

Are phase change materials suitable for thermal energy storage?

Phase change materials (PCMs) having a large latent heat during solid-liquid phase transition are promising for thermal energy storage applications. However, the relatively low thermal conductivity of the majority of promising PCMs ($<10 \text{ W/(m} \cdot \text{K)}$) limits the power density and overall storage efficiency.

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What is photothermal phase change energy storage?

To meet the demands of the global energy transition, photothermal phase change energy storage materials have emerged as an innovative solution. These materials, utilizing various photothermal conversion carriers, can passively store energy and respond to changes in light exposure, thereby enhancing the efficiency of energy systems.

Can a micro-encapsulated phase change material be used for data center cooling?

A scalable micro-encapsulated phase change material and liquid metal integrated composite for sustainable data center cooling. *Renewable Energy*. 2023;213:75-85. doi: 10.1016/j.renene.2023.05.106 Yang TY, Braun PV, Miljkovic N, et al. Phase change material heat sink for transient cooling of high-power devices.

What is phase change thermal management technology?

Combined phase change heat transfer of liquid metal Although phase change thermal management technology has a series of advantages such as good temperature control effect and high temperature uniformity, its duration is limited, especially when dealing with long-term heating devices.

Can porous materials encapsulate liquid metal phase change materials?

Encapsulation of liquid metal phase change materials In the above research on the use of porous materials to enhance the thermal conductivity of LM, they can not only enhance the overall thermal conductivity of materials, but also play a certain role in packaging liquid PCMs. however, the leakage of LM cannot be completely avoided in this way.

The phase change heat transfer process has a time-dependent solid-liquid interface during melting and solidification, where heat can be absorbed or released in the form of latent heat []. A uniform energy equation is established in the whole region, treating the solid and liquid states separately, corresponding to the physical parameters of the PCMs in the solid and ...

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recent advancements in enhancing heat capacity and cooling power. This perspective by Yang et al. ...

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Among those cutting edge PCMs, the liquid metal phase change materials (LMPCMs) especially have aroused much interest due to their outstanding merits in thermal conductivity, energy storage density and stability. In this article, the representative works on LMPCMs are comprehensively reviewed.

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Photothermal phase change energy storage materials (PTCPCEsMs), as a special type of PCM, can store energy and respond to changes in illumination, enhancing the efficiency of energy systems and demonstrating marked potential in solar energy and thermal management systems.

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spatiotemporal phase change materials with high supercooling to realize long-duration storage and intelligent release of latent heat ...

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PCMs have the advantages of low price, high heat storage density, and high phase change latent heat. They can significantly improve the energy storage efficiency of solar energy storage devices and reduce costs, so they can be widely used in the field of solar energy storage. Adding MEPCM capsules to building materials such as wall panels ...

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Currently, solar-thermal energy storage within phase-change materials relies on adding high thermal-conductivity fillers to improve the thermal-diffusion-based charging rate, which often leads to limited enhancement of ...

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