

Supporting Information

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Influencing Stability of LaThH₁₂ under Moderate Pressures

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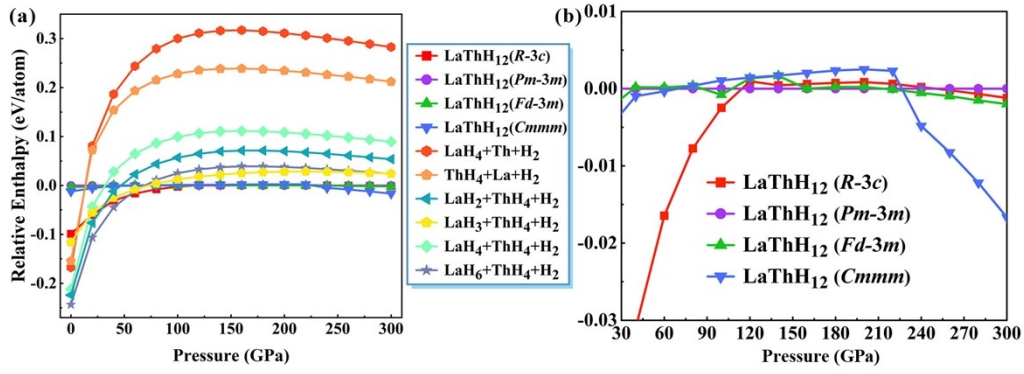


Fig. S1. (a) The calculated enthalpies as a function of pressure for predicted LaThH₁₂ relative to the *Pm-3m* phase. (b) Enthalpies of *R-3c*, *Fd-3m* and *Cmmm* structures relative to the *Pm-3m* structure.

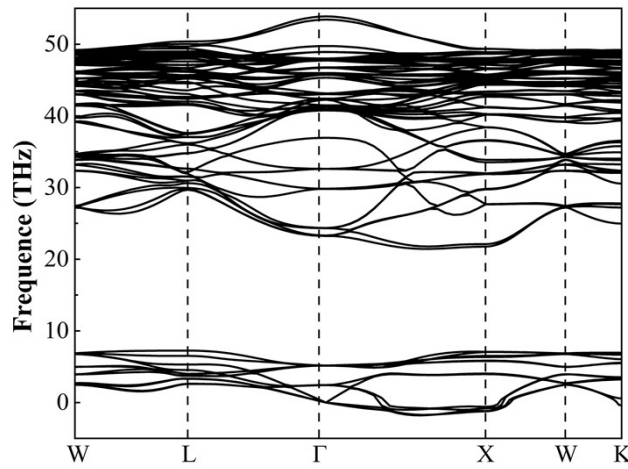


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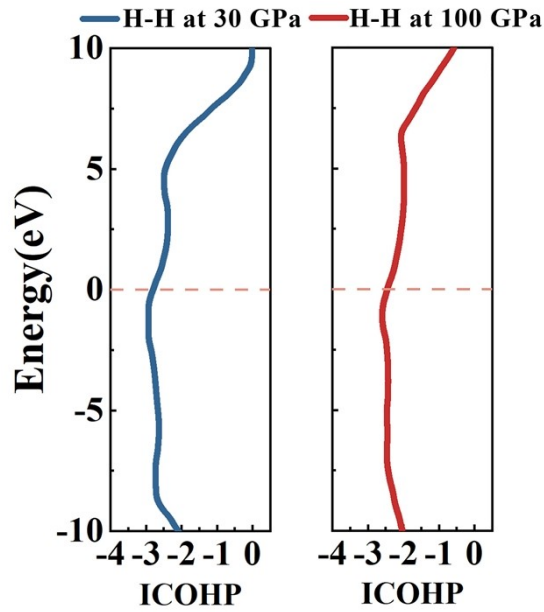


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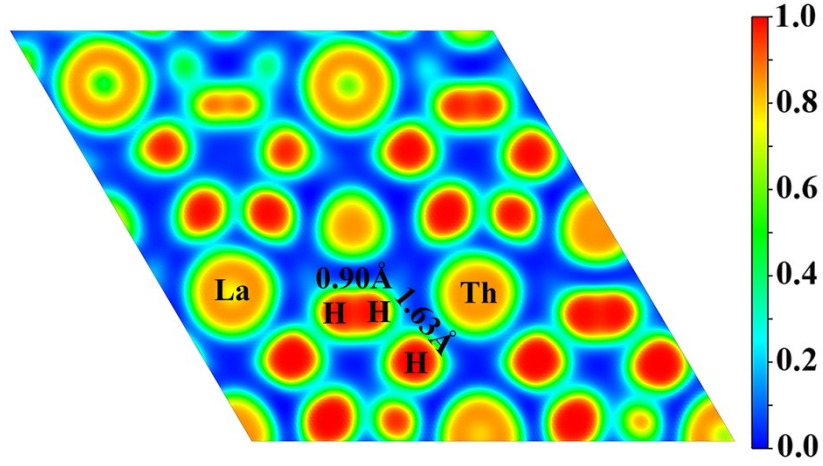


Fig. S4. Calculated the 2D ELF of 1D profile locating at the H-H distance of 0.9 Å and 1.63 Å in the $R\text{-}3c\text{-LaThH}_{12}$ structure at 30 GPa.

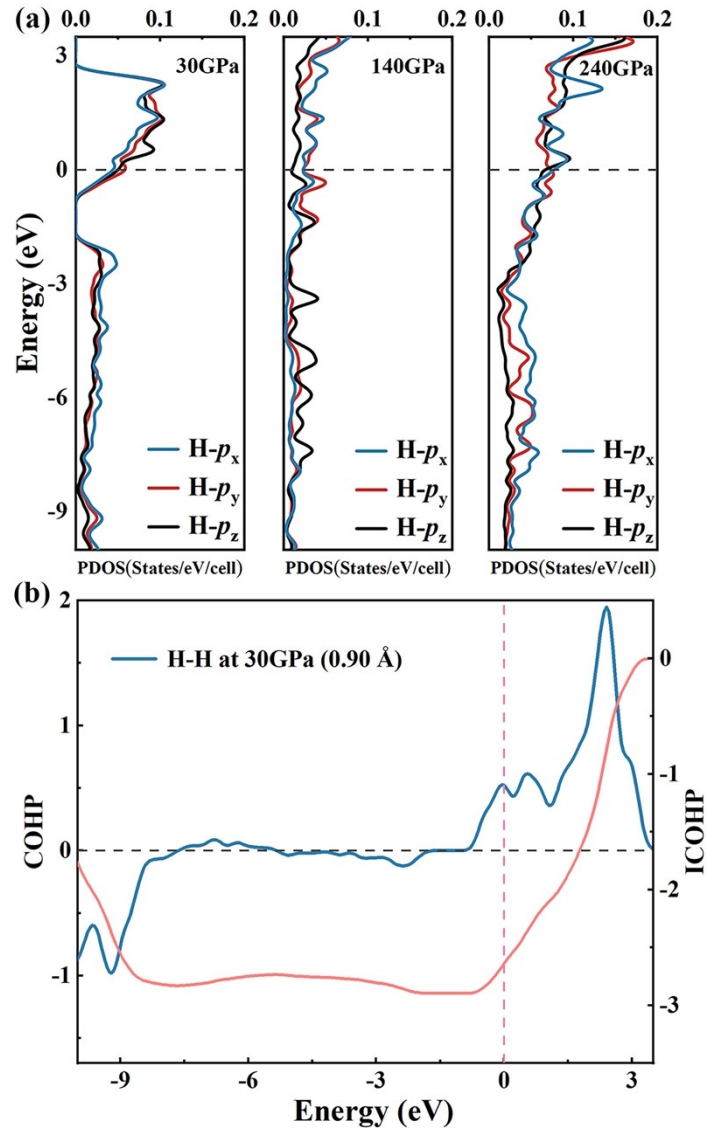


Fig. S5. (a) Partial density of states (DOS) projected onto hydrogen atoms for $R\text{-}3c\text{-LaThH}_{12}$ at 30 GPa, 140 GPa, and 240 GPa. (b) COHP and ICOHP vs Energy (eV) for H-H at 30 GPa (0.90 Å).

LaThH₁₂ at 30 GPa, *Pm-3m*-LaThH₁₂ at 140 GPa and *Cmmm*-LaThH₁₂ at 240 GPa, where all the electron states originated from H p_x , p_y , and p_z orbitals near the Fermi level contribute to the DOS. (b) COHP (blue line) and ICOHP (red line) of the pair of H-H bond in *R-3c*-LaThH₁₂ at 30 GPa.

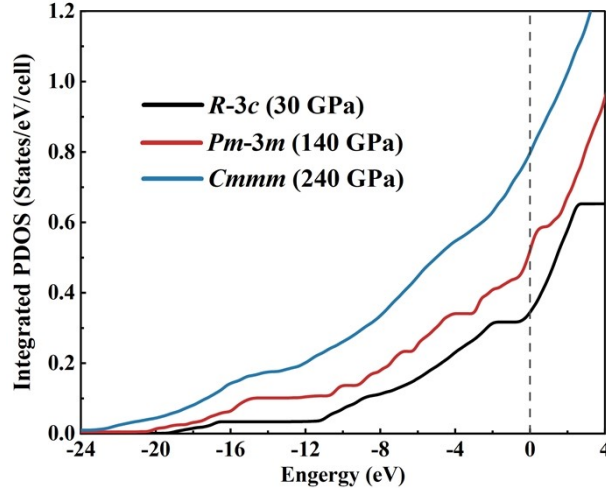


Fig. S6. Integrated PDOS of H p orbitals of LaThH₁₂ at pressures up to 240 GPa. The calculated integrated projected DOS clearly shows a gradual increase and widening of the H p -valence band of LaThH₁₂ with increasing pressure. The number of p electrons has more than doubled (from $0.34e/\text{state}$ to $0.8e/\text{state}$) as the pressure is increased from 30 to 240 GPa.

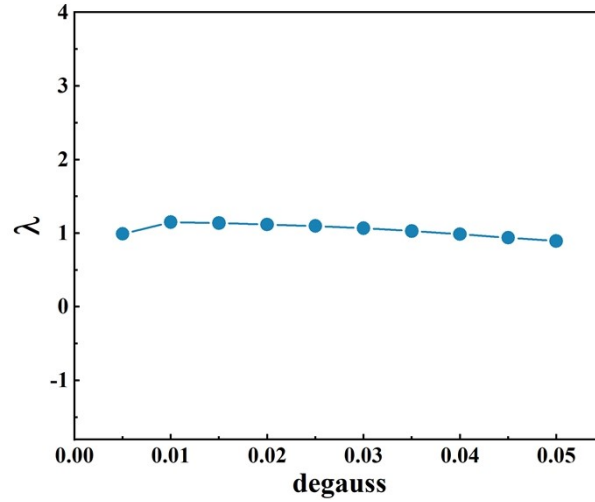


Fig. S7. The calculated electron-phonon coupling λ with different double-delta smearing values for *R-3c*-LaThH₁₂ at 30 GPa, the value of λ becomes convergent more perfectly at the smearing width value of 0.03.

Supplementary structural information of our predicted other hydrides in La-Th-H system:

In order to facilitate a more detailed understanding of the La-Th-H system, we have provided a supplementary description of the predicted new structures of the system. As shown in Fig. S8, we successfully reproduced the previously predicted structures such as $Pm3$ -LaThH₆, $P-1$ -La₃ThH₁₆, $P2/m$ -LaTh₃H₁₆, $Cmmm$ -LaThH₈, $C2/m$ -La₂ThH₁₂, $C2/m$ -LaTh₂H₁₂, $I4/mmm$ -LaTh₃H₄₀ and $R-3m$ -LaThH₂₀, confirming the reliability of our work, their corresponding T_c 's and atomic coordinates are summarized in Table S1 and Table S4¹. Our predicted clathrate hydrides, such as $P-3m1$ -LaTh₂H₁₈, $Fm-3m$ -LaTh₃H₂₄, and $C2/m$ -La₂ThH₁₈, were found to be dynamically stable within the range of 50 – 300 GPa, with formation energies slightly higher than the convex hull diagram by 20 – 50 meV/atom. LaTh₂H₁₈ and La₂ThH₁₈ maintain dynamic stability at 200 GPa, while LaTh₃H₂₄ can be stabilized at 150 GPa (see Fig. S9). Furthermore, the metastable hydrides LaTh₂H₁₈, La₂ThH₁₈, and LaTh₃H₂₄ can also be viewed as stacked configurations of La-H₂₄ cages and Th-H₂₄ cages, and their corresponding geometries have been listed in Fig. S10. The lattice parameters and superconductivities of corresponding structures of $P-3m1$ -LaTh₂H₁₈, $Fm-3m$ -LaTh₃H₂₄, and $C2/m$ -La₂ThH₁₈ are summarized in Table S2 and Table S5.

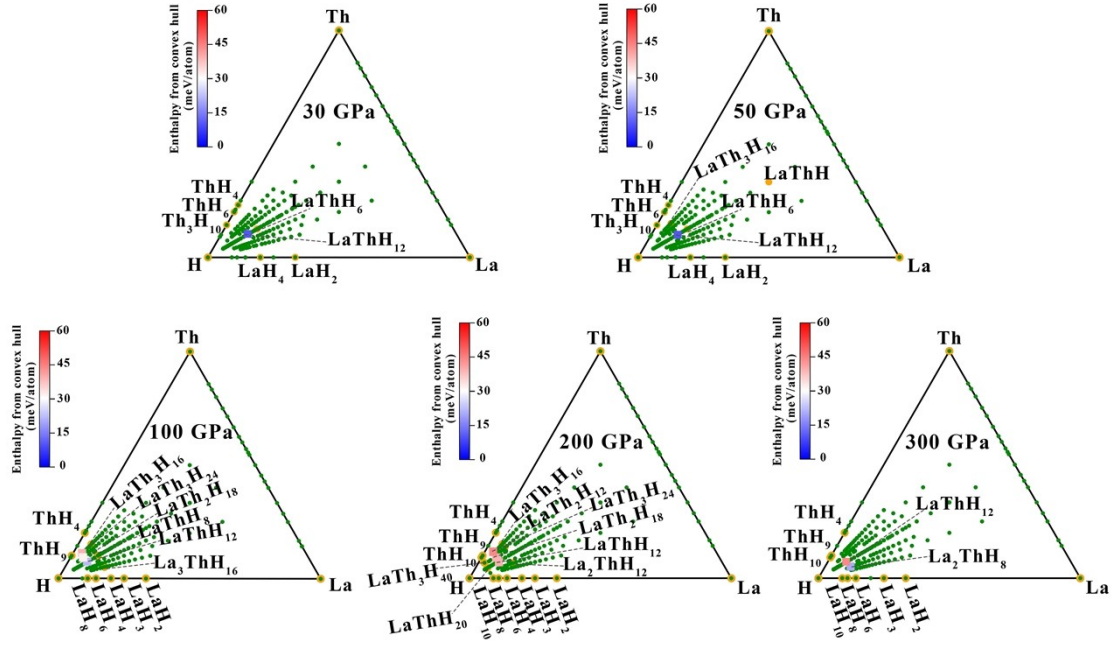


Fig. S8. Trigonal formation enthalpies convex hull of La-Th-H system at 30 GPa, 50 GPa, 100 GPa, 200 GPa, and 300 GPa, respectively. Orange circles denoted thermodynamically stable stoichiometries. Green circles denoted thermodynamically unstable stoichiometries. Differently colored squares denoted metastable stoichiometries. The range of distance from the convex hull was given in the legend.

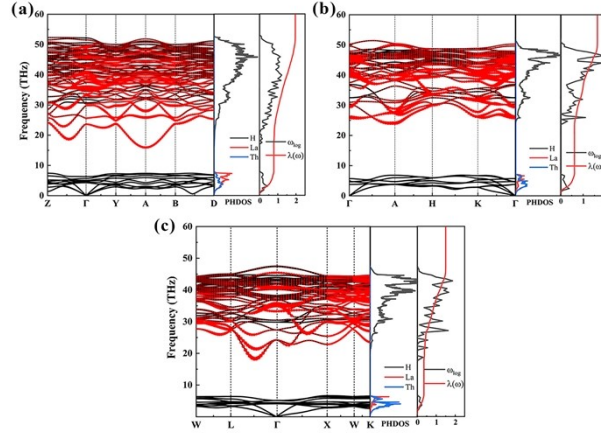


Fig. S9. The phonon dispersion curve, projected phonon density of states (PHDOS), Eliashberg spectral function $\alpha^2F(\omega)$, together with the electron-phonon parameter $\lambda(\omega)$ for (a) $C2/m$ - La_2ThH_{18} at 200 GPa, (b) $P-3m1$ - $LaTh_2H_{18}$ at 200 GPa, (c) $Fm-3m$ - $LaTh_3H_{24}$ at 150 GPa.

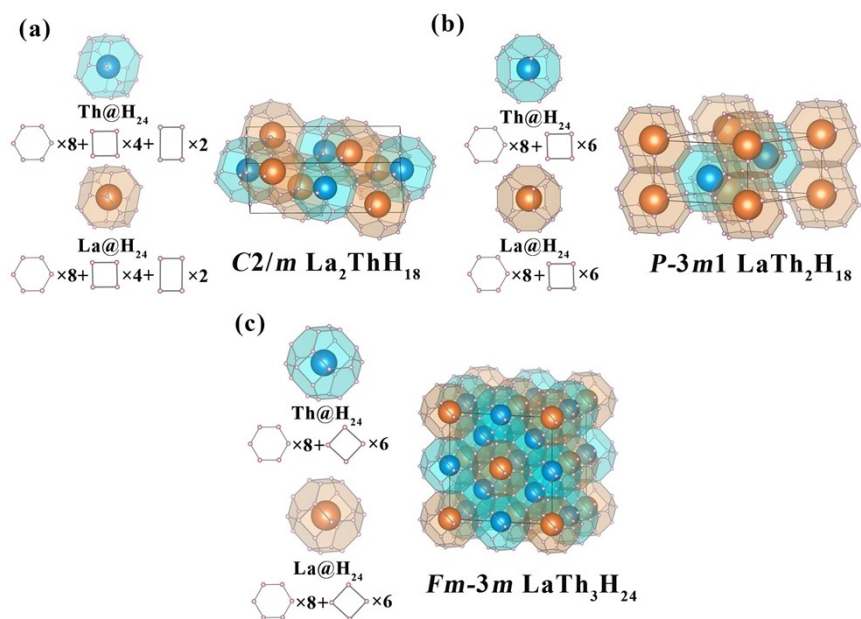


Fig. S10. The predicted crystal structure of (a) *C2/m*-La₂ThH₁₈, (b) *P-3m1*-LaTh₂H₁₈ and (c) *Fm-3m*-LaTh₃H₂₄, consisting of Th-centered H₂₄ cages (light blue) and La-centered H₂₄ cages (light orange).

Table S1. Superconducting transition temperatures of stable structures at different pressure.

Phase	Space group	P (GPa)	T _c (K)
LaThH ₆	<i>Pm3</i>	50	0.009
LaThH ₈ ¹	<i>Cmmm</i>	100	10.1
La ₃ ThH ₁₆ ¹	<i>P-1</i>	100	34.7
LaTh ₂ H ₁₂ ¹	<i>C2/m</i>	200	1.0
La ₂ ThH ₁₂ ¹	<i>C2/m</i>	200	10.7
LaTh ₃ H ₄₀ ¹	<i>I4/mmm</i>	200	163.8
LaThH ₂₀ ¹	<i>R-3m</i>	200	179.2

Table S2. Structural information of predicted metastable hydrides in this work.

Space group	P (GPa)	Lattice parameters	Atomic coordinates (fractional)			
			Atoms	x	y	z
<i>R-3c</i> -LaThH ₁₂	30	a = 5.95772	H(36f)	0.58025	0.67731	0.79949
		b = 5.95772	H(36f)	0.61571	0.67729	0.55951
		c = 15.2468	La(6b)	0.33333	0.66667	0.16667
		α = 90.0°	Th(6a)	0.33333	0.66667	0.91667
		β = 90.0°				
		γ = 120.0°				
<i>Fm-3m</i> -LaTh ₃ H ₂₄	100	a = 7.3709	H(96j)	-0.00000	0.87566	0.75054
		b = 7.3709	La(4a)	0.50000	-0.00000	0.50000
		c = 7.3709	Th(8c)	0.75000	0.75000	0.75000
		α = 90.0°	Th(4b)	0.00000	0.00000	0.50000
		β = 90.0°				
		γ = 90.0°				
<i>P-3m1</i> -LaTh ₂ H ₁₈	100	a = 5.1994	H(12j)	0.66926	0.58474	0.83098
		b = 5.1994	H(6h)	0.00000	0.75043	0.50000
		c = 3.1926	La(1a)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
		α = 90.0°	Th(2d)	0.66667	0.333333	0.33012
		β = 90.0°				
		γ = 120.0°				
<i>Pm-3m</i> -LaThH ₁₂	200	a = 3.8020	H(12h)	0.50000	0.75113	0.00000
		b = 3.8020	La(1a)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
		c = 3.8020	Th(1b)	0.50000	0.50000	0.50000
		α = 90.0°				
		β = 90.0°				
		γ = 90.0°				
<i>Cmmm</i> -LaThH ₁₂	300	a = 3.5888	La(2c)	0.5000	-0.0000	-0.5000
		b = 4.7125	Th(2a)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
		c = 5.5053	H(8n)	0.5000	0.38785	-0.36094
		α = 90.0°	H(8n)	0.5000	0.1139	-0.14285
		β = 90.0°	H(8m)	0.2500	-0.2500	-0.25295
		γ = 90.0°				

<i>C2/m</i> -La ₂ ThH ₁₈	300	a = 9.1758	H(8j)	0.62067	0.11388	0.01893
		b = 4.8356	H(8j)	0.83244	0.25179	0.66413
		c = 3.3156	H(8j)	0.71297	0.11248	0.64787
		$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$	H(8j)	0.95409	0.11084	0.68297
		$\beta = 93.5924^\circ$	H(4g)	0.00000	0.74751	0.00000
		$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	La(4i)	0.666667	0.50000	0.83642
			Th(2d)	0.00000	0.50000	0.50000

Table S3. The average charge value (e) and number of electrons transferred $\delta(e)$ for different atoms in *R-3c*-LaThH₁₂ and *R-3c*-LaYH₁₂ at 50 GPa.

Structure	Atom	Pressure	Charge Value	$\delta(e)$
<i>R-3c</i> -LaThH ₁₂	La (2)	50GPa	9.54	1.46
	Th (2)		10.16	1.84
	H1 (12)		1.41	-0.41
	H2 (6)		1.13	-0.13
	H3 (6)		1.15	-0.15
<i>R-3c</i> -LaYH ₁₂	La (2)	50GPa	9.26	1.74
	Y (2)		9.14	1.86
	H1 (12)		1.52	-0.52
	H2 (6)		1.09	-0.09
	H3 (6)		1.07	-0.07

Table S4. Structural information of our predicted another stable hydrides in this work.

Space group	P (GPa)	Lattice parameters	Atomic coordinates (fractional)			
			Atoms	x	y	z
<i>Pm3</i> -LaThH ₆	30	a = 4.0752	H(6g)	0.50000	0.00000	0.238510
		b = 4.0752	La(1b)	0.50000	0.50000	0.50000
		c = 4.0752	Th(1a)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
		$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$				
		$\beta = 90.0^\circ$				
<i>P4/nmm</i> -LaThH	50	$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$				
		a = 3.22219	H(8j)	0.50000	0.00000	0.62949
		b = 3.22219	La(8j)	0.50000	1.00000	0.36625
		c = 8.86673	Th(8j)	0.50000	1.00000	-0.11626
		$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$				
<i>Pm3</i> -LaThH ₆	50	$\beta = 90.0^\circ$				
		$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$				
		a = 3.9545	H(6f)	1.23866	-1.00000	-0.50000
		b = 3.9545	La(1b)	0.50000	-0.50000	-0.50000
		c = 3.9545	Th(1a)	-0.00000	-1.00000	-1.00000
		$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$				
		$\beta = 90.0^\circ$				
		$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$				

<i>Pm-3n-</i> LaTh ₃ H ₁₆	50	a = 6.3358 b = 6.3358 c = 6.3358 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 90.0^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(24k) H(8e) La(2a) Th(6c)	1.00000 0.25000 0.00000 0.50000	0.15804 0.25000 0.00000 0.75000	0.67838 0.25000 0.00000 0.00000
<i>Cmmm-</i> LaThH ₈	100	a = 4.2311 b = 5.9785 c = 4.2353 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 90.0^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(8m) H(4j) H(4i) La(2c) Th(2a)	0.25000 -0.00000 -0.00000 0.00000 0.00000	0.25000 0.13664 0.36448 0.50000 0.00000	0.23415 0.50000 0.00000 0.50000 0.00000
<i>P-1-</i> La ₃ ThH ₁₆	100	a = 3.6724 b = 5.6233 c = 5.6129 $\alpha = 73.2990^\circ$ $\beta = 77.4613^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0846^\circ$	H(2i) H(2i) H(2i) H(2i) H(2i) H(2i) H(2i) La(2i) La(1g) Th(1e)	0.04329 0.05814 0.18614 0.20547 0.29875 0.31066 0.43091 0.44564 0.25096 0.00000 0.50000	0.33003 0.62062 0.87292 0.19378 0.81025 0.13446 0.37764 0.67577 0.00194 0.50000 0.50000	0.91770 0.82209 0.44013 0.32648 0.15145 0.05950 0.69609 0.60517 0.74804 0.50000 0.00000
<i>C2/m-</i> La ₂ ThH ₁₂	200	a = 9.7457 b = 3.9161 c = 3.4991 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 92.8528^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(8j) H(4i) H(4i) H(4i) La(4i) H(4g) Th(2d)	0.66296 0.04695 0.61135 0.71022 0.16727 0.50000 0.50000	-0.24223 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.23804 0.00000	0.32912 0.30195 0.02770 0.64208 0.82951 0.00000 0.50000
<i>C2/m-</i> LaTh ₂ H ₁₂	200	a = 9.7356 b = 3.8833 c = 3.4958 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 92.6646^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(8j) H(4i) H(4i) H(4i) Th(4i) H(4h) La(2a)	0.66973 0.54933 0.12239 0.21642 0.666667 0.50000 0.00000	-0.24672 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.24052 0.00000	0.83760 0.81184 0.52624 0.14056 0.33814 0.50000 0.00000
<i>R-3m-</i> LaThH ₂₀	200	a = 3.5289 b = 3.5289 c = 17.4089 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 90.0^\circ$ $\gamma = 120.0^\circ$	H(18h) H(18h) H(6c) H(6c) H(6c) H(6c) La(3b) Th(3a)	-0.32598 0.34490 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 -0.00000 0.00000	-0.16299 0.17245 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.00000 0.50000 0.00000	0.76785 0.60553 0.12130 0.18958 0.31076 0.37382 0.50000 0.00000
<i>I4/mmm-</i> LaTh ₃ H ₄₀	200	a = 4.9929 b = 4.9929 c = 9.9937 $\alpha = 90.0^\circ$ $\beta = 90.0^\circ$ $\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(32o) H(16m) H(16m) H(16m) La(2b) Th(2a) Th(4d)	-0.38155 -0.12259 -0.12410 -0.24954 -0.00000 0.00000 -0.50000	0.12287 0.12259 0.12410 0.24954 -0.00000 0.00000 0.00000	0.43785 0.81194 0.69165 0.62456 0.50000 0.00000 0.25000
<i>P2/m-</i>		a = 3.4919 b = 3.8823 c = 6.5240	H(4o) H(2i) H(2m) H(2m) H(2n)	0.25269 0.00000 0.03611 0.46584 0.21681	0.25676 0.25941 0.00000 0.00000 0.50000	0.74414 0.00000 0.18471 0.32696 0.56942

LaTh ₃ H ₁₆	200	$\alpha = 90.0^\circ$	H(2n)	0.28661	0.50000	0.92673
		$\beta = 97.2805^\circ$	Th(2n)	0.24338	0.50000	0.24860
		$\gamma = 90.0^\circ$	H(2l)	0.50000	0.25829	0.50000
			La(1d)	0.50000	0.00000	-0.00000
			Th(1c)	0.00000	0.00000	0.50000

Table S5. Summary of the main superconducting properties of other metastable hydrides. λ , $\omega_{\log}$ and T_c expressed in Kelvin (K) in the table. The DOS at E_F $N(E_F)$ is in units of (states/spin/Ry/cell).

	P(GPa)	λ	$\omega_{\log}$	$N(E_F)$	$T_c (\mu^*=0.1)$
<i>C2/m-La₂ThH₁₈</i>	200	1.96	646.55	16.33	112.85
<i>P-3m1-LaTh₂H₁₈</i>	200	1.63	712.09	16.22	102.50
<i>Fm-3m-LaTh₃H₂₄</i>	150	1.50	965.05	22.62	125.29
<i>Fm-3m-LaTh₃H₂₄</i>	200	1.55	756.81	22.30	103.04

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