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Cadmium telluride CdTe photovoltaic glass





Overview

What is cadmium telluride (CdTe) photovoltaic (PV)?

The United States is the leader in cadmium telluride (CdTe) photovoltaic (PV) manufacturing, and NREL has been at the forefront of research and development in this area. PV solar cells based on CdTe represent the largest segment of commercial thin-film module production worldwide.

What is cadmium selenium tellurium (CdTe)?

In modern cells, cadmium selenium tellurium (CdSeTe) is often used in conjunction with CdTe to improve light absorption. Learn more about how solar cells work. CdTe solar cells are the second most common photovoltaic (PV) technology after crystalline silicon, representing 21% of the U.S. market and 4% of the global market in 2022.

What is the cadmium telluride PV perspective paper?

SETO released the Cadmium Telluride PV Perspective Paper in January 2025, outlining the state of CdTe PV technology and SETO's priorities to reduce costs, address materials availability, and support the scale-up of CdTe within the domestic utility-scale PV market. A large-scale solar array in Colorado with CdTe modules.

Are CdTe solar modules the highest production thin film photovoltaic technology?

Herein we have reviewed the developments in the cell technology that has enabled CdTe solar modules to emerge as the highest-production thin film photovoltaic technology.

What are PV solar cells based on CdTe?

PV solar cells based on CdTe represent the largest segment of commercial thin-film module production worldwide. Recent improvements have matched the efficiency of multicrystalline silicon while maintaining cost leadership.



What is a CdTe thin film solar cell?

CdTe thin film solar cells grew out of these II-VI semiconductor beginnings, inparallel with CdS efforts at General Electric and the US Air Force, as Loferski had realized that the CdTe bandgap was well-matched to the solar spectrum.



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