

Supporting Information for: Predicting Thermodynamic Properties of Alkanes by High-throughput Force Field Simulation and Machine Learning

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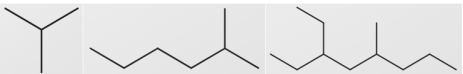

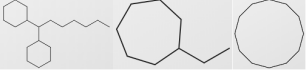





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1. Details of molecules

The details of 876 molecules are listed in the attached Excel (.xlsx) file. The formula, CAS number, name, melting point (T_m), normal boiling point (T_{vap}) and critical point (T_c) are taken from Yaws' Critical Property Data for Chemical Engineers and Chemists¹. The SMILES string are obtained by using NCBI PubChem PUG API². For molecule whose melting point is not available, the lowest temperature for simulation is set to $0.4 * T_{vap} + 100K$. For those molecules whose critical point is not available, the highest temperature is set to $T_{vap} + 75K$ for liquid simulation or $T_{vap} + 100K$ for VLE simulation.

2. Categories of molecules

Table S1 Number of different type of alkanes and representative structures. Note that one molecule can belong to several categories

Category	Number	Representative structures
normal alkane	19	
iso-alkane	743	
neo-alkane	410	
cyclic alkane	186	
cyclopropane	14	
cyclobutane	7	
cyclopentane	62	
cyclohexane	93	
bicyclo-alkane	13	

3. Convergence of vacuum simulation for dodecane at 288 K

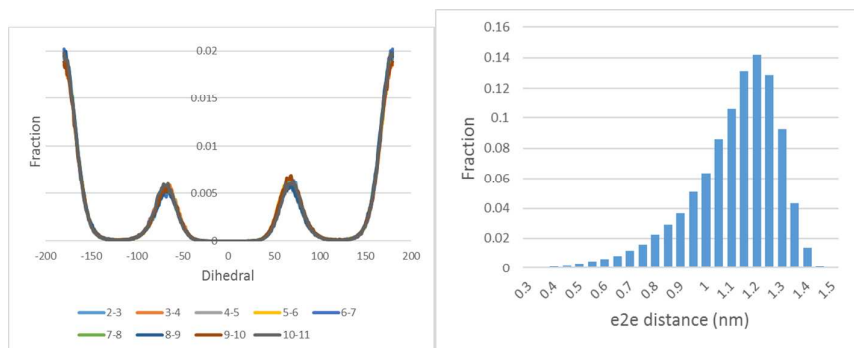


Figure S1 Distributions of nine C-C-C-C dihedral angles ('2-3' denotes the dihedral formed by C1-C2-C3-C4), and distribution of the end-to-end distances for dodecane at 288 K in vacuum simulation.

4. Distributions of kinetic energies of VLE simulation

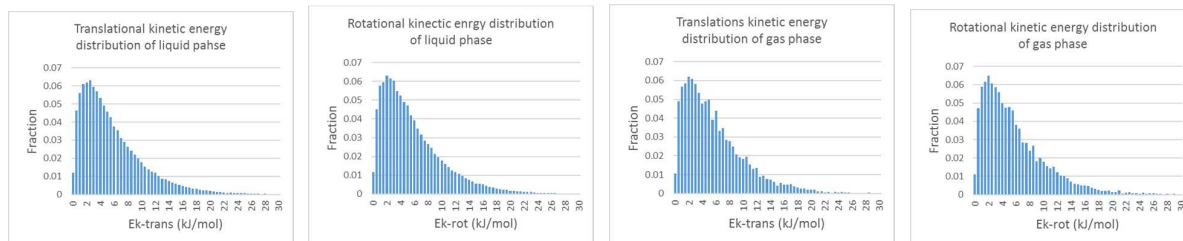
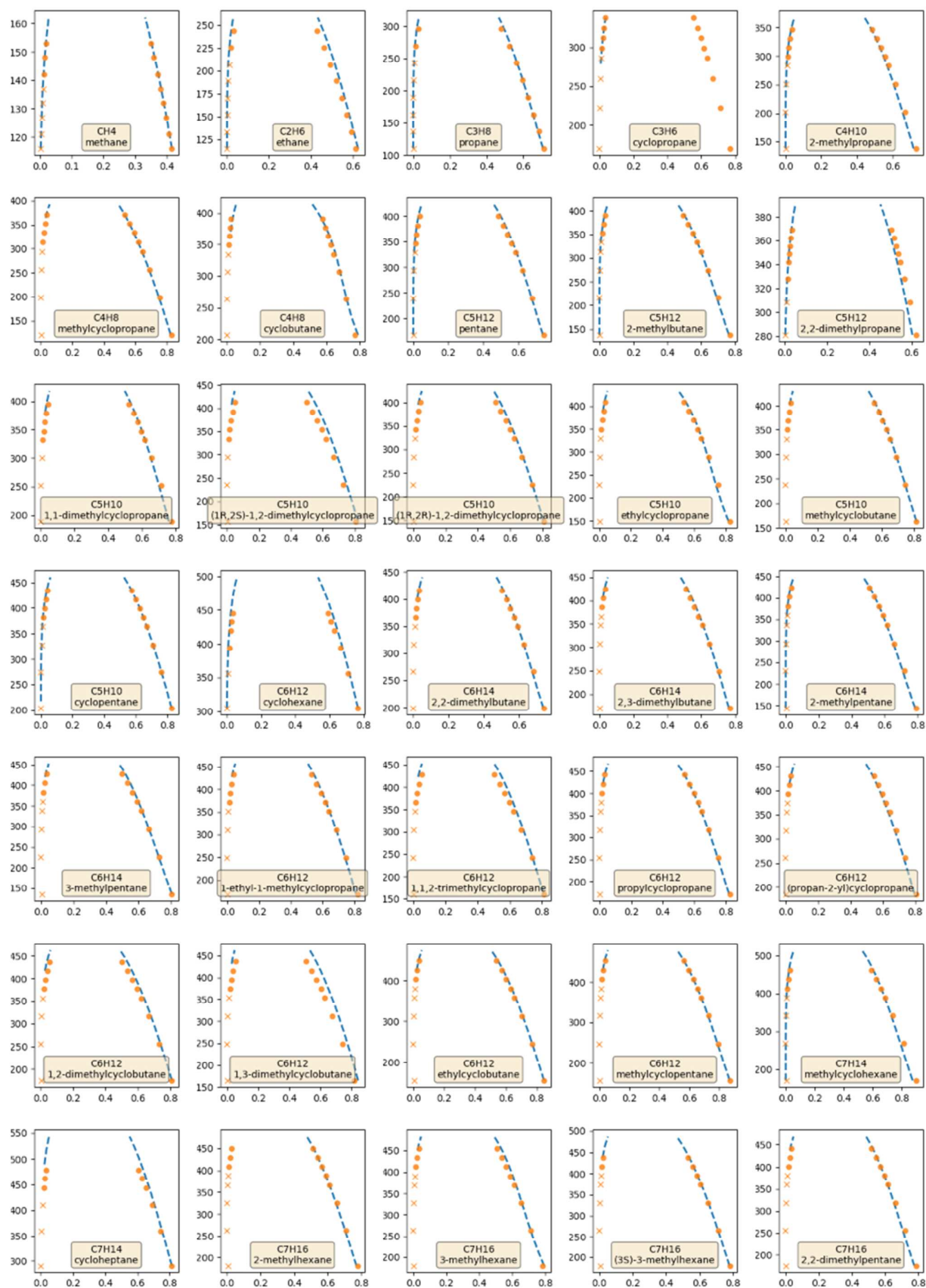
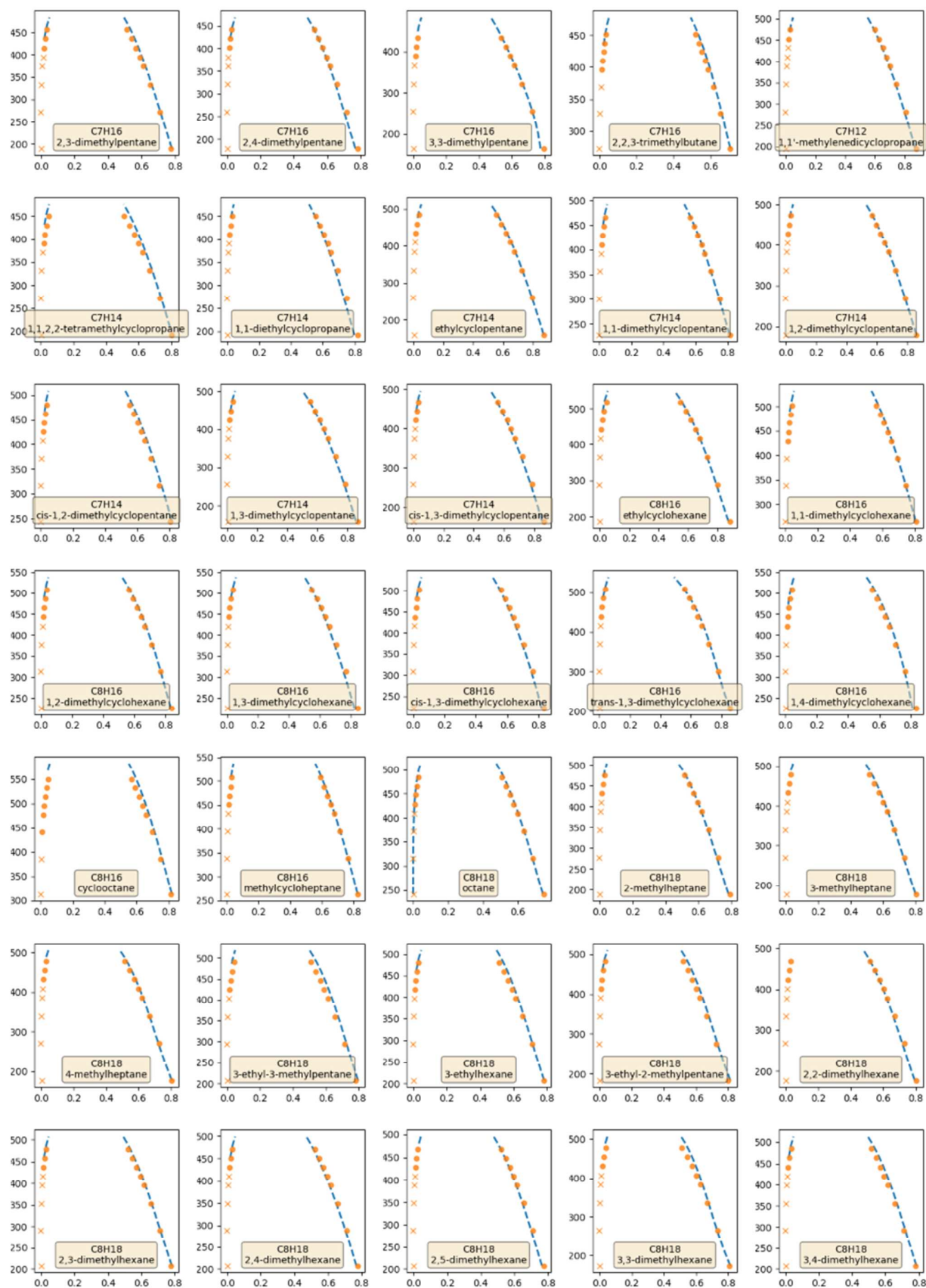


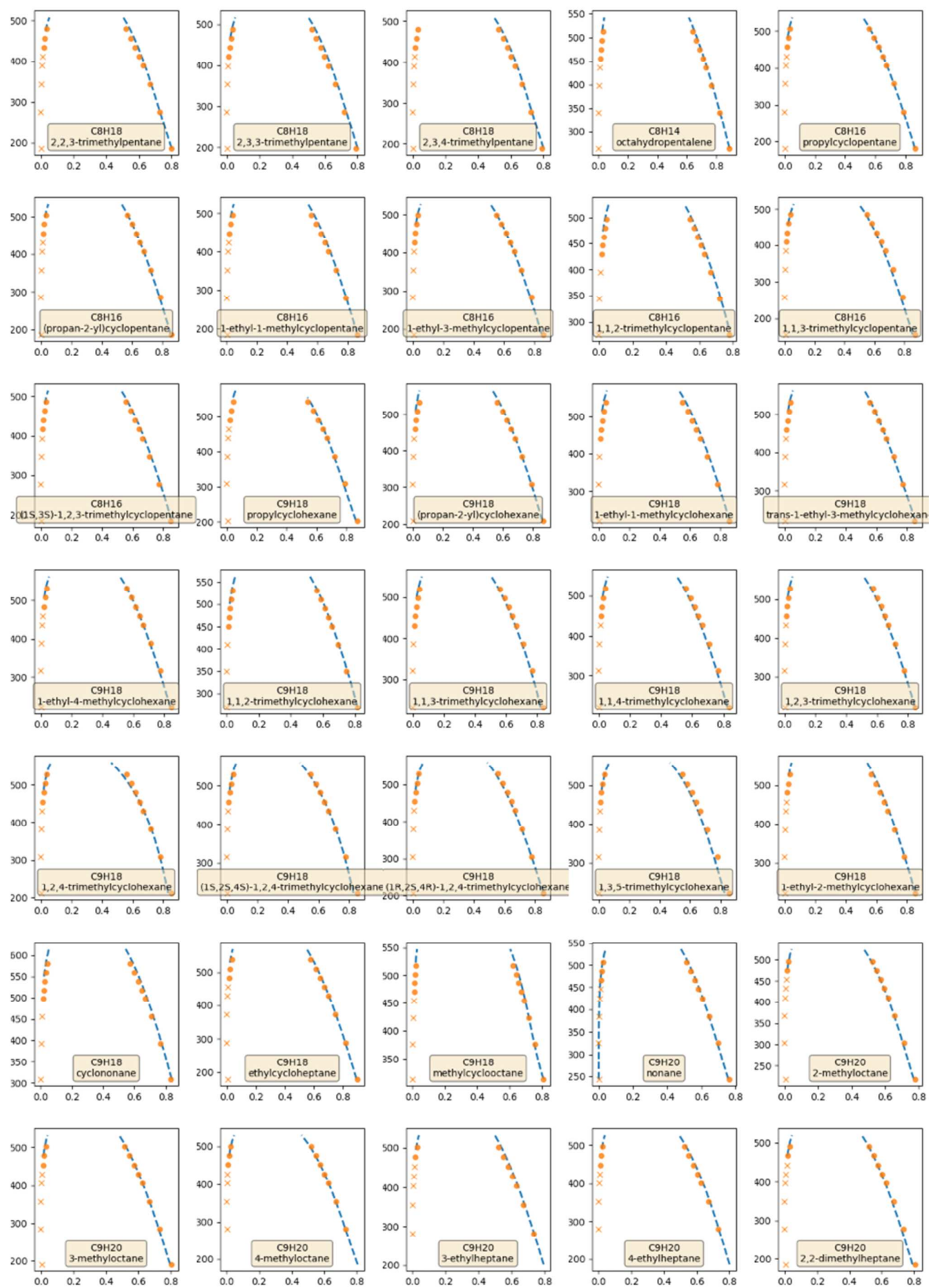
Figure S2 Distributions of translational and rotational kinetic energy of molecules in liquid phase and gas phase in VLE simulation for decane at 466 K.

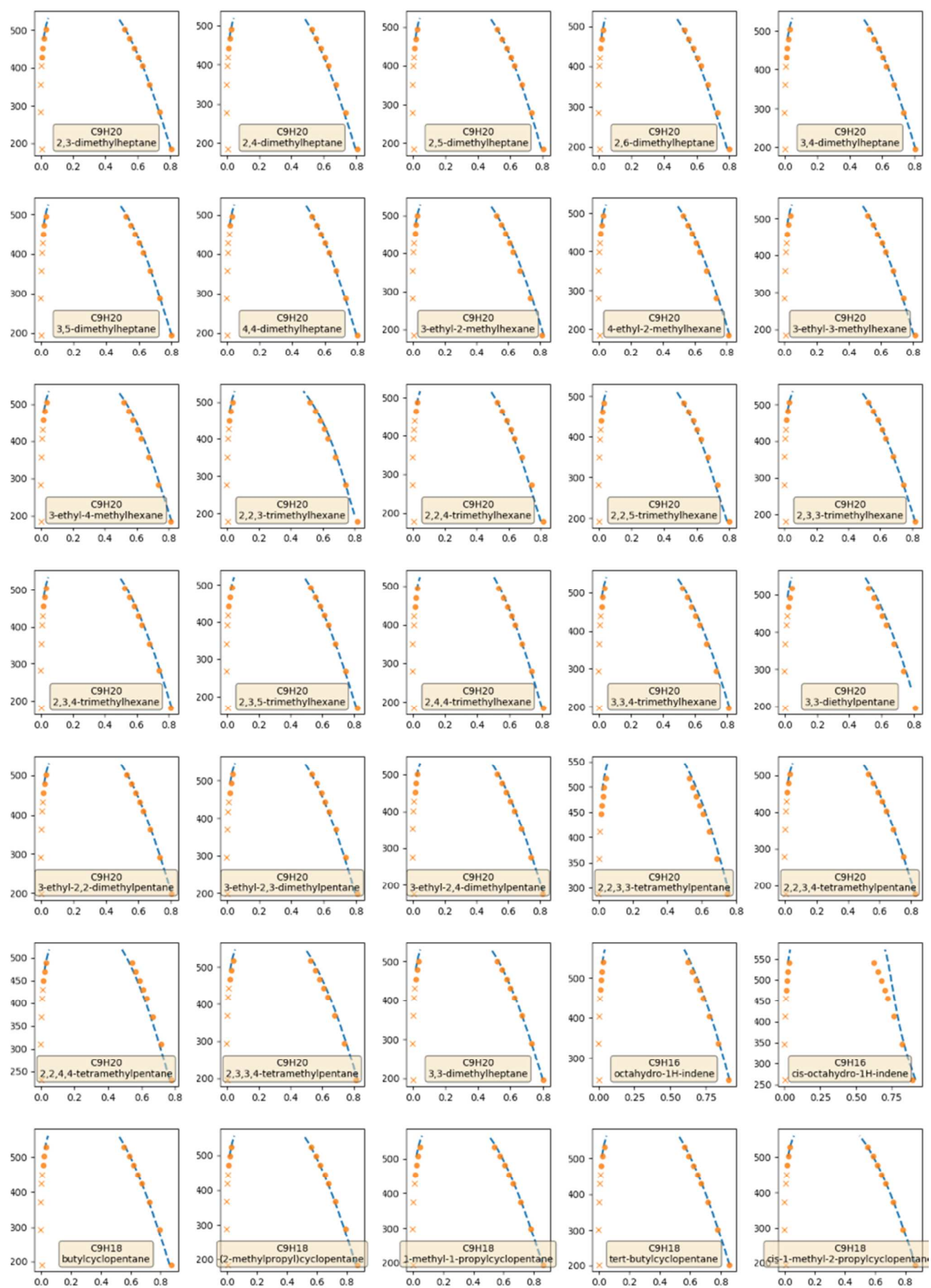
5. Vapor-Liquid-Equilibria Phase Diagrams and Clausius-Clapeyron plots

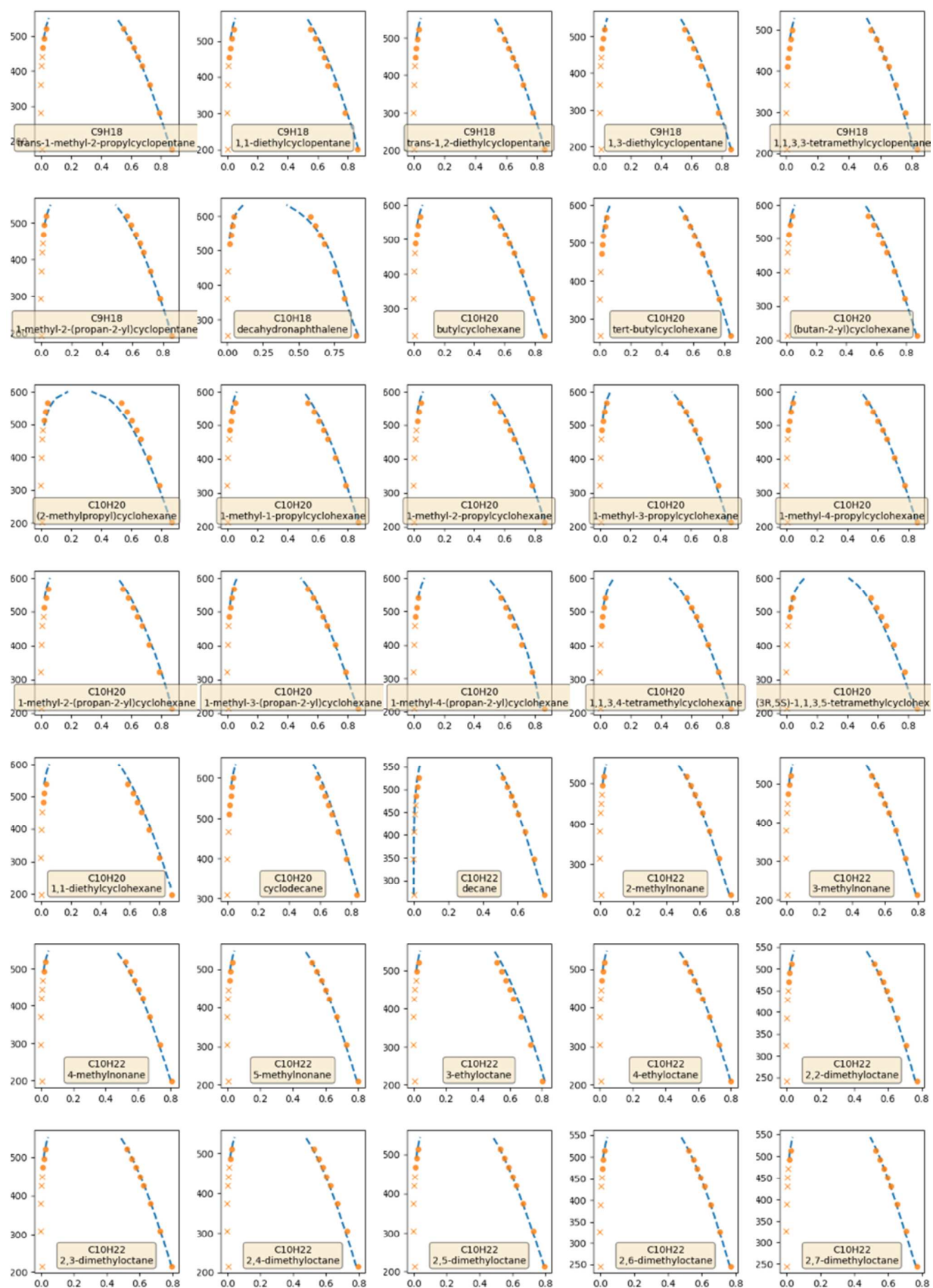
The VLE phase diagrams of 240 molecules are compared against experimental data taken from NIST Standard Reference Database 103b³⁻⁵, As shown in Figure S3. The Clausius-Clapeyron plots are given in Figure S4.

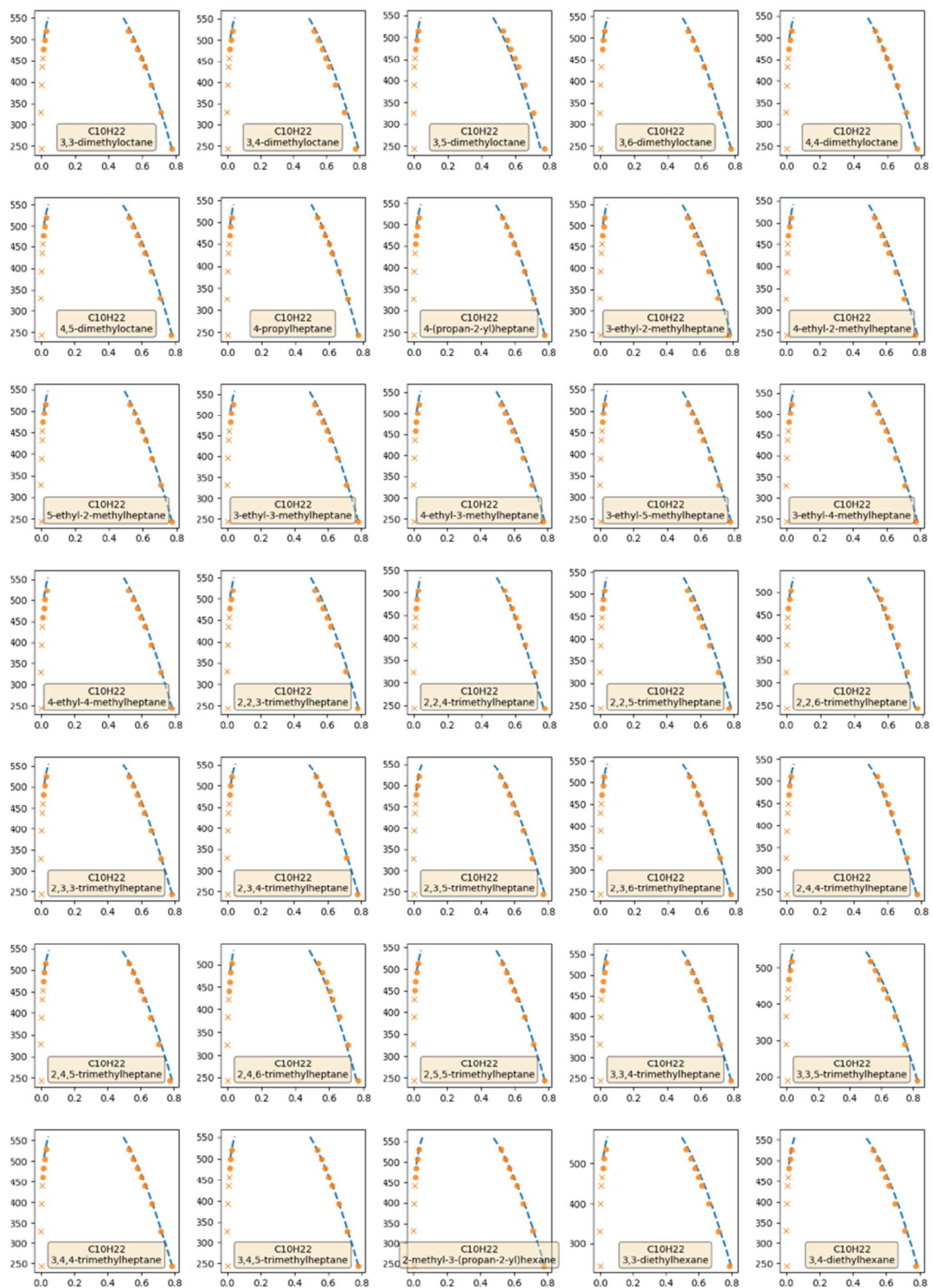












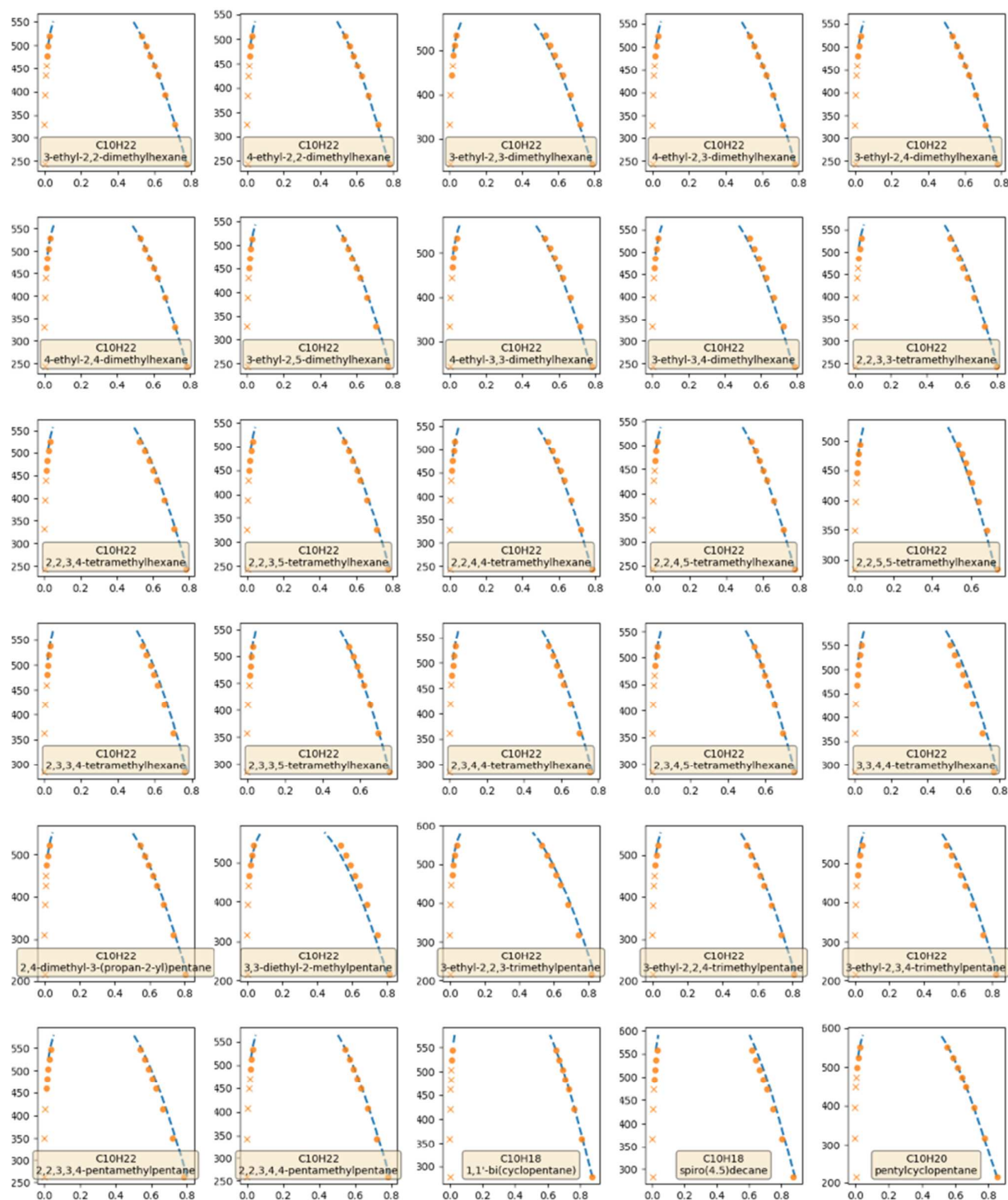
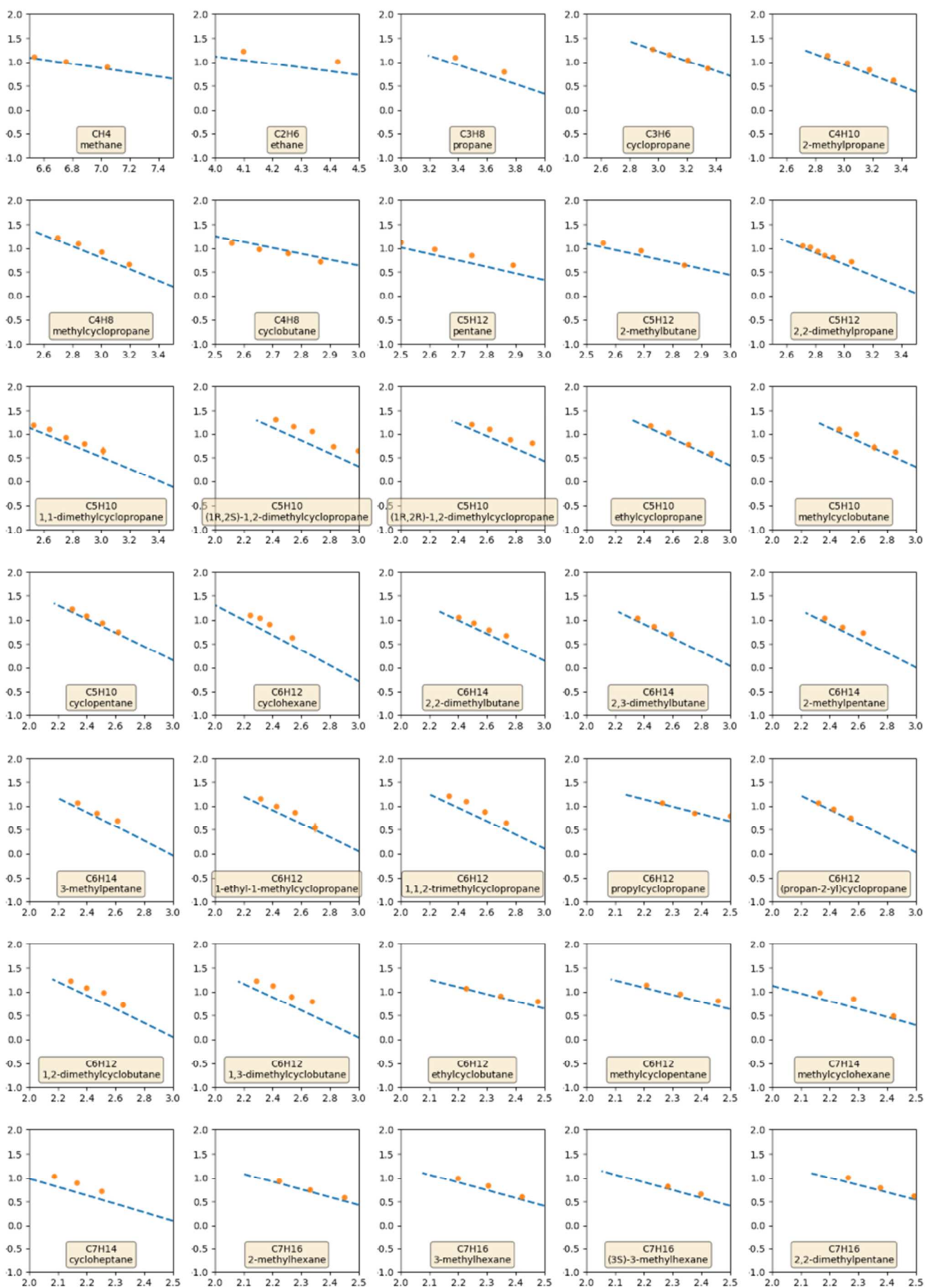
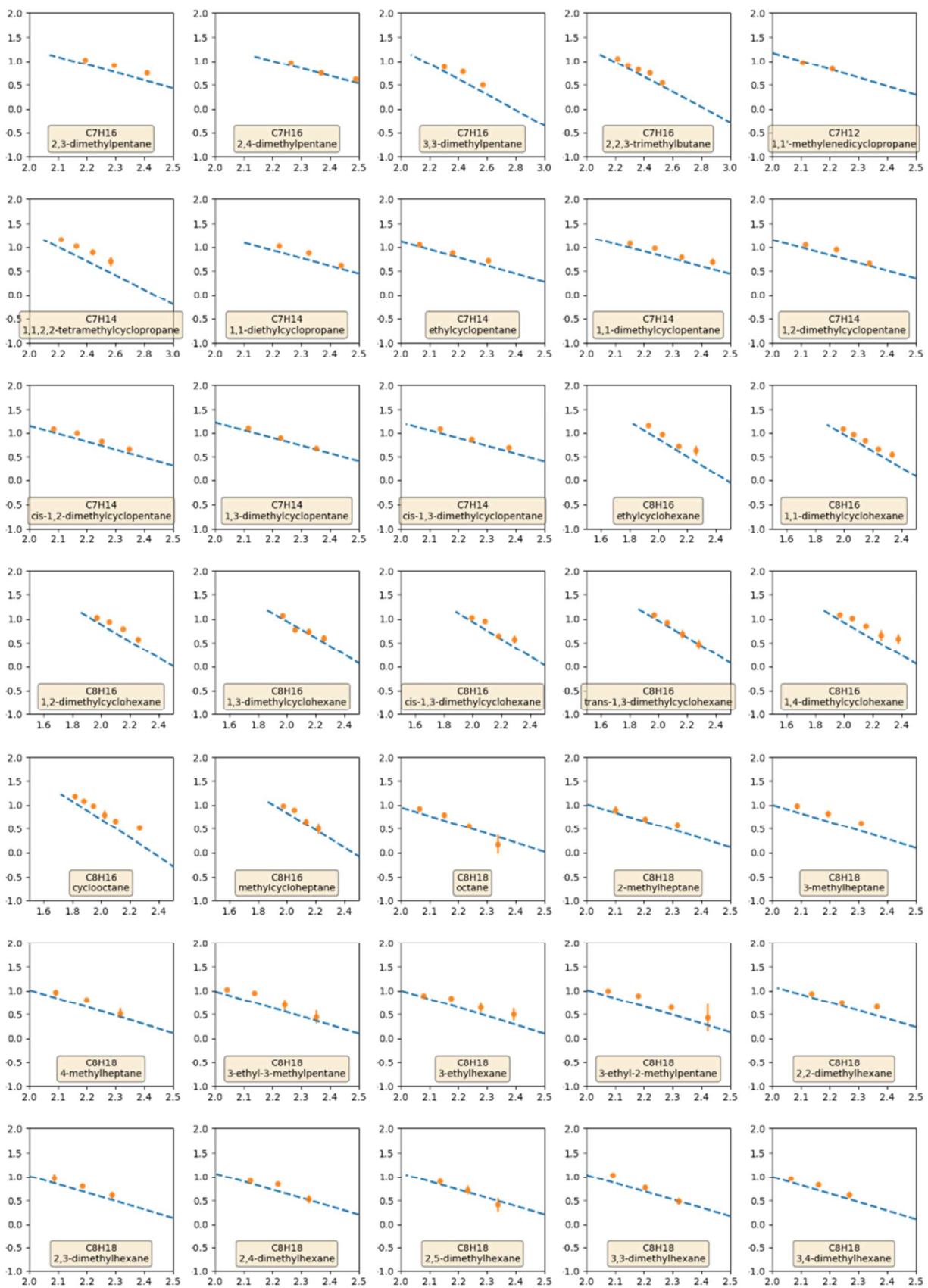
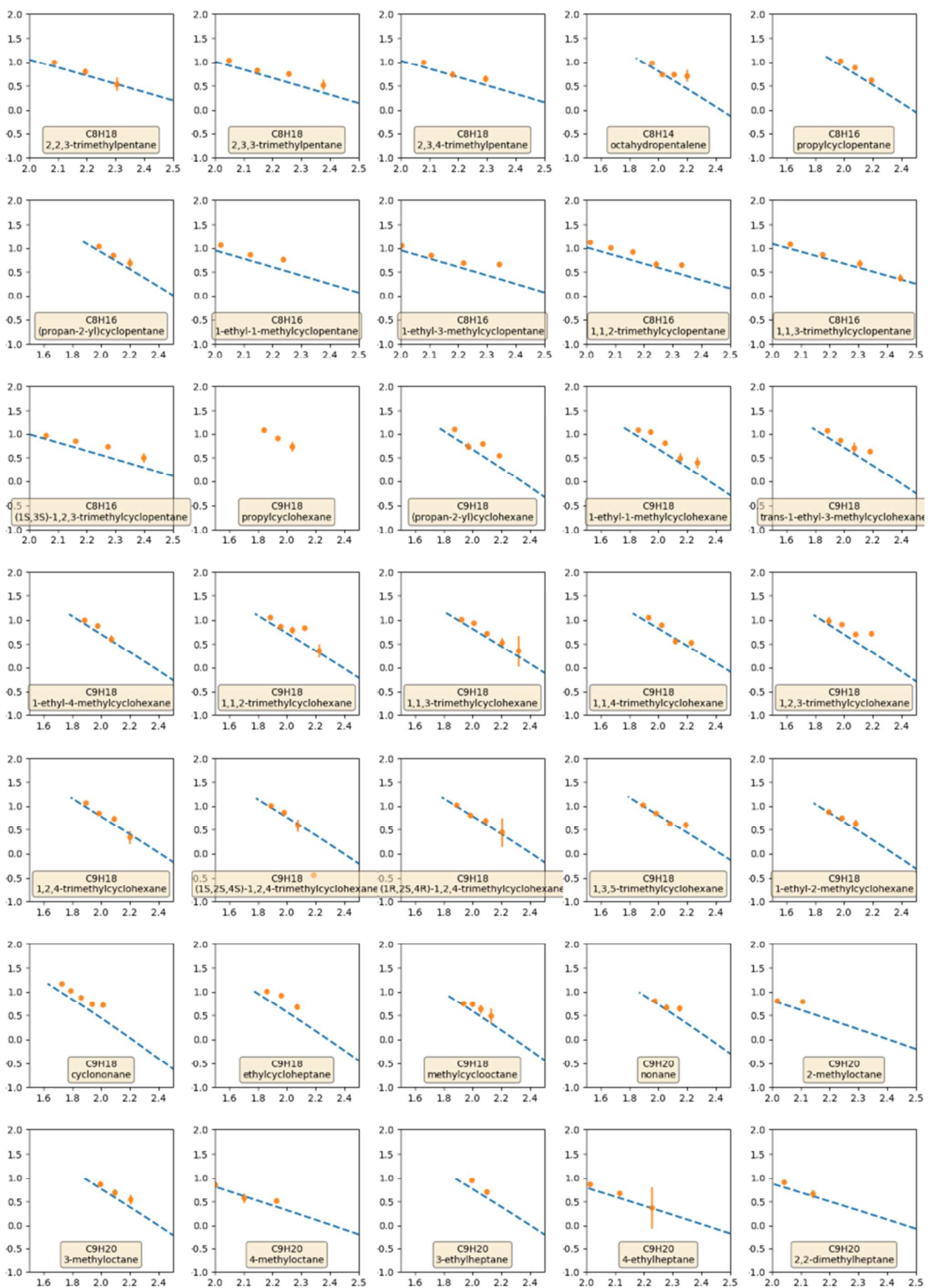
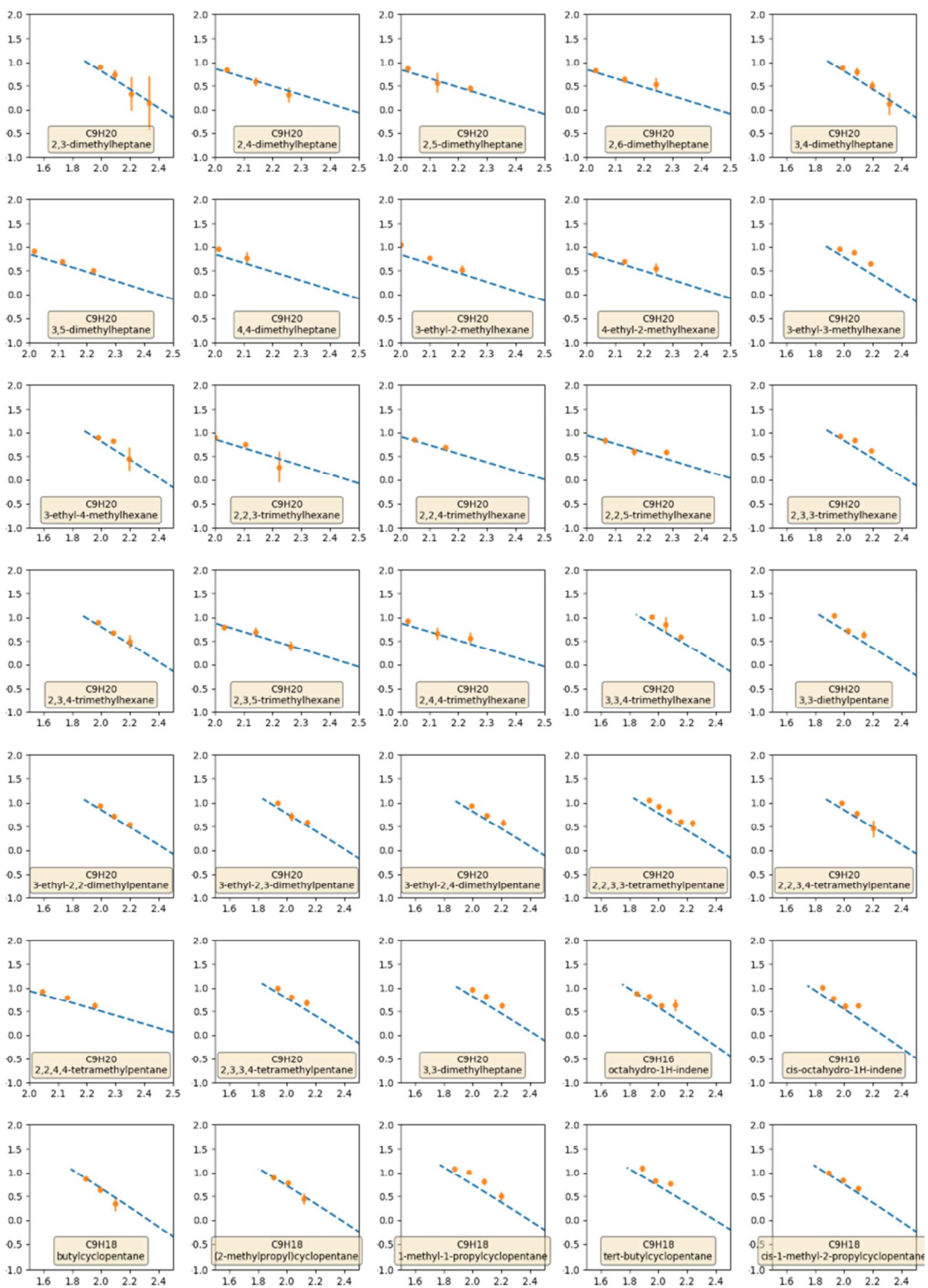


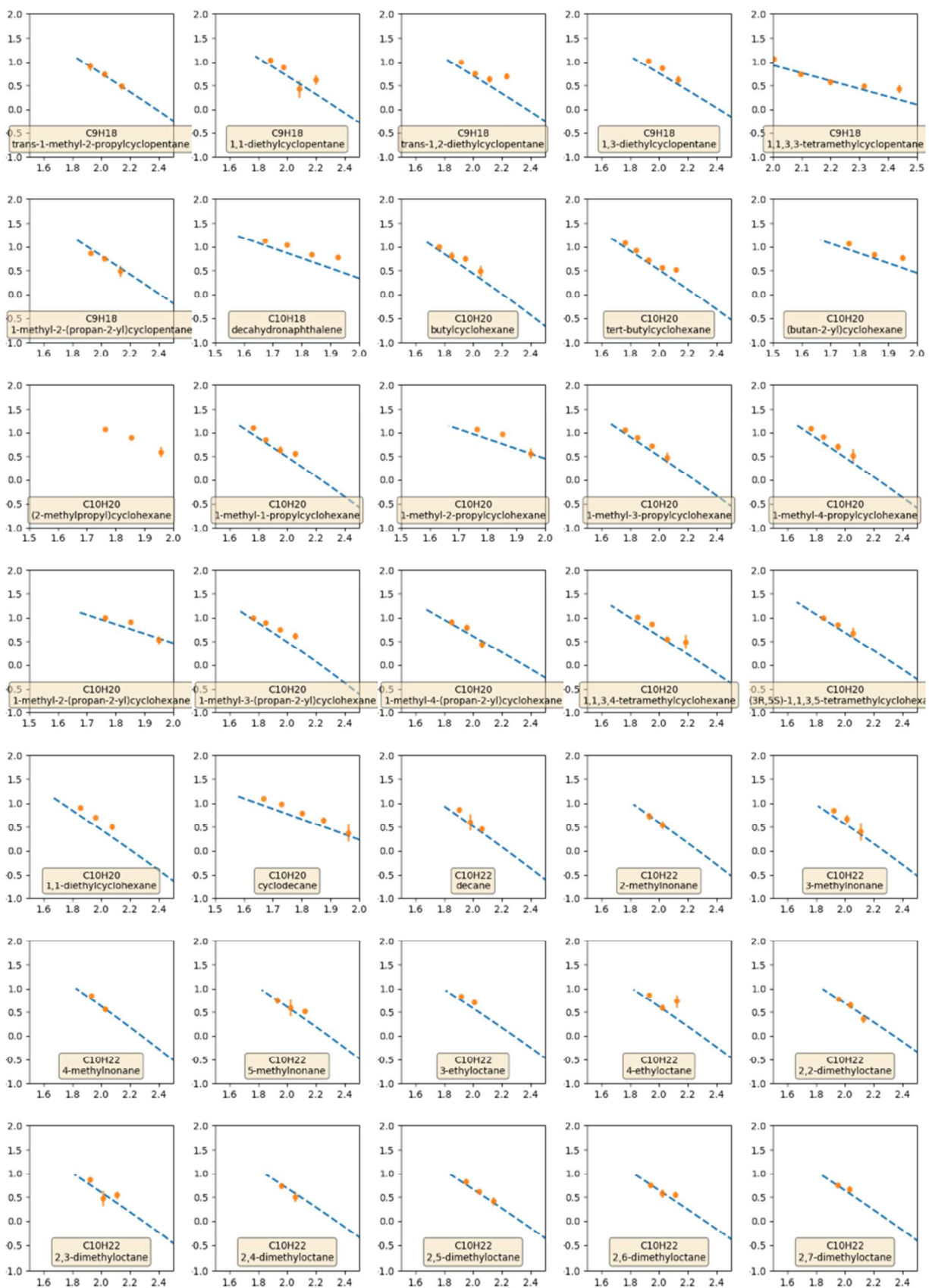
Figure S3 Comparison of predicted (dots and crosses) and experimental (lines) VLE phase diagram of 240 molecules. The cross symbol denotes less confident data (densities lower than 0.01 g/cm^3).

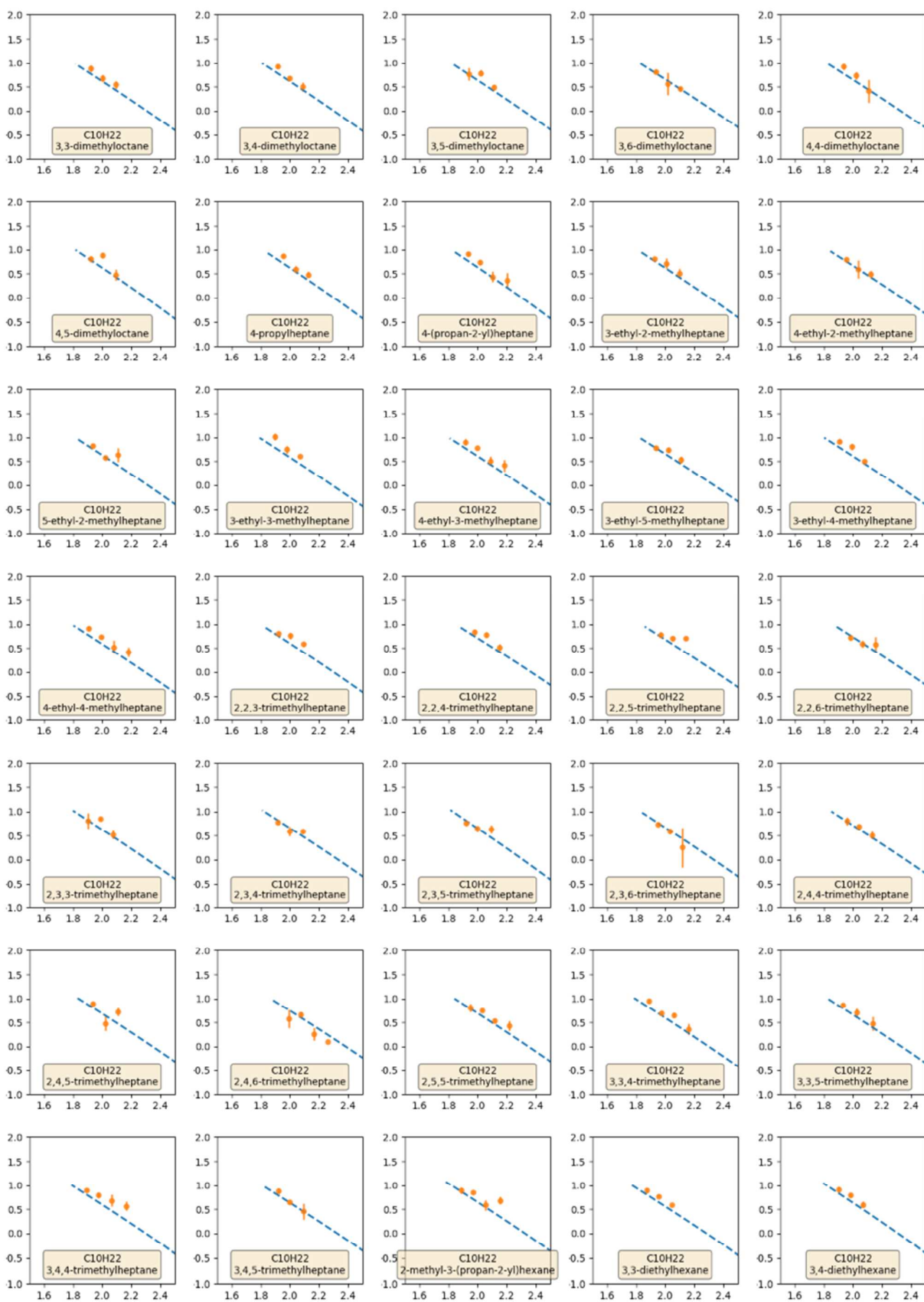












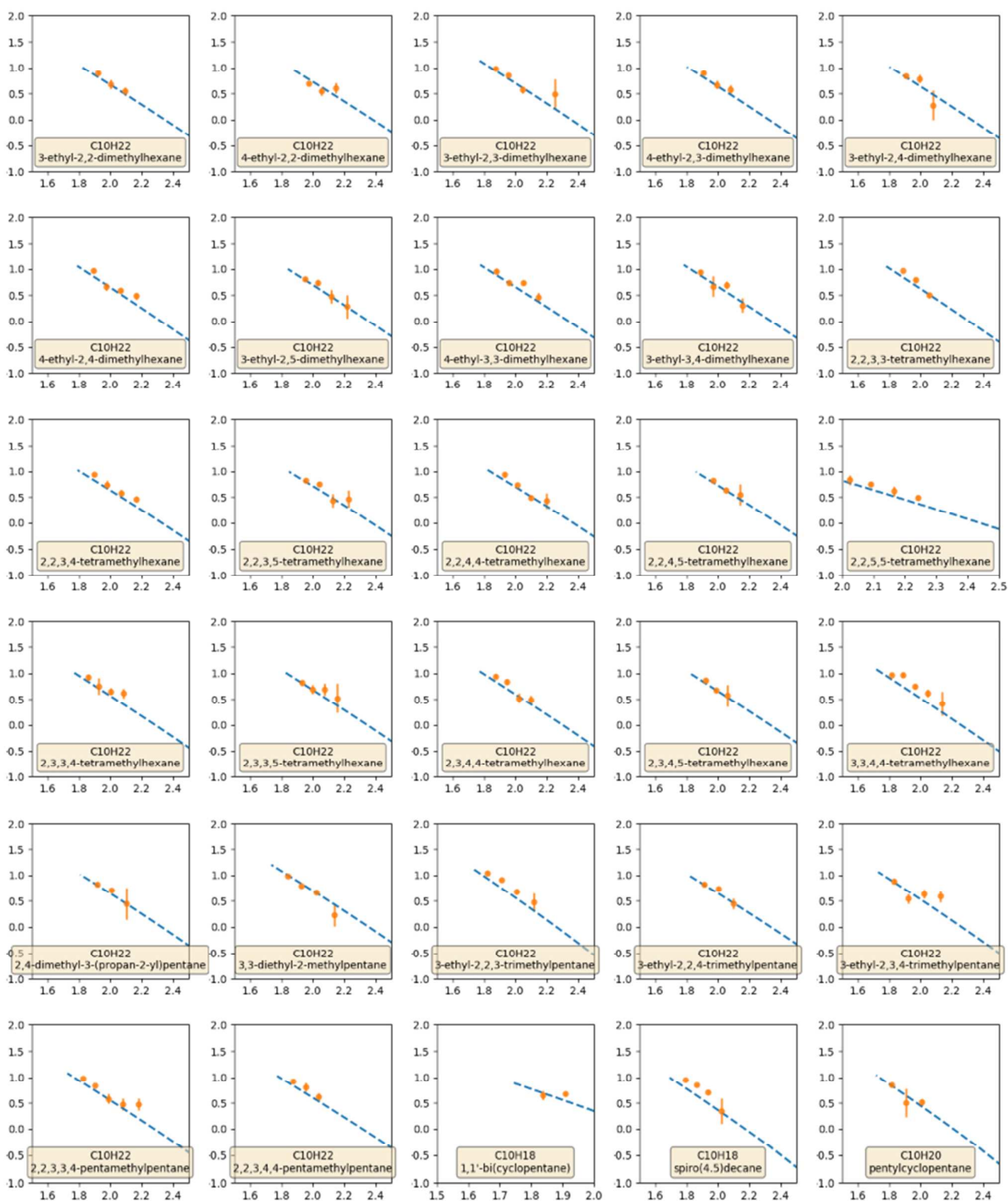


Figure S4 Comparison of predicted (dots) and experimental (lines) Clausius-Clapeyron plots of 240 molecules. The x-axis is $\frac{1000 \text{ K}}{T}$, y axis is $\log_{10} \left(\frac{P}{1\text{bar}} \right)$. The vapor pressure of systems with gas density smaller than 0.01 g/cm^3 are not shown.

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