

The answer may lie in towers of massive concrete blocks stacked hundreds of feet high that act like giant mechanical batteries, storing power in the form of gravitational potential energy. This new energy storage concept is being advanced by a Californian/Swiss startup company called Energy Vault as a solution to renewable energy's ...

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A startup called Energy Vault is working on a unique storage method, and they must be on the right track, because they just received over \$100 million in Series C funding last week. The method was inspired by pumped hydro, which has been around since the 1920s and uses surplus generating capacity to pump water up into a reservoir.

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By integrating carbon-cement supercapacitors into the structural elements of buildings, homes could store energy generated from renewable sources like solar panels and release it as needed. This would provide a significant boost to efforts aimed at decarbonizing the global economy by reducing reliance on intermittent energy sources and ...

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intermittently renewable energy, such as solar or wind energy.

Thermal energy storage (TES) in concrete provides environmental benefits by promoting energy efficiency, reducing carbon emissions and facilitating the integration of renewable energy sources. It also offers economic advantages through cost savings and enhanced energy affordability.

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Storworks provides energy storage by storing heat in concrete blocks, charging when excess energy is available and discharging to provide energy when needed. The system can be heated by electricity, steam, or waste heat recovery, and can provide heat, steam, or electricity when paired with a conventional steam turbine.

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