Equations of state for energetic materials from density functional theory with van der Waals, thermal, and zero-point energy corrections
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