

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.

Are PCM thermal storage techniques more energy efficient?

Challenges and opportunities exist for researchers to develop PCM thermal storage techniques that are both more energy dense and more efficient.

What are the design principles for improved thermal storage?

Although device designs are application dependent, general design principles for improved thermal storage do exist. First, the charging or discharging rate for thermal energy storage or release should be maximized to enhance efficiency and avoid superheat.

How to develop a thermal storage technique for transient cooling?

For example, to develop a thermal storage technique for the transient cooling of electric vehicle fast charging, we must first obtain both theoretical and experimental data of transient heat generation within the battery and associated components.

How to optimize energy storage & release?

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