What are organic photovoltaic cells?

Most organic photovoltaic cells are polymer solar cells. Fig. 2. Organic Photovoltaic manufactured by the company Solarmer. The molecules used in organic solar cells are solution-processable at high throughput and are cheap,resulting in low production costs to fabricate a large volume. [3]

Is organic photovoltaic a promising alternative to conventional solar cells?

Advances in the design and application of highly efficient conjugated polymers and small molecules over the past years have enabled the rapid progress in the development of organic photovoltaic (OPV) technology as a promising alternative to conventional solar cells.

Which polymers can be used for organic solar cells?

For example,the block copolymer P3HT-b-PFMAhas shown improved efficiency compared to P3HT homopolymers due to its improved morphology and charge transport properties . Here is a comparison (Table 1) of some novel polymers for organic solar cells. Small molecules have also been investigated as potential materials for organic solar cells.

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Organic photovoltaic (OPV) solar cells are earth-abundant and low-energy-production photovoltaic (PV) solutions. They have the theoretical potential to provide electricity at a lower cost than first- and second-generation solar technologies.

Are organic PV cells a good choice for building-integrated photovoltaics?

As clearly seen in Table 4,organic PV cells have a natural advantage over other types of PV cells due to their transparent characteristics,which make them idealfor integration with building-integrated photovoltaics,such as windows.

Are organic photovoltaic cells reliable?

Organic photovoltaics (OPV) have achieved efficiencies near 11%,but long-term reliabilityis a significant barrier. Unlike most inorganic solar cells,OPV cells use molecular or polymeric absorbers,which results in a localized exciton.

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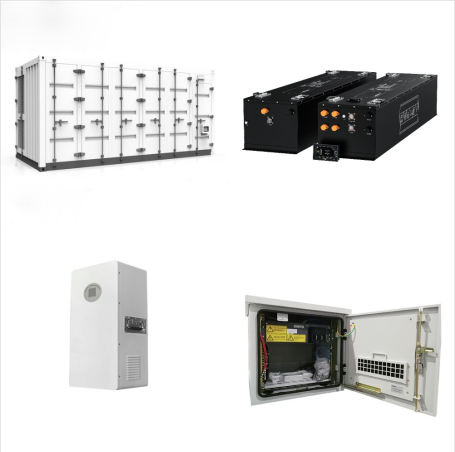
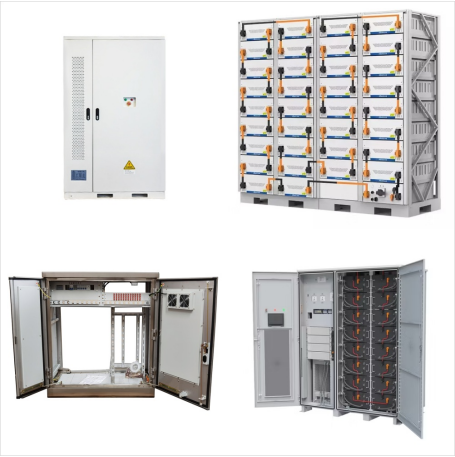


Traditional crystalline solar cells are typically made of silicon. An organic solar cell uses carbon-based materials and organic electronics instead of silicon as a semiconductor to produce electricity from the sun. Organic cells are also sometimes referred to as "plastic solar cells" or "polymer solar cells."



Over the past three years, a particularly exciting and active area of research within the field of organic photovoltaics has been the use of non-fullerene acceptors (NFAs). Compared with fullerene

Dear Colleagues, With this Special Issue on organic photovoltaics, we hope to bring an inspiring view on current trends and research focuses within the exciting and rapidly evolving field of polymer-based organic photovoltaics.

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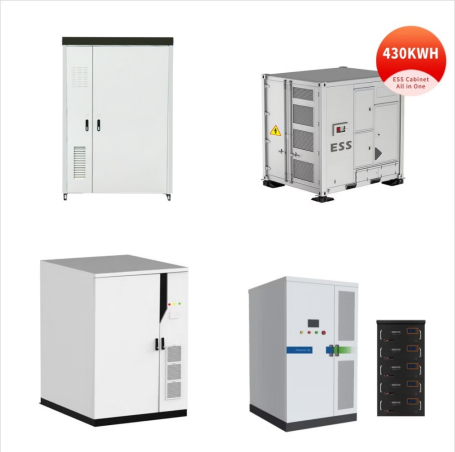

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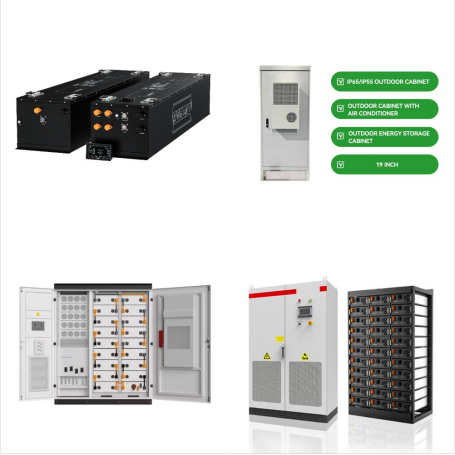
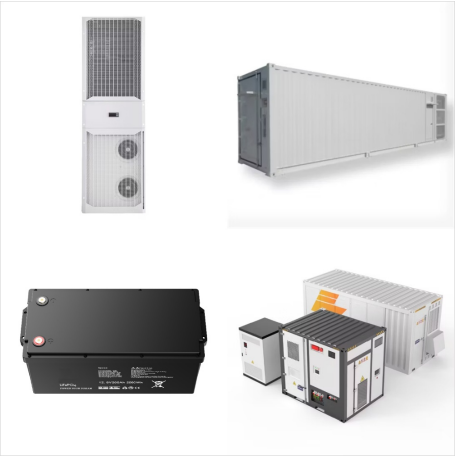


In contrast, all-polymer solar cells (APSCs) including acceptor and donor polymers exhibit morphological and mechanical stability, which are advantageous under thermal and mechanical stressors and are regarded as essential characteristics for future commercialization [2].However, because of a dearth of high-performance acceptors, all-PSC devices" ???



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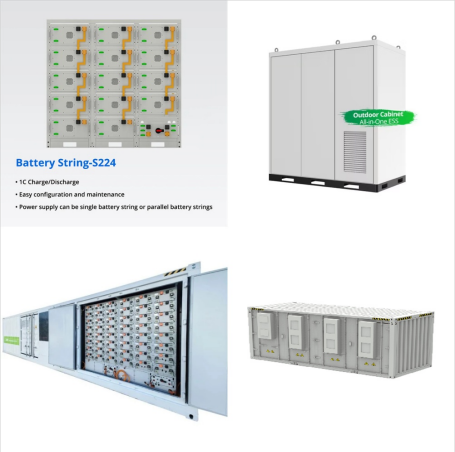

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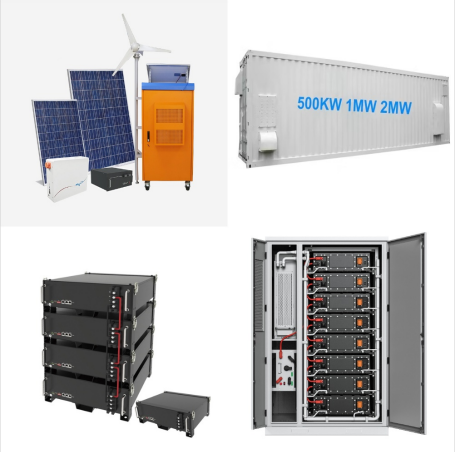
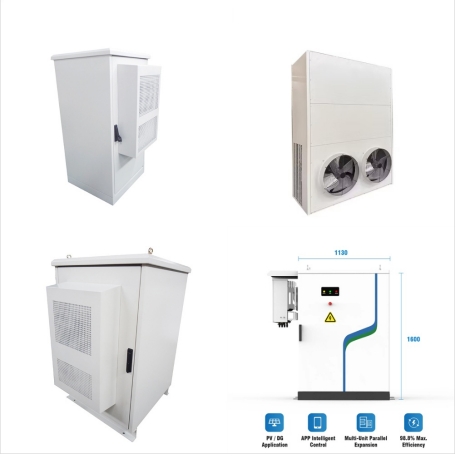


The performance of organic solar cells (OSCs) has increased substantially over the past 10 years, owing to the development of various high-performance organic electron???acceptor and electron



Polymer???organic solar cells based on a bulk heterojunction P3HT:PCBM active layer were successfully constructed on plastic PET substrates under environmental conditions. It was found that the mass ratio of donor (P3HT)/acceptor (PCBM) = 1:1 in the active layer, with chlorobenzene as a solvent, an ITO anode, PEDOT:PSS as hole transport layer

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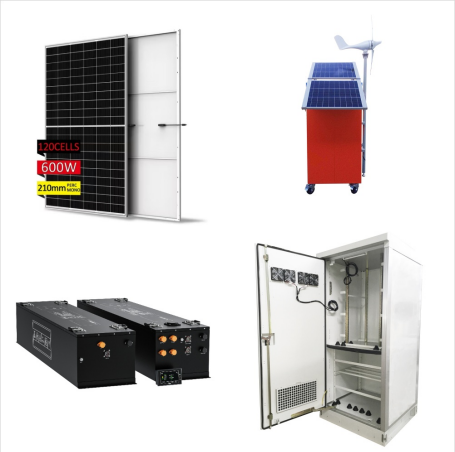
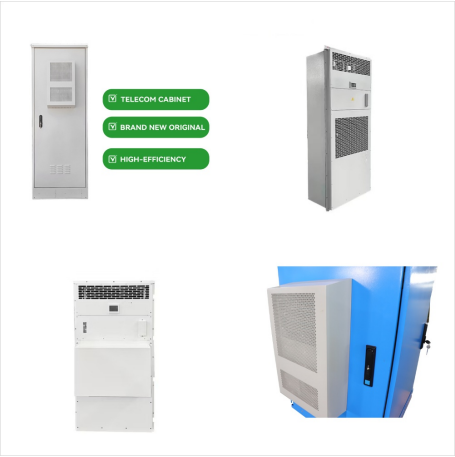


All-polymer solar cells (all-PSCs), with their specific merits of superior operation stability and remarkable mechanical flexibility, have made significant progress and become an indispensable part of the field of organic solar cells (OSCs) in recent years. This progress has established them as an indispensable component of the OSC landscape.



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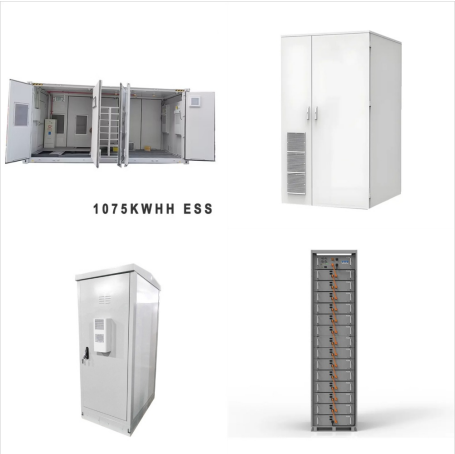

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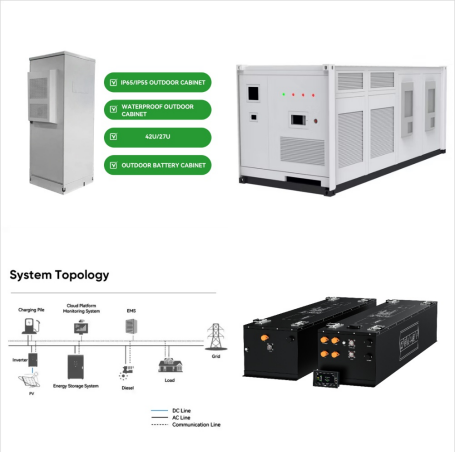

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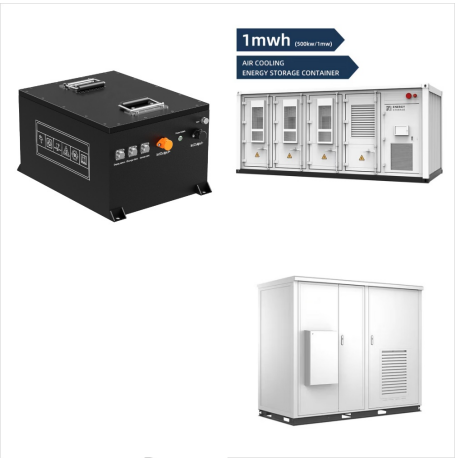

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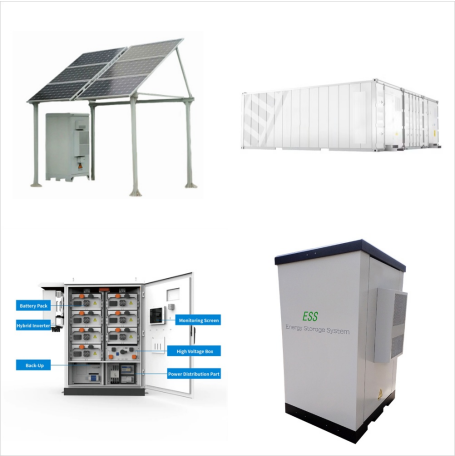

Abstract Organic solar cells (OSCs) have been developed for few decades since the preparation of the first photovoltaic device, and the record power conversion efficiency State Key Laboratory of Polymer Physics and Chemistry, Beijing National Laboratory for Molecular, Sciences CAS Research/Education Center for Excellence in Molecular

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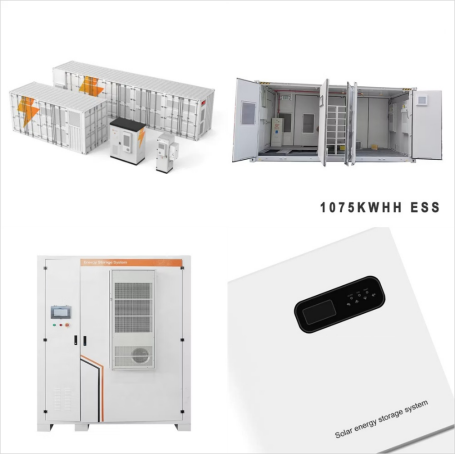
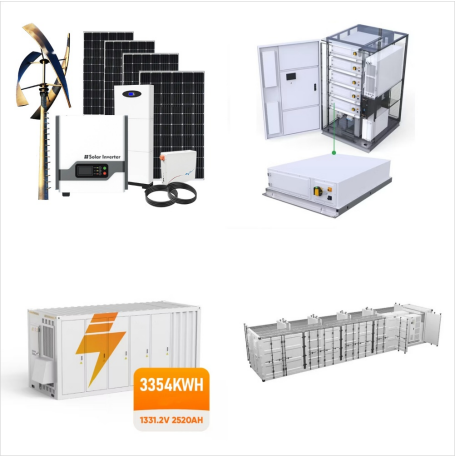
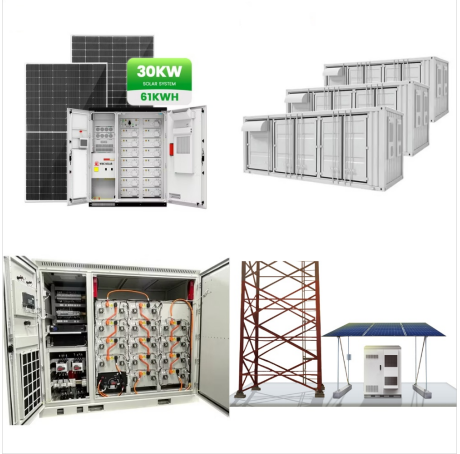


Nakao N, Saito M, Mikie T, Ishikawa T, Jeon J, Kim HD, et al. Halogen-free ??-conjugated polymers based on thienobenzobisthiazole for efficient nonfullerene organic solar cells: rational design



The emerging dye-sensitized solar cells, perovskite solar cells, and organic solar cells have been regarded as promising photovoltaic technologies. The device structures and components of these solar cells are imperative to the device's efficiency and stability. Polymers can be used to adjust the device components and structures of these solar cells purposefully, ???



Benzothiadiazole (BT) is an electron-deficient unit with fused aromatic core, which can be used to construct conjugated polymers for application in organic solar cells (OSCs). In the past twenty years, huge numbers of conjugated polymers based on BT unit have been developed, focusing on the backbone engineering (such as by using different copolymerized building ???

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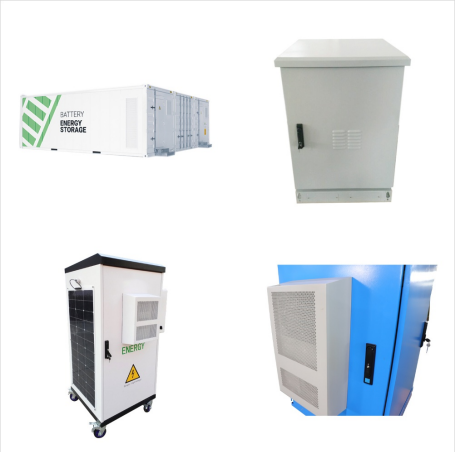
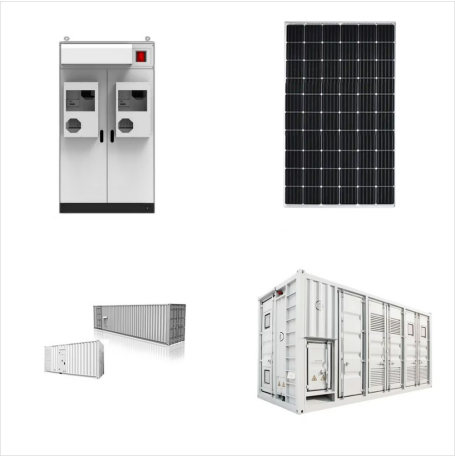
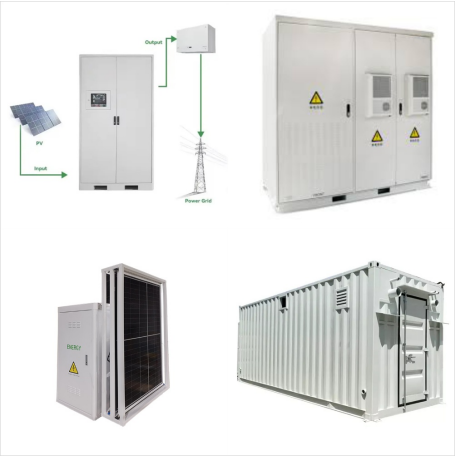


Presently, the new generation of solar cells???the third-generation photovoltaics based on nanocrystals, polymers, dyes, perovskites, and organic materials???is a highly flourishing field in solar energy research [].Even though the achieved power conversion efficiency and stability are low in most cases, third-generation solar cells are renowned due to their ???



High energy dependence on fossil fuels and an increase in greenhouse gas emissions are factors that highlight the need for alternative energy sources. Photovoltaic technology is a strong candidate that uses the most abundant resource, solar energy, but what makes its wide use difficult is the high cost of the commercially available devices. Thus, ???



Clean and renewable energy development is becoming frontier research for future energy resources, as renewable energy offers sustainable and environmentally friendly alternatives to non-renewable sources such as fossil fuels. Among various renewable energy sources, tremendous progress has been made in converting solar energy to electric energy by ???

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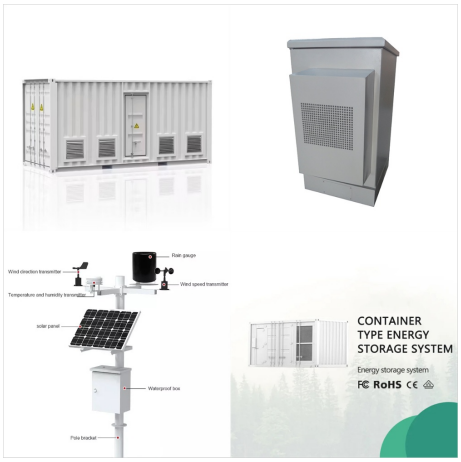

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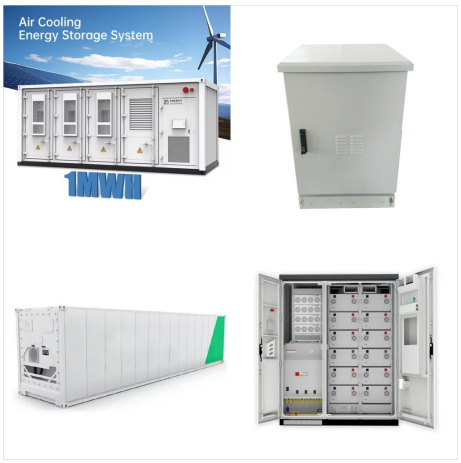
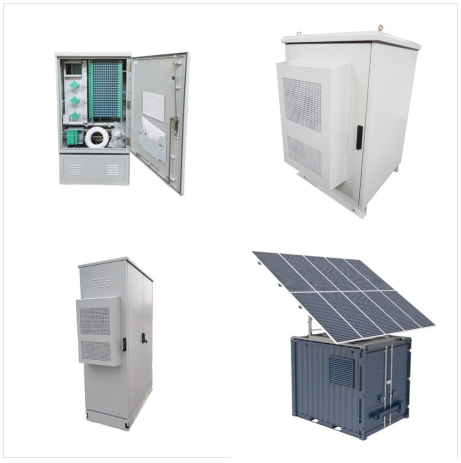


4.8.1 Polymer-based/organic solar cells. The substrate used in organic solar cells to capture energy is organic material such as conjugated polymers. The phenomenon in which polymers are capable of acting as a semiconductor is a breakthrough for the 2000 Noble Prize in Chemistry for Alan J. Heeger, Alan Macdiarmid, Hideki Shirakawa.



A concise overview of organic solar cells, also known as organic photovoltaics (OPVs), a 3rd-generation solar cell technology. Donors used in OSCs vary more widely but they are often polymer-based. Examples of highly performing donor materials include PBDB-T and PBDB-T derivatives. For example, by tuning the molecular structure of PBDB-T

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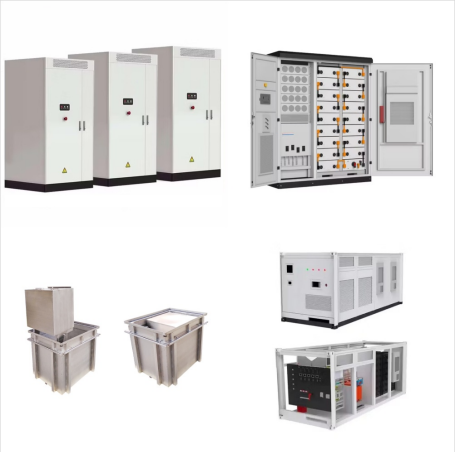

However, the efficiency of all-PSCs is still inferior to those of organic solar cells based on a wide bandgap polymer donor and narrow bandgap small molecule acceptor composition (PCE >19%), which is mainly attributed to the current lack of polymer acceptor materials with intense and broad absorption in the long wavelength region, resulting in