

European Solar and Energy Storage Solutions

Photovoltaic panel blood-cleansing artifact



Overview

Why do photovoltaic panels need a self-cleaning coating?

The self-cleaning coating has attracted extensive attention in the photovoltaic industry and the scientific community because of its unique mechanism and high adaptability. Therefore, an efficient and stable self-cleaning coating is necessary to protect the cover glass on the photovoltaic panel. There are many self-cleaning phenomena in nature.

What is a self-cleaning photovoltaic (PV) panel?

Self-cleaning photovoltaic (PV) panel. 2211-3398/© 2022 Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved. Dust is a small dry solid particle in the air that is emerged from natural forces (wind, volcanic eruption, and chemical) or man-made processes (crushing, grinding, milling, drilling, demolition, etc.) with its diameter ranging from 1 to 100 μm .

Why is hydrophobic coating better than uncoated PV panel?

The hydrophobic coating capable to remove the dust particles by using natural air only. The high speed-wind improves the self-cleaning process, later enhances the overall efficiency of coated PV panel. At the same time, its anti-reflection properties can reduce the temperature of the coated PV panel by 10°C as compared to the uncoated PV panel.

Which nanomaterial can be used for self-cleaning coating on solar PV panels?

Apart from SiO₂ nanomaterial, titanium dioxide (TiO₂) is another well-known nanomaterial that can be used for self-cleaning coating on solar PV panels as it possesses both hydrophilic and photocatalysis properties. The developed TiO₂ /silane coating possesses the WCA below 10°.

How to clean photovoltaic panels based on CVD?

There are many methods based on CVD, and they are widely used in the self-cleaning of photovoltaic panels. But in general, such methods are not easy to

control the accuracy. As a relatively simple method, the sol-gel method has low cost, few technical details, and is environmentally friendly.

Which surface treatment is suitable for preparing photovoltaic self-cleaning surfaces?

CVD-based surface treatment is suitable for preparing photovoltaic self-cleaning surfaces. These methods prepare self-cleaning surfaces by reacting gaseous substances with hot surfaces and depositing them on the surface. They are efficient but difficult to control accuracy.

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