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Selecting monocrystalline silicon for solar modules



Overview

Why is monocrystalline silicon used in photovoltaic cells?

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What are crystalline silicon solar cells?

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How is monocrystalline silicon made?

Monocrystalline silicon is typically created by one of several methods that involve melting high-purity semiconductor-grade silicon and using a seed to initiate the formation of a continuous single crystal. This process is typically performed in an inert atmosphere, such as argon, and in an inert crucible, such as quartz.

How efficient are monocrystalline solar cells?

Monocrystalline solar cells reached efficiencies of 20% in the laboratory in 1985 (ref. 238) and of 26.2% under 100× concentration in 1988 (ref. 239). In this period, the efficiency of industrial solar cells slowly grew from 12% to 14.5%.

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