

# Structures of 1-(Arylseleninyl)naphthalenes: O, G, and Y Dependences in 8-G-1-[p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>

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Structures of 8-G-1-[p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub> [1 (G = H), 2 (G = F), 3 (G = Cl), and 4 (G = Br): Y = H, OMe, OCH<sub>2</sub>Ph, t-Bu, Me, Cl, and NO<sub>2</sub>] and  $(1-C_{10}H_7)_2$ SeO (5) are investigated by the X-ray crystallographic analysis. Structures of 1 are all A with regard to the naphthyl group (1 (A)), where the Se-C<sub>Ar</sub> and Se-O bonds are perpendicular to and parallel to the naphthyl plane, respectively. Those of 2-4 are also A. Since structures of 8-G-1- $(p-YC_6H_4Se)C_{10}H_6$  [7 (G = F), 8 (G = Cl), and 9 (G = Br)] are all **B**, the results exhibit that **B** of 7–9 change dramatically to **A** of 2–4 with the introduction of O atoms. The factor to determine the A structures of 1-4 by O is called O dependence. The origin of the O dependence is the nonbonded  $n_p(O)$  - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction, which results in CT from  $n_p(O)$  to  $\pi(Nap)$ since O in 1–4 is highly electron rich due to the polar Se<sup>+</sup>=O<sup>-</sup> bond and  $\pi$ (Nap) acts as an acceptor. There are two types of  $n_p(O)$ 's,  $n_{pv}(O)$  and  $n_{pz}(O)$ , if the directions of the Se–O bond and the p-orbitals of  $\pi(\text{Nap})$  are taken in the x- and z-axes, respectively. Double but independent  $n_p(O) - -\pi(\text{Nap})$  interactions in 5 lead to 5 (AA). The conformation of the p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se group in 1 changes depending on Y (Y dependence), although the effect is not strong. The Y dependence is explained on the basis of the magnitude of CT of the  $n_p(O) \rightarrow \pi(Ar)$  type in 1, in addition to the  $n_p(O)$  - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction. The structure around the Se=O group in 1 is close to that of 5 (AA), if the accepting ability of the p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se group is similar to that of the naphthyl group. A of 2-4 are further stabilized by the  $n_p(G)$ --- $\sigma^*(Se-O)$  3c-4e interactions, which are called G dependence. QC calculations performed on the methyl analogues of 1-4 (11-14, respectively) reproduced the observed structures, supported the above discussion, and revealed the energy profiles. The energy-lowering effect of the O dependence would be close to the G dependence of the nonbonded n(Br)- -  $\sigma^*$ (Se-O) 3c-4e interaction in 14 if the steric repulsion between Br and Se is contained in the G dependence. The value is roughly predicted as 20 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. The structures of 1-5 are well explained by O, G, and Y dependences.

## Introduction

Weak interactions are of current interest.<sup>1–6</sup> They can be used to determine the fine structures of compounds. However, it is sometimes difficult to detect the interactions and/or explain the phenomena arising from them, under the physical necessity, since weak interactions are usually literally very weak. Therefore, our investigations are focused to the phenomena arising from the direct orbital overlaps containing lone pair orbitals of group 16 elements.<sup>4</sup> Naphthalene 1,8-positions supply a good

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system to investigate such interactions, since the distances between the nonbonded atoms at the 1,8-positions are close to the sum of van der Waals radii minus 1.0 Å. $^{4b,d-f,h,7}$ 

Selenoxides [RSe(O)R'] afford optically active enantiomers, if R and R' are not the same, since Se in each selenoxide is three-coordinated containing a lone pair.<sup>8</sup> Some efforts have been made to improve the utility of selenoxides as the starting compounds to introduce optical activity in a target molecule,<sup>9,10</sup> although the racemization of optically active selenoxides is usually very fast. The chemistry of selenoxides,<sup>8</sup> as well as sulfoxides,<sup>11,12</sup> has been widely studied; however, the structures of selenoxides are not well specified.<sup>13,14</sup> The factors that operate

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CHART 1



to control the fine structures of selenoxides have been elucidated, exemplified by 1-(arylseleninyl)naphthalenes and the derivatives bearing G at the 8-positions (8-G-1-[p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (8-G-1-[ArSe(O)]Nap): **1** (G = H), **2** (G = F), **3** (G = Cl), and **4** (G = Br); Y = H (**a**), OMe (**b**), OCH<sub>2</sub>Ph (**b**'), *t*-Bu (**c**), Me (**d**), Cl (**e**), and NO<sub>2</sub> (**f**)) (Chart 1). Factors to control the fine structures of **1**-**4** and 1,1'-dinaphthyl selenoxide (**5**) have been clarified by examining the structures determined by the X-ray crystallographic analysis and by analyzing them on the basis of quantum chemical (QC) calculations.

The structures around the naphthyl group in 8-G-1-(p- $YC_6H_4Se)C_{10}H_6$  [6 (G = H), 7 (G = F), 8 (G = Cl), and 9 (G = Br)] are well explained by types A (A), B (B), and C (C).<sup>4c,d,f-h,5b</sup> Similarly, those around the Ar group are classified by planar (pl), perpendicular (pd), and nonplanar and nonperpendicular (np) conformers,<sup>4c-e,g,h,5b,15</sup> although they might change successively. Scheme 1 shows the structures of 1-4 and 6-8; the notation is employed throughout the text. The characters in the structures of 6–8 are summarized as follows: the structures of 6 are A if Y are acceptors such as Cl, Br, COOEt, and NO<sub>2</sub>, whereas they are **B** when Y are donors such as OMe (Y dependence).<sup>5b</sup> Structures of 8 and 9 in Chart 1 are all **B**, as is **7b** (G dependence).<sup>4h</sup> While the origin of the Y dependence in **6** is the p $-\pi$  conjugation of the n<sub>p</sub>(Se) $-\pi$ (Nap) and  $n_p(Se) - \pi(Ar)$  types, the G dependence in 7–9 is controlled by the nonbonded  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  3c-4e interaction. The interaction aligns the three G---Se-C atoms linearly. The factors to control the structures of 1-5 will be clarified similarly to the cases of the Y and G dependences in 6-9.<sup>4h,5b</sup>

Here, we report the fine structures of 1-5 bearing various substituents Y at the phenyl *p*-positions. The factors to control the structures are also elucidated, which are called O, Y, and G dependences in 1-5, after the Y and G dependences in 6-9.<sup>4h,5b</sup> All structures regarding to the naphthyl group in 1-4 are A, where the Se-C<sub>Ar</sub> and Se-O bonds are perpendicular to and

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parallel to the naphthyl plane, respectively. This means that the **B** structure of **6b** (**6b** (**B**)) dramatically changes to **1b'** (**A**) with O introduced at Se, and **B** in **7**–**9** also change dramatically to **A** in **2**–**4**, with O for each. The structure of **1b'** (**A**) (Y = OCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), instead of **1b** (Y = OMe), is discussed here, since crystals suitable for X-ray analysis are not obtained for **1b**.<sup>16</sup> The structural change by O at Se is called O dependence. Torsional angles ( $\phi$ ) around Se–C<sub>Ar</sub> in **1** also change depending on Y, although not strongly, which is called Y dependence. While **A** in **1** are stabilized only by the O dependence, **A** in **2**–**4** bearing G of halogens at the 8-positions are stabilized through the n<sub>p</sub>(G)- -  $\sigma^*$ (Se–O) 3c–4e interaction, in addition to the O dependence. We call it G dependence. QC calculations are employed to analyze the observed structures and to clarify the origin of the O and G dependences.

It is clarified how fine structures are controlled by weak interactions, exemplified by the selenoxides, which can be applied to other compounds. It can provide basic information to control the facile racemization of the optically active selenoxides by incorporating the  $n_p(Se)-\pi(Nap)$ ,  $n_p(Se)-\pi(Ar)$ , and/or  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-O)$  interactions suitably into the selenoxides.

### **Results and Discussion**

Structures of 1-[*p*-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>7</sub> (1). Single crystals of 1a, 1b',<sup>16</sup> 1d, 1e, and 1f were obtained via slow evaporation of hexane solutions containing dichloromethane, and one of the suitable crystals was subjected to X-ray crystallographic analysis for each compound. Only one type of structure corresponds to each of them in the crystals for 1a, 1b', 1d, and 1e, and two types correspond to 1f in the crystals. Figures 1–3 show the structures of 1a, 1b', and 1e, respectively. Those of 1d and 1f are shown in the Supporting Information.<sup>17</sup> The structures around the Se atoms are essentially the same as those in Figures 1–3, although there are some differences in the torsional angles of C(1)–Se–C(11)–C(12) (=  $\phi_{Ar}$ ).

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FIGURE 1. Structure of 1a (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability levels).



**FIGURE 2.** Structure of 1b' (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).



**FIGURE 3.** Structure of **1e** (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).

Selected interatomic distances, angles, and torsional angles of **1a**, **1b'**, **1d**, **1e**, and **1f** necessary for the discussion are collected in Table 1. The planarity of the naphthyl (Nap) and

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<sup>(16)</sup> Single crystals of **1b** with Y = OMe were tried to prepare under various conditions. However, single crystals of **1b**, suitable for the X-ray crystallographic analysis, were not obtained. The crystals look amorphous. Instead, single crystals suitable for the X-ray analysis were obtained for **1b'** with  $Y = PhCH_2O$ . Therefore, the structure of **1b'** is employed in place of **1b** here.

<sup>(17)</sup> The crystallographic data of **1a**, **1b'**, **1d**, **1e**, **1f**, **2b**, **3c**, **3e**, **4b**, **5**, and **10** are collected in the Supporting Information. The structures of **1d**, **1f**, and **3c** are shown in Figures S1–S3, respectively, in the Supporting Information.

type of structure

TABLE 1. Selected Bond Lengths, Angles, and Torsional Angles around the Selenium Atom of 1a, 1b', 1d, 1e, and 1f

(A: np)

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	<b>1</b> a	1b'	1d	1e	1f (S-A)	1f (S-B)	
bond lengths (Å)							
Se-C(1)	1.955(3)	1.950(5)	1.963(6)	1.953(3)	1.959(5)	1.960(5)	
Se-C(11)	1.945(2)	1.935(4)	1.952(5)	1.959(3)	1.958(4)	1.958(4)	
Se-O(1)	1.6630(18)	1.653(3)	1.660(4)	1.665(2)	1.651(4)	1.663(4)	
angles (deg)							
Se-C(1)-C(2)	116.2(2)	116.3(4)	115.3(5)	117.0(2)	116.4(4)	114.8(4)	
Se-C(1)-C(10)	121.28(19)	121.3(4)	120.9(4)	120.3(2)	121.4(4)	122.8(4)	
Se-C(11)-C(12)	120.51(19)	120.7(4)	119.4(4)	118.8(2)	119.1(4)	118.6(4)	
C(1) - Se - C(11)	95.41(12)	95.6(2)	94.5(2)	95.9(1)	95.3(2)	94.8(2)	
O(1) - Se - C(1)	102.20(10)	102.7(2)	103.2(2)	102.4(1)	101.8(2)	101.2(2)	
O(1) - Se - C(11)	103.01(10)	103.3(2)	102.8(2)	101.6(1)	103.9(2)	103.0(2)	
torsional angles (deg)							
Se-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	177.1(2)	-176.6(4)	-174.3(5)	178.0(3)	177.0(4)	-179.1(4)	
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(5)	-174.83(18)	174.9(3)	173.0(4)	-177.9(2)	-175.6(3)	177.5(3)	
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(9)	4.8(4)	-4.7(6)	-6.5(8)	0.9(4)	4.5(7)	0.2(7)	
C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(12)	54.6(2)	-53.9(4)	-55.5(5)	-86.5(3)	-71.0(4)	78.1(4)	
C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(16)	-131.6(2)	131.5(4)	129.3(5)	95.5(3)	109.5(4)	-103.3(4)	
C(2)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	-102.5(2)	104.6(4)	103.8(5)	100.0(3)	97.1(4)	-104.8(4)	
C(10)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	75.7(2)	-74.0(4)	-74.8(5)	-82.4(2)	-86.9(4)	76.9(4)	
O(1) - Se - C(1) - C(2)	2.1(2)	-0.4(4)	-0.5(5)	-3.3(3)	-8.3(4)	-0.5(4)	
O(1)-Se-C(1)-C(10)	-179.7(2)	-179.0(4)	-179.1(4)	174.3(2)	167.7(4)	-178.8(4)	
O(1) - Se - C(11) - C(12)	-49.3(2)	50.6(4)	49.1(5)	17.5(3)	32.6(4)	-24.6(4)	

(A: np)

aryl (Ar) planes is very good. The structures of **1** examined are all **A** for the naphthyl plane. We call this O dependence. Since the structure of **6b** is reported to be (**B**:  $\mathbf{pd}$ ),<sup>5b</sup> the O dependence in **1b'** corresponds to the dramatic change in the structure from **6b** (**B**:  $\mathbf{pd}$ ) to **1b'** (**A**:  $\mathbf{np}$ ), for example.

(A: np)

It is worthwhile to comment on the torsional angles of  $C(10)-C(1)-Se-C(11) (= \phi_{Nap})$  and C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(12)(=  $\phi_{Ar}$ ). A successive change in  $\phi_{Ar}$  is observed depending on Y: (1x:  $\phi_{\text{Nap}}$ ,  $\phi_{\text{Ar}}$ ) are (1a: 75.7(2)°, 54.6(2)°), (1b':  $-74.0(4)^{\circ}$ ,  $-53.9(4)^{\circ}$ ), (1d:  $-74.8(5)^{\circ}$ ,  $-55.5(5)^{\circ}$ ), (1e:  $-82.4(2)^{\circ}$ ,  $-86.5(3)^{\circ}$ ), (**1f** (S-A):  $-86.9(4)^{\circ}$ ,  $-71.0(4)^{\circ}$ ), and (1f (S-B):  $76.9(4)^{\circ}$ ,  $78.1(4)^{\circ}$ ) (Table 1). While the structure around the Nap group in 1 is all A, the conformation around the Ar group changes almost successively depending on Y. We call the structural change Y dependence. The observed results are explained by assuming that the structure is **pd** when Y is accepting and it changes **np** if Y goes to donating. The strong accepting nitro group in 1f and the chloro group in 1e control the structures pd. They are denoted by (A: pd) (cf. Scheme 1). The structures of 1a, 1b', and 1d are (A: np). Typical (A: **pl**) is not observed.

Structures of 8-G-1-[p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (2–4). Similarly to the case of 1, structures of 2b, 3c, 3e, and 4b were determined by the X-ray crystallographic analysis. Only one type of structure corresponds to each of them in the crystals. Figures 4–6 exhibit the structures of 2b, 3e, and 4b, respectively. The structure of 3c is shown in the Supporting Information<sup>17</sup> and is essentially the same as that in Figures 4–6.

Selected interatomic distances, angles, and torsional angles of **2b**, **3c**, **3e**, and **4b** necessary for the discussion are shown in Table 2. The planarity of the naphthyl and aryl planes in **2**–**4** is good. Each Se–O bond is on the naphthyl plane as observed in **1**. Consequently, three G- - -Se–O (G = F, Cl, and Br) atoms in **2**–**4** align linearly. We call this G dependence. The structures containing the linear alignment of the three G- - -Se–O atoms in **2**–**4** must be stabilized by the hypervalent G- - -Se–O 3c–4e interactions, in addition to the O dependence, which is also operating in **1**. The O and G atoms in **3** and **4** deviate from the Nap plane to some extent. The O, Y, and G dependences are summarized in Scheme 2. Torsional angles of C(1)–Se–C(11)–C(12) in **2**–**4** are close to 90°. The structures



(A: pd)

 $(A:\ pd)$ 

FIGURE 4. Structure of 2b (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).



**FIGURE 5.** Structure of **3e** (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).

of 2b, 3c, 3e, and 4b are (A: pd). It is difficult to recognize the Y dependence in the structures of 2-4.

Structures of  $(1-C_{10}H_7)_2$ Se=O (5) and  $(1-C_{10}H_7)_2$ Se (10). The structures of 5 and 1,1'-dinaphthyl selenide (10) were determined similarly. Only one type of structure corresponds to each of them in the crystals. Figures 7 and 8 show the structures of 5 and 10, respectively.

(A: pd)



**FIGURE 6.** Structure of **4b** (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability levels).

 TABLE 2.
 Selected Bond Lengths, Angles, and Torsional Angles around the Selenium Atom of 2b, 3c, 3e, and 4b

	2b	3c	3e	4b
bond lengths (Å)				
Se-C(1)	1.965(3)	1.985(4)	1.989(7)	1.986(3)
Se-C(11)	1.944(3)	1.966(4)	1.976(7)	1.961(3)
Se-G	2.807(2)	3.069(1)	3.067(2)	3.191(3)
Se-O(1)	1.664(2)	1.658(3)	1.658(6)	1.661(2)
angles (deg)				
Se-C(1)-C(2)	115.3(2)	110.8(4)	111.6(6)	111.6(2)
Se-C(1)-C(10)	123.5(2)	127.1(3)	126.7(5)	127.2(2)
Se-C(11)-C(12)	118.9(2)	117.9(3)	115.9(6)	117.0(2)
C(1)-Se-C(11)	96.6(1)	95.9(2)	94.5(3)	94.16(11)
O(1) - Se - C(1)	100.7(1)	100.4(2)	101.1(3)	101.39(11)
O(1)-Se-C(11)	102.0(1)	100.6(1)	101.2(3)	100.98(11)
C(1)-Se-G	71.28(9)	74.5(1)	75.4(2)	71.02
O(1)-Se-G	170.85(8)	171.2(1)	164.6(2)	163.58
torsional angles (deg)				
Se-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	177.8(2)	-177.1(4)	178.3(6)	179.9(2)
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(5)	-178.4(2)	175.4(3)	-177.0(5)	-179.86(19)
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(9)	0.8(4)	-5.3(6)	2(1)	-0.5(4)
C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(12)	-72.6(2)	-70.8(4)	-90.3(6)	105.1(2)
C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(16)	110.2(3)	116.2(4)	93.1(7)	-77.1(2)
C(2)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	102.2(2)	99.7(3)	88.3(5)	-85.5(2)
C(10)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	-81.3(2)	-79.0(3)	-94.8(6)	94.6(2)
O(1)-Se-C(1)-C(2)	-1.3(2)	-2.2(3)	-14.1(6)	16.5(2)
O(1)-Se-C(1)-C(10)	175.1(2)	179.1(3)	162.9(6)	-163.3(2)
O(1)-Se-C(11)-C(12)	29.9(2)	30.9(4)	11.9(6)	2.7(2)
G-C(9)-C(10)-C(5)	178.3(2)	176.0(3)	178.6(5)	-179.56(19)
type of structure	(A: pd)	(A: pd)	(A: pd)	(A: pd)

Selected data of 5 and 10 necessary for the discussion are shown in Table 3. The structure of 5 is A for both naphthyl groups (5 (AA)), and the planarity of the naphthyl planes is very good. It constructs a roof structure. On the other hand, the structure of 10 is AB (Figure 8). 10 (AB) changes dramatically to 5 (AA) by the O dependence. 5 (AA) provides a hint for the mechanism of the Y dependence in 1.

Why are such structures observed in 1-5? The origin of the O, Y, and G dependences is analyzed on the basis of the quantum chemical (QC) calculations.

QC Calculations. QC calculations were performed on 1-(methylseleninyl)naphthalene (11) and the derivatives bearing G of halogens at the 8-positions [12 (G = F), 13 (G = Cl), and 14 (G = Br)] to elucidate the origin of the O and G dependences (Chart 2). Indeed, the structures and the energies evaluated on the basis of the QC calculations essentially correspond to those in the gas phase, but the factors to control and/or stabilize the structures in the gas phase must also operate in solid states and in solutions. However, we must be careful since other factors,





such as the crystal packing effect in crystals and the solvent effect in solutions, would be stronger than those predicted by QC calculations.<sup>18</sup> Selenoxides 11-14 are mainly discussed, instead of 1-4, to elucidate observed structures around the Nap group, first. Those around the Ar group are also discussed on the basis of the optimized structure of **1a**.



FIGURE 7. Structure of 5 (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).



**FIGURE 8.** Structure of **10** (thermal ellipsoids are shown at 40% probability levels).

 TABLE 3.
 Selected Bond Lengths, Angles, and Torsional Angles around the Selenium Atom of 5 and 10

	5	10
bond lengths (Å)		
Se-C(1)	1.955(3)	1.911(4)
Se-C(11)	1.963(3)	1.910(4)
Se-O(1)	1.653(3)	
angles (deg)		
Se-C(1)-C(2)	117.3(3)	123.5(4)
Se-C(1)-C(10)	120.0(3)	117.3(3)
Se-C(11)-C(12)	117.7(3)	118.9(4)
C(1) - Se - C(11)	96.0(1)	99.9(2)
O(1) - Se - C(1)	102.0(1)	
O(1) - Se - C(11)	101.8(1)	
torsional angles (deg)		
Se-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-177.3(3)	177.8(4)
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(5)	176.2(2)	-177.6(3)
Se-C(1)-C(10)-C(9)	-3.2(4)	2.5(6)
C(1)-Se- $C(11)$ - $C(12)$	64.0(3)	-102.1(4)
C(1)-Se-C(11)-C(20)	-117.2(3)	80.2(4)
C(2)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	-101.2(3)	-0.1(5)
C(10)-C(1)-Se-C(11)	83.5(3)	178.4(3)
O(1) - Se - C(1) - C(2)	2.2(3)	
O(1) - Se - C(1) - C(10)	-173.1(2)	
O(1) - Se - C(11) - C(12)	-39.6(3)	
type of structure	AA	AB

CHART 2



The B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method of the Gaussian 98 program<sup>19</sup> is employed in the calculations of 11-14.<sup>20</sup> Two stable structures and two transition states are optimized for 11-13and three minima and three transition states are for 14. Frequency analysis is performed on the six optimized structures of 14 with the B3LYP/6-311+G(d)//B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method. All frequencies are predicted to be positive for the three minima, and only one negative (imaginary) frequency is for each of the transition state. Consequently, the nature of the optimized structures is demonstrated to be as expected. Table 4 shows the results.<sup>21</sup> The relative energies for the structures do not change so much by the thermal effects.

The B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method is also applied to optimize further the two stable structures and the two transition states of **11** and the three stable conformers of **14**. The results are also collected in Table 4. The relative energies obtained with the B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method are essentially the same as those with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method. QC calculations are also performed on **1a** and the protonated global minimum of **11** (**11A**•H<sup>+</sup>) with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method.

**Energy Profile of 8-G-1-[MeSe(O)]** $C_{10}H_6$  (11–14). To clarify the energy profile of naphthyl selenoxides, 11 are further optimized with variously fixed torsional angles  $\phi_{Me}$  (=  $\angle C_9C_1SeC_{Me}$ ) by the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method. The energies of 11 are plotted versus  $\phi_{Me}$ , together with those of fully optimized energies in Table 4 calculated with the same method. Figure 9 shows the plot. The four (full) optimized structures are on the energy surface: two must be minima and two are the transition states, as expected. The nature of the optimized structures for 12 and 13 is also assumed to be that expected, since the calculation method for 12 and 13 is the same as that for 11 and 14.

The global minima of 11-14 are shown by 11A-14A, respectively, which reproduce the observed structures around the naphthyl seleninyl moieties of 1-4, respectively. The stable structures of 14 are called 14A, 14B, and 14C, of which  $\phi_{Me}$ are 80.5°, 192.6°, and 303.4°, respectively, where the B3LYP/ 6-311+G(d) method is employed for the calculations. The transition states are 14 (TS, AB), 14 (TS, BC), and 14 (TS, CA), of which  $\phi_{Me}$  are 178.8°, 265.1°, and 330.9°, respectively, where 14 (TS, AB) is a transition state between 14A and 14B, for example. Table 4 collects the relative energies ( $\Delta E$ ) of the optimized structures for 11-14, where the energies of 11A-14A are taken to be the standards, respectively. The optimized values for  $\phi_{Me}$ , together with  $\phi_O (= \angle C_9 C_1 SeO)$ , are also collected in Table 4. Scheme 3 shows the stable structures and the transition states optimized for 14, for example. If one examines  $\phi_{Me}$  in Table 4, one will easily realize that the stable conformers 11B, 12B, and 13B are not optimized. Namely, stable conformers other than 11A-13A in 11-13 are 11C-13C, respectively. While the structure of the transition state between 11A and 11C corresponds to that of 14 (TS, AB), those for 12 and 13 are similar to that of 14 (TS, BC) (Table 4). Therefore, the transition state of **11** between **11A** and **11C** is assigned to 11 (TS, AB) and those for 12 and 13 are 12 (TS, BC) and 13 (TS, BC), respectively.

(21) The carbons are numbered equal to those in the names, which are not the same as those in the structures determined by the X-ray analysis.

<sup>(18)</sup> The structures of **1** in chloroform solutions are also determined employing  $\delta(H)$  at the 2- and 8-positions. The results are the same as those obtained from the X-ray crystallographic analysis. The structures of **2–4** are determined similarly in solutions. The results will be reported elsewhere.

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TABLE 4. Calculated Energies and Torsional Angles ( $\phi_{Me}$  and  $\phi_{O}$ ) for 11–14, Together with the Results of Frequency Analysis for 14

	Α	TS: AB	В	TS: BC	С	TS: CA				
With the B3LYP/6-311+G(d) Method										
<i>E</i> ( <b>11</b> ) (au)	-2902.0304	-2902.0221	a	а	-2902.0277	-2902.0137				
$\Delta E^{b}(kJ mol^{-1})$	0.0	21.8			7.1	43.8				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^c$ (deg)	80.7	166.4			284.6	360.4				
$\phi_{\rm O}^d$ (deg)	185.5	273.1			30.7	108.0				
E(12) (au)	-3001.3000	а	a	-3001.2786	-3001.2872	-3001.2766				
$\Delta E^{b}(kJ mol^{-1})$	0.0			56.1	33.6	61.4				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^c$ (deg)	79.5			242.5	291.2	366.7				
$\phi_0^d$ (deg)	183.5			344.9	41.3	101.4				
E(13) (au)	-3361.6478	а	а	-3361.6250	-3361.6320	-3361.6183				
$\Delta E^{b}(kJ mol^{-1})$	0.0			59.9	41.5	77.5				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^{c}$ (deg)	80.5			254.7	298.4	327.6				
$\phi_0^d$ (deg)	183.5			356.4	49.1	74.3				
E(14) (au)	-5475.5651	-5475.5502	-5475.5503	-5475.5423	-5475.5484	-5475.5331				
$\Delta E^{b}(kJ mol^{-1})$	0.0	39.1	38.9	59.9	43.8	84.0				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^c$ (deg)	80.5	178.8	192.6	265.1	303.4	330.9				
$\phi_0^d$ (deg)	183.3	283.2	296.2	352.9	54.3	141.0				
$\nu_1^{e,f}$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	31.7	-24.8	21.2	-42.1	25.2	-65.6				
$\nu_2^{e,g}(cm^{-1})$	87.8	37.2	52.7	35.3	73.6	39.9				
$ZPC^{e,h}$ (au)	0.1667	0.1662	0.1664	0.1659	0.1663	0.1662				
TCF <sup>e,i</sup> (au)	0.1252	0.1262	0.1245	0.1254	0.1244	0.1261				
$E_{\rm F}^{e,j}$ (au)	-5475.4399	-5475.4240	-5475.4259	-5475.4169	-5475.4240	-5475.4070				
$\Delta E_{\mathrm{F}}^{e,k}$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	0.0	41.7	36.8	60.4	41.7	86.4				
meaning	minimum	saddle point	minimum	saddle point	minimum	saddle point				
With the B3LYP/6-311+ $G(2d,p)$ Method										
E(11) (au)	-2902.0639	-2902.0558	a	а	-2902.0614	-2902.0474				
$\Delta E^{\rm b}({\rm kJ}~{\rm mol}^{-1})$	0.0	21.3			6.6	43.3				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^{c}$ (deg)	80.8	165.8			284.5	359.9				
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^d$ (deg)	185.6	272.5			30.7	108.0				
E(14) (au)	-5475.5935	1	-5475.5790	1	-5475.5767	1				
$\Delta E^{b}(kJ mol^{-1})$	0.0		38.1		44.1					
$\phi_{\rm Me}{}^c$ (deg)	-80.8		192.8		301.8					
$\phi_{\rm O}{}^d$ (deg)	183.5		296.5		52.9					

<sup>*a*</sup> Not optimized. <sup>*b*</sup>  $\Delta E = E(\mathbf{X}) - E(\mathbf{A})$ , where X = A, B, C, AB, BC, and/or CA for each. <sup>*c*</sup>  $\phi_{Me} = \angle C_9 C_1 SeC_{Me}$ .<sup>21</sup> <sup>*d*</sup>  $\phi_0 = \angle C_9 C_1 SeO$ .<sup>21</sup> <sup>*e*</sup> Frequency analysis carried out with the B3LYP/6-311+G(d)//B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method. <sup>*f*</sup> Lowest frequency obtained by the frequency analysis. <sup>*s*</sup> Second lowest frequency obtained by the frequency analysis. <sup>*h*</sup> Zero-point correction. <sup>*i*</sup> Thermal correction to Gibbs free energy at 298.15 K. <sup>*j*</sup> Sum of electronic and thermal Gibbs free energies at 298.15 K. <sup>*k*</sup>  $\Delta E_F = E_F(\mathbf{X}) - E_F(\mathbf{A})$ , where X = A, B, C, AB, BC, and CA. <sup>*i*</sup> Not calculated.



FIGURE 9. Energy profile of 11.

The Se–O bond is on the naphthyl plane in the global minimum of **11A**, where  $\phi_{Me} = 80.8^{\circ}$  and  $\phi_O = 185.6^{\circ}$ . The H-8 atom in **11C** is surrounded by the O, Se, and  $C_{Me}$  atoms, which can be derived from **14C** in Scheme 3. The steric repulsion between H-8 and the O–Se– $C_{Me}$  energy wall must be responsible for **11C** being less stable than **11A**. The optimized transition state between **11C** and **11A** is **11** (TS: **CA**). The other local minimum, **11B**, corresponding to **14B**, is searched for. However, **11B** is not optimized. Instead, a somewhat complex energy surface was observed in this region as shown in Figure 9, which exhibit a complex energy profile near the region.

SCHEME 3. Optimized Structures in 14: 14A, 14B, 14C, 14 (TS: AB), 14 (TS: BC), and 14 (TS: CA)



The relative energies of **11A**, **11C**, **11** (TS: **AB**), and **11** (TS: **CA**) are 0.0, 6.6, 21.3, and 43.3 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. **11** (TS: **CA**) is most unstable, where the Me group is just passing through H-8. It is puzzling why **11** (TS: **BC**) is not optimized, where the O atom is passing through H-8. We propose a mechanism that consists of two factors. One is the steric repulsion between H-8 and O, which must generate **11** (TS: **BC**) (and **11B**). Another factor is an attractive one, which lays the Se–O bond on the naphthyl plane. The latter factor must also operate in **11A**. The origin of the factor will be discussed later. The contribution of the attractive factor may be stronger than the repulsive one in the region since **11** (TS: **BC**) (and **11B**) does not appear in the energy surface of **11**.



FIGURE 10. HOMO of 11A, together with the optimized structure.

**Origin of O and Y Dependences in 1.** What is the origin of the O dependence in 1? The Se–O bonds are on the naphthyl planes in the observed structures of **1** [ $\phi_0(O(1)-Se-C(1)-C(10)) \approx 180^\circ$ ]. It is instructive to examine the orbital interactions between  $\pi$ (Nap) and the orbitals of the ArSe(O) group.

Two types of interactions must be of importance if the structures of **1** are considered. One is the interaction of  $\pi$ (Nap) with  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  and  $\pi^*(Nap)$  with  $\sigma(Se-C)$ . Since both  $\pi$ (Se=O) and  $\pi$ \*(Se=O) are filled with electrons, the other one must be that of  $\pi^*(\text{Nap})$  with  $\pi(\text{Se=O})$  and  $\pi^*(\text{Se=O})$ . The Se-C<sub>Ar</sub> bond becomes perpendicular to the naphthyl plane if the  $\pi(\text{Nap}) - \sigma^*(\text{Se}-\text{C}_{\text{Ar}})$  and  $\pi^*(\text{Nap}) - \sigma(\text{Se}-\text{C}_{\text{Ar}})$  interactions are predominant. On the other hand, the Se-O bond will be on the naphthyl plane when the  $\pi^*(Nap) - \pi(Se=O)$  and  $\pi^*(Nap) - \pi(Se=O)$  $\pi^*(Se=O)$  interactions substantially contribute to 1. Observed torsional angles of C(10)C(1)SeC(11) in 1a, 1b', and 1d are 74.0–75.7°, whereas the corresponding angles of O(1)–Se– C(1)-C(10) are 179.0-179.7° (Table 1). The former deviate ca. 15° from 90° but the latter are very close to 180°. The observations support the mechanism of the  $\pi^*(Nap)$ - $\pi(Se=O)$  and  $\pi^*(Nap)-\pi^*(Se=O)$  interactions.<sup>22</sup>

Let us consider the mechanism with the  $\pi^*(\text{Nap})-\pi(\text{Se=O})$ and  $\pi^*(\text{Nap})-\pi^*(\text{Se=O})$  interactions in more detail. Since both  $\pi(\text{Se=O})$  and  $\pi^*(\text{Se=O})$  are filled with electrons as mentioned above and Se is three coordinated, both  $\pi(\text{Se=O})$  and  $\pi^*(\text{Se=O})$  must localize on O. They are reduced to an n<sub>p</sub>(O), in this case. Consequently, there are two n<sub>p</sub>(O)'s, since O has the original one. To clarify the discussion, two n<sub>p</sub>(O)'s are used in the discussion here. The two n<sub>p</sub>(O)'s are n<sub>py</sub>(O) and n<sub>pz</sub>(O), perpendicular with each other, if the direction of the Se–O bond is fixed at the *x*-axis and that of the p orbitals of  $\pi(\text{Nap})$  in 1-4 is fixed at the *z*-axis ( $\pi_z(\text{Nap})$ ). Since O in Se<sup>+</sup>=O<sup>-</sup> is highly negatively charged and  $\pi^*(\text{Nap})$  must act as a good acceptor, CT will occur mainly directly from n<sub>p</sub>(O) to  $\pi^*(\text{Nap})$ . The mechanism must be essentially the same as the throughspace one.

Figure 10 shows HOMO of **11A**,<sup>23</sup> which demonstrates the overlap between the nonbonded  $n_p(O)$  and  $\pi^*(Nap)$  orbitals in **11A**.<sup>24</sup> The O dependence in **1** is well understood and explained by the nonbonded  $n_p(O)$ - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction. The mechanism must also be operating in **2–4**.

In the case of **5** (**AA**), it contains two  $\pi$ (Nap)'s, perpendicular with each other. If the directions of the  $\pi$ (Nap)'s are set to the *y*- and *z*-axes ( $\pi_y$ (Nap<sub>B</sub>) and  $\pi_z$ (Nap<sub>A</sub>), respectively) with the Se–O bond to the *x*-axis, two n<sub>p</sub>(O)'s are called n<sub>pz</sub>(O) and n<sub>py</sub>(O), which are perpendicular with each other. Consequently, n<sub>pz</sub>(O) interacts with  $\pi_z$ (Nap<sub>A</sub>) and n<sub>py</sub>(O) does with  $\pi_y$ (Nap<sub>B</sub>)



**FIGURE 11.** Proposed nonbonded  $n_{pz}(O)$ - - $\pi(Nap)$  and  $n_{py}(O)$ - - $\pi(Ar)$  interactions in **1** (**A**: **pd**), together with the direction of CT. Optimized structure of **1a** (**A**: **pd**) is employed as the framework.

in **5** (**AA**). The structure of **5** (**AA**) is well explained by the O dependence of the two nonbonded  $n_p(O)$ - - $\pi$ (Nap) interactions. Namely, the double but independent  $n_p(O)$ - - $\pi$ (Nap) interactions occur in **5**, which determine the **AA** structure. This idea leads to the mechanism of the Y dependence in **1**.

If the accepting ability of  $\pi(Ar)$  in NapSe(O)Ar is not less than that of  $\pi(Nap)$ , the conformation around the Ar group in **1** must be very close to that of a Nap group in **5** (**AA**). It requires Y of accepting groups, which explains well the structures of **1** (**A**: **pd**) with Y = Cl and NO<sub>2</sub>.<sup>25,26</sup> The discussion is summarized in Figure 11. The structure will be no longer **1** (**A**: **pd**) if the accepting ability of  $\pi(Ar)$  becomes less than that of  $\pi(Nap)$ . The **1** (**A**: **pd**) structure changes to **1** (**A**: **pp**) as observed in **1** with Y = H, Me, and OCH<sub>2</sub>Ph. The **1** (**A**: **pl**) structure is not observed since the  $n_{py}(O)$ - - $\pi(Ar)$  interaction must be repulsive for Ar with Y of donating groups.

QC calculations were performed on **1a** with the B3LYP/ 6-311+G(2d,p) method. The **1a** (**A**: **pd**) structure is optimized with  $\phi_{\text{Nap}} = 89.5^{\circ}$  and  $\phi_{\text{Ar}} = 103.7^{\circ}$  (and  $-79.4^{\circ}$ ). The same structure was optimized even if the calculations started from **1a** (**A**: **pl**) and **1a** (**B**: **pd**). The optimized structure of **1a** (**A**: **pd**) with  $\phi_{\text{Ar}} = -79.4^{\circ}$  did not reproduce the observed **1a** (**A**: **np**) of  $\phi_{\text{Ar}} = 54.6(2)^{\circ}$ . Instead, the calculations demonstrates the importance of the nonbonded  $n_p(O) - -\pi(Ph)$  interaction (O dependence for Ph) since the torsional angle of  $OSeC_iC_o$  is predicted to be  $-0.7^{\circ}$  (and  $176.2^{\circ}$ ). The optimized structure is employed as the framework of **1a** (**A**: **pd**) in Figure 11.

Why does the nonbonded  $n_p(O)$ - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction control the structure of **1** so effectively? The observed r(O, C(1)) and r(O, C(2)) values in **1** are collected in Table 5. They are 2.806–2.845 and 2.880–2.960 Å, respectively, which are 0.38–0.41

<sup>(22)</sup> The values for **1e** and **1f** (averaged of **1f** (S–A) and **1f** (S–B)) are different from those shown above, of which deviations are 6–7°. It may be due to the pure (**A**: **pd**) structures for **1e** and **1f**. Similar deviations are observed in **5** (**AA**), where both  $\pi$ (Nap) interact with  $\pi$ (Se=O), identically.

<sup>(23)</sup> MolStudio R3.2 (Rev 1.0), NEC Corp., 1977-2003.

<sup>(24)</sup> Natural charges (Qn) are calculated for a naphthalene adduct of NapH---M. For M of O=SeMe<sub>2</sub>, the O-Se-<sup>A</sup>C atoms in NapH--O=Se<sup>A</sup>MeMe are placed in the NapH plane with  $r(0, C_1)$  and  $r(0, C_2)$  being fixed at 2.822 and 2.936 Å, respectively (cf: Table 5).  $Qn(OSeMe_2)$  in NapH--OSeMe<sub>2</sub> is calculated to be 0.0075, which means that CT from OSeMe<sub>2</sub> to NapH in the adduct is -0.0075. CT of ca. 1% from Me<sub>2</sub>SeO to NapH in NapH- - OSeMe<sub>2</sub> seems reasonable in such adduct. Since Nap in **1**-**4** are substituted with the highly positively charged ArSe<sup>+</sup>(=O<sup>-</sup>) group, CT from O to Nap in **1**-**4** must be larger than that calculated for NapH- - OSeMe<sub>2</sub>. In the case of NapH- - M with M = O<sup>2-</sup>, MeO<sup>-</sup>, and MeSeO<sup>-</sup>, CT from M to NapH are evaluated to be -0.750, -0.046, and -0.030, respectively.

<sup>(25)</sup> A good correlation between EA and  $\epsilon$ (LUMO) at the DFT level is suggested: *Chemical Hardness*; Pearson, R. G., Ed.; Wiley-VCH: New York, 1997; p 38.

<sup>(26)</sup> EA of anisole, benzene, chlorobenzene, nitrobenzene are reported to be -1.11, -1.15, -0.75, and 1.01 eV, respectively.<sup>36</sup> EA of naphthalene is estimated to be -0.185 eV, based on its  $\epsilon$  (LUMO) calculated by the B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) method.<sup>23,5b</sup>

TABLE 5. Observed Nonbonded O(1)- -C(1) and O(1)- -C(2) Distances of 1-4

compd	<b>1</b> a	1b′	1d	1e	1f (S-A)	1f (S-B)	2b	3c	3e	4b
O(1)C(1) (Å)	2.822(2)	2.820(6)	2.845(7)	2.826(4)	2.809(6)	2.806(6)	2.801(3)	2.809(5)	2.823(9)	2.829(3)
O(1)C(2) (Å)	2.936(2)	2.942(7)	2.951(9)	2.960(4)	2.938(6)	2.880(8)	2.884(4)	2.796(6)	2.851(10)	2.870(2)



 $(\phi_{Me} = 126.5^{\circ}, \phi_{O} = 221.8^{\circ})$ 

**FIGURE 12.** Optimized structure of **11A**•H<sup>+</sup> ( $\phi_{Me} = 126.5^{\circ}$  and  $\phi_{O} = 221.8^{\circ}$ ) with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method.



**FIGURE 13.** Energy profiles for **11** ( $\oplus$ ), **12** ( $\triangle$ ), **13** ( $\square$ ), and **14** ( $\bigcirc$ ) calculated with the B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method, together with that of **11** ( $\oplus$ ) with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method.

and 0.26–0.34 Å shorter than the sum of van der Waals radii of O and C atoms, respectively ( $r_{vdW}(C) = 1.70$  Å and  $r_{vdW}(O)$ = 1.52 Å:  $\Sigma r_{vdW} = 3.22$  Å).<sup>27</sup> The orbital interaction must work more effective to control the structures of **1** than that expected based on  $r_{vdW}(O)$ , since  $n_p(O)$  in **1** extends further in space than that estimated from  $r_{vdW}(O)$ , with O of highly negatively charged.

The contribution of the  $n_{pz}(O)$ - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction in 11 is also demonstrated by comparing the optimized structure of 11A with that of 11A' where the  $n_{pz}(O)$  is removed. 11A' is actualized by protonating 11A at the  $n_{pz}(O)$  (11A•H<sup>+</sup>). 11A•H<sup>+</sup> is optimized with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method. Figure 12 shows the optimized structure of 11A•H<sup>+</sup>. If the calculations are started with an initial structure around the Se=O moiety close to that of 11A, it is optimized to be that shown in Figure 12. The optimized 11A•H<sup>+</sup> is essentially the same as the initial one, except for the torsional angles of  $\phi_{Me}$  and  $\phi_O$ . The Se–O bond in 11A•H<sup>+</sup> rotates around Se–C<sub>Nap</sub>, relative to that in 11A, to give  $\phi_{Me} = 126.5^{\circ}$  and  $\phi_O = 221.8^{\circ}$ . This must be the results of the disappearance of  $n_{pz}(O)$  in 11A•H<sup>+</sup>. The results supports the importance of the  $n_{pz}(O)$ - - $\pi(Nap)$  interaction in 11A, together with that in 1.

Effects of G in 8-G-1-[MeSe(O)]C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub> (11-14). Effects of G of halogens at the 8-positions in 12-14 are examined next. Figure 13 shows the plots of energies of 12-14 versus  $\phi_{Me}$  shown in Table 4, together with those of 11 shown in Figure 9, for convenience of comparison. The repulsive and attractive interactions caused by G of halogens in 12-14, relative to G = H in 11, are clarified and visualized in Figure 13.

Two stable structures and two transition states are optimized for 11-13 and three minima and three transition states are for

14, as discussed in the previous sections (Table 4). The global minima of 11–14 are 11A–14A, respectively. Although 11A is stabilized only by the O dependence (the  $n_p(O)$  - - $\pi(Nap)$ ) interaction), **12A-14A** are stabilized both by the O and G dependences (the  $n_p(O) - -\pi(Nap)$  and  $n_p(G) - -\sigma^*(Se-O)$ 3c-4e interactions, respectively). The contribution of the O dependence in **11** could be roughly estimated by the energy difference between 11 (TS, AB) and 11A, which is 22 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, if calculated with the B3LYP/6-311+G(d) method. The difference between 14 (TS, AB) and 14A is 39 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>. The value contains the O dependence, the G dependence, and the steric repulsion between Br and Se. If the O dependence in 14 is assumed to be equal to that in 11, the sum of the G dependence and the steric repulsion between Br and Se in 14 is estimated to be 17 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> (= 39-22 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>). The results show that contributions of the O and G dependences are close with each other in 14, if the steric repulsion is contained in the G dependence. Both values are around 20 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

The  $n_p(Br)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  interaction must play an important role in **14B**.<sup>4h</sup> However, it is difficult to estimate the contribution of the  $n_p(Br)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  interaction since it works behind other factors of larger contributions. Although **12B** and **13B** are not optimized as local minima, the  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  (G = F and Cl) interactions must also operate in **12** and **13**.<sup>28</sup> They would be too small to give the local minima in **12** and **13**.

The  $\Delta E$  values of **n** (TS: **CA**) (n = 11-14) are 44,<sup>29</sup> 61, 78, and 84 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, which correspond to the steric repulsive energies between Me and G of H, F, Cl, and Br, respectively (Table 4). The contribution of the steric factor in the naphthalene 1,8-positions is confirmed to be an order of G = H  $\ll$  F  $\ll$  Cl  $\leq$  Br based on the values. A similar trend is also predicted in **n** (C) (n = 11-14). The  $\Delta E$  values are 7, 33, 42, and 44 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, which exhibit the magnitudes of the steric repulsion between the O–Se–C<sub>Me</sub> energy wall and G of H, F, Cl, and Br, respectively.

On the other hand, almost equal  $\Delta E$  values are obtained for **n** (TS: **BC**) (n = 12-14). They are 56, 60, and 60 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, which correspond to the steric repulsion between the O atom and G of F, Cl, and Br, respectively. Some energy-lowering mechanisms, other than the steric repulsion, would operate for the heavier atoms, especially for Br, in the transition states. The energy-lowering mechanisms would contain the attractive interactions between the nonbonded atoms and/or the relief of the severe steric repulsion by the easier deformation of the bond angles in the heavier atoms. In the case of **11**, the steric repulsion between O and G of H does not give a transition state of the **11** (TS: **BC**) type. The O dependence must play an important role in the disappearance of **11** (TS: **BC**).

<sup>(27)</sup> Bondi, A. J. Phys. Chem. 1964, 68, 441-451.

<sup>(28)</sup> Contributions of the  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  interactions are evaluated to be approximately 11 kJ mol^-1 for  $7a-9a.^{4h}$ 

<sup>(29)</sup> While the energy difference between **11** (TS: **CA**) and **11A** ( $\Delta E$  (**11**) = E (**11** (TS: **CA**))-E (**11A**) is 43 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, that in **15** (1-MeSeNap) ( $\Delta E$  (**15**)) is 26 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, if calculated with the B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) method.<sup>37</sup> Since the difference in **15** does not contain the O dependence, the  $\Delta\Delta E$  value [=  $\Delta E$ (**11**) -  $\Delta E$ (**15**)] of 17 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> should corresponds to the contribution of the O dependence in **11**. The value is close to that estimated in the text.

Factors to determine the structures of naphthyl selenoxides are well established by the experimental investigations on 1-5 and based on theoretical calculations mainly on 11-14.

## Conclusion

Factors to determine the structures of 8-G-1-[p-YC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se-(O)] $C_{10}H_6$  [1 (G = H), 2 (G = F), 3 (G = Cl), and 4 (G = Br)] and  $(1-C_{10}H_7)_2$ Se=O (5) are clarified, which are called O, G, and Y dependences. The structures of 1-4 are all A and that of 5 is AA, with regard to the Nap group. The factor is the O dependence. The origin is the nonbonded  $n_p(O) - -\pi(Nap)$ interaction operating in 1-5. The  $n_p(O) - -\pi(Nap)$  interaction lays the Se-O bond on the naphthyl plane, which explains the observed structures. 1 (A) is stabilyzed by the  $n_p(O)$ - -  $\pi(Nap)$  interaction and 5 (AA) is the results of the double  $n_{pz}(O) - -\pi_z(Nap_A)$  and  $n_{pv}(O) - -\pi_v(Nap_B)$  interactions, which are independent and perpendicular with each other. If the accepting ability of  $\pi(Ar)$  is not less than that of  $\pi(Nap)$ , the structures of 1 around the Se-O bonds are very close to that in 5 (AA), namely, they are 1 (A: pd). In this case, Y of the accepting groups, such as Cl or NO<sub>2</sub>, is required. If  $\pi(Ar)$  in 1 is rather donating, the structure changes to 1 (A: np) (Y dependence). The G dependence is the nonbonded  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-O)$  3c-4e interaction. The interaction aligns the three G- - -Se-O atoms linearly. The G dependence, as well as the O dependence, operates in 2-4. The nonbonded  $n_p(G)$ - -  $\sigma^*(Se-C)$  3c-4e interaction is expected to operate in 2-4, however, the interaction seems very weak in these cases, except for G = Br.

QC calculations are performed on 11–14, the methyl analogues of 1–4. They reproduced the observed structures of 1–4, respectively, and revealed the energy profiles. The energy-lowering effect of the O dependence is estimated to be ca. 20 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> and the G dependence of the nonbonded n(Br)- -  $\sigma^*$ (Se–O) 3c–4e interaction in 14 is close to the value, if the steric repulsion between Br and Se is contained in the G dependence. The G dependence must be larger in an order of F < Cl < Br. On the other hand, the steric repulsion of G also increases in an order of H  $\ll$  F  $\ll$  Cl < Br. The structures of 1–5 are explained by above factors.

Studies on the sulfur and tellurium analogues of 1-10 are in progress. The results will be reported elsewhere.

#### **Experimental Section**

**1-(Phenylseleninyl)naphthalene (1a).** 1-(Phenylselanyl)naphthalene (**6a**) (100 mg, 0.35 mmol) was dissolved in 20 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and the solution was bubbled through ozone for 15 min. The solution was evaporated and dried in vacuo. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). **1a** was isolated in 65% yield as colorless powder: mp 127.6–129.2 °C (top 128.2 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  7.35–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.53–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.67 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.93 (dd, J = 2.0 and 6.1 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (dd, J = 2.3 and 7.1 Hz, 1H), 8.31 (dd, J = 1.0 and 7.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  122.8, 124.8 (<sup>2</sup>J(Se,C) = 8.7 Hz), 126.0, 126.7 (<sup>2</sup>J(Se,C) = 14.9 Hz), 126.7, 127.5, 129.1, 129.7, 130.8, 131.2, 131.6, 134.0, 139.2, 142.7; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  840.7. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>OSe: C, 64.22; H, 4.04. Found: C, 64.01; H, 4.00.

1-(*p*-Benzyloxyphenylseleninyl)naphthalene (1b'). Following the method used for the preparation of 1a, 1b' was isolated in 54% yield as colorless prisms: mp 194.6–197.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  5.01 (s, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.40 (m, 5H), 7.52–7.57 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.90–7.95 (m, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.99– 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.33 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/ TMS) δ 70.2, 116.0, 122.8, 124.7 (<sup>2</sup>J(Se,C) = 8.1 Hz), 126.0, 126.7, 127.4, 127.4, 128.2, 128.7, 128.7, 129.1, 130.7, 131.6, 134.0, 136.1, 161.2; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe) δ 839.7 ( $\Delta \nu_{1/2}$  = 7.6 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se: C, 68.15; H, 4.48. Found: C, 68.27; H, 4.63.

**1-(***p***-Tolylseleninyl)naphthalene (1d).** Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **1d** was isolated in 65% yield as colorless prisms: mp 149.1–152.1 °C (top 150.6 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  2.31 (s, 3H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52–7.61 (m, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.90–7.94 (m, 1H), 7.96 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03–8.10 (m, 1H), 8.31 (dd, J = 0.9 and 7.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  21.4, 122.9, 124.7, 126.0, 126.7, 126.7 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 14.9 Hz), 127.4, 129.1, 130.3, 130.8, 131.5, 134.0, 139.3, 139.5, 141.7; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  839.2 ( $\Delta \nu_{1/2} = 47.9$  Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>: C, 63.36; H, 4.69. Found: C, 63.58; H, 4.49.

**1-(***p***-Chlorophenylseleninyl)naphthalene (1e).** Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **1e** was isolated in 69% yield as colorless prisms: mp 142.0–144.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  7.37 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.5 Hz 2H),7.67 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J = 2.2 and 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (dd, J = 1.0 and 7.1 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (dd, J = 1.0 and 7.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  122.6, 124.7 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 8.7 Hz), 126.0, 126.9, 127.7, 127.9 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 14.9 Hz), 129.3, 129.9, 130.6, 131.8, 134.0, 137.6, 139.0, 141.0; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  840.5 ( $\Delta \nu_{1/2} = 9.8$  Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>ClOSe: C, 57.59; H, 3.32. Found: C, 57.31; H, 3.32.

**1-**(*p***-Nitrophenylseleninyl)naphthalene (1f).** Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **1f** was isolated in 76% yield as light yellow prisms: mp 162.0–164.1 °C (top 163.1 °C, DCS); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  7.57–7.70 (m, 3H), 7.91–7.99 (m, 3H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H) 8.16 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  122.3, 124.5, 124.8, 126.1, 127.1, 127.4 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 13.1 Hz), 128.0, 129.4, 130.6, 132.2, 134.1, 138.7, 149.6, 150.1; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  842.9 ( $\Delta \nu_{1/2}$  = 15.3 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Se: C, 55.83; H, 3.22; N, 4.07. Found: C, 55.90; H, 3.22; N, 4.16.

**8-Fluoro-1-**(*p*-anisylseleninyl)naphthalene (2b). Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **2b** was isolated in 50% yield as colorless prisms: mp 140.0–142.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  3.74 (s, 3H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (dd, *J* = 7.9 and 13.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 8.69 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  55.4, 111.7 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(F,C) = 20.6 Hz), 114.9, 115.2, 124.2, 125.1 (<sup>3</sup>*J*(F,C) = 3.7 Hz), 126.4 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(F,C) = 8.7 Hz), 127.0 (<sup>4</sup>*J*(F,C) = 1.9 Hz), 128.5 (<sup>6</sup>*J*(F,C) = 2.5 Hz, <sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 11.2 Hz), 128.6, 130.8 (<sup>3</sup>*J*(F,C) = 2.8 Hz), 135.3, 135.9 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(F,C) = 5.9 Hz), 158.2 (<sup>1</sup>*J*(F,C) = 250.1 Hz), 162.1; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  862.1 (<sup>4</sup>*J*(Se,F) = 218.5 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>Se: C, 58.80; H, 3.77. Found: C, 58.95; H, 3.94.

8-Chloro-1-(*p-tert*-butylphenylseleninyl)naphthalene (3c). Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **3c** was isolated in 58% yield as colorless prisms: mp 178.5–179.8 °C (top 179.4 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 1.23 (s, 9H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 8.95 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 31.1, 34.8, 126.3, 126.5, 126.7, 126.7, 127.1 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 13.1 Hz), 128.7, 128.8, 129.1, 129.7, 132.2, 136.4, 139.4, 142.3, 154.1; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe) δ 867.4 (Δν<sub>1/2</sub> = 4.9 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClOSe: C, 61.63; H, 4.91. Found: C, 61.36; H, 4.81.

**8-Chloro-1-**(*p*-chlorophenylseleninyl)naphthalene (3e). Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **3e** was isolated in 69% yield as colorless prisms: mp 171.3–173.4 °C (top 172.8 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 7.30 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (dd, J = 0.9 and 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (dd, J = 0.9 and 8.2 Hz, 1H), 8.91 (dd, J = 1.2 and 7.4 Hz, 1H);<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 126.3, 126.5, 126.7, 128.4, 128.6 (<sup>2</sup>/J(Se,C) = 13.7 Hz), 128.9, 129.2, 129.3, 129.5, 132.5, 136.4, 136.9, 139.3, 143.7; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe) δ 866.2 (Δν<sub>1/2</sub> = 5.6 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>OSe: C, 52.20; H, 2.74. Found: C, 52.03; H, 2.74.

**8-Bromo-1-**(*p*-anisylseleninyl)naphthalene (4b). Following the method used for the preparation of 1a, 4b was isolated in 77% yield as colorless prisms: mp 132.1–134.4 °C (top 133.5 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 3.74 (s, 3H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.79 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 8.99 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS) δ 55.4, 114.8, 118.7, 126.6, 126.7, 127.1, 129.3 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 14.3 Hz), 129.5, 130.2, 132.5, 133.4, 136.6, 136.9, 140.3, 161.3; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe) δ 863.6 (Δν<sub>1/2</sub> = 5.5 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>BrO<sub>3</sub>Se: C, 47.91; H, 3.55. Found: C, 48.15; H, 3.61.

**1,1'-Dinaphthyl Selenoxide (5).** Following the method used for the preparation of **1a**, **5** was isolated in 87% yield as colorless prisms: mp 181.2–183.2 °C (top 182.2 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  7.49–7.62 (m, 4H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.90 (dd, J = 2.1 and 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 8.15 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 8.24 (dd, J = 1.6 and 7.4 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  123.2 (<sup>2</sup>J(Se,C) = 14.9 Hz), 126.0, 126.4, 126.7, 127.7, 129.1, 131.1, 131.8, 133.9, 139.3; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  826.9 ( $\Delta v_{1/2}$  = 10.5 Hz). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>OSe: C, 68.77; H, 4.04. Found: C, 68.53; H, 4.05.

1-(p-Benzyloxyphenylselanyl)naphthalene (6b'). Under an argon atmosphere, 1-bromonaphthalene (1.52 g, 7.34 mmol) was dissolved in 25 mL of dry THF, and the solution was added to n-BuLi (4.7 mL, 7.61 mmol, 1.5 N) at -78 °C. After 50 min, a THF solution of p- benzyloxyphenylselenobromide was added to the above solution at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h and warmed until a cloudy mixture resulted. Then, 20 mL of 5% acetone hydrochloric acid and 100 mL of benzene were added. The organic layer was separated and washed with brine, 10% aqueous solution of sodium hydroxide, saturated aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate, and brine. The solution was dried over sodium sulfate, evaporated, and dried in vacuo. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, hexane). Compound 6b' was isolated in 67% yield as colorless prisms: mp 109.9-111.7 °C (top 110.6 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  5.04 (s, 2H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.23–7.58 (m, 11H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (d, J =8.5 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  70.1, 116.1, 120.6, 126.0, 126.2, 126.6, 126.9, 127.5, 128.0, 128.1, 128.5, 128.6, 131.1, 131.5, 133.3, 134.0, 135.5, 136.7, 158.7; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  354.6. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>18</sub>OSe: C, 70.95; H, 4.66. Found: C, 71.06; H, 4.58.

**8-Chloro-1-**(*p-tert*-butylphenylselanyl)naphthalene (8c). Following the method used for the preparation of **6b**', **8c** was isolated in 67% yield as colorless prisms: mp 128.0–129.0 °C (top 128.7 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  1.36 (s, 9H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 0.5 and 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (dd, *J* = 2.0 and 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.56–7.62 (m, 4H), 7.72 (dd, *J* = 1.3 and 8.2 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  31.3, 34.8, 125.6, 126.4, 126.7, 127.0, 127.1, 128.5, 128.8, 129.3, 130.0, 131.7, 133.2, 136.9 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 11.2 Hz), 136.9, 152.3; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  448.9. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>ClSe: C, 64.27; H, 5.12. Found: C, 64.05; H, 5.17.

**8-Bromo-1-**(*p-tert*-butylphenylselanyl)naphthalene (9c). Following the method used for the preparation of **6b'**, **9c** was isolated in 64% yield as colorless prisms: mp 127.3–128.4 °C (top 128.0 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  1.48 (s, 9H), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 1.3 and 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dt, *J* = 2.1 and 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.69 (dt, *J* = 1.6 Hz and 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (dd, *J* 1.3 and 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 1.2 and 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 1.3 and 7.5 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  31.3, 34.7, 120.4, 126.0, 126.3, 127.0, 127.2, 128.2, 129.2, 130.4, 131.5, 133.2, 133.7, 136.6 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 11.2 Hz), 137.0, 152.1; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  442.9. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>19</sub>BrSe: C, 57.44; H, 4.58. Found: C, 57.22; H, 4.50.

**1,1'-Dinaphthyl Selenide (10).** Following the method used for the preparation of **6b'**, **10** was isolated in 71% yield as colorless prisms, mp 99.8–103.2 °C (top 101.1 °C, DSC); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  7.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (dd, J = 1.0 and 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.50–7.55 (m, 4H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.0, 2H), 7.83–7.88 (m, 2H), 8.30–8.36 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$  126.1, 126.3, 126.8, 127.1 (<sup>2</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 14.3 Hz), 128.4, 128.6, 129.8, 132.2 (<sup>3</sup>*J*(Se,C) = 6.2 Hz), 133.6, 134.1; <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (76.20 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/MeSeMe)  $\delta$  310.7. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>14</sub>Se: C, 72.07; H, 4.23. Found: C, 72.11; H, 4.27.

X-ray Structural Determination of 1a, 1b', 1d, 1e, 1f, 2b, 3c, 3e, 4b, 5, and 10. The colorless crystals of 1a, 1b', 1d, 1e, 1f, 2b, 3c, 3e, 4b, 5, and 10 were grown by slow evaporation of dichloromethane-hexane solutions at room temperature. The intensity data were collected on a CCD diffractometer equipped with graphite-monochromed Mo K $\alpha$  irradiation ( $\lambda = 0.71070$  Å) at 103(2) K for 1a and 4b and on a four-circle diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71069$  Å) for 1b', 1d, 1e, 1f, 2b, 3c, 3e, 5, and 10 at 298(1) K. The structures of 1a and 4b were solved by direct methods (SIR97)<sup>30</sup> and DIRDIF99 (PATTY),<sup>31</sup> respectively, and refined by full-matrix least-squares methods on  $F^2$  for all reflections (SHELXL-97).<sup>32</sup> The structures of 1b', 1d, 1f, 2b, 3c, 3e, 5, and 10 were solved by heavy-atom Patterson methods, PATTY,<sup>33</sup> and SAPI91<sup>34</sup> for 1e and expanded using Fourier techniques, DIRDIF94.35 All of the non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Crystallographic details are given in the Supporting Information.

**MO Calculations.** Quantum chemical (QC) calculations were performed with the 6-311+G(2d, p) and/or 6-311+G(d) basis sets of the Gaussian 98 program.<sup>19</sup> Calculations are performed at the density functional theory (DFT) level of the Becke three parameter hybrid functional combined with the Lee-Yang-Parr correlation

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