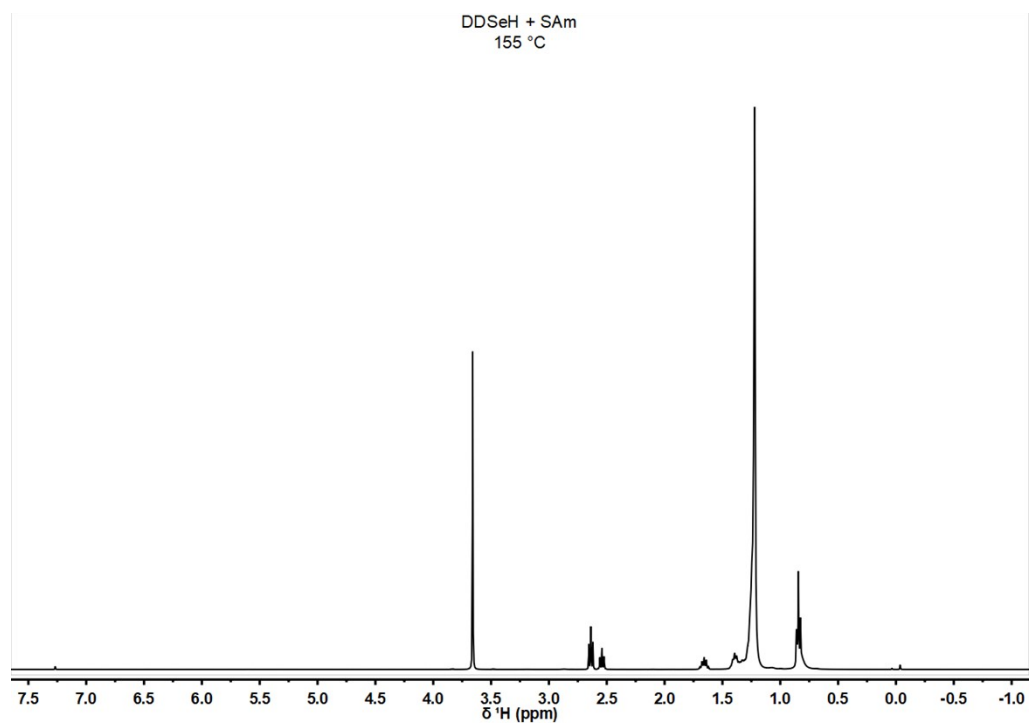
**Figure S8:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleic acid at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



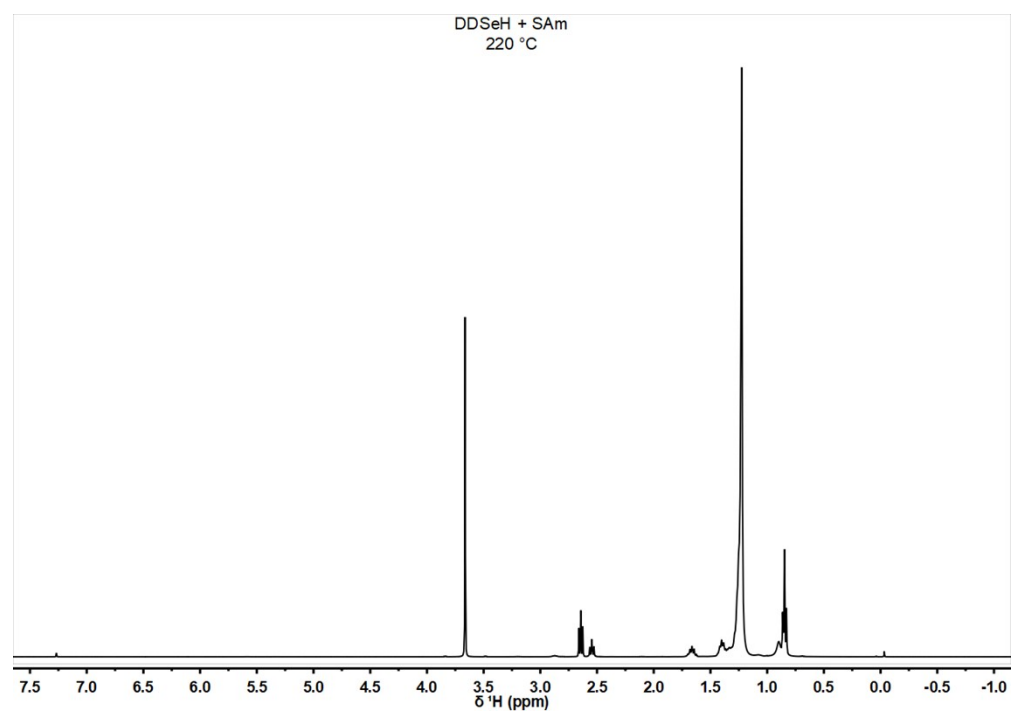
**Figure S9:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleic acid at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



**Figure S10:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearylamine at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

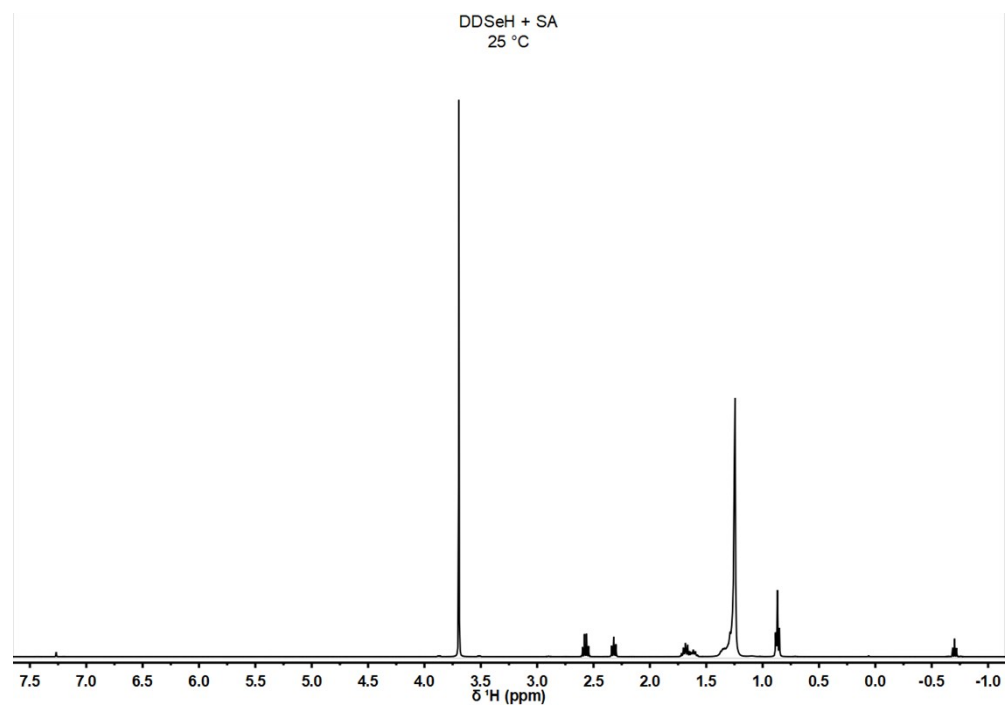


**Figure S11:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearylamine at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

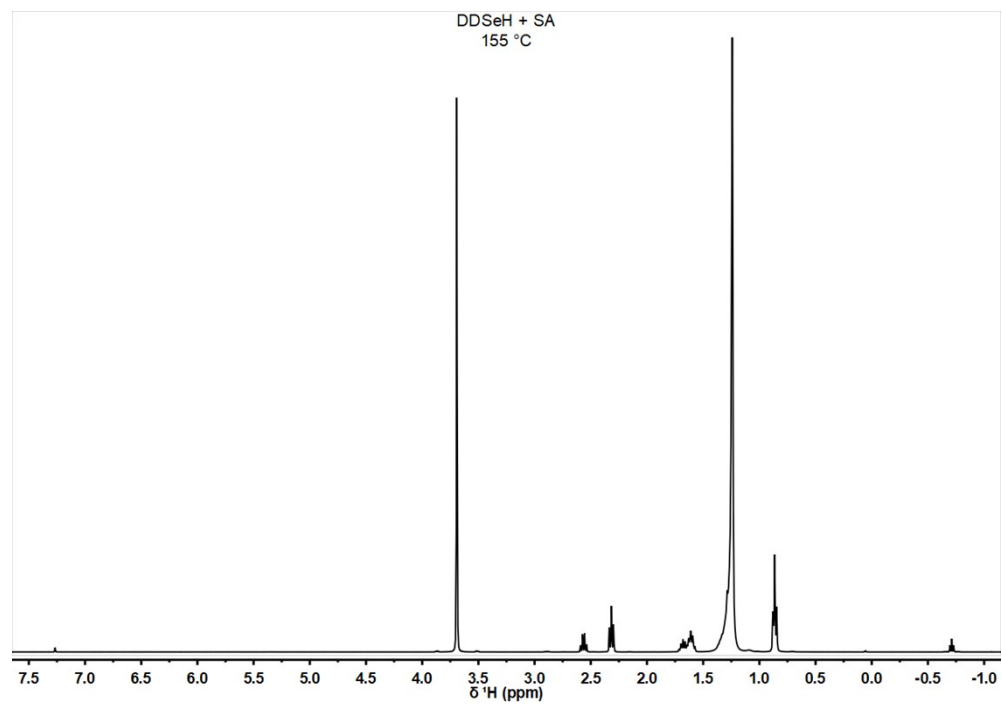


**Figure S12:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearylamine at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

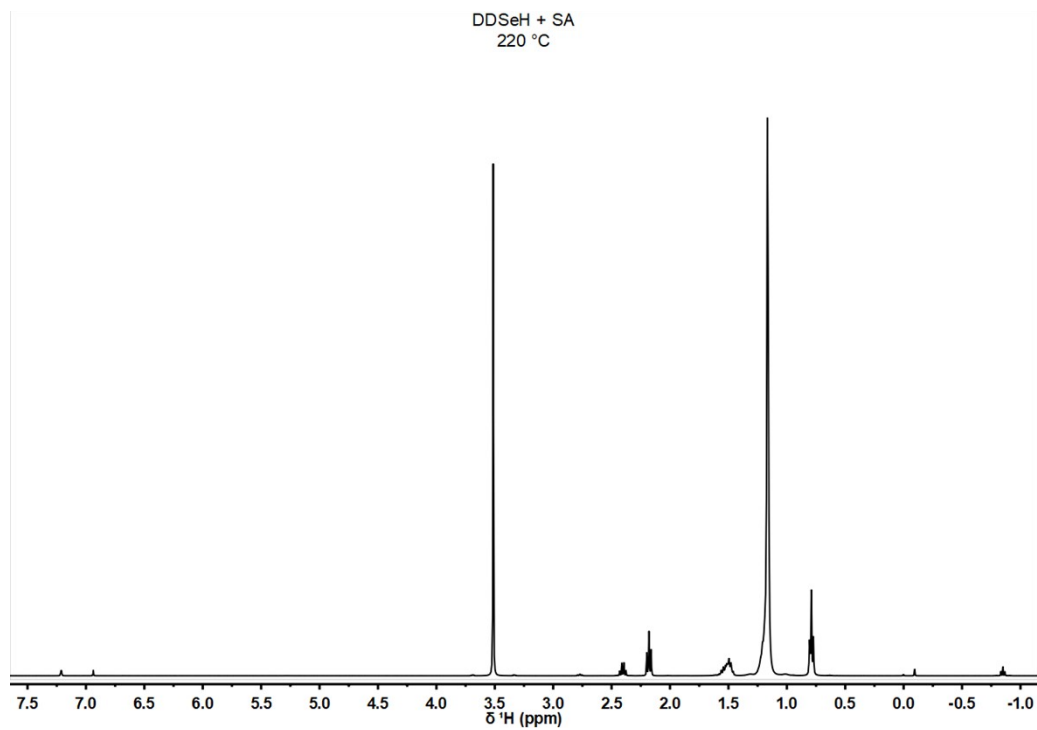




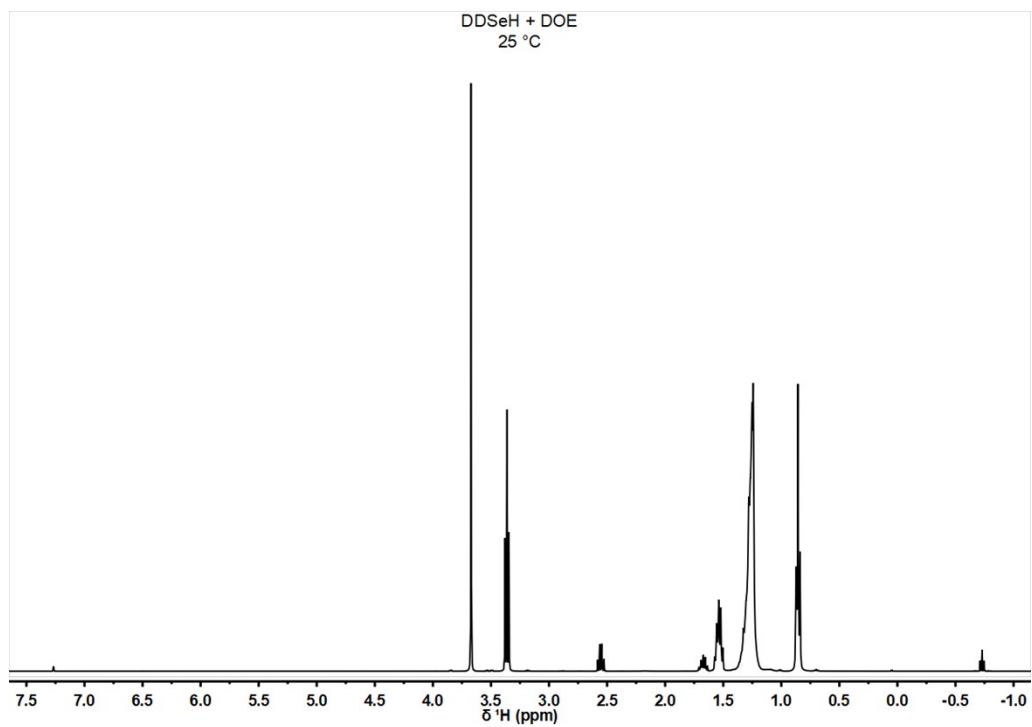
**Figure S13:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearic acid at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



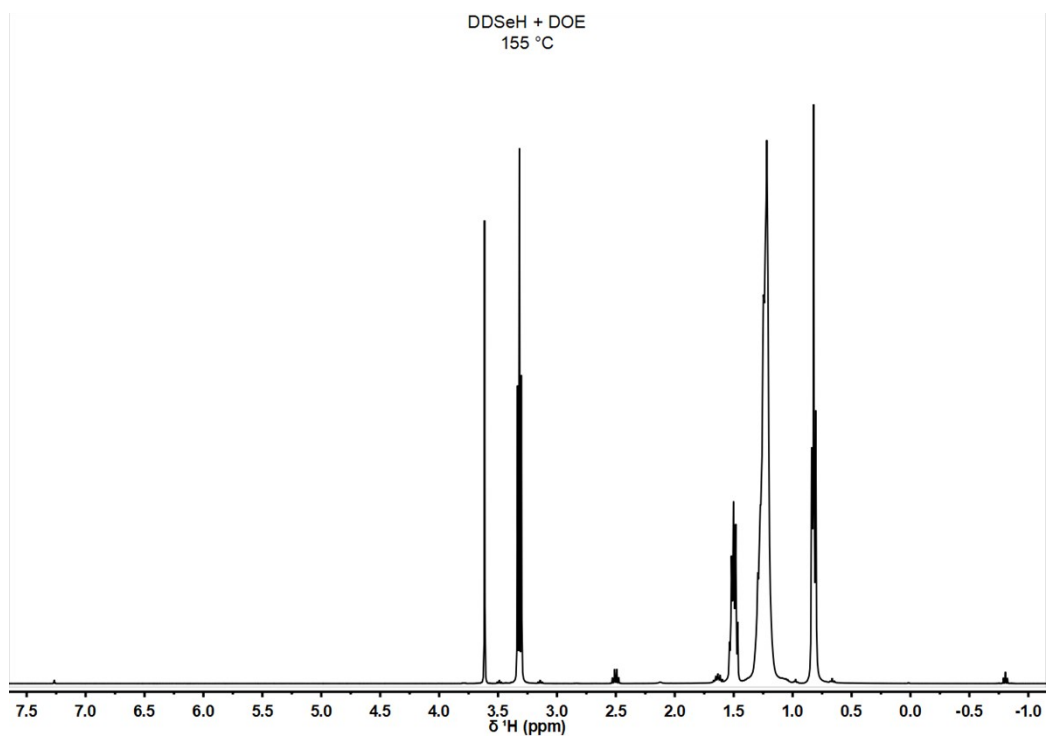
**Figure S14:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearic acid at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



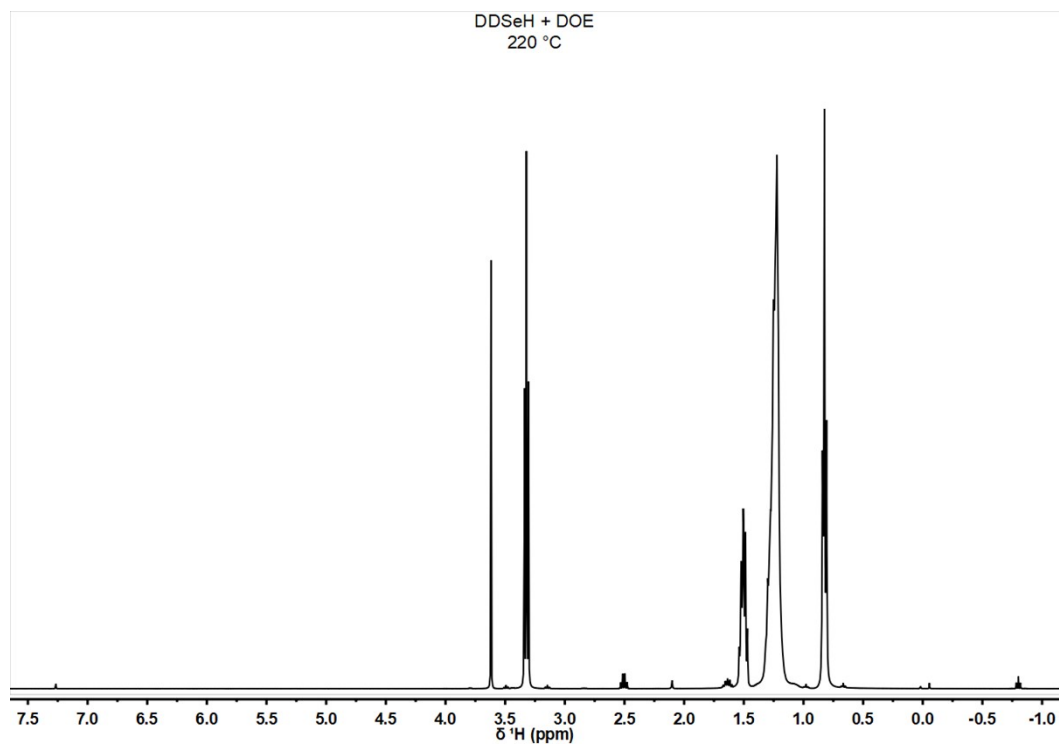
**Figure S15:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearic acid at 220 °C in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm



**Figure S16:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and DOE at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

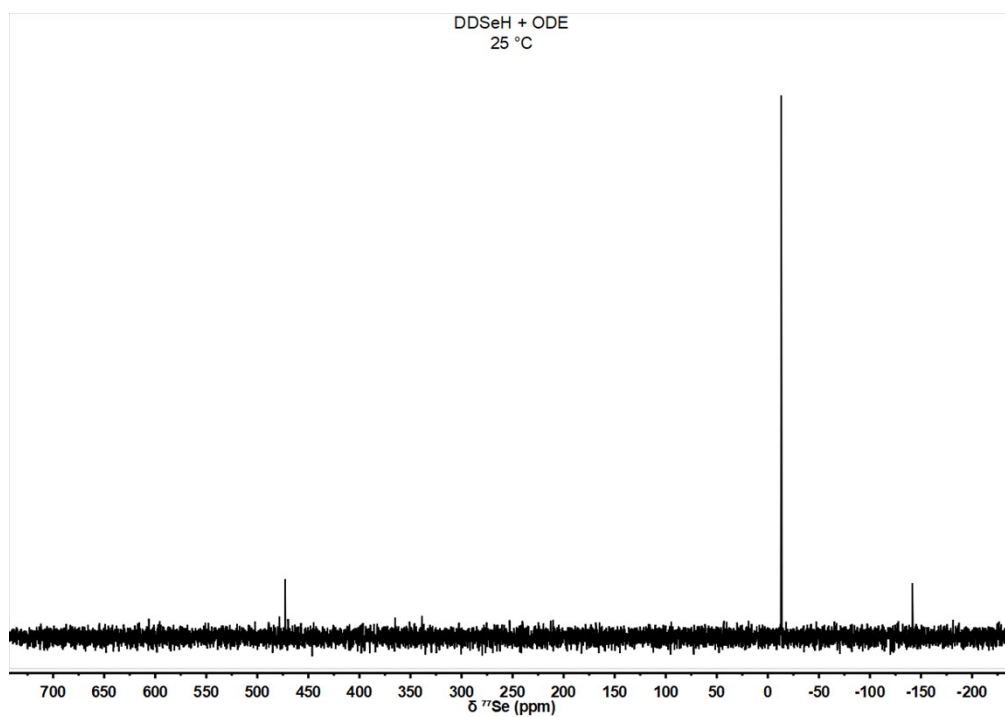


**Figure S17:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and DOE at 155 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

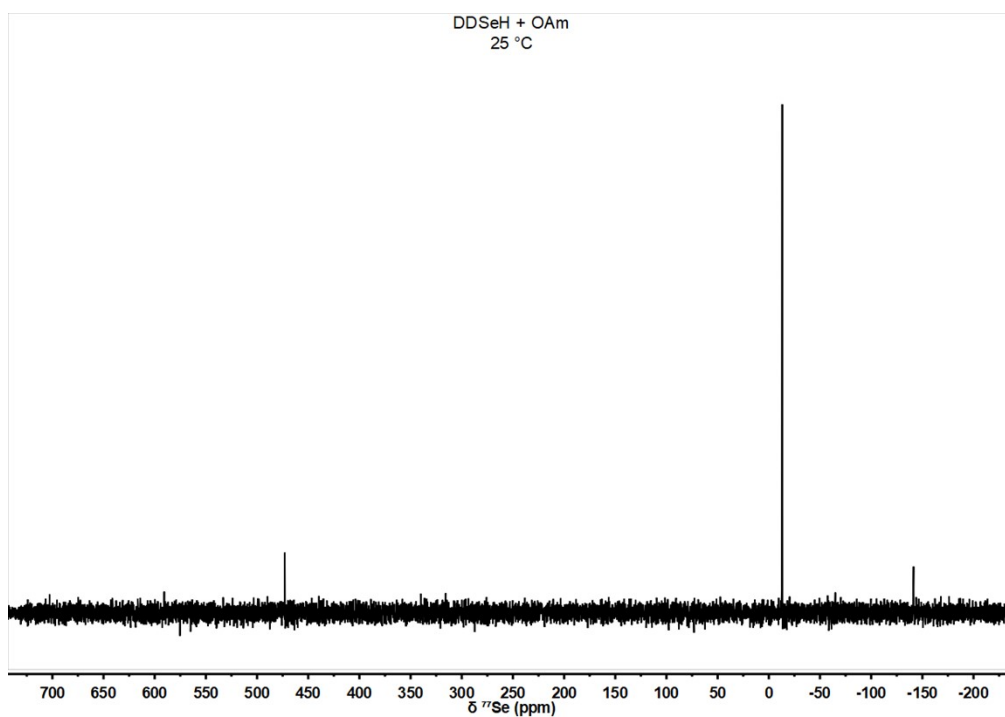


**Figure S18:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of DDSeH and DOE at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Dioxane internal standard at  $\delta = 3.71$  ppm

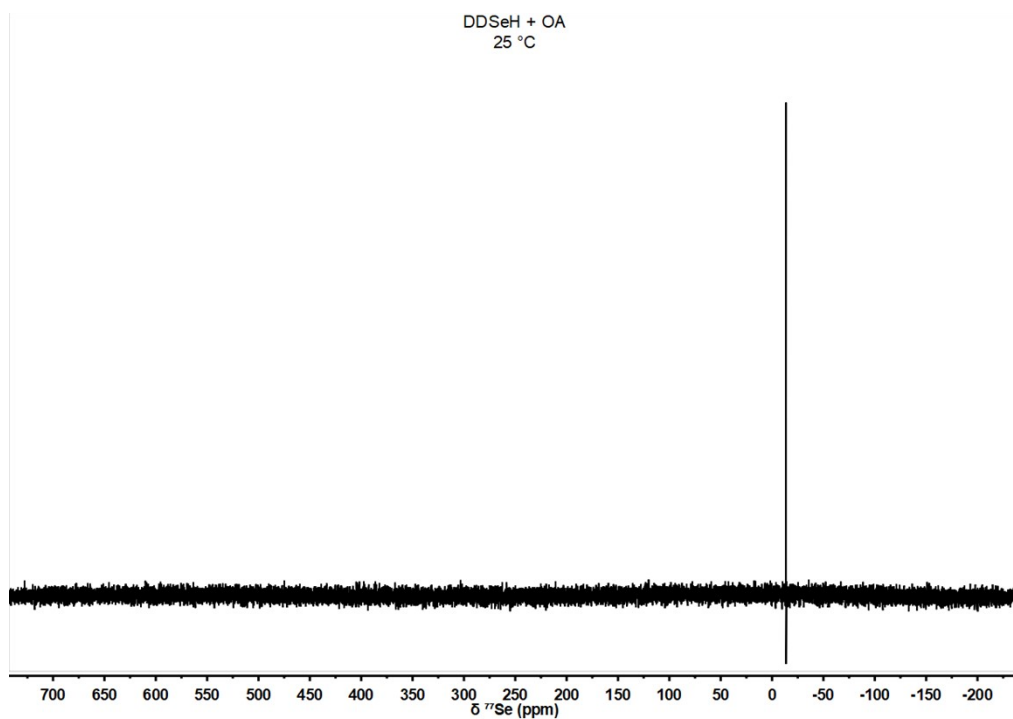
**$^{77}\text{H}$  NMR of all DDSeH and ligand combinations tested at 25 °C**



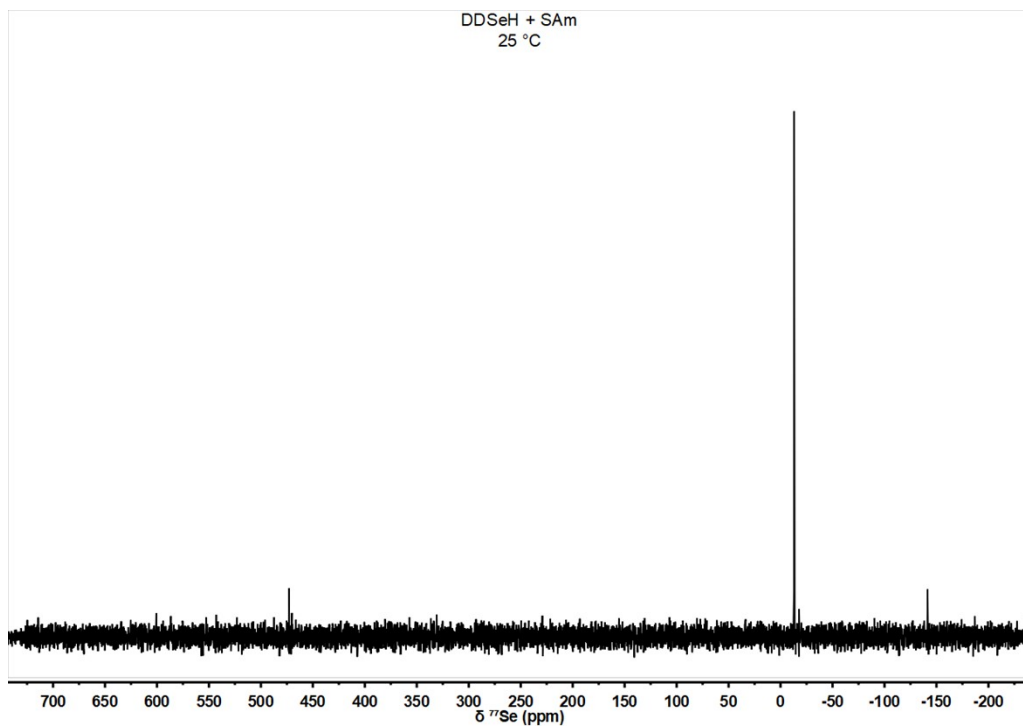
**Figure S19:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and ODE at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



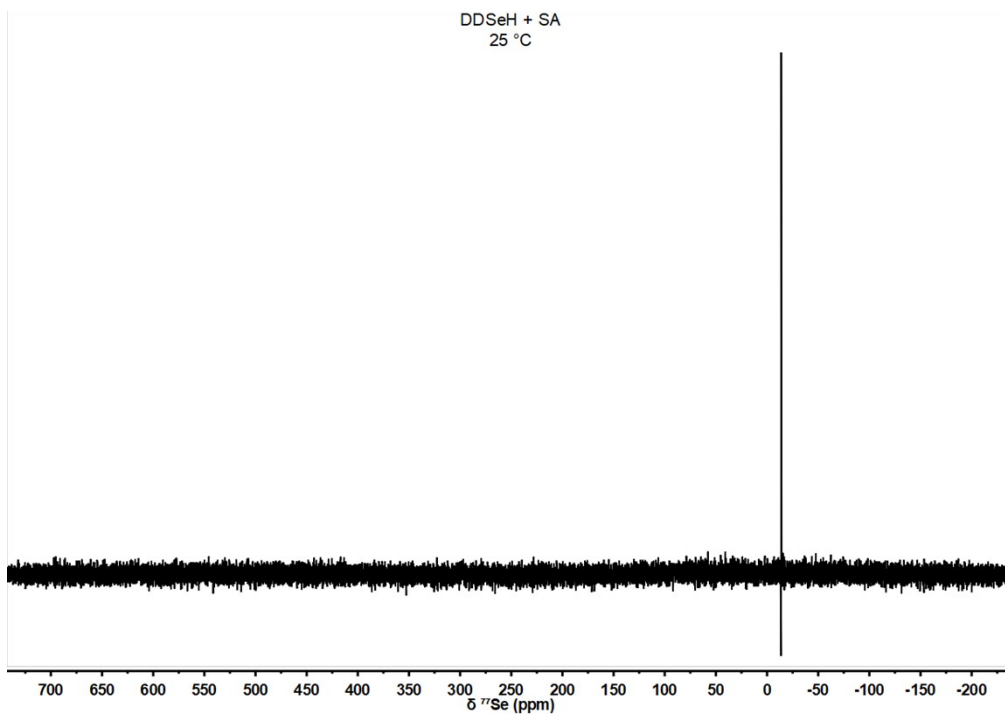
**Figure S20:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and ODE at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



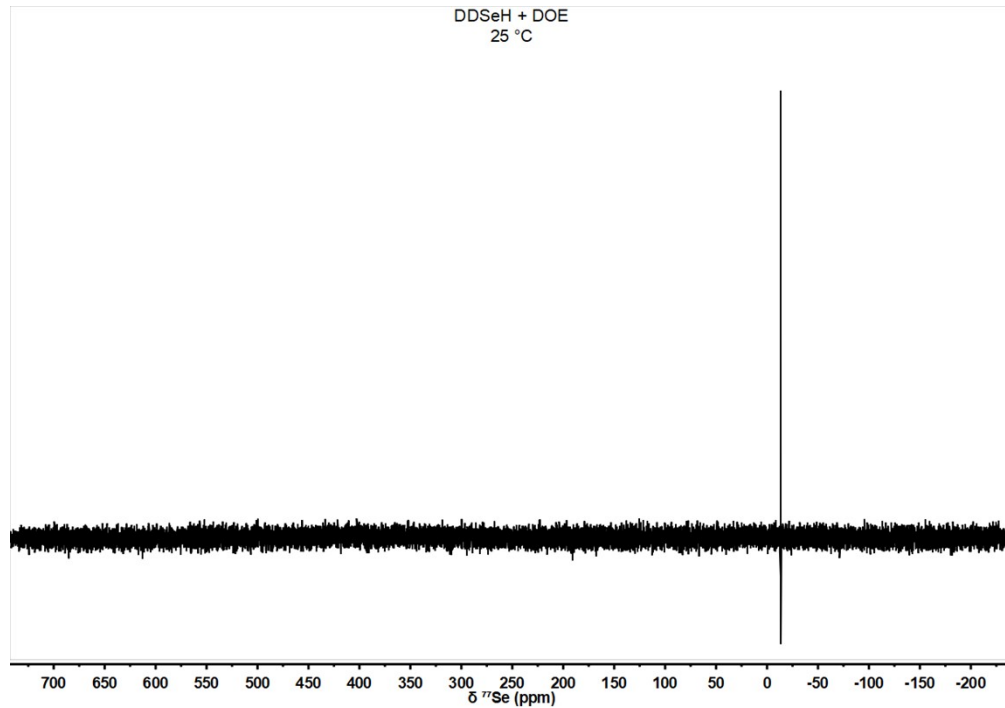
**Figure S21:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleic acid 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



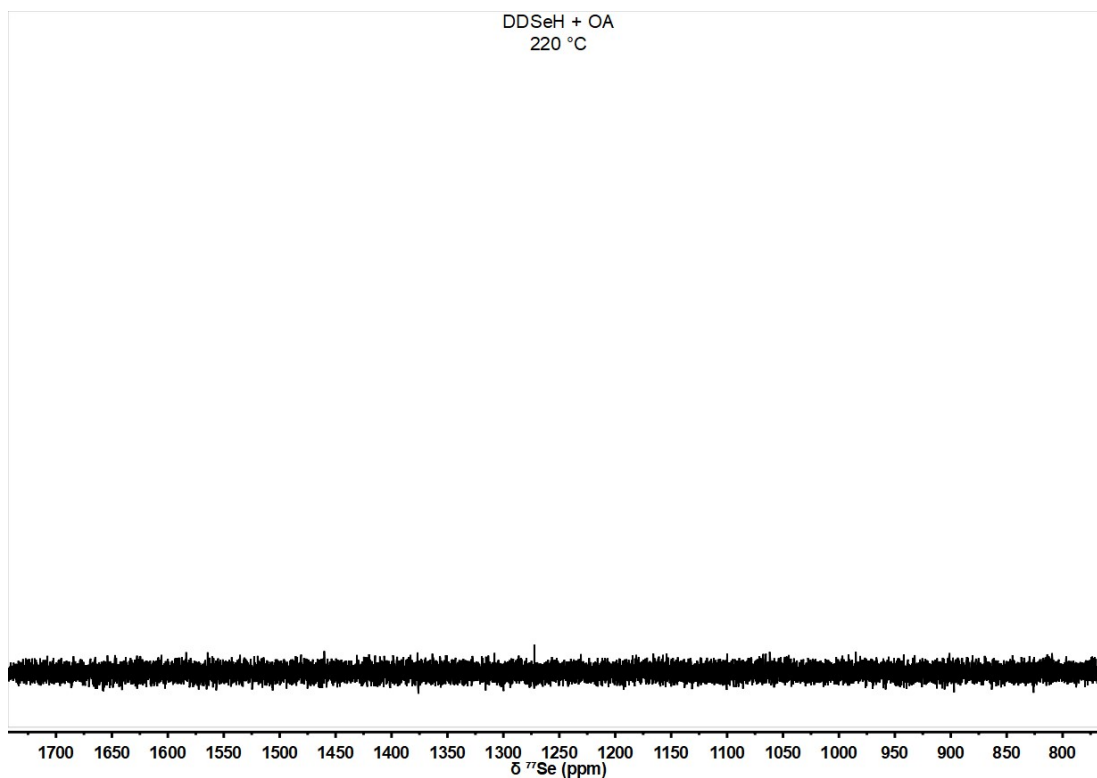
**Figure S22:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearylamine at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



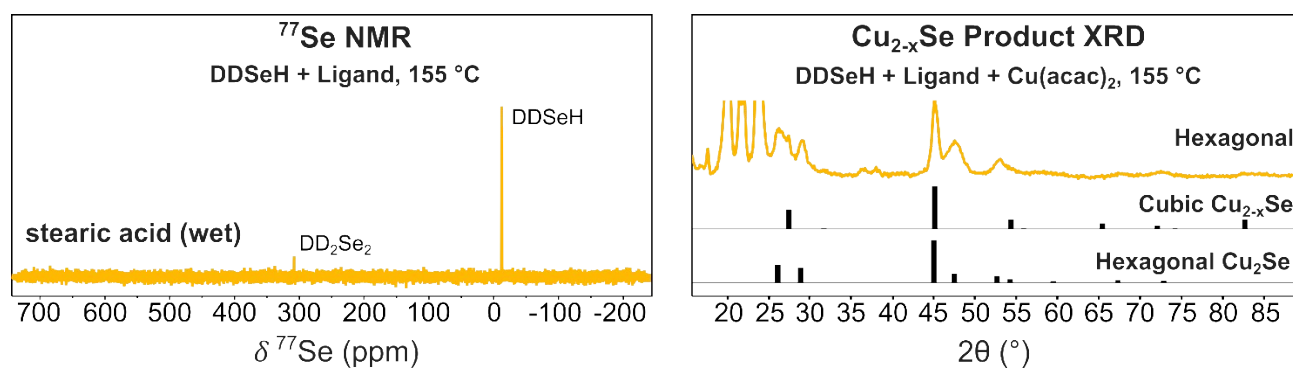
**Figure S23:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and stearic acid at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .



**Figure S24:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and DOE at 25 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

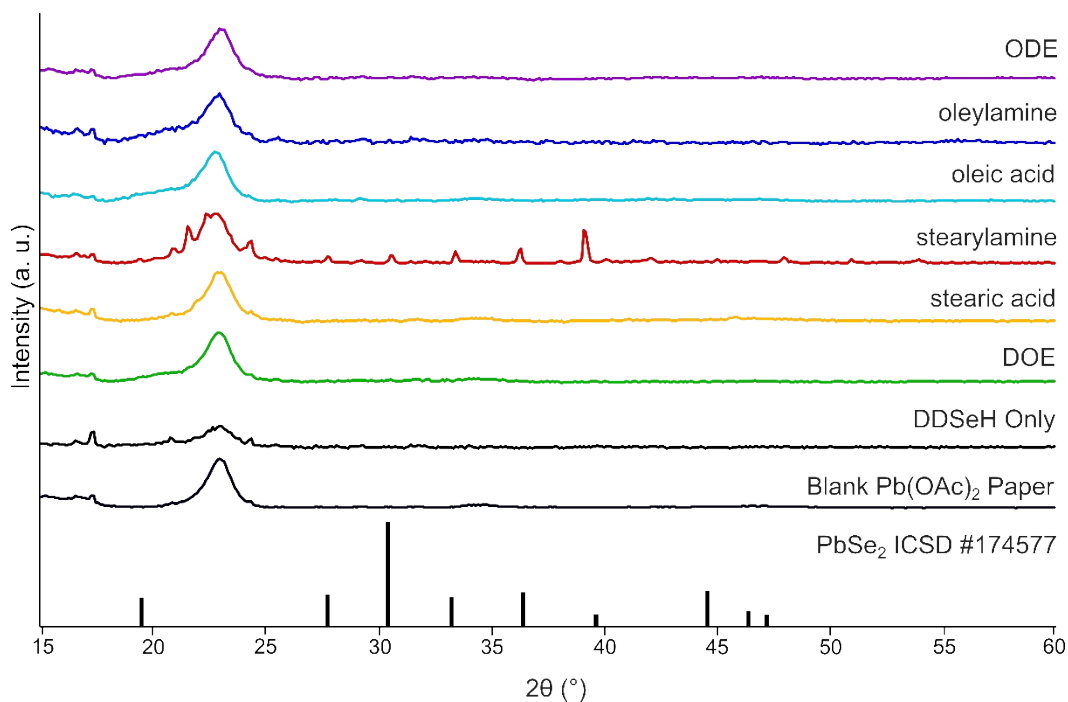


**Figure S25:** Upfield scan  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR of DDSeH and oleic acid at 220 °C in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

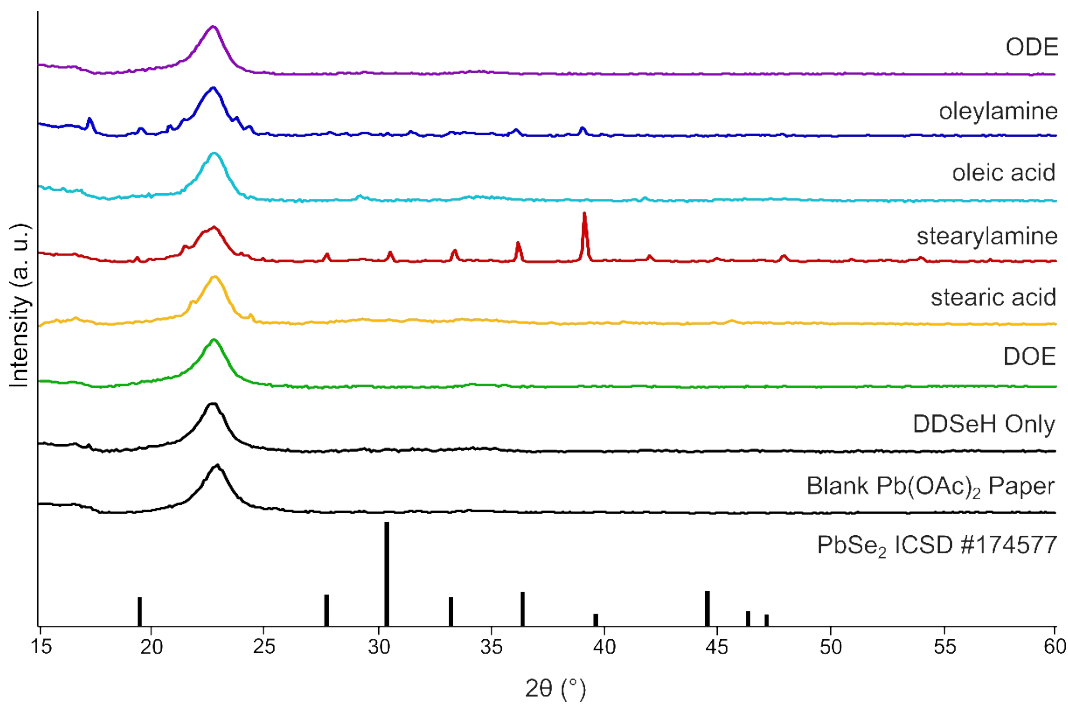


**Figure S26:**  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR and pXRD experiments illustrating that failure to properly dry/degas stearic acid produces the hexagonal phase of  $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Se}$  nanocrystals.

### pXRD Analysis of Lead Acetate Paper

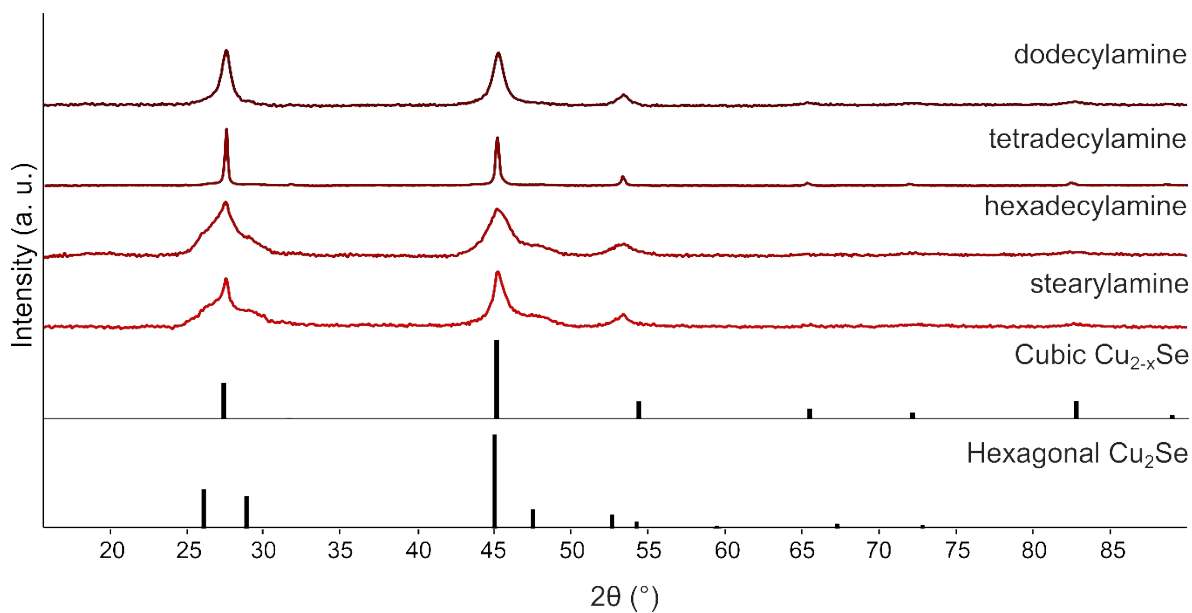


**Figure S27:** pXRD of lead acetate paper placed in reaction headspaces for studies at 155 °C. The formation of PbSe is indicative of H<sub>2</sub>Se gas evolution.

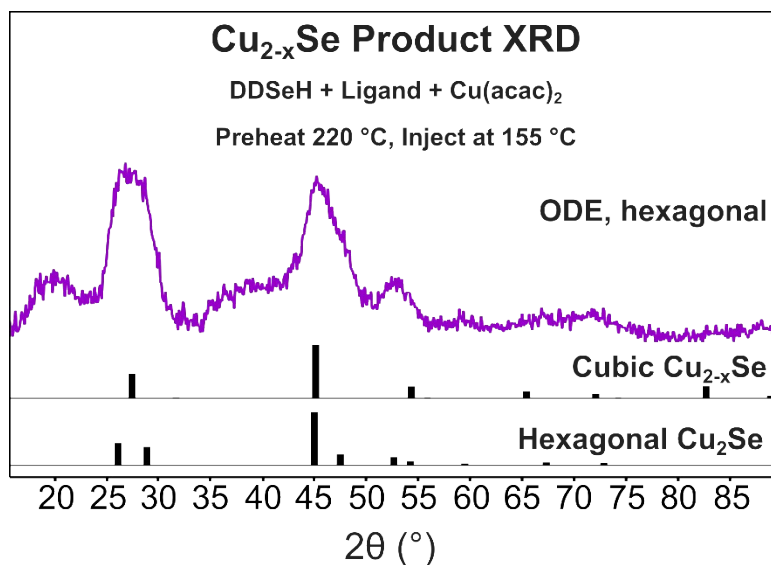


**Figure S28:** pXRD of lead acetate paper placed in reaction headspaces for studies at 220 °C. The formation of PbSe is indicative of H<sub>2</sub>Se gas evolution.





**Figure S29:** pXRD of copper selenide products from syntheses prepared in the presence of dodecylamine, tetradecylamine, hexadecylamine and stearylamine. Calculated patterns for cubic berzelianite  $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Se}$  and hexagonal  $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Se}$  used for Rietveld refinements of percent composition reported in Figure 3. All refinements have  $X^2 < 3$ .



**Figure S30:** pXRD of copper selenide products from synthesis using ODE. DDSeH and ODE were preheated for 1 hr at 220 °C then cooled to 155 °C before Cu precursor injection.