

Can concentrated solar thermal energy be combined with steam methane reforming?

This study demonstrates the successful integration of concentrated solar thermal energy with steam methane reforming (SMR) for hydrogen production, highlighting significant advancements toward sustainable energy.

Is thermal energy storage a reversible conversion of solar-thermal energy to chemical energy?

Concentrating solar power (CSP) with thermal energy storage has the potential for grid-scale dispatchable power generation. Thermochemical energy storage (TCES), that is, the reversible conversion of solar-thermal energy to chemical energy, has high energy density and low heat loss over long periods.

Why is thermochemical storage important in solar power generation?

Thermochemical storage (TCS) is very attractive for high-temperature heat storage in the solar power generation because of its high energy density and negligible heat loss. To further understand and develop TCS systems, comprehensive analyses and studies are very necessary.

How to save methane consumption compared to conventional hydrogen production?

Compared with conventional hydrogen production via industrial SMR approach, saving in methane consumption by the new approach corresponds to the amount of combusted methane as substituted by solar thermal energy via CSE, and by solar PV electricity for the separation of H<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> products.

Why does solar energy need to be stored?

Solar energy must be stored to provide a continuous supply because of the intermittent and instability nature of solar energy. Thermochemical storage (TCS) is very attractive for high-temperature heat storage in the solar power generation because of its high energy density and negligible heat loss.

What is solar-to-H<sub>2</sub> efficiency?

The solar-to-H<sub>2</sub> efficiency is 3.4% with direct solar illumination. The efficiency can be enhanced to 46.5% or above with solar thermal energy storage and advances in mid-/low-temperature SMR catalysts and CO<sub>2</sub> sorbents, and can be further enhanced to beyond 60% with low-energy-penalty separation technologies.

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Solar energy is an abundant renewable energy source, and the use of solar energy for carbon dioxide reforming of methane (CRM) is a promising thermochemical energy ...

Cyclohexane dehydrogenation in the solar-driven membrane reactor is a promising method of directly producing pure hydrogen and benzene from cyclohexane and ...

Among renewable energies, wind and solar are inherently intermittent and therefore both require efficient energy storage systems to facilitate a round-the-clock electricity ...

Solar fuel production, which enables long-term storage and transportation of solar energy and can overcome the above limitations, has been considered as a promising technical ...

Thermal energy storage (TES) is a technology that stocks thermal energy by heating or cooling a storage medium so that the stored energy can be used at a later time for heating and cooling applications and power generation. TES ...

Methanol storage tank: 0.00008794: Methane compressor: 0.02282: Methane heater: 0.01609: Hydrogen/methane cooler: 0.6883: PSA separator (hydrogen) 7.169: ...

Methane is a very stable and inert molecule due to its unique molecular configuration. 4 The symmetrical tetrahedral structure with four equal C-H bonds endows ...

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Processes presented include thermochemical metal oxide reduction/oxidation cycles to split water and carbon dioxide solar chemical looping reformation of methane to produce synthesis gas, ...

Performance analysis of solar thermochemical reactor was investigated based on the solar-driven methane reforming process using CO<sub>2</sub>. 23,24 The solar-thermal fluid-wall aerosol flow reactor ...

Hybrids between concentrating solar thermal and combustion technologies offer potential to capitalise on the low cost of thermal energy storage, which is driving the ...

A new solar volumetric reactor for CO<sub>2</sub> reforming of CH<sub>4</sub> was tested at the Solar Tower of the Weizmann Institute of Science. The reactor design was based on extensive ...

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Moreover, low grade solar thermal energy can be stored as high grade chemical energy, resulting in an increase in its energy level ... Thermodynamic and kinetic analysis of ...

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