

White spots appear on photovoltaic panels



Overview

These defects come from two primary culprits: moisture ingress and material degradation. But then, you start to notice them: small, milky-white spots appearing under the glass, like a creeping frost on a winter morning. They might seem like a minor cosmetic issue, but these „white spots“ are often the first visible signs of a deeper problem that can compromise a module's performance. If you've noticed mysterious white spots on your photovoltaic (PV) panels, you're not alone. Over 23% of solar system owners report similar discolorations within the first 5 years of installation according to the 2023 Gartner Emerging Tech Report. It leads to corrosion and eventually to the failure of a PV module. Anyone have any insight of this is normal or what they could be?

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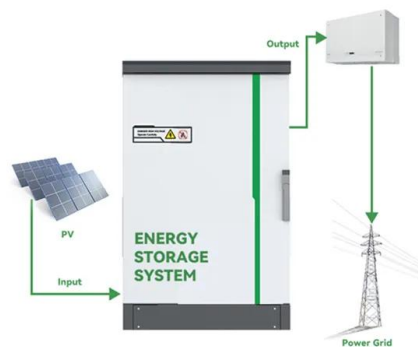
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Solutions to solar panel discoloration include regular professional cleaning, proper installation, monitoring system performance, and contacting the installer for assessment and guidance.



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