Equation of state of isospin-asymmetric nuclear matter in relativistic quantum hadrodynamics with chiral limits

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