Encoding hexanitrobenzene (HNB) and 1,3,5-triamino-2,4,6-trinitrobenenze

(TATB) as two distinctive energetic nitrobenzene compounds by machine learning

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(A) HOF calculations of gaseous molecules

As for the isodesmic reaction, one example of the isodesmic reaction for TATB (compound A) is illustrated in Figure S1. The heat of reaction ΔH_{298} at 298 K was calculated on the level of B3LYP method/6-31g(d) with following eq 1:



Figure S1. Isodesmic reaction designed for calculating HOF of TATB.

$$\Delta H_{298} = \Delta H_{f, P} - \Delta H_{f, R} \tag{1}$$

where $\Delta H_{f,R}$ and $\Delta H_{f,P}$ represent the HOFs of reactants and products at 298 K, respectively. For compounds in the isodesmic reactions with available data, they were directly adopted, as shown in Table S1.

| Name | Molecular structural formula | ΔH_{fExp}^{g} |
|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Benzene | PhH | 82.9 |
| Nitrobenzene | PhNO ₂ | 68.5 |
| Phenol | PhOH | -96.4 |
| Tolune | PhCH ₃ | 50.5 |
| Benzoic acid | PhCOOH | -294.0 |
| Anisole | PhOCH ₃ | -67.9 |
| Aniline | PhNH ₂ | 87.5 |
| Acetophenone | PhCOCH ₃ | -86.7 |
| Benzaldehyde | PhCHO | -36.7 |
| Benzonitrile | PhCN | 215.7 |
| Benzamide | PhCONH ₂ | -100.9 |
| Ethoxybenzene | PhOCH ₂ CH ₃ | -101.6 |
| Ethylbenzene | PhCH ₂ CH ₃ | 29.9 |

<u>Table S1. The HOFs of references compounds from CRC handbook.</u> The unit of ΔH_{fExp}^{g} is kJ/mol.

For the compounds in the isodesmic reactions without available experimental HOFs, the atomization scheme was employed with calculations on the G3 level to predict their HOFs, as shown in Table S2. By means of the atomization scheme, the standard HOF of a molecule $({}^{\Delta H_{f}^{g}})$ can be calculated by eq 2.

$$\Delta H_{\rm f}^{\rm g} = \Delta E_{298} + \Delta (PV) = \Delta E_0 + \Delta E_{ZPE} + \Delta E_T + \Delta nRT \qquad (2)$$

where ΔE_0 means the change in total energy between the products and reactants at 0 K; ΔE_{ZPE} is the value of difference between the zero-point energies of the products and reactants at 0 K; ΔE_T is the thermal correction from 0 to 298 K. The Δ (PV) value means the PV work term and equals Δ nRT for the reactions of an ideal gas. For the isodesmic reaction in this work, $\Delta n = 0$, so Δ (PV) = 0. From Table S2, we can confirmed that the largest error is only 6.9 kJ/mol, showing the high reliability of the G3 method.

| Table S2. ${}^{\Delta H_{f}^{g}}$ of mono-substituted benzene molecules used for designing isodesmic reactions. ${}^{\Delta}$ | $\Delta \mathbf{H}^{g}_{\mathbf{f}^{Exp}}$ and $\Delta \mathbf{H}^{\mathbf{s}}_{\mathbf{f}\mathbf{G}}$ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| denote the ΔH_{f}^{g} derived from experimental measurements and G3 calculations in kJ/mol. respe- | ctivelv. |

| F | unctional group | |] | Benzene based compound | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Name | Structure | Symbol | Name | Structure | $\Delta \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{fExp}}^{\mathbf{s}}$ | ΔH^{s}_{fG3} | Error |
| hydro | H | -H | benzene | Ph-H | 82.9 | 87.3 | 4.4 |
| nitro | O ^{́N⁺} O⁻ | -NO ₂ | nitrobenzene | Ph ^N ⁺ O ⁻ | 68.5 | 63.4 | -5.1 |
| hydroxy | о́н | -OH | phenol | Ph-OH | -96.4 | -89.5 | 6.9 |
| methoxy | O−CH ₃ | -OCH ₃ | anisole | Ph ^{CO} CH ₃ | -67.9 | -69.3 | -1.4 |
| methyl | ĊH ₃ | -CH ₃ | toluene | Ph-CH ₃ | 50.5 | 54.2 | 3.7 |
| carboxy | HO ^{_C} `O | -COOH | benzoic acid | O Ph OH | -294.0 | -294.3 | -0.3 |
| amino | NH ₂ | -NH ₂ | aniline | Ph-NH ₂ | 87.5 | 92.2 | 4.7 |
| cyano | CĖN | -CN | benzonitrile | Ph─≡N | 215.7 | 218.6 | 2.9 |
| acetyl | H₃C ^{∠C} O | -COCH ₃ | acetophenone | Ph CH ₃ | -86.7 | -81.5 | 5.2 |
| formyl | HC=O | -CHO | benzaldehyde | Ph | -36.7 | -34.9 | 1.8 |

| acetylamino | O HN CH3 | -NHCOCH ₃ | N-phenylacetamide | Ph-N_CH ₃ | | -105.0 | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|-----|
| tert-butyl | СН ₃ H ₃ C ^{-С•} СН ₃ | -C(CH ₃) ₃ | tert-butylbenzene | H ₃ C _{CH₃} Ph _{CH₃} | -23.0 | -22.8 | 0.2 |
| dimethylamino | H ₃ C ^{∕N} ,CH ₃ | -N(CH ₃) ₂ | N,N-dimethylaniline | CH ₃ Ph ^{-N} CH ₃ | | 102.3 | |
| carbamoyl | H₂N ^{∕C} SO | -CONH ₂ | benzamide | Ph NH ₂ | -100.9 | -94.5 | 6.4 |
| ethanoxy | о́∕сн₃ | -OCH ₂ CH ₃ | ethoxybenzene | Ph ^O , CH ₃ | -101.6 | -99.8 | 1.8 |
| isopropyl | H H₃C ^Ć CH₃ | -CH(CH ₃) ₂ | cumene | CH ₃ Ph CH ₃ | | 4.9 | |
| acetoxy | о О СН ₃ | -OOCCH ₃ | phenyl acetate | $Ph \overset{O}{\downarrow} CH_3$ | | -275.0 | |
| hydroxymethyl | H₂Ċ−OH | -CH ₂ OH | phenylmethanol | PhOH | | -88.5 | |
| carboxymethyl | 0 Н₂С́ОН | -CH ₂ COOH | phenylacetic acid | Ph OH | | -297.3 | |
| (hydroxyimino)m ethyl | нс́∽ [№] `он | -CHNOH | benzaldehyde oxime | Ph N OH | | 134.5 | |
| hydrazinecarbony 1 | $0 \approx \frac{H}{C^{N}} N_{NH_2}$ | -CONHNH ₂ | benzohydrazide | Ph NH_2 H | | 21.0 | |
| methylamino | HN-CH₃ | -NHCH ₃ | N-methylaniline | $\frac{H}{Ph}$ CH ₃ | | 97.9 | |
| ethyl | H₂C−CH₃ | -CH ₂ CH ₃ | ethylbenzene | Ph CH ₃ | 29.9 | 32.3 | 2.4 |
| formamino | HŃ́∕∿O | -NHCHO | N-phenylformamide | Ph ^{-N} _O | | -55.7 | |
| prop-2-yn-1-oxy | oCH | -OCH ₂ CCH | (prop-2-yn-1- yloxy)benzene | Ph ⁻⁰ CH | | 191.6 | |
| isopropylamino | Н₃С└СН₃ | - NHCH(CH ₃) 2 | N-isopropylaniline | | | 35.6 | |
| ethynyl | СЕСН | -CCH | ethynylbenzene | Ph─≡CH | | 322.5 | |
| methylcarbamoyl | $O_{{\sim}C^{-}}N_{CH_{3}}^{H}$ | -CONHCH ₃ | N-methylbenzamide | Ph N ^{CH} ₃ | | -96.1 | |

| N'- hydroxycarbami midoyl | H₂N∖ċ́∽N∖OH | -CNH ₂ NOH | N'- hydroxybenzimidam ide | Ph NH2 Ph N-OH | 114.0 | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--|
| cyanomethanoxy | ó∕∖≋ _N | -OCH ₂ CN | phenoxyacetonitrile | Ph ⁻⁰ | 90.4 | |
| cyanomethyl | H₂C ⁱ ─≡N | -CH ₂ CN | phenylacetonitrile | Ph | 201.3 | |
| 1- (hydroxyimino)et hyl | H₃C、ċ∽N、OH | -CCH ₃ NOH | 1-phenylethan-1-one oxime | CH ₃ Ph N-OH | 77.3 | |
| methoxymethoxy | 0OCH3 | - OCH ₂ OCH ₃ | (methoxymethoxy) benzene | Ph ^O CH ₃ | -225.7 | |
| propionyl | ^O ≈;∕∼ _{CH3} | -COCH ₂ CH ₃ | propiophenone | Ph CH ₃ | -103.7 | |
| propylamino | HN. CH3 | - NHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ | N-propylaniline | Ph ^{-N} CH ₃ | 48.2 | |
| methyl(nitro)ami no | 0 H₃C _{`N} ["] N ⁺ O- | -NCH ₃ NO ₂ | <i>N</i> -methyl- <i>N</i> - phenylnitramide | O −O´ ^N [™] N [∠] CH ₃ Ph | 132.8 | |
| azido | N=N⁺=N⁻ | -NNN | azidobenzene | Ph ^{~N} [×] N [*] _N | 419.9 | |
| 3-oxoprop-1-en- 1-yl | нс | -СНСНСНО | cinnamaldehyde | Ph | 27.9 | |
| 2- hydroxypropan- 2-yl | он н₃с ^{∠С} `сн₃ | -COH(CH ₃) ₂ | 2-phenylpropan-2-ol | H ₃ C Ph CH ₃ | -170.9 | |
| prop-1-en-1-yl | нс́∽сн₃ | -CHCHCH ₃ | prop-1-en-1- ylbenzene | Ph CH ₃ | 120.8 | |

(B) HOF calculations for a solid

As most energetic compounds are in the solid state, the calculation of detonation properties requires solid-phase heat of formation (${}^{\Delta H}{}^{s}_{f}$). According to Hess's law of constant heat summation, the solid-phase heat of formation can be acquired from the gas-phase heat of formation (${}^{\Delta H}{}^{g}_{f}$) and heat of sublimation (${}^{\Delta H}{}^{s}_{sub}$):

$$\Delta H_f^s = \Delta H_f^g - \Delta H_{sub}$$

As for the heat of sublimation, Politzer et al.³ reported that it correlates with the molecular surface

area and the electrostatic interaction $v\sigma_{tot}^2$ index for energetic compounds. The empirical expression of this approach is as follows:

$$\Delta H_{sub} = aA^2 + b(v\sigma_{tot}^2)^{0.5} + c$$

where *A* represents the surface area of the 0.001 electrons bohr⁻³ isosurface of the electronic density of the molecule, v describes the degree of balance between positive potential and negative potential on the isosurface, and σ_{tot}^2 means a measure of the variability of the electrostatic potential on the molecular surface. The coefficients a, b, and c have been obtained by Rice et al. for the energetic materials: *a* = 2.670×10^{-4} kcal mol⁻¹ Å⁻⁴, *b* = 1650 kcal mol⁻¹, and *c* = 2.966 kcal mol⁻¹.⁴ The descriptors *A*, v and σ_{tot}^2 were calculated using the Multiwfn program.⁵

S2: BDE calculations.

Table S3. The calculated BDE (in kJ/mol) of forty mono-substituted benzene molecules. BDE_{G3} and BDE_{b3lyp} denote BDE calculated by B3LYP/6-31g(d)+D3 and G3 methods, respectively.

| Name | Structure | BDE reaction | BDE _{G3} | BDE _{b3lyp} | Error |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| benzene | Ph-H | $Ph \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet H$ | 472.6 | 458.9 | -2.9% |
| nitrobenzene | O " Ph N [↓] O ⁻ | $PhNO_2 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet NO_2$ | 316.0 | 300.0 | -5.1% |
| phenol | Ph-OH | $PhOH \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet OH$ | 467.8 | 455.7 | -2.6% |
| · 1 | 0 | $PhOCH_3 \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet OCH_3$ | 435.1 | 406.2 | -6.6% |
| anisole | Ph ^C CH ₃ | $PhOCH_3 \rightarrow PhO\bullet + \bullet CH_3$ | 266.0 | 253.6 | -4.7% |
| toluene | Ph-CH ₃ | $PhCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CH_3$ | 430.4 | 418.9 | -2.7% |
| benzoic acid | O Ph OH | $PhCOOH \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet COOH$ | 463.7 | 445.7 | -3.9% |
| aniline | Ph-NH ₂ | $PhNH_2 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet NH_2$ | 436.2 | 419.8 | -3.8% |
| benzonitrile | Ph─≡N | $PhCN \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CN$ | 572.3 | 564.2 | -1.4% |
| | 0 | $PhCOCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet COCH_3$ | 416.5 | 401.3 | -3.6% |
| acetophenone | Ph CH ₃ | $PhCOCH_3 \rightarrow PhCO\bullet + \bullet CH_3$ | 346.0 | 341.2 | -1.4% |
| benzaldehyde | Ph O | $PhCHO \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CHO$ | 419.8 | 409.6 | -2.4% |
| | | $\begin{array}{l} PhNHCOCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet +\\ \bullet NHCOCH_3 \end{array}$ | 469.7 | 442.6 | -5.8% |
| N-phenylacetamide | Ph ^{-N} CH ₃ O | $\begin{array}{c} PhNHCOCH_3 \rightarrow PhNH\bullet +\\ \bullet COCH_3 \end{array}$ | 351.2 | 352.0 | -2.0% |
| | | $\begin{array}{c} PhNHCOCH_3 \rightarrow PhNHCO\bullet +\\ \bullet CH_3 \end{array}$ | 359.0 | 336.3 | -4.2% |
| tert-butylbenzene | H ₃ C CH ₃ CH ₃ | $PhC(CH_3)_3 \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet C(CH_3)_3$ | 422.0 | 380.1 | -9.9% |
| N,N-dimethylaniline | CH ₃ Ph ^{-N} CH ₃ | $PhN(CH_3)_2 \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet N(CH_3)_2$ | 404.4 | 372.4 | -7.9% |
| | 0 | $PhCONH_2 \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet CONH_2$ | 427.6 | 407.6 | -4.7% |
| benzamide | Ph NH ₂ | $PhCONH_2 \rightarrow PhCO\bullet + \bullet NH_2$ | 403.0 | 392.9 | -2.5% |
| -dd | 0 CH2 | PhOCH ₂ CH ₃ → Ph• + •OCH ₂ CH ₃ | 432.6 | 402.0 | -7.1% |
| etnoxybenzene | Ph | $\begin{array}{c} PhOCH_2CH_3 \rightarrow PhO\bullet +\\ \bullet CH_2CH_3 \end{array}$ | 276.7 | 255.5 | -7.6% |

| cumene | CH ₃ Ph CH ₃ | PhCH(CH ₃) ₂ → Ph• + •CH(CH ₃) ₂ | 429.8 | 398.7 | -7.2% |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| phenyl acetate | Ph ^O CH ₃ O | $PhOOCCH_3 \rightarrow Ph \bullet + \bullet OOCCH_3$ | 447.0 | 396.9 | -11.2% |
| phenylmethanol | Ph OH | $PhCH_2OH \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CH_2OH$ | 417.3 | 402.9 | -3.5% |
| nhanylagatia goid | РЬСИОН | $\begin{array}{l} PhCH_2COOH \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \\ \bullet CH_2COOH \end{array}$ | 428.1 | 405.8 | -5.2% |
| | Ö | $PhCH_2COOH \rightarrow PhCH_2 \bullet + \\ \bullet COOH$ | 333.2 | 310.4 | -6.8% |
| hanzaldahuda ovima | | PhCHNOH \rightarrow Ph• + •CHNOH | 491.8 | 461.8 | -6.1% |
| benzaidenyde banne | Ph´ N | PhCHNOH \rightarrow PhCHN• + •OH | 246.4 | 222.7 | -9.6% |
| han shudaasi da | 0 | $\begin{array}{l} PhCONHNH_2 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \\ \bullet CONHNH_2 \end{array}$ | 435.1 | 413.2 | -5.0% |
| benzonydrazide | Ph N NH ₂ H | $\begin{array}{l} PhCONHNH_2 \rightarrow PhCONH \bullet + \\ \bullet NH_2 \end{array}$ | 310.0 | 294.5 | -5.0% |
| N matherianiling | H | $PhNHCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet NHCH_3$ | 426.6 | 401.9 | -5.8% |
| | Ph ^{-IN} ^{CH} 3 | $PhNHCH_3 \rightarrow PhNH\bullet + \bullet CH_3$ | 296.4 | 285.3 | -3.8% |
| ethylbenzene | Ph CH ₃ | $PhCH_2CH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CH_2CH_3$ | 431.6 | 405.6 | -6.0% |
| N-phenylformamide | Ph ^{-N} _O | PhNHCHO \rightarrow Ph• + •NHCHO | 475.4 | 449.2 | -5.5% |
| (man 2 yr 1 ylayy)hanzana | CH | $\begin{array}{l} PhOCH_2CCH \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \\ \bullet OCH_2CCH \end{array}$ | 434.9 | 403.5 | -7.2% |
| (prop-2-yii-1-yloxy)benzene | Ph | $PhOCH_2CCH \rightarrow PhO\bullet +$ •CH_2CCH | 215.7 | 184.4 | -14.5% |
| AV · 1 · 1· | CH ₃ | PhNHCH(CH ₃) ₂ \rightarrow Ph• + •NHCH(CH ₃) ₂ | 431.8 | 405.5 | -6.1% |
| /v-isopropylaniline | H CH ₃ | PhNHCH(CH ₃) ₂ → PhNH• + •CH(CH ₃) ₂ | 309.5 | 280.4 | -9.4% |
| ethynylbenzene | Ph─≡CH | $PhCCH \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CCH$ | 591.8 | 581.6 | -1.7% |
| N mothulhonzomida | 0 | $\begin{array}{l} PhCONHCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet +\\ \bullet CONHCH_3 \end{array}$ | 432.4 | 410.1 | -5.2% |
| | Ph N ^{On3} H | $PhCONHCH_3 \rightarrow PhCO\bullet + \bullet NHCH_3$ | 401.5 | 382.1 | -4.8% |
| N'-hydroxybenzimidamide | Ph N ⁻ OH | $PhCNH_2NOH \rightarrow Ph \bullet + $ • CNH_2NOH | 470.6 | 444.8 | -5.5% |
| phenoxyacetonitrile | Ph ⁻⁰ | $PhOCH_2CN \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \\ \bullet OCH_2CN$ | 436.5 | 405.1 | -7.2% |

| 1-phenylethan-1-one oxime | Ph | $PhCH_2CN \rightarrow Ph\bullet + \bullet CH_2CN$ | 402.2 | 371.6 | -7.6% |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1-phenylethan-1-one oxime | CH ₃ Ph N OH | PhCCH ₃ NOH → Ph• + •CCH ₃ NOH | 475.1 | 445.7 | -6.2% |
| | | $\begin{array}{l} PhOCH_2OCH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet +\\ \bullet OCH_2OCH_3 \end{array}$ | 425.2 | 389.9 | -8.3% |
| (methoxymethoxy)benzene | Ph ^O CH ₃ | $\begin{array}{l} PhOCH_2OCH_3 \rightarrow PhOCH_2 \bullet + \\ \bullet OCH_3 \end{array}$ | 365.5 | 339.5 | -7.1% |
| | | $PhOCH_2OCH_3 \rightarrow PhOCH_2O \bullet$ $+ \bullet CH_3$ | 343.2 | 324.9 | -5.3% |
| monionhonono | O. | $\begin{array}{l} PhCOCH_2CH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet +\\ \bullet COCH_2CH_3 \end{array}$ | 418.5 | 401.8 | -4.0% |
| ргорторненоне | Ph CH ₃ | $PhCOCH_2CH_3 \rightarrow PhCO + $ • CH_2CH_3 | 348.1 | 335.1 | -3.7% |
| N-propylaniline | Ph ^{-N} -CH ₃ | $\begin{array}{l} PhNHCH_2CH_2CH_3 \rightarrow Ph\bullet +\\ \bullet NHCH_2CH_2CH_3 \end{array}$ | 431.8 | 404.8 | -6.3% |
| | | | | | |
| N-propylaniline | Ph ^{-N} CH ₃ | $PhNHCH_2CH_2CH_3 \rightarrow PhNH\bullet + \bullet CH_2CH_2CH_3$ | 309.8 | 288.4 | -6.9% |
| <i>N</i> -propylaniline | Ph ^N CH ₃ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• + •NCH ₃ NO ₂ | 309.8 416.9 | 288.4 391.4 | - 6.9% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide | Ph ^{-N} _{CH₃} O ⁻ O ⁻ N ⁺ _N ⁻ CH ₃ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH ₃ NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNCH ₃ • +•NO ₂ | 309.8 416.9 153.7 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide | H CH ₃ CH ₃ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH ₃ NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNCH ₃ • +•NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNNO ₂ • +•CH ₃ | 309.8 416.9 153.7 294.1 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 285.3 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% -3.0% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide | $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Ph^{N} \\ CH_{3} \\ \end{array}$ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH ₃ NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNCH ₃ • +•NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNNO ₂ • +•CH ₃ PhNNN \rightarrow Ph• + •NNN(•N ₃) | 309.8 416.9 153.7 294.1 379.1 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 285.3 356.2 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% -3.0% -6.0% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide azidobenzene | $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Ph^{-N} \\ CH_3 \\ \end{array}$ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH ₃ NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNCH ₃ • +•NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNNO ₂ • +•CH ₃ PhNNN \rightarrow Ph• + •NNN(•N ₃)PhNNN \rightarrow PhN• + •N ₂ | 309.8 416.9 153.7 294.1 379.1 -0.7 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 285.3 356.2 5.2 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% -3.0% -6.0% -797.8% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide azidobenzene cinnamaldehyde | $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Ph^{-N} \\ CH_3 \\ \end{array}$ | PhNHCH2CH2CH3 \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH2CH2CH3PhNCH3NO2 \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH3NO2PhNCH3NO2 \rightarrow PhNCH3• +•NO2PhNCH3NO2 \rightarrow PhNNO2• +•CH3PhNNN \rightarrow Ph• + •NNN(•N3)PhNNN \rightarrow PhN• + •N2PhCHCHCHO \rightarrow Ph• +•CHCHCHOPh• + | 309.8 416.9 153.7 294.1 379.1 -0.7 503.9 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 285.3 356.2 5.2 489.8 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% -3.0% -6.0% -797.8% -2.8% |
| N-propylaniline N-methyl-N-phenylnitramide azidobenzene cinnamaldehyde 2-phenylpropan-2-ol | $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Ph^{-N} \\ CH_{3} \\ \end{array}$ | PhNHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ \rightarrow PhNH• + •CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•NCH ₃ NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNCH ₃ • +•NO ₂ PhNCH ₃ NO ₂ \rightarrow PhNNO ₂ • +•CH ₃ PhNNN \rightarrow Ph• + •NNN(•N ₃)PhNNN \rightarrow Ph• + •N ₂ PhCHCHCHO \rightarrow Ph• +•CHCHCHOPhCOH(CH ₃) ₂ \rightarrow Ph• +•COH(CH ₃) ₂ | 309.8 416.9 153.7 294.1 379.1 -0.7 503.9 419.6 | 288.4 391.4 134.9 285.3 356.2 5.2 489.8 386.6 | -6.9% -6.1% -12.2% -3.0% -6.0% -797.8% -2.8% -7.8% |

S3: v_D calculations.

1. Kamlet–Jacobs equations²:

$$p = 1.558\rho_0^2 \varphi$$
$$v_D = 1.01\varphi^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 + 1.30\rho_0)$$
$$\varphi = 0.489N\overline{M}^{\frac{1}{2}} Q^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where p is the C-J denotation pressure, in unit of GPa; v_D is the denotation velocity, in unit of km/s; ρ_0 is the density of EMs, in unit of g/cm³; N is the amount of generated gaseous products per gram EMs, in unit of mol/g; \overline{M} is the mean molar mass of gaseous products, in unit of g/mol; Q is the denotation heat of EMs, in unit of J/g.

For EMs of c.f. $C_aH_bO_cN_d$:

(1) When $c \ge 2a + \frac{b}{2}$, the reaction equation is:

$$C_a H_b O_c N_d \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} dN_2 + \frac{1}{2} b H_2 O + a C O_2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(c - \frac{1}{2} b - 2a \right) O_2$$

The mean molar mass of the EM is:

$$M = 12a + b + 16c + 14d$$

$$N, \overline{M} \text{ and } Q \text{ are:}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{4M}(b + 2c + 2d)$$

$$\overline{M} = \frac{28d + 18b + 88a + 16(2c - b - 4a)}{d + b + 2a + (c - \frac{1}{2}b - 2a)} = \frac{24a + 2b + 32c + 28d}{\frac{1}{2}b + c + d} = \frac{4M}{b + 2c + 2d}$$

$$Q = \frac{28.9b + 94.1a - 0.239\Delta H_f^0}{M} \times 4.184 \times 10^3$$

where ΔH_f^0 is the standard formation enthalpy of the EM; $\Delta H_f^0[N_2(g)] = 0$, $\Delta H_f^0[H_2O(g)] = 57.8 \ kcal/mol$, $\Delta H_f^0[CO_2(g)] = 94.1 \ kcal/mol$, $\Delta H_f^0[O_2(g)] = 0 \ kcal/mol$, $\Delta H_f^0[C(s)] = 0 \ kcal/mol$ (2) When $2a + \frac{b}{2} > c \ge \frac{b}{2}$, the reaction equation is:

$$C_{a}H_{b}O_{c}N_{d} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}dN_{2} + \frac{1}{2}bH_{2}O + \frac{1}{2}\left(c - \frac{1}{2}b\right)CO_{2} + \left[a - \frac{1}{2}\left(c - \frac{1}{2}b\right)\right]C$$

$$N, \overline{M} \text{ and } Q \text{ are:}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{4M}(b + 2c + 2d)$$

$$\overline{M} = \frac{56d + 88c - 8b}{b + 2c + 2d}$$

$$Q = \frac{28.9b + 94.1\left(\frac{c}{2} - \frac{b}{4}\right) - 0.239\Delta H_{f}^{0}}{M} \times 4.184 \times 10^{3}$$

(3) When $\frac{b}{2} > c$, the reaction equation is:

$$C_a H_b O_c N_d \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} dN_2 + cH_2 O + \frac{1}{2} (b - 2c) H_2 + aC$$

$$N, \overline{M} \text{ and } Q \text{ are:}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{2M} (b + d)$$

$$\overline{M} = \frac{2b + 32c + 28d}{b + d}$$

$$\overline{F7} R_a = 0.220 A H^0$$

$$Q = \frac{57.8c - 0.239\Delta H_f}{M} \times 4.184 \times 10^3$$

S4: Oxygen balance (OB%) definition

For EMs in c.f. $C_a H_b O_c N_d$:

$$OB\% = \frac{c - \frac{1}{2}b - 2a}{c} \times 100\%$$

S5: ML results of BDE

Table S4. Test scores of the ML models of BDE. The results of the best models are highlighted in bold.

| | | Ridge | Lasso | SVR | RFR | GBR | MLP | Ensemble | GRU |
|-----------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------|
| BDE _{C-NO2} | RMSE | 11.60 | 11.42 | 10.96 | 11.89 | 11.37 | 10.60 | 10.77 | 11.09 |
| $(kJ \cdot mol^{-1})$ | MAE | 8.73 | 8.62 | 8.11 | 9.00 | 8.55 | 8.02 | 8.05 | 8.01 |

| | R ² | 0.730 | 0.738 | 0.759 | 0.716 | 0.741 | 0.775 | 0.767 | 0.753 |
|------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| DDE | RMSE | 13.64 | 13.4 | 13.91 | 13.68 | 13.71 | 13.97 | 13.51 | 13.71 |
| \mathbf{DDE}_{N-NO2} | MAE | 10.72 | 10.61 | 10.89 | 10.81 | 10.81 | 10.92 | 10.64 | 10.85 |
| (KJ.IHOL.) | \mathbb{R}^2 | 0.258 | 0.276 | 0.229 | 0.254 | 0.251 | 0.223 | 0.272 | 0.251 |

S6: Top molecules by ρ_{ML} and ν_{DML} .

| Structure | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | | | NO ₂ O O ₂ N OH O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | NO ₂ O ₂ N OH O ₂ N OH NO ₂ | 02N NO2 N NO2 N NO2 |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ρ | 1.942 | 1.925 | 1.923 | 1.916 | 1.910 | 1.904 |
| v _D | 9266 | 8897 | 8910 | 8664 | 8539 | 8701 |
| Structure | NO ₂ O ₂ N OH O ₂ N NO ₂ OH | NO ₂ O ₂ N HO NO ₂ NO ₂ | $ \begin{array}{c} NO_2 & \mathbf{O} \\ O_2 N & NH_2 \\ O_2 N & NO_2 \\ NO_2 \end{array} $ | NO2 O2N H2N NO2 NO2 | | |
| ρ | 1.903 | 1.903 | 1.899 | 1.899 | 1.899 | 1.897 |
| v_D | 8468 | 8468 | 8611 | 8415 | 8415 | 8704 |
| Structure | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N O OH OH | NO ₂ NH ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ | OH O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NH ₂ NO ₂ | | $\begin{array}{c} OH \\ O_2N \\ O_2N \\ NO_2 \\ OH \end{array}$ | NO2 0 02N OH H2N NO2 NO2 |
| ρ | 1.896 | 1.896 | 1.896 | 1.896 | 1.896 | 1.895 |
| v_D | 8246 | 8427 | 8427 | 8229 | 8229 | 8207 |
| Structure | 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ OH | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ HO OH | | NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ OH O NO ₂ O | $\begin{array}{c} NO_2 \\ O_2 N \\ O_2 N \\ H_2 N \\ O \end{array} O H$ | OH O2N HO NO2 OH |
| ρ | 1.895 | 1.894 | 1.893 | 1.893 | 1.892 | 1.887 |
| v_D | 8207 | 8072 | 8037 | 8037 | 8048 | 7989 |
| Structure | | | | NO2 NO2 NO2 | | |
| ρ | 1.886 | 1.886 | 1.885 | 1.884 | 1.884 | 1.883 |
| v _D | 8210 | 8034 | 8456 | 8264 | 8264 | 8278 |

Table S5. Top 30 Molecules by ρ_{ML} , ρ_{ML} and ν_{DML} are in g cm⁻³ and m s⁻¹, respectively.

Table S6. Top 30 Molecules by v_{DML} , ρ_{ML} and v_{DML} are in g cm⁻³ and m s⁻¹, respectively.

| | 1 | | 8 | , I | 5 | |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Structure | 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | OH O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | NH ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | 0 ₂ N NO ₂ 0 ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N N _O N _O H |
| v_D | 9266 | 8910 | 8897 | 8889 | 8790 | 8723 |
| ρ | 1.942 | 1.923 | 1.925 | 1.883 | 1.874 | 1.876 |
| Structure | NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ | O_2N NO_2 O_2N NO_2 O_2N NO_2 | NO_2 O_2N NO_2 NO_2 NO_2 | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N OH NO ₂ OH | NO ₂ O O ₂ N NO ₂ NH ₂ NO ₂ NO ₂ | 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N 0 ₂ N NO ₂ OH NO ₂ |
| v_D | 8716 | 8704 | 8701 | 8664 | 8657 | 8615 |
| ρ | 1.878 | 1.897 | 1.904 | 1.916 | 1.880 | 1.867 |

| Structure | $\begin{array}{c} NO_2 \\ O_2 N \\ O_2 N \\ NO_2 \\ NO_2 \end{array} \\ NH_2 \\ NO_2 O \end{array}$ | | | $\begin{array}{c c} & NO_2 & NO_2 \\ O_2 N & & N \\ O_2 N & & N \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c} & NO_2\\ O_2N & NO_2\\ O_2N & NO_2\\ NO_2 & NO_2 \end{array}$ | O ₂ N. N O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| v_D | 8611 | 8600 | 8592 | 8586 | 8571 | 8571 |
| ρ | 1.899 | 1.853 | 1.876 | 1.837 | 1.834 | 1.834 |
| Structure | NO2 O2N OH O2N N [×] NO2 NO2 | | $\begin{array}{c} NO_2 \\ O_2N \\ O_2N \\ NO_2 \\ NO_2 \end{array} \\ NO_2 \\ $ | O ₂ N NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ N NO ₂ | $HO + VO_2 + O_2 $ | $\begin{array}{c} NO_2 \\ O_2 N \\ HO \\ NO_2 \\ NO_2 \end{array}$ |
| v_D | 8543 | 8539 | 8530 | 8527 | 8525 | 8525 |
| ρ | 1.860 | 1.910 | 1.858 | 1.849 | 1.859 | 1.859 |
| Structure | $\begin{array}{c} NO_2 \\ H_2 N \\ O_2 N \\ NO_2 \end{array} \\ NO_2 \\ NO_2 \end{array}$ | $ \begin{array}{c} $ | 0 ₂ N NO ₂ 0 ₂ N NO ₂ NO ₂ | HO NO ₂ NO ₂ | OH O ₂ N O ₂ N OH NO ₂ OH | NO ₂ O ₂ N NO ₂ H ₂ N NO ₂ OH |
| v_D | 8524 | 8524 | 8511 | 8468 | 8468 | 8456 |
| ρ | 1.864 | 1.864 | 1.845 | 1.903 | 1.903 | 1.885 |

S7: Performance of ML in predicting BDE of C-NO₂ and N-NO₂.

| Table S7. Comparison of machine-learnt BDE (BDE_ML) and quantum chemistry calculated BDE (BDE_ | _QC) of 12 |
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| molecules with $v_D > 7000 \text{ m/s}$. | |

| | v _D _ML (m s ⁻¹) | BDE_ML (kJ mol ⁻¹) | BDE_QC (kJ mol ⁻¹) | Abs_BDE (kJ mol ⁻¹) | BDE_% |
|----|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 | 7609 | 260 | 257 | 3 | 1.2 |
| 2 | 7052 | 264 | 275 | -11 | -4.1 |
| 3 | 7704 | 267 | 271 | -4 | -1.6 |
| 4 | 7395 | 279 | 273 | 7 | 2.4 |
| 5 | 7154 | 285 | 285 | 0 | -0.1 |
| 6 | 7119 | 288 | 297 | -9 | -3.2 |
| 7 | 7028 | 289 | 272 | 17 | 6.3 |
| 8 | 7523 | 291 | 286 | 6 | 2.0 |
| 9 | 7271 | 296 | 289 | 7 | 2.5 |
| 10 | 7685 | 296 | 300 | -3 | -1.1 |
| 11 | 7207 | 301 | 307 | -6 | -2.1 |
| 12 | 7825 | 304 | 301 | 3 | 1.1 |



Figure S2. Molecular structures for BDE verification.

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