

Research and development of solar glass





Overview

Why is glass important for solar energy?

Despite the abundance of solar radiation, significant energy losses occur due to scattering, reflection, and thermal dissipation. Glass mitigates these losses by functioning as a protective layer, optical enhancer, and spectral converter within PV cells.

How does glass improve photon absorption & conversion?

Advances in glass compositions, including rare-earth doping and low-melting-point oxides, further optimize photon absorption and conversion processes. In addition, luminescent solar concentrators, down-shifting, downconversion, and upconversion mechanisms tailor the solar spectrum for improved compatibility with silicon-based solar cells.

How a glass cover affects the efficiency of a solar cell?

The accumulation of pollution and any kinds of contamination on the glass cover of the solar cell affects the efficiency of the photovoltaic (PV) systems. The contamination on the glass cover can absorb and reflect a certain part of the sunlight irradiation, which can decrease the intensity of the light coming in through the glass cover.

What is slarc solar glass?

Currently, single-layer antireflection coated (SLARC) solar glass has a dominant market share of 95% compared to glass with other coatings or no coating, for Si PV modules. This antireflection coating (ARC) results in an efficiency gain of 2-3%.



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