

Can screen printing improve the metallization of silicon solar cells?

Together with their project partners, scientists at the Photovoltaic Technology Evaluation Center PV-TEC at the Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE in Freiburg have succeeded in improving the traditional screen printing process for the fine-line metallization of silicon solar cells.

What are screen-printed solar cells?

Screen-printed solar cells were first developed in the 1970's. As such, they are the best established, most mature solar cell fabrication technology, and screen-printed solar cells currently dominate the market for terrestrial photovoltaic modules. The key advantage of screen-printing is the relative simplicity of the process.

Can flatbed screen printing be used for metallization of solar cells?

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Can a fine-mesh screen be used to metallize solar cells?

Innovative fine-mesh screens were used in the metallization of passivated emitter and rear contact (PERC) solar cells in two independent test series. Using such a screen made it possible to create contact fingers with a width of merely 19 μm and a height of 18 μm in a single printing step.

What is fine line screen printing for solar cell metallization?

Fine line screen printing for solar cell metallization is one of the most critical steps in the entire production chain of solar cells, facing the challenge of providing a conductive grid with a minimum amount of resource consumption at an ever increasing demand for higher production speeds.

Is the solar PV market growing?

The solar PV market has been growing for the past few years. According to solar PV research company PVinsights, worldwide shipments of solar modules in 2011 was around 25 GW, and the shipment year-over-year growth was around 40%. The top five solar module producers in 2011 were: Suntech, First Solar, Yingli, Trina, and Canadian.

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In this context, PV industry in view of the forthcoming adoption of more complex architectures requires the improvement of photovoltaic cells in terms of reducing the related loss mechanism ...

ple photovoltaic cells, anywhere from 50 to 120, which are connected together in an electrical cir-cuit that can then be connected to an exterior circuit at a single point. An entire PV system ...

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A selection of dye-sensitized solar cells. A dye-sensitized solar cell (DSSC, DSC, DYSC [1] or Gr#228;tzel cell) is a low-cost solar cell belonging to the group of thin film solar cells. [2] It is based on a semiconductor formed between a photo ...

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The front side metallization of a solar cell has to combine an optimal trade-off between shading of the metal grid (finger shape and width, and number of contact fingers), series resistance contribution (lateral grid resistance and contact ...

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