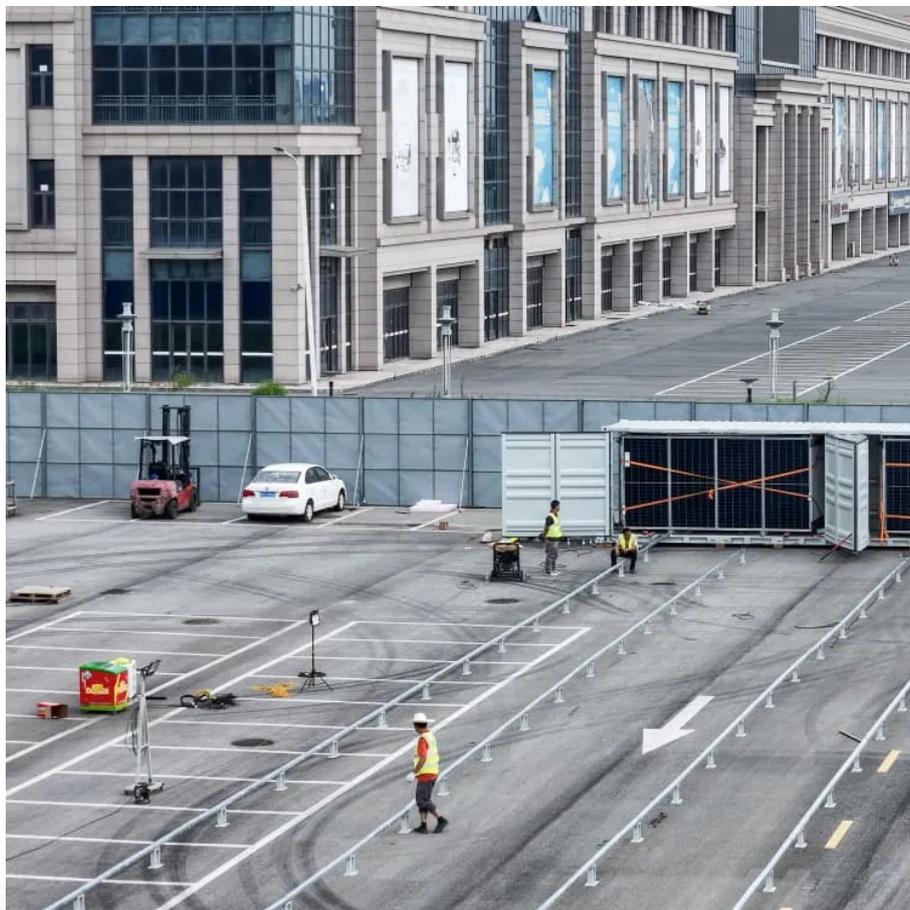


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Overview

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Can solar energy drive crude oil refineries?

Employing solar energy to drive crude oil refineries is one of the investigated pathways for using renewable energy sources to support lowering the carbon emissions and environmental impact of operating the processing of fossil-based fuels.

Can solar energy systems decarbonize oil refineries?

Other studies in the literature considered coupling solar energy systems to oil refineries to decarbonize their operation. The applicability and feasibility of introducing a concentrated solar power (CSP) system to reduce partial reliance on process heaters of a crude oil refinery was studied by Danish et al.

How efficient is solar energy in crude oil heating?

The thermodynamic analyses described earlier is utilized to assess the system performance. The energy and exergy efficiencies of the system are found to be 60.94% and 19.34%, respectively. Furthermore, for a 10% solar share in crude oil heating, 11,950 tons of CO₂ emission are avoided per year.

Can solar energy be used in the oil industry?

In Absi Halabi et al. , the application of solar energy in the oil industry is reviewed. As noted there, petroleum (oil) energy is the major contributor to energy inputs worldwide, with 34.25%, meaning 172 EJ (Exa Joules = 10¹⁸ J).



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