

As materials undergo phase changes (solid to liquid or vice versa), they absorb or release heat, called latent heat. The phase states of PCMs can change within specific temperature ranges [30]. When a solid PCM is heated, it absorbs heat energy, which is used to overcome the forces holding its particles in place.

However, there are also issues such as the small thermal conductivity of phase change materials (PCMs) and poor efficiency in heat storage and release, and in recent years, enhanced heat transfer in phase change thermal storage devices has become one of the research hotspots for optimizing thermal storage devices. Although there have been ...

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However, sensible heat storage also has disadvantages, such as low heat storage density and high heat loss. Latent heat storage is also known as energy stored by phase change [6]. Latent heat storage has a higher energy density than sensible heat storage, and PCMs can store 5-14 times more heat than sensible heat [7]. Latent heat storage ...

Thermal energy storage technology is an effective method to improve the efficiency of energy utilization and alleviate the incoordination between energy supply and demand in time, space and intensity [5]. Thermal energy can be stored in the form of sensible heat storage [6], [7], latent heat storage [8] and chemical reaction storage [9], [10]. Phase change ...

A PCM is typically defined as a material that stores energy through a phase change. In this study, they are classified as sensible heat storage, latent heat storage, and thermochemical storage materials based on their heat absorption forms (Fig. 1). Researchers have investigated the energy density and cold-storage efficiency of various PCMs [[1], [2], [3], [4]].

The global energy transition requires new technologies for efficiently managing and storing renewable energy. In the early 20th century, Stanford Olshansky discovered the phase change storage properties of paraffin, advancing phase change materials (PCMs) technology []. Photothermal phase change energy storage materials (PTCPCEsMs), as a ...

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thermal energy storage, important properties and applications of low temperature phase change materials have been discussed and analyzed.

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A common approach to thermal storage is to use what is known as a phase change material (PCM), where input heat melts the material and its phase change -- from solid to liquid -- stores energy. When the PCM is cooled back down below its melting point, it turns back into a solid, at which point the stored energy is released as heat.

The research on phase change materials (PCMs) for thermal energy storage systems has been gaining momentum in a quest to identify better materials with low-cost, ease of availability, improved thermal and chemical stabilities and eco-friendly nature. The present article comprehensively reviews the novel PCMs and their synthesis and characterization techniques ...

Phase change material (PCM)-based thermal energy storage significantly affects emerging applications, with recent advancements in enhancing heat capacity and cooling power. This perspective by Yang et al. ...

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