

Can graphene oxide be used in seawater desalination?

The graphene oxide (GO) membrane has recently emerged as a promising material for nanofiltration. However, its application in seawater desalination is limited because of the comparatively low ion rejection performance. The ionisation of the functional groups such as carboxylic acid results in a negative charge on the GO sheet.

Is graphene a good nanomaterial for water desalination and purification?

The porous structure and wetting characteristics of graphene make it an excellent and promising nanomaterial for water desalination (WD) and purification. The present work presents a systematic review and performs a meta-analysis on the application of graphene-based nanomaterial for WD.

Can a graphene membrane desalinate water?

In 2013, Lockheed Martin claimed to have developed a graphene-based membrane capable of desalinating water "at a fraction of the cost of industry-standard RO systems". The potential commercial membrane was named perforene, wherein the active layer's thickness is at the atomic level.

Can graphene membranes evaporate seawater into freshwater?

Herein, we report a floating graphene membrane for evaporating seawater into freshwater exclusively using solar energy, with high efficiency and large scalability. Polyimide films can be fully converted to graphene membranes using one-step laser scribing, without involving chemicals or generating wastes.

Will graphene-based membranes be able to be used in water treatment plants?

Another factor that would undoubtedly delay the transition of graphene-based membranes (including GO membranes) from the laboratory to the market is that most water treatment plants have been designed for membranes exhibiting lower permeability. Thus, newer plants would have to be constructed for highly permeable membranes.

How is water permeability governed in graphene oxide membrane?

The water permeability in GO membrane is governed either via the oxidized zones that serve as spacers to administer sufficient interlayer distance to accept water molecules, or via pure graphitic zones by enabling practically unhindered flow. Fig. 1: Graphene oxide membrane: from fabrication to separation properties.

In this work, we first introduce the mechanisms and key requirements for interfacial solar evaporation and filtration based desalination, and then explain how various ...

A number of studies on the application of PVs in the RO process for the desalination of seawater without the use of a battery system were presented in Thomson et al. [137, 138]. The possibility of using a DC micro-grid including hybrid short-term energy storage was analysed by Karavas et al. [139].

A comparison between a graphene and energy storage and b graphene-based nanocomposites and energy storage, ... (2011) Functionalized graphene sheets for arsenic removal and desalination of sea water. Desalination 282:39-45. Article Google Scholar Homaeigohar S, Elbahri M (2017) Graphene membranes for water desalination. NPG Asia ...

**Abstract.** Graphene-based membranes have unique nanochannels and can offer advantageous properties for the water desalination process. Although tremendous efforts have been devoted to heightening membrane performance and broadening their application, there is still lack of a systematic literature review on the development and future directions of graphene-based ...

Seawater batteries are unique energy storage systems for sustainable renewable energy storage by directly utilizing seawater as a source for converting electrical energy and chemical energy. This technology is a sustainable and cost ...

Nevertheless, its performance was greatly reduced in intermittent sunlight and uncontrollable weather. Herein, we proposed a composite photothermal structure with energy storage (CPSES) to achieve efficient water evaporation, energy storage/release, and effective thermal management for continuous seawater desalination in the intermittent sunlight.

Reverse osmosis (RO) and MD are currently the dominant industrial technologies for seawater desalination applications [14, 15], as demonstrated in Fig. 2. Nevertheless, those processes have some drawbacks and technical difficulties. There is still ongoing research to enhance the durability of membrane processes and reduce membrane costs.

A 3D self-floating evaporator loaded with phase change energy storage materials for all-weather desalination. Author ... and it has the potential to become a pivotal instrument in the domain of seawater desalination, with a vast array of applications. Graphical abstract ... deposited vertically oriented graphene on the surface of graphene oxide ...

Graphene nanomaterials hold great promise for the development of advanced water purification membranes, especially for water desalination. Their atomic thickness, extraordinary mechanical ...

Gang et al. [7] utilized a polypyrrole-impregnated nylon thread (PNT) as a photothermal layer and octadecane/carbonized polypyrrole nanotube aerogel composite as an energy storage layer for solar desalination. The solar absorption rate of the octadecane/carbonized polypyrrole nanotube aerogel composite was 96 %.

All-weather solar-powered desalination systems are more demanding in terms of materials and system design compared to daytime-only systems. This Review discusses all-weather seawater evaporators ...

In this work, an anisotropic graphene aerogel (AGA) with vertically aligned microfluidic channels is synthesized by a directional-freezing method. By unidirectionally ...

One of the most effective strategies for addressing this issue is to integrate solar energy storage materials with SDIE. In this study, we integrated a phase change energy storage material ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) into a solar evaporator encapsulated within a dual-network hydrogel composed of sodium alginate and polyacrylamide. Additionally ...

Photothermal conversion at the water-air interface has been considered a promising route for steam generation, distillation and desalination. Due to the strong lattice vibration, high conductivity and substantial thermal stability, carbon materials, such as carbon nanotubes, graphene oxide and graphene, are considered promising photothermal materials ...

The use of anion storage materials has played an important role in the development of electrochemical energy storage systems and water desalination. Herein, the graphene-supported polyaniline (PANI/GN) nanomaterial is developed as a new chloride ion storage electrode in aqueous sodium chloride solution.

The heat loss from a SS is one of the major challenges for maintaining sustainable solar desalination. The use of thermal energy storage was aimed to minimize the heat losses [14]. Aly et al. [70] tested in an oval-shaped tubular solar still (OTSS) with PCM under Egyptian climatic conditions. The length and inner diameter of the OTSS was 1000 ...

Multi-bioinspired hierarchical integrated hydrogel for passive fog harvesting and solar-driven seawater desalination. Author links ... matrix is not only conducive to the subsequent water release but also beneficial to the evaporation and desalination of seawater driven by solar. Graphene and ZIF-67 were introduced ... Energy Storage Mater ...

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The past two decades has seen tremendous advances for CDI, and CDI-based technologies have grown from the application of brackish water desalination to many new application areas such as seawater desalination, water purification, resource recovery, water disinfection, synergistic combination with other technologies, energy harvesting and CO<sub>2</sub> ...

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# Graphene energy storage for seawater desalination

Considering the low toxicity, flexibility in storage and handling, easy processing and modification, graphene-based membranes are of great interest for NF, including water desalination [37]. Most of the reports on qualitative and fundamental aspects of graphene for desalination application are based on computational studies [29], [38], [39], [40].

In recent times, nanoscale science and engineering have revolutionized water treatment methodologies. Nanotechnology's modular and multifunctional attributes offer the potential for high-performance, cost-effective water and wastewater treatment solutions, surmounting the hurdles faced by conventional technologies [6]. Nanocomposites, a subset of ...

Solid-liquid phase-change materials (SLPCMs) are a type of latent heat-storage material, which can absorb and store a large amount of thermal energy from various environmental heat sources as latent heat and then release it within a relatively narrow temperature range through reversible solid-liquid phase transition [14, 15] ch a ...

select article Graphene: A diamond hammer for cracking hard nuts in reverse osmosis desalination membranes. ... larger output: 3D trapezoidal multi-interface solar evaporator for concentrated seawater desalination and wastewater treatment ... A multifunctional desalination-osmotic energy storage (DOES) system for managing energy and water ...

Graphene oxide (GO)-enhanced membranes are being developed to solve major limitations in both reverse osmosis (RO) and membrane distillation (MD) technologies, which ...

The system not only absorbs solar energy but also has a huge potential for energy storage. ... Solar-driven water evaporation technology has broad prospects in seawater desalination et al. [71], ... In terms of energy supply, the utilization of graphene-based photothermal catalysts included the generation of hydrogen fuel and CH<sub>4</sub>.

The desalination efficiency of the MnO<sub>2</sub>-nanorod-graphene electrodes was reported as 92.9%, compared with values of 75.3%, 67.5% and 38.1% for electrodes fabricated from MnO<sub>2</sub>-nanoparticle-graphene, pristine graphene and activated carbon respectively when operating in a NaCl solution with 100 mS cm<sup>-1</sup> conductivity at a working voltage of 1.2 V.

The Nanocellulose/PVA membrane and CPG membrane with different contents of graphene (5 wt%, 10 wt% and 15 wt%) was placed on the surface of simulated seawater to ...

As widely recognized, solar power is an eco-friendly and abundant source of renewable energy. The average power at which the sun delivers energy to the Earth's surface is ~ 1.2 × 10<sup>17</sup> W, which is roughly 8,650 times the total power used by human civilization (~2 × 10<sup>13</sup> W) [34], [35]. For the purpose of sustainability, solar-driven seawater desalination ...

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**KEYWORDS:** solar energy conversion, water desalination and purification, graphene, standalone, all-in-one Solar energy is the truly original and eventual source of all energy on earth.<sup>1,2</sup> As the most abundant and sustainable source of renewable and clean energy, solar energy can be used in many processes, such as photovoltaics,<sup>3,4</sup> photo-

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The energy storage system is introduced within polyurethane matrix by a paraffin block followed by a tongue-and-groove structure for convective water transportation, and a heat recovery unit ...

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