# Synthesis of bithiophene-based D-A1-D-A 2 terpolymers with different $\mathrm{A}_{2}$ moieties for polymer solar cells via direct arylation 

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### 1.1 Synthesis of monomer (4,7-bis-(5-bromo-4-hexylthiophen-2-yl)benzo[1,2,5]selenadiazole)

4, 7-dibromo-2, 1, 3-benzoselenadiazole was purchased from SunaTech Inc. The other reagents and starting materials were purchased from commercial sources. In the free-water and free-oxygen conditions, the solvent must be corresponding treatment with distillation and deoxidization.

4,7-bis-(5-bromo-4-hexylthiophen-2-yl)-benzo[1,2,5]selenadiazole
Compound (4, 7-dibromo-2,1,3-benzoselenadiazole) ( $0.76 \mathrm{~g}, 2.24 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), 2-bromo-3-hexylthiophene ( $1.16 \mathrm{~g}, 4.68 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), catalyst $\mathrm{Pd}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2}$ ( $5 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ), tricyclohexylphosphonium tetrafluoroborate ( $10 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ), $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(0.32 \mathrm{~g}, 2.34 \mathrm{mmol})$ and pivalic acid $(0.18 \mathrm{~g}, 1.17 \mathrm{mmol})$ were transferred to single-neck bottle under an atmosphere of nitrogen. The blend solutions (DMAc ( 5 mL )/p-xylene ( 5 mL )) were added and the mixture was refluxed at $110{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 48 h . After cooling to room temperature, the solvent was removed, and 0.39 g yellow solid was obtained in $25.8 \%$ yield by silica gel column chromatography. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta_{\mathrm{ppm}} 7.76(\mathrm{~d}$, 2H), 7.68 (d, 2H), 2.62 (m, 4H), 1.18-1.62 (m, 16H), 0.90-0.88 (m, 6H). Elemental analysis: Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{Br}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{Se}$ (\%): C, 46.37, H, 4.49, N, 4.16. Found (\%): C, 46.85, H, 4.28, N, 4.23. Mass (m/z) [M $\left.{ }^{+}\right]$: Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{Br}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{Se} 673.43$. Found 672.89 .
1.2 GPC traces and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra for Polymers

GPC Results

|  | Dist Name | Elution <br> Volume <br> $(\mathrm{ml})$ | Retention <br> Time <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Adjusted <br> RT <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Mn | Mw | MP | Mz | $\mathrm{Mz}+1$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 17.190 | 17.190 | 17.190 |  |  | 2042602 |  |  |
| 2 |  | 23.773 | 23.773 | 23.773 | 32368 | 64684 | 47797 | 237304 | 749667 |



Figure S1 GPC traces and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{HNMR}$ of P1


GPC Results

|  | Dist Name | Elution <br> Volume <br> $(\mathrm{ml})$ | Retention <br> Time <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Adjusted <br> RT <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Mn | Mw | MP | Mz | $\mathrm{Mz}^{+1}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 23.392 | 23.392 | 23.392 | 26729 | 42178 | 37747 | 65244 | 93482 |



Figure S2 GPC traces and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{HNMR}$ of P2


GPC Results

|  | Dist Name | Elution <br> Volume <br> $(\mathrm{ml})$ | Retention <br> Time <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Adjusted <br> RT <br> $(\min )$ | Mn | Mw | MP | Mz | $\mathrm{Mz}+1$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 15.898 | 15.898 | 15.898 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 |  | 23.432 | 23.432 | 23.432 | 40523 | 62662 | 57013 | 97155 | 143904 |



Figure S3 GPC traces and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{HNMR}$ of P3


GPC Results

|  | Dist Name | Elution <br> Volume <br> $(\mathrm{ml})$ | Retention <br> Time <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Adjusted <br> RT <br> $(\mathrm{min})$ | Mn | Mw | MP | Mz | $\mathrm{Mz}+1$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 22.917 | 22.917 | 22.917 | 42232 | 62171 | 48623 | 92234 | 132830 |



Figure S4 GPC traces and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{HNMR}$ of P4
1.3 AFM 3D images and corresponding values of blend films


| Height Parameters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sq | 2.62 | nm |
| Ssk | 0.186 |  |
| Sku | 3.05 |  |
| Sp | 12.1 | nm |
| Sv | 8.52 | nm |
| Sz | 20.6 | nm |
| Sa | 2.09 | nm |

Figure $55 \mathrm{P} 1: \mathrm{PC}_{71} \mathrm{BM}$ blend film



Figure $\mathrm{S} 6 \mathrm{P} 2: \mathrm{PC}_{71} \mathrm{BM}$ blend film


Figure $\mathrm{S} 7 \mathrm{P} 3: \mathrm{PC}_{71} \mathrm{BM}$ blend film


Figure S8 P4: $\mathrm{PC}_{71} \mathrm{BM}$ blend film

