

## Peri-diselenolo-substituted 1,8-naphthalimide derivatives as bipolar matrices for redox reactions in a non-aqueous electrolyte

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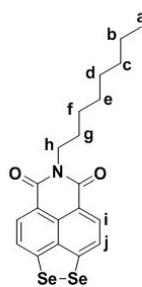
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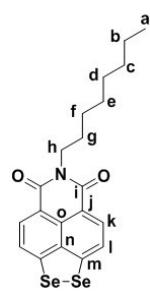
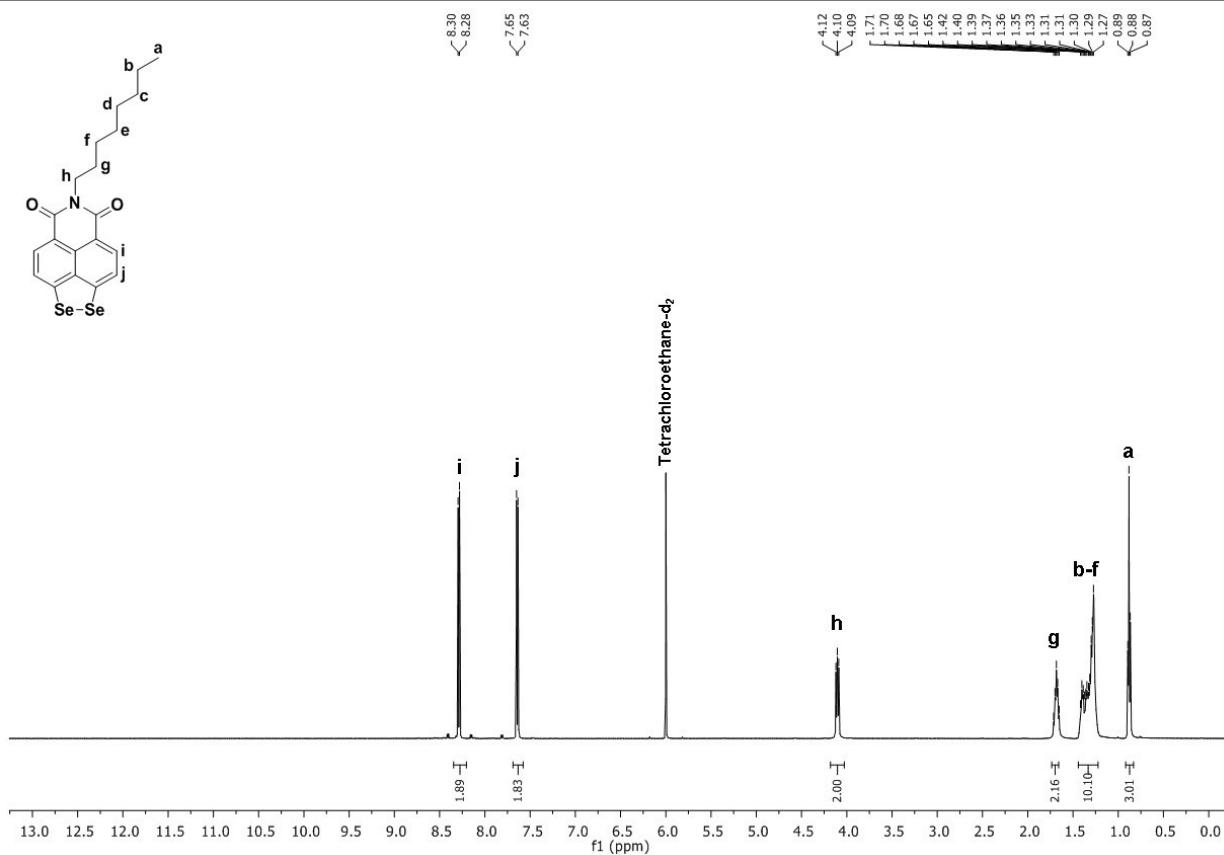
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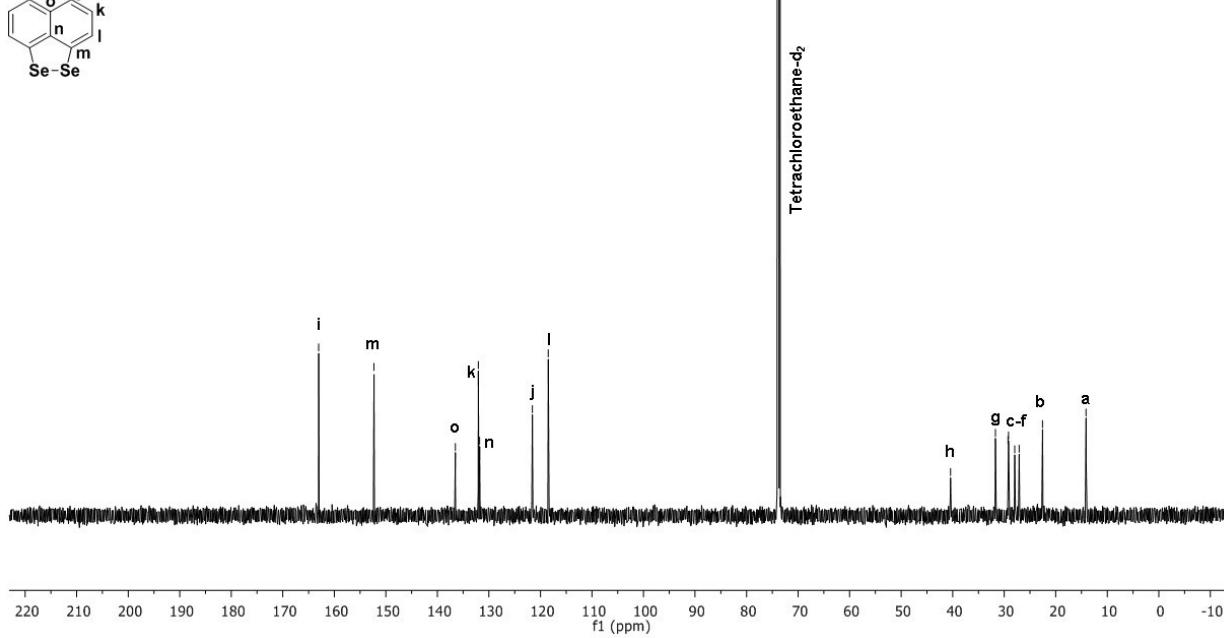
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**B**



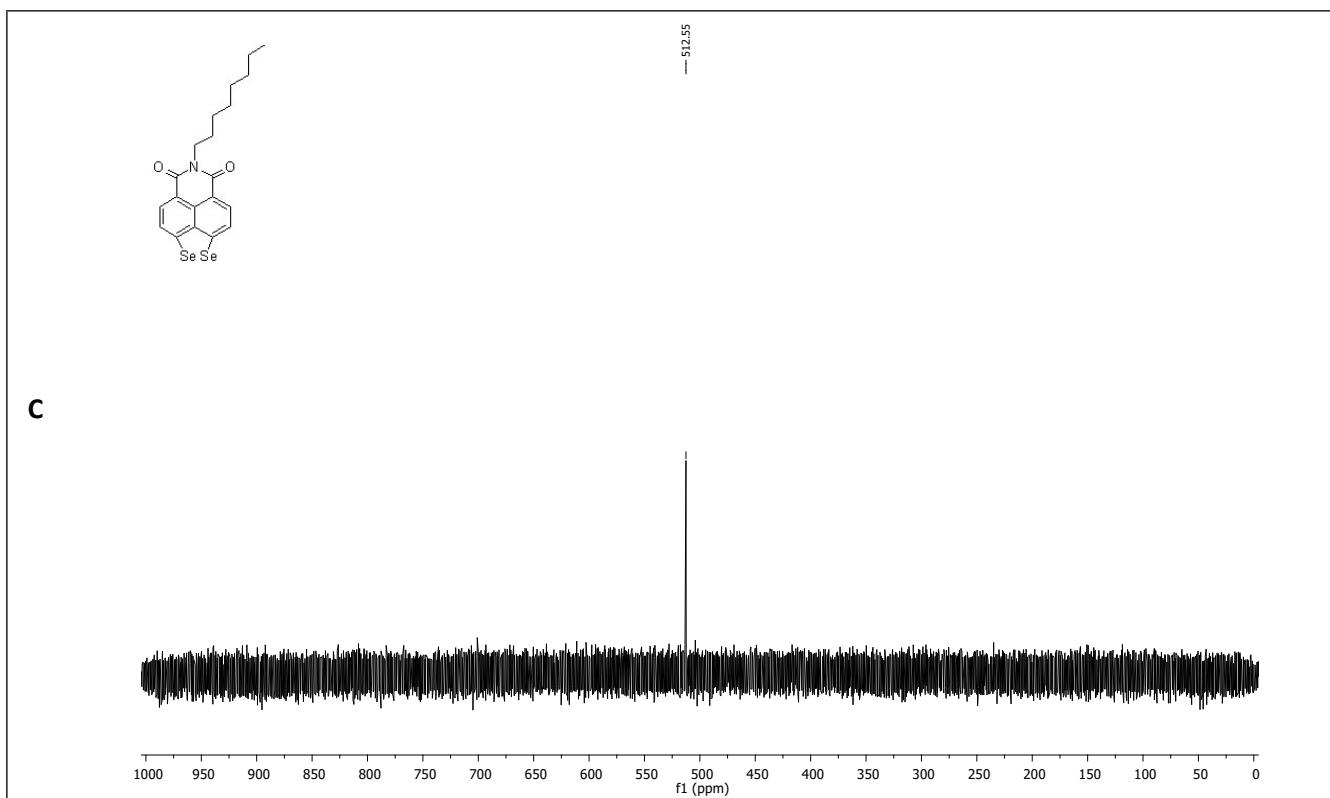
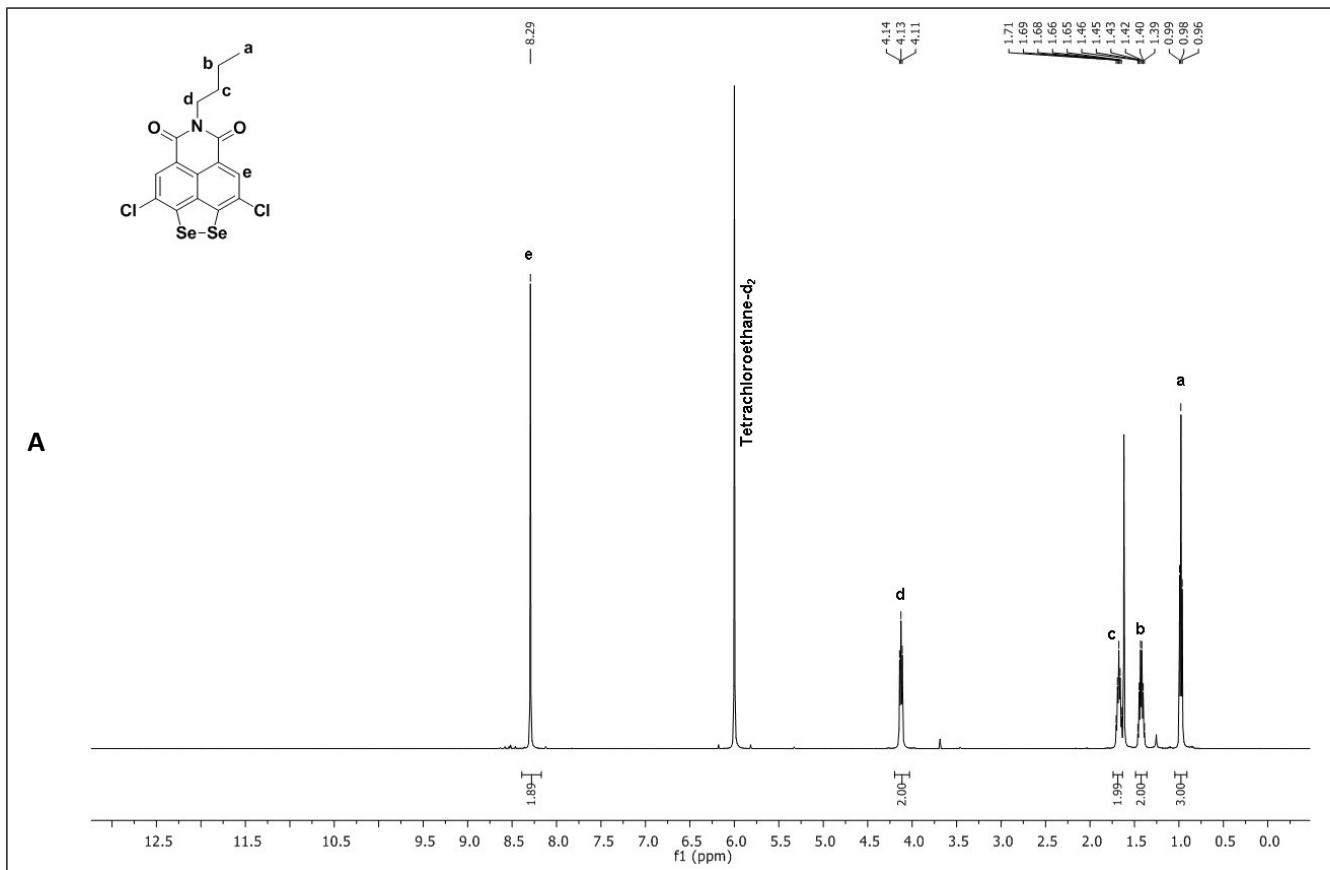


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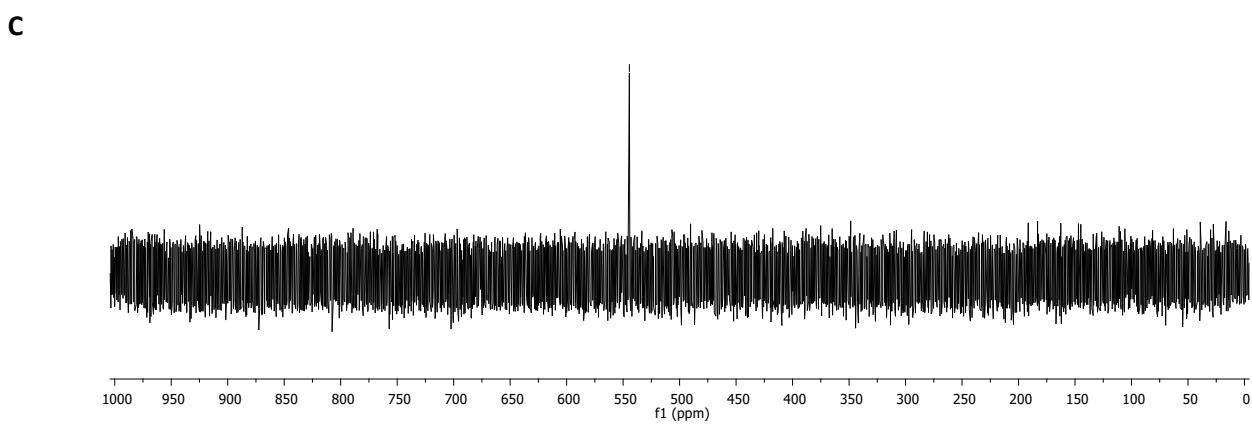
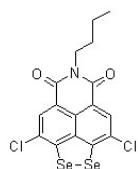
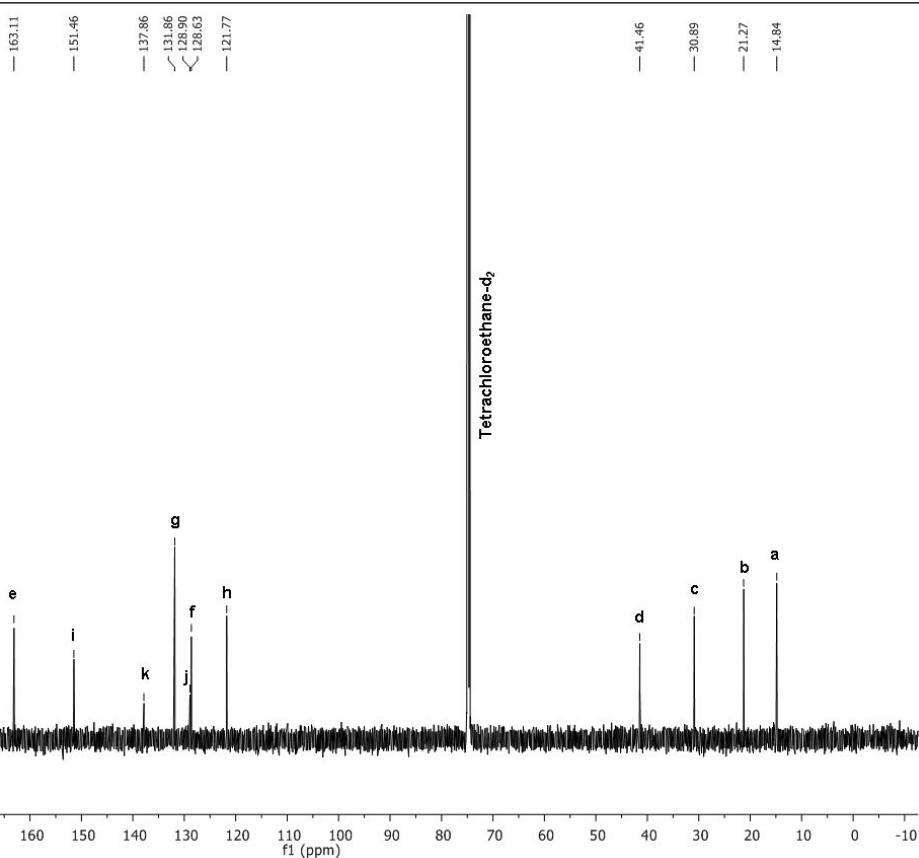
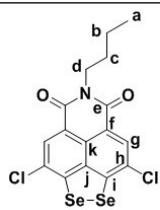
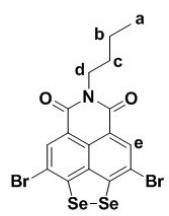
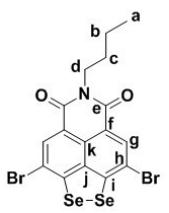
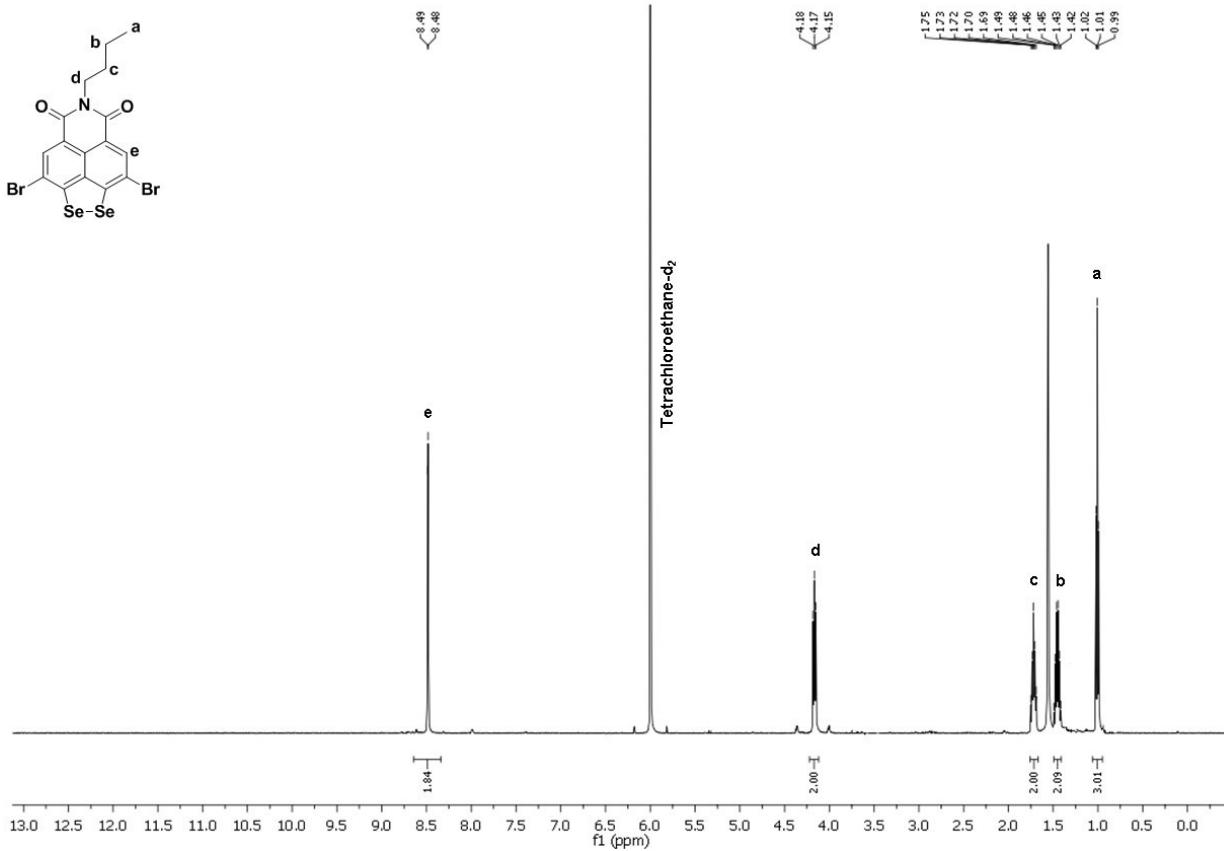
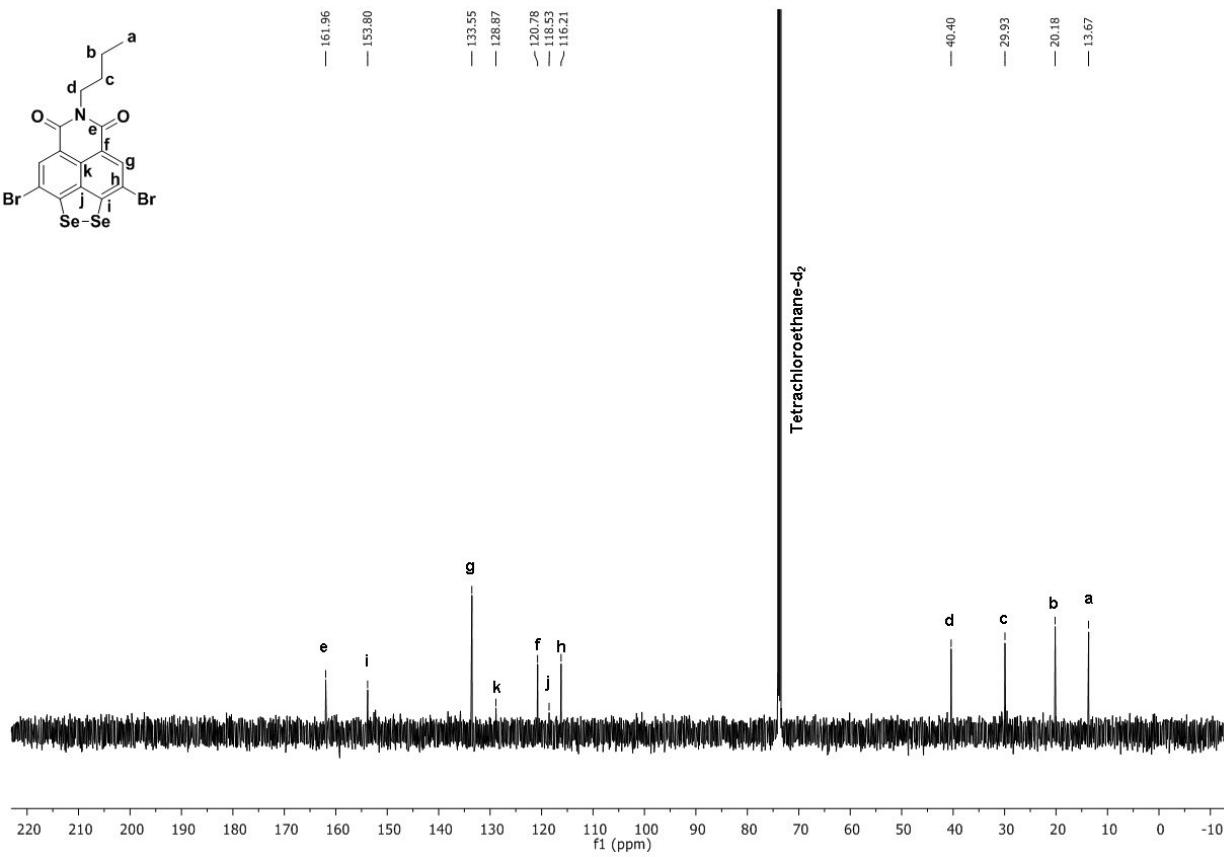
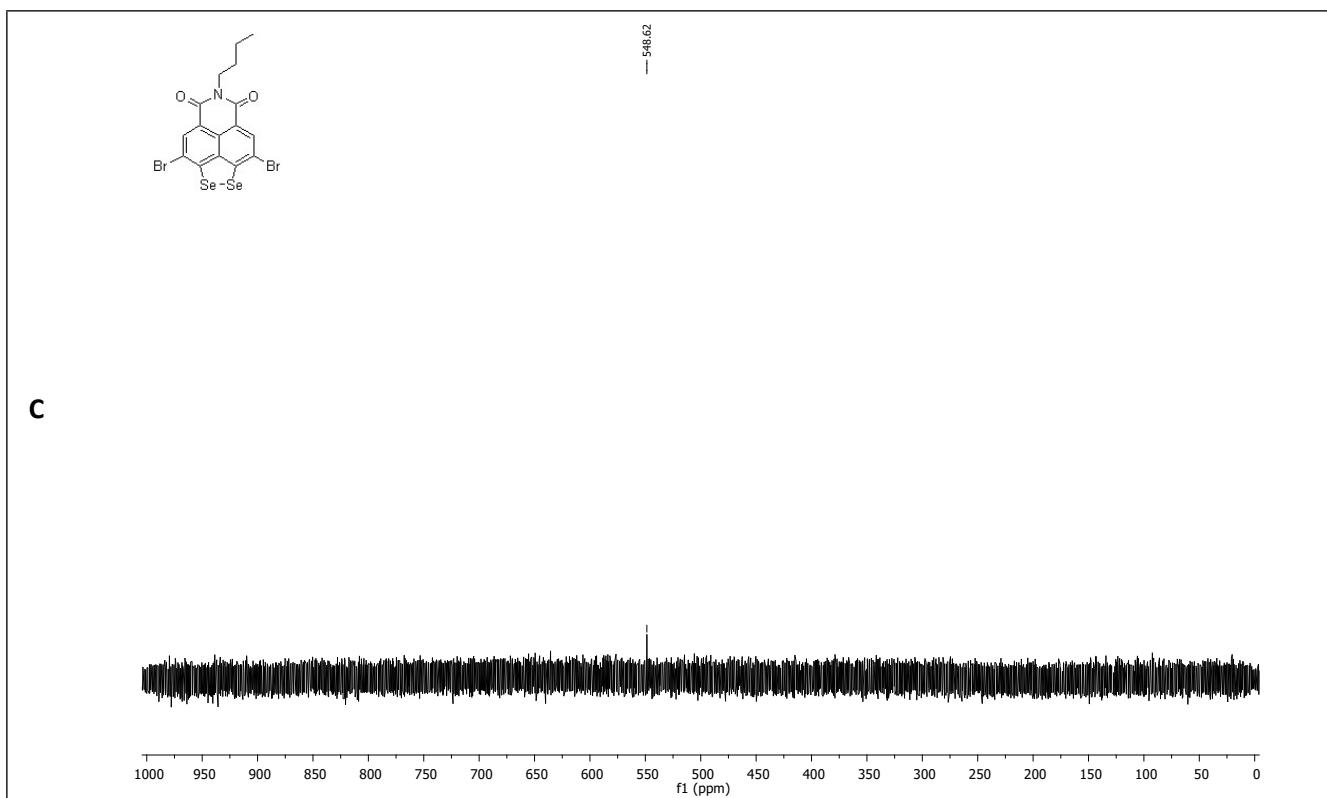


Figure S2 <sup>1</sup>H (A), <sup>13</sup>C (B) and <sup>77</sup>Se (C) NMR spectra of SeCl4


**A**

**B**




*Figure S3*  $^1\text{H}$  (A),  $^{13}\text{C}$  (B) and  $^{77}\text{Se}$  (C) NMR spectra of **SeBr4**

*Table S1.* Dipole moments (in Debye) of the neutral models

derivative	Dipole moment, D
	neutral
<b>SeH</b>	7.1
<b>SeCl</b>	5.1
<b>SeBr</b>	5.2

**$^{13}\text{C}$  CP ssNMR, MAS 10 kHz,  
tcp = 2 ms**

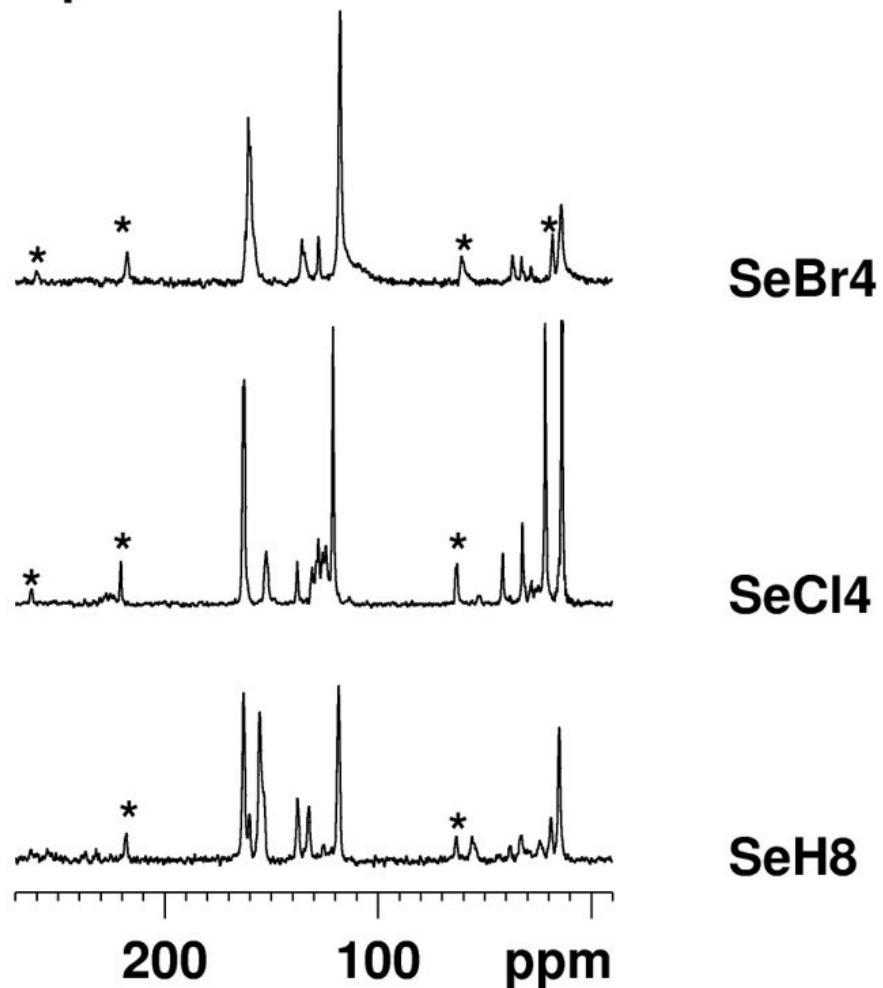


Figure S4  $^{13}\text{C}$  cross-polarization (CP) solid state NMR spectra of the **SeBr4**, **SeCl4** and **SeH8** derivatives recorded with 2 ms contact time

### **<sup>1</sup>H ssNMR, MAS 10 kHz**

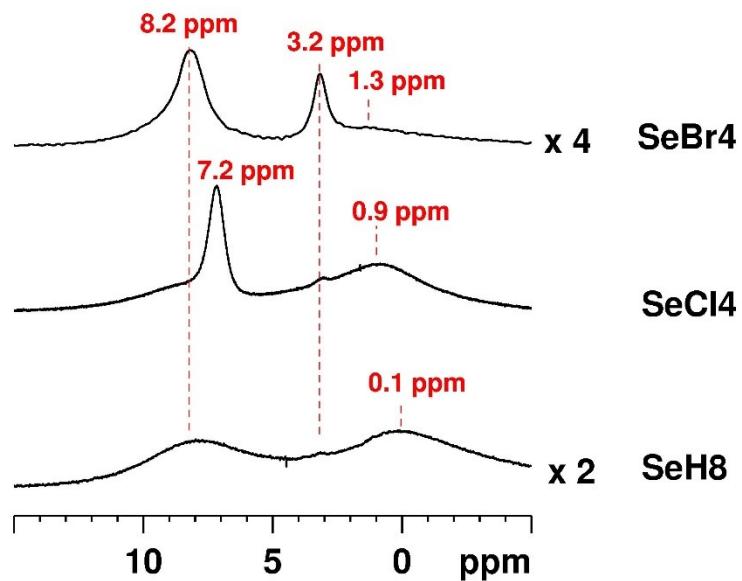


Figure S5 <sup>1</sup>H solid state NMR spectra of the **SeBr<sub>4</sub>**, **SeCl<sub>4</sub>** and **SeH<sub>8</sub>** derivatives recorded with background suppression

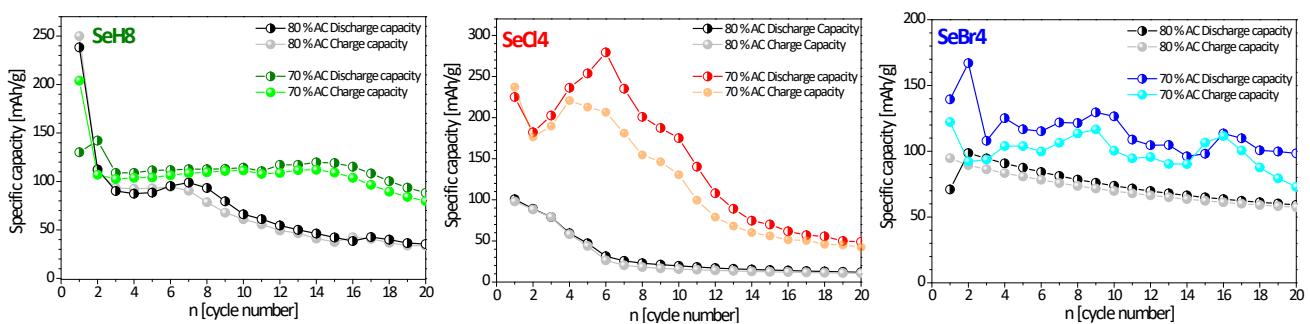
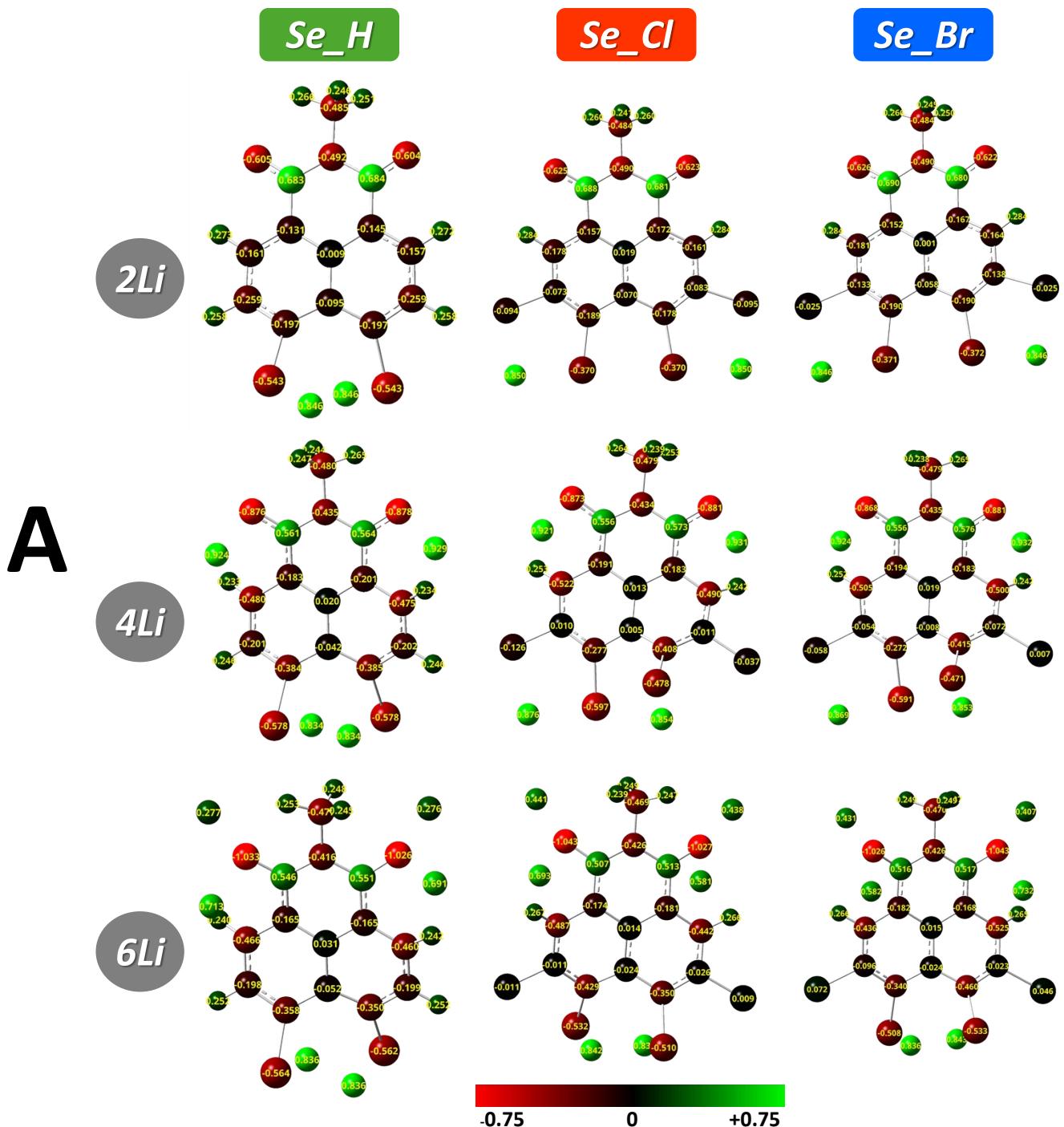
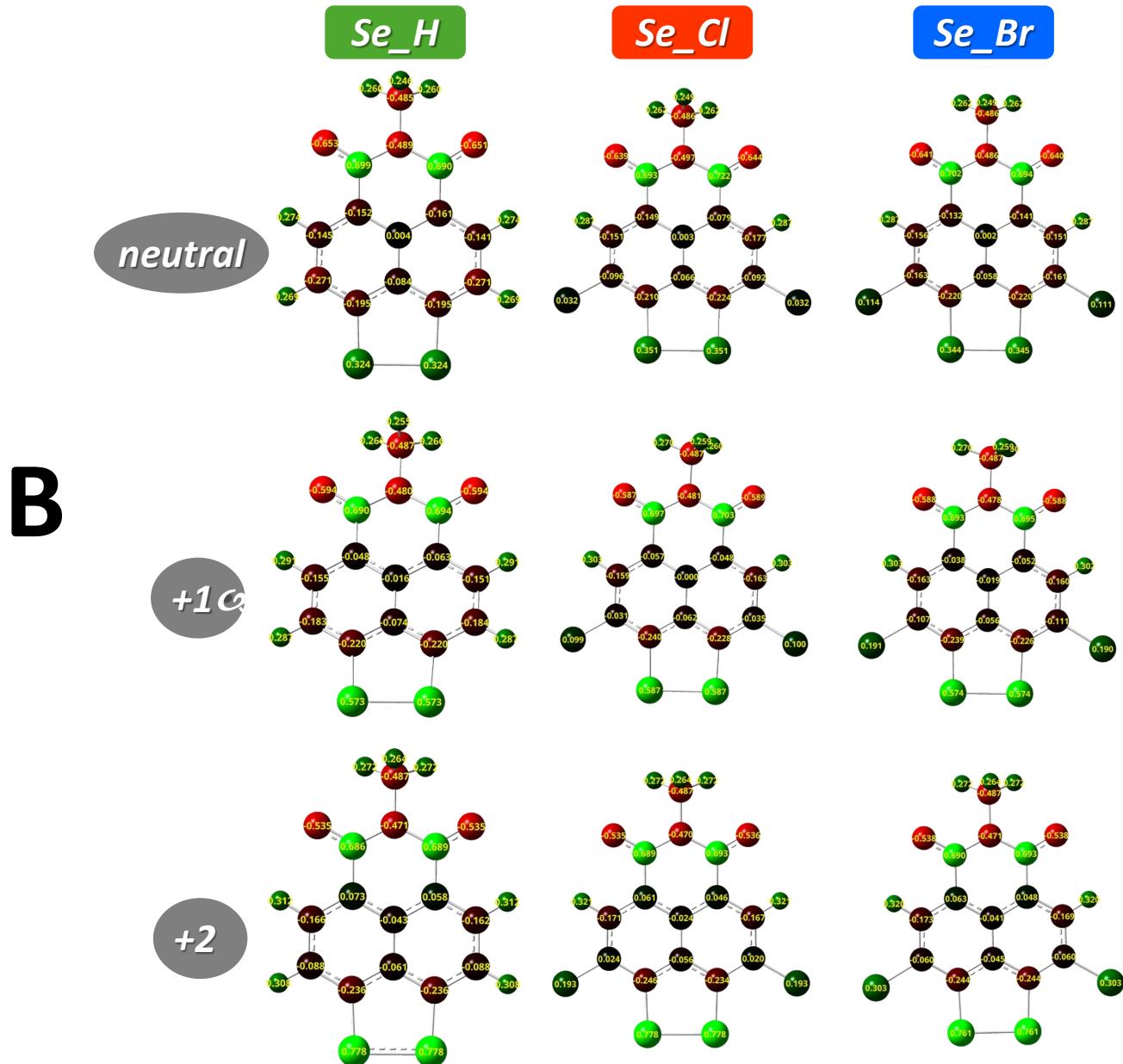


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## NBO charges reduction



## NBO charges without TFSI



## NBO charges with TFSI

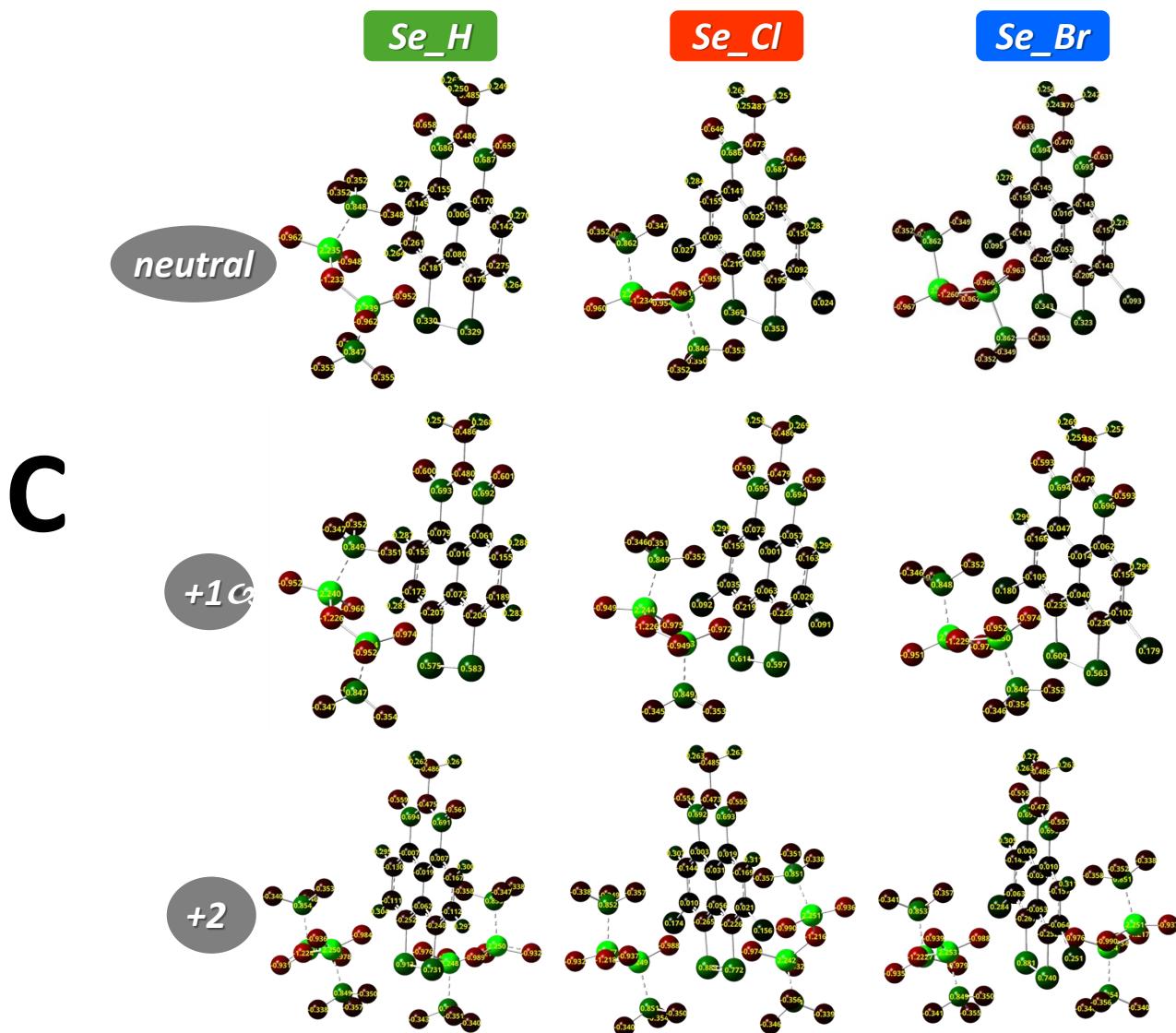


Figure S7 NBO charges of SeH, SeCl, and SeBr after the reduction with 2Li, 4Li and 6Li (A). NBO charges of SeH, SeCl, and SeBr after the oxidation without TFSI<sup>-</sup> (B), and with TFSI<sup>-</sup> (C)

Table S2a. Se-Se distance number of inserted Li<sup>+</sup>

in Å as a function of the

Se-Se distance in Å	0Li	2Li	4Li
<b>SeH</b>	2.37	3.68	3.76
<b>SeCl</b>	2.39	3.14	3.66
<b>SeBr</b>	2.39	3.13	3.66

Table S2b The electron distribution of the imide chain

Summed charges on the imide chain ( $O=C-N-C=O$ )	0Li	2Li	4Li	6Li
SeH	-0.40	-0.33	-1.05	-1.38
SeCl	-0.36	-0.37	-1.06	-1.48
SeBr	-0.37	-0.37	-1.05	-1.46

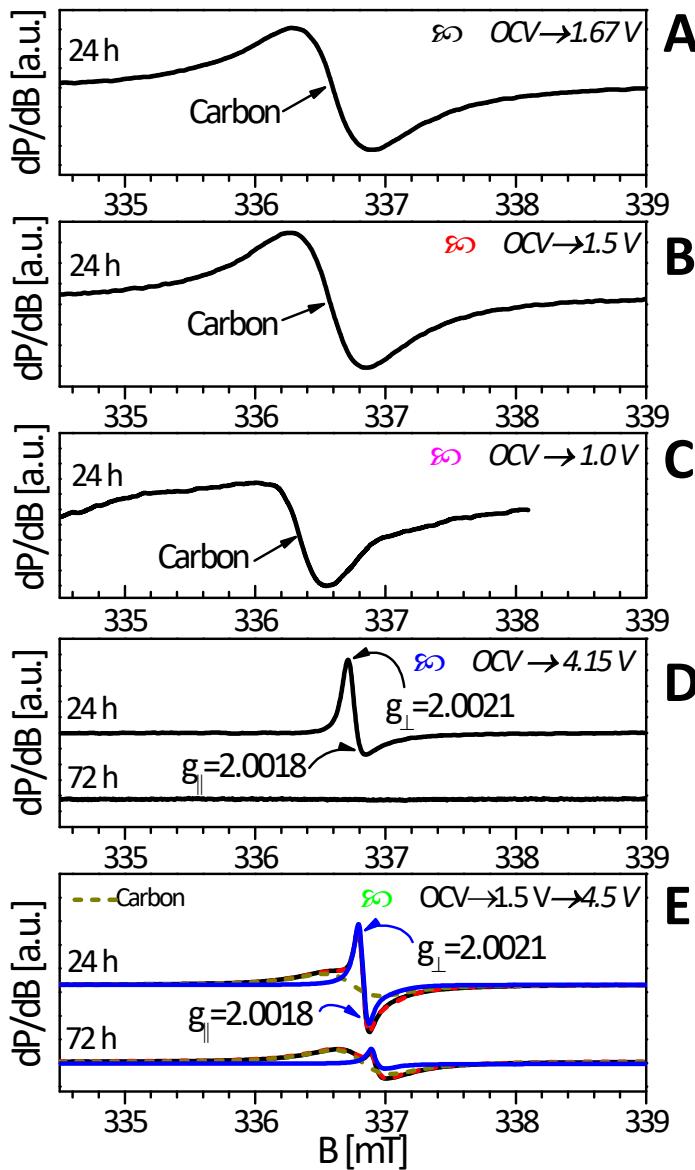


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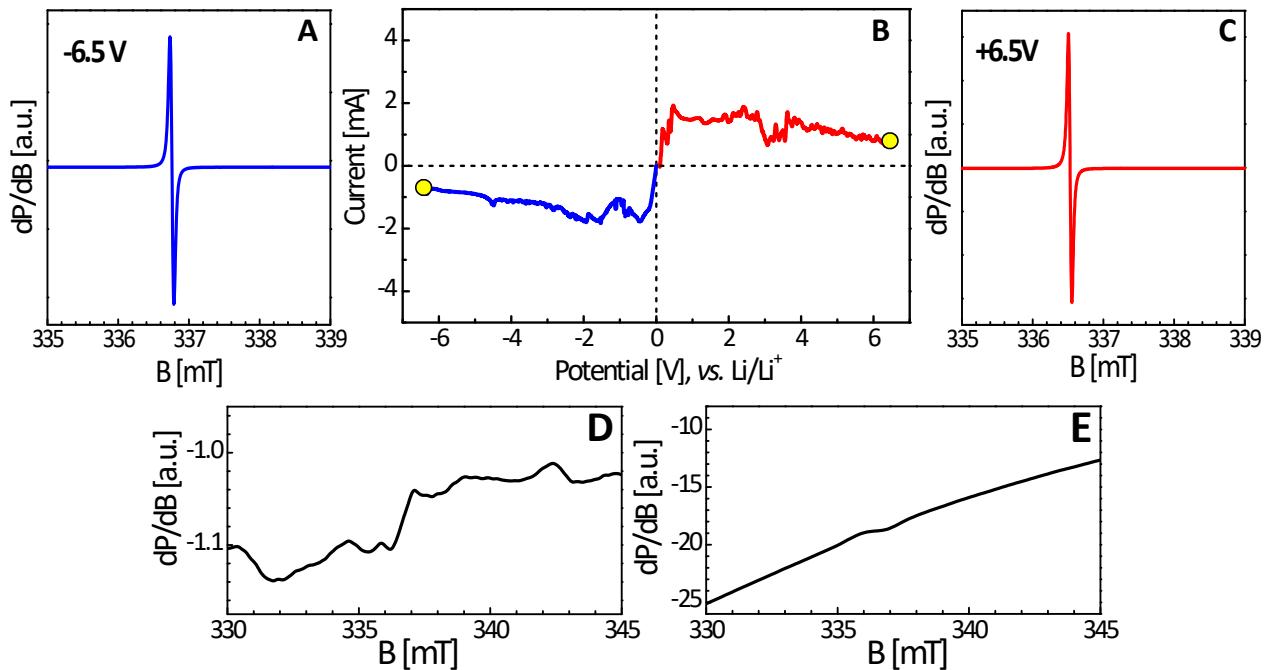


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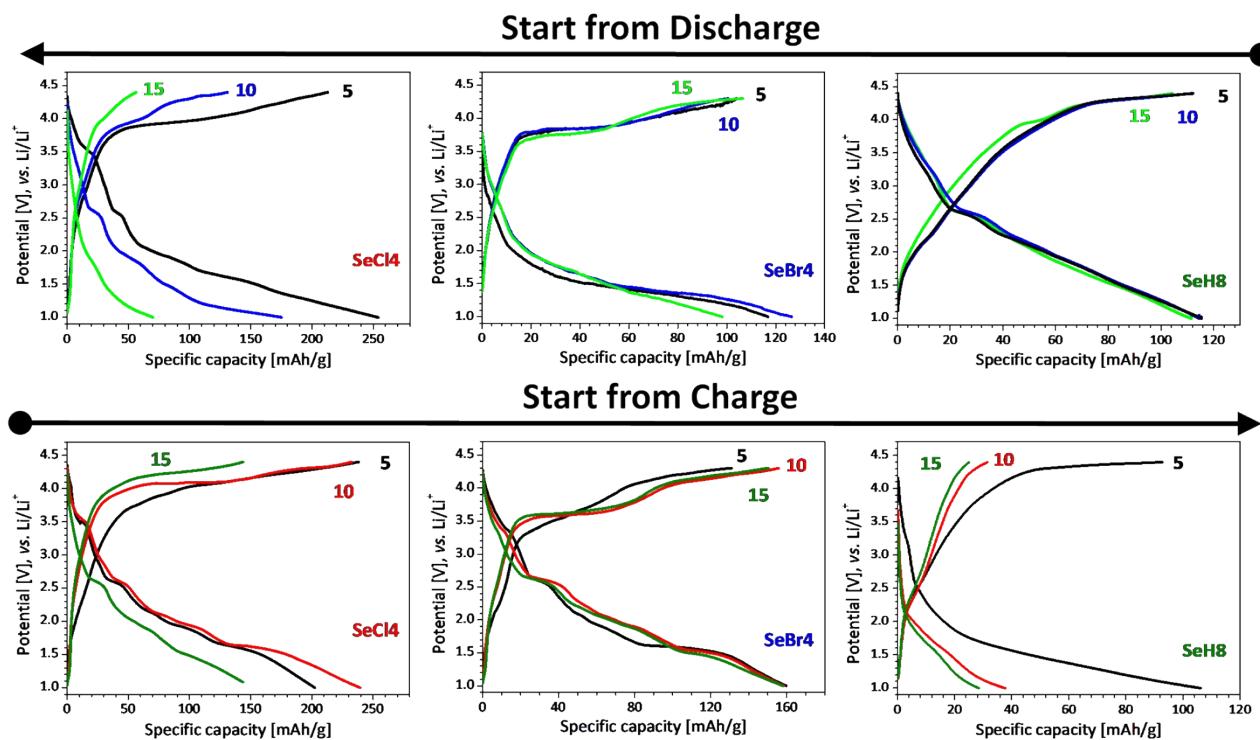


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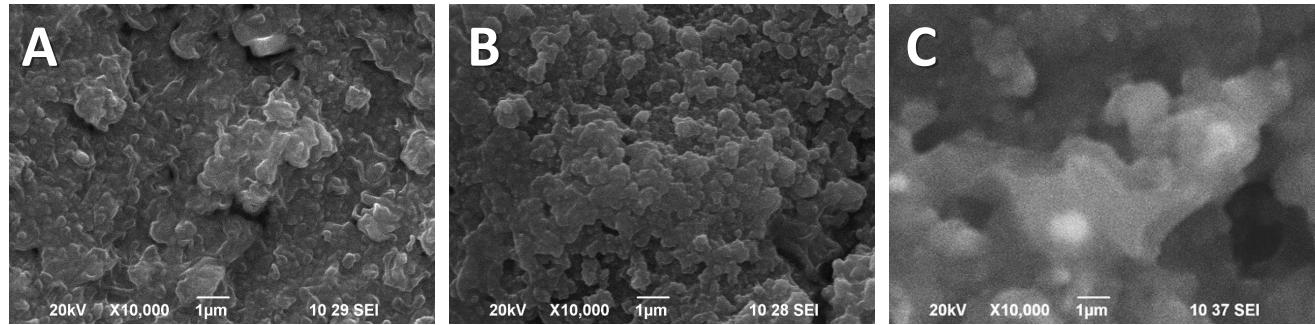


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Table S3 EDS data in at% (averaged values) for the pristine compounds **SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, **SeBr<sub>4</sub>** and **SeH<sub>8</sub>**

Element, at %	<b>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>SeBr<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>SeH<sub>8</sub></b>
<b>C</b>	78.27	76.46	82.10
<b>N</b>	2.89	3.59	2.99
<b>O</b>	8.98	7.55	8.80
<b>Cl</b>	4.88	-	-
<b>Se</b>	4.99	6.36	6.12
<b>Br</b>	-	6.94	-

Table S4 EDS data in at% (averaged values) for the electrodes cycled for 50 times in LiTFSI:Pyr<sub>1,3</sub>FSI electrolyte

Element, at %	<b>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b> electrode	<b>SeBr<sub>4</sub></b> electrode	<b>SeH<sub>8</sub></b> electrode
<b>C</b>	38.06	44.27	47.95
<b>N</b>	2.88	6.31	6.46
<b>O</b>	39.19	27.95	22.63
<b>F</b>	10.73	12.29	12.89
<b>Na</b>	2.60	0.79	0.78
<b>S</b>	4.53	7.57	7.70
<b>Cl</b>	0.65	-	-
<b>Se</b>	1.34	0.29	1.01
<b>Br</b>	-	0.53	-