

# Supporting Information for

## A Novel Synthesis of Poly(ester-*alt*-selenide)s by Ring-Opening Copolymerization of $\gamma$ -Selenobutyrolactone and Epoxy Monomer

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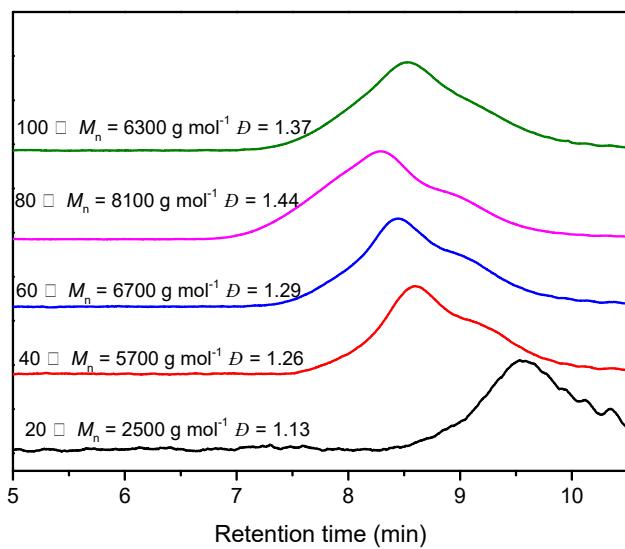
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**Table S1.** Effect of different conditions on the Copolymerization of GPE with SBL<sup>a</sup>

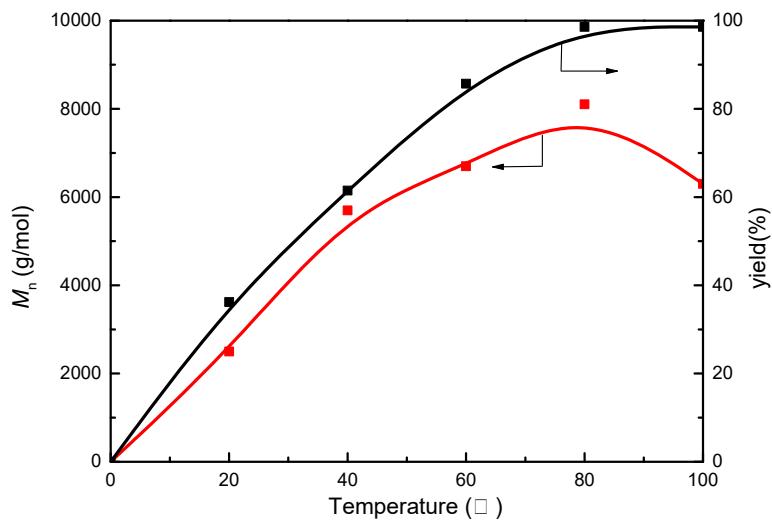
Entry	Temperature (°C)	TBAB	Time (h)	Yield. <sup>b</sup> (%)	$M_n^c/g\ mol^{-1}$	D
1	0	5%	24	0	-	-
2	20	5%	24	36.2	2500	1.13
3	40	5%	24	61.5	5700	1.26
4	60	5%	24	85.7	6700	1.29
5	80	5%	24	98.6	8100	1.44
6	100	5%	24	98.6	6300	1.37
7	80	0.1%	24	90.5	8100	1.40
8	80	1%	24	98.5	8800	1.44
9	80	2%	24	98.5	8300	1.43
10	80	10%	24	98.1	6000	1.32
11	80	20%	24	97.0	5300	1.26
12	80	50%	24	96.1	3900	1.19
13	80	2%	0.5	24.5	2800	1.11
14	80	2%	1	38.1	3300	1.26
15	80	2%	2	74.5	5300	1.36
16	80	2%	6	97.6	7500	1.42
17	80	2%	12	98.1	8200	1.46

<sup>a</sup>The reaction was carried out with GPE (1.0 mmol) and TBL (1.0 mmol) using the TBAB in bulk. <sup>b</sup>Determined by

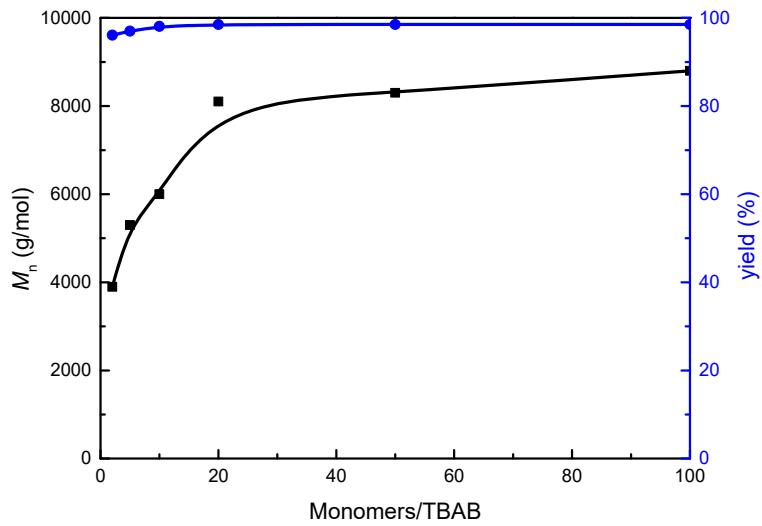
<sup>c</sup><sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum. <sup>c</sup>Estimated by SEC based on polystyrene standards.



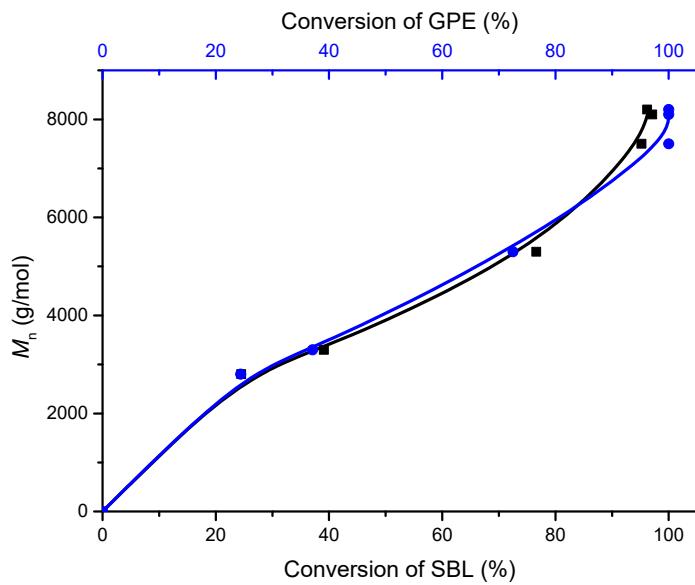
**Fig. S1** Evolution of the SEC traces of the selenium-containing polymers with different temperature.



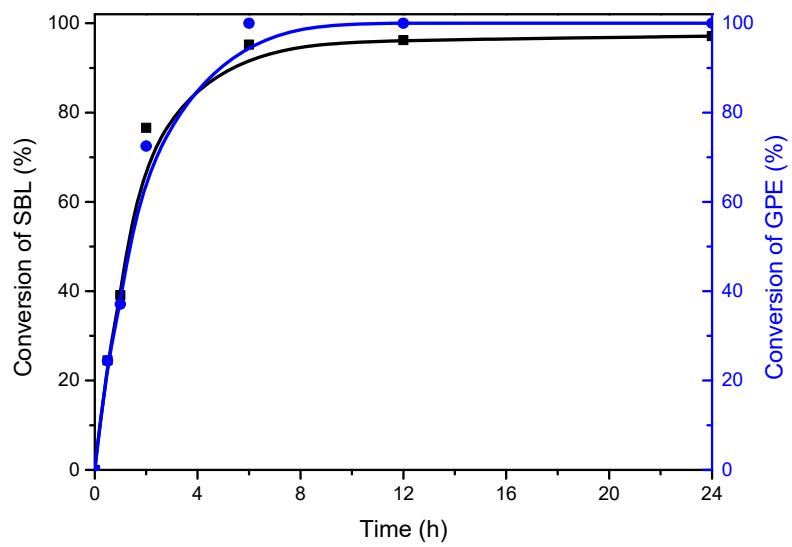
**Fig. S2** Effect of reaction temperature on the copolymerization of GPE (1.0 mmol) with SBL (1.0 mmol) using TBAB (0.05 mmol) without solvent for 24 h.



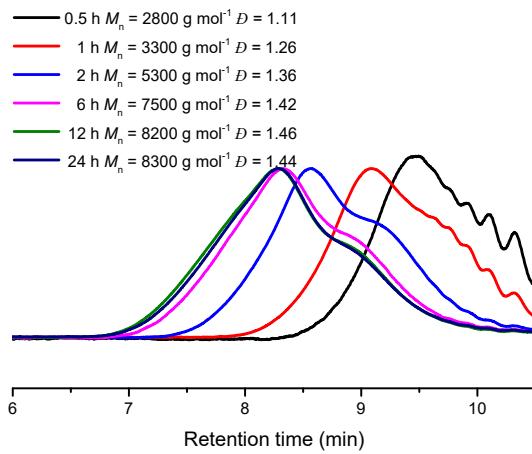
**Fig. S3** Effect of feed ratio of monomers for TBAB on the copolymerization of GPE (1.0 mmol) with SBL (1.0 mmol) using TBAB without solvent at 80 °C for 24 h.



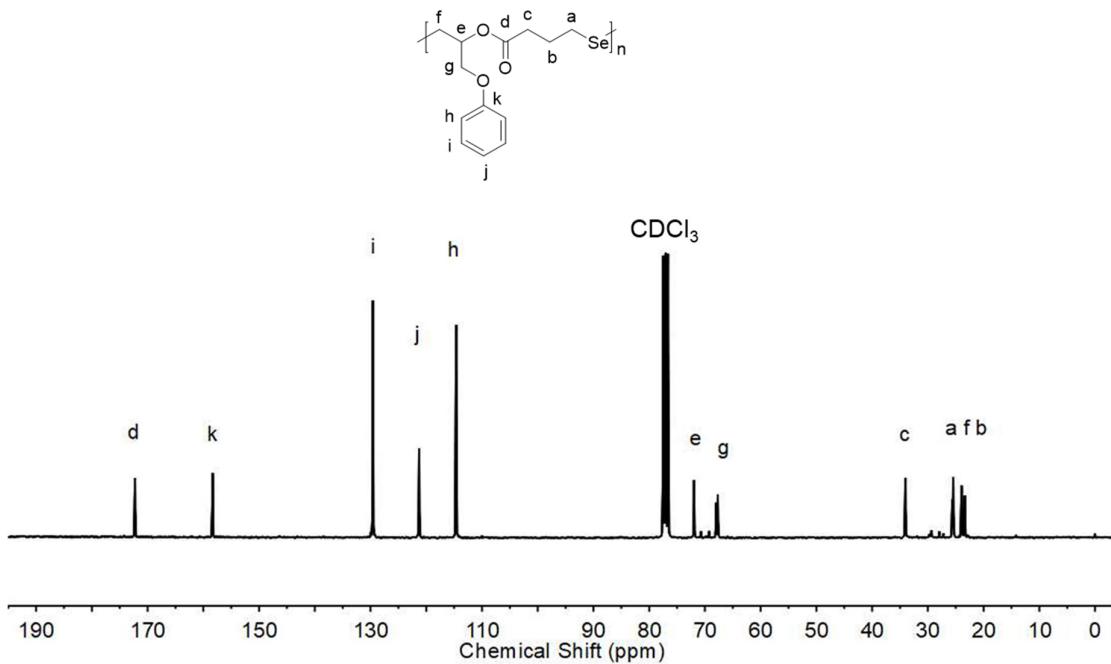
**Fig. S4** Conversion- $M_n$  of the copolymerization of GPE (1.0 mmol) and SBL (1.0 mmol) using TBAB (0.02 mmol) without solvent at 80 °C.



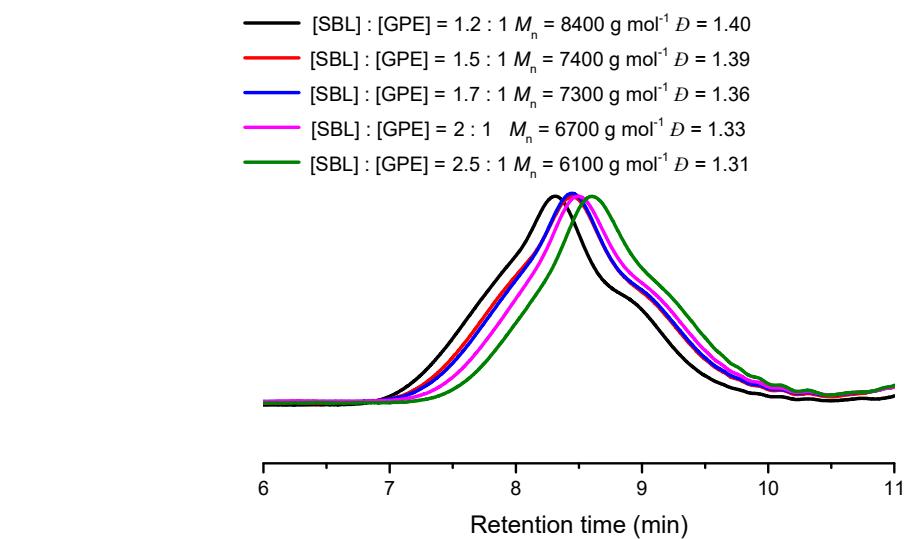
**Fig. S5** Time-conversion of the copolymerization of GPE (1.0 mmol) and SBL (1.0 mmol) using TBAB (0.02 mmol) without solvent at 80 °C.



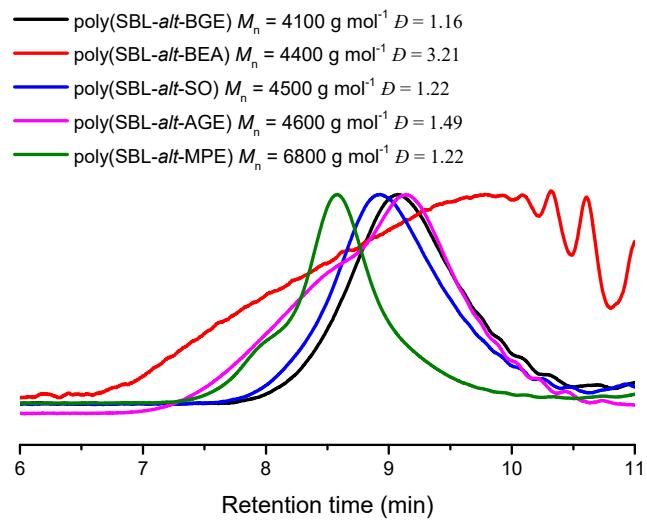
**Fig. S6** Evolution of the SEC traces of the selenium-containing polymers with different time.



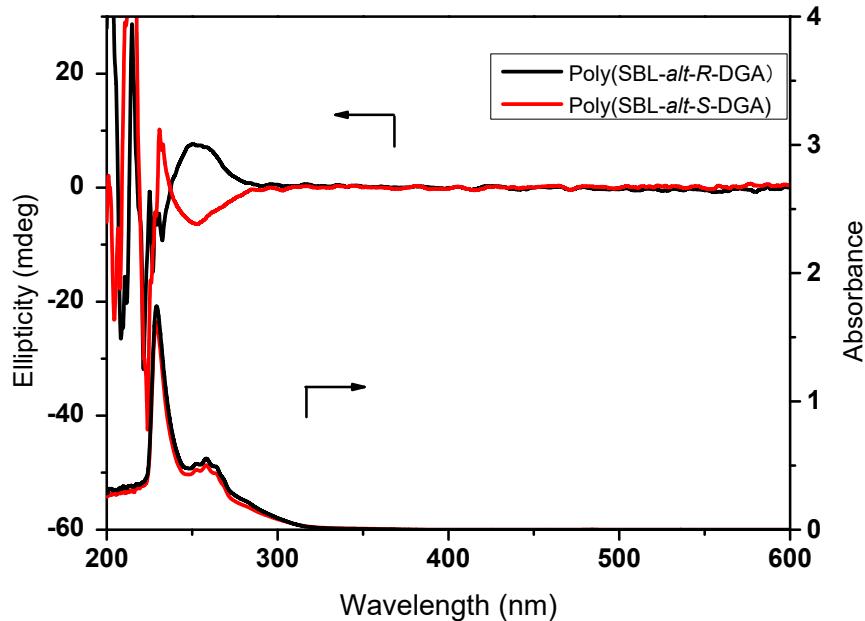
**Fig. S7**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of PSe-1.



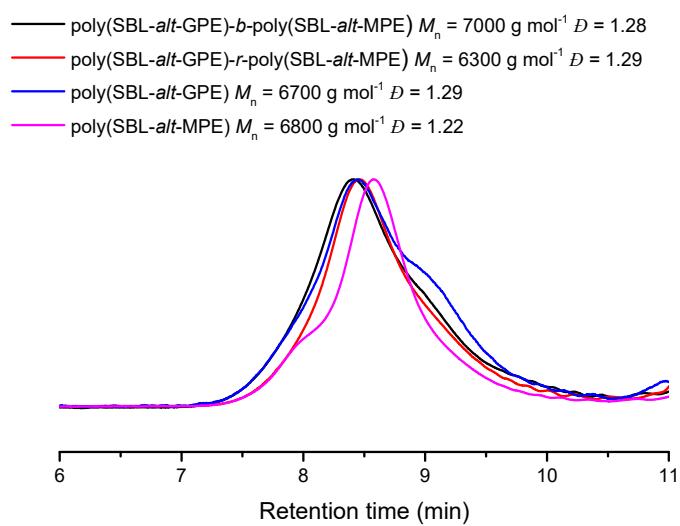
**Fig. S8** Evolution of the SEC traces of the different ratio of the monomers.



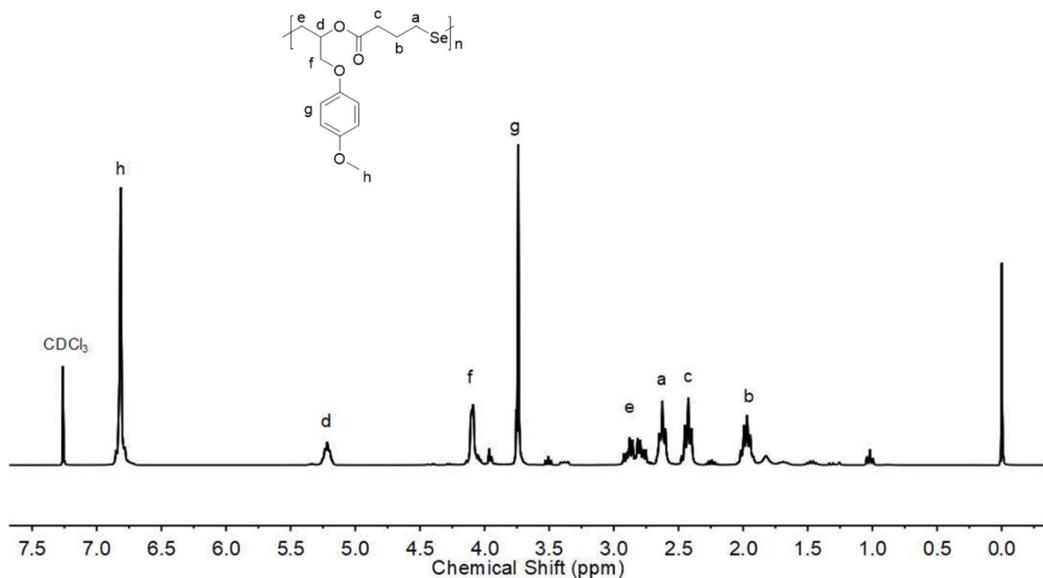
**Fig. S9** Evolution of the SEC traces of the selenium-containing polymers.



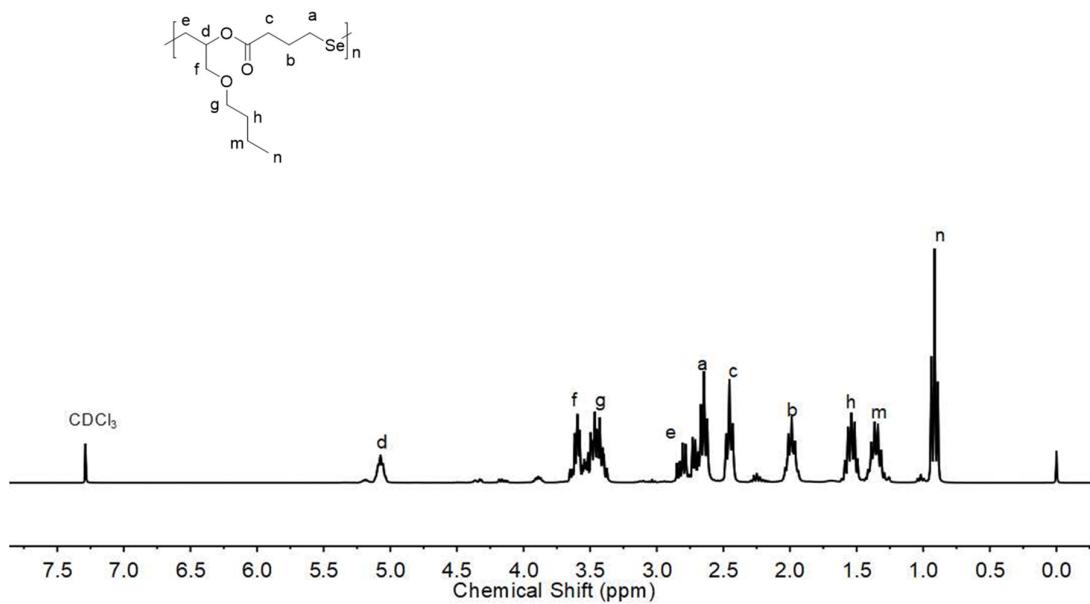
**Fig S10.** The maximum CD (260 nm) and UV-vis spectra in DCM.



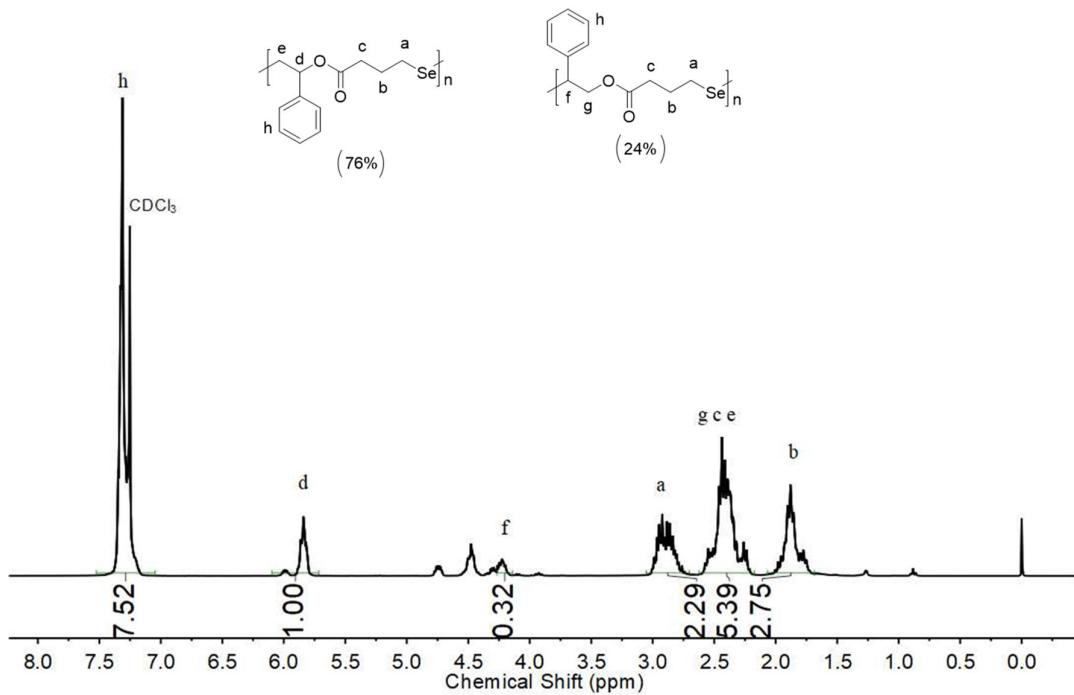
**Fig. S11** Evolution of the SEC traces of the copolymer poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*b*-poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE), poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*r*-poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE), poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE) and poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE).



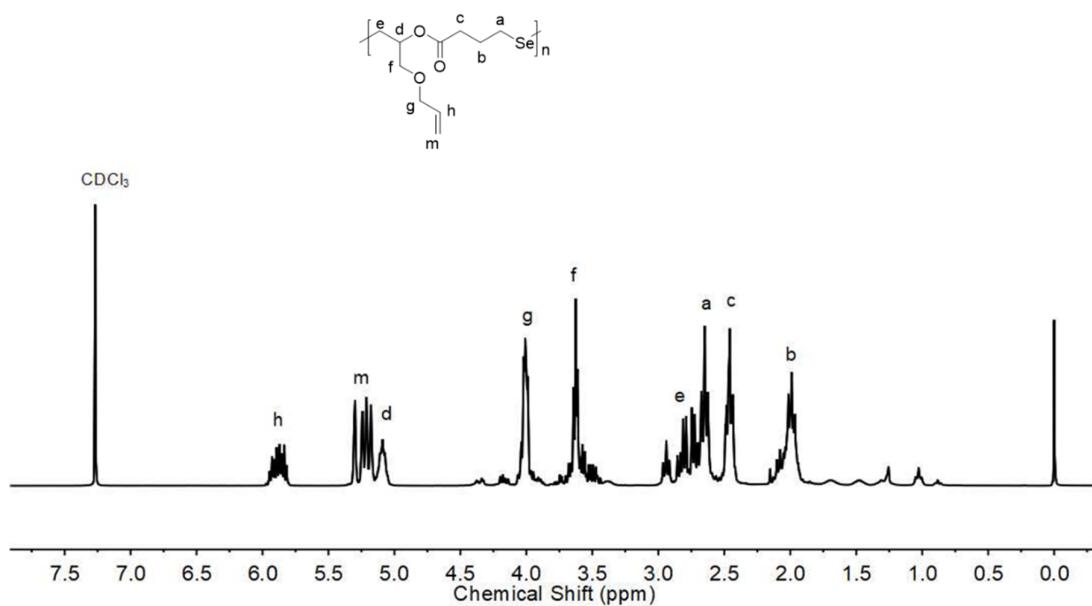
**Fig. S12**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE).



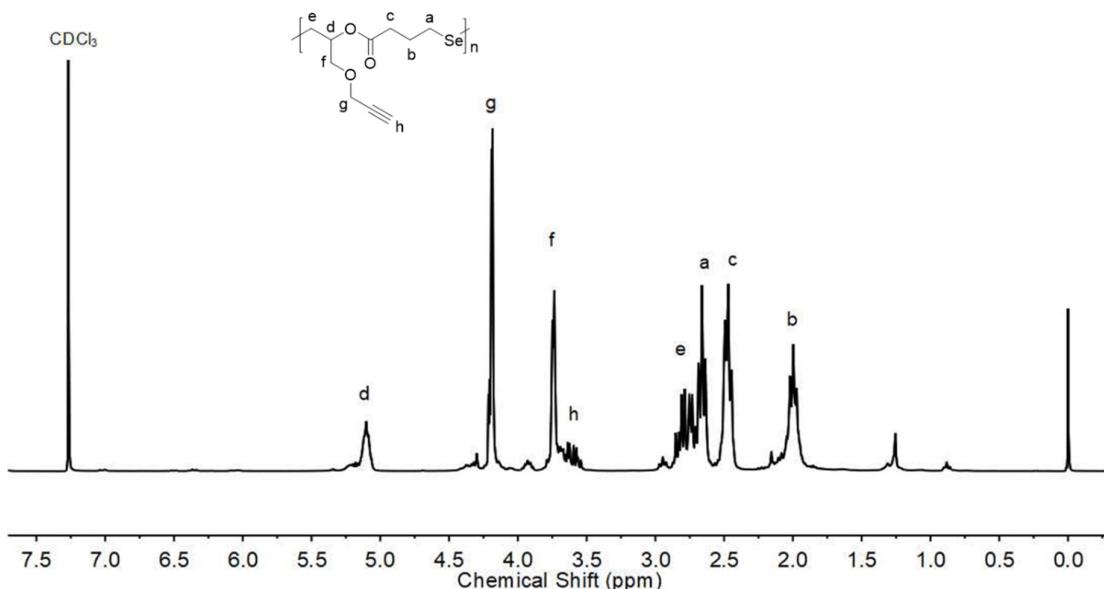
**Fig. S13**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-BGE).



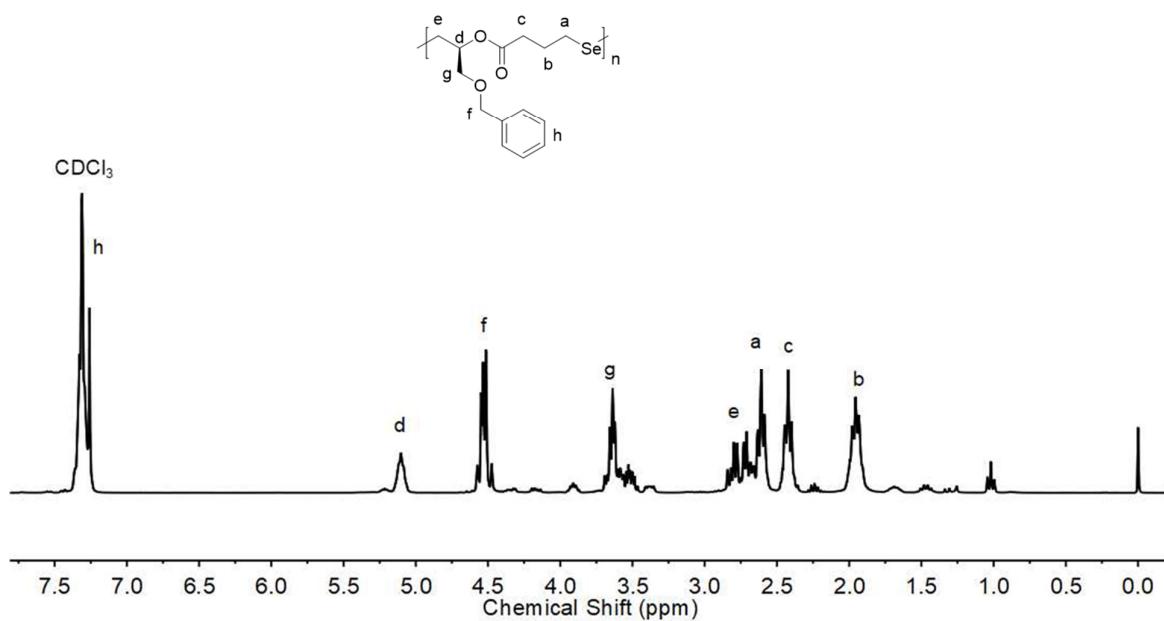
**Fig. S14**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-SO).



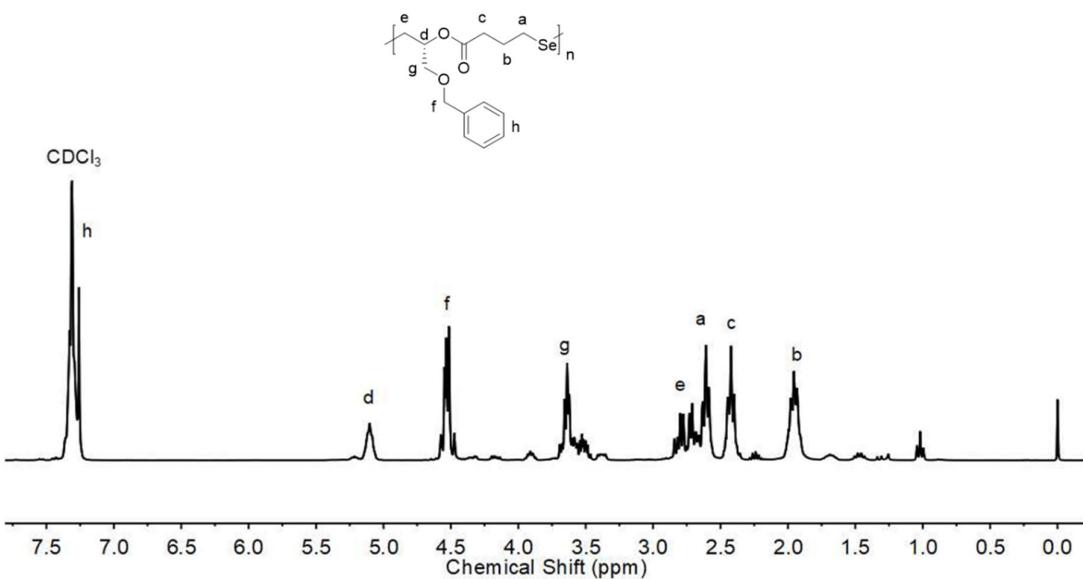
**Fig. S15**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-AGE).



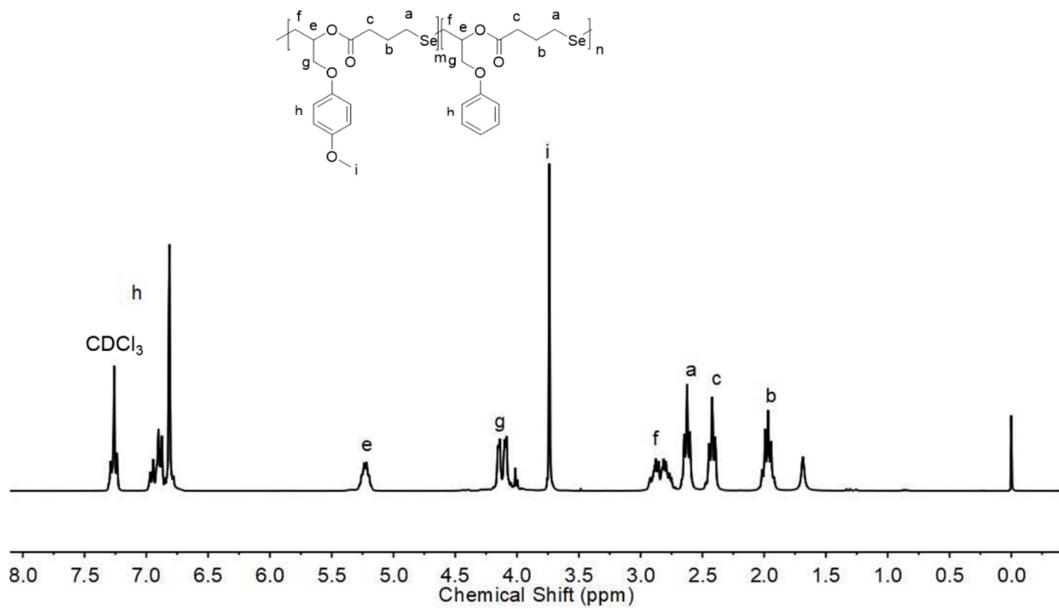
**Fig. S16**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-BEA).



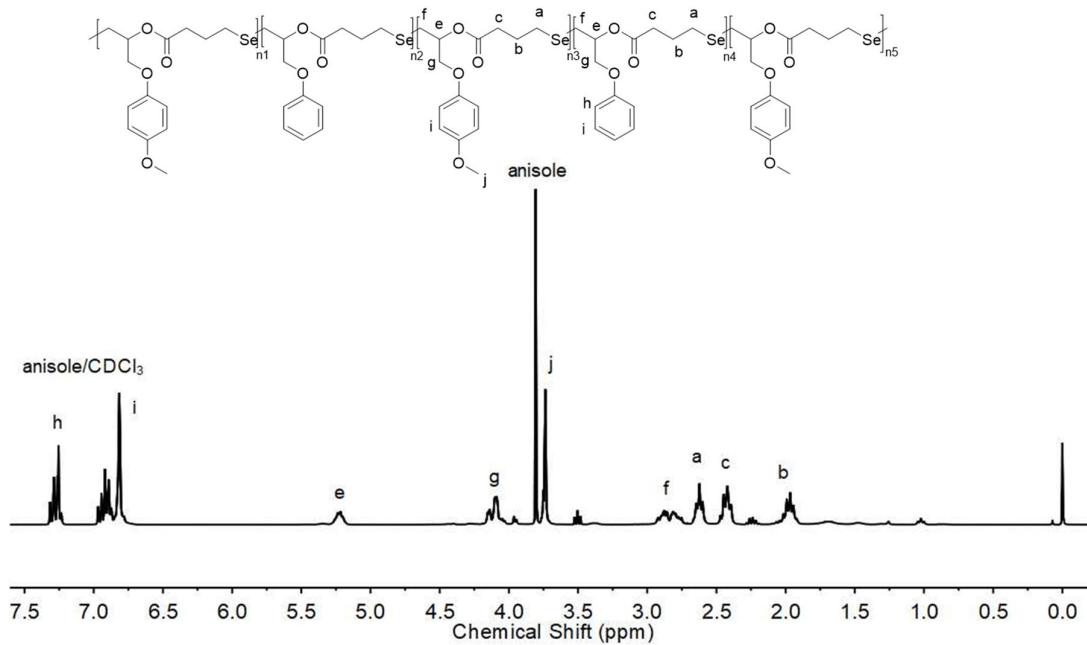
**Fig. S17**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-S-DGA).



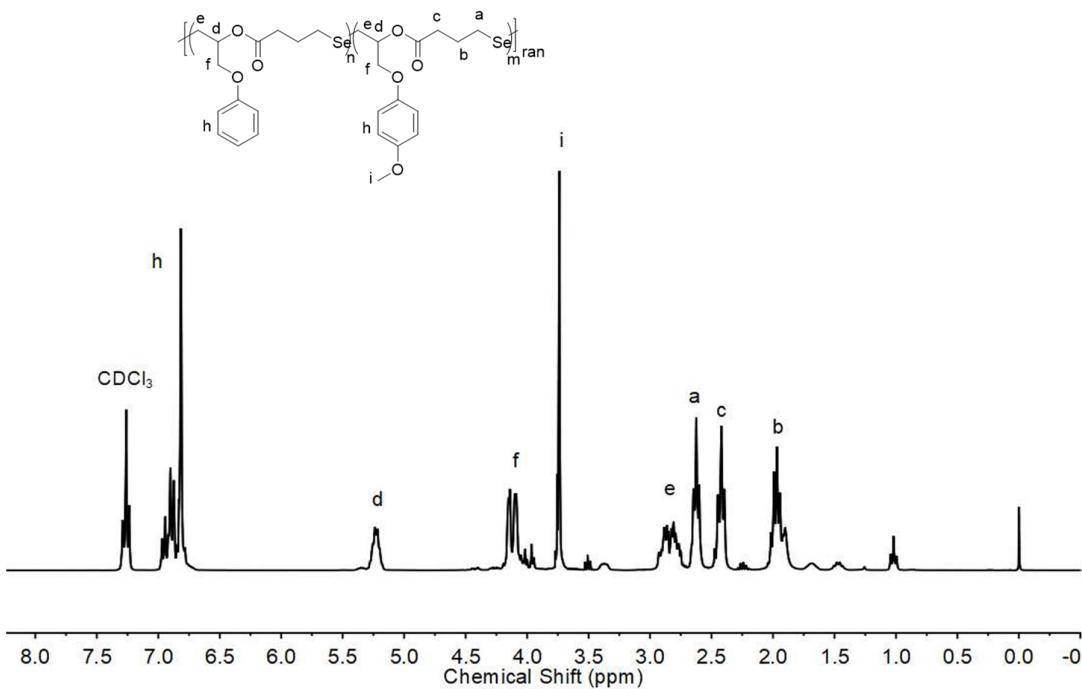
**Fig. S18**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-R-DGA).



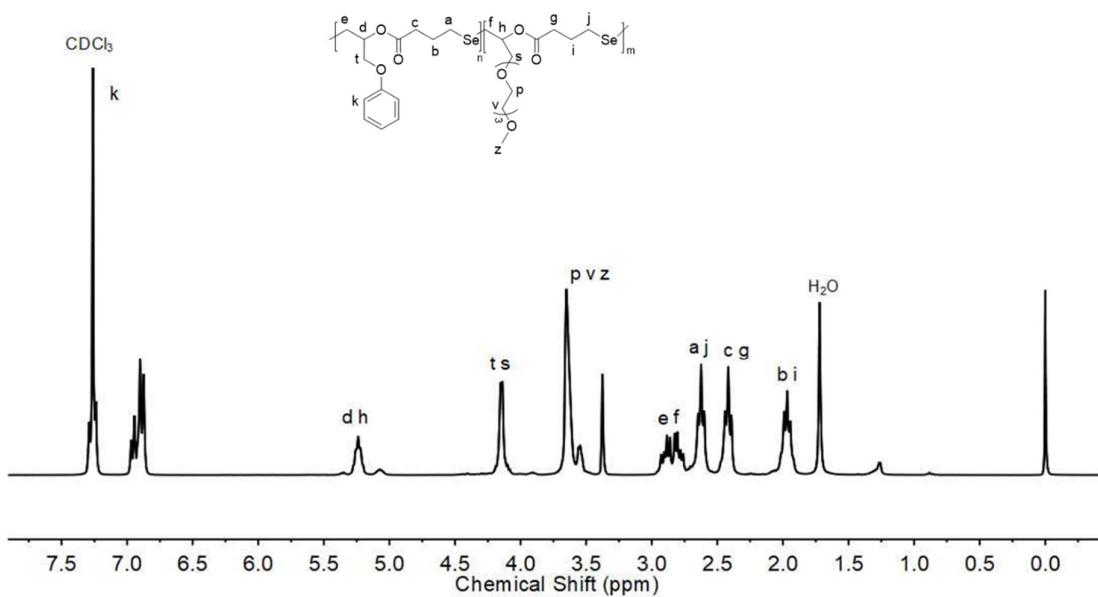
**Fig. S19** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*b*-poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE).



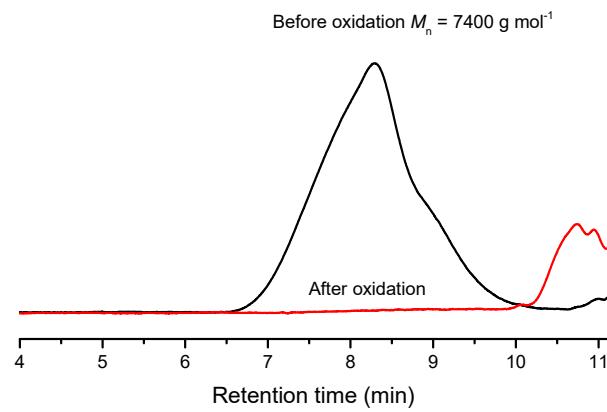
**Fig. S20** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of multiblock copolymer.



**Fig. S21** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*r*-poly(SBL-*alt*-MPE).



**Fig. S22** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*b*-poly(SBL-*alt*-TGE).



**Fig. S23** SEC curves of poly(SBL-*alt*-GPE)-*b*-poly(SBL-*alt*-TGE) before and after treatment of hydrogen peroxide (0.1 M).