

# Excess Enthalpy, Density, and Speed of Sound for the Ternary Mixture Methyl *tert*-Butyl Ether (1) + Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3)<sup>†</sup>

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Excess molar enthalpies,  $H^E(x, T)$ , at  $T = 298.15$  K, densities,  $\rho(x, T)$ , and speeds of sound,  $u(x, T)$ , at temperatures  $T = (288.15$  to  $308.15)$  K and atmospheric pressure have been measured for the ternary system methyl *tert*-butyl ether (MTBE) (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3). Also, densities,  $\rho(x, T)$ , and speeds of sound,  $u(x, T)$ , for the binary mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3) and excess molar enthalpies,  $H^E(x, T)$ ,  $T = 298.15$  K, for the binary mixture butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) have been measured. From experimental data, excess molar volumes,  $V^E(x, T)$ , and excess isentropic compressibility,  $\kappa_S^E(x, T)$ , were calculated. The Cibulka equation was used to correlate the ternary contribution to the experimental excess molar volume and excess isentropic compressibility. Additionally, excess molar enthalpies were correlated with the Nagata and Tamura equation, and the experimental results are compared with the estimations obtained by applying the group-contribution models of UNIFAC and DISQUAC.

## Introduction

As noted in previous works,<sup>1–4</sup> the mixtures containing ethers, alkanes, and alkanols are a family of solutions of technological importance because tertiary-alkyl ethers, either pure or mixed with alkanols, have been recommended as octane blending agents for gasolines.

This work contributes to the series of ternary mixtures of methyl *tert*-butyl ether (MTBE) + butan-1-ol + *n*-alkane reported in previous works,<sup>1–3</sup> where the third component of the mixture was hexane and decane, respectively. So, experimental measurements of density and speed of sound for the ternary mixture MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at  $T = (288.15, 293.15, 298.15, 303.15, \text{ and } 308.15)$  K and atmospheric pressure over the whole composition range and excess molar enthalpy at  $T = 298.15$  K are reported. Additionally, density and speed of sound values for the binary mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3) and excess molar enthalpies, at  $T = 298.15$  K, for the binary mixture butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) are reported.

From the experimental data, excess molar volumes,  $V^E(x, T)$ , and excess isentropic compressibilities,  $\kappa_S^E(x, T)$ , were computed. To adequately correlate these quantities, the Cibulka<sup>6</sup> equation was used to correlate the ternary contribution to the experimental excess molar volume and excess isentropic compressibility, and for excess molar enthalpy, the Nagata and Tamura<sup>7</sup> equation was used. Also, to estimate excess molar enthalpies, the group contribution models UNIFAC (in the versions of Dang and

**Table 1. Properties of Octane at Several Temperatures**

| <i>T</i><br>K | $\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ |                     | $u/\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ |                     | $\alpha/\text{k}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ |                    | $C_p/\text{J}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ |  |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|               | exptl                              | lit.                | exptl                          | lit.                | calcd                               | lit.               | lit.   |  |
| 288.15        | 706.58                             | 706.6 <sup>a</sup>  | 1213.6                         | 1214 <sup>a</sup>   | 1.142                               |                    | 250.84 <sup>e</sup>                                  |  |
| 293.15        | 702.57                             | 702.56 <sup>b</sup> | 1193.0                         | 1193 <sup>a</sup>   | 1.151                               |                    | 252.96 <sup>e</sup>                                  |  |
| 298.15        | 698.55                             | 698.54 <sup>b</sup> | 1171.9                         | 1172 <sup>a</sup>   | 1.148                               | 1.164 <sup>d</sup> | 255.11 <sup>e</sup>                                  |  |
| 303.15        | 694.48                             | 694.5 <sup>c</sup>  | 1151.0                         | 1151.6 <sup>c</sup> | 1.160                               |                    | 257.29 <sup>e</sup>                                  |  |
| 308.15        | 690.42                             | 690.4 <sup>c</sup>  | 1130.3                         | 1132.9 <sup>c</sup> | 1.185                               |                    | 259.48 <sup>e</sup>                                  |  |

<sup>a</sup> Ref 13. <sup>b</sup> Ref 14. <sup>c</sup> Ref 15. <sup>d</sup> Ref 16. <sup>e</sup> Ref 17.

Tassios,<sup>8</sup> Larsen et al.,<sup>9</sup> Gmehling et al.,<sup>10</sup>) and DISQUAC<sup>11,12</sup> have been applied.

## Experimental Section

Methyl *tert*-butyl ether, which is also referred to as methyl 2–2 dimethylethyl ether according to IUPAC recommendations (mass fraction purity > 99.8 %), and butan-1-ol (mass fraction purity > 98.8 %) were supplied by Aldrich, and octane (mass fraction purity > 99.5 %) was supplied by Fluka. The substances were partially degassed in an ultrasound bath and dried over molecular sieves (Sigma, 0.4 nm).

Experimental densities,  $\rho(T)$ , and speeds of sound,  $u(T)$ , of octane agree satisfactorily with the literature data, as shown in Table 1. The experimental data of pure MTBE and butan-1-ol were reported in a previous work.<sup>1</sup>

The mixtures were prepared by mass with an accuracy of  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-8}$  kg using an electronic balance (Mettler AE-240), with an uncertainty in mole fraction estimated to be lower than  $\pm 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ .

Densities and speeds of sound of the pure liquids and mixtures were measured with a digital densimeter and sound analyzer Anton-Paar DSA-48. The apparatus was automatically thermostatted within a temperature uncertainty of  $\pm 2 \cdot 10^{-2}$  K, with an estimated uncertainty of  $\pm 5 \cdot 10^{-2}$  kg·m<sup>-3</sup> and  $\pm 0.5$  m·s<sup>-1</sup>

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**Table 2. Densities ( $\rho$ ) and Speeds of Sound ( $u$ ) for the Binary Mixture MTBE (1) + Octane (3) and Ternary Mixture MTBE (1) + Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3) at Several Temperatures**

| $x_1$  | $x_2$  | T/K                                |        |        |        |        | $x_1$  | $x_2$  | T/K                            |        |        |        |        |
|--------|--------|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|        |        | 288.15                             | 293.15 | 298.15 | 303.15 | 308.15 |        |        | 288.15                         | 293.15 | 298.15 | 303.15 | 308.15 |
|        |        | $\rho/\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ |        |        |        |        |        |        | $u/\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ |        |        |        |        |
| 0.0681 | 0.0000 | 708.15                             | 704.08 | 700.01 | 695.91 | 691.79 | 0.0681 | 0.0000 | 1205.4                         | 1184.6 | 1163.5 | 1142.6 | 1121.8 |
| 0.1226 | 0.0000 | 709.47                             | 705.36 | 701.24 | 697.10 | 692.93 | 0.1226 | 0.0000 | 1198.4                         | 1177.6 | 1156.3 | 1135.4 | 1114.7 |
| 0.2056 | 0.0000 | 711.65                             | 707.48 | 703.29 | 699.07 | 694.83 | 0.2056 | 0.0000 | 1187.6                         | 1166.7 | 1145.4 | 1124.3 | 1103.4 |
| 0.3046 | 0.0000 | 714.48                             | 710.23 | 705.96 | 701.64 | 697.30 | 0.3046 | 0.0000 | 1174.2                         | 1153.1 | 1131.8 | 1110.5 | 1089.4 |
| 0.4001 | 0.0000 | 717.54                             | 713.19 | 708.81 | 704.40 | 699.96 | 0.4001 | 0.0000 | 1161.4                         | 1140.2 | 1118.7 | 1097.1 | 1075.9 |
| 0.4535 | 0.0000 | 719.37                             | 714.96 | 710.53 | 706.06 | 701.56 | 0.4535 | 0.0000 | 1154.3                         | 1132.9 | 1111.2 | 1089.6 | 1068.2 |
| 0.4947 | 0.0000 | 720.85                             | 716.40 | 711.92 | 707.40 | 702.84 | 0.4947 | 0.0000 | 1148.7                         | 1127.2 | 1105.4 | 1083.8 | 1062.3 |
| 0.5442 | 0.0000 | 722.73                             | 718.21 | 713.67 | 709.09 | 704.48 | 0.5442 | 0.0000 | 1142.0                         | 1120.6 | 1098.7 | 1077.0 | 1055.3 |
| 0.5996 | 0.0000 | 724.94                             | 720.36 | 715.75 | 711.10 | 706.42 | 0.5996 | 0.0000 | 1134.7                         | 1113.0 | 1091.0 | 1069.1 | 1047.5 |
| 0.6916 | 0.0000 | 728.91                             | 724.20 | 719.47 | 714.70 | 709.89 | 0.6916 | 0.0000 | 1122.5                         | 1100.6 | 1078.4 | 1056.2 | 1034.3 |
| 0.8001 | 0.0000 | 734.16                             | 729.30 | 724.41 | 719.47 | 714.49 | 0.8001 | 0.0000 | 1108.1                         | 1085.8 | 1063.2 | 1040.8 | 1018.6 |
| 0.9007 | 0.0000 | 739.68                             | 734.66 | 729.60 | 724.50 | 719.35 | 0.9007 | 0.0000 | 1095.1                         | 1072.6 | 1049.6 | 1026.9 | 1004.2 |
| 0.9487 | 0.0000 | 742.54                             | 737.44 | 700.01 | 727.10 | 721.86 | 0.9487 | 0.0000 | 1089.0                         | 1066.2 | 1043.1 | 1020.1 | 997.3  |
| 0.0668 | 0.0504 | 710.98                             | 706.89 | 702.77 | 698.62 | 694.45 | 0.0668 | 0.0504 | 1203.6                         | 1183.0 | 1162.1 | 1141.1 | 1120.4 |
| 0.0560 | 0.8928 | 800.22                             | 796.34 | 792.42 | 788.46 | 784.49 | 0.0560 | 0.8928 | 1255.4                         | 1237.9 | 1219.5 | 1201.1 | 1183.6 |
| 0.1149 | 0.0988 | 715.58                             | 711.44 | 707.29 | 703.08 | 698.85 | 0.1149 | 0.0988 | 1197.8                         | 1177.2 | 1156.3 | 1135.4 | 1114.6 |
| 0.1125 | 0.1968 | 722.58                             | 718.44 | 714.26 | 710.04 | 705.8  | 0.1125 | 0.1968 | 1199.0                         | 1178.5 | 1157.7 | 1136.9 | 1116.3 |
| 0.1094 | 0.2933 | 730.25                             | 726.10 | 721.93 | 717.71 | 713.46 | 0.1094 | 0.2933 | 1201.6                         | 1181.3 | 1160.7 | 1140.1 | 1119.6 |
| 0.1123 | 0.3915 | 739.26                             | 735.12 | 730.95 | 726.73 | 722.49 | 0.1123 | 0.3915 | 1205.1                         | 1185.0 | 1164.6 | 1144.2 | 1124.0 |
| 0.1082 | 0.4831 | 748.29                             | 744.17 | 740.02 | 735.82 | 731.58 | 0.1082 | 0.4831 | 1210.3                         | 1190.5 | 1170.4 | 1150.2 | 1130.3 |
| 0.1037 | 0.5963 | 761.06                             | 756.96 | 752.85 | 748.69 | 744.49 | 0.1037 | 0.5963 | 1218.5                         | 1199.1 | 1179.5 | 1159.8 | 1140.3 |
| 0.1066 | 0.6951 | 774.15                             | 770.1  | 766.03 | 761.93 | 757.77 | 0.1066 | 0.6951 | 1227.4                         | 1208.6 | 1189.4 | 1170.4 | 1150.4 |
| 0.1030 | 0.7987 | 789.45                             | 785.46 | 781.46 | 777.4  | 773.33 | 0.1030 | 0.7987 | 1239.7                         | 1221.4 | 1202.9 | 1184.5 | 1165.2 |
| 0.2079 | 0.0974 | 718.54                             | 714.33 | 710.10 | 705.81 | 701.51 | 0.2079 | 0.0974 | 1188.1                         | 1166.6 | 1145.5 | 1124.5 | 1103.9 |
| 0.2044 | 0.1957 | 726.11                             | 721.88 | 717.64 | 713.35 | 709.04 | 0.2044 | 0.1957 | 1188.8                         | 1168.2 | 1147.3 | 1126.5 | 1105.9 |
| 0.2052 | 0.2972 | 735.02                             | 730.81 | 726.56 | 722.28 | 717.95 | 0.2052 | 0.2972 | 1191.7                         | 1171.3 | 1150.5 | 1130.0 | 1109.6 |
| 0.2142 | 0.3922 | 744.88                             | 740.66 | 736.42 | 732.13 | 727.81 | 0.2142 | 0.3922 | 1195.0                         | 1174.8 | 1154.3 | 1134.0 | 1113.8 |
| 0.2072 | 0.4940 | 755.82                             | 751.62 | 747.4  | 743.14 | 738.86 | 0.2072 | 0.4940 | 1201.8                         | 1181.9 | 1161.8 | 1141.9 | 1122.2 |
| 0.2100 | 0.5926 | 768.56                             | 764.40 | 760.21 | 755.97 | 751.7  | 0.2100 | 0.5926 | 1209.5                         | 1190.3 | 1170.6 | 1151.0 | 1131.5 |
| 0.2060 | 0.6951 | 783.12                             | 779.00 | 774.85 | 770.67 | 766.45 | 0.2060 | 0.6951 | 1220.9                         | 1202.1 | 1182.9 | 1163.9 | 1145.0 |
| 0.2985 | 0.0980 | 721.81                             | 717.51 | 713.21 | 708.85 | 704.46 | 0.2985 | 0.0980 | 1177.0                         | 1155.6 | 1134.5 | 1113.4 | 1092.8 |
| 0.3011 | 0.1970 | 730.34                             | 726.04 | 721.71 | 717.33 | 712.93 | 0.3011 | 0.1970 | 1179.1                         | 1157.9 | 1137.0 | 1116.1 | 1095.6 |
| 0.3023 | 0.2975 | 739.97                             | 735.68 | 731.35 | 726.96 | 722.56 | 0.3023 | 0.2975 | 1182.1                         | 1162.1 | 1140.9 | 1120.1 | 1100.1 |
| 0.3037 | 0.3946 | 750.53                             | 746.24 | 741.93 | 737.55 | 733.15 | 0.3037 | 0.3946 | 1186.2                         | 1166.3 | 1145.9 | 1125.6 | 1105.4 |
| 0.3017 | 0.4935 | 762.43                             | 758.16 | 753.86 | 749.52 | 745.14 | 0.3017 | 0.4935 | 1193.3                         | 1173.5 | 1153.3 | 1133.2 | 1113.4 |
| 0.3016 | 0.5984 | 777.17                             | 772.93 | 768.66 | 764.35 | 760.01 | 0.3016 | 0.5984 | 1203.2                         | 1183.9 | 1164.2 | 1144.6 | 1125.2 |
| 0.4026 | 0.0951 | 725.61                             | 721.22 | 716.81 | 712.33 | 707.85 | 0.4026 | 0.0951 | 1163.8                         | 1142.8 | 1121.4 | 1100.1 | 1079.0 |
| 0.4008 | 0.1978 | 735.07                             | 730.67 | 726.25 | 721.77 | 717.26 | 0.4008 | 0.1978 | 1166.8                         | 1146.1 | 1124.8 | 1103.7 | 1082.9 |
| 0.4075 | 0.2953 | 745.61                             | 741.21 | 736.78 | 732.29 | 727.77 | 0.4075 | 0.2953 | 1170.1                         | 1149.6 | 1128.6 | 1107.9 | 1087.4 |
| 0.4067 | 0.3914 | 756.93                             | 752.53 | 748.10 | 743.62 | 739.12 | 0.4067 | 0.3914 | 1175.8                         | 1155.5 | 1134.9 | 1114.4 | 1095.2 |
| 0.4110 | 0.4865 | 770.09                             | 765.71 | 761.30 | 756.83 | 752.34 | 0.4110 | 0.4865 | 1183.2                         | 1163.3 | 1143.0 | 1122.8 | 1102.9 |
| 0.4943 | 0.0987 | 729.85                             | 725.37 | 720.84 | 716.27 | 711.68 | 0.4943 | 0.0987 | 1152.8                         | 1131.6 | 1110.1 | 1088.1 | 1067.0 |
| 0.4926 | 0.1999 | 740.00                             | 735.50 | 730.97 | 726.4  | 721.79 | 0.4926 | 0.1999 | 1156.5                         | 1135.7 | 1114.6 | 1093.6 | 1073.0 |
| 0.4921 | 0.3013 | 751.56                             | 747.06 | 742.53 | 737.95 | 733.34 | 0.4921 | 0.3013 | 1161.5                         | 1140.8 | 1119.8 | 1099.0 | 1078.5 |
| 0.4995 | 0.4003 | 765.05                             | 760.55 | 756.02 | 751.44 | 746.82 | 0.4995 | 0.4003 | 1167.9                         | 1147.5 | 1126.7 | 1106.1 | 1085.8 |
| 0.5949 | 0.0999 | 734.75                             | 730.14 | 725.49 | 720.80 | 716.08 | 0.5949 | 0.0999 | 1140.7                         | 1119.3 | 1096.5 | 1075.1 | 1053.9 |
| 0.5955 | 0.2006 | 746.01                             | 741.38 | 736.73 | 732.02 | 727.27 | 0.5955 | 0.2006 | 1145.0                         | 1123.9 | 1102.6 | 1081.4 | 1060.6 |
| 0.5999 | 0.3004 | 758.91                             | 754.28 | 749.61 | 744.89 | 740.14 | 0.5999 | 0.3004 | 1150.6                         | 1129.7 | 1108.6 | 1087.5 | 1066.9 |
| 0.6919 | 0.0998 | 739.86                             | 735.11 | 730.34 | 725.51 | 720.66 | 0.6919 | 0.0998 | 1128.0                         | 1106.3 | 1084.3 | 1062.4 | 1041.0 |
| 0.7003 | 0.1989 | 752.52                             | 747.75 | 742.96 | 738.09 | 733.2  | 0.7003 | 0.1989 | 1133.2                         | 1111.4 | 1089.6 | 1068.1 | 1046.6 |
| 0.8000 | 0.1005 | 746.31                             | 741.42 | 736.48 | 731.49 | 726.48 | 0.8000 | 0.1005 | 1115.1                         | 1092.8 | 1070.9 | 1048.0 | 1026.1 |
| 0.9016 | 0.0487 | 746.02                             | 740.99 | 735.91 | 730.77 | 725.61 | 0.9016 | 0.0487 | 1098.6                         | 1076.3 | 1053.2 | 1030.5 | 1008.1 |

for density and speed of sound measurements, respectively. The calibration was performed periodically using air and double distilled Millipore quality water.

Experimental excess molar enthalpies were measured using a Calvet microcalorimeter equipped with a Philips PM 2525 microvoltmeter and an automatic data acquisition system. The calibration was carried out electrically, with a Setaram EJP 30 stabilized current source. The uncertainty of experimental results for excess molar enthalpies was estimated, according to periodical comparison with IUPAC recommended data for hexane + cyclohexane binary mixtures, to be lower than  $\pm 1 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ . Details of the experimental procedure have been described previously.<sup>1,4</sup>

## Results and Discussion

Experimental densities and speeds of sound for the ternary mixture MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) and the binary

mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3), measured at the temperatures cited previously, are listed in Table 2. Densities and speed of sound for the binary mixtures MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) and butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) were reported in earlier papers.<sup>18,19</sup>

Experimental values of excess molar enthalpies at  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$  for the binary mixtures butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) and the ternary mixture MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) are reported in Table 3. Excess molar enthalpies at  $298.15 \text{ K}$  for binary MTBE (1) + octane (3) have been presented by Mato et al.<sup>5</sup> Mascato et al.<sup>1</sup> have published excess molar enthalpies at  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$  for binary MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2).

Excess molar volumes,  $V^E(x, T)$ , and excess isentropic compressibility,  $\kappa_s^E(x, T)$ , were calculated using eqs 1 and 2, respectively, for the binary mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3) and the ternary mixture MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3), and they are reported as Supporting Information.

$$V^E = V - V_{id} = V - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i M_i / \rho_i \quad (1)$$

where  $V$  is the molar volume;  $x_i$ ,  $M_i$ , and  $\rho_i$  stand for the mole fraction, molar mass, and density of component  $i$ , respectively; and  $n$  is the number of components in the mixture.

$$\kappa_s^E = \kappa_s - \kappa_s^{id} = \kappa_s - \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i (\kappa_{s,i} + TV_i \alpha_i^2 / C_{p,i}) - T \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i V_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i \alpha_i \right)^2 / \sum_{i=1}^n x_i C_{p,i} \quad (2)$$

where  $\kappa_s$ , calculated as  $\kappa_s = \rho^{-1} u^{-2}$ , is the isentropic compressibility of the mixture;  $\kappa_s^{id}$  is the isentropic compressibility for an ideal mixture and was evaluated using the expression suggested by Benson and Kiyohara;<sup>20</sup>  $n$  represents the number of components of the mixture; and  $T$  is the temperature.  $\phi_i$ ,  $x_i$ ,  $\kappa_{s,i}$ ,  $V_i$ ,  $\alpha_i$ , and  $C_{p,i}$  are the volume fraction, mole fraction, isentropic compressibility, molar volume, isobaric thermal expansivity, and molar heat capacity of component  $i$ , respectively. The values of  $\alpha_i$ , calculated from a correlation function of density values at different temperatures by analytical differentiation (Mascato et al.<sup>21</sup>), and the  $C_{p,i}$  values, found in the literature (Zabransky et al.<sup>17</sup>), are also reported in Table 1.

The estimated uncertainties, calculated analytically through the usual error propagation procedures, are  $\pm 6 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$  for  $V^E$  and  $3 \text{ TPa}^{-1}$  for  $\kappa_s^E$ .

The ternary mixture derived properties, excess molar volume, excess isentropic compressibility, and excess molar enthalpy, were correlated using eq 3

$$Q_{123}^E = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 Q_{ij}^E + x_1 x_2 x_3 \Delta_{123} \quad (3)$$

where  $Q_{ij}^E$  corresponds to the binary contributions and  $(x_1 x_2 x_3 \Delta_{123})$  is the so-called ternary contribution.

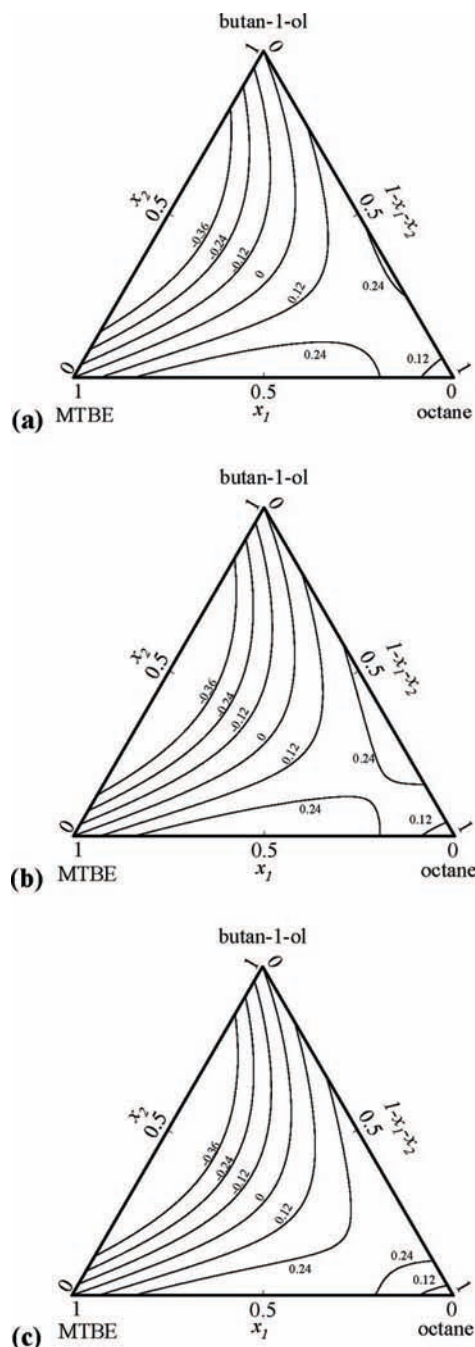
The binary contributions were correlated using eq 4

$$Q_{ij}^E = x_i x_j \sum_{p=1}^m A_p (x_i - x_j)^{p-1} [1 + B_0 (x_i - x_j)] \quad (4)$$

where  $A_p$  and  $B_0$  are the adjustable fitting parameters, computed using an unweighted least-squares method, using the optimiza-

**Table 3. Excess Molar Enthalpies ( $H^E$ ) for the Binary Mixture Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3) and the Ternary Mixture MTBE (1) + Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3) at  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$**

|        |         | $H^E$                            |                | $H^E$                            |                | $H^E$                            |  |
|--------|---------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--|
| $x_1$  | $x_2$   | $\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ |                | $\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ |                | $\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.03632 | 323                              | 0.0000 0.29898 | 682                              | 0.0000 0.69876 | 470                              |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.06450 | 427                              | 0.0000 0.34501 | 687                              | 0.0000 0.79786 | 342                              |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.11819 | 537                              | 0.0000 0.40282 | 680                              | 0.0000 0.90052 | 182                              |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.15683 | 575                              | 0.0000 0.44991 | 668                              | 0.0000 0.94925 | 94                               |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.20312 | 637                              | 0.0000 0.50289 | 635                              |                |                                  |  |
| 0.0000 | 0.24881 | 662                              | 0.0000 0.60341 | 561                              |                |                                  |  |
| 0.0274 | 0.0822  | 518                              | 0.0495 0.0500  | 463                              | 0.0737 0.0248  | 373                              |  |
| 0.0488 | 0.1465  | 655                              | 0.0929 0.0939  | 638                              | 0.1327 0.0447  | 530                              |  |
| 0.0673 | 0.2020  | 729                              | 0.1314 0.1329  | 747                              | 0.1881 0.0634  | 660                              |  |
| 0.0890 | 0.2671  | 785                              | 0.1698 0.1717  | 840                              | 0.2463 0.0830  | 764                              |  |
| 0.1091 | 0.3274  | 806                              | 0.2072 0.2095  | 892                              | 0.2982 0.1005  | 831                              |  |
| 0.1262 | 0.3786  | 828                              | 0.2404 0.2430  | 923                              | 0.3453 0.1163  | 863                              |  |
| 0.1408 | 0.4224  | 832                              | 0.2687 0.2716  | 944                              | 0.3966 0.1336  | 882                              |  |
| 0.1568 | 0.4705  | 799                              | 0.2997 0.3029  | 959                              | 0.4429 0.1492  | 881                              |  |
| 0.1701 | 0.5105  | 784                              | 0.3303 0.3339  | 944                              | 0.4881 0.1645  | 874                              |  |
| 0.1839 | 0.5519  | 754                              | 0.3574 0.3612  | 932                              | 0.5280 0.1779  | 869                              |  |
| 0.1960 | 0.5882  | 709                              | 0.3810 0.3852  | 903                              | 0.5700 0.1921  | 844                              |  |
| 0.2074 | 0.6222  | 658                              | 0.4003 0.4047  | 868                              | 0.6052 0.2039  | 819                              |  |
| 0.2200 | 0.6600  | 599                              | 0.4329 0.4375  | 821                              | 0.6447 0.2172  | 769                              |  |
| 0.2303 | 0.6909  | 541                              | 0.4561 0.4610  | 766                              | 0.6805 0.2293  | 716                              |  |
| 0.2393 | 0.7179  | 479                              | 0.4744 0.4795  | 707                              | 0.7124 0.2401  | 652                              |  |



**Figure 1.** Excess molar volume,  $V^E/10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ , isolines correlated with eq 5 for the ternary system MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at: (a)  $T = 288.15 \text{ K}$ , (b)  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$ , and (c)  $T = 308.15 \text{ K}$ .

tion F-test<sup>22</sup> to determine the number of parameters  $m$ . For the three binary systems, the adjustable fitting parameters  $A_p$  and  $B_0$  and the corresponding standard deviations, calculated with eq 7, are given in Table 4.

For excess molar volume and excess isentropic compressibility, the ternary contribution was correlated using eq 5, suggested by Cibulka<sup>6</sup>

$$\Delta_{123} = C_0 + C_1 x_1 + C_2 x_2 \quad (5)$$

For excess molar enthalpy, the ternary contribution was correlated using the combination of the expression proposed by Nagata–Tamura<sup>7</sup> with a dividing skewing factor, eq 6, because the ternary representation of  $H^E$  is markedly asymmetric and the correlation results obtained with eq 5 were not completely satisfactory.

$$\frac{\Delta_{123}}{RT} = \frac{D_0 - D_1x_1 - D_2x_2 - D_3x_1^2 - D_4x_2^2 - D_5x_1x_2 - D_6x_1^3 - D_7x_2^3 - D_8x_1^2x_2}{1 + (x_2 - x_3)} \quad (6)$$

The adjustable fitting parameters  $C_i$  and  $D_i$ , of eqs 5 and 6, and the corresponding standard deviations, calculated with eq 7, are given in Table 5.

$$s = \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{Dsts}}} (Q^{\text{E}}(\text{exptl})_i - Q^{\text{E}}(\text{calcd})_i)^2}{(n_{\text{d}} - n_{\text{p}})} \right]^{1/2} \quad (7)$$

where  $n_{\text{d}}$  is the number of data and  $n_{\text{p}}$  is the number of parameters.

The isolines of Figures 1 and 2 represent  $V^{\text{E}}$  and  $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}$ , respectively, at  $T = (288.15, 298.15, \text{ and } 308.15)$  K. From these figures, it can be noted that the ternary plots present, at all the temperatures studied, an ideal behavior isoline (zero value isoline). A temperature increment produces an increment of the absolute values in the negative region, while the positive ones are scarcely modified.

In Figure 3, the excess molar enthalpy, correlated with eq 6, at  $T = 298.15$  K was plotted, and the  $H^{\text{E}}$  values show a maximum at an approximate concentration of  $x_1 = x_2 = 0.3$ . The positive  $H^{\text{E}}$  obtained for the ternary system may be explained qualitatively as the result of the breaking of alcohol hydrogen bonding autoassociation, added to two other effects as breaking of dipole–dipole interactions of MTBE, and the contribution due to the loss of orientation order of the alkane. These effects are more significant than the cross association

**Table 4. Parameters ( $A_p$ ) and ( $B_0$ ) of Equation 4 and Standard Deviations ( $s$ ), Equation 7, for Excess Molar Volume ( $V^{\text{E}}$ ), Excess Isentropic Compressibility ( $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}$ ), and Excess Molar Enthalpy ( $H^{\text{E}}$ )**

|   | $T/\text{K}$ | $B_0$ | $A_1$  | $A_2$  | $A_3$  | $A_4$ | $A_5$ | $s$   |
|---|--------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| MTBE (1) + Butan-1-ol (2)                                 |              |       |        |        |        |       |       |       |
| $V^{\text{E}}/10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1a}$ | 288.15       | –     | –2.620 | –0.336 | –0.256 | –     | –     | 0.005 |
|   | 293.15       | –     | –2.740 | –0.350 | –0.301 | –     | –     | 0.005 |
|   | 298.15       | –     | –2.858 | –0.359 | –0.319 | –     | –     | 0.004 |
|   | 303.15       | –     | –2.955 | –0.365 | –0.275 | –     | –     | 0.005 |
|   | 308.15       | –     | –3.058 | –0.351 | –0.219 | –     | –     | 0.006 |
| $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}/\text{TPa}^{-1a}$                    | 288.15       | –     | –278.9 | –3.5   | –40.8  | –     | –     | 0.6   |
|   | 293.15       | –     | –311.0 | –3.4   | –38.5  | –     | –     | 0.6   |
|   | 298.15       | –     | –346.1 | –5.4   | –41.5  | –     | –     | 0.6   |
|   | 303.15       | –     | –384.3 | –6.5   | –42.2  | –     | –     | 0.7   |
|   | 308.15       | –     | –427.0 | –5.7   | –36.7  | –     | –     | 0.8   |
| $H^{\text{E}}/\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1b}$            | 298.15       | –     | 2519   | 779    | 213    | 442   | –     | 7     |
| MTBE (1) + Octane (3)                                     |              |       |        |        |        |       |       |       |
| $V^{\text{E}}/10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$  | 288.15       | –     | 1.623  | 0.190  | 0.085  | –     | –     | 0.002 |
|   | 293.15       | –     | 1.616  | 0.201  | 0.095  | –     | –     | 0.002 |
|   | 298.15       | –     | 1.604  | 0.193  | 0.092  | –     | –     | 0.002 |
|   | 303.15       | –     | 1.587  | 0.216  | 0.064  | –     | –     | 0.002 |
|   | 308.15       | –     | 1.581  | 0.221  | 0.078  | –     | –     | 0.002 |
| $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}/\text{TPa}^{-1}$                     | 288.15       | –     | 45.5   | 24.5   | –      | –     | –     | 0.2   |
|   | 293.15       | –     | 43.0   | 24.8   | –      | –     | –     | 0.2   |
|   | 298.15       | –     | 38.4   | 24.4   | –      | –     | –     | 0.2   |
|   | 303.15       | –     | 34.9   | 25.6   | –      | –     | –     | 0.3   |
|   | 308.15       | –     | 32.3   | 26.4   | –      | –     | –     | 0.3   |
| $H^{\text{E}}/\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1c}$            | 298.15       | –     | 1867   | –179   | –277   | 414   | 326   | 3     |
| Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3)                               |              |       |        |        |        |       |       |       |
| $V^{\text{E}}/10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1d}$ | 288.15       | 0.902 | 0.926  | 0.302  | –0.283 | –     | –     | 0.004 |
|   | 293.15       | 0.930 | 1.008  | 0.356  | –0.339 | –     | –     | 0.004 |
|   | 298.15       | 0.946 | 1.094  | 0.396  | –0.393 | –     | –     | 0.003 |
|   | 303.15       | 0.942 | 1.192  | 0.431  | –0.423 | –     | –     | 0.004 |
|   | 308.15       | 0.949 | 1.304  | 0.476  | –0.461 | –     | –     | 0.003 |
| $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}/\text{TPa}^{-1d}$                    | 288.15       | –     | 36.3   | –42.7  | –      | –     | –     | 0.4   |
|   | 293.15       | –     | 41.7   | –45.0  | –      | –     | –     | 0.5   |
|   | 298.15       | –     | 48.1   | –47.8  | –      | –     | –     | 0.6   |
|   | 303.15       | –     | 52.4   | –50.5  | –      | –     | –     | 0.6   |
|   | 308.15       | –     | 57.0   | –59.7  | –      | –     | –     | 0.6   |
| $H^{\text{E}}/\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$             | 298.15       | 0.940 | 2572   | 1308   | –208   | –     | –     | 5     |

<sup>a</sup> Ref 18. <sup>b</sup> Ref 1. <sup>c</sup> Ref 4. <sup>d</sup> Ref 19.

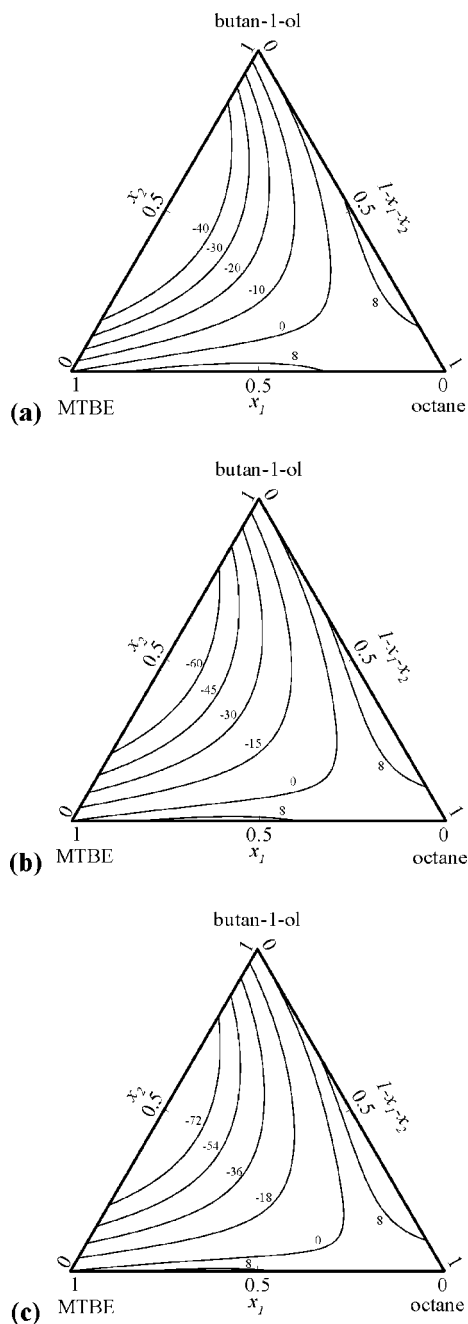
**Table 5. Parameters  $C_i$  and  $D_i$  of Equations 5 and 6 and Standard Deviations,  $s$ , Equation 7, for Excess Molar Volume ( $V^{\text{E}}$ ), Excess Isentropic Compressibility ( $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}$ ), and Excess Molar Enthalpy ( $H^{\text{E}}$ ) for the Ternary Mixture MTBE (1) + Butan-1-ol (2) + Octane (3)**

|  | $T/\text{K}$ | $C_0$  | $C_1$ | $C_2$ | $s$   |
|--|--------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| $V^{\text{E}}/10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ | 288.15       | –2.556 | 1.561 | 3.437 | 0.006 |
|  | 293.15       | –2.645 | 1.926 | 3.652 | 0.005 |
|  | 298.15       | –2.661 | 2.143 | 3.596 | 0.005 |
|  | 303.15       | –2.391 | 1.923 | 2.995 | 0.005 |
|  | 308.15       | –2.177 | 1.513 | 2.627 | 0.005 |
| $\kappa_s^{\text{E}}/\text{TPa}^{-1}$                    | 288.15       | –15.6  | 77.6  | 329.1 | 0.7   |
|  | 293.15       | 3.1    | 60.2  | 302.4 | 0.8   |
|  | 298.15       | 6.3    | 72.6  | 310.9 | 0.8   |
|  | 303.15       | 34.5   | 42.6  | 287.7 | 0.8   |
|  | 308.15       | 28.3   | –52.1 | 358.7 | 0.9   |

|   | $T/\text{K}$ | $D_0$ | $D_1$ | $D_2$ | $D_3$ | $D_4$ | $D_5$ | $D_6$ | $D_7$ | $D_8$ | $s$ |
|---|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| $H^{\text{E}}/\text{J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ | 298.15       | 2.6   | –3    | 11    | 14    | –20   | –13   | –17   | 11    | 8     | 5   |



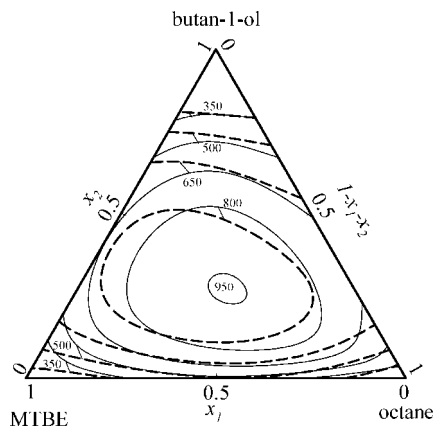


**Figure 2.** Excess isentropic compressibility,  $\kappa_s^E/\text{TPa}^{-1}$ , isolines correlated with eq 5 for the ternary system MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at: (a)  $T = 288.15$  K, (b)  $T = 298.15$  K, and (c)  $T = 308.15$  K.

between MTBE/butan-1-ol, the crossed interactions dipole/induced dipole, and the weak butan-1-ol/octane interactions due to dispersive forces.

In Table 6, the maxima and minima values of  $V^E$  and  $H^E$  for the ternary system MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at  $T = 298.15$  K with other ternary systems previously published<sup>1–3,5</sup> are compared. A significant increment in the  $V^E$  negative values and a diminution of the positive ones was observed with a reduction in the length of the alkyl chain of alkane. The position of the minimum is approximately  $x_1 = 0.5$  and  $x_2 = 0.4$  for all these systems, but the maximum value was located at a different composition for each system.

The compared maximum values of  $H^E$  for the systems of Table 6 lead to an increase of the maximum value with an increase in the length of the alkyl chain of alkane. There was



**Figure 3.** Excess molar enthalpy,  $H^E/\text{J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ , for the ternary system MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at  $T = 298.15$  K. —, isolines correlated with eq 6; and ---, prediction with UNIFAC (Dang and Tassios version).

**Table 6.** Maxima (max) and Minima (min) Values of Excess Molar Volume ( $V^E$ ) and Excess Molar Enthalpy ( $H^E$ ) for Ternary Mixtures at  $T = 298.15$  K

| system                                   | $x_1$ | $x_2$   | $V^E$                                       |        |
|--|-------|---------|---|--------|
|  |       |         | $10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ |        |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + hexane <sup>a</sup>  | min   | 0.49225 | 0.40605                                     | -0.523 |
|  | max   | 0.20790 | 0.09221                                     | 0.200  |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + octane               | min   | 0.49950 | 0.40027                                     | -0.465 |
|  | max   | 0.29851 | 0.09801                                     | 0.251  |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + decane <sup>b</sup>  | min   | 0.49794 | 0.40283                                     | -0.416 |
|  | max   | 0.11609 | 0.29365                                     | 0.270  |
| MTBE + propan-1-ol + octane <sup>c</sup> | min   | 0.4989  | 0.4020                                      | -0.378 |
|  | max   | 0.0896  | 0.3085                                      | 0.293  |

| system                                   | $x_1$ | $x_2$   | $H^E$                          |      |
|--|-------|---------|--------------------------------|------|
|  |       |         | $\text{J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ |      |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + hexane <sup>a</sup>  | max   | 0.28935 | 0.29133                        | 863  |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + octane               | max   | 0.29967 | 0.30292                        | 959  |
| MTBE + butan-1-ol + decane <sup>b</sup>  | max   | 0.30189 | 0.30349                        | 1065 |
| MTBE + propan-1-ol + octane <sup>c</sup> | max   | 0.2803  | 0.2826                         | 971  |

<sup>a</sup> Ref 1. <sup>b</sup> Ref 2 and 3. <sup>c</sup> Ref 5.

no significant difference between the mixtures MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) and MTBE (1) + propan-1-ol (2) + octane (3). The position of the maximum value is scarcely modified for the different systems.

## Theoretical Predictions

The group contribution models UNIFAC (versions of Dang and Tassios,<sup>8</sup> Larsen et al.,<sup>9</sup> Gmehling et al.<sup>10</sup>) and DISQUAC<sup>11,12</sup> were applied to estimate excess molar enthalpies. The version of Dang and Tassios yielded the best fit for this ternary mixture, with a 5.1 % average relative deviation from experimental data vs 8.5 % for the Larsen et al. version and 7.7 % for the Gmehling et al. version. With the DISQUAC model, the average relative deviation obtained was 12 %. The results obtained by the Dang and Tassios version are displayed graphically in Figure 3. The figure shows the qualitative agreement between the experimental and estimated values, indicating that this type of model is suitable for prediction of this thermophysical property for practical purposes.

## Conclusions

Densities,  $\rho(x, T)$ , and speeds of sound,  $u(x, T)$ , for the binary mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3) and for the ternary mixture of MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) were measured at the

temperatures of  $T = (288.15, 293.15, 298.15, 303.15, \text{ and } 313.15)$  K and atmospheric pressure over the whole range of compositions. Excess molar volumes and excess isentropic compressibilities for the ternary mixture show a positive and a negative region in the mixture diagram at the five temperatures studied.

The excess molar enthalpies,  $H^E(x, T)$ , measured for the binary mixture butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) and the ternary mixture of MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3) at  $T = 298.15$  K were positive over the whole composition range, as a consequence of the breakage of molecular interactions of the pure components in the mixture process. The main contribution to this behavior may be attributed to the breaking of hydrogen bonds between alcohol molecules induced by the presence of the other components in the mixtures. Nevertheless, the dipole–dipole interaction between ether molecules must also be taken into account, as well as the volumetric influence of the orientational order between alkane linear molecules. The trends shown in the figures presented are a qualitative balance of these main contributions, but further conclusions about the molecular behavior of the mixture need more support than macroscopic thermophysical mixture data only.

The tested group contribution models UNIFAC and DISQUAC are in qualitative satisfactory agreement with the experimental excess molar enthalpy results, showing in every case average relative deviations lower than 12 %.

#### Supporting Information Available:

Calculated excess molar volumes and excess isentropic compressibility for the binary mixture MTBE (1) + octane (3) and the ternary mixture MTBE (1) + butan-1-ol (2) + octane (3). This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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