

**Supporting Information**

**Molybdenum (V)-mediated switching of the C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-Se bond  
of phenylselenyl-functionalized arenes or heterocycles under  
mild conditions**

Ming Zhang,<sup>†</sup> Beifang Nian,<sup>†</sup> Zhibang Wu, Jianhua Guo, Zhuo Chen, Caifeng Yuan, Xuankun Huang, Yiwen Shen, Hongbin Zhang,\* E Tang\*

Key Laboratory of Medicinal Chemistry for Natural Resource, Ministry of Education, Yunnan Provincial Center for Research & Development of Natural Products, School of Chemical Science and Technology, Yunnan University, Kunming 650091, China.

**Table of Contents**

<a href="#"><u>1. General information</u></a> .....	S1
<a href="#"><u>2. Optimization of the reaction conditions</u></a> .....	S1
<a href="#"><u>2.1 Optimization of the reaction conditions for the synthesis of compounds c...</u></a>	S1
<a href="#"><u>2.2 Optimization of the reaction conditions for the synthesis of compounds e...</u></a>	S3
<a href="#"><u>3. Synthesis of compounds c</u></a> .....	S4
<a href="#"><u>4. Synthesis of compounds e</u></a> .....	S4
<a href="#"><u>5. Control experiments</u></a> .....	S5
<a href="#"><u>6. Mechanistic investigations...</u></a> .....	S11
<a href="#"><u>6.1 Mass spectrometry for intermediate 1b...</u></a> .....	S11
<a href="#"><u>6.2 Mass spectrometry for 1,1-dimethyl ethoxybenzene...</u></a> .....	S12
<a href="#"><u>6.3 Mass spectrometry for the chlorobenzene yielded from 1b...</u></a> .....	S12
<a href="#"><u>6.4 Mass spectrometry for the chlorobenzene yielded from 1d...</u></a> .....	S13
<a href="#"><u>6.5 Proposed mechanism for the formation of compound 29c....</u></a> .....	S14
<a href="#"><u>7. X-ray structure of compounds 1b and 8e..</u></a> .....	S15

<u>7.1 X-ray structure of compound 1b...</u>	S15
<u>7.2 X-ray structure of compound 8e...</u>	S22
<u>8. Characterization of products..</u>	S26
<u>9. References..</u>	S37
<u>10. Copies of NMR spectra</u>	S39

## **1. General information**

Unless otherwise noted, all other reagents and starting materials were purchased from commercial source and used without further purification. Thin layer chromatography was carried out on GF<sub>254</sub> plates (0.25 mm layer thickness). Flash chromatography was performed with 200-300 mesh silica gels. Reactions were monitored by TLC and visualized by a dual short wave/long wave UV lamp. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 400, 500, or 600 MHz spectrophotometers. Chemical shifts in <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were reported in parts per million (ppm) on the δ scale. Data for <sup>1</sup>H NMR were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br. s = broad singlet), coupling constant in Herts (Hz) and integration. Data for <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were reported in terms of chemical shift in ppm. ESI-MS was taken on Agilent 1100 HPLC-TOF spectrometer. GC-MS was taken on FINNIGAN TRACEDSQ spectrometer.

**Substrates (1a-36a, 1d-12d) were prepared according to literature procedures.<sup>[1-8]</sup>**

## **2. Optimization of the reaction conditions**

### **2.1 Optimization of the reaction conditions for the synthesis of compounds c**

We selected 2-phenylseleno-1,1'-biphenyl (**1a**) as a test substrate with MoCl<sub>5</sub> as an oxidant and trimethylamine (TEA) as a base for this dephenylation and ring-closing reaction. To our delight, the desired dibenzoselenophene compound **1c** was obtained at room temperature with a yield of 12% (Table 1, entry 1). The reaction conditions were then optimized, and the results were summarized in Table 1. The yield of **1c** increased with the increase in the amount of MoCl<sub>5</sub> (entries 2-4). 47% was the best yield when 5.0 equiv. of MoCl<sub>5</sub> was used (entry 3). Solvent and base screening revealed that the reaction can proceed smoothly in the presence of ethylenediamine (EDA), NaH, and EtONa to obtain **1c** in 32-76% yields (entries 5-7), and the desired product was obtained when the reaction was carried out in DMSO, DMF, THF, EtOH,

$\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ , toluene, ethyl acetate (EA), and diethyl ether (9-42%, entries 8-15), although the reaction yields were unsatisfactory. A significant improvement in the yield was observed when DCM and *t*-BuOK were employed as the reaction solvent and base, respectively, and **1c** was obtained in 92% yield (entry 16). The low solubility of  $\text{MoCl}_5$  and *t*-BuOK in petroleum ether (PE) leads to a trace amount of the product (entry 17). The yield decreased significantly when the reaction time was shortened from 6 h to 3 h or less amount of *t*-BuOK was used (entries 18 and 22); the yield remained unchanged when the reaction time was extended or more base was employed (entries 19 and 24). Product **1c** was not observed in the absence of  $\text{MoCl}_5$  or the base (entries 20 and 21). Only a 26% yield of **1c** was obtained when a mixture of 2.5 equiv. of  $\text{MoCl}_5$  and 2.5 equiv. of  $\text{TiCl}_4$  was used (entry 22).

**Table 1** Optimization of the dephenylation and ring-closing reaction condition of 2-phenylseleno-1,1'-biphenyl (**1a**)

Entry	$\text{MoCl}_5$ (equiv)	Solvent <sup>h</sup>	Base	Yield of <b>1c</b> <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	1.0	DCM	TEA	12
2	2.0	DCM	TEA	29
3	5.0	DCM	TEA	47
4	7.5	DCM	TEA	46
5	5.0	DCM	EDA	32
6	5.0	DCM	NaH	67
7	5.0	DCM	EtONa	76
8	5.0	DMSO	<i>t</i> -BuOK	30
9	5.0	DMF	<i>t</i> -BuOK	28
10	5.0	THF	<i>t</i> -BuOK	22
11	5.0	EtOH	<i>t</i> -BuOK	9
12	5.0	$\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$	<i>t</i> -BuOK	15
13	5.0	Toluene	<i>t</i> -BuOK	42
14	5.0	EA	<i>t</i> -BuOK	10
15	5.0	$\text{Et}_2\text{O}$	<i>t</i> -BuOK	10

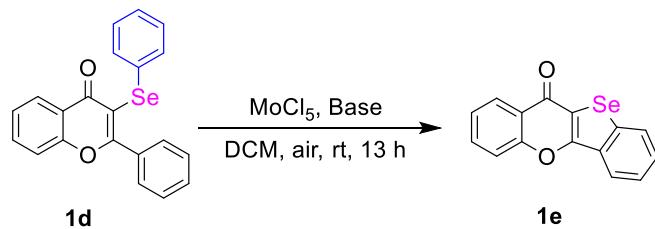
16	5.0	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	92
17	5.0	PE	<i>t</i> -BuOK	trace
18 <sup>c</sup>	5.0	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	67
19 <sup>d</sup>	5.0	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	92
20	—	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	nr
21	5.0	DCM	—	0
22 <sup>e</sup>	2.5	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	26
23 <sup>f</sup>	5.0	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	69
24 <sup>g</sup>	5.0	DCM	<i>t</i> -BuOK	92

<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.2 mmol), MoCl<sub>5</sub>, base (5.0 equiv.), solvent (3 mL) in the air at room temperature for 6 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c,d</sup>The reaction was performed for 3.0 h<sup>c</sup> and 7.5 h<sup>d</sup> respectively. <sup>e</sup>2.5 Equiv. of MoCl<sub>5</sub> and 2.5 equiv. of TiCl<sub>4</sub> were added.<sup>f,g</sup> 4.0<sup>f</sup> And 6.0<sup>g</sup> equiv. of *t*-BuOK were added. <sup>h</sup>EA, PE, TEA, and EDA are ethyl acetate, petroleum ether, triethylamine, and ethylenediamine, respectively.

## 2.2 Optimization of the reaction conditions for the synthesis of compounds e

We selected 3-phenylselanyl flavone (**1d**) as a test substrate with MoCl<sub>5</sub> (5.0 equiv.) and *t*-BuOK (5.0 equiv.) for this dephenylation and ring-closing reaction. The desired product 5a,10a-dihydro-11*H*-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one (**1e**) was obtained at room temperature with a yield of 20% (Table 2, entry 1). A better yield of 57% was obtained when the amounts of MoCl<sub>5</sub> and *t*-BuOK were increased to 10.0 equiv. Then, we screened the following bases, including NaH, EtONa, EDA, and TEA, to obtain **1e** in 32-71% yields (Table 2, entries 3-6). TEA is a better base than *t*-BuOK for the reaction of **1d** (Table 2, entry 3). Neither increasing nor decreasing the amounts of TEA and MoCl<sub>5</sub> resulted in a higher yield of **1e** (entries 7-11).

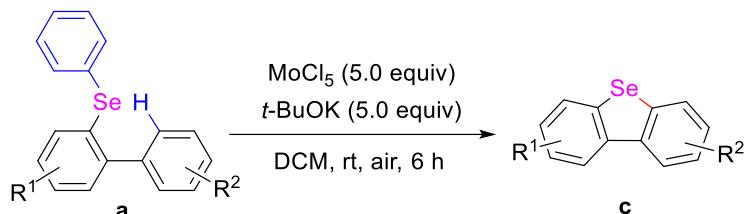
**Table 2** Optimization of the dephenylation and ring-closing reaction conditions of 3-phenylselanyl flavone (**1d**)



Entry	MoCl <sub>5</sub> (equiv)	Base	Yield of 1e <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	5.0	t-BuOK	20
2	10	t-BuOK	57
3	10	TEA	71
4	10	NaH	32
5	10	EtONa	45
6	10	EDA	62
7	1.0	TEA	6
8	2.0	TEA	18
9	5.0	TEA	48
10	7.5	TEA	65
11	12	TEA	70

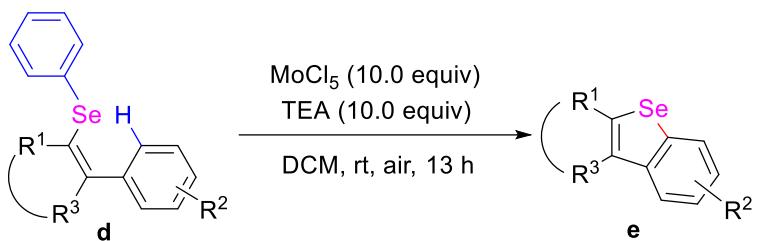
<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: **1d** (0.2 mmol), DCM (3 mL) in the air at room temperature for 13 h, using the same equivalent of base and MoCl<sub>5</sub>. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield.

### 3. Synthesis of compounds c



To a reaction tube containing **a** (0.2 mmol) of DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 hours. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add t-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. Filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel quickly. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 500/1, V/V) to afford compounds **c**.

### 4. Synthesis of compounds e

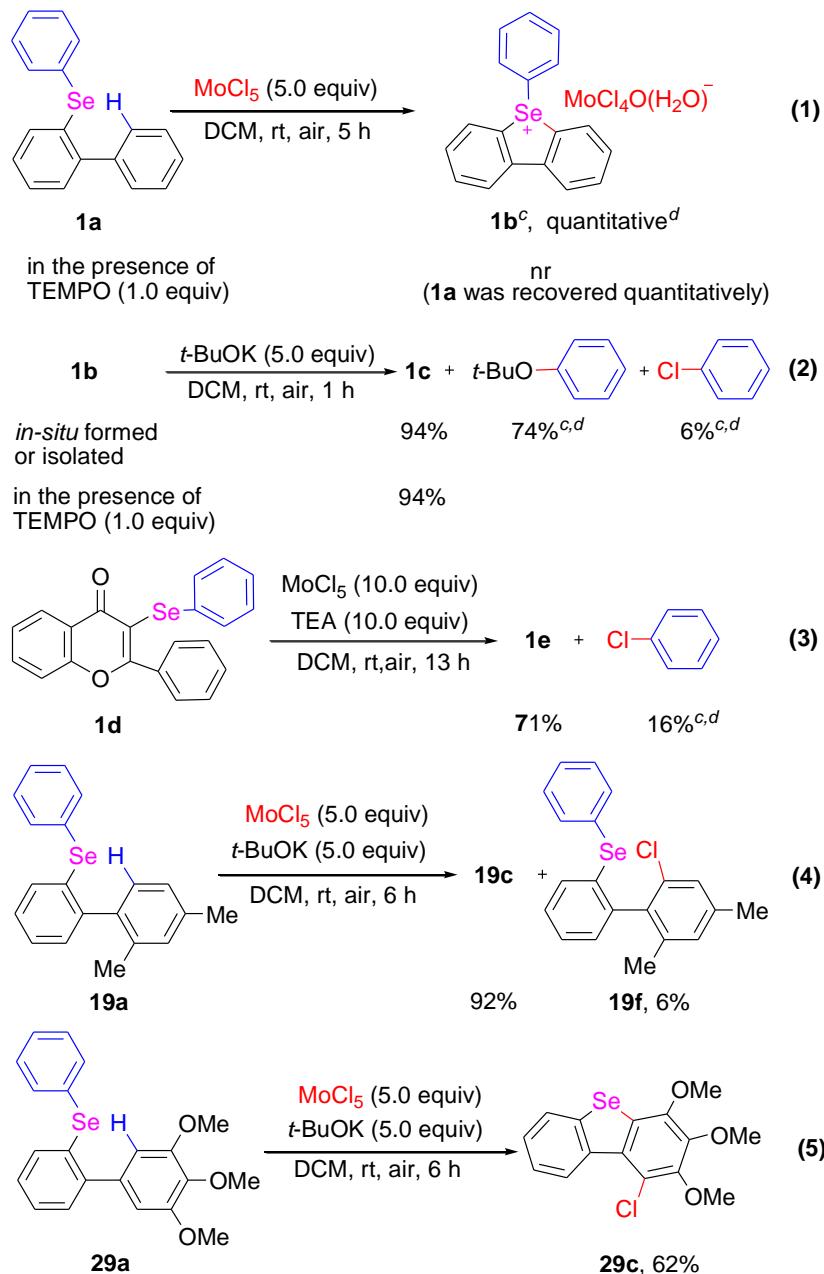


To a reaction tube containing **d** (0.2 mmol) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (2.0 mmol, 54.6 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 hours. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add TEA (2.0 mmol, 0.28 mL) and continue stirring for 1 h. Quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1, V/V) to afford the compound **e**.

## 5. Control experiments

In order to clarify the mechanism of Mo-mediated dephenylation and intramolecular oxidative  $\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)\text{-Se}$  coupling reaction of phenyl selenides, we performed some control experiments (Scheme 1). In the absence of the base, substrate **1a** reacted with 5.0 equiv. of  $\text{MoCl}_5$  at room temperature in the air for 5 h. A selenonium cation (**1b**) was observed by HRMS and isolated quantitatively by HPLC, and the major product **1b** was the  $[\text{MoOCl}_4]^-$  anion with an associated selenonium cation [Scheme 1, (1)], whose structure was confirmed as  $[\text{PhSeAr}_2]^+[\text{MoOCl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^-$  by the X-ray crystallographic analysis of pale green crystals grown from **1b** (Manuscript, Scheme 4), and no doubt the result of ingress of adventitious water during crystallization. The water O is trans to  $\text{Mo}=\text{O}$ . A similar structure of this anion has been reported previously.<sup>14</sup> If **1b** was treated with 5 equiv. of *t*-BuOK, product **1c** would yield a 94% yield. Phenyl *tert*-butyl ether and chlorobenzene, as key by-products, were observed by HRMS analysis and isolated by HPLC in 74% and 6% yields, respectively [Scheme 1, (2)]. Chlorobenzene was also obtained by HPLC with a yield of 16% in the reaction of **1d** [Scheme 1, (3)]. The three experiments indicated that the product-forming step of this reaction lies in a Mo-mediated oxidative coupling of selenide and a subsequent SN

**Scheme 1.** Control experiments<sup>a,b</sup>

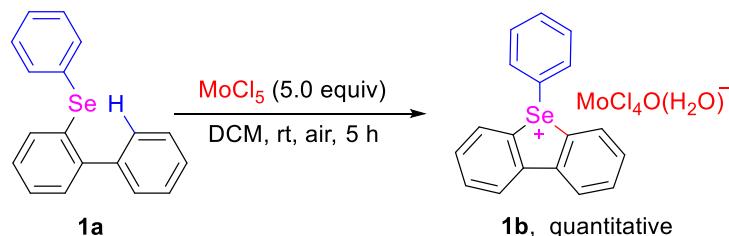


<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: **a** (0.2 mmol),  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (5.0 equiv.),  $t\text{-BuOK}$  (5.0 equiv.), DCM (3 mL), and at room temperature. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup>Detected by HRMS <sup>d</sup> Isolated by HPLC [acetonitrile:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (vol./vol) = 90 : 10, 1.5 mL/min, monitoring at 254 nm by UV spectroscopy].

substitution reaction. This process can also be verified from the reaction in which the by-product **19f** was obtained with a yield of 6%. This is the result of a chlorine anion attacking intermediate **19b** as a nucleophile to lead to the cleavage of the  $\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)\text{-Se}$  bond [Scheme 1, (4)]. When using a substrate bearing multiple strong electron-donating

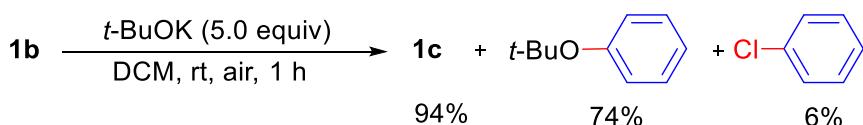
groups on the benzene ring, the chloro-functionalized dibenzo[b,d]selenonene **29c** was obtained in 62% yield by two attacks of  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions to the selenonium intermediate [Scheme 1, (5)]. Furthermore, 1.0 equiv. of 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpipe-ridinoxy (TEMPO) shut down the reaction of **1a** but not of **1b**, implying that only the formation of **1b** from **1a** proceeds *via* the radical pathway [Scheme 1, (1) and (2)].

### 5.1 Reaction of **1a** with $\text{MoCl}_5$ [Scheme 1, (1)]



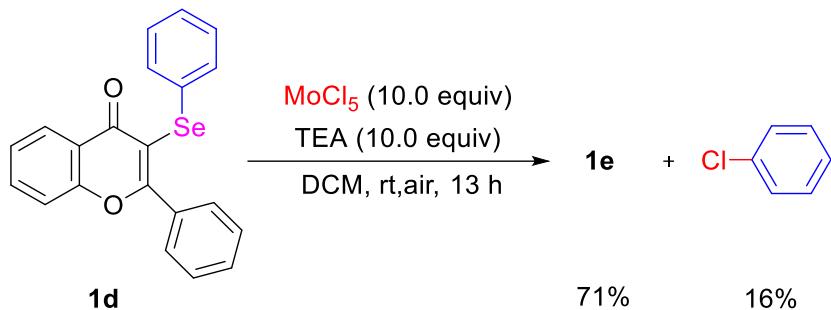
To a reaction tube containing **1a** (0.2 mmol, 61.9 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 hours. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After substrate **1a** is completely transformed, filter the mixture. Compound **1b** was obtained quantitatively, and it can be further purified by recrystallization of petroleum ether and dichloromethane.

### 5.2 Reaction of **1b** with *t*-BuOK [Scheme 1, (2)]



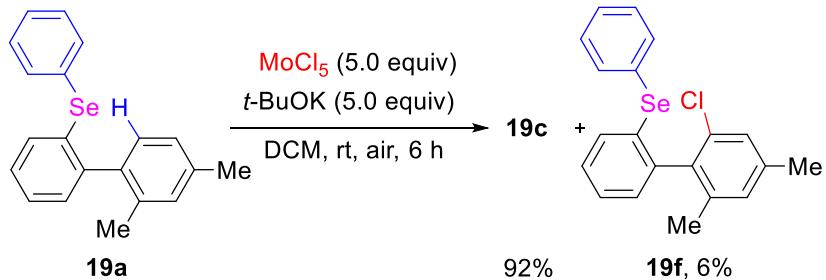
Dissolve **1b** (1.0 mmol, 580.0 mg in DCM (5.0 mL), add *t*-BuOK (5.0 mmol, 560 mg) and stirring at room temperature for 1 h. Filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel quickly. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture was purified on an Agilent HPLC 1260 system using acetonitrile:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (90:10 vol./vol.) as mobile phase and flow rate of 1.5 mL/min with monitoring at 254 nm to give chlorobenzene and 1,1-dimethylethoxybenzene in 6% and 74% yields, respectively.

### 5.3 Reaction of **1d** with $\text{MoCl}_5$ [Scheme 1, (3)]



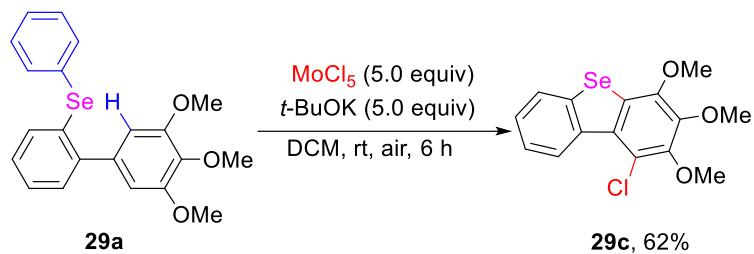
To a reaction tube containing **1d** (0.5 mmol, 188.6 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (5.0 mmol, 54.6 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add TEA (5.0 mmol, 0.28 mL) and continue stirring for 1 h. Filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel quickly. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture was purified on an Agilent HPLC 1260 system using acetonitrile:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (90:10 vol./vol.) as mobile phase and flow rate of 1.5 mL/min with monitoring at 254 nm to give chlorobenzene in 16% yield.

### 5.4 Reaction of **19a** with $\text{MoCl}_5$ [Scheme 1, (4)]



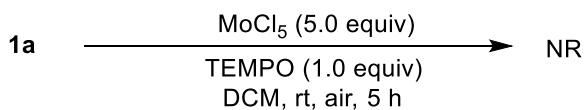
To a reaction tube containing **19a** (0.2 mmol, 67.5 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. Filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel quickly. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 600/1, V/V) to afford compound **19c** and **19f** in 92% and 6% yields, respectively.

### 5.5 Reaction of **29a** with $\text{MoCl}_5$ [Scheme 1, (5)]



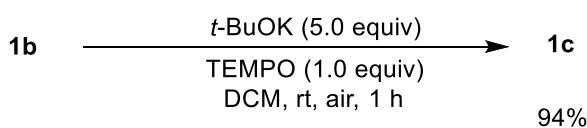
To a reaction tube containing **29a** (0.2 mmol, 79.9 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. Filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel quickly. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 300/1, V/V) to afford compound **29c** in 62% yield.

## 5.6 Reaction of 1a with MoCl<sub>5</sub> and TEMPO [Scheme 1, (6)]



To a reaction tube containing **1a** (0.2 mmol, 61.9 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg) and TEMPO (0.2 mmol, 31.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. The substrate **1a** has not been consumed, and no new products have appeared. Quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 500/1, V/V) to afford **1a** quantitatively.

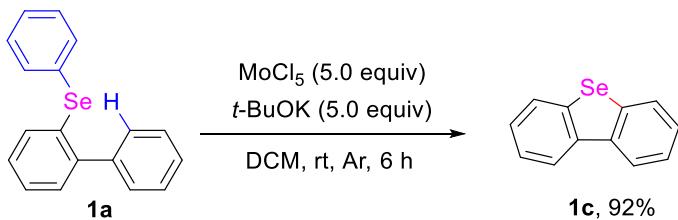
### 5.7 Reaction of 1b with MoCl<sub>5</sub> and TEMPO [Scheme 1, (7)]



Dissolve **1b** (0.2 mmol, 116.0 mg) in DCM (2.0 mL), add TEMPO (0.2 mmol, 31.3 mg) and *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and stirring at room temperature for 1 h.

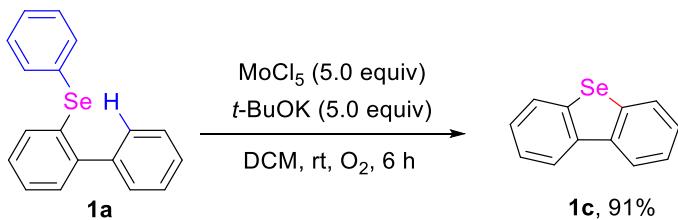
Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 500/1, V/V) to afford compound **1c** in 94% yield.

### 5.8 Reaction of **1a** under an argon atmosphere



**1a** (0.2 mmol, 61.9 mg) and  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg) were added to a two-necked flask under an argon atmosphere. Then DCM (3 mL) was injected into the bottle. Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add dissolved *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. Quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 500/1, V/V) to afford compound **1c**.

### 5.8 Reaction of **1a** under an oxygen atmosphere



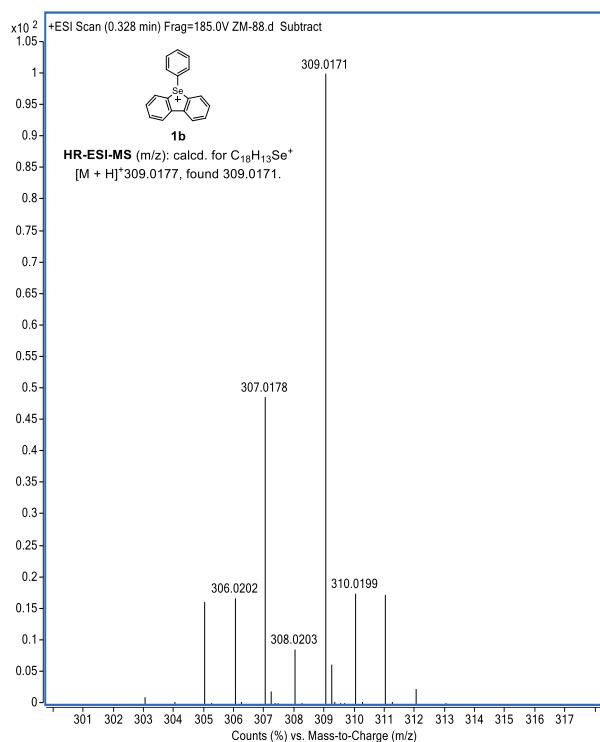
**1a** (0.2 mmol, 61.9 mg) and  $\text{MoCl}_5$  (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg) were added to a two-necked flask under an oxygen atmosphere. Then DCM (3 mL) was injected into the bottle. Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add dissolved *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. Quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel.

Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 500/1, V/V) to afford compound **1c**.

## 6. Mechanistic investigations

### 6.1 Mass spectrometry for intermediate **1b**

To a reaction tube containing **1a** (0.2 mmol, 61.9 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, product **1b** can be detected by ESI. HR-ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>13</sub>Se<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 309.0177, found 309.0171.

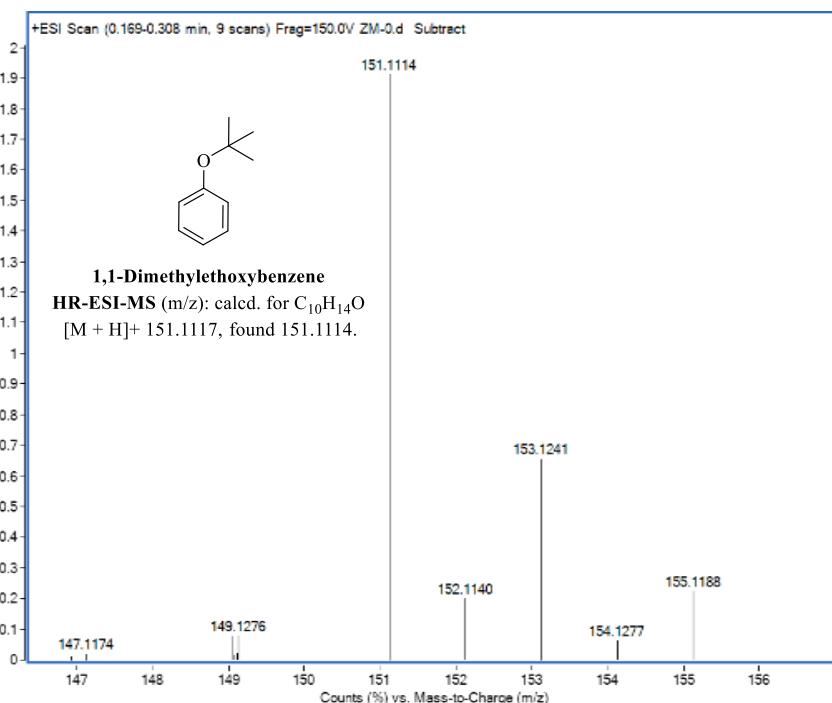


**Figure S1.** Mass spectrum of **1b**.

### 6.2 Mass spectrometry for 1,1-dimethylethoxybenzene.

To a reaction tube containing **1a** (0.2 mmol) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (1.0 mmol, 27.3 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the

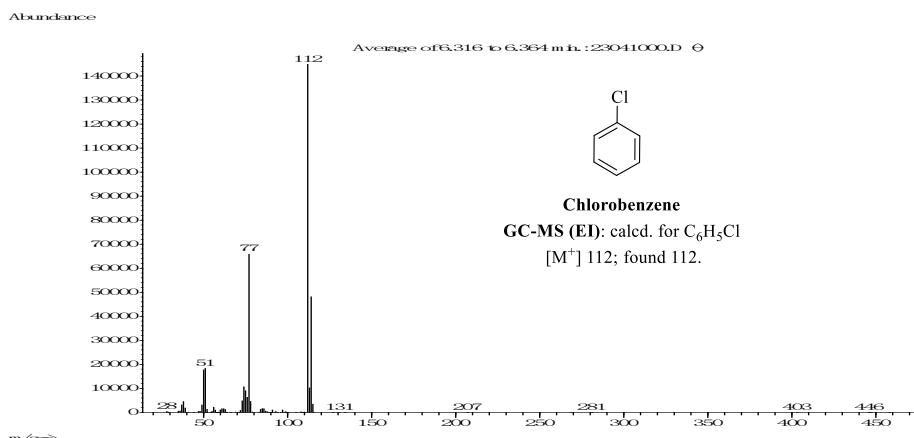
reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and continue stirring for 1 h. After the reaction is complete, quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. 1,1-Dimethylethoxybenzene can be detected by ESI. HR-ESI-MS (m/z): calcd. for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 151.1117, found 151.1114.



**Figure S2.** Mass spectrum of 1,1-dimethylethoxybenzene.

### 6.3 Mass spectrometry for the chlorobenzene yielded from **1b**

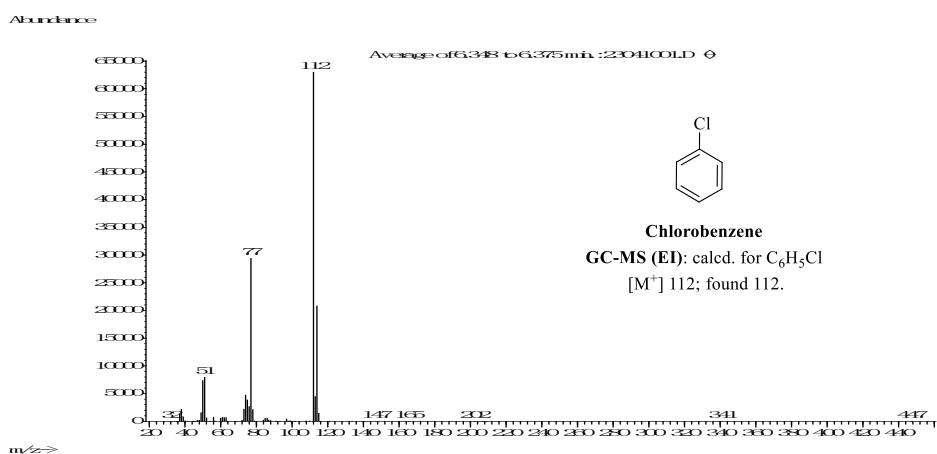
To a reaction tube containing **1b** (0.2 mmol, 116 mg) in DCM (2.0 mL) was added *t*-BuOK (1.0 mmol, 112 mg) and stirring for 1 h. After the reaction is complete, quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Chlorobenzene can be detected by EI. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl [M<sup>+</sup>] 112; found 112.



**Figure S3.** Mass spectrum of chlorobenzene yielded from **1b**

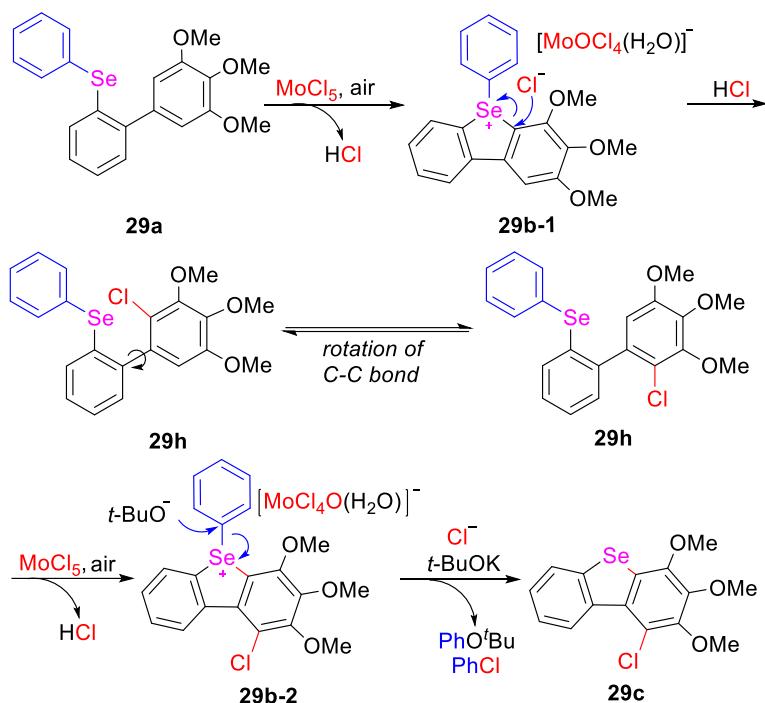
#### 6.4 Mass spectrometry for the chlorobenzene yielded from **1d**

To a reaction tube containing **1d** (0.2 mmol, 75.4 mg) in DCM (3.0 mL) was added MoCl<sub>5</sub> (2.0 mmol, 54.6 mg). Stir at room temperature for 5 h. Monitor the progress of the reaction by TLC. After the reaction is complete, add TEA (2.0 mmol, 0.28 mL) and continue stirring for 1 h. Quickly filter the reaction solution through a short pad of silica gel. Dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Chlorobenzene can be detected by EI. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl [M<sup>+</sup>] 112; found 112.



**Figure S4.** Mass spectrum of chlorobenzene from yielded from **1d**

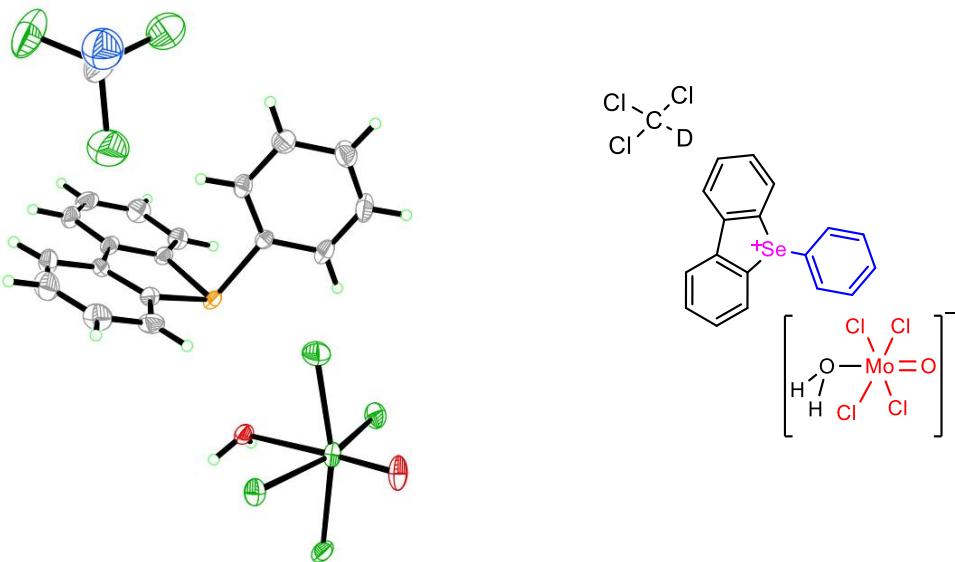
#### 6.5 Proposed mechanism for the formation of compound **29c**.



Compound **29a** was initially catalyzed by  $\text{MoCl}_5$  to form intermediate **29b-1**. **29b-1** was attacked by the chloride anion to form compound **29h**. After the rotation of the C-C bond, the conformer formed by **29h** favors the formation of intermediate **29b-2**. The addition of  $t\text{-BuOK}$  leads to the selective cleavage of  $\text{C}(\text{sp}^2)\text{-Se}$  bond, compound **29c** was finally formed *via* dephenylation reaction.

## 7. X-ray structure of compounds **1b** and **8e**.

### 7.1 X-ray structure of compound **1b**.



**Table 1.** Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for **1b**.

	<b>1b</b>
Identification code	
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{DCl}_7\text{MoO}_2\text{Se}$
Formula weight	700.37
Temperature	150.00 K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Triclinic, P-1
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 8.2075(12)$ Å $\alpha = 103.403(5)^\circ$ . $b = 12.1341(16)$ Å $\beta = 90.813(6)^\circ$ . $c = 13.2766(19)$ Å $\gamma = 98.443(5)^\circ$ .
Volume	1270.7(3) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.831 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	2.699 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	682
Crystal size	0.18 × 0.15 × 0.1 mm
Theta range for data collection	2.059 to 25.000°.
Limiting indices	-9 <= h <= 9, -14 <= k <= 14, -15 <= l <= 15
Reflections collected / unique	15684 / 4475 [R(int) = 0.0607]
Completeness to theta = 25.000	99.9 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7457 and 0.5719
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>

Data/restraints/parameters	4475 / 48 / 272
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	0.984
Final R indices [I>2α(I)]	R1 = 0.0572, wR2 = 0.1433
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0792, wR2 = 0.1569
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.715 and -1.560 e. Å <sup>-3</sup>

**Table 2.** Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for **1b**.

U(eq) is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized Uij tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
Mo(1)	8312(1)	11590(1)	1528(1)	38(1)
Cl(1)	7599(3)	10891(2)	2945(2)	60(1)
O(2)	7856(6)	9633(4)	672(4)	35(1)
Cl(3)	5483(2)	11387(2)	1030(2)	49(1)
Cl(4)	8957(2)	11768(2)	-198(2)	45(1)
Cl(5)	11013(2)	11180(2)	1737(1)	42(1)
O(1)	8657(7)	12974(4)	2087(5)	58(2)
Se(1)	5099(1)	7730(1)	1454(1)	32(1)
C(1)	4197(8)	8414(5)	2738(5)	30(1)
C(2)	4165(8)	7914(6)	3569(6)	40(2)
C(3)	3469(10)	8437(7)	4467(6)	51(2)
C(4)	2863(11)	9465(7)	4508(6)	55(2)
C(5)	2906(11)	9932(7)	3676(7)	56(2)
C(6)	3573(9)	9423(6)	2761(6)	45(2)
C(7)	4021(8)	6165(5)	1223(5)	34(2)
C(8)	2444(9)	5769(6)	840(6)	42(2)
C(9)	1892(11)	4592(7)	696(7)	54(2)
C(10)	2936(11)	3885(7)	924(6)	52(2)
C(11)	4516(11)	4298(6)	1311(6)	46(2)
C(12)	5094(9)	5465(5)	1477(5)	34(2)
C(13)	6729(9)	6065(6)	1896(5)	36(2)
C(14)	8016(10)	5580(7)	2239(6)	51(2)
C(15)	9462(10)	6292(9)	2640(7)	62(2)
C(16)	9703(9)	7458(8)	2702(7)	56(2)
C(17)	8437(9)	7947(7)	2346(6)	45(2)
C(18)	6976(8)	7237(6)	1976(5)	34(2)
Cl(6)	8102(7)	6955(4)	5106(3)	142(2)
Cl(7)	5389(6)	6834(4)	6342(3)	126(1)
Cl(8)	7274(6)	5011(3)	6027(3)	137(2)
C(19)	7343(13)	6460(7)	6161(7)	96(4)
D(19)	8065	6871	6788	116

**Table 3.** Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **1b**.

---

Mo(1)-Cl(1)	2.286(2)
Mo(1)-O(2)	2.355(4)
Mo(1)-Cl(3)	2.3673(19)
Mo(1)-Cl(4)	2.4097(19)
Mo(1)-Cl(5)	2.3680(18)
Mo(1)-O(1)	1.651(5)
O(2)-H(2A)	0.8926
O(2)-H(2B)	0.8928
Se(1)-C(1)	1.924(7)
Se(1)-C(7)	1.927(6)
Se(1)-C(18)	1.909(6)
C(1)-C(2)	1.376(9)
C(1)-C(6)	1.390(9)
C(2)-H(2)	0.9500
C(2)-C(3)	1.387(11)
C(3)-H(3)	0.9500
C(3)-C(4)	1.399(11)
C(4)-H(4)	0.9500
C(4)-C(5)	1.352(12)
C(5)-H(5)	0.9500
C(5)-C(6)	1.389(12)
C(6)-H(6)	0.9500
C(7)-C(8)	1.360(10)
C(7)-C(12)	1.399(9)
C(8)-H(8)	0.9500
C(8)-C(9)	1.400(11)
C(9)-H(9)	0.9500
C(9)-C(10)	1.375(12)
C(10)-H(10)	0.9500
C(10)-C(11)	1.367(12)
C(11)-H(11)	0.9500
C(11)-C(12)	1.390(10)
C(12)-C(13)	1.464(10)
C(13)-C(14)	1.401(10)
C(13)-C(18)	1.385(9)
C(14)-H(14)	0.9500
C(14)-C(15)	1.380(13)
C(15)-H(15)	0.9500
C(15)-C(16)	1.382(13)
C(16)-H(16)	0.9500
C(16)-C(17)	1.398(11)
C(17)-H(17)	0.9500
C(17)-C(18)	1.380(10)
Cl(6)-C(19)	1.736(8)

---

---

Cl(7)-C(19)	1.735(9)
Cl(8)-C(19)	1.719(8)
C(19)-D(19)	1.0000
Cl(1)-Mo(1)-O(2)	82.99(12)
Cl(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(3)	89.52(8)
Cl(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(4)	164.04(8)
Cl(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(5)	89.00(8)
O(2)-Mo(1)-Cl(3)	80.58(13)
O(2)-Mo(1)-Cl(4)	81.06(12)
O(2)-Mo(1)-Cl(5)	81.34(12)
Cl(3)-Mo(1)-Cl(4)	88.41(7)
Cl(3)-Mo(1)-Cl(5)	161.90(7)
Cl(5)-Mo(1)-Cl(4)	88.07(7)
O(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(1)	99.2(2)
O(1)-Mo(1)-O(2)	177.8(3)
O(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(3)	99.6(2)
O(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(4)	96.8(2)
O(1)-Mo(1)-Cl(5)	98.4(2)
Mo(1)-O(2)-H(2A)	110.4
Mo(1)-O(2)-H(2B)	110.7
H(2A)-O(2)-H(2B)	103.3
C(1)-Se(1)-C(7)	101.1(3)
C(18)-Se(1)-C(1)	100.0(3)
C(18)-Se(1)-C(7)	87.0(3)
C(2)-C(1)-Se(1)	121.3(5)
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)	122.9(7)
C(6)-C(1)-Se(1)	115.9(5)
C(1)-C(2)-H(2)	120.7
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	118.5(6)
C(3)-C(2)-H(2)	120.7
C(2)-C(3)-H(3)	120.4
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	119.2(7)
C(4)-C(3)-H(3)	120.4
C(3)-C(4)-H(4)	119.6
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	120.8(8)
C(5)-C(4)-H(4)	119.6
C(4)-C(5)-H(5)	119.3
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	121.4(7)
C(6)-C(5)-H(5)	119.3
C(1)-C(6)-H(6)	121.5
C(5)-C(6)-C(1)	117.1(7)
C(5)-C(6)-H(6)	121.5
C(8)-C(7)-Se(1)	125.5(5)

---

C(8)-C(7)-C(12)	123.6(6)
C(12)-C(7)-Se(1)	110.9(5)
C(7)-C(8)-H(8)	121.4
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	117.2(7)
C(9)-C(8)-H(8)	121.4
C(8)-C(9)-H(9)	119.9
C(10)-C(9)-C(8)	120.2(8)
C(10)-C(9)-H(9)	119.9
C(9)-C(10)-H(10)	119.1
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	121.9(7)
C(11)-C(10)-H(10)	119.1
C(10)-C(11)-H(11)	120.3
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	119.4(7)
C(12)-C(11)-H(11)	120.3
C(7)-C(12)-C(13)	114.9(6)
C(11)-C(12)-C(7)	117.8(7)
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	127.3(6)
C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	126.8(7)
C(18)-C(13)-C(12)	115.1(6)
C(18)-C(13)-C(14)	118.1(7)
C(13)-C(14)-H(14)	120.8
C(15)-C(14)-C(13)	118.5(8)
C(15)-C(14)-H(14)	120.8
C(14)-C(15)-H(15)	118.5
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	122.9(7)
C(16)-C(15)-H(15)	118.5
C(15)-C(16)-H(16)	120.5
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	119.1(8)
C(17)-C(16)-H(16)	120.5
C(16)-C(17)-H(17)	121.1
C(18)-C(17)-C(16)	117.7(7)
C(18)-C(17)-H(17)	121.1
C(13)-C(18)-Se(1)	111.9(5)
C(17)-C(18)-Se(1)	124.4(5)
C(17)-C(18)-C(13)	123.6(6)
Cl(6)-C(19)-D(19)	108.3
Cl(7)-C(19)-Cl(6)	107.1(5)
Cl(7)-C(19)-D(19)	108.3
Cl(8)-C(19)-Cl(6)	114.2(5)
Cl(8)-C(19)-Cl(7)	110.6(6)
Cl(8)-C(19)-D(19)	108.3

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

**Table 3.** Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for **1b**.

(The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form: -2 pi<sup>2</sup> [ h<sup>2</sup> a\*<sup>2</sup> U11 + ... + 2 h k a\* b\* U12 ])

	U11	U22	U33	U23	U13	U12
Mo(1)	42(1)	27(1)	43(1)	4(1)	-2(1)	12(1)
Cl(1)	74(1)	69(1)	44(1)	21(1)	15(1)	20(1)
O(2)	43(3)	25(2)	38(3)	9(2)	3(2)	3(2)
Cl(3)	43(1)	52(1)	54(1)	14(1)	-1(1)	19(1)
Cl(4)	62(1)	33(1)	46(1)	20(1)	7(1)	7(1)
Cl(5)	40(1)	38(1)	48(1)	5(1)	-4(1)	10(1)
O(1)	69(4)	31(3)	67(4)	-8(3)	-8(3)	19(3)
Se(1)	34(1)	27(1)	38(1)	16(1)	0(1)	4(1)
C(1)	31(3)	25(3)	33(3)	7(3)	0(3)	0(3)
C(2)	37(4)	40(4)	47(4)	14(3)	-3(3)	15(3)
C(3)	53(5)	61(5)	46(5)	19(4)	2(4)	17(4)
C(4)	71(6)	52(5)	43(5)	4(4)	4(4)	24(4)
C(5)	73(6)	34(4)	63(5)	7(4)	1(4)	24(4)
C(6)	47(4)	34(4)	58(5)	20(4)	-3(4)	9(3)
C(7)	41(4)	26(3)	34(4)	8(3)	5(3)	3(3)
C(8)	42(4)	37(4)	43(4)	5(3)	-2(3)	2(3)
C(9)	51(5)	46(5)	58(5)	6(4)	-1(4)	-5(4)
C(10)	70(6)	32(4)	50(5)	12(4)	16(4)	-4(4)
C(11)	68(5)	25(3)	44(4)	5(3)	9(4)	12(3)
C(12)	48(4)	25(3)	28(3)	5(3)	3(3)	4(3)
C(13)	44(4)	37(4)	31(4)	11(3)	13(3)	19(3)
C(14)	61(5)	49(5)	51(5)	18(4)	9(4)	29(4)
C(15)	45(5)	85(7)	67(6)	28(5)	-2(4)	28(5)
C(16)	31(4)	77(6)	60(5)	22(5)	-6(4)	5(4)
C(17)	34(4)	53(5)	50(5)	20(4)	7(3)	-2(3)
C(18)	33(4)	37(4)	36(4)	13(3)	5(3)	7(3)
Cl(6)	199(4)	121(3)	114(3)	34(2)	54(3)	39(3)
Cl(7)	155(3)	159(4)	93(2)	61(2)	4(2)	63(3)
Cl(8)	213(5)	72(2)	134(3)	27(2)	-34(3)	43(3)
C(19)	182(13)	49(6)	55(6)	-1(5)	-16(7)	28(7)

**Table 4.** Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for **1b**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(2A)	8785	9417	408	53
H(2B)	7174	9509	114	53
H(2)	4610	7226	3529	48
H(3)	3404	8101	5046	62
H(4)	2417	9840	5128	66
H(5)	2471	10624	3719	67
H(6)	3600	9750	2176	54

H(8)	1746	6269	678	50
H(9)	793	4282	440	65
H(10)	2547	3087	809	62
H(11)	5213	3793	1465	55
H(14)	7897	4780	2198	61
H(15)	10329	5967	2883	74
H(16)	10716	7921	2984	67
H(17)	8576	8741	2357	55

**Table 5.** Torsion angles [°] for **1b**.

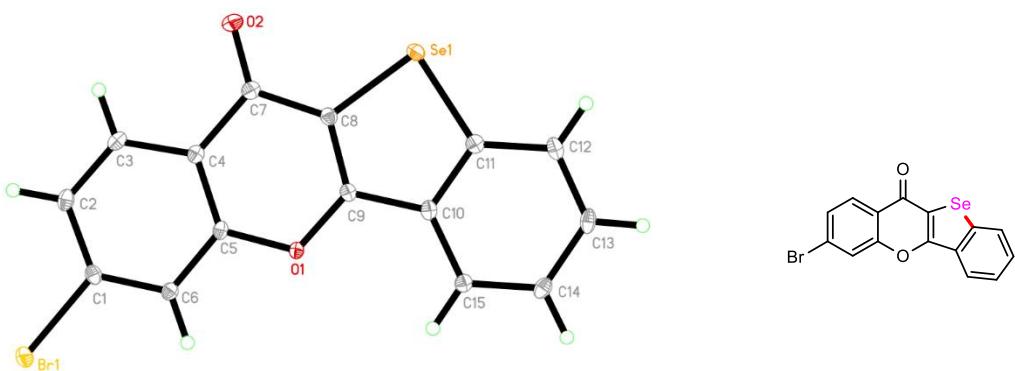
Se(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-178.7(6)
Se(1)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)	179.7(6)
Se(1)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	178.1(6)
Se(1)-C(7)-C(12)-C(11)	-177.4(5)
Se(1)-C(7)-C(12)-C(13)	2.6(7)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	-1.6(12)
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)	0.5(11)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	2.0(14)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	-1.1(14)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)	-0.2(13)
C(6)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	0.4(11)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	-0.9(12)
C(7)-C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	178.0(7)
C(7)-C(12)-C(13)-C(18)	-0.1(9)
C(8)-C(7)-C(12)-C(11)	1.1(10)
C(8)-C(7)-C(12)-C(13)	-178.9(6)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	1.2(13)
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	-0.3(12)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)-C(7)	-0.9(10)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	179.2(7)
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	-2.1(12)
C(11)-C(12)-C(13)-C(18)	179.8(7)
C(12)-C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	-0.2(11)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	-178.1(7)
C(12)-C(13)-C(18)-Se(1)	-2.4(7)
C(12)-C(13)-C(18)-C(17)	-179.6(6)
C(13)-C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	-1.0(13)
C(14)-C(13)-C(18)-Se(1)	179.3(5)
C(14)-C(13)-C(18)-C(17)	2.1(11)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	-0.1(14)
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)-C(18)	2.1(12)
C(16)-C(17)-C(18)-Se(1)	-180.0(6)
C(16)-C(17)-C(18)-C(13)	-3.1(11)
C(18)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	0.0(11)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

**Table 6.** Hydrogen bonds for **1b** [Å and °].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)

## 7.2 X-ray structure of compound **8e**.



**Table 7.** Sample and crystal data for **8e**.

Identification code	<b>8e</b>
Chemical formula	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>7</sub> BrO <sub>2</sub> Se
Formula weight	378.08 g/mol
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal size	0.200 × 0.230 × 0.250 mm
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P 1 21/c 1
Unit cell dimensions	a = 12.133(2) Å α = 90° b = 7.2784(13) Å β = 107.078(6)° c = 14.645(2) Å γ = 90°
Volume	1236.3(4) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	4
Density (calculated)	2.031 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	6.261 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	728

**Table 8.** Data collection and structure refinement for **8e**.

Theta range for data collection	2.91 to 28.30°
Index ranges	-16<=h<=16, -9<=k<=9, -19<=l<=18

Reflections collected	28000
Independent reflections	3075 [R(int) = 0.0754]
Max. and min. transmission	0.7457 and 0.4644
Structure solution technique	direct methods
Structure solution program	SHELXT 2014/5 (Sheldrick, 2014)
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Refinement program	SHELXL 2018/3 (Sheldrick, 2015)
Function minimized	$\Sigma w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2$
Data/restraints/parameters	3075 / 0 / 173
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.035
$\Delta/\sigma_{\text{max}}$	0.002
Final R indices	Final R indices R1 = 0.0238, wR2 = 0.0510 all data R1 = 0.0286, wR2 = 0.0524
Weighting scheme	w=1/[ $\sigma^2(F_o^2)+1.0174P$ ] where P=(F <sub>o</sub> <sup>2</sup> +2F <sub>c</sub> <sup>2</sup> )/3
Extinction coefficient	0.0035(5)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.433 and -0.344 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>
R.M.S. deviation from mean	0.083 eÅ <sup>-3</sup>

**Table 9.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic atomic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>) for **8e**.

U(eq) is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized Uij tensor.

	x/a	y/b	z/c	U(eq)
Br1	0.95752(2)	0.41201(3)	0.88627(2)	0.02247(8)
Se1	0.54838(2)	0.73159(3)	0.31459(2)	0.01810(7)
O1	0.63159(11)	0.64876(19)	0.59855(9)	0.0143(3)
O2	0.80504(13)	0.5569(2)	0.39823(11)	0.0256(3)
C1	0.89515(17)	0.4628(3)	0.75414(14)	0.0164(4)
C2	0.95954(17)	0.4209(3)	0.69190(15)	0.0187(4)
C3	0.91270(17)	0.4595(3)	0.59644(15)	0.0175(4)
C4	0.80300(17)	0.5389(3)	0.56071(14)	0.0151(4)
C5	0.74101(16)	0.5752(3)	0.62559(14)	0.0143(4)
C6	0.78684(17)	0.5398(3)	0.72313(14)	0.0156(4)
C7	0.75350(17)	0.5810(3)	0.45807(14)	0.0172(4)
C8	0.63850(17)	0.6553(3)	0.43663(14)	0.0155(4)
C9	0.58449(16)	0.6873(3)	0.50454(14)	0.0141(4)
C10	0.47183(16)	0.7696(3)	0.47303(14)	0.0144(4)
C11	0.43638(17)	0.8046(3)	0.37441(14)	0.0164(4)
C12	0.32984(18)	0.8862(3)	0.32950(15)	0.0191(4)
C13	0.25993(17)	0.9315(3)	0.38544(16)	0.0200(4)
C14	0.29407(17)	0.8977(3)	0.48430(15)	0.0184(4)
C15	0.39931(16)	0.8168(3)	0.52818(14)	0.0156(4)

**Table 10.** Bond lengths (Å) for **8e**.

Br1-C1	1.896(2)	Se1-C8	1.884(2)
Se1-C11	1.896(2)	O1-C5	1.377(2)
O1-C9	1.356(2)	O2-C7	1.230(2)
C1-C2	1.397(3)	C1-C6	1.377(3)
C2-H2	0.95	C2-C3	1.375(3)
C3-H3	0.95	C3-C4	1.404(3)
C4-C5	1.399(3)	C4-C7	1.478(3)
C5-C6	1.396(3)	C6-H6	0.95
C7-C8	1.442(3)	C8-C9	1.362(3)
C9-C10	1.438(3)	C10-C11	1.404(3)
C10-C15	1.401(3)	C11-C12	1.399(3)
C12-H12	0.95	C12-C13	1.381(3)
C13-H13	0.95	C13-C14	1.406(3)
C14-H14	0.95	C14-C15	1.381(3)
C15-H15	0.95		

**Table 11.** Bond angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for **8e**.

C8-Se1-C11	86.52(9)	C9-O1-C5	117.10(15)
C2-C1-Br1	119.43(15)	C6-C1-Br1	118.17(15)
C6-C1-C2	122.40(18)	C1-C2-H2	120.8
C3-C2-C1	118.39(18)	C3-C2-H2	120.8
C2-C3-H3	119.1	C2-C3-C4	121.80(18)
C4-C3-H3	119.1	C3-C4-C7	121.49(18)
C5-C4-C3	117.67(18)	C5-C4-C7	120.84(17)
O1-C5-C4	122.89(17)	O1-C5-C6	115.23(17)
C6-C5-C4	121.88(18)	C1-C6-C5	117.84(18)
C1-C6-H6	121.1	C5-C6-H6	121.1
O2-C7-C4	123.73(18)	O2-C7-C8	124.09(19)
C8-C7-C4	112.18(17)	C7-C8-Se1	124.87(14)
C9-C8-Se1	111.88(15)	C9-C8-C7	123.17(18)
O1-C9-C8	123.80(17)	O1-C9-C10	119.30(17)
C8-C9-C10	116.90(18)	C11-C10-C9	112.39(17)
C15-C10-C9	128.00(18)	C15-C10-C11	119.61(18)
C10-C11-Se1	112.32(15)	C12-C11-Se1	126.18(16)
C12-C11-C10	121.49(19)	C11-C12-H12	121.1
C13-C12-C11	117.78(19)	C13-C12-H12	121.1
C12-C13-H13	119.2	C12-C13-C14	121.51(19)
C14-C13-H13	119.2	C13-C14-H14	119.8
C15-C14-C13	120.42(19)	C15-C14-H14	119.8
C10-C15-H15	120.4	C14-C15-C10	119.19(18)
C14-C15-H15	120.4		

**Table 12.** Torsion angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for **8e**.

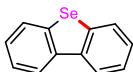
Br1-C1-C2-C3	-179.80(15)	Br1-C1-C6-C5	-179.38(14)
--------------	-------------	--------------	-------------

Se1-C8-C9-O1	-178.59(14)	Se1-C8-C9-C10	0.4(2)
Se1-C11-C12-C13	-179.41(15)	O1-C5-C6-C1	178.76(17)
O1-C9-C10-C11	178.67(16)	O1-C9-C10-C15	-0.6(3)
O2-C7-C8-Se1	-1.1(3)	O2-C7-C8-C9	-177.5(2)
C1-C2-C3-C4	-0.1(3)	C2-C1-C6-C5	0.4(3)
C2-C3-C4-C5	-1.1(3)	C2-C3-C4-C7	179.62(18)
C3-C4-C5-O1	-178.45(17)	C3-C4-C5-C6	2.0(3)
C3-C4-C7-O2	-2.8(3)	C3-C4-C7-C8	177.79(18)
C4-C5-C6-C1	-1.6(3)	C4-C7-C8-Se1	178.35(14)
C4-C7-C8-C9	1.9(3)	C5-O1-C9-C8	0.9(3)
C5-O1-C9-C10	-178.12(16)	C5-C4-C7-O2	178.0(2)
C5-C4-C7-C8	-1.5(3)	C6-C1-C2-C3	0.4(3)
C7-C4-C5-O1	0.8(3)	C7-C4-C5-C6	-178.75(18)
C7-C8-C9-O1	-1.7(3)	C7-C8-C9-C10	177.26(18)
C8-Se1-C11-C10	0.05(15)	C8-Se1-C11-C12	179.44(19)
C8-C9-C10-C11	-0.4(3)	C8-C9-C10-C15	-179.67(19)
C9-O1-C5-C4	-0.4(3)	C9-O1-C5-C6	179.17(16)
C9-C10-C11-Se1	0.2(2)	C9-C10-C11-C12	-179.27(18)
C9-C10-C15-C14	179.05(19)	C10-C11-C12-C13	-0.1(3)
C11-Se1-C8-C7	-177.04(18)	C11-Se1-C8-C9	-0.25(15)
C11-C10-C15-C14	-0.2(3)	C11-C12-C13-C14	0.2(3)
C12-C13-C14-C15	-0.3(3)	C13-C14-C15-C10	0.3(3)
C15-C10-C11-Se1	179.51(14)	C15-C10-C11-C12	0.1(3)

**Table 13.** Hydrogen bond distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for **8e**.

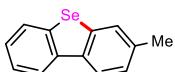
	<b>Donor-H</b>	<b>Acceptor-H</b>	<b>Donor-Acceptor</b>	<b>Angle</b>
C6-H6...Se1	0.95	3.05	3.900(2)	150.4
C12-H12...O2	0.95	2.58	3.484(3)	158.9

## 8. Characterization of products.



### Dibenzoselenophene (1c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.56$  in petroleum ether) afforded **1c** as a yellow solid (43.4 mg, 94% yield). Mp = 53–55°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.14 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.3$  Hz, 2H), 7.86 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.47 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.40 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.4$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.3, 138.3, 126.8, 126.1, 124.8, 122.8.  $^{77}\text{Se}$  NMR (114 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  = 450.5. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2955, 2930, 1570, 1434, 1423, 1327, 1261, 1221, 1038, 1002, 896, 861, 729, 632; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  231.9; found 232.0.



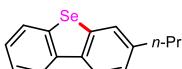
### 3-Methyldibenzo[b,d]selenophene (2c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.52$  in petroleum ether) afforded **2c** as a yellow solid (40.2 mg, 82% yield). Mp = 73.5–75°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.01 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.82 – 7.75 (dd, 1H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.37 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.5, 138.9, 138.4, 137.0, 135.9, 126.4, 126.3, 126.2, 126.1, 124.8, 122.5, 122.5, 21.6. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2976, 2943, 1583, 1456, 1346, 1286, 1247, 1057, 1036, 885, 757, 664; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  245.9; found 246.0.



### 3-Ethylidibenzo[b,d]selenophene (3c)

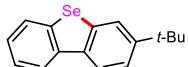
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.50$  in petroleum ether) afforded **3c** as a yellow solid (49.2 mg, 90% yield). Mp = 43–45.6°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.07 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.43 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.77 (q,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.31 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  143.5, 139.5, 139.0, 138.4, 136.1, 126.4, 126.1, 125.2, 125.0, 124.8, 122.6, 122.6, 29.0, 15.8. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2967, 2955, 2867, 1587, 1456, 1446, 1367, 1283, 1257, 1046, 1034, 936, 876, 744, 657; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  260.0; found 260.1.



### 3-Propyldibenzo[b,d]selenophene (4c)

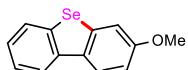
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.45$  in petroleum ether) afforded **4c** as a yellow oily liquid (50.8 mg, 93% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.10 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.73 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.82 –

1.66 (m, 2H), 1.01 (td,  $J = 7.3, 1.5$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  141.8, 138.9, 138.3, 136.0, 126.4, 126.0, 125.7, 125.6, 124.7, 122.5, 122.5, 38.0, 24.6, 13.8. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2975, 2937, 2853, 1563, 1474, 1463, 1375, 1297, 1263, 1057, 1053, 958, 883, 755, 681; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  274.0; found 274.1.



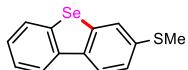
### 3-(*Tert*-butyl)dibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**5c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.45$  in petroleum ether) afforded **5c** as a yellow solid (51.7 mg, 90% yield). Mp = 63.8–65.5°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.10 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 8.06 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  150.4, 138.3, 139.4, 139.2, 135.8, 126.4, 126.1, 124.8, 122.8, 122.6, 122.5, 122.4, 35.1, 31.5. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2963, 2945, 2855, 1739, 1572, 1435, 1376, 1247, 1228, 991, 812, 745, 717; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  288.0; found 288.1.



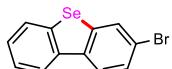
### 3-Methoxydibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**6c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.40$  in petroleum ether) afforded **6c** as a yellow solid (45.9 mg, 85% yield). Mp = 67–69°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.00 (dd,  $J = 8.5, 2.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.83 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.32 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  159.0, 140.7, 138.4, 138.2, 131.7, 125.9, 125.8, 124.9, 123.4, 122.1, 113.4, 109.5, 55.6. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2973, 2929, 1555, 1486, 1457, 1437, 1256, 1214, 1068, 1012, 776, 751, 721, 682; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{OSe} [\text{M}^+]$  261.9; found 262.0.



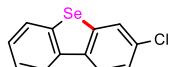
### Dibenzo[*b,d*]selenophen-3-yl(methyl)sulfane (**7c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.36$  in petroleum ether) afforded **7c** as a white solid (49.3 mg, 89% yield). Mp = 95–97°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.06 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.2, 138.9, 138.0, 137.7, 135.6, 126.7, 126.1, 125.0, 124.0, 123.1, 122.8, 122.6, 16.2. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  2965, 2913, 1543, 1472, 1442, 1419, 1237, 1191, 1043, 1002, 767, 734, 705, 664; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{SSe} [\text{M}^+]$  277.9; found 278.0.



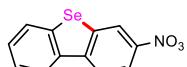
### 3-Bromodibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**8c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.48$  in petroleum ether) afforded **8c** as a yellow solid (55.2 mg, 89% yield). Mp = 83.5–86°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.09 – 8.01 (m, 1H), 7.98 (d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.90 (ddd,  $J = 11.3, 8.4, 4.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (td,  $J = 7.4, 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.8, 139.3, 137.4, 137.2, 128.6, 128.2, 127.3, 126.0, 125.1, 123.9, 122.9, 120.6. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3032, 2904, 1554, 1439, 1413, 1365, 1189, 1045, 1001, 842, 788, 731, 705, 683, 657; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{BrSe} [\text{M}^+]$  309.9; found 310.0.



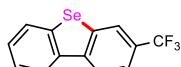
### **3-Chlorodibenzo[b,d]selenophene (9c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.32$  in petroleum ether) afforded **9c** as a yellow solid (46.8 mg, 88% yield). Mp = 53–55.5°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.08 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.90 – 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.47 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.4, 139.3, 137.4, 136.8, 132.7, 127.1, 126.1, 125.7, 125.5, 125.1, 123.5, 122.9. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3067, 2957, 2865, 1589, 1466, 1445, 1408, 1275, 1242, 1112, 1055, 841, 803, 776, 738; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{ClSe} [\text{M}^+]$  265.9; found 266.0.



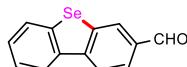
### **3-Nitrodibenzo[b,d]selenophene (10c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.32$  in petroleum ether) afforded **10c** as a yellow solid (47.5 mg, 86% yield). Mp = 140–142°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.77 (d,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 8.31 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.20 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.49 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  146.1, 143.4, 141.8, 139.5, 136.3, 128.7, 126.4, 125.6, 124.3, 122.9, 121.9, 120.2. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3089, 2976, 1679, 1493, 1486, 1467, 1255, 1263, 1134, 1069, 853, 783, 705; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  276.9; found 277.0.



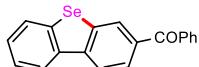
### **3-(Trifluoromethyl)dibenzo[b,d]selenophene (11c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.28$  in petroleum ether) afforded **11c** as a yellow solid (52.0 mg, 87% yield). Mp = 74.2–76°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.15 (s, 3H), 7.91 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  141.1, 140.4, 139.4, 137.0, 128.7 (q,  $J = 32.3$  Hz), 128.0, 126.2, 125.6, 125.3, 124.1 (d,  $J = 233.6$  Hz), 123.2 (q,  $J = 4.1$  Hz), 122.9, 121.7 (q,  $J = 3.6$  Hz). IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3376, 2997, 1366, 1275, 1189, 1145, 1098, 1067, 901, 843, 758, 719; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_7\text{F}_3\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  299.9; found 300.0.



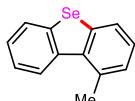
### **Dibenzo[b,d]selenophene-3-carbaldehyde (12c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.36$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> = 15:1:1) afforded **12c** as a yellow solid (41.5 mg, 80% yield). Mp = 103–105°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  10.05 (s, 1H), 8.34 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (ddd, *J* = 9.1, 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  190.5, 142.3, 140.4, 138.7, 136.1, 133.7, 127.4, 127.3, 125.3, 124.8, 124.3, 123.0, 122.2. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3205, 2955, 1768, 1597, 1542, 1475, 1423, 1367, 1256, 1021, 822, 775, 734; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>8</sub>OSe [M<sup>+</sup>] 259.9; found 260.0.



### Dibenzo[*b,d*]selenophen-3-yl(phenyl)methanone (**13c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.32$  in petroleum ether) afforded **13c** as a yellow solid (54.9 mg, 82% yield). Mp = 123–125°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.34 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 7.87 – 7.84 (m, 2H), 7.65 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  196.1, 141.7, 141.0, 139.1, 137.8, 137.3, 135.7, 132.5, 130.1, 128.4, 128.0, 126.8, 126.3, 125.2, 123.8, 122.5. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3205, 3015, 1778, 1536, 1513, 1443, 1417, 1331, 1213, 1075, 863, 734, 702; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>12</sub>OSe [M<sup>+</sup>] 336.0; found 336.1.



### 1-Methyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**15c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.48$  in petroleum ether) afforded **15c** as a yellow solid (42.1 mg, 86% yield). Mp = 79.8–81.6°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.39 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (td, *J* = 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.9, 139.6, 139.6, 136.4, 136.2, 128.1, 126.8, 126.1, 126.1, 125.9, 124.6, 123.9, 23.5. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3023, 2901, 2827, 1537, 1487, 1175, 1067, 1012, 878, 787, 745; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Se [M<sup>+</sup>] 245.9; found 246.0.



### 1-Bromodibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**16c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.45$  in petroleum ether) afforded **16c** as a yellow solid (52.7 mg, 85% yield). Mp = 91–93°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  9.31 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 8.3, 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  141.8, 139.9, 137.8, 135.1, 131.2, 127.4, 127.2, 126.7, 125.8, 125.2, 124.3, 119.6. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3022,

3014, 1644, 1443, 1423, 1376, 1207, 1063, 1042, 863, 775, 751, 724, 698, 663; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $C_{12}H_7BrSe$  [M<sup>+</sup>] 309.9; found 310.0.



### 1-Fluorodibenzo[b,d]selenophene (17c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.26$  in petroleum ether) afforded **17c** as a white crystal (45.8 mg, 92% yield). Mp = 70–72°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  8.54 – 8.41 (m, 1H), 7.93 – 7.86 (m, 1H), 7.66 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 0.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.34 (td,  $J = 8.0, 5.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dddd,  $J = 11.6, 8.1, 2.3, 1.2$  Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  160.7 (d,  $J = 252.4$  Hz), 141.1 (d,  $J = 3.4$  Hz), 138.8, 136.1 (d,  $J = 4.7$  Hz), 128.8 (d,  $J = 59.7$  Hz), 127.3 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 127.0 (d,  $J = 12.6$  Hz), 126.9, 125.6, 125.3, 121.7 (d,  $J = 3.9$  Hz), 111.6 (d,  $J = 20.9$  Hz). IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3043, 2953, 1667, 1574, 1412, 1363, 1237, 1042, 1017, 834, 763, 734, 712, 683, 647; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $C_{12}H_7FSe$  [M<sup>+</sup>] 249.9; found 250.0.



### 1-Phenyldibenzo[b,d]selenophene (18c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.46$  in petroleum ether) afforded **18c** as a yellow oily liquid (54.7 mg, 89% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  7.88 (dt,  $J = 7.9, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dt,  $J = 4.6, 2.6$  Hz, 3H), 7.40 (ddd,  $J = 5.2, 3.2, 1.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.36 (td,  $J = 7.3, 6.8, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.02 (td,  $J = 3.3, 1.4$  Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  141.9, 140.9, 140.1, 139.6, 138.4, 135.3, 129.1, 128.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.3, 125.9, 125.7, 125.2, 124.2. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3035, 2942, 2845, 1466, 1435, 1423, 1353, 1226, 1063, 998, 795, 718, 667; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $C_{18}H_{12}Se$  [M<sup>+</sup>] 308.0; found 308.1.



### 1,3-Dimethyldibenzo[b,d]selenophene (19c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.42$  in petroleum ether) afforded **19c** as a yellow solid (47.7 mg, 92% yield). Mp = 111.7–114°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  8.32 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.42 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-d)  $\delta$  140.2, 139.6, 139.2, 136.2, 135.7, 134.0, 129.6, 126.3, 126.1, 125.5, 124.6, 124.0, 23.3, 21.2. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $\nu$  3105, 2956, 2974, 1783, 1647, 1467, 1434, 1256, 1086, 1061, 875, 782, 734, 679; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{12}Se$  [M<sup>+</sup>] 260.0; found 260.1.



### 1,2-Dimethyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**20c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.50$  in petroleum ether) afforded **20c** as a yellow solid (85% yield). Mp = 48–50°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.45 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (td,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.9, 139.7, 137.2, 136.8, 134.8, 133.6, 128.8, 127.2, 126.2, 125.7, 124.4, 123.2, 20.9, 18.2. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3063, 2947, 2863, 1667, 1634, 1453, 1423, 1274, 1073, 1035, 834, 763, 742, 693, 653; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  260.0; found 260.1.



### 1,4-Dimethyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**21c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.42$  in petroleum ether) afforded **21c** as a yellow oily liquid (37.8 mg, 73% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.41 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (td,  $J = 8.3, 7.8, 1.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (td,  $J = 8.3, 7.8, 2$  H), 7.20 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.54 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  141.3, 140.4, 139.2, 133.4, 133.0, 132.2, 128.6, 126.6, 126.1, 126.1, 125.7, 124.6, 23.1, 22.4. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3045, 2976, 2967, 1756, 1683, 1461, 1298, 1067, 1045, 867, 796, 634; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  260.0; found 260.1.



### 2,4-Dimethyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**22c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.52$  in petroleum ether) afforded **22c** as a yellow solid (45.1 mg, 87% yield). Mp = 43–45.5°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.08 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.43 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.3, 138.9, 138.2, 137.2, 135.1, 134.5, 128.5, 126.5, 126.1, 124.7, 123.0, 120.6, 22.4, 21.3. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3096, 2913, 1775, 1668, 1434, 1413, 1243, 1075, 1047, 886, 774, 762, 663; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  260.0; found 260.1.



### 1,3,4-Trimethyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (**23c**)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.43$  in petroleum ether) afforded **23c** as a yellow oily liquid

(45.3 mg, 83% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.33 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (ddd,  $J = 8.3, 7.1, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.34 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.8, 139.1, 134.2, 133.7, 133.1, 131.0, 130.2, 126.2, 125.9, 125.3, 124.6, 22.9, 19.9, 19.7. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3024, 2965, 2835, 1634, 1623, 1565, 1423, 1412, 1283, 1083, 1046, 883, 763, 721, 678, 613; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  274.0; found 274.1.



### **2-Bromo-1-fluorodibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (24c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.22$  in petroleum ether) afforded **24c** as a yellow solid (42.6 mg, 65% yield). Mp = 83–84.3°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.44 (dd,  $J = 8.1, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.88 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.48 (m, 3H), 7.44 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.4$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  156.8 (d,  $J = 252.9$  Hz), 140.0 (d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 139.4, 135.4 (d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz), 130.6, 127.9 (d,  $J = 15.3$  Hz), 127.4 (d,  $J = 1.2$  Hz), 127.1 (d,  $J = 13$  Hz), 125.7, 125.5, 122.6 (d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz), 105.1 (d,  $J = 20.8$  Hz). IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3168, 3023, 1631, 1525, 1474, 1364, 1248, 1067, 1028, 867, 823, 731, 711, 623, 606; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_6\text{FBrSe} [\text{M}^+]$  327.9; found 328.0.



### **Benzo[4,5]selenopheno[2,3-*b*]thianthrene (25c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.24$  in petroleum ether) afforded **25c** as a yellow solid (45.8 mg, 62% yield). Mp = 108.3–110°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  9.52 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.69 (dd,  $J = 7.4, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 3H), 7.45 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.27 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  139.1, 138.9, 137.0, 136.4, 135.4, 134.0, 133.9, 132.5, 128.5, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 126.8, 125.9, 125.8, 124.9, 124.0, 123.8. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3035, 3007, 1645, 1423, 1331, 1067, 898, 764, 725, 606; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{10}\text{S}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  369.9; found 370.0.



### **Benzo[*b*]phenanthro[9,10-*d*]selenophene (26c)**

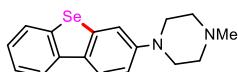
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.26$  in petroleum ether) afforded **26c** as a yellow solid (60.2 mg, 91% yield). Mp = 107.6–110°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  9.06 (dd,  $J = 8.3, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.89 – 8.80 (m, 2H), 8.72 (dd,  $J = 8.3, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.07 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 8.00 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.61 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.44 (td,  $J = 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  141.5,

140.6, 139.9, 131.0, 130.7, 130.2, 130.1, 129.3, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 126.6, 126.3, 125.7, 125.4, 125.2, 124.2, 123.9, 123.3. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3035, 2873, 2869, 1454, 1422, 1407, 1376, 1254, 1031, 972, 714, 656, 623; GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{12}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  332.0; found 332.1.



### **2-Isopropylbenzo[b,d]selenophene (27c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.56$  in petroleum ether) afforded **27c** as a yellow oily liquid (46.4 mg, 85% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.15 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.08 (p,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.36 (d,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  144.8, 138.6, 137.3, 135.3, 125.6, 125.1, 124.9, 124.8, 123.7, 121.7, 119.5, 33.2, 23.3. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  274.0; found 274.1.



### **1-(Dibenzo[b,d]selenophen-3-yl)-4-methylpiperazine (28c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.28$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 5:1) afforded **28c** as a brown solid (36.2 mg, 55% yield). Mp = 98–91°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.97 (dd,  $J = 8.4, 4.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.81 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d,  $J = 2.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.3$  Hz, 1H), 3.32 (t,  $J = 5.0$  Hz, 4H), 2.63 (t,  $J = 5.0$  Hz, 4H), 2.38 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  150.6, 140.9, 138.5, 138.2, 130.7, 125.9, 125.5, 124.8, 123.1, 121.9, 114.7, 111.8, 55.1, 49.2, 46.1. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  330.0; found 330.1.



### **1-Chloro-2,3,4-trimethoxydibenzo[b,d]selenophene (29c)**

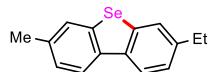
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.30$  in petroleum ether) afforded **29c** as a yellow oily liquid (45.9 mg, 62% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  9.06 (d,  $J = 8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t,  $J = 7.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 3H), 4.03 (s, 3H), 3.98 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  149.3, 147.5, 144.2, 139.5, 138.5, 130.1, 129.9, 127.1, 126.6, 125.9, 124.7, 120.6, 61.5, 60.8. HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3\text{SeCl} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  356.9791, found 356.9788.



### **Benzo[b]naphtho[1,2-d]selenophene (32c)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.32$  in petroleum ether) afforded **32c** as a yellow solid

(51.7 mg, 92% yield). Mp = 93–95°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  9.05 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.91 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (ddd, *J* = 8.5, 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (tdd, *J* = 7.9, 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.44 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.4, 139.9, 139.6, 132.4, 131.7, 131.7, 129.5, 127.7, 127.0, 126.6, 126.5, 125.4, 125.1, 124.9, 123.9, 123.3. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  281.9; found 282.0.



### 3-Ethyl-7-methyldibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene (35c)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f$  = 0.54 in petroleum ether) afforded **35c** as a yellow oily liquid (48.6 mg, 89% yield).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  7.97 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 2.77 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  143.0, 139.1, 139.1, 136.5, 136.1, 135.9, 126.2, 126.2, 125.1, 125.0, 122.3, 122.2, 29.0, 21.6, 15.8. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{Se} [\text{M}^+]$  274.0; found 274.1.



### 11H-Benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one (1e)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f$  = 0.35 in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **1e** as a yellow solid (42.4 mg, 71% yield). Mp = 197–201°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.38 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.27 – 8.19 (m, 1H), 8.02 – 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.78 (td, *J* = 7.8, 6.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  174.6, 156.2, 155.6, 139.9, 133.9, 132.2, 129.4, 126.9, 126.0, 125.5, 125.2, 124.4, 122.5, 121.6, 118.1. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3887, 3843, 3836, 3614, 3573, 3405, 2936, 2814, 1561, 1505, 1489, 1278, 1254, 1146, 913, 823, 804, 743; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_8\text{O}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  300.9762, found 300.9758.



### 8-Methyl-11H-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one (2e)

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f$  = 0.38 in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **2e** as a yellow solid (42.5 mg, 68% yield). Mp = 158–160°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.33 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (td, *J* = 7.5, 7.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  174.4, 156.1, 155.6, 140.3, 140.1, 133.6, 129.7, 127.1, 126.8, 125.9, 125.0, 123.9, 122.4, 120.6, 118.0, 21.9. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3943, 3867, 3624, 3589, 3418, 2923, 2856, 1513, 1487, 1289, 1256, 1165, 923, 804; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  314.9919, found

314.9920.



**8-Ethyl-11*H*-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one(3e)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.42$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **3e** as a yellow solid (40.6 mg, 62% yield). Mp = 117.5–120°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.34 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.80 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 1H), 2.79 (q,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.32 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  174.4, 156.1, 155.7, 146.6, 140.3, 133.6, 130.0, 126.1, 125.9, 125.6, 125.0, 124.1, 122.5, 120.7, 118.0, 29.3, 15.4. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3916, 3863, 3842, 3605, 3475, 3447, 2979, 2964, 2891, 1675, 1586, 1558, 1365, 1234, 1227, 1168, 984, 874, 725, 683; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  329.0075, found 329.0073.



**8-(*Tert*-butyl)-11*H*-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one (4e)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.36$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **4e** as a yellow solid (49.7 mg, 70% yield). Mp = 111–113°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.36 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d,  $J = 8.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.75 (ddd,  $J = 8.6, 7.0, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.66 (dd,  $J = 8.5, 1.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd,  $J = 8.5, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 (td,  $J = 8.1, 7.5, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.42 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  174.4, 156.2, 155.7, 153.5, 140.3, 133.6, 129.7, 126.0, 125.0, 123.9, 123.7, 123.2, 122.5, 121.0, 118.0, 35.5, 31.3. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3912, 3883, 3827, 3646, 3602, 3522, 3487, 3434, 2964, 2913, 2864, 1644, 1608, 1561, 1517, 1463, 1306, 1264, 1217, 1110, 937, 874, 822, 756, 694; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  357.0388, found 357.0387.



**8-Pentyl-11*H*-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-*b*]chromen-11-one (5e)**

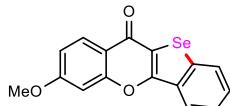
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.32$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **5e** as a yellow solid (26.6 mg, 36% yield). Mp = 83.7–85°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.37 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 8.12 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.79 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.67 (d,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.49 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.76 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 1.71 (p,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.39 – 1.33 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  174.5, 156.2, 155.8, 145.4, 140.2, 133.6, 130.0, 126.6, 126.3, 126.0, 125.0, 124.1, 122.5, 120.7, 118.0, 36.3, 31.5, 31.0, 22.5, 14.0. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3954, 3889, 3863, 3647, 3534, 3487, 2968, 2926, 2867, 1658, 1667, 1589, 1543, 14755, 1367, 1258, 1252, 1103, 934, 862, 852, 769, 692; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*):

calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 371.0545, found 371.0547.



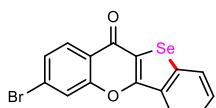
**8-Methoxy-11H-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-b]chromen-11-one (6e)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.42$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **6e** as a yellow solid (28.3 mg, 43% yield). Mp = 207.7–210°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.36 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (td, *J* = 7.8, 7.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 174.1, 161.3, 156.1, 155.7, 142.0, 133.5, 125.9, 125.5, 125.2, 125.0, 122.5, 119.3, 117.9, 115.3, 109.5, 55.8. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): ν 3926, 3854, 3837, 3622, 3469, 2977, 2958, 2889, 1672, 1593, 1516, 1378, 1246, 1223, 1172, 965, 803, 726, 678; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 330.9868, found 330.9867.



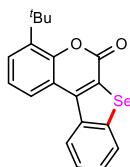
**3-Methoxy-11H-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-b]chromen-11-one (7e)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.38$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **7e** as a yellow solid (30.2 mg, 46% yield). Mp = 175.7–180°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.24 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 8.18 – 8.09 (m, 1H), 7.97 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 173.9, 164.3, 158.0, 155.1, 139.6, 132.2, 129.1, 127.3, 126.8, 125.3, 124.1, 121.7, 116.4, 114.2, 100.5, 55.9. HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Se [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 330.9868, found 330.9865.



**3-Bromo-11H-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[3,2-b]chromen-11-one (8e)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.48$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **8e** as a yellow solid (39.3 mg, 52% yield). Mp = 95.5–98°C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 – 8.13 (m, 1H), 7.96 (dt, *J* = 7.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.61 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 173.7, 156.2, 155.3, 140.1, 131.8, 129.6, 128.8, 128.0, 127.4, 126.9, 125.6, 124.3, 121.9, 121.3, 121.2. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): ν 3907, 3876, 3863, 3614, 3582, 3405, 2814, 1569, 1510, 1489, 1278, 1254, 1152, 913, 823, 757; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SeBr [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 378.8867, found 378.8867.



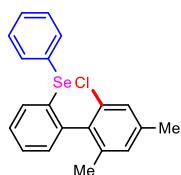
**4-(*Tert*-butyl)-6*H*-benzo[4,5]selenopheno[2,3-*c*]chromen-6-one (**9e**)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.48$  in petroleum ether/EtOAc = 10:1) afforded **9e** as a yellow solid (37.6 mg, 53% yield). Mp = 68–70°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.74 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.59 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  157.4, 150.7, 144.1, 141.7, 138.1, 137.1, 127.5, 127.0, 126.7, 126.6, 126.0, 124.9, 123.0, 120.7, 118.6, 34.4, 29.1. IR (KBr,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$  3955, 3847, 3832, 3654, 3527, 3498, 3442, 2979, 2962, 2835, 1645, 1610, 1564, 1521, 1472, 1309, 1272, 1217, 1124, 939, 878, 822, 764, 681; HR-ESI-MS (*m/z*): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2\text{Se} [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  357.0388, found 357.0388.



**Dibenzo[*b,d*]selenophene 5-oxide (**1g**)**

Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.48$  in DCM/MeOH = 10:1) afforded **1g** as a yellow solid (109.9 mg, 89% yield). Mp = 192–195°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.95 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.91 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 1.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.61 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.47 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Methanol-d4)  $\delta$  144.9, 141.0, 132.7, 129.9, 128.5, 123.3.



**(2'-Chloro-4',6'-dimethyl-[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)(phenyl)selane (**19f**)**

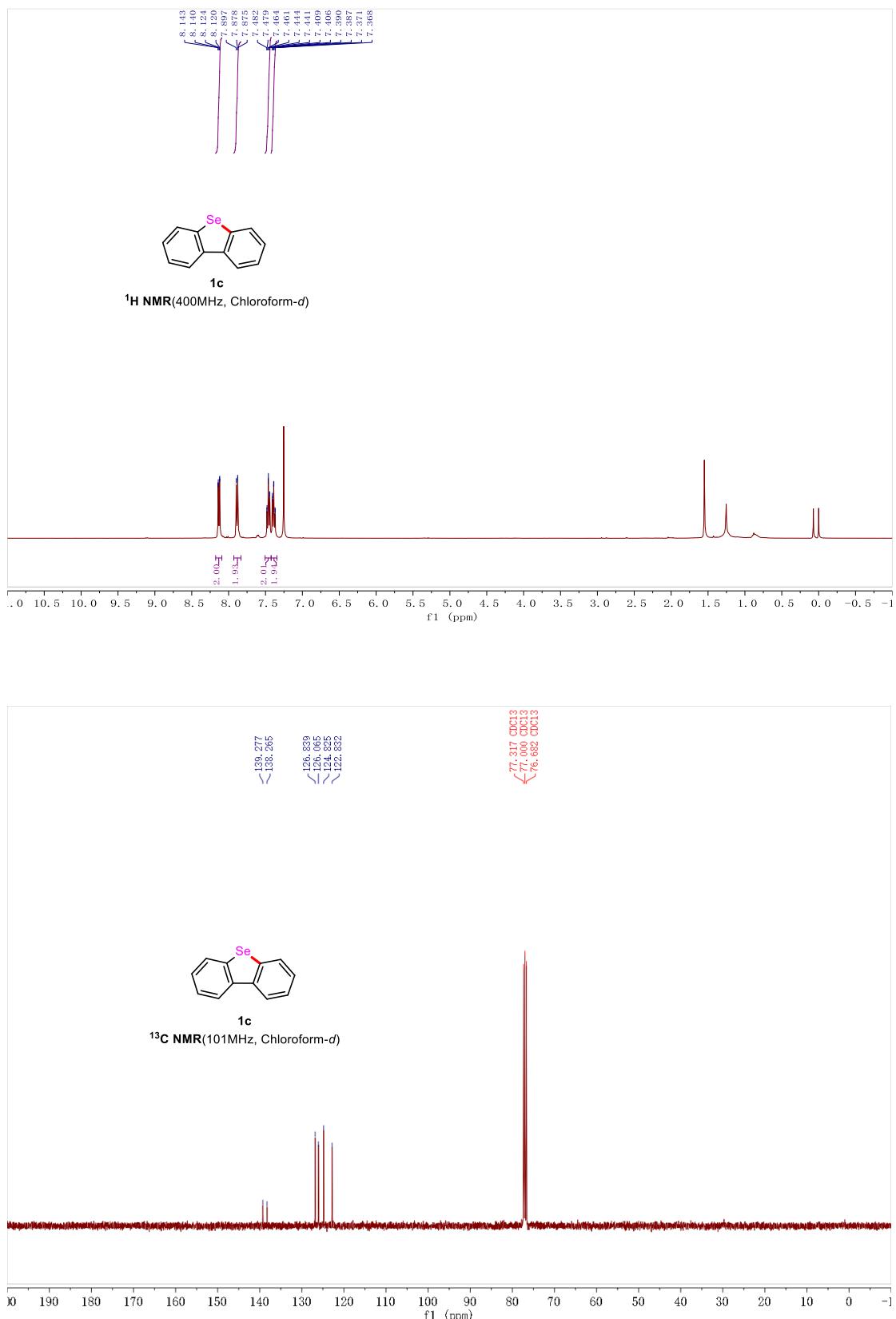
Purification by PTLC ( $R_f = 0.45$  in petroleum ether) afforded **19f** as a yellow solid (4.5 mg, 6% yield). Mp = 182.6–185°C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  8.33 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.90 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.52 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (dd,  $J = 4.9, 1.8$  Hz, 3H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 2.88 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*)  $\delta$  140.2, 139.6, 139.2, 136.2, 135.7, 134.0, 133.0, 131.2, 129.6, 129.3, 127.3, 126.3, 126.1, 125.5, 124.6, 124.0, 23.3, 21.1. GC-MS (EI): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{17}\text{SeCl} [\text{M}^+]$  372; found 372.

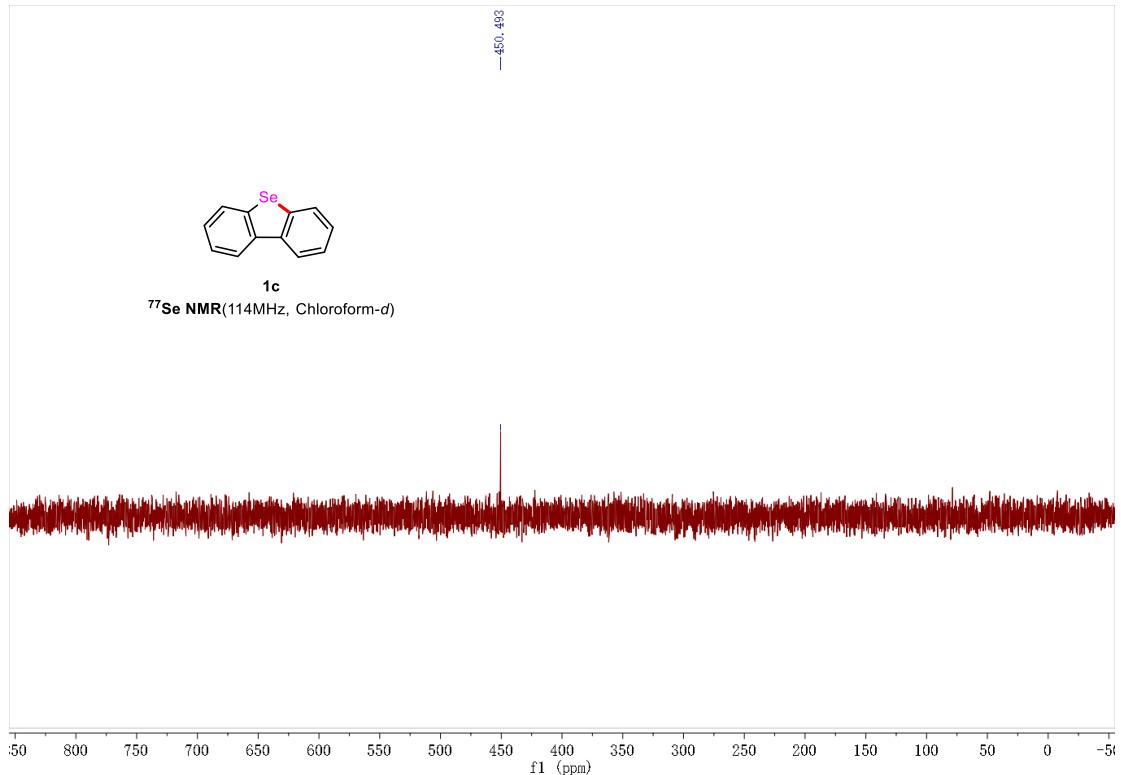
## 9. References.

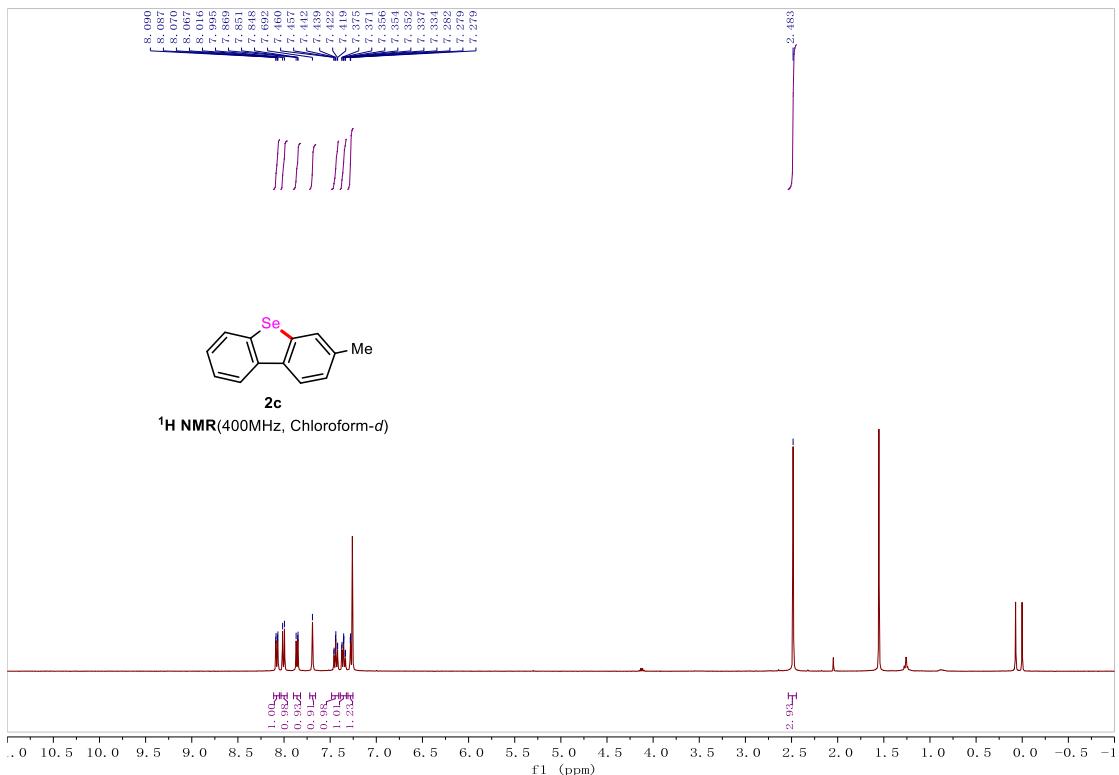
- [1] G. A. M. Jardim, I. A. O. Bozzi, W. X. C. Oliveira, C. Mesquita-Rodrigues, R. F. S. Menna-Barreto, R. A. Kumar, E. Gravel, E. Doris, A. L. Braga and E. N. da Silva Júnior, New. J. Chem., 2019, **43**, 13751–13763.

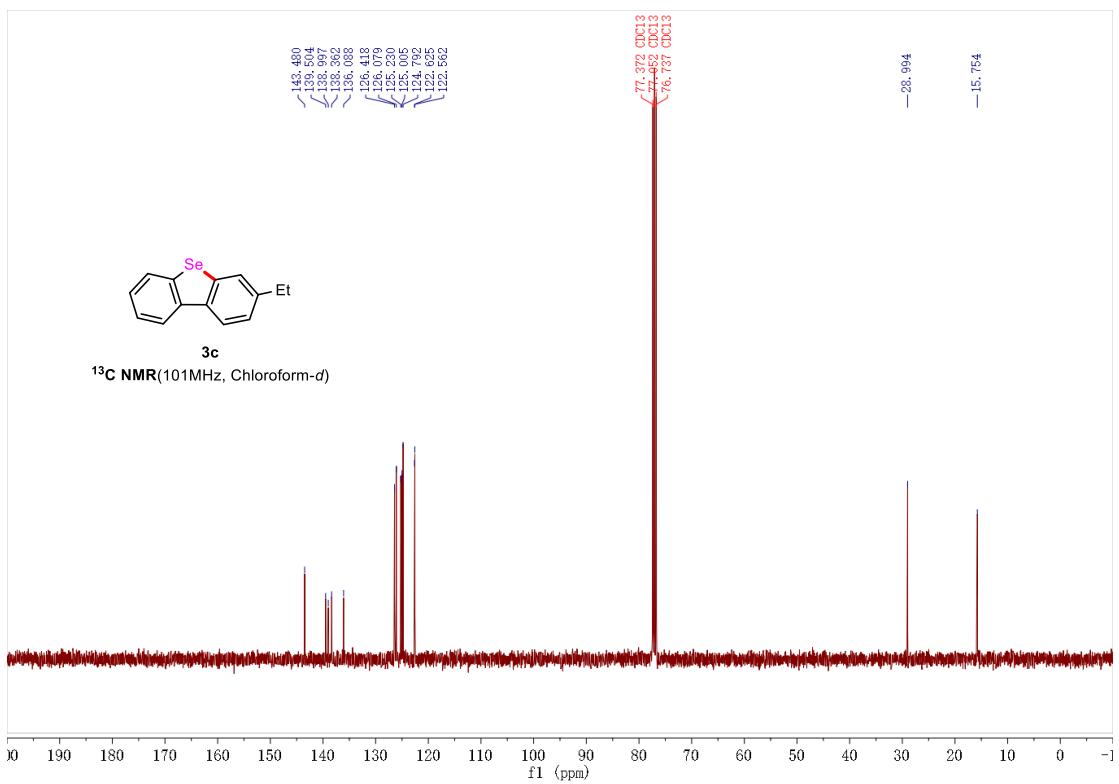
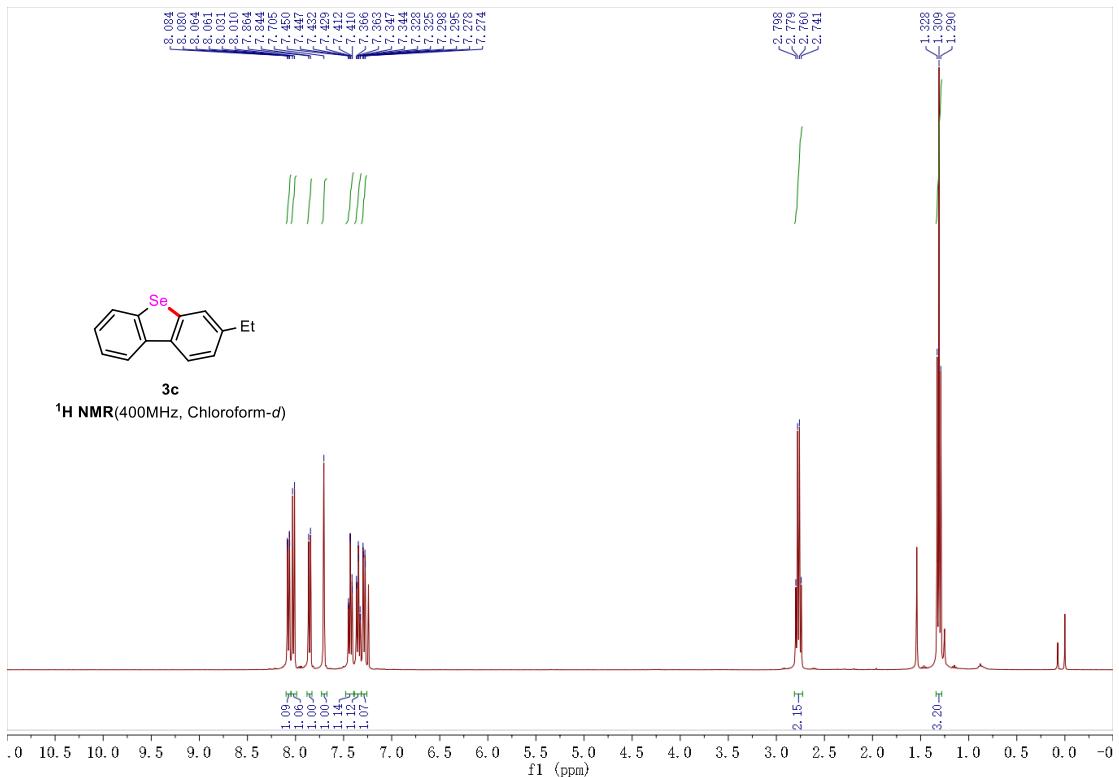
- [2] V. P. Reddy, A. V. Kumar, K. Swapna and K. R. Rao, *Org. Lett.*, 2009, **11**, 951-953.
- [3] M. Tobisu, Y. Masuya, K. Baba and N. Chatani, *Chem. Sci.*, 2016, **7**, 2587-2591..
- [4] Z. Ai, J. Xiao, Y. Li, B. Guo, Y. Du and K. Zhao, *Org. Chem. Front.*, 2020, **7**, 3935-3940.
- [5] J. D. Fang, X. B. Yan, L. Zhou, Y. Z. Wang and X. Y. Liu, *Adv. Synth. Catal.*, 2019, **361**, 1985-1990.
- [6] P. Ghosh, A. K. Nandi, G. Chhetri and S. Das, *J. Org. Chem.*, 2018, **83**, 12411-12419.
- [7] S. Saba, J. Rafique, M. S. Franco, A. R. Schneider, L. Espindola, D. O. Silva and A. L. Braga, *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, 2018, **16**, 880-885.
- [8] Z. Song, C. Ding, S. Wang, Q. Dai, Y. Sheng, Z. Zheng and G. Liang, *Chem. Commun.*, 2020, **56**, 1847-1850.

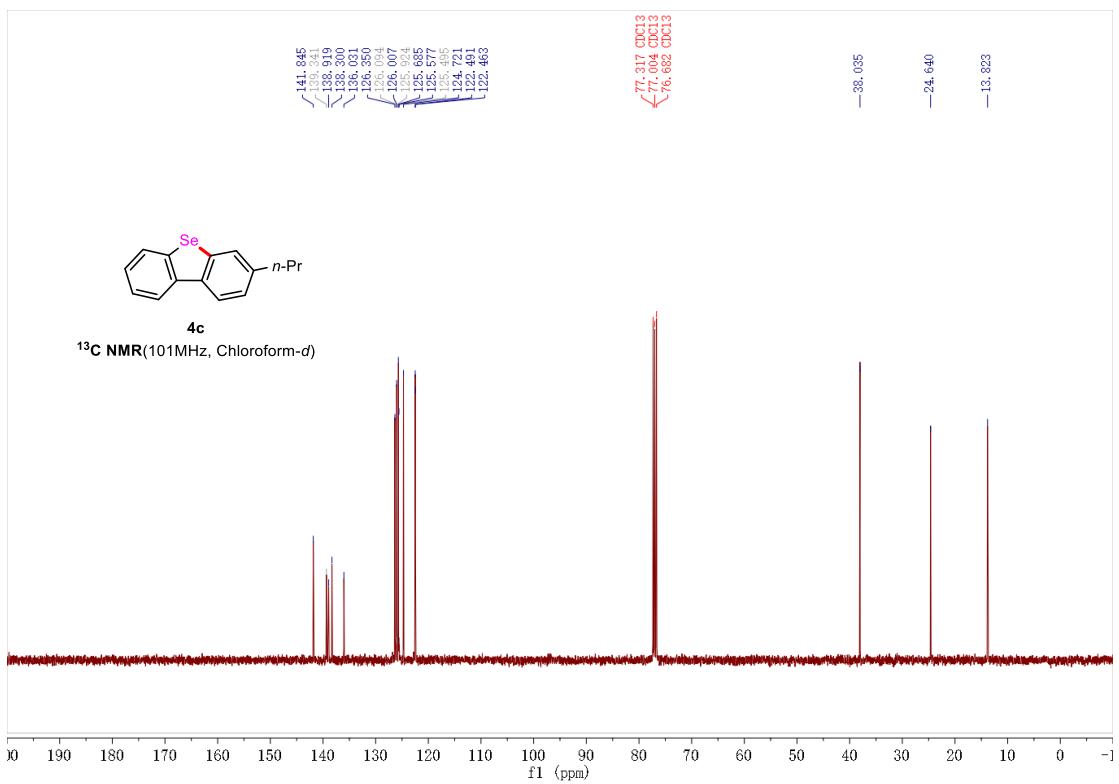
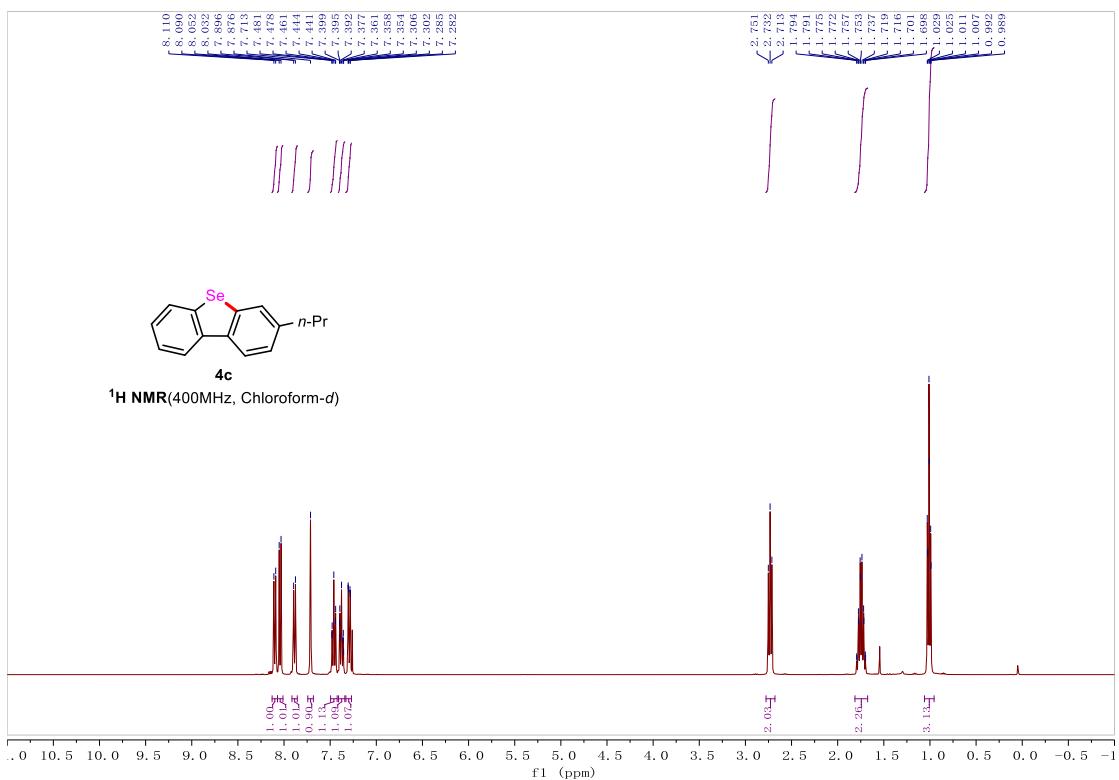
## 10. Copies of NMR spectra.

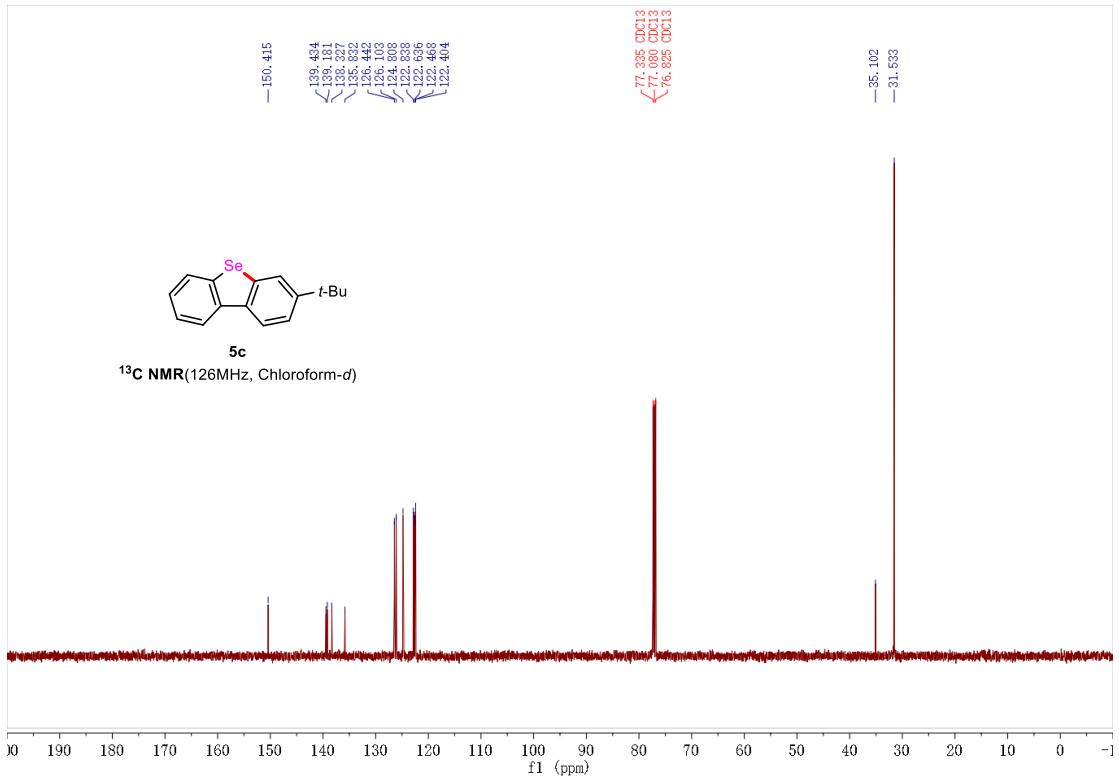
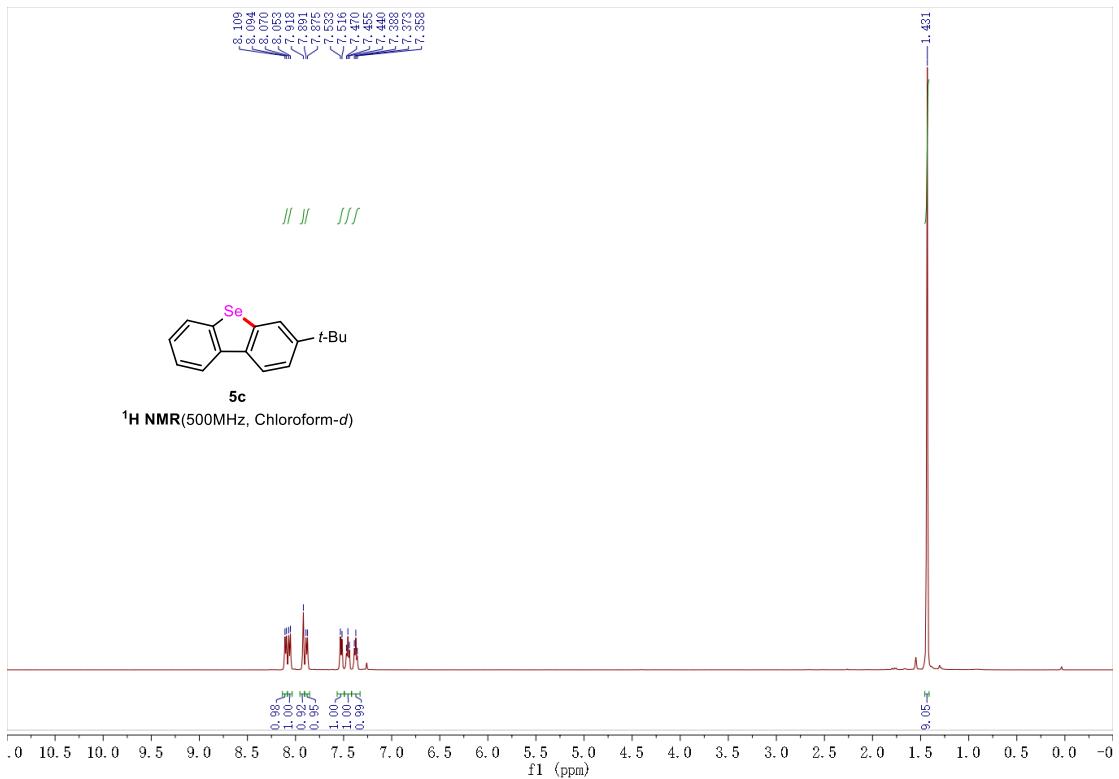


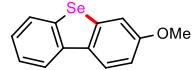
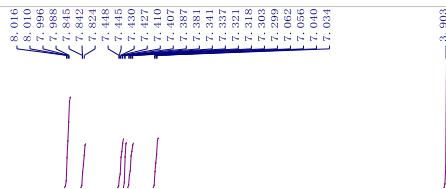




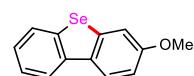
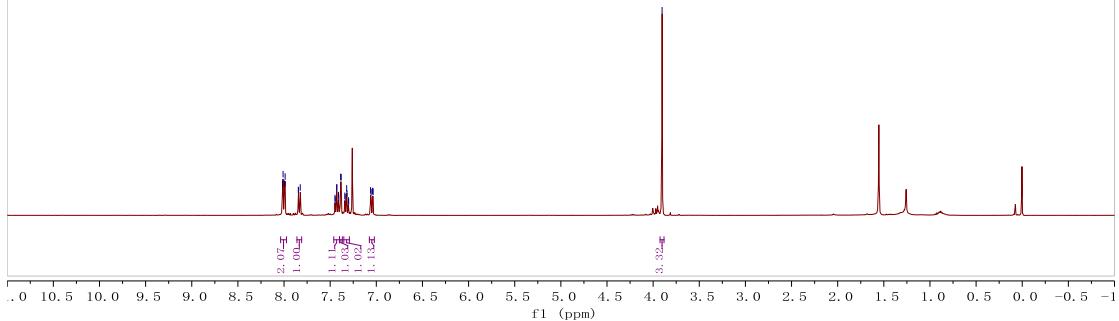




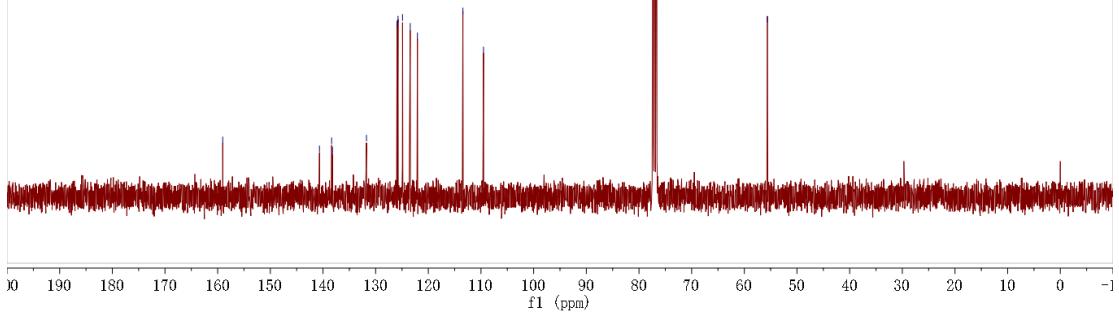


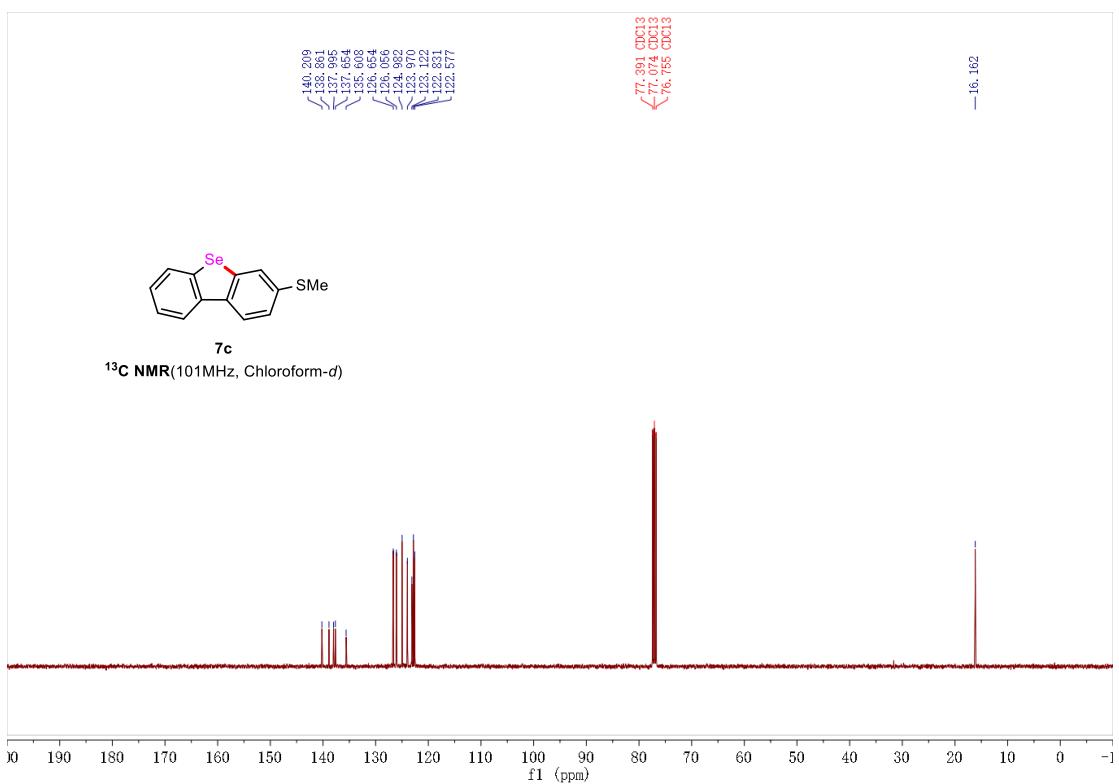
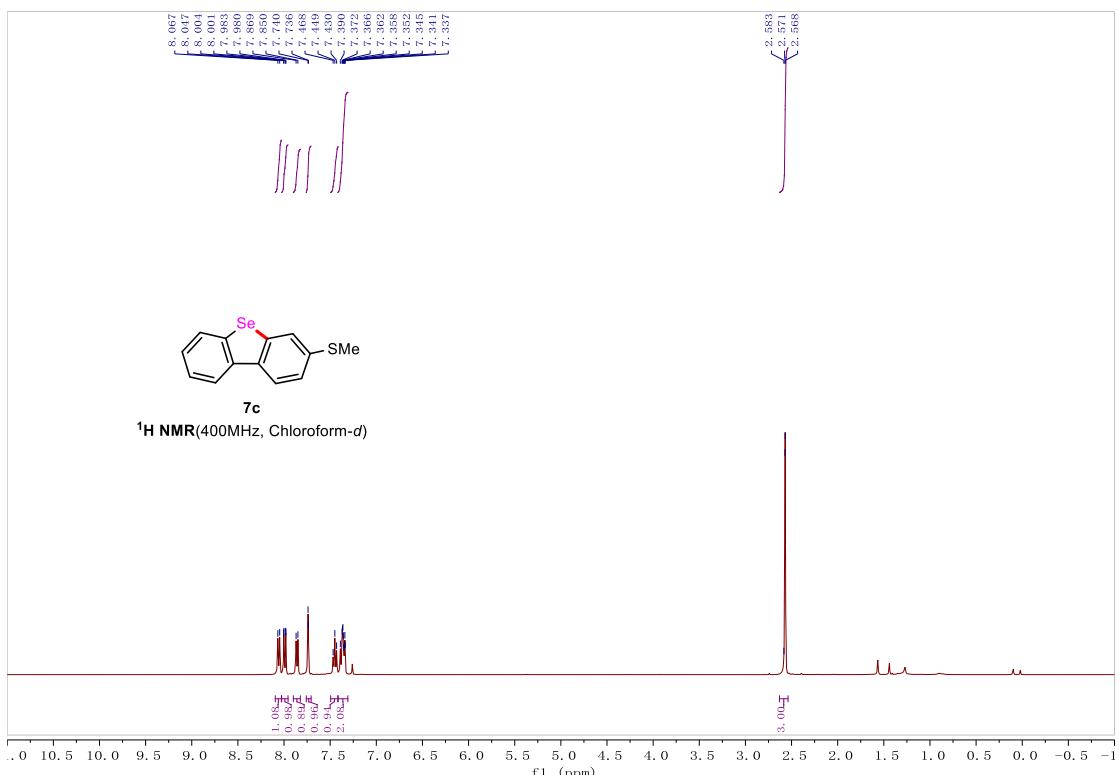


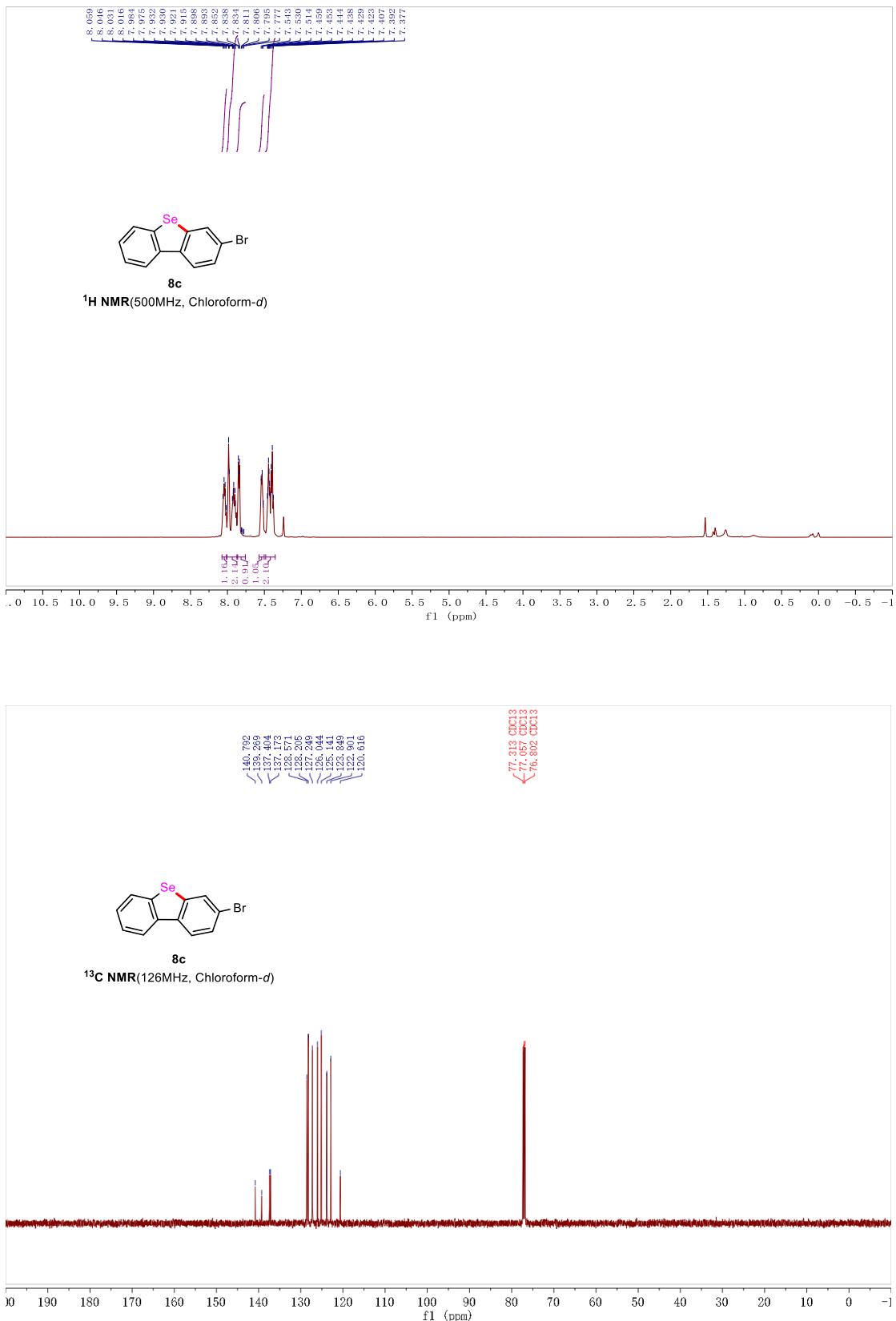
**6c**  
<sup>1</sup>H NMR(400MHz, Chloroform-*d*)

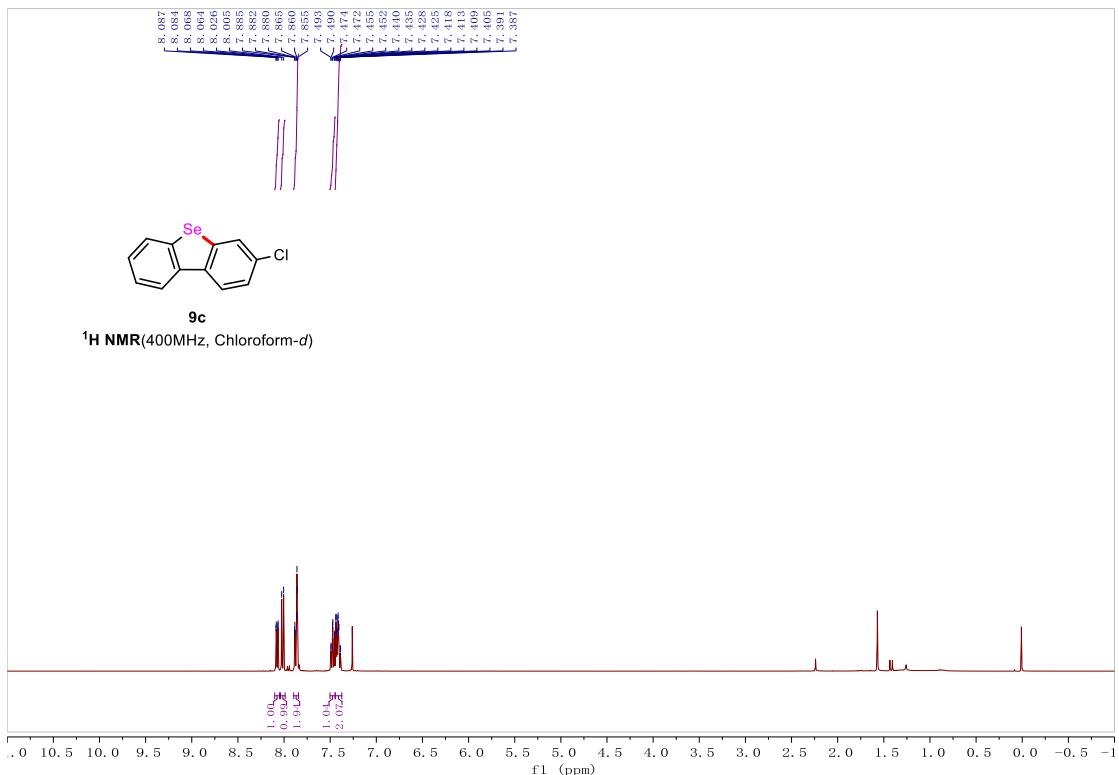


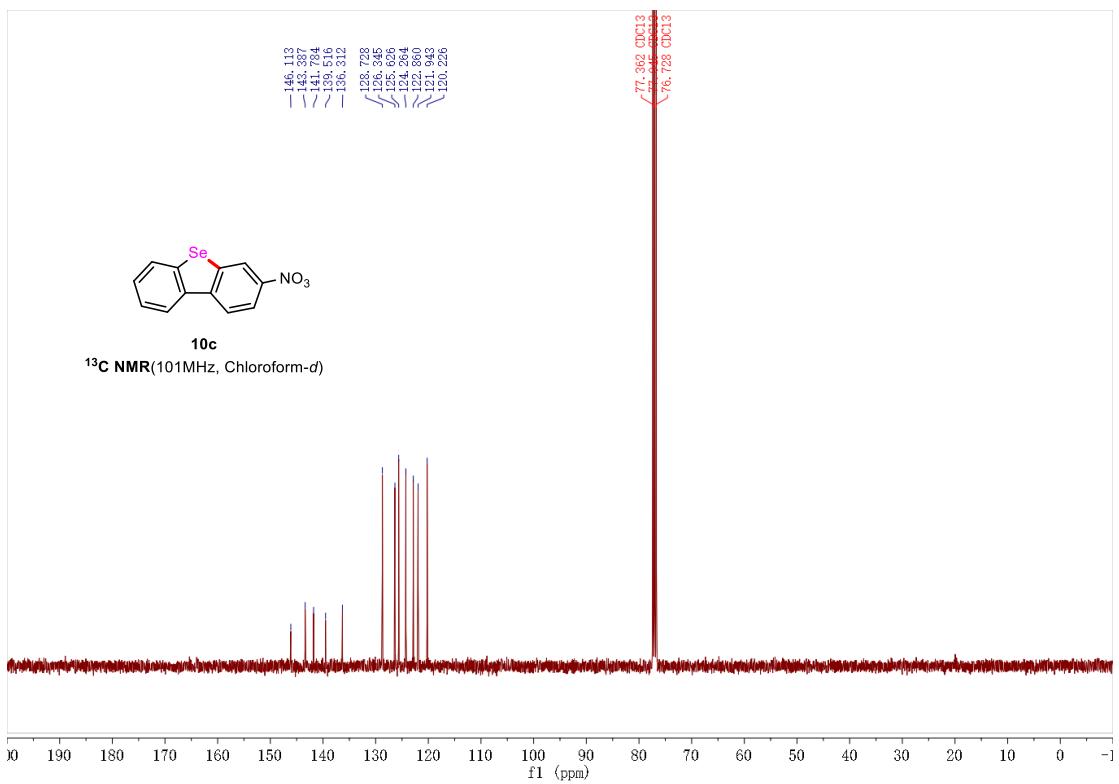
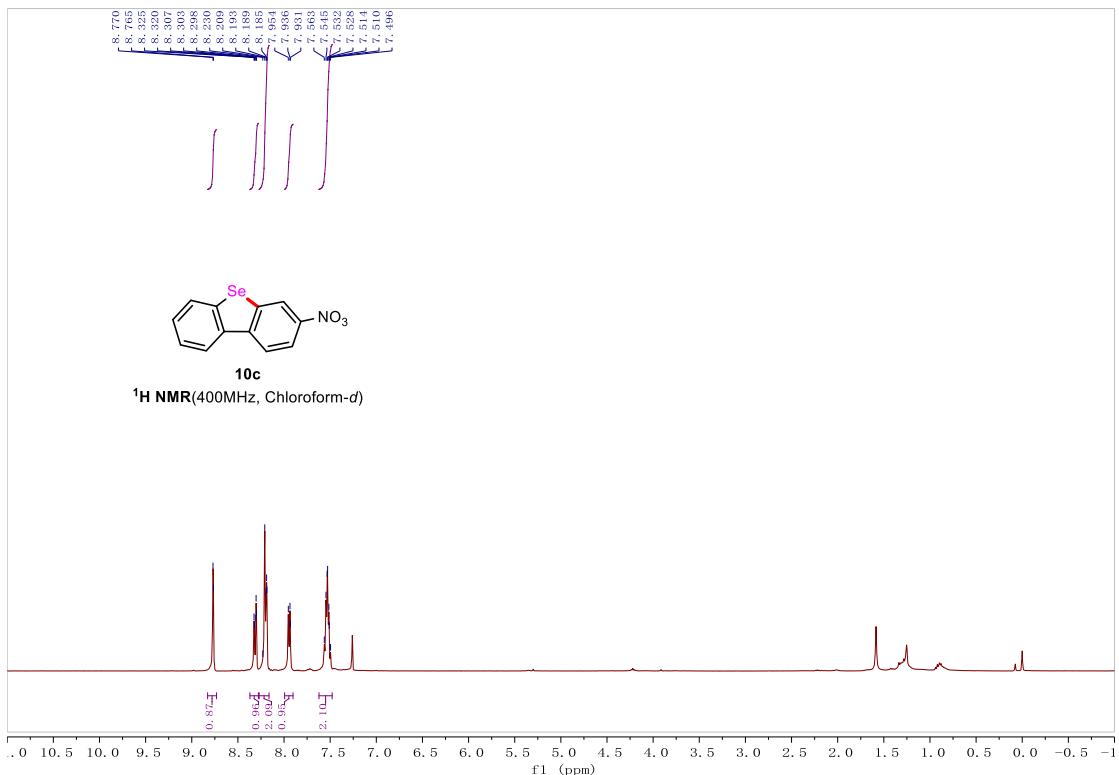
**6c**

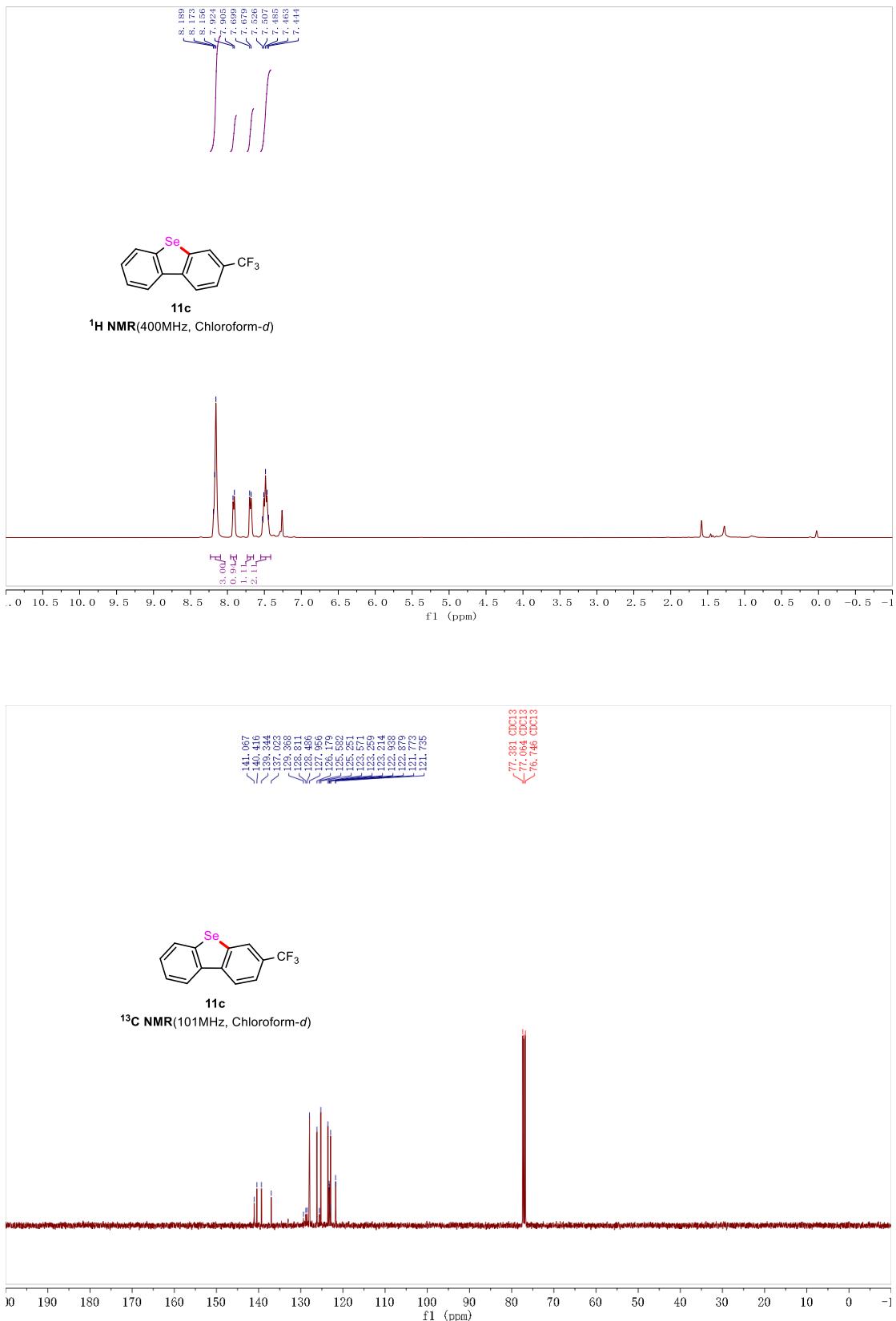


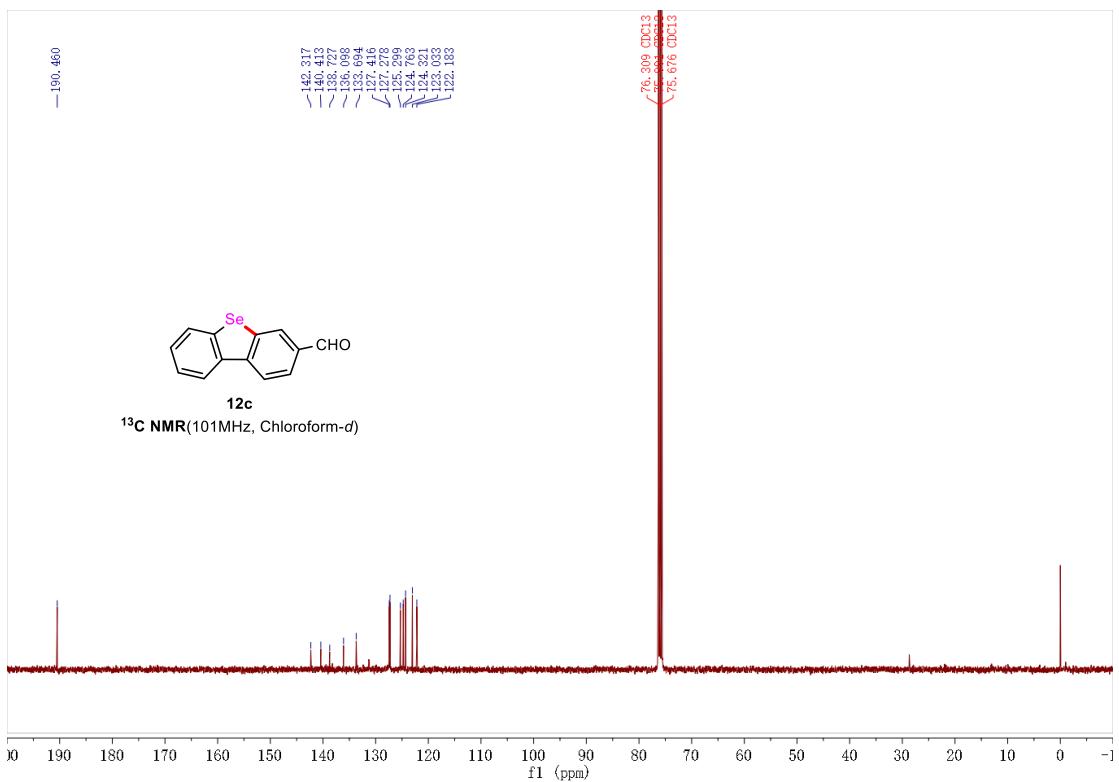
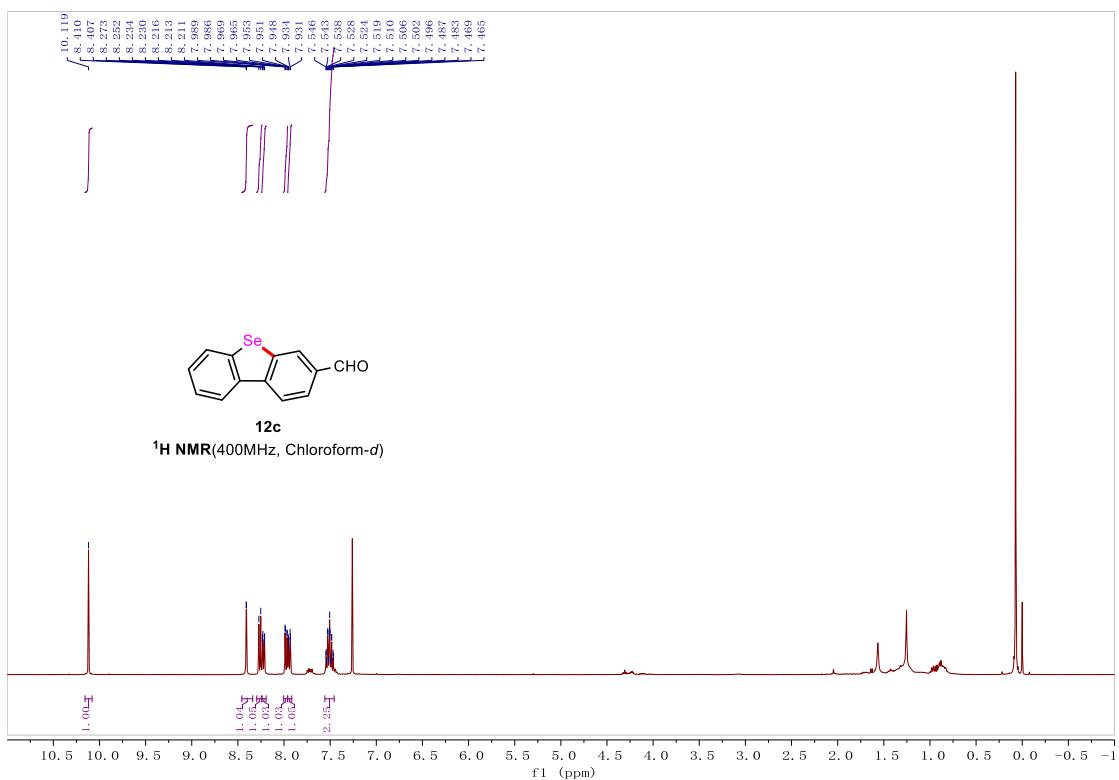


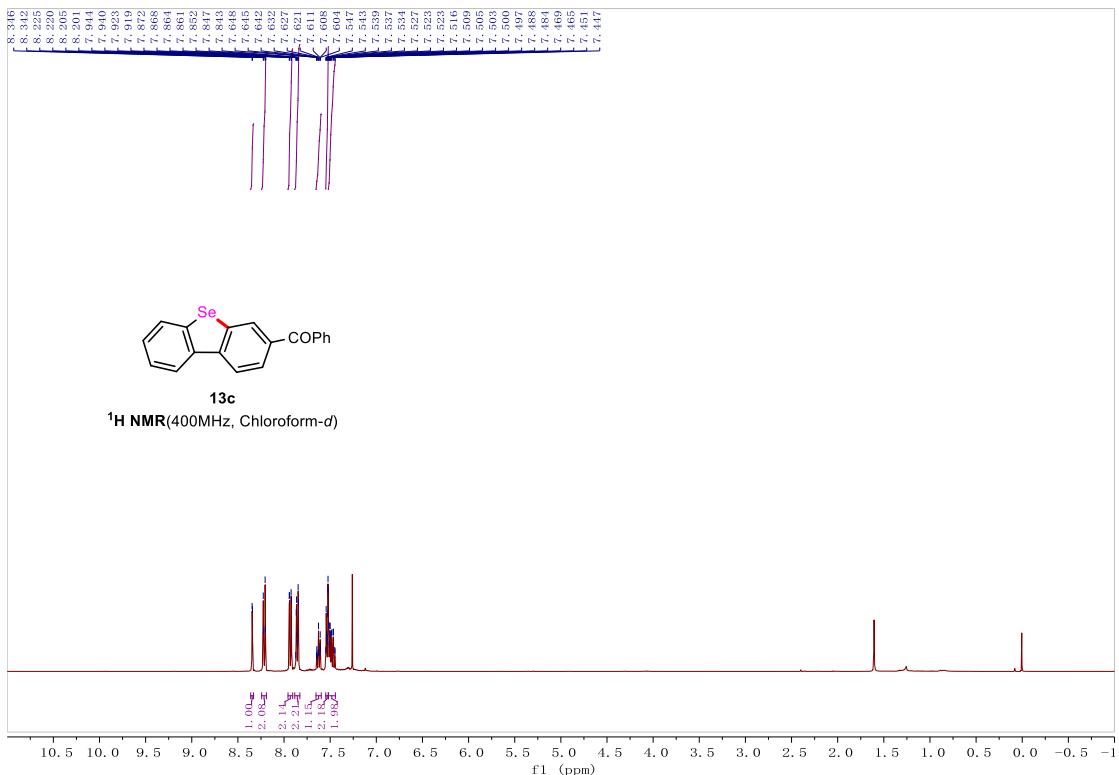


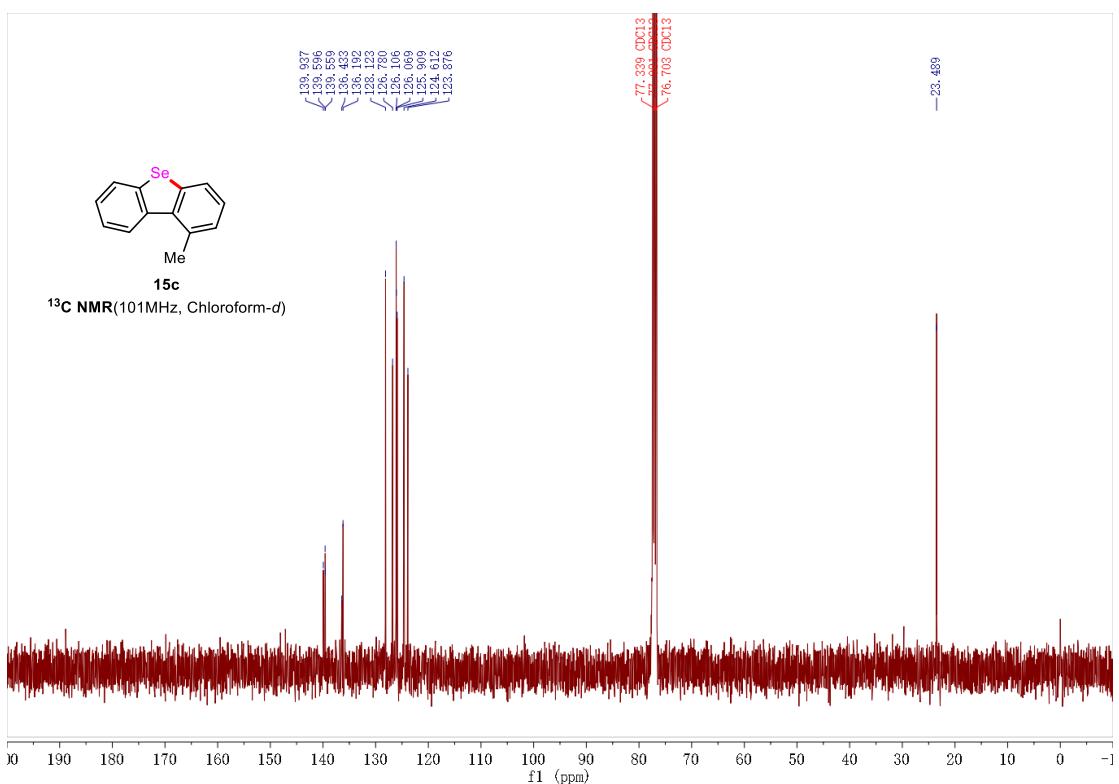
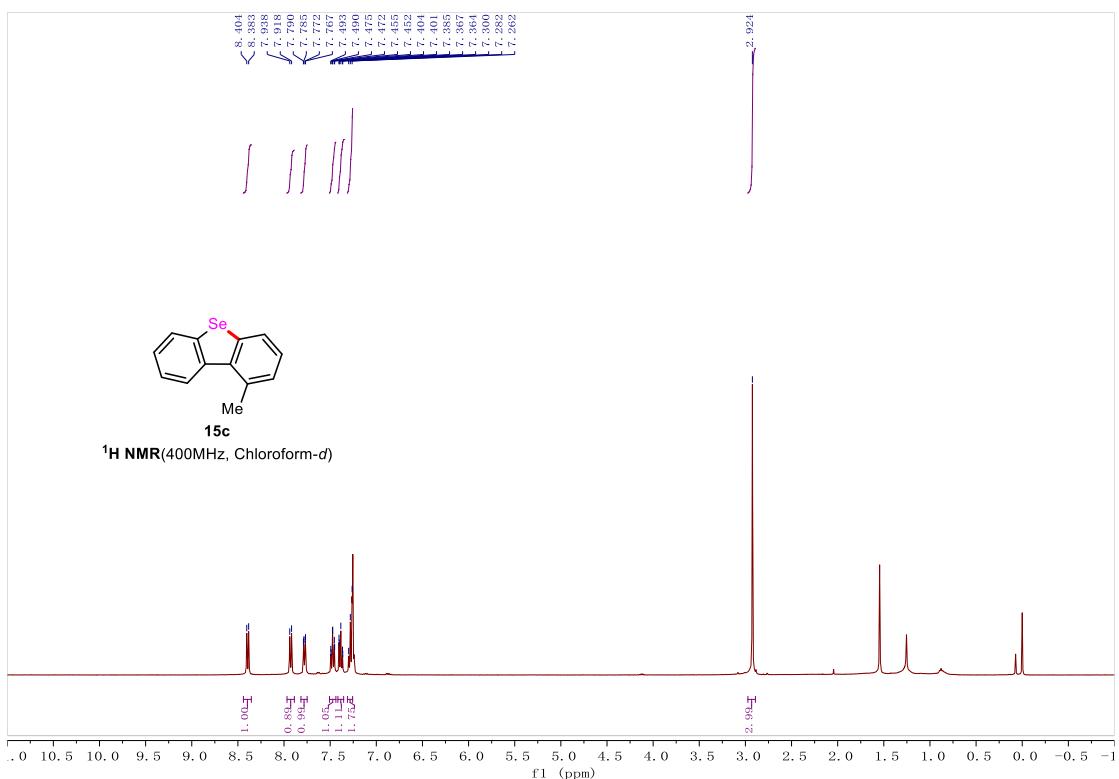


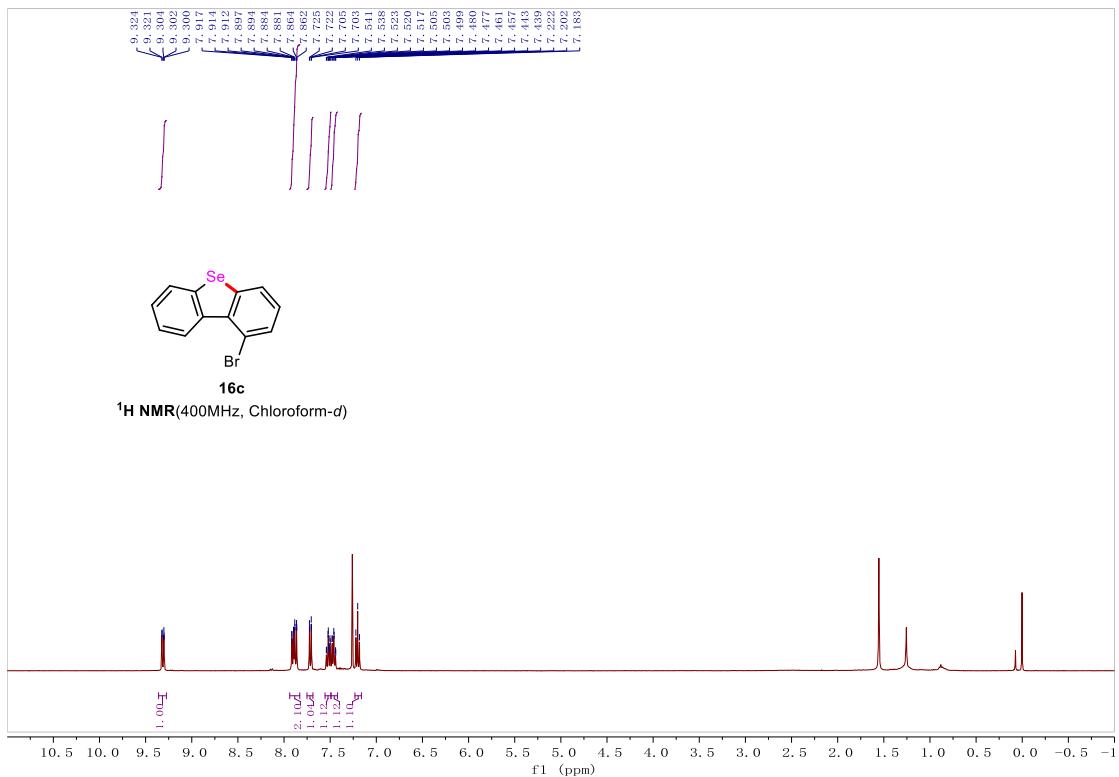


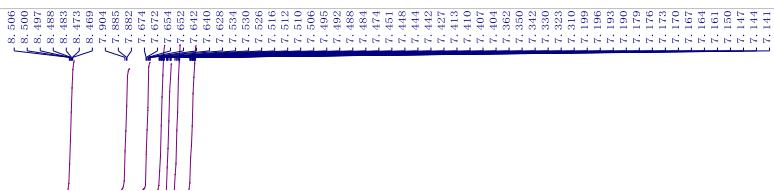




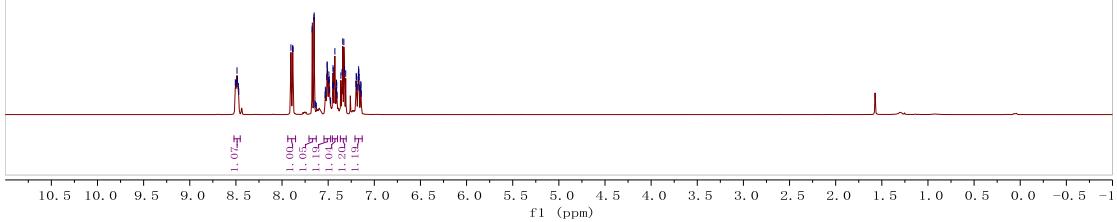








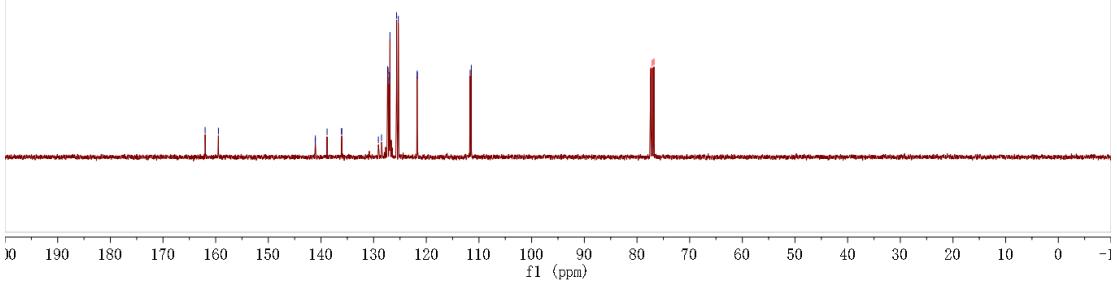
**17c**

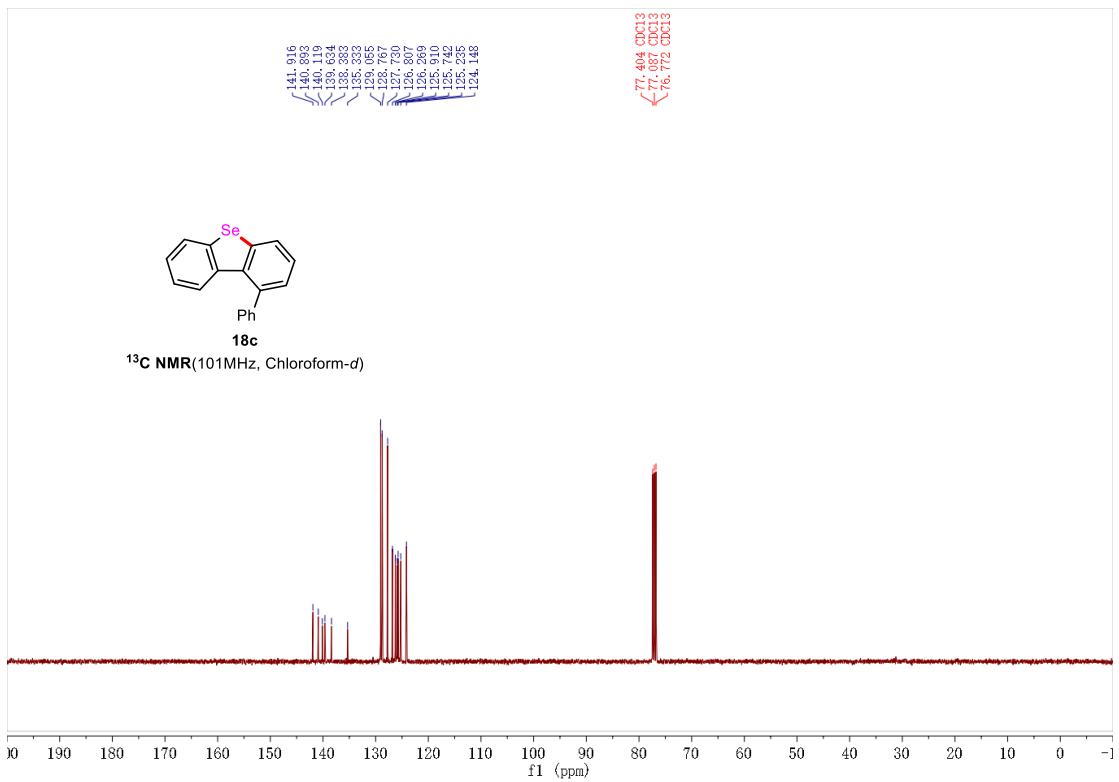
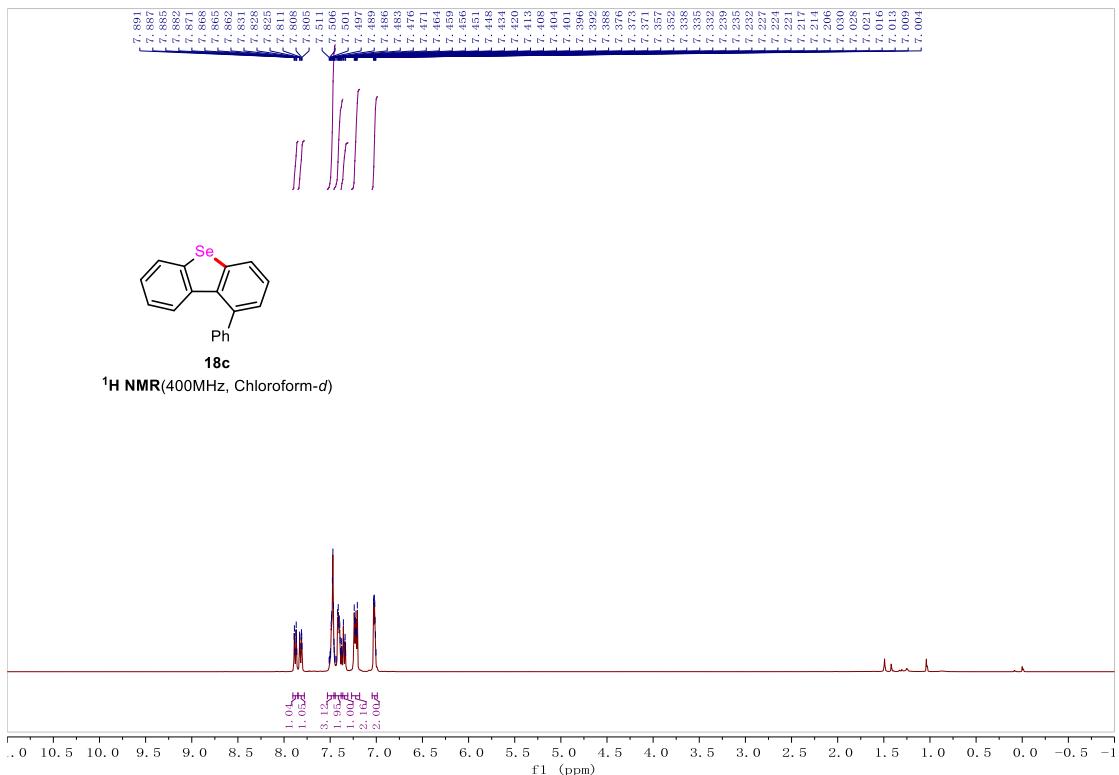


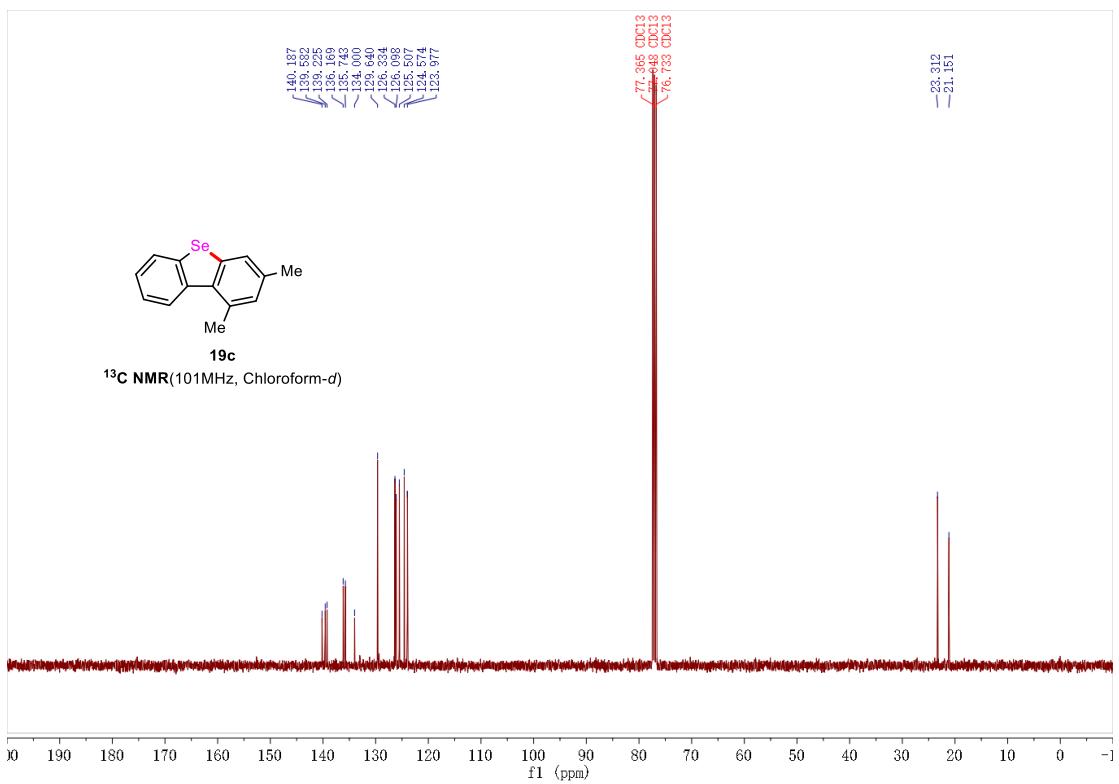
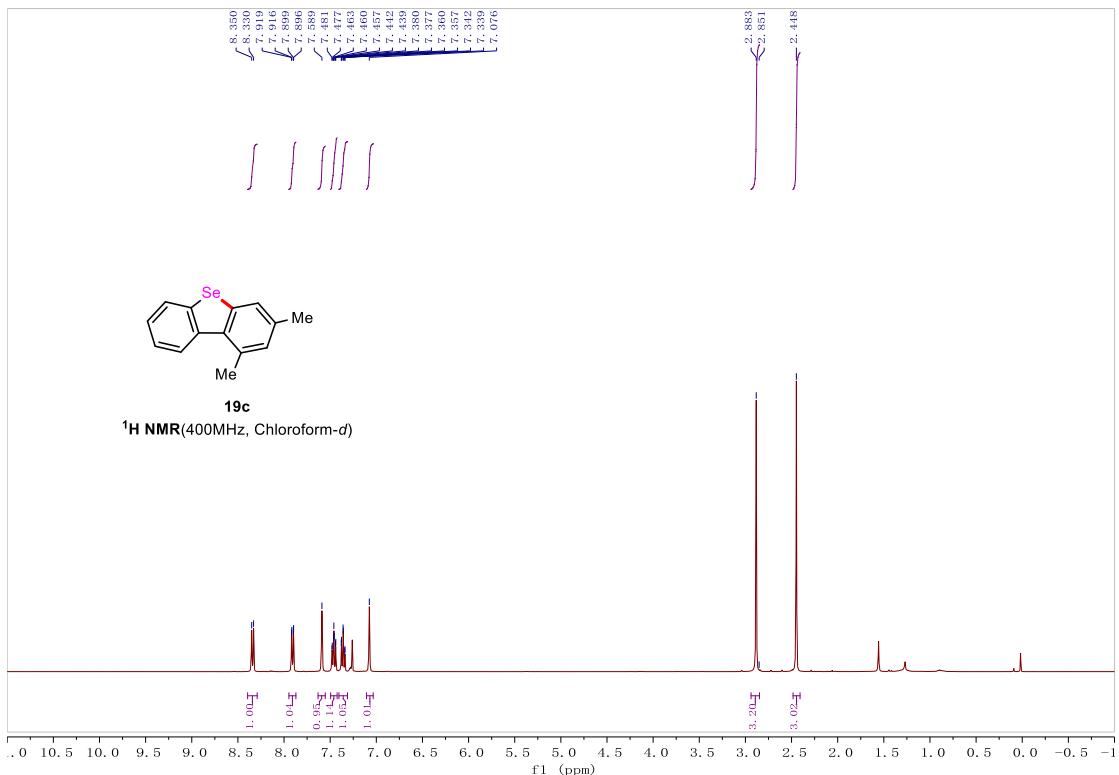
77. 428 CDC13

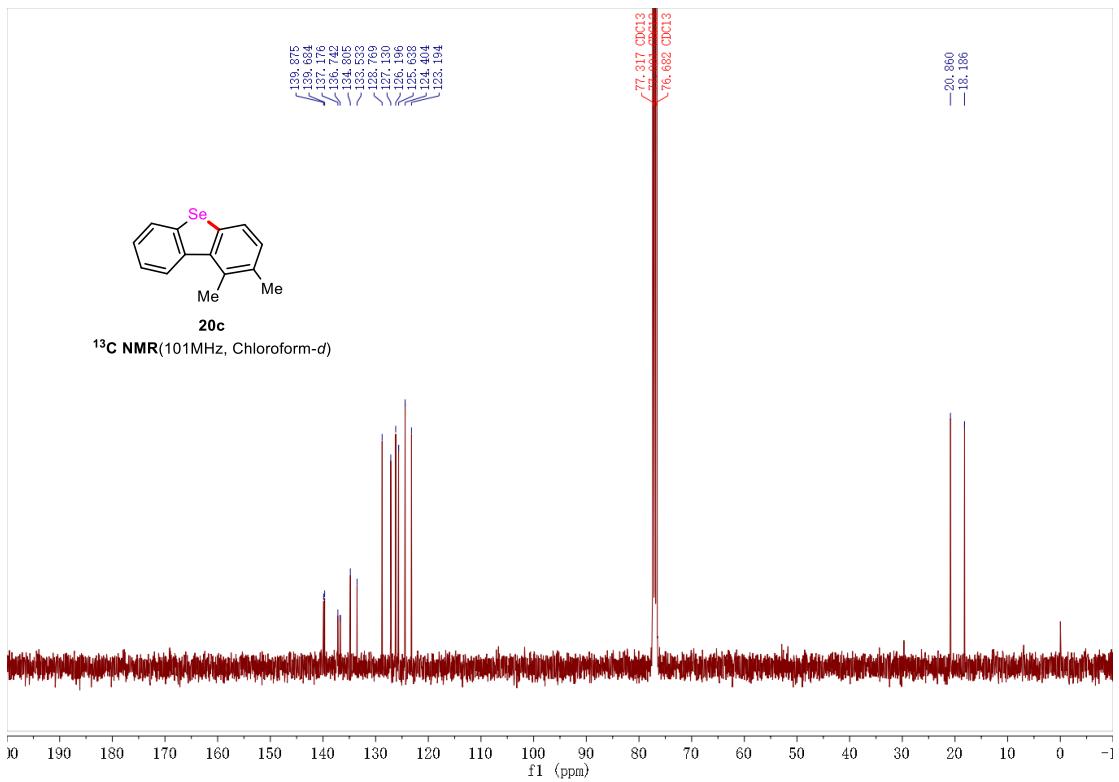
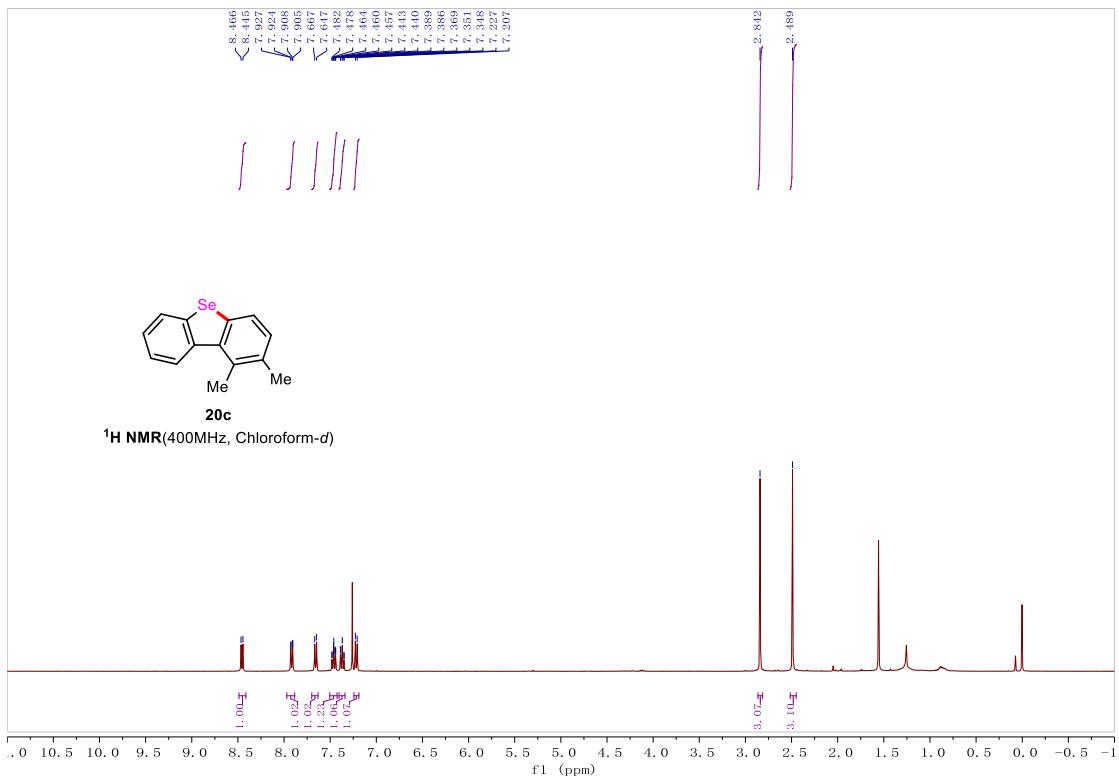


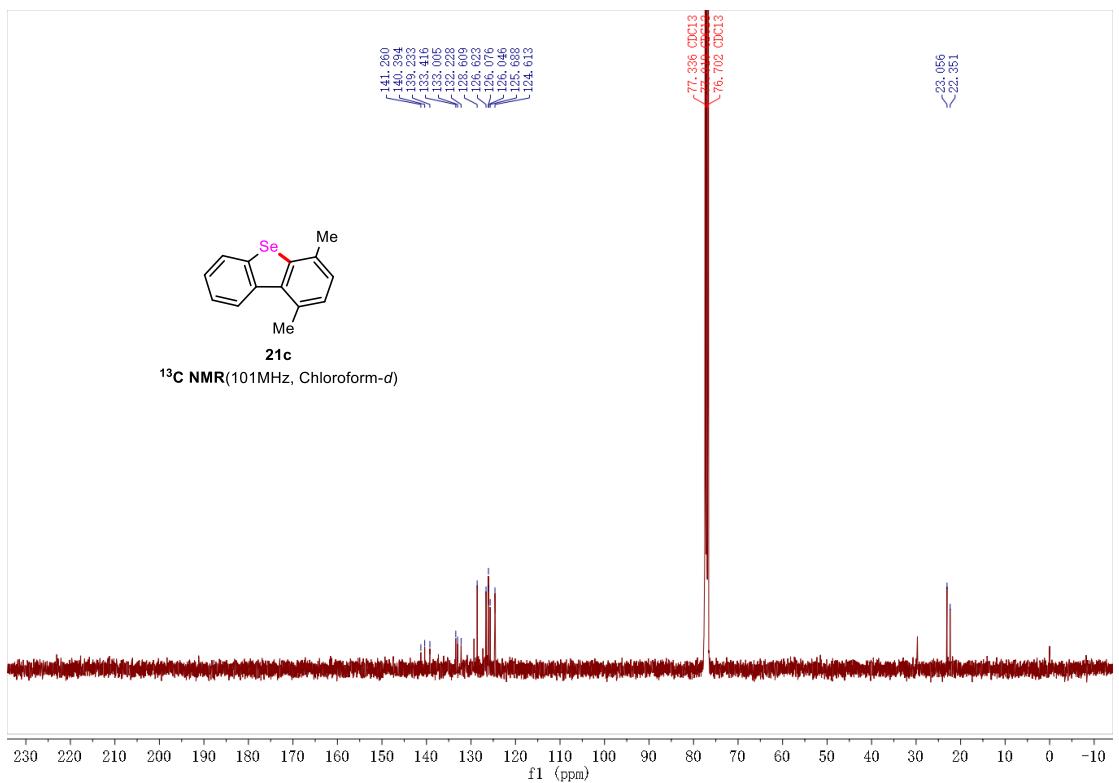
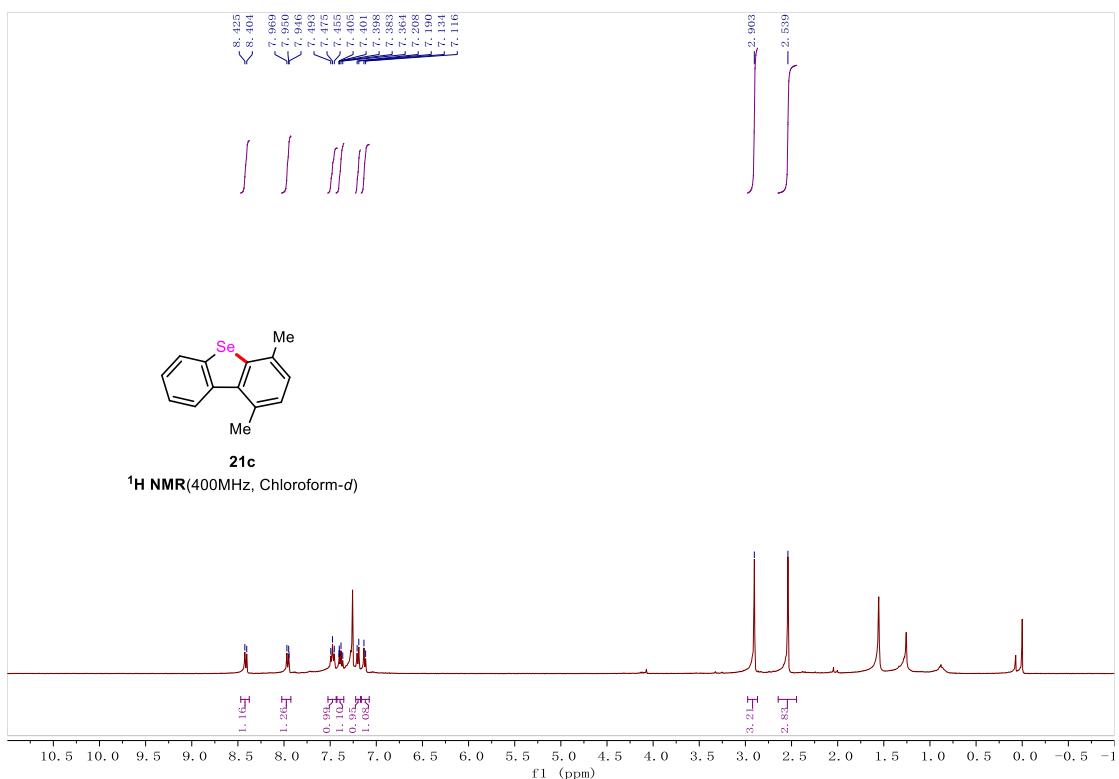
**17c**





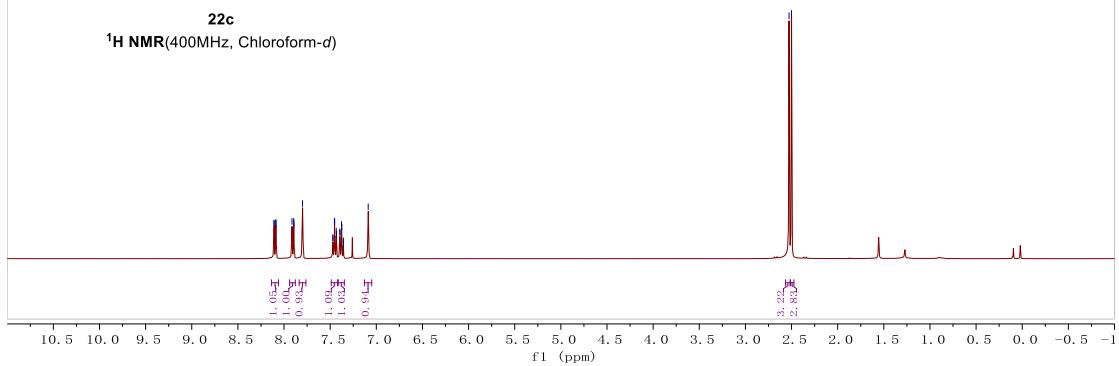




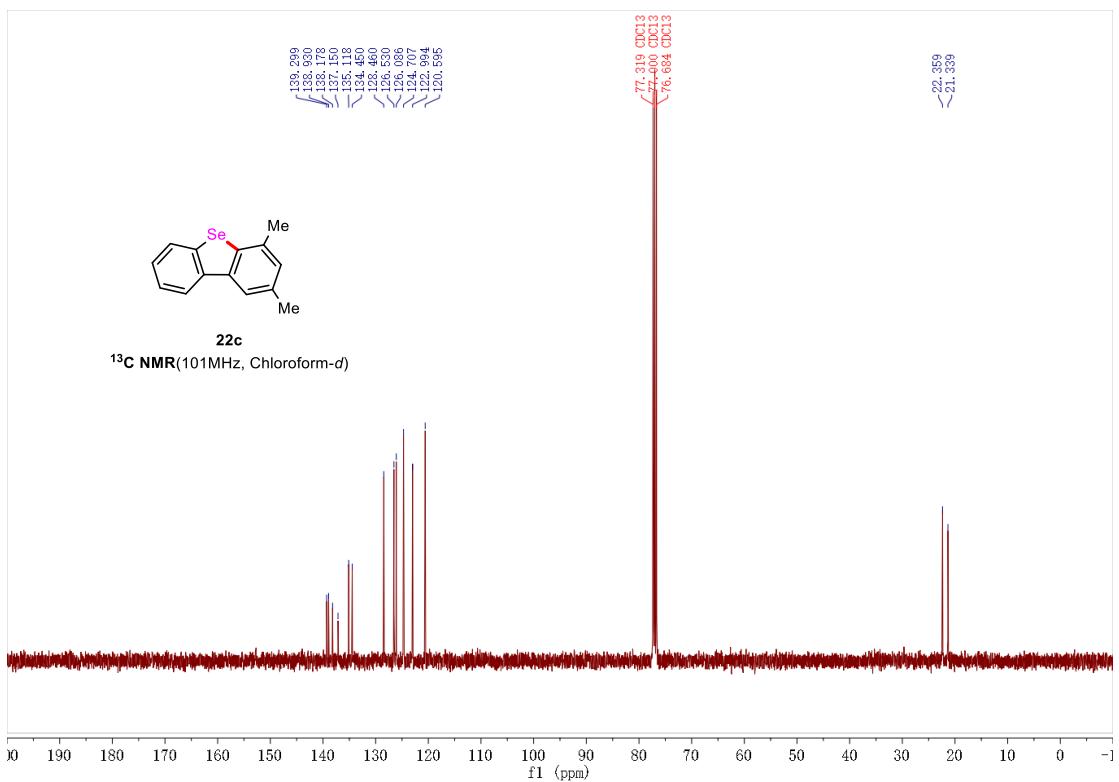


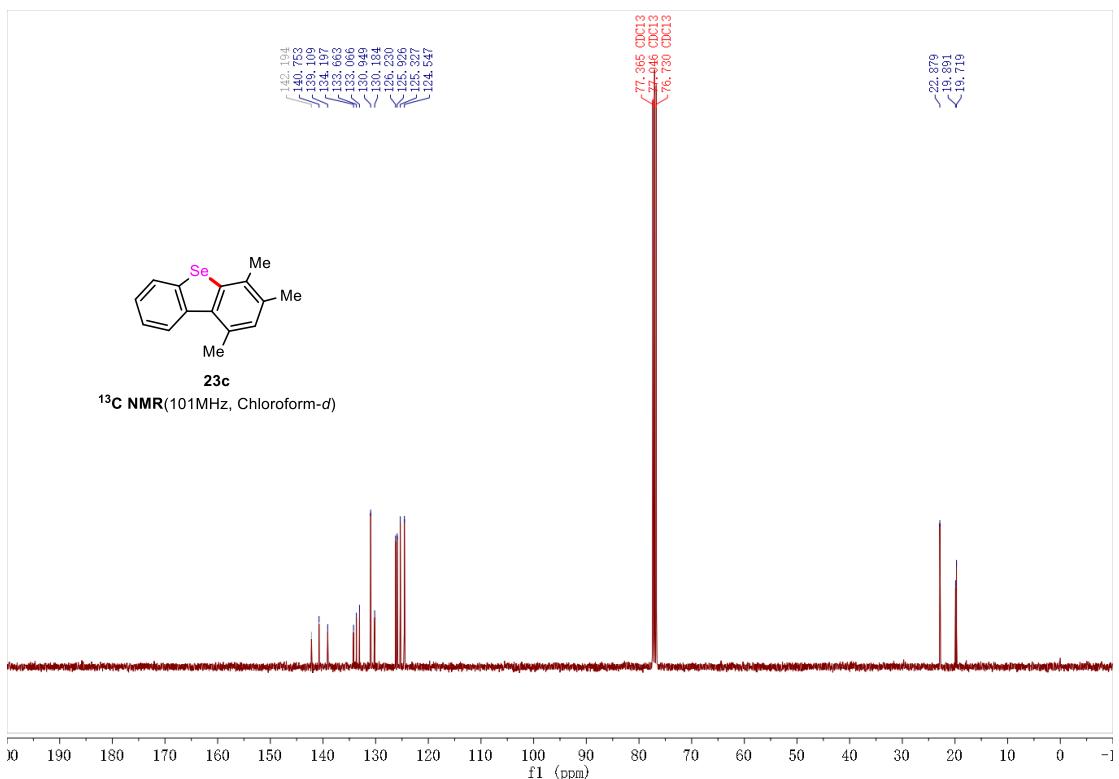
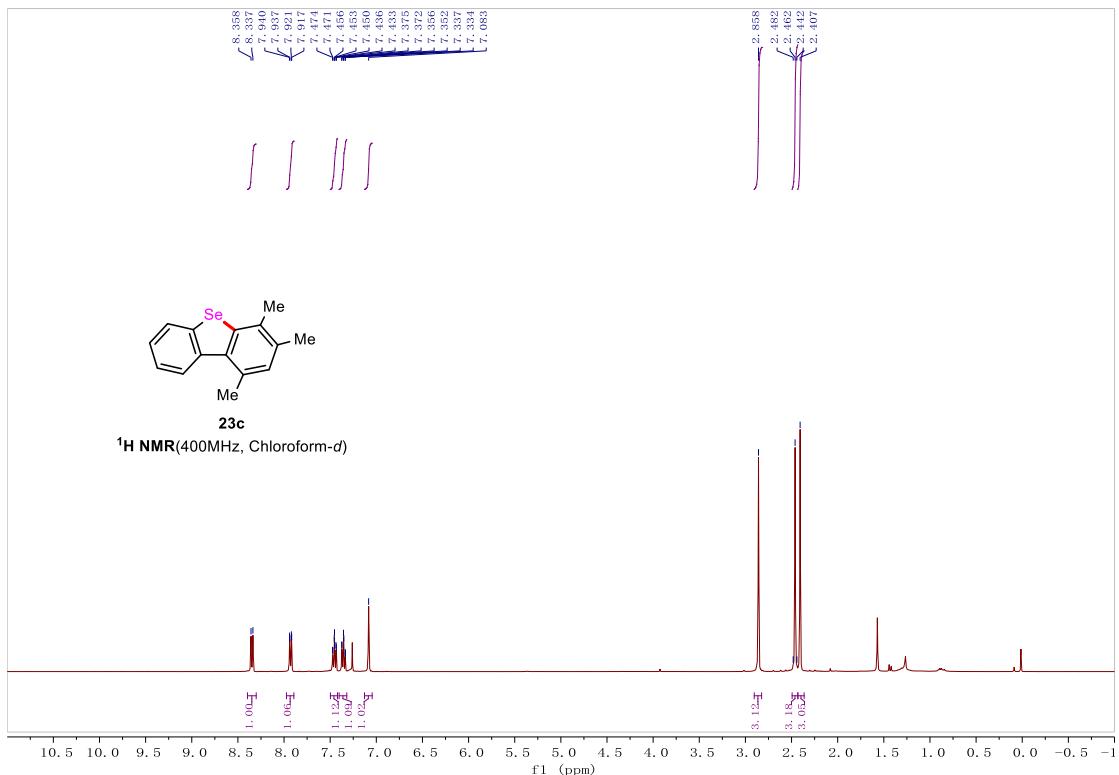


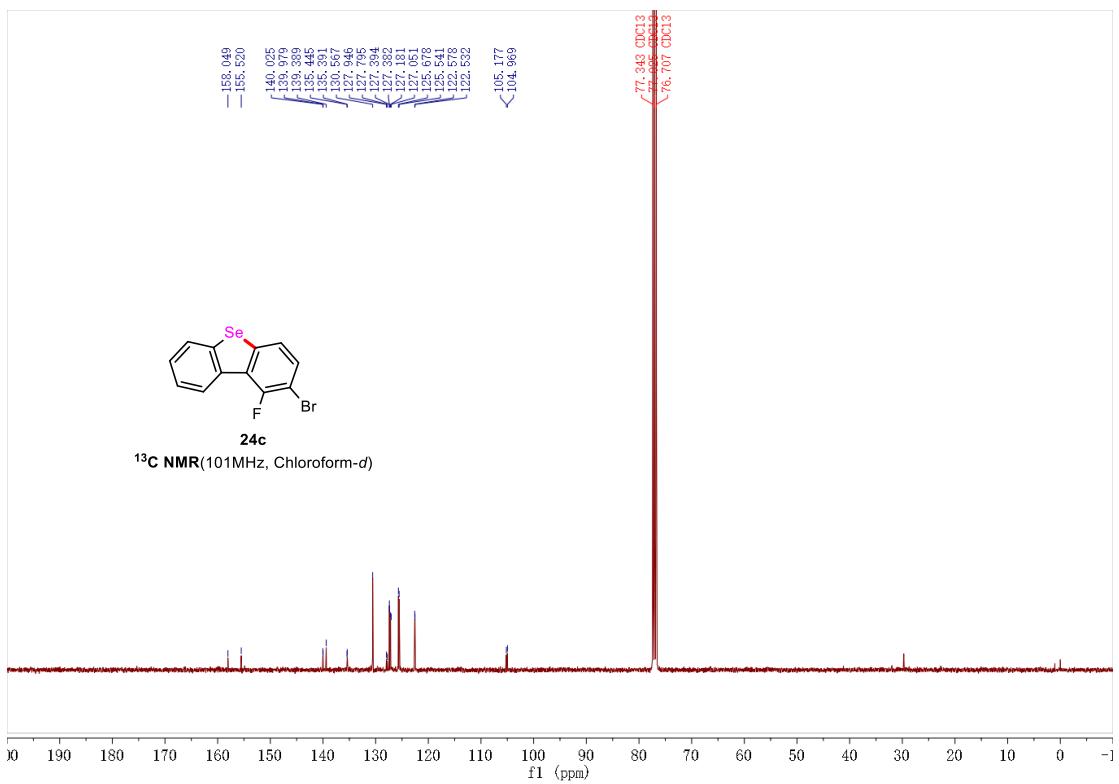
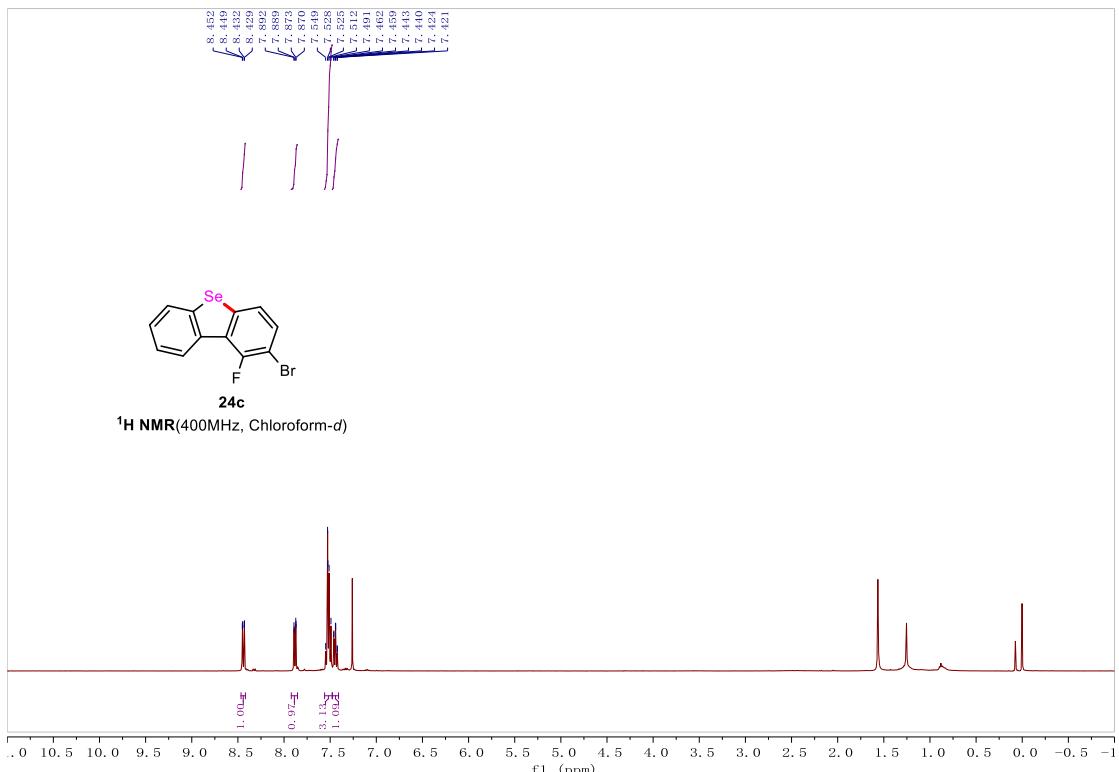
**22c**

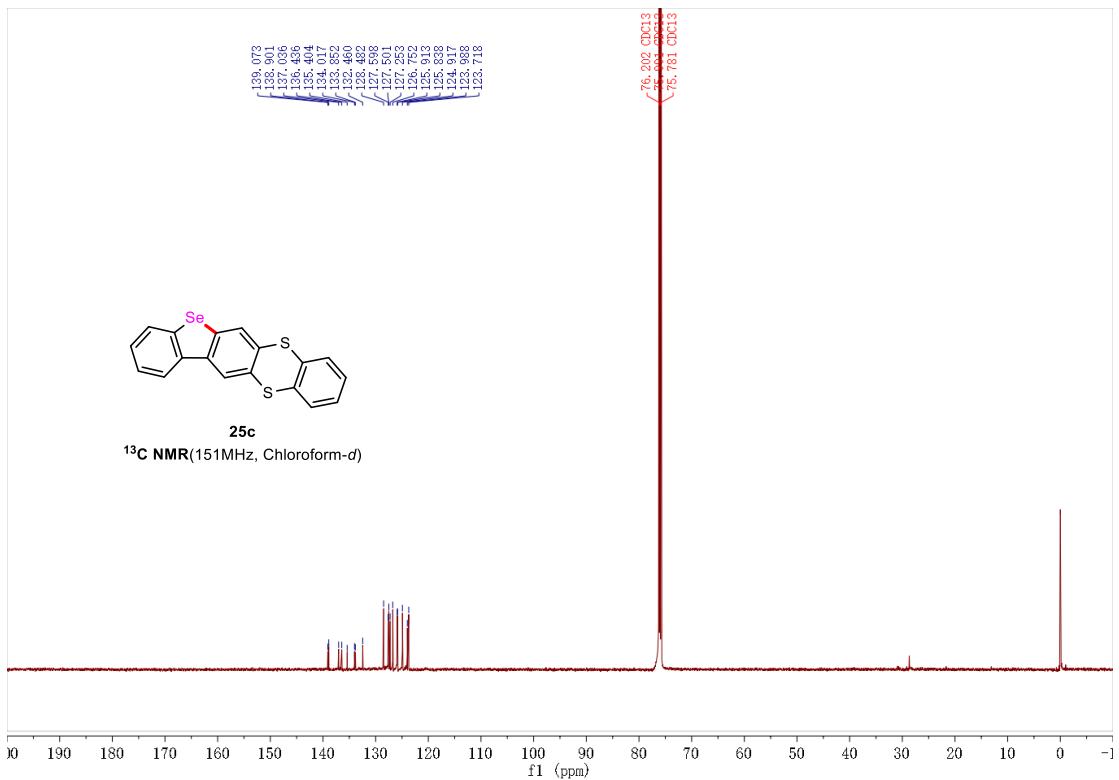
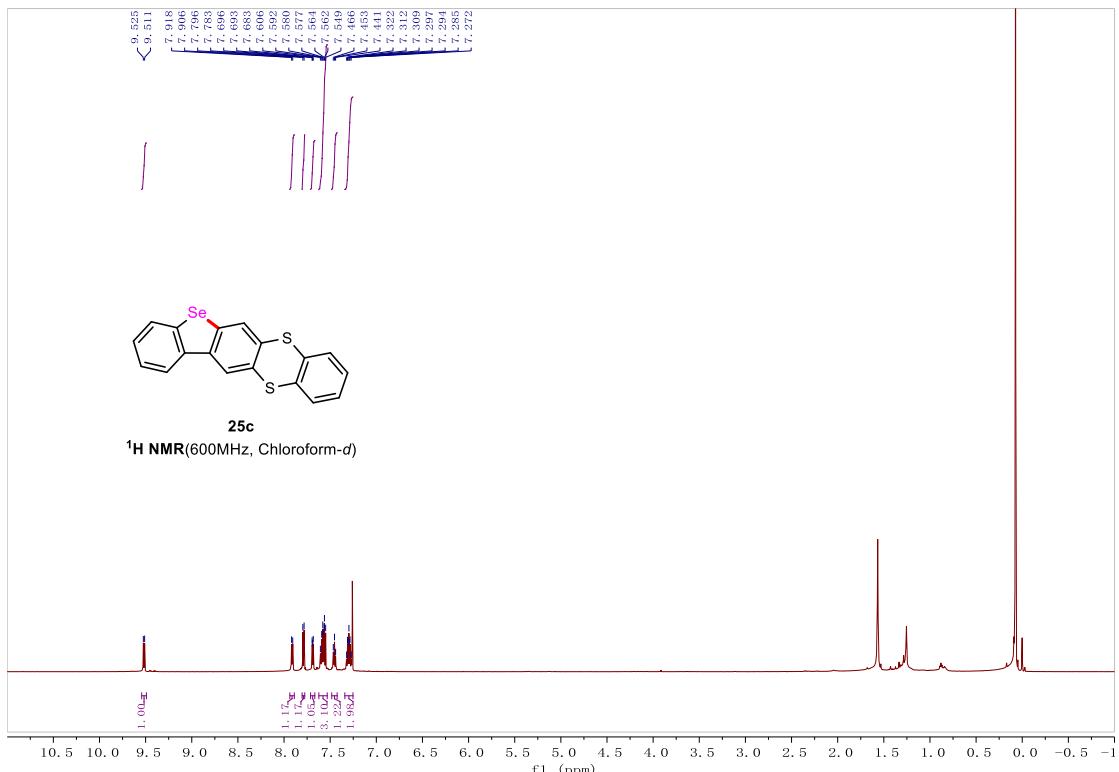


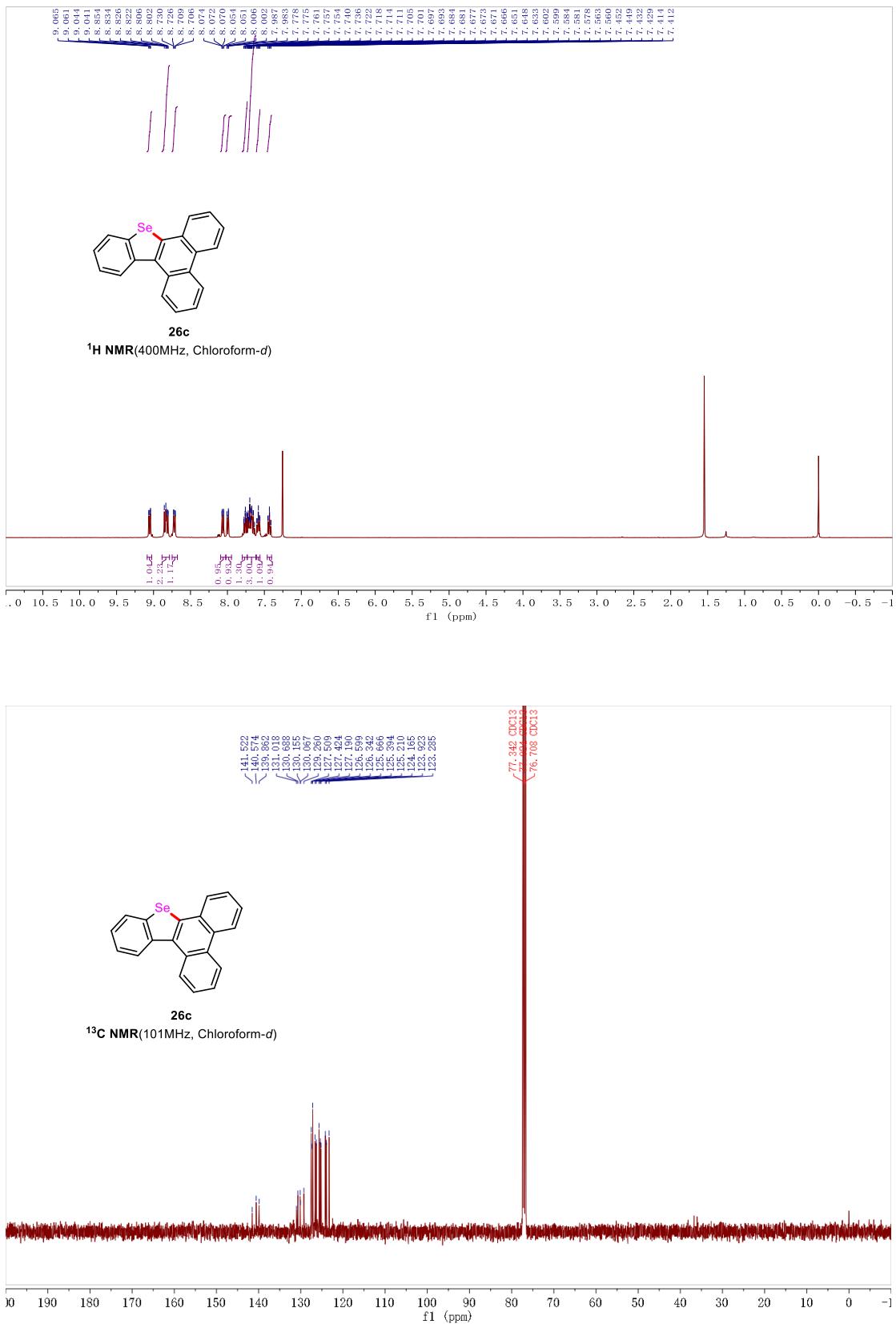
**22c**

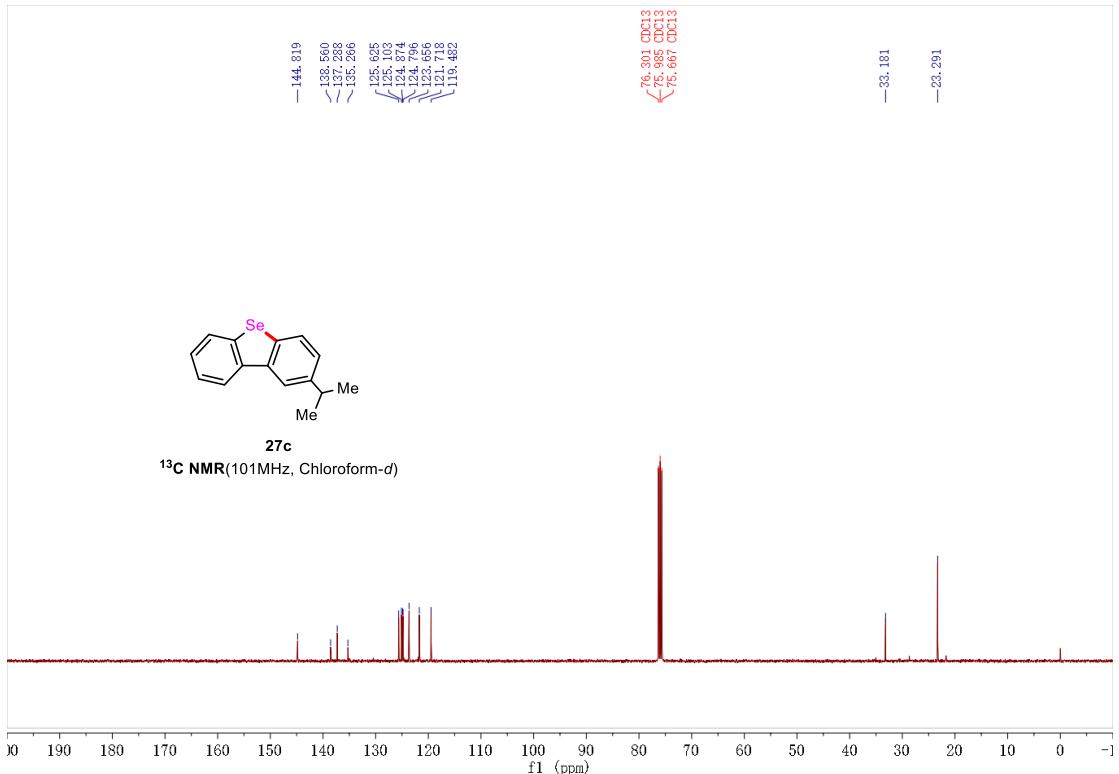
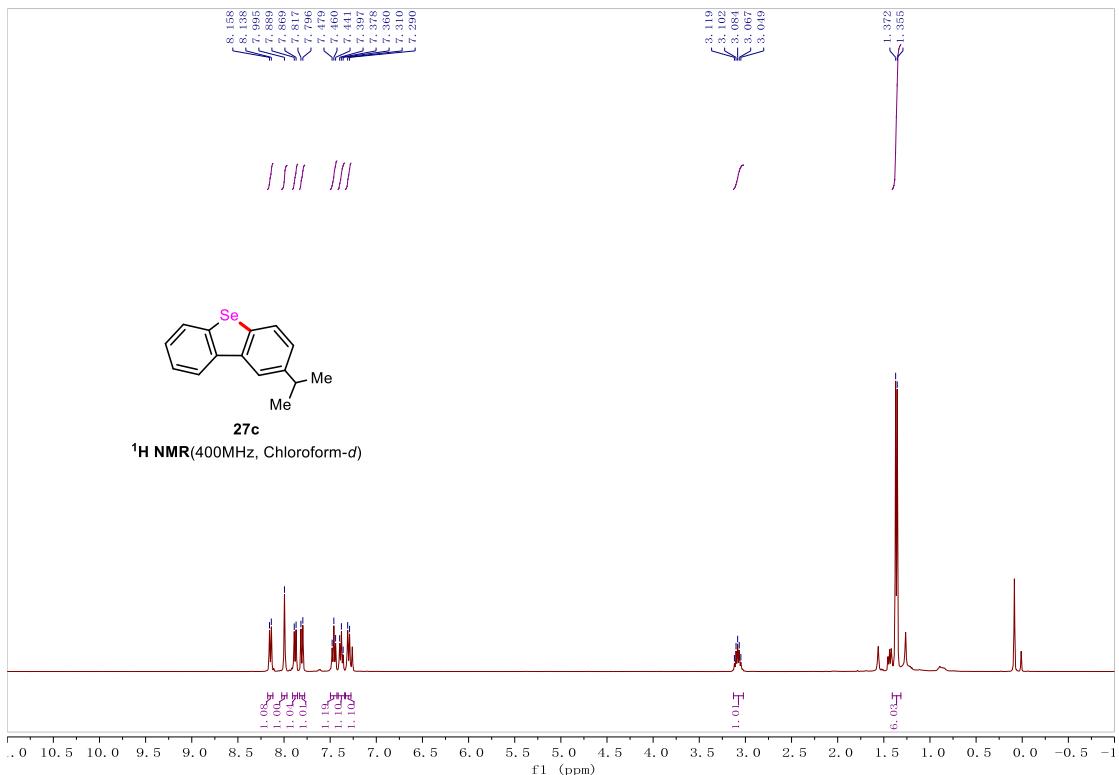


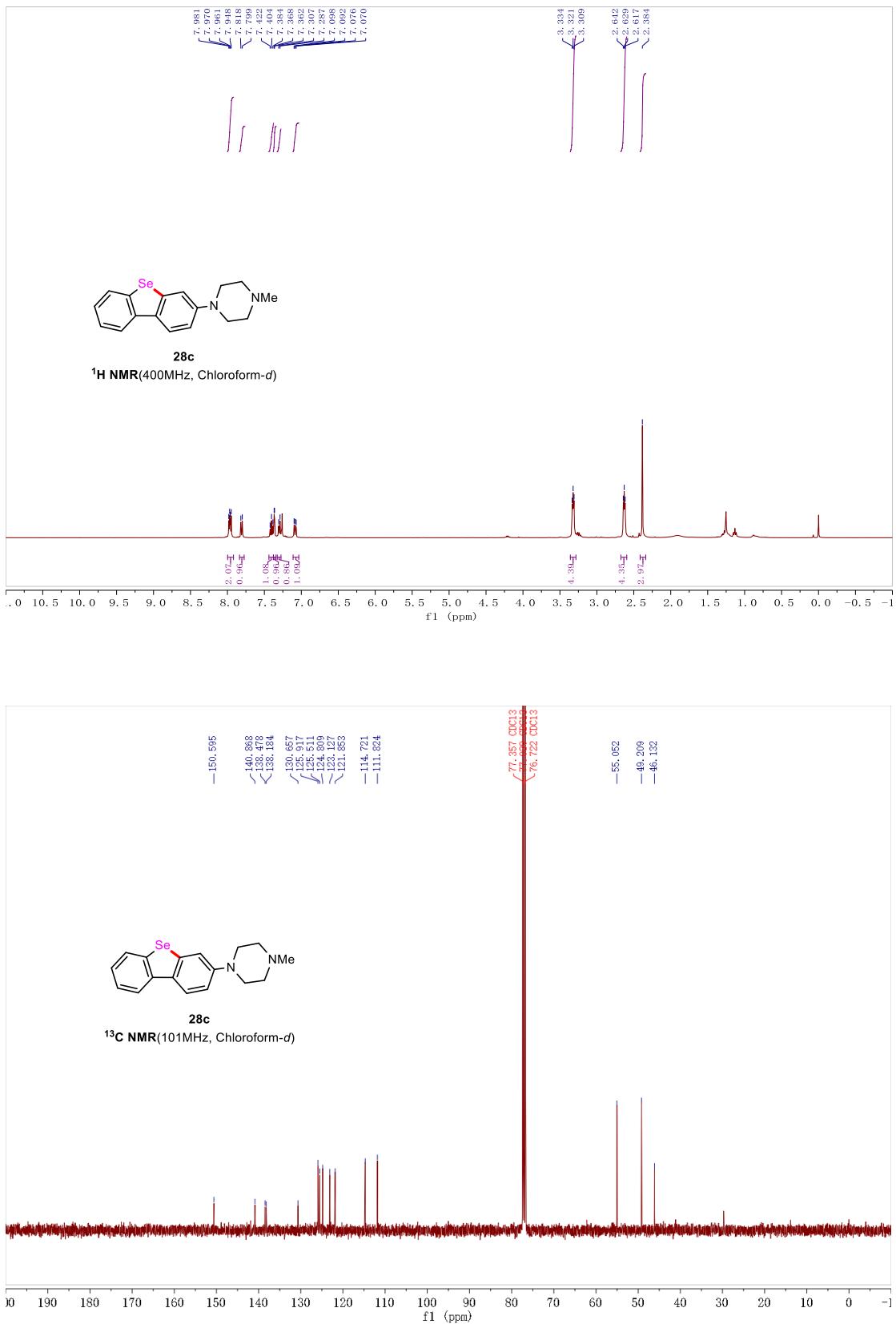


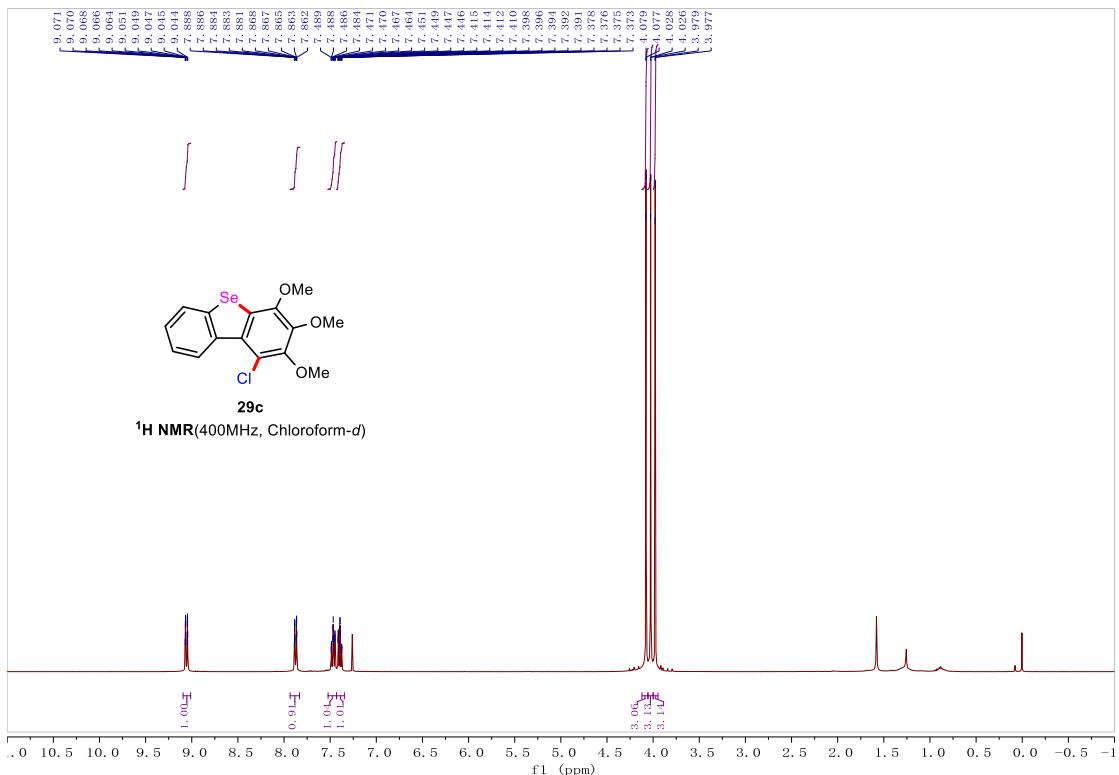






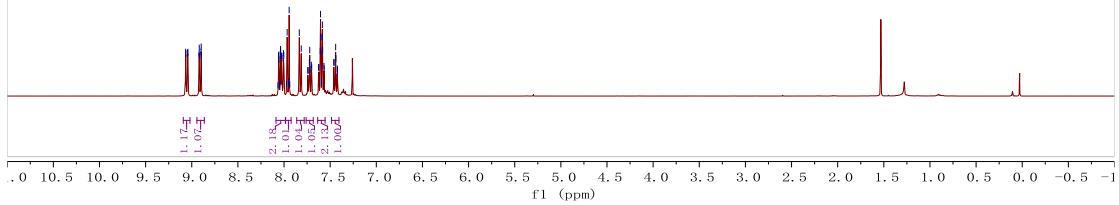




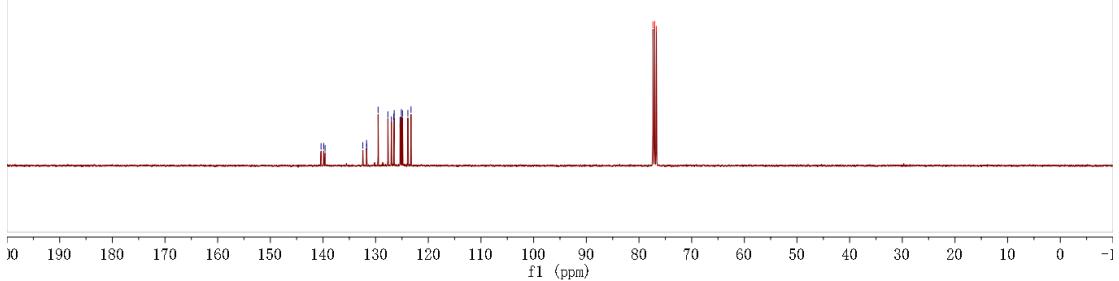


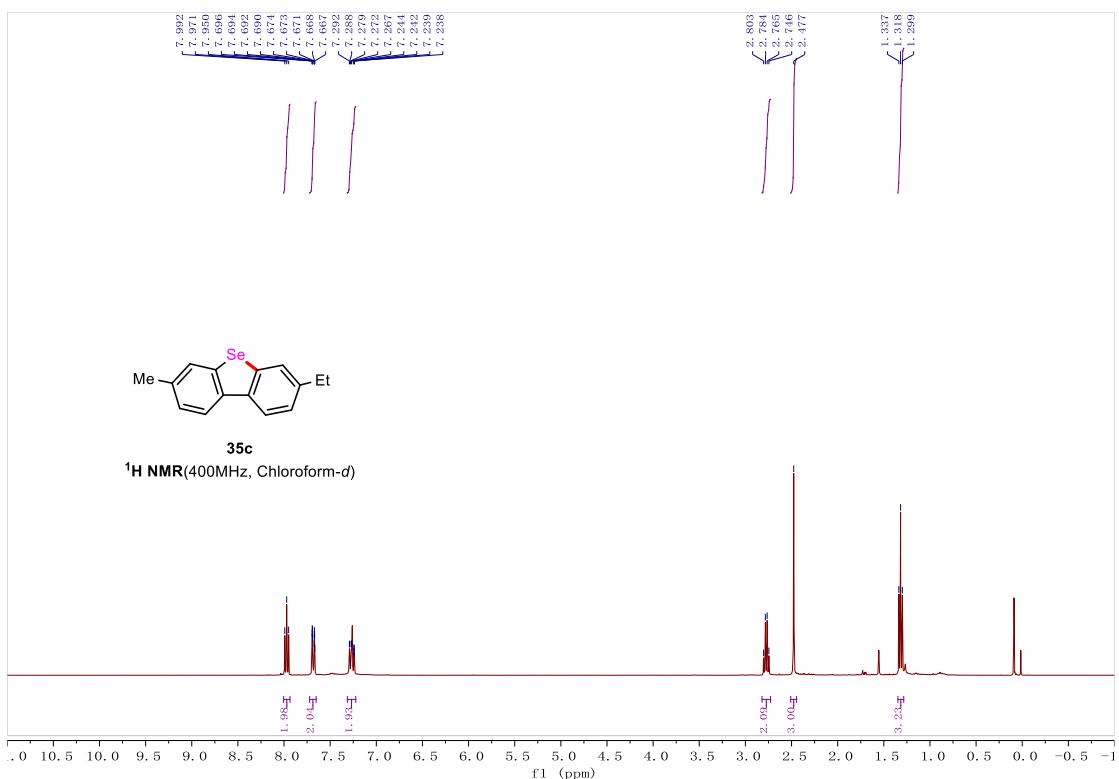


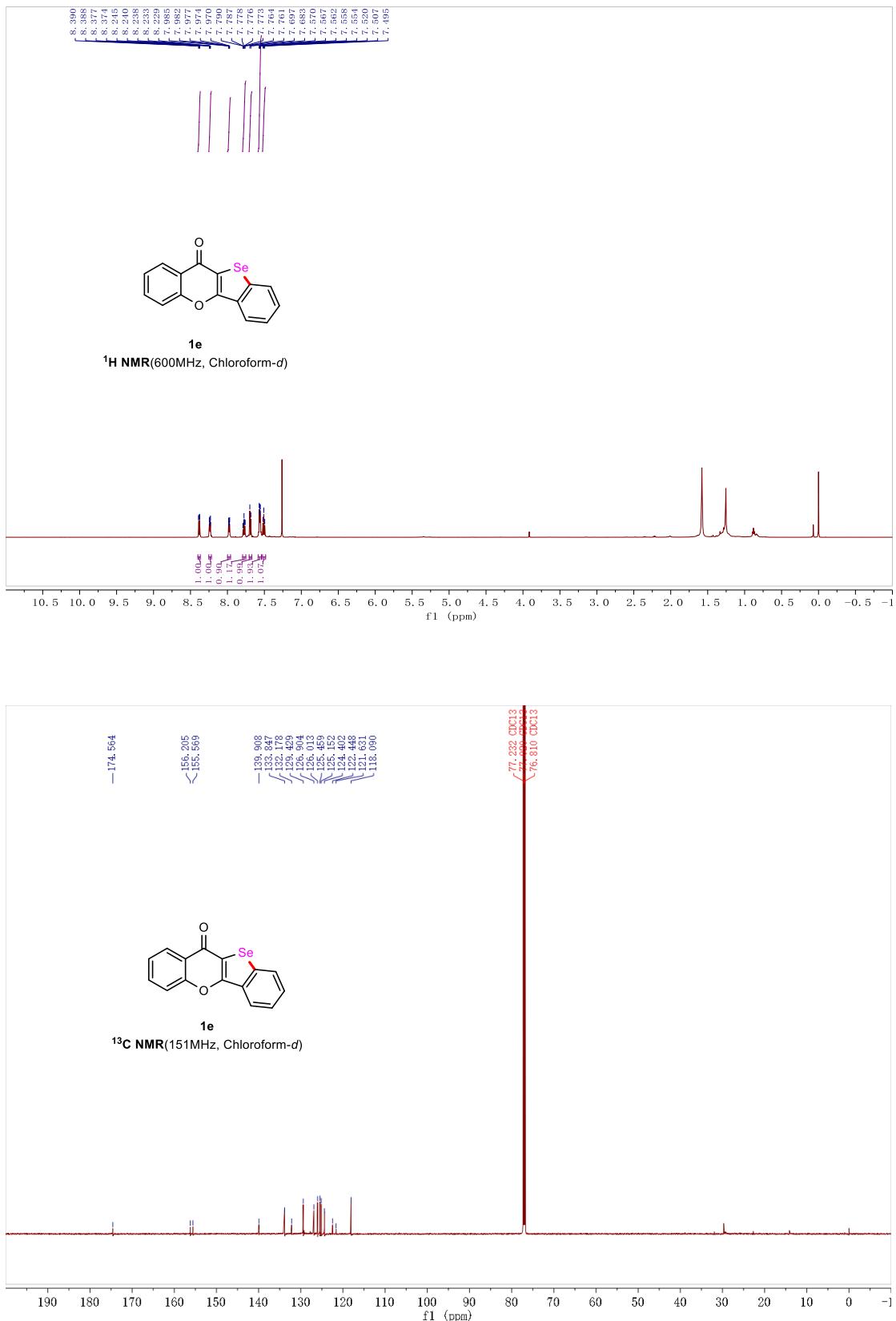
**32c**

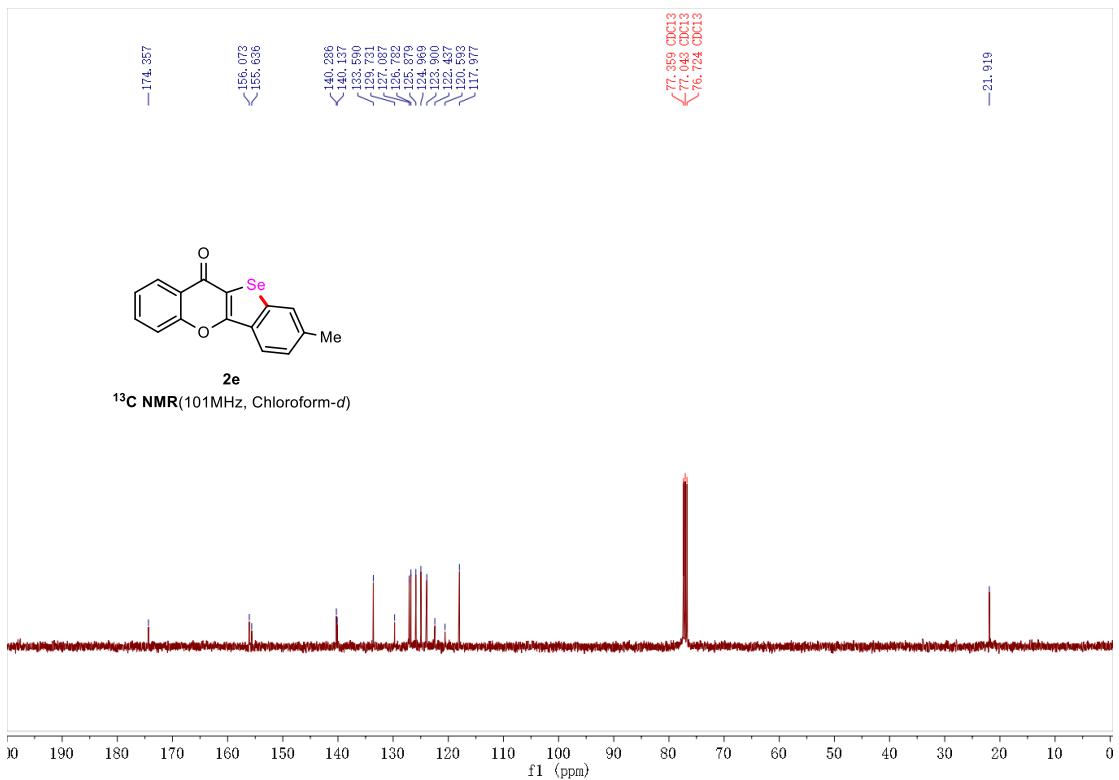
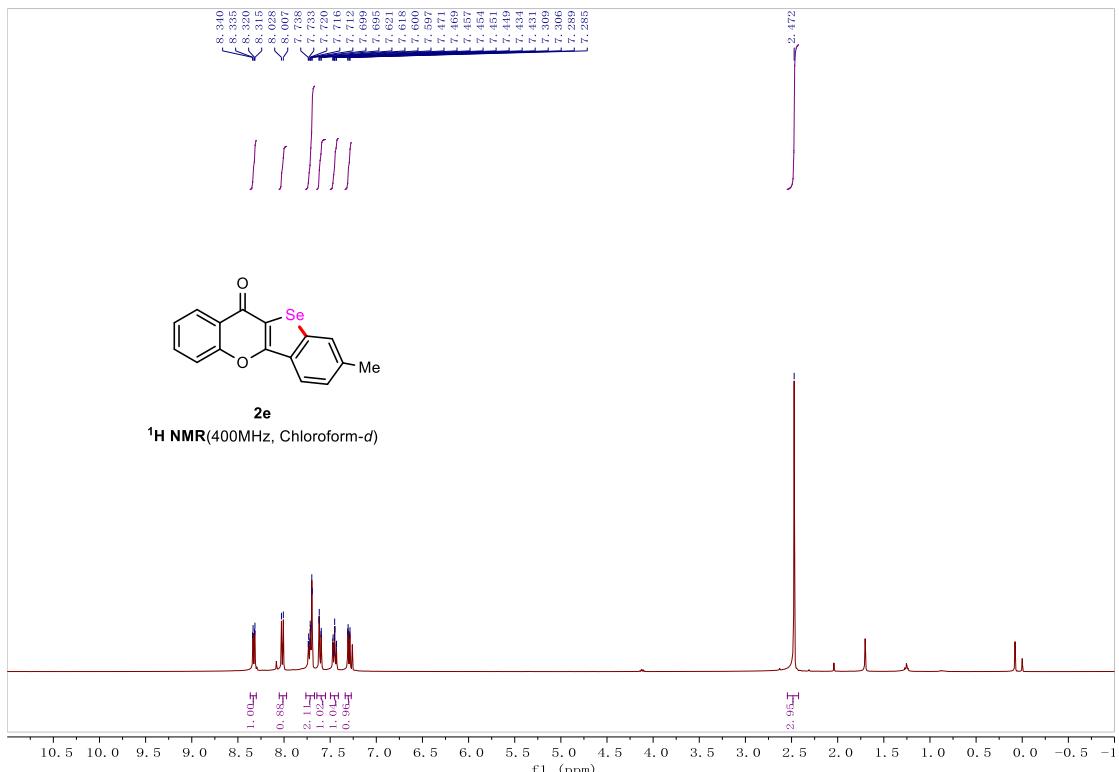


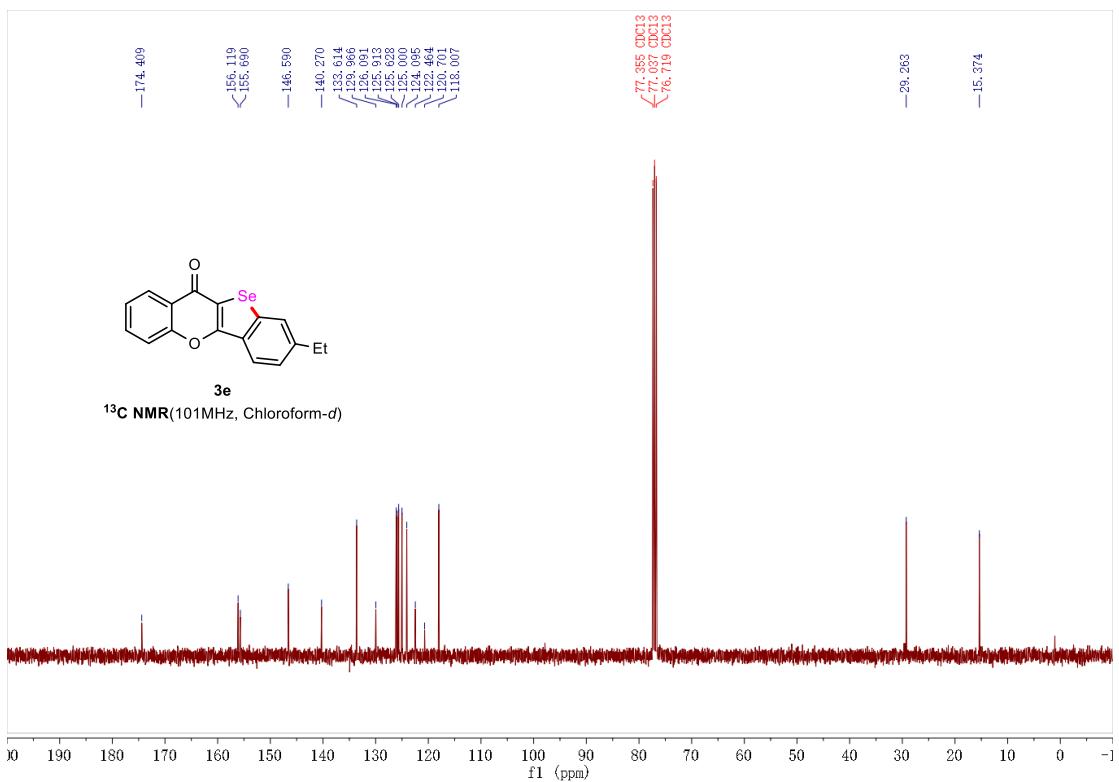
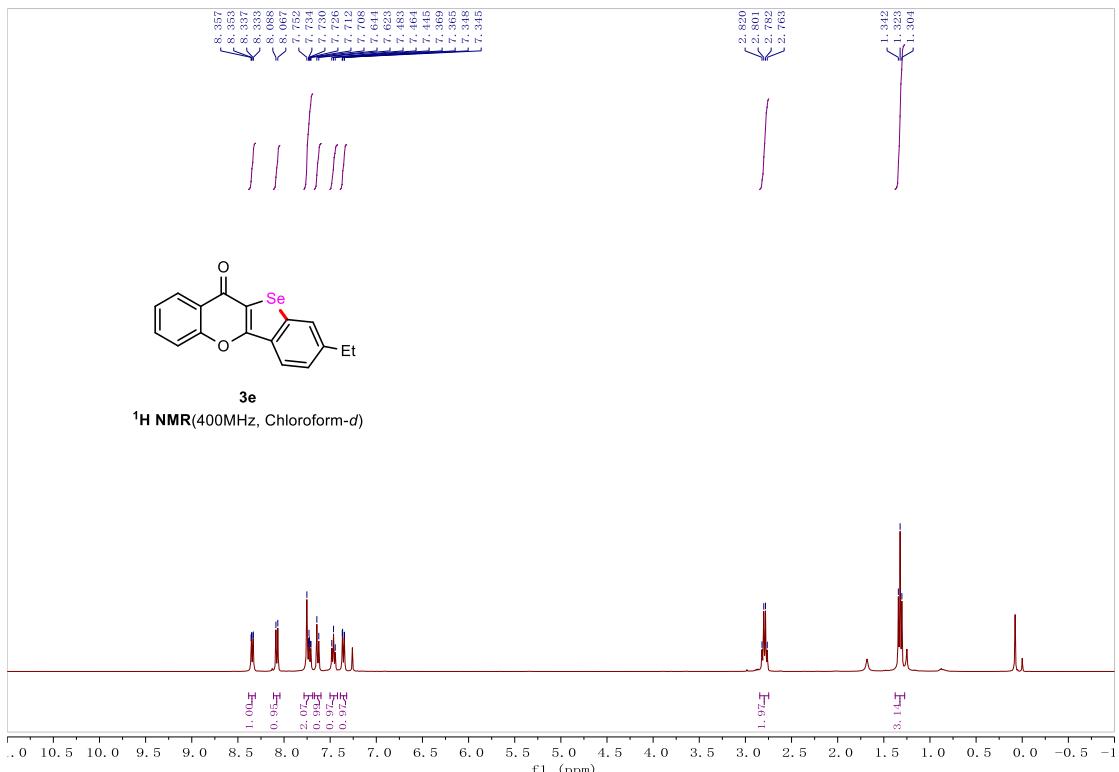
**32c**

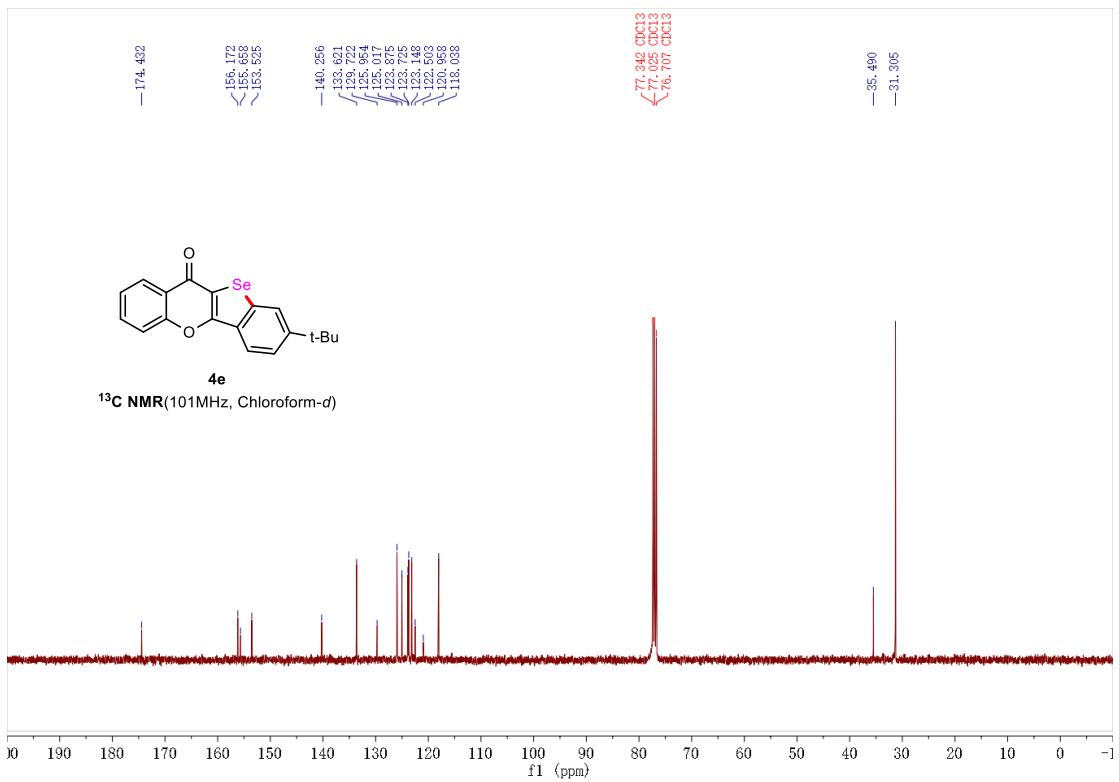
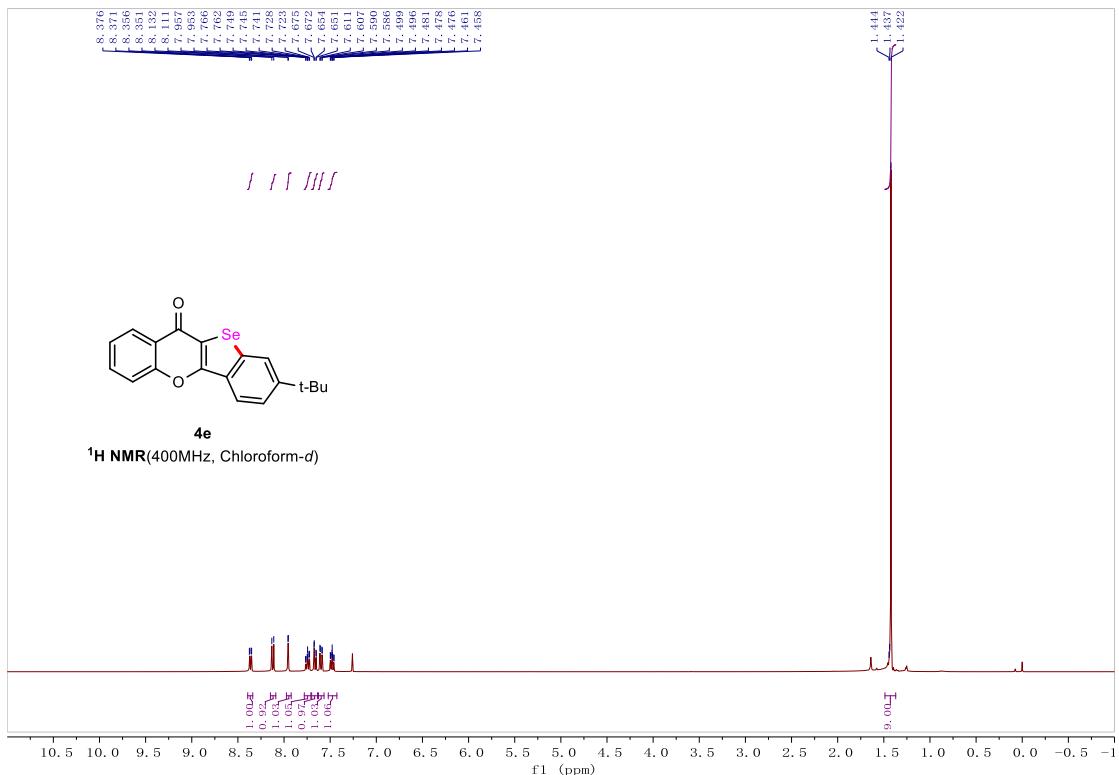


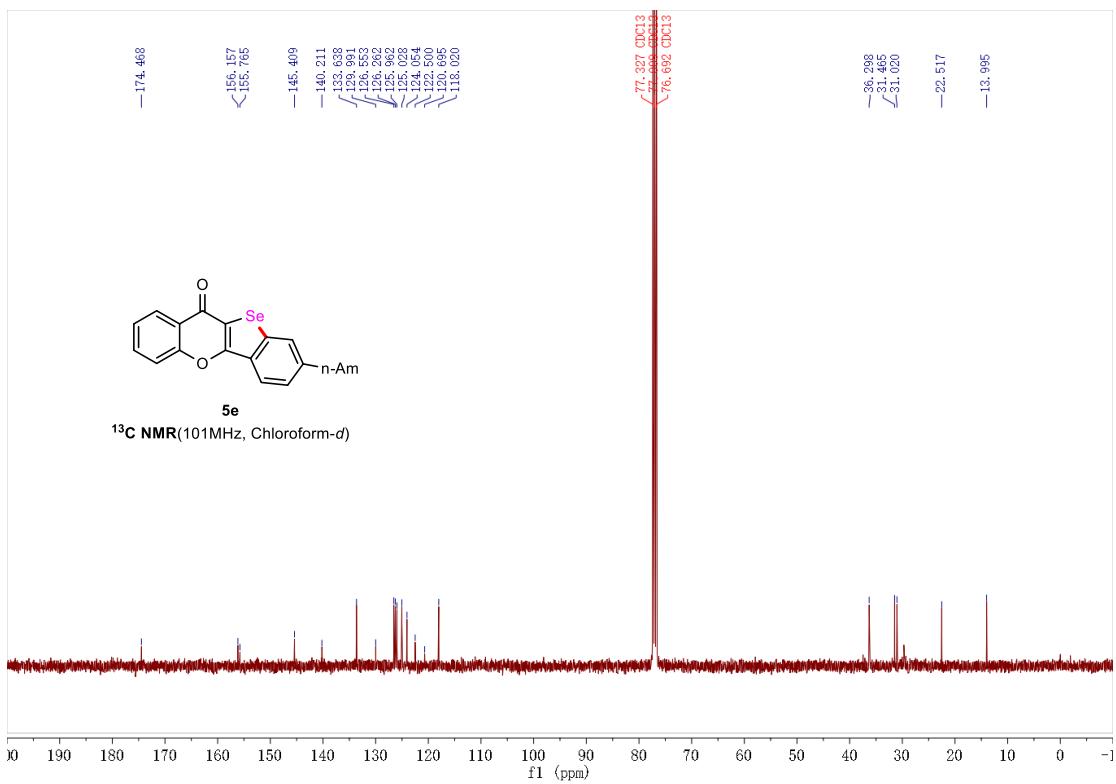
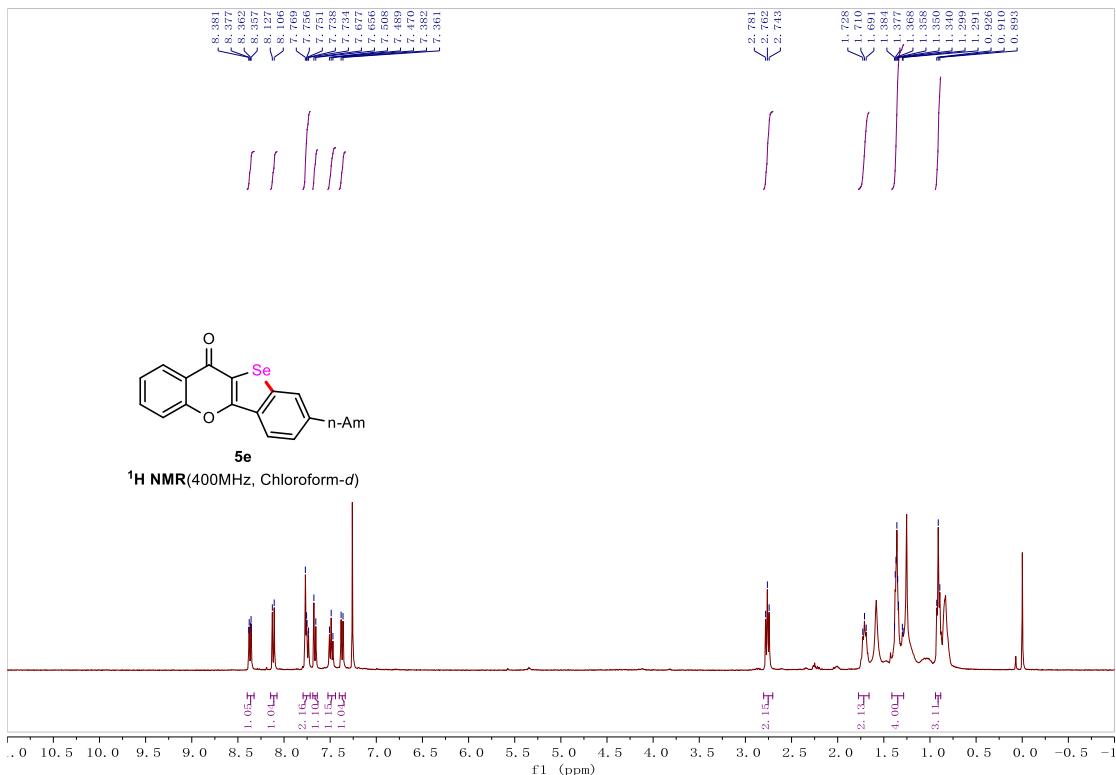


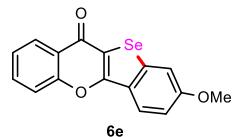




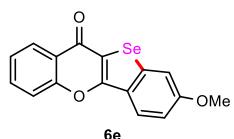
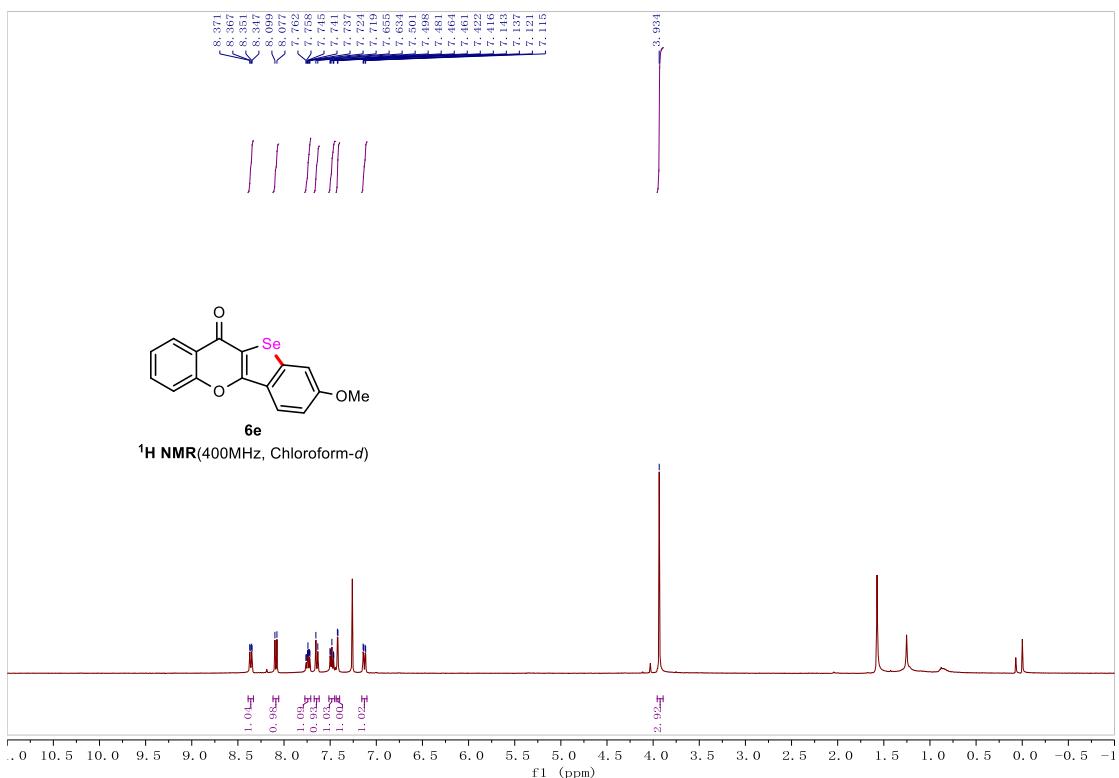








<sup>1</sup>H NMR(400MHz, Chloroform-*d*)



**6e**  
<sup>13</sup>C NMR(101MHz, Chloroform-*d*)

