

Copper indium gallium selenide (CIGS)-based solar cells have received worldwide attention for solar power generation. CIGS solar cells based on chalcopyrite quaternary semiconductor  $\text{CuIn}_{1-x}\text{Ga}_x\text{Se}_2$  are one of the leading thin-film photovoltaic technologies owing to highly beneficial properties of its absorber, such as tuneable direct band gap (1.0-1.7 eV), ...

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In the last few years the need and demand for utilizing clean energy resources has increased dramatically. Energy received from sun in the form of light is a sustainable, reliable and renewable energy resource. This light energy can be transformed into electricity using solar cells (SCs). Silicon was early used and still as first material for SCs fabrication. Thin film SCs are ...

The development of thin-film photovoltaics has emerged as a promising solution to the global energy crisis within the field of solar cell technology. However, transitioning from laboratory scale to large-area solar cells requires precise and high-quality scribes to achieve the required voltage and reduce ohmic losses. Laser scribing has shown great potential in preserving efficiency by ...

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Thin film solar cells are a promising approach for terrestrial and space photovoltaics and offer a wide variety of choices in terms of the device design and fabrication, but it would surely be determined by the simplicity of manufacturability and the cost per reliable watt. Thin film solar cells (TFSC) are a promising approach for terrestrial and space photovoltaics and offer a ...

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Cadmium telluride is a promising photovoltaic material for thin-film solar cells. However, the performance and reproducibility of devices has been limited by the conventional  $\text{SnO}_2/\text{CdS}/\text{CdTe}$  device structure used for

more than 30 years. In this paper, we report that the device performance and reproducibility of CdTe cells can be

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Thin Film Photovoltaics Ken Zweibel Thin-Film PV Partnership Program National Renewable Energy Laboratory Golden, CO 80401 303-384-6441; 303-384-6430 (fax) ken\_zweibel@nrel.gov The Idea of Low-Cost PV The motivation to develop thin film technologies dates back to the inception of photovoltaics. It is an idea based on

12: Amorphous Silicon Thin Films 13: CIGS Thin Films 14: CdTe Thin Films 15: Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells . Additional resource: J. Poortmans and V. Arkhipov, Thin Film Solar Cells: Fabrication, Characterization and Applications. Wiley: West Sussex, 2006. ISBN 0470091266

Silicon (Si) solar cells dominate the PV market (92%) followed by cadmium telluride (CdTe, 5%), copper indium gallium selenide (CuInGaSe<sub>2</sub> or CIGS, 2%) and amorphous silicon (a-Si:H, ~1%). Si wafer with thickness around 180  $\mu$ m is the traditional material being used for module manufacturing and it has attained significant level of maturity at the industrial level.

Therefore, researchers came up with thin film PV cells (TFPV). Thin films reduce the amount of semiconductor material used to manufacture amorphous solar cells, which reduce the cost by more than half [13], [14]. In addition, there is the third-generation solar cell, which includes concentrators and organic solar cells [15] such as dye ...

Edited by: Beddiaf Zaidi and Chander Shekhar. ISBN 978-1-83969-905-4, eISBN 978-1-83969-906-1, PDF ISBN 978-1-83969-907-8, Published 2022-02-23 ... Thin film photovoltaics are second-generation solar cells produced by depositing one or more thin layers, or thin films, of photosensitive material on a suitable substrate such as glass, polymer, or ...

Thin film solar cell technology has recently seen some radical advancement as a result of new materials and innovations in device structures. The increase in the efficiency of thin film solar cells and perovskite into 23% mark has created significant attention in the photovoltaic market, particularly in the integrated photovoltaic (BIPV) field.

Thin film solar cells are favorable because of their minimum material usage and rising efficiencies. The three major thin film solar cell technologies include amorphous silicon (a-Si), copper indium gallium selenide (CIGS), and cadmium telluride (CdTe). In this paper, the evolution of each technology is discussed in both laboratory and commercial settings, and ...

Past few decades, light absorbing materials based on  $\text{CuInGaSe}_2$  and  $\text{CdTe}$  have been used for fabrication of thin film solar cells. But main issues arising from these absorbers are the limited availability and toxicity of some of their constituents, viz. In, Cd, and Te. At present, light absorbing materials based on  $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnS}_4$  (CZTS) is a best alternative to develop low ...

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