

Can ferroelectric materials be used in solar cells?

The application of ferroelectric materials (i.e. solids that exhibit spontaneous electric polarisation) in solar cells has a long and controversial history. This includes the first observations of the anomalous photovoltaic effect (APE) and the bulk photovoltaic effect (BPE).

Are ferroelectrics a photovoltaic material?

Ferroelectrics, especially oxide-based ferroelectrics, are an exciting class of materials with novel photovoltaic properties.

What is a ferroelectric solar cell?

Unlike conventional silicon solar cell technology, the fundamental mechanism of ferroelectric photovoltaics allows large open circuit voltage through bulk photovoltaic effect. We discuss the fundamental physics behind the solar energy conversion first, in traditional p-n junction solar cell, and then extend that to prototype ferroelectrics.

Can ferroelectric materials be used to harvest solar energy?

Ferroelectric materials with diverse functionalities could be utilized to harvest solar energy through various mechanisms. The present chapter discusses solar energy harvesting strategies using ferroelectric materials through solar photovoltaics and photochemical energy conversion.

Can ferroelectric materials improve photovoltaic conversion efficiency?

Ferroelectric materials can also exhibit the bulk photovoltaic effect (BPVE) in an additional process than conventional semiconductors. In recent decades, interest in these phenomena has increased and there is the prospect of improving photovoltaic conversion efficiency to exceed that of commercial solar cells based on Si p-n junctions.

What makes ferroelectric photovoltaics different from p-n based solar cells?

Another unique feature of ferroelectric photovoltaics is that, unlike p-n based solar cells, the photovoltage of FePvs is not limited by the material's bandgap (E_g); open circuit voltages (VOC) as large as 1600 V have been measured in LiNbO_3 .

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The field of ferroelectric materials is continuously expanding towards new realms of extraordinary properties and applications. New materials have been synthesized, and more advanced ...

This work establishes a promising approach to utilizing 2D ferroelectric perovskite for regulating the

crystallization of perovskite and combining molecular ferroelectrics with PSCs.

Ferroelectric materials offer a wide range of useful properties. These include ferroelectric hysteresis (used in nonvolatile memories), high permittivities (used in capacitors), high piezoelectric ...

A built-in electric field established in these materials due to the ferroelectric property is more helpful for the separation of e-h pairs and enhancing the power conversion efficiency during ...

Thirdly, compared with the traditional pyroelectric materials, the unique polarization switching makes ferroelectrics have a universal mean to increase the intensity-external field. Fourthly, ...

As a result, the integration of the ferroelectric process with the photon-to-electron energy conversion process becomes feasible to generate interesting photo-physical properties and ...

High-performance ferroelectric materials are used in many applications, ranging from actuators to capacitors. Now, high entropy is emerging as an effective and flexible strategy for ...

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The use of ultra-wide bandgap transparent conducting beta gallium oxide (β -Ga₂O₃) thin films as electrodes in ferroelectric solar cells is reported. In a new material structure for energy applications, ...

Ferroelectric materials can maintain the polarisation even once the electric field is removed. Ferroelectric materials have some similarities over ...

Strain is a conventional mechanical means for optimizing light absorption of photocatalysts. Herein, an additional degree of freedom-ferroelectricity is introduced into this process, enhancing not only solar ...

Exploitation of suitable ferroelectric materials having narrow-band gap useful for visible region are promising for their potential application in both the novel optoelectronic and the solar ...

Ferroelectric solar container materials

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Developing ferroelectric materials with low bandgaps, engineering electrodes to optimize charge extraction, and advancing FePv device ...

In ferroelectric materials, such polarizations can be reversed with an external electric field. Today, ferroelectric materials are widely used in sensors, actuators and memories.

Autonomous high-power ferroelectric systems expand the applications of ferroelectric materials in mining engineering, remote power supplies, mineral, gas and oil explorations, geology ...

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Recently, some of ferroelectric materials are introduced in these solar cells due to their special properties. They can be used not only as light absorbing materials in ferroelectric solar cells, but also ...

This article reviews recent achievements in ferroelectric nanomaterials and their applications in energy harvesting and self-powered ...

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Ferroelectric materials, with their spontaneous polarization-induced built-in electric fields, hold promise for Li-metal batteries. The versatile ...

Ferroelectric materials with multiple effects have great potential for applications in the fields of photoelectric detection, photoelectric storage, etc. This manuscript summarizes briefly the ...

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