

Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells: An Overview of State-of-the-Art, Challenges and Perspectives

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Abstract

Dye-sensitized solar cells (DSSCs) have many advantages over conventional silicon-based solar cells due to their low cost transparency, and high power conversion efficiencies. Dye-sensitized solar cell performs well under cloudy and artificial light conditions. The challenge is to increase cell efficiency. Published in the prestigious scientific journal *Nature*, the research team headed by the inventor of the DSSC (Grätzel) describes a new deposition process for making photosensitive pigment cells to reach 15% efficiency. In the present communication, we distill the current state-of-the-art, discuss new concepts, highlight the scientific challenges, and analyze the perspectives for the future development of these cells.