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## Overview

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Chemical waste from solar panel manufacturing includes substances like hydrofluoric acid, sodium hydroxide, and heavy metals such as lead and cadmium. Improper handling of these materials can lead to soil contamination, water pollution, and health risks for workers and nearby. The rapid expansion of solar photovoltaic (SPV) deployment has created an urgent challenge of managing end-of-life (EoL) panels. Global capacity surpassed the terawatt scale in 2022 and is projected to exceed 14 TW by 2050, generating more than 70 million tonnes of cumulative waste. If not properly managed in the photovoltaic supply chain, a substantial amount of photovoltaic secondary silicon-containing resource (PV-SSCR), including metallurgical-grade silicon refined slag (MGSRS), silicon fume (SF), silicon cutting waste (SCW) and end-of-life silicon solar cell (ESSC) from discharged modules, can accumulate. Without a comprehensive strategy for recycling them, we face the prospect of accumulating a mountain of EoL solar panels in the coming decades. This review comprehensively examines challenges, opportunities, and future. Many of these dead panels are dumped in landfills, even though they contain valuable elements such as silicon, silver, and copper. Researchers are now racing to develop chemical technologies that can help dismantle solar cells and strip away the valuable metals within. It is abundant, clean, environmentally friendly, and is becoming more affordable and efficient thanks to ongoing research advancements. The worldwide increase in.

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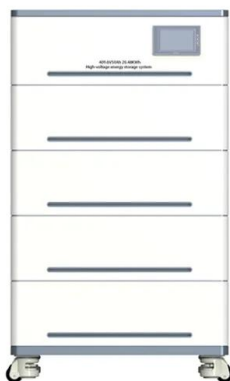
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