

<div class="df_qntext">Can a phase change material improve the desalination efficiency of single-slope solar stills?

The study that is being presented focused on the numerical analysis of the melting regime for various phase change materials (PCMs) in order to select an optimal material that would enhance the desalination efficiency of single-slope solar stills.

<div class="df_qntext">What are phase change materials (PCMs)?

In this context, the study and use of phase change materials (PCMs) is imperative. PCMs are unique materials with high latent heat of energy, which means that they either absorb or release tremendous amounts of energy during phase transition.

<div class="df_qntext">How are phase change materials selected?

(Osmani et al., 2022) reveals that once the various characteristics of phase change materials (PCM) are recognized, a selection procedure is established that considers the melting temperature, latent heat, or thermal conductivity of the PCM.

<div class="df_qntext">Can thermoelectric generators and phase change materials improve the efficiency of PV panels?

This study explores the integration of thermoelectric generators (TEGs) and phase change materials (PCMs) to enhance the efficiency of photovoltaic (PV) panels in high-temperature conditions. An AP-PM-20 Polycrystalline PV panel, SP-1848-27145 Bismuth Telluride TEG, and paraffin wax PCM in an aluminum container were used.

<div class="df_qntext">Can phase change material reduce panel temperature?

Current analysis demonstrates that the correct selection of a phase change material can decrease panel temperature by approximately 39% in June. Furthermore, PCM with a melting point of 21°C exhibited the best outcomes in terms of maximum electrical performance, efficiency, and PV cell temperature reduction.

<div class="df_qntext">How to improve thermal management and performance in cooling solar PV panels?

Marudaipillai et al., 2023 investigated the comprehensive enhancement of thermal management and performance in cooling solar PV panels through experimental methods. This was achieved by utilizing a stable phase change material composed of polyethylene glycol and expanded graphite.

Abstract Phase Change Materials (PCMs) have emerged as a promising solution for efficient thermal energy storage and utilization in various applications. This research paper presents a ...

In literature, the studies related to the performance analysis of the PV-PCM system are available. However,

the optimization of the PCM quantity to cool the PV in various operating ...

Cold thermal energy storage systems, especially those utilizing phase change materials, offer a promising solution to mitigate these challenges. This study presents a comprehensive ...

Abstract Phase change materials (PCM) are employed to store thermal energy in solar collectors, heat pumps, heat recovery, hot and cold storage. PCMs are encapsulated primarily in shell ...

However, the passive cooling methods have lower cooling performance in comparison with the active cooling methods. Phase change material (PCM) and thermoelectric (TE) passive ...

Furthermore, a great deal of research is being carried out on these phase-change materials, and great potential and performance enhancements were observed for solar-powered ...

Phase change material (PCM) has capability to increase the power production of solar photovoltaics (PV) by effective temperature regulation. In this work, Thermal Conductivity Enhancing ...

The main results and recommendations of the review showed that form-stabilization and macro-encapsulation are the two main integration methods for PCM bricks. There is a lack of high ...

Experimental study and performance analysis on solar photovoltaic panel integrated with phase change material Zhenpeng Li a, Tao Ma a b, Jiabin Zhao a, Aotian Song b, Yuanda Cheng c ...

Thermal energy storage improves the productivity of solar collectors. Phase change materials (PCM) are employed to store thermal energy in solar collectors, heat pumps, heat recovery, ...

Integration of PCM in solar stills has gained attention due to its capability to efficiently store and release thermal energy thereby enhancing its productivity. The present work proposes a modeling framework ...

Abstract This paper presents a comprehensive long-term thermal analysis of phase change material (PCM) dynamics in solar distillers to guide system design and experimental planning.

While choosing the PCMs, the following factors were considered, availability, economic viability, environmental friendliness, and thermophysical properties. The study utilised ANSYS Fluent ...

In recent years, phase change materials (PCMs) are widely employed to store energy in the way of latent heat and for subsequent use. It is suitable for applications like exhaust heat ...

The current paper investigates the radial gradient arrangement of phase change material capsules effect on the thermal behavior of a packed-bed latent thermal energy storage ...

Phase change materials are widely used for thermal energy storage media for different thermal energy storage applications ranging from building heating and cooling, transportation of heat ...

The experimental work is carried out with three stepped solar stills, one without phase change material, one with paraffin wax as phase change material and other with calcium nitrate as ...

This study aims to to develop a comprehensive mathematical model for predicting the performance, environmental impact, and economic viability of solar photovoltaic thermal (PVT) ...

Paraffin wax-filled container attached with solar panel: Another way to improve the cooling of the solar panel is by attaching a paraffin wax-filled container to the back of the panel. The ...

The application of phase change material (PCM) for phase change is now one of the most viable strategies for reducing and managing the temperatures of solar Photovoltaic panels and ...

Moreover, surfactant was used to increase nanomaterial dispersion in the preparation of composite phase change material. However, the aggregation of nanomaterial weakens the thermal ...

In this work, a numerical simulation was conducted using ANSYS Fluent software to evaluate the thermal behavior of the PV module coupled to a phase-change material (PCM).

This study proposes the use of ceramic containers comprising a cap and a cup for macro-encapsulation of metallic PCMs, and a sealing method of the containers to endure the thermal ...

Several designs of containers with different phase change materials have been developed by researchers for PV-PCM modules. Some noteworthy studies are summarized in Table 3.

Finally, the challenges and future developments in the solution methods, theoretical models, and numerical simulation applications of phase change materials are prospected. This ...

Phase change materials (PCM) can absorb a large amount of energy as latent heat through the phase change process and maintain an almost constant temperature, which has good ...

Solar stills for desalination is a renewable and cost effective method of producing fresh water from sea water. This study presents a dynamic numerical analysis of a pyramid-shaped solar still ...

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