# Supplementary Information

# Molecular Weight and End Capping Effects on the

## **Optoelectronic Properties of Structurally Related**

## 'Heavy Atom' Donor–acceptor Polymers

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### <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra



**Fig. S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 8 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{sise}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).





**Fig. S3** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 18 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{SiSe}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).



**Fig. S4** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 33$  kg mol<sup>-1</sup>  $\mathbf{P}_{SiSe}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).



**Fig. S5** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 5 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{GeSe}$  (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>).



**Fig. S6** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 16 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{GeSe}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).



**Fig. S7** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $M_n = 24 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \mathbf{P}_{GeSe}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).



**Fig. S8** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of phenyl end-capped  $M_n = 11 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \text{ PhP}_{\text{SiSe}}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).



**Fig. S9** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of phenyl end-capped  $M_n = 11 \text{ kg mol}^{-1} \text{ PhP}_{\text{GeSe}}$  (130 °C, 600 MHz, 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d<sub>2</sub>).

#### **Additional Spectroscopic Data**



**Fig. S10** PhP<sub>SiSe</sub> and PhP<sub>GeSe</sub> solution and film absorption spectra; solution spectra collected at  $\sim 10^{-6}$  M in chlorobenzene; films spin coated from chlorobenzene solution.



Wavelength (nm)Wavelength (nm)Fig. S11 33P<br/>sise (left) and 24P<br/>GeSe (right) emission spectra in chlorobenzene (~ 10  $^{-6}$  M)<br/>collected at 20 °C (black), 40 °C (blue), 60 °C (green), 80 °C (orange) and 100 °C (red).



Fig. S12 (left)  $33P_{sise}$  solution absorption trace at 80 °C (dotted red) overlaid on solution  $11P_{sise}$ ,  $18P_{sise}$ , and  $33P_{sise}$  absorption spectra at 20 °C from Figure 1; (right)  $24P_{GeSe}$  solution absorption trace at 100 °C (dotted red) overlaid on  $5P_{GeSe}$  and  $24P_{GeSe}$  solution absorption spectra at 20 °C from Figure 1.

### **Cyclic Voltammetry Data**



Potential vs.  $Fc/Fc^+/V$  Potential vs.  $Fc/Fc^+/V$  Potential vs.  $Fc/Fc^+/V$ **Fig. S13** Polymer film CV traces collected in 0.1M TBAPF<sub>6</sub> in acetonitrile at a 50 mV s<sup>-1</sup> scan rate.



### **Complete 2D Wide Angle X-ray Scattering Plots**

**Fig. S14** Polymer film 2D-wide angle x-ray scattering plots.

#### **Additional Microscopy Data**



**Fig. S15** Scanning transmission electron microscopy images of 1:1 polymer:PC<sub>71</sub>BM fullerene films.