Supporting Information for

Meyer-Schuster-type Rearrangement for the Synthesis of

α -SelanyI- α , β -Unsaturated Thioesters

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1. General Information

Unless otherwise stated, all glassware was dried before use and all reactions were performed under an atmosphere of argon. All solvents were distilled from appropriate drying agents prior to use. All reagents were used as received from commercial suppliers unless otherwise stated. Reaction progress was monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) performed on aluminum plates coated with silica gel F254 with 0.2 mm thickness. Chromatograms were visualized by fluorescence quenching with UV light at 254 nm, iodine and by staining using vanillin solution. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica (230-400 mesh, Merck and co.). Neat infra-red spectra were Perkin-Elmer Spectrum 100 FT-IR recorded using a spectrometer. Wavenumbers (= 1/l) are reported in cm⁻¹. Mass spectra were obtained using a Finnigan MAT 8200 or (70 eV) or an Agilent 5973 (70 eV) spectrometer, using electrospray ionization (ESI). All ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using a 400 MHz spectrometer at 298K (frequency for ¹H). Chemical shifts were given in parts per million (ppm, δ), referenced to TMS, defined at $\delta = 0.0$ ppm (¹H NMR) and to the solvent peak of CDCl₃, defined at δ = 77.0 (¹³C NMR). Coupling constants are quoted in Hz (J). ¹H NMR splitting patterns were designated as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q), quintet (qt), sextet (sext), heptet (hept), septet (se) and nonet (n). Splitting patterns that could not be interpreted or easily visualized were designated as multiplet (m).

2. General Procedure for the Synthesis of the Starting Materials

Method A is based on the use of disulfides and terminal alkynes, through copper catalysis.¹

$$HO \longrightarrow H + (ArS)_2 \xrightarrow{Cul (cat), DMSO} HO \longrightarrow SAr$$

2 equiv 1 equiv K_2CO_3

Procedure: To a 25 mL open flask were added dissulfide (2.5 mmol), alkyne (5.0 mmol), 20 mL of undried DMSO, K_2CO_3 (10 mmol) and Cul (0.25 mmol). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours. After this period, the work up was performed using NH₄Cl (saturated solution) and ethyl acetate. The crude products were purified by flash column chromatography on silica using gradient of hexane and ethyl acetate.

Method B is based on the use of terminal alkynes, *n*-BuLi, sulfur and alkyl halides.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} HO & R^{1} \\ R & \end{array} & H & \begin{array}{c} 1) \text{ BuLi (2.1 equiv), THF} \\ 0 \ ^{\circ}C, \ 30 \ \text{min} \\ 2) \text{ S, } 0 \ ^{\circ}C, \ 30 \ \text{min} \\ 3) \ R^{2}X, \ 0 \ ^{\circ}C \ \text{to rt, } 12h \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} HO & R^{1} \\ R & \end{array}$$

Procedure: To a flame-dried two-necked flask under argon atmosphere were added 8 mL of THF and terminal alkyne (2 mmol). The solution was cooled to 0° C and *n*-BuLi (2.1 equiv, 4.2 mmol) was added. The reaction kept stirring for 30 minutes at 0 °C. After it, S powder (2 mmol, 158 mg) was slowly added (2-3 portions) and the solution kept stirring for 30 minutes at 0° C. Then, the electrophile (1.2 equiv., 2.4 mmol) was added at 0° C and the reaction kept stirring for 12 hours at room temperature. After this period, the work up was performed using NH₄Cl (saturated solution) and ethyl acetate. The crude products were purified by flash column chromatography on silica using gradient of hexane and ethyl acetate.

¹ Bieber, L. W.; Silva, M. F.; Menezes, P. H. Tetrahedron Lett. 2004, 45, 2735.

Method C is based on the use of terminal alkynes, *n*-BuLi and an electrophilic sulfur source.



Procedure: To a flame-dried two-necked flask under argon atmosphere were added 8 mL of THF and terminal alkyne (2 mmol). The solution was cooled to 0° C and *n*-BuLi (2.1 equiv, 4.2 mmol) was added. The reaction kept stirring for 30 minutes at 0 °C. After it, an electrophilic sulfur source (1.0 equiv., 2 mmol) was added at 0° C and the reaction kept stirring for 12 hours at room temperature. After this period, the work up was performed using NH₄CI (saturated solution) and ethyl acetate. The crude products were purified by flash column chromatography on silica using gradient of hexane and ethyl acetate.



2-methyl-4-(methylthio)but-3-yn-2-ol (s1)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 2methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (1.95 mL, 20 mmol), sulfur (0.67 g, 21 mmol) and iodomethane (1.37 mL, 22 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **77%** yield (2.0 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.67 (s, 1H); 2.31 (s, 3H); 1.46 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 96.9; 73.7; 65.7; 31.2; 19.0. IR (neat) vmax: 3346; 2980; 2929; 1362; 1219; 1158; 976; 925; 806. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₆H₁₀NaSO) requires m/z153.0350, found: *m*/*z* 153.0349.



4-(butylthio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s2)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 2methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.2 mL, 2 mmol), sulfur (0.067 g, 2.1

mmol) and 1-bromobutane (0.216 mL, 2.2 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **67%** yield (0.23 g) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.70 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.14 (s, 1H); 1.70 (qt, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.53 (s, 6H); 1.45 (sext, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 0.94 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 98.0; 72.6; 65.9; 35.1; 31.3; 31.2; 21.3; 13.5. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3344; 2959; 2930; 2872; 1459; 1361; 1221; 1159; 978; 807; 739. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₉H₁₆NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 195.0820, found: *m*/*z* 195.0817.



2-methyl-4-(octylthio)but-3-yn-2-ol (s3)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.2 mL, 2 mmol), sulfur (0.067 g,

2.1 mmol) and 1-bromooctane (0.38 mL, 2.2 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **60%** yield (0.274 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.94 (s, 1H); 1.72 (qt, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.53 (s, 6H); 1.44 – 1.37 (m, 2H); 1.33 – 1.21 (m, 8H); 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 97.9; 72.7; 66.0; 35.4; 31.8; 31.4; 29.13; 29.06; 28.2; 22.6; 14.1. **IR (neat)** vmax: 3344; 2924; 2854; 1458; 1362; 1221; 1160; 978; 927; 807; 722. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₂₄NaSO) requires *m/z* 251.1446, found: *m/z* 251.1446.



4-(isopropylthio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s4)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 2methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.2 mL, 2 mmol), sulfur (0.067 g, 2.1

mmol) and 2-bromopropane (0.21 mL, 2.2 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **22%** yield (0.070 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 3.14 (hept, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H); 1.95 (s, 1H); 1.55 (s, 6H); 1.36 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 100.0; 71.6; 66.0; 39.2; 31.4; 22.8. IR (neat) vmax: 3357; 2977; 2928; 1453; 1365; 1222; 1156; 1053; 978; 926; 807. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₈H₁₄NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 181.0663, found: *m*/*z* 181.0656.



4-(benzylthio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s5)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 2methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.2 mL, 2 mmol), sulfur (0.067 g, 2.1 mmol) and benzyl bromide (0.26 mL, 2.2 mmol). Purification by flash column

chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **47%** yield (0.189 g) as a red solid. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36 – 7.23 (m, 5H); 3.88 (s, 2H); 2.10 (s, 1H); 1.45 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 136.5; 129.1; 128.4; 127.7; 99.9; 72.1; 65.8; 39.8; 31.2. IR (neat) vmax: 3241; 2876; 1543; 1361; 1218; 1163; 1145; 976; 934; 763; 694. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₁₂H₁₄NaSO) requires m/z 229.0663, found: m/z229.0662.

2-methyl-4-(phenylthio)but-3-yn-2-ol (s6)²



Following the method A, the reaction was performed with 2methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol), 1,2-diphenyldisulfane

(0.55 g, 2.5 mmol) and copper iodine (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 8% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **38%** yield (0.365 g) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 2H); 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H); 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 1H); 2.62 (s, 1H); 1.60 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 132.5; 129.1; 126.4; 125.9; 103.3; 68.7; 66.0; 31.2. IR (neat) vmax: 3340; 2980; 1583; 1478; 1440; 1362; 1218; 1158; 1023; 979; 925; 808; 735; 686.

4-((2-isopropylphenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s7)



Following the method A, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol), 1,2-bis(2isopropylphenyl)disulfane (0.76 g, 2.5 mmol) and copper iodine (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). Purification by flash

column chromatography (from hexane to 8% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **22%** yield (0.258 g) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.67 - 7.61 (m, 1H); 7.26 - 7.18 (m, 3H); 3.14 (hept, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H); 2.42 (s, 1H); 1.60 (s, 6H); 1.24 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 145.6;

² Lopes, E. F.; Dalberto, B. T.; Perin, G.; Alves, D.; Barcellos, T.; Lenardão, E. J. Chem. Eur. J. 2017, 23, 13760.

130.4; 126.9; 126.8; 125.4; 102.9; 69.4; 66.1; 31.2; 30.1; 22.9. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2963; 1471; 1363; 1220; 1160; 1044; 979; 926; 751; 730. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₄H₁₈NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 257.0976, found: *m*/*z* 257.0971.

4-((4-methoxyphenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s8)



Following the method A, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol), 1,2-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)disulfane (0.696 g, 2.5 mmol) and copper iodine (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt)

afforded the title compound in **25%** yield (0.278 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); 3.79 (s, 3H); 2.31 (s, 1H); 1.58 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.9; 128.7; 122.7; 115.0; 101.6; 70.3; 66.0; 55.4; 31.3. IR (neat) vmax: 3365; 2979; 1592; 1482; 1289; 1242; 1172; 1028; 925; 821; 622. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₄NaSO₂) requires *m*/*z* 245.0612, found: *m*/*z* 245.0611.

4-((2-methoxyphenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s9)



Following the method A, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol), 1,2-bis(2methoxyphenyl)disulfane (0.696 g, 2.5 mmol) and copper iodine (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). Purification by flash

column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **60%** yield (0.67 g) as an orange oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H); 7.19 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H); 7.01 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H); 6.83 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H); 3.87 (s, 3H); 2.21 (s, 1H); 1.63 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.1; 127.2; 126.1; 121.6; 121.2; 110.3; 103.8; 68.6; 66.1; 55.8; 31.3. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3371; 2979; 1477; 1241; 1153; 1062; 1021; 926; 745. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₄NaSO₂) requires *m/z* 245.0612, found: *m/z* 245.0611.

2-methyl-4-((3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thio)but-3-yn-2-ol (s10)



Following the method C, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol) and 1-((3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)thio)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (0.551 g, 2.0 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography

(from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **35%** yield (0.18 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.67 (s, 1H); 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H); 7.49 – 7.43 (m, 2H); 2.17 (s, 1H); 1.64 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 134.5; 131.7 (q, *J* = 32.5 Hz); 129.5; 128.9 (q, *J* = 1.2 Hz); 123.6 (q, *J* = 272.7 Hz); 123.2 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz); 122.4 (q, *J* = 4 Hz); 104.9; 67.5; 66.1; 31.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -62.9 HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₁F₃NaSO) requires *m/z* 283.0380, found: *m/z* 283.0378.



4-((2-chlorophenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s11)

Following the method C, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol) and 1-((2-chlorophenyl)thio)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (0.483 g, 2.0

mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **51%** yield (0.23 g) as a white solid. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.64 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H); 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H); 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 1H); 2.32 (s, 1H); 1.64 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 132.3; 130.2; 129.4; 127.5; 127.2; 126.6; 104.9; 67.9; 66.1; 31.2. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₁ClNaSO) requires *m*/*z* 249.0117, found: *m*/*z* 249.0114.



4-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s12)

Following the method C, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol) and 1-((4-chlorophenyl)thio)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (0.483 g, 2.0

mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **54%** yield (0.24 g) as a white solid. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 4H); 2.36 (s, 1H); 1.61 (s, 6H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 132.4; 131.1; 129.3; 127.2; 103.7; 68.3; 66.1; 31.2.

HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₁CINaSO) requires *m*/*z* 249.0117, found: *m*/*z* 249.0116.



4-((4-fluorophenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s13) Following the method C, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol) and 1-((4fluorophenyl)thio)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (0.45 g, 2.0

mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **62%** yield (0.26 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 – 7.34 (m, 2H); 7.09 – 7.01 (m, 2H); 2.32 (s, 1H); 1.60 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.7 (d, J = 246.4 Hz); 128.1 (d, J = 8.1 Hz); 127.5 (d, J = 3.3 Hz); 116.4 (d, J = 22.4 Hz); 102.9; 69.1; 66.1; 31.2. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -115.4. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₁FNaSO) requires *m*/*z* 233.0412, found: *m*/*z* 233.0415.



4-((4-bromophenyl)thio)-2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s14)

Following the method C, the reaction was performed with 2-methylbut-3-yn-2-ol (0.5 mL, 5 mmol) and 1-((4-bromophenyl)thio)pyrrolidine-2,5-dione (0.57 g, 2.0

mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **45%** yield (0.19 g) as a white solid. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 7.26 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 2.32 (s, 1H); 1.61 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 132.2; 131.9; 127.5; 120.2; 103.9; 68.2; 66.1; 31.2. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₁H₁₁BrNaSO) requires *m*/*z* 292.9612 found: *m*/*z* 292.9613.



1-((octylthio)ethynyl)cyclohexan-1-ol (s17)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 1-ethynylcyclohexan-1-ol (0.65 mL, 5 mmol), sulfur (0.16

g, 5 mmol) and 1-bromooctane (0.95 mL, 5.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **67%** yield (0.9 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.97 (s, 1H); 1.95 – 1.85 (m, 2H); 1.78 – 1.63 (m, 4H);

1.64 - 1.48 (m, 5H); 1.48 - 1.36 (m, 2H); 1.37 - 1.18 (m, 9H); 0.88 (t, J = 7.3Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 97.1; 74.5; 69.5; 40.0; 35.5; 31.8; 29.2; 29.12; 29.08; 28.2; 25.2; 23.3; 22.6; 14.1. IR (neat) vmax: 3349; 2940; 2921; 1448; 1207; 1154; 1071; 990; 722. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₂₈NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 291.1758, found: *m*/*z* 291.1756.



1-((butylthio)ethynyl)cyclohexan-1-ol (s18)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 1ethynylcyclohexan-1-ol (0.65 mL, 5 mmol), sulfur (0.16 g, 5 mmol) and 1-bromobutane (0.6 mL, 5.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **66%** yield (0.7 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.71 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.07 (s, 1H); 1.96 – 1.86 (m, 2H); 1.77 – 1.64 (m, 4H); 1.61 – 1.51 (m, 5H); 1.44 (sext, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.35 – 1.20 (m, 1H); 0.94 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 97.0; 74.5; 69.5; 39.9; 35.2; 31.2; 25.1; 23.3; 21.3; 13.5. IR (neat) vmax: 3347; 2930; 2856; 1447; 1339; 1257; 1155; 1057; 1033; 961; 903; 781. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]+ (C₁₂H₂₀NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 235.1133, found: *m*/*z* 235.1132.



1-(butylthio)-3-methylpent-1-yn-3-ol (s21)

Following the method B, the reaction was performed with 3methylpent-1-yn-3-ol (0.57 mL, 5 mmol), sulfur (0.16 g, 5 mmol) and bromobutane (0.6 mL, 5.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (from hexane to 10% AcOEt) afforded the title compound in **55%** yield (0.511 g) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.70 (t, J = 7.3) Hz, 2H); 2.05 (s, 1H); 1.75 - 1.66 (m, 4H); 1.48 (s, 3H); 1.44 (sext, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.03 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); 0.94 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 97.0; 73.7; 69.5; 36.5; 35.2; 31.2; 29.3; 21.3; 13.5; 9.0. IR (neat) vmax: 3363; 2962; 2931; 1460; 1377; 1126; 1000; 951; 908; 808. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for $[M+H]^+$ (C₁₀H₁₉SO) requires m/z 187.1157, found: *m*/*z* 187.1153.

Thioalkynes s15, s16, s19, s22 and s23 were prepared according to the synthetic route shown below. Compound **s3** is obtained from method B. This thioalkyne is used in a reaction involving the use of KOH and hexane to form terminal thioacetylene, which is then used in a reaction with different ketones to form the starting materials.



Scheme 1. Synthetic route used for substrate synthesis.

Method C:² In a two-necked flask with reflux condenser were added the thioalkyne **s3** (0.46 g, 2 mmol, 1 equiv), KOH (124 mg, 2.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and 6 mL of hexane. The system was heated to 50 ° C and stirred for 3.5 h. The crude products were purified by flash chromatography on silica using hexane as eluent.

Method D:³ In a two-necked flask were added terminal thioacetylene (0.256 g, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), *tert*-BuOK (112 mg, 1 mmol, 1 equiv.) and the carbonyl compound (1 mmol, 1 equiv.). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The crude was purified by flash column chromatography on silica using hexane and ethyl acetate as eluent.



3-ethyl-1-(octylthio)pent-1-yn-3-ol (s15)

-SC₈H₁₇ Following the general procedure, the compound **s10** was obtained in **63%** yield (162 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 1.87 (s, 1H); 1.77 – 1.60 (m, 6H); 1.48 – 1.34 (m, 2H); 1.34 – 1.22 (m, 8H); 1.03 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 6H); 0.88 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 96.1; 74.6; 73.0; 35.6; 34.5; 31.8; 29.2; 29.12; 29.08; 28.2; 22.6; 14.1; 8.6. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3385, 2962, 2854, 2024,

³ Chem, S.; Yuan, F.; Zhao, H.; Li, B. Res. Chem. Intermediat. 2013, 39, 2391.

1453, 1317, 1142, 1045, 984, 951, 820, 723. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₅H₂₉SO) requires *m*/*z* 257.1938, found: *m*/*z* 257.1931.



1-((octylthio)ethynyl)cyclopentan-1-ol (s16)

Following the general procedure, the compound s11 was SC₈H₁₇ obtained in 60% yield (153 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.02 – 1.66 (m, 11H); 1.46 – 1.33 (m, 2H); 1.34 - 1.22 (m, 8H); 0.88 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 97.1; 75.3; 73.5; 42.5; 35.5; 31.8; 29.2; 29.13; 29.07; 28.2; 23.5; 22.6; 14.1. IR (neat) vmax: 3353; 2955; 2924; 2854; 1456; 1209; 1074; 992; 722. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₁₅H₂₆NaSO) requires m/z277.1602, found: *m*/*z* 277.1595.



1-((octylthio)ethynyl)cycloheptan-1-ol (s19)

Following the general procedure, the compound s14 was obtained in 60% yield (170 mg) as a colorless oil.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.05 – 1.97 (m, 2H); 1.94 (s, 1H); 1.87 – 1.80 (m, 2H); 1.78 – 1.48 (m, 10H); 1.47 – 1.36 (m, 2H); 1.36 – 1.21 (m, 8H); 0.88 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 98.1; 73.7; 72.6; 43.1; 35.5; 31.8; 29.2; 29.1; 29.07; 28.2; 27.9; 22.6; 22.2; 14.1. IR (neat) vmax: 3365; 2923; 2853; 1458; 1190; 1021; 908. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+H]⁺ (C₁₇H₃₁SO) requires *m*/*z* 283.2096, found: *m*/*z* 283.2095.



4-(octylthio)-2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol (s22)

Following the general procedure, the compound s17 was obtained in 51% yield (148 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.67 – 7.62 (m, 2H); 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 2H); 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 1H); 2.74 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.46 (s, 1H); 1.78 (s, 3H); 1.79 - 1.70 (m, 2H); 1.41 (qt, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H); 1.35 – 1.25 (m, 8H); 0.89 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 145.5; 128.2; 127.6; 124.9; 96.7; 75.7; 70.7; 35.5; 33.2; 31.7; 29.3; 29.1; 29.06; 28.2; 22.6; 14.1. IR (neat) vmax: 2924; 2853; 1447; 1164; 1089; 1027; 900; 762; 697. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₂₆NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 313.1602, found: *m*/*z* 313.1598.



3,4-dimethyl-1-(octylthio)pent-1-yn-3-ol (s23)

Following the general procedure, the compound **s18** was obtained in **49%** yield (126 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.68 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 1.92 (s, 1H); 1.81 (hept, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H); 1.72 (qt, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 1.44 (s, 3H); 1.43 – 1.36 (m, 2H); 1.32 – 1.23 (m, 8H); 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); 0.99 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); 0.87 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 96.3; 74.1; 72.5; 39.0; 35.5; 31.7; 29.2; 29.1; 29.06; 28.2; 27.2; 22.6; 18.0; 17.5; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3410; 2958; 2925; 2854; 1460; 1370; 1141; 1096; 1066; 927; 876; 723. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₅H₂₈NaSO) requires *m*/*z* 279.1759, found: *m*/*z* 279.1756.

3. General procedure for the synthesis of thioesters



Part A) Preparation of electrophilic species:

To a flame-dried Schlenk flask under argon atmosphere were added diselenide (0.5 mmol, 2 equiv.), 3 mL of dry DCM and iodine (0.5 mmol, 2 equiv, 127 mg). The reaction kept stirring for 25 minutes. Then, $Na_2S_2O_3$ (0.15 mmol, 0.6 equiv, 24 mg) was added and the reaction kept stirring for another 5 minutes. The electrophilic species of selenium was added to the flask containing the thioalkyne.

Part B) To a flame-dried Schlenk flask under argon atmosphere were added thioalkyne (0.25 mmol, 1 equiv), Cs_2CO_3 (0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv, 98 mg) and 2.5 mL of dry DCM. The electrophilic species of selenium was added and the reaction kept stirring for 16 hours at room temperature. After this period, the work up was performed using $Na_2S_2O_3$ (saturated solution) and ethyl acetate.

The crude product was purified on flash column chromatography using a gradient of hexane and ethyl acetate as eluent (starting with 100% hexane to remove diselenide byproducts and then eluting with 2% ethyl acetate/hexane to collect the product).



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S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (1)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed thioalkyne 0.25 with s1 (33 mg, mmol) and 1,2diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 88% yield (75 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.39 – 7.35 (m, 2H); 7.28 – 7.19 (m, 3H); 2.24 (s, 3H); 2.16 (s, 3H); 2.156 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 194.6; 152.3; 131.3; 130.3; 129.2; 126.6; 124.5; 26.8; 23.4; 13.4. IR (neat) vmax: 2923; 1737; 1649; 1576; 1475; 1437: 1366; 1127; 1068; 888; 732; 688. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₄NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 308.9828, found: *m*/*z* 308.9826.

S-butyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (2)





S-octyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (3)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s3** (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification diphenyldiselane (156 by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 82% yield (79 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 2H); 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 3H); 2.79 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 2.13 (s, 3H); 2.12 (s, 3H); 1.50 – 1.41 (m, 2H); 1.29 – 1.21 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3; 150.4; 131.2; 130.8; 129.1; 126.7; 124.9; 31.7; 30.3; 29.3; 29.1; 29.06; 28.8; 26.3; 23.3; 22.6; 14.1. IR (neat) vmax: 2923; 2852; 1650; 1577; 1476; 1437; 1366; 1127; 1068; 1022; 889; 733; 688. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₉H₂₈NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 407.0924, found: *m*/*z* 407.0919.

S-isopropyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (4)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s4** (40 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1.2diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **75%** yield (70 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 2H); 7.26 – 7.18 (m, 3H); 3.52 (hept, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H); 2.12 – 2.10 (m, 6H); 1.21 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3; 149.6; 131.1; 131.0; 129.1; 126.8; 124.9; 35.7; 26.2; 23.2; 22.7. IR (neat) vmax: 2961; 1645; 1577; 1476; 1438; 1366; 1242; 1032; 889; 734; 689. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₄H₁₈NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 337.0141, found: *m*/*z* 337.0138.

S-benzyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (5)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed thioalkyne **s5** (52 mg, 0.25 mmol) and with 1.2diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash

column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 81% yield (73 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400

MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37 – 7.34 (m, 2H); 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 8H); 4.04 (s, 2H); 2.15 (s, 3H); 2.14 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.4; 152.2; 137.6; 131.1; 130.7; 129.2; 128.8; 128.4; 126.9; 126.8; 124.5; 34.9; 26.8; 23.5. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3056; 2913; 1642; 1590; 1474; 1452; 1125; 1071; 1026; 888; 795; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₈NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 385.0141, found: *m*/*z* 385.0139.

S-phenyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (6)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed SPh ŚePh **s6** (48 with thioalkyne mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 82% yield (71 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 2H); 7.38 – 7.34 (m, 3H); 7.30 – 7.22 (m, 5H); 2.18 (s, 3H); 2.17 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.2; 152.4; 134.5; 131.1; 129.6; 129.3; 129.1; 129.0; 127.0; 124.5; 26.8; 23.7. IR (neat) vmax: 3056, 2917, 1663, 1576, 1476, 1438, 1123, 1021, 955, 787, 703. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₁₇H₁₆NaOSSe) requires m/z 370.9985, found: *m*/*z* 370.9983.

S-(2-isopropylphenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (7)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s7** (59 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **84%** yield (82 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H); 7.38 – 7.23 (m, 5H); 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 2H); 2.95 (hept, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H); 2.20 (s, 3H); 2.14 (s, 3H); 1.04 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.2; 152.3; 151.3; 136.2; 131.2; 131.17; 130.2; 129.2; 127.5; 126.9; 126.2; 126.1; 125.1; 30.8; 26.7; 23.6; 23.5. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2958, 2921, 2864, 1664, 1577, 1473, 1436, 1260, 1124, 1066, 883, 780, 735. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₀H₂₂NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 413.0454, found: *m*/*z* 413.0464.

S-(4-methoxyphenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (8)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s8** (56 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography

(gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **65%** yield (61 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H); 7.31 – 7.22 (m, 3H); 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); 3.79 (s, 3H); 2.16 (s, 3H); 2.15 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.1; 160.4; 152.0; 136.0; 131.09; 131.07; 129.2; 126.9; 124.4; 120.2; 114.7; 55.3; 26.7; 23.6. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2908, 2835, 1662, 1591, 1573, 1492, 1476, 1437, 1285, 1122, 1022, 825, 732. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₈NaO₂SSe) requires *m/z* 401.0091, found: *m/z* 401.0092.

S-(2-methoxyphenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (9)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s9** (56 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **60%** yield (57 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49 – 7.44 (m, 2H); 7.39 – 7.33 (m, 1H); 7.30 – 7.18 (m, 4H); 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 2H); 3.75 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 3H); 2.17 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4; 159.3; 152.2; 136.6; 131.3; 131.3; 130.9; 129.1; 126.8; 124.5; 120.9; 117.6; 111.4; 55.8; 26.6; 23.4. **IR** (neat) vmax: 2906; 2865; 1651; 1494; 1453; 1366; 1257; 1125; 1029; 890; 795. **HRMS** (**ESI+**): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₈NaO₂SSe) requires *m/z* 401.0091, found: *m/z* 401.0088.

S-(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (10)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s10** (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane

to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **78%** yield (81 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H); 7.50 – 7.38 (m, 5H); 7.33 – 7.23 (m, 3H); 2.20 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.0; 153.6; 137.9 (q, *J* = 1.2 Hz); 131.5; 131.15 (q, *J* = 32.7 Hz); 131.14; 131.11; 130.8; 129.34; 129.3; 127.2; 125.8 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz); 124.4; 123.6 (q, *J* = 272.7 Hz); 27.1; 23.8. ¹⁹F **NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.6. **HRMS** (**ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₅F₃NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 438.9859, found: *m/z* 438.9855.

S-(2-chlorophenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (11)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s11** (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane

to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **90%** yield (86 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 3H); 7.34 – 7.20 (m, 6H); 2.20 (s, 6H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 190.3; 154.2; 138.8; 137.1; 131.1; 131.0; 130.8; 130.0; 129.2; 129.2; 127.1; 126.9; 124.4; 27.2; 23.7. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₅CINaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 404.9595, found: *m*/*z* 404.9595.

S-(4-chlorophenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (12)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s12** (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography

(gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **81%** yield (77 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 – 7.40 (m, 2H); 7.34 – 7.24 (m, 5H); 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 2H); 2.19 (s, 3H); 2.17 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.6; 153.5; 135.7; 135.4; 131.0; 130.96; 129.3; 129.2; 128.2; 127.0; 124.4; 27.0; 23.8. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₅CINaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 404.9595, found: *m*/*z* 404.9591.

S-(4-fluorophenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (13)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s13** (53 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography

(gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **81%** yield (74 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 2H); 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 3H); 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 2H); 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 2H); 2.18 (s, 3H); 2.16 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.1 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz); 163.3 (d, *J* = 249.6 Hz); 153.1; 136.5 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz); 131.0; 130.98; 129.3; 127.0; 125.0 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz); 124.4; 116.2 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz); 26.9; 23.7. ¹⁹F **NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -111.6. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₅FNaOSSe) requires *m/z* 388.9891, found: *m/z* 388.9890.

S-(4-bromophenyl) 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (14)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s14** (68 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography

(gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **60%** yield (64 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.47 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H); 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 3H); 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); 2.19 (s, 3H); 2.17 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.5; 153.5; 136.0; 132.2; 130.98; 130.96; 129.3; 128.9; 127.0; 124.4; 123.7; 27.1; 23.8. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₇H₁₅FNaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 388.9891, found: *m*/*z* 388.9890.

S-octyl 3-ethyl-2-(phenylselanyl)pent-2-enethioate (15)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s10** (64 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **73%** yield (75 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 2H); 7.27 – 7.16

(m, 3H); 2.77 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.51 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); 2.42 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 1.48 – 1.37 (m, 2H); 1.35 – 1.20 (m, 10H); 1.14 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); 1.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H); 0.88 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.0; 159.6; 131.1; 131.0; 129.0; 126.7; 124.2; 31.7; 30.2; 29.6; 29.2; 29.1; 29.0; 28.7; 27.4; 22.6; 14.1; 13.5; 12.9. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2960; 2924; 2853; 1651; 1577; 1476; 1461; 1131; 1053; 1022; 803; 763; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₁H₃₂NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 435.1237, found: *m*/*z* 435.1237.

S-octyl 2-cyclopentylidene-2-(phenylselanyl)ethanethioate (16)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s11** (64 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **81%** yield (83 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 2H); 7.26 – 7.14 (m, 3H); 2.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 2.78 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.61 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 1.82 (qt, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H); 1.67 (qt, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H); 1.51 (qt, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 1.33 – 1.20 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.2; 172.1; 131.9; 129.5; 129.2; 126.3; 120.2; 39.1; 36.2; 31.7; 31.1; 29.2; 29.1; 28.9; 27.5; 25.1; 22.6; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2922; 2852; 1645; 1575; 1476; 1156; 1084; 1021; 824; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₁H₃₀NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 433.1080, found: *m*/*z* 433.1080.

S-octyl 2-cyclohexylidene-2-(phenylselanyl)ethanethioate (17)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s12** (67 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **81%** yield (86 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45 – 7.40 (m, 2H); 7.27 – 7.18 (m, 3H); 2.80 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.59 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H); 2.50 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H); 1.71 – 1.57 (m, 6H); 1.45 (qt, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H); 1.31 – 1.21 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t,

J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.4; 155.8; 131.2; 131.1; 129.0; 126.7; 121.4; 35.6; 33.7; 31.7; 30.0; 29.3; 29.1; 29.0; 28.7; 28.4; 28.1; 26.2; 22.6; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2923; 2852; 1662; 1577; 1476; 1438; 1115; 1058; 1021; 984; 908; 830; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+)**: exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₂H₃₂NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 447.1237, found: *m*/*z* 447.1244.

S-butyl 2-cyclohexylidene-2-(phenylselanyl)ethanethioate (18)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s13** (53 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **73%** yield (67 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 2H); 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H); 2.81 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H); 2.62 – 2.57 (m, 2H); 2.53 – 2.47 (m, 2H); 1.69 – 1.59 (m, 6H); 1.48 – 1.40 (m, 2H); 1.36 – 1.24 (m, 2H); 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.5; 155.8; 131.23; 131.19; 129.1; 126.8; 121.5; 35.7; 33.7; 31.4; 29.7; 28.4; 28.1; 26.2; 21.9; 13.6. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2927; 2854; 1661; 1577; 1476; 1438; 1114; 1056; 1021; 983; 830; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₂₄NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 391.0611, found: *m/z* 391.0605.

S-octyl 2-cycloheptylidene-2-(phenylselanyl)ethanethioate (19)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s14** (71 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **70%** yield (77 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 2H); 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H); 2.77 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.68 – 2.64 (m, 2H); 2.62 – 2.58 (m, 2H); 1.75 – 1.68 (m, 2H); 1.68 – 1.61 (m, 2H); 1.60 – 1.51 (m, 4H); 1.46 – 1.37 (m, 2H); 1.31 – 1.19 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.1; 157.4; 131.3; 131.0; 129.0; 126.8; 124.8; 37.1; 34.4; 31.7; 30.2; 29.3; 29.1; 29.06; 29.0; 28.75; 28.73; 27.9; 26.8; 22.6; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2921; 2851; 1649; 1476; 1438; 1079; 790; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass

calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₂₃H₃₄NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 461.1393, found: *m*/*z* 461.1384.



S-butyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylselanyl)pent-2-enethioate (21) Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s16** (47 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash

column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **89%** yield (76 mg) as a yellow oil. The ratio between the isomers is 1:1.25. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 4H); 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 6H); 2.83 – 2.75 (m, 4H); 2.53 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H); 2.42 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2.09 (s, 3H); 2.08 (s, 3H); 1.48 – 1.38 (m, 4H); 1.34 – 1.24 (m, 4H); 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); 0.88 – 0.82 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.4; 194.0; 155.0; 154.7; 131.3; 130.94, 130.93, 129.1; 129.06; 126.7; 124.5; 124.2; 32.9; 31.33; 31.32; 30.0; 29.93; 29.89; 23.2; 21.9; 21.8; 20.8; 13.6; 13.2; 12.4. IR (neat) vmax: 2959; 2929; 2871; 1659; 1577; 1476; 1461; 1437; 1128; 1046; 1021; 998; 864; 793; 732; 688. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₂₂NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 365.0454, found: *m/z* 365.0448.

S-octyl 3-phenyl-2-(phenylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (22)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s17** (73 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **45%** yield (50 mg) as a yellow oil. The ratio between the isomers is 1:1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58 – 7.51 (m, 4H); 7.42 – 7.17 (m, 16H); 2.78 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H); 2.41 (s, 3H); 2.31 (s, 3H); 1.45 – 1.35 (m, 4H); 1.31 – 1.06 (m, 20H); 0.91 – 0.85 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.21, 194.12, 148.21, 147.50, 142.86, 141.56, 132.82, 132.59, 130.39, 129.75, 129.11, 128.91, 128.23, 128.11, 127.97, 127.90, 127.60, 127.41, 127.35, 127.16, 31.79, 30.03, 29.83, 29.25, 29.11, 29.07, 29.01, 28.91, 28.74, 28.51, 25.62, 23.93, 22.64, 22.63, 14.10. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2922; 2852; 1717; 1662;

1576; 1438; 1325; 1128; 1056; 1021; 757; 734; 688; 612. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₂₄H₃₀NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 469.1081, found: *m*/*z* 469.1080.

S-octyl 3,4-dimethyl-2-(phenylselanyl)pent-2-enethioate (23)



SMe

SeBu

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s18** (64 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldiselane (156 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **77%** yield (79 mg) as a yellow oil. The ratio between the isomers is *1:1.* ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 4H); 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 6H); 3.43 (hept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H); 3.09 (hept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H); 2.82 – 2.75 (m, 4H); 1.95 (s, 6H); 1.43 (qt, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 4H); 1.32 – 1.20 (m, 20H); 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H); 1.03 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 6H).¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.5; 194.2; 156.8; 155.9; 131.21; 131.19; 131.16, 130.7; 129.06; 129.05; 126.8; 123.6; 123.5; 35.8; 33.7; 31.76; 31.75; 30.1; 29.9; 29.3; 29.25; 29.12; 29.1; 29.06; 29.04; 28.7; 22.6; 21.0; 20.4; 17.0; 15.8; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2958; 2923; 2853; 1653; 1476; 1438; 1120; 1063; 1022; 874; 833; 732; 688. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₁H₃₂NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 435.1237, found: *m*/*z* 435.1236.

S-methyl 2-(butylselanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (24)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-dibutyldiselane

(136 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **72%** yield (48 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.69 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2.35 (s, 3H); 2.08 (s, 3H); 2.00 (s, 3H); 1.61 (qt, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 1.39 (sext, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.2; 147.0; 123.7; 32.1; 28.3; 25.8; 22.9; 22.8; 13.5; 13.0. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2958; 2926; 2854; 1654; 1460; 1260; 1127; 1032; 889; 798; 722. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₀H₁₈NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 289.0141, found: *m/z* 289.0138.



S-octyl 2-(butylselanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (25)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne s3 (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-(136 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash dibutyldiselane column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **71%** yield (65 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.91 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.69 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.06 (s, 3H); 1.98 (s, 3H); 1.66 - 1.57 (m, 4H); 1.44 - 1.34 (m, 4H); 1.33 - 1.22 (m, 8H); 0.94 - 0.85 (m, 6H). ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.9; 145.8; 123.8; 32.2; 31.8; 30.1; 29.5; 29.14; 29.1; 28.9; 28.1; 25.5; 22.85; 22.79; 22.6; 14.1; 13.5. IR (neat) vmax: 2956; 2954; 2824; 1656; 1461; 1367; 1127; 1032; 889; 798; 722. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for $[M+Na]^+$ (C₁₇H₃₂NaOSSe) requires m/z387.1237, found: *m*/*z* 387.1235.



S-octyl 2-(butylselanyl)-3-ethylpent-2-enethioate (26)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne s10 (64 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-dibutyldiselane (136 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 61% yield (60 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 2.92 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2.68 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2.43 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2H); 2.29 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 1.67 – 1.56 (m, 4H); 1.46 – 1.22 (m, 12H); 1.10 – 1.00 (m, 6H); 0.94 – 0.85 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.6; 155.4; 123.2; 32.1; 31.8; 30.0; 29.5; 29.2; 29.1; 28.9; 28.6; 27.9; 27.1; 22.8; 22.6; 14.1; 13.55; 13.49; 12.9. IR (neat) vmax: 2959; 2924; 2854; 1656; 1461; 1373; 1259; 1132; 1080; 1055; 803; 762; 734. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₉H₃₆NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 415.1550, found: *m*/*z* 415.1541.

S-benzyl 2-(butylselanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (27)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne s5 (52 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-dibutyldiselane

(136 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in 78% yield (67 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H); 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 2H); 7.24 – 7.20 (m, 1H); 4.15 (s, 2H); 2.64 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H); 2.07 (s, 3H); 1.99 (s, 3H); 1.64 – 1.54 (m, 2H); 1.39 – 1.30 (m, 2H); 0.86 (t, J =7.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCI₃) δ 193.9; 147.6; 137.8; 128.8; 128.5; 127.0; 123.4; 34.7; 32.1; 28.3; 25.9; 22.9; 22.8; 13.5. IR (neat) vmax: 2928; 1651; 1494; 1453; 1366; 1257; 1125; 1029; 890; 795; 697. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₂₂NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 365.0454, found: *m*/*z* 365.0447.

S-methyl 2-(benzylselanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (28)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed SMe SeBn with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2dibenzyldiselane (170 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **74%** yield (55 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.35 – 7.11 (m, 5H); 3.90 (s, 2H); 2.37 (s, 3H); 1.99 (s, 3H); 1.72 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.2; 151.0; 138.3; 129.0; 128.2; 126.7; 123.1; 32.4; 25.7; 22.9; 13.2. IR (neat) vmax: 2923; 1737; 1650; 1493; 1452; 1366; 1307; 1238; 1127; 1033; 959; 783; 757; 695. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₆NaOSSe) requires m/z 322.9985, found: m/z 322.9982.

S-methyl 2-((4-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (29)



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Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)diselane (191 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded

the tittle compound in **78%** yield (62 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 2.24 (s, 3H); 2.16 (s, 3H); 2.15 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.4; 152.4; 132.9; 131.8; 129.5; 129.3; 124.4; 26.7; 23.5; 13.4. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2912; 1650; 1589; 1470; 1422; 1386; 1364; 1128; 1085; 1029; 882; 810; 725. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₃CINaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 342.9439, found: *m*/*z* 342.9429.

S-octyl 2-((4-chlorophenyl)selanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (30)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s3** (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-bis(4-chlorophenyl)diselane (191 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded

the tittle compound in **70%** yield (73 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); 2.80 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.12 (s, 3H); 2.11 (s, 3H); 1.49 – 1.41 (m, 2H); 1.32 – 1.20 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.1; 150.5; 133.0; 132.3; 129.3; 129.2; 124.7; 31.8; 30.3; 29.3; 29.1; 29.06; 28.8; 26.3; 23.3; 22.6; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2923; 2852; 1650; 1473; 1127; 1089; 1030; 1010; 799; 728. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₉H₂₇CINaOSSe) requires *m/z* 441.0534, found: *m/z* 441.0530.

S-methyl 3-methyl-2-((3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)selanyl)but-2-enethioate (31)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-bis(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)diselane (224 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **75%** yield (66 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.63 (s, 1H); 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 7.36 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H); 2.25 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 3H); 2.16 (s, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3; 153.3; 133.4 (q, J = 1.1 Hz); 132.6; 131.4 (q, J = 32.4 Hz); 129.5; 126.9 (q, J = 3.9 Hz); 123.8; 123.7 (q, J = 272.7 Hz); 123.5 (q, J = 3.8 Hz); 26.7; 23.5; 13.3. ¹⁹F NMR (378 MHz, CDCl₃): δ – 62.8. IR (neat) vmax: 2926; 1652; 1422; 1319; 1272; 1122; 1087; 1034; 889; 792; 692. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₃F₃NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 376.9702, found: *m*/*z* 376.9697.

S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(o-tolylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (32)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2di-o-tolyldiselane (170 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in

70% yield (52 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 1H); 7.16 – 7.03 (m, 3H); 2.38 (s, 3H); 2.21 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 3H); 2.14 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.6; 152.7; 137.7; 131.9; 130.1; 129.6; 126.7; 126.6; 123.9; 26.7; 23.5; 21.6; 13.4. **IR (neat) vmax**: 3048; 2916; 1640; 1563; 1452; 1355; 1122; 1030; 881; 798; 746; 684. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₆NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 322.9985, found: *m*/*z* 322.9991.



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s3** (57 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2di-*o*-tolyldiselane (170 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to

S-octyl 3-methyl-2-(o-tolylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (33)

hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **71%** yield (71 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28 – 7.26 (m, 1H); 7.16 – 7.03 (m, 3H); 2.77 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H); 2.38 (s, 3H); 2.13 (s, 3H); 2.12 (s, 3H); 1.46 – 1.39 (m, 2H); 1.32 – 1.20 (m, 10H); 0.87 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.3; 150.7; 138.1; 131.7; 130.4; 130.1; 126.7; 126.6; 124.3; 31.8; 30.3; 29.3; 29.1; 29.07; 28.8; 26.3; 23.4; 22.6; 21.8; 14.1. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2922; 2852; 1651; 1456; 1127; 1031; 799; 743. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₂₀H₃₀NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 421.1080, found: *m*/*z* 421.1089.

S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(p-tolylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (34)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-di-*p*-tolyldiselane (170 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle

compound in **88%** yield (66 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H); 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H); 2.29 (s, 3H); 2.22 (s, 3H); 2.14 (s, 3H); 2.13 (s, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7; 151.2; 136.7; 130.9; 129.9; 127.3; 124.9; 26.6; 23.4; 21.0; 13.4. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2971; 1649; 1429; 1366; 1127; 1033; 1014; 888; 797; 732. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₆NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 322.9985, found: *m*/*z* 322.9977.

S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(naphthalen-2-ylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (35)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-di(naphthalen-2-yl)diselane (206 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded

the tittle compound in **68%** yield (57 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 – 7.82 (m, 1H); 7.79 – 7.69 (m, 3H); 7.49 – 7.40 (m, 3H); 2.22 (s, 3H); 2.20 (s, 3H); 2.19 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7; 152.6; 140.3; 139.6; 133.3; 130.6; 130.4; 128.8; 128.7; 127.8; 127.3; 126.8; 124.5; 26.9; 23.5; 13.5. **IR (neat) vmax**: 2900; 1644; 1582; 1128; 1035; 938; 889; 858; 804; 764; 740; 679. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₁₆NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 358.9985, found: *m/z* 358.9983.

S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(naphthalen-1-ylselanyl)but-2-enethioate (36)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2di(naphthalen-1-yl)diselane (206 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **65%** yield (55 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H **NMR**

(400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.16 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H); 7.83 – 7.78 (m, 1H); 7.70 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); 7.55 – 7.45 (m, 3H); 7.32 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H); 2.19 (s, 6H); 2.15 (s, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.6; 152.6; 133.9; 132.8; 130.2; 128.5; 127.4; 126.4; 126.1; 126.06; 126.0; 124.1; 26.8; 23.6; 13.4. IR (neat) vmax: 3048; 2918; 1646; 1499; 1374; 1250; 1197; 1133; 1021; 954; 788; 764; 648. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₆H₁₆NaOSSe) requires *m*/*z* 358.9985, found: *m*/*z* 358.9982.

S-methyl 2-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylselanyl)-3-methylbut-2-enethioate (37)



Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-di([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)diselane (232 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded

the tittle compound in **62%** yield (56 mg) as a yellow solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 2H); 7.50 – 7.39 (m, 6H); 7.35 – 7.30 (m, 1H); 2.25 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.7; 152.6; 140.3; 139.6; 133.3; 130.6; 128.7; 127.8; 127.3; 126.8; 124.5; 26.9; 23.5; 13.5. **IR (neat)** vmax: 2913; 1644; 1575; 1474; 1125; 1072; 1027; 1004; 889; 825; 795; 760; 713; 697; 680. **HRMS (ESI+):** exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₈H₁₈NaOSSe) requires *m/z* 385.0141, found: *m/z* 385.0138.



S-methyl 3-methyl-2-(phenylthio)but-2-enethioate (38)

Following the general procedure, the reaction was performed with thioalkyne **s1** (33 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 1,2-diphenyldisulfane (109 mg, 0.5 mmol). Purification by flash

column chromatography (gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2) afforded the tittle compound in **80%** yield (48 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H); 7.20 – 7.10 (m, 3H); 2.26 (s, 3H); 2.20 (s, 3H); 2.18 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.9; 156.7; 136.2; 129.0; 126.8; 126.2; 125.7; 25.7; 23.7; 13.3. IR (neat) vmax: 2923; 1653; 1580; 1477; 1438; 1129; 1045; 1023; 914; 804; 736; 697; 594. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₂H₁₄NaOS₂) requires *m*/*z* 261.0384, found: *m*/*z* 261.0382.

4. General Procedure for the Ketone Synthesis



To a solution of the thiol ester **2** (0.5 mmol) and $PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ (10 mol%l) in toluene (2 mL) was added Et₂Zn (1.5 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2h at r.t., then quenched with 1 M HCl (10 mL). The mixture was partitioned and the aqueous layer was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with sat. NaHCO₃ and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. Purification by flash column chromatography using gradient from hexane to hexane/ethyl acetate = 98:2.



5-methyl-4-(phenylselanyl)hex-4-en-3-one (39)

The compound **39** was obtained as a yellow oil (76 mg, **57%**) ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H); 7.28-1.19 (m, 3H); 2.67 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H); 2.12 (s, 3H); 2.01 (s, 3H); 0.97 (t,

J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 205.1; 146.7; 130.7; 130.65; 129.3; 126.7; 126.3; 34.9; 25.1; 22.7; 8.2. HRMS (ESI+): exact mass calculated for [M+Na]⁺ (C₁₃H₁₆NaOSe) requires *m*/*z* 291.0264, found: *m*/*z* 291.0260.

5. NMR Spectra









¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s3** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s4** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s5** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)


¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s6** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s7** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s8** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s9** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s10** (CDCI₃, 100 MHz)



 ^{19}F NMR spectrum for compound s10 (CDCl_3, 376 MHz)











¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s13** (CDCI₃, 100 MHz)



 ^{19}F NMR spectrum for compound s13 (CDCl_3, 376 MHz)



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound **s14** (CDCl_3, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s15** (CDCI₃, 100 MHz)







¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s17** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s18** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound s19 (CDCl_3, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s21** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s22** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **s23** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **1** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **2** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)









¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **3** (CDCI₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **4** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)











¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **5** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **6** (CDCI₃, 100 MHz)





¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **7** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **8** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **9** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 10 (CDCl_3, 100 MHz)



 $^{19}\mathsf{F}$ NMR spectrum for compound $\boldsymbol{10}$ (CDCl_3, 376 MHz)







 ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 12 (CDCl_3, 100 MHz)



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 13 (CDCl_3, 100 MHz)



 $^{19}\mathsf{F}$ NMR spectrum for compound 13 (CDCl_3, 376 MHz)









¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **15** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)








¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **17** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)







¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **19** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **21** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **22** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **23** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **24** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)







¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **25** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)









¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **26** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



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¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **28** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **29** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)









¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **30** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **31** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹⁹F NMR spectrum for compound **31** (CDCI₃, 376 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **32** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **33** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **34** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **35** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **36** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **37** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



¹³C NMR spectrum for compound **38** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz)



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