



Solar Thermal Energy Conversion and Storage

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Solar energy plays a crucial role in the transition currently underway towards a fully renewable energy system. Widespread applications of solar thermal energy cover the production of power and domestic hot water, space heating or cooling, drying/heating of agricultural products, thermal desalination, etc. However, due to intermittent nature of solar thermal energy, it is required to develop and implement efficient methods of storing energy including sensible, latent and thermos-chemical energy storage technologies. Also, due to low-grade energy density of solar thermal energy, variable methods of energy conversion including absorption, adsorption, desiccant system or moving heat from a low-temperature level to a high-temperature level need to be developed





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