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Overview

In partnership with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and Westinghouse, they're designing an integrated energy system that combines a next-generation nuclear reactor and a concentrating solar power plant. Most rechargeable lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries, found in everything from phones to cars, last only hours or days between charges. Over time, their performance declines, requiring more frequent charging. To address this issue, researchers are exploring a new approach: nuclear batteries powered by . At the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ben Lindley, an assistant professor of engineering physics and an expert on nuclear reactors, and Mike Wagner, an assistant professor of mechanical engineering and a solar energy expert, are studying the feasibility and benefits of such a coupling. In . A recent study by Vibrant Clean Energy (VCE), using one of the most detailed models available, found that pairing nuclear with wind and solar is the most cost-effective means to decarbonize electricity generation. This lowest-cost scenario projects that nuclear energy could provide nearly 43 . Nuclear power plants are a "low-carbon" alternative to fossil fuels that, once built, produce no climate-warming greenhouse gases. Our mission is to eventually achieve 3¢ / kWh electricity. We've raised $136M to help us get started. In nuclear power plants today, there are basically two .

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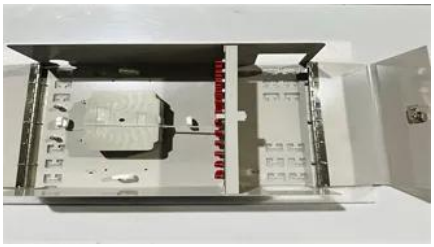

Combining nuclear and solar tech could make a powerful pair

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Short-Term Energy Outlook

We expect that new renewables capacity-mostly wind and solar-will reduce electricity generation from both coal-fired and natural gas-fired power plants in 2023 and 2024.

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This lowest-cost scenario projects that nuclear energy could provide nearly 43 percent of all generation in 2050 with wind and solar producing almost 50 percent. A significant portion of this advanced

[The End of Solar Power: Japan Builds a Nuclear Battery That Could]

The Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) is developing a revolutionary nuclear battery that could keep space probes powered for more than a century, without relying on solar panels or fuel

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US based company has unveiled an extra

modular nuclear reactor that can meet power demands of data centers with non-carbon-emitting energy source.

A safe nuclear battery that could last a lifetime

To significantly improve the energy conversion efficiency of their new design, In and the team used a titanium dioxide-based semiconductor, a material commonly used in solar cells,

Advanced Nuclear Reactors

To address this "intermittency," nuclear power plants can be paired with energy storage to save part of their electricity output for times when the supply of wind and solar energy is low.

The next generation of nuclear reactors is getting more advanced.

Before we get into the advanced stuff, let's recap the basics. Nuclear power plants generate electricity via fission reactions, where atoms split apart, releasing energy as heat and

Scientists Just Built a Battery That Never Needs Charging

Scientists are developing tiny nuclear batteries powered by radiocarbon, a safe and abundant by-product of nuclear plants. Unlike lithium-ion batteries, which degrade over time and

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