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Photovoltaic module glass is corroded by acid



Overview

Corrosion is one of the main end-of-life degradation and failure modes in photovoltaic (PV) modules. However, it is a gradual process and can take many years to become a major risk factor because of t.

What causes corrosion in a photovoltaic module?

Moisture penetrating a photovoltaic (PV) module may react with the metallic components causing corrosion. In addition, acetic acid which is produced by hydrolysis of ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA), the most common encapsulant, may further degrade metallic components.

How does metallization corrosion affect a c-Si photovoltaic (PV) module?

When the c-Si photovoltaic (PV) module is operating in the new degradation mode, the electroluminescence (EL) dark area showed an increase in the series resistance that spreads around the bus bars. To understand metallization corrosion, a high-temperature and high-humidity test was conducted using PV modules.

Is corrosion a major end-of-life degradation mode in photovoltaic modules?

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Does corrosion affect the life of a photovoltaic module?

The lifetime of a photovoltaic (PV) module is influenced by a variety of degradation and failure phenomena. While there are several performance and accelerated aging tests to assess design quality and early- or mid-life failure modes, there are few to probe the mechanisms and impacts of end-of-life degradation modes such as corrosion.

Does acetic acid corrosion affect the metallization containing lead tellurite glass frit?

This study investigates the effect of corrosion of the metallization containing lead tellurite glass frit used in solar cells due to acetic acid. When the c-Si photovoltaic (PV) module is operating in the new degradation mode, the electroluminescence (EL) dark area showed an increase in the series resistance that spreads around the bus bars.

Does acetic acid affect PV module degradation?

The relationship between the acetic acid and the degradation of the PV module, in which the metallization paste contains PbO-TeO₂ glass frit, was investigated. The EL dark area spread from the bus bars during the high-temperature and high-humidity test.

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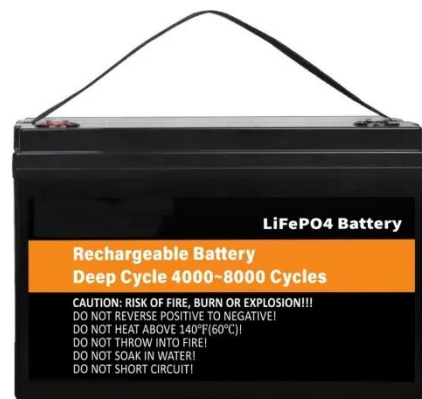
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