

Solar Storage Container Solutions

Six-digit space photovoltaic solar panels







Overview

What size solar panels are available?

Custom Sizes: Standard cell areas reach up to 81.5 cm 2, with custom sizes available to meet specific mission requirements. Rocket Lab's space qualified solar panel arrays meet the rigorous demands of space, delivering reliable and efficient power solutions for a wide variety of satellites.

What types of solar panels are available?

Rigid and Flexible Options: We provide both rigid and flexible build-to-spec solar panels, fully tested and ready for integration into solar array assemblies. Comprehensive Solutions: Our offerings include rigid space photovoltaic solar panel assemblies (PVA), solar panel substrates, solar power modules (SPM), and flexible PVA panels.

What is space-based solar power (SBSP)?

Space-based solar power (SBSP) foresees the collection of solar power in space by photovoltaic arrays, the transmission of the collected power to Earth via microwaves, and the conversion of the received energy to electricity that can be fed into the grid or used in remote locations [1, 2].

What is space-based solar power?

Space-Based Solar Power, SBSP, is based on existing technological principles and known physics, with no new breakthroughs required. Today's telecom satellites transmitting TV signals and communication links from orbit are basically power-beaming satellites – except at a far smaller scale of size and power.

What is a space qualified solar panel array?

Rocket Lab's space qualified solar panel arrays meet the rigorous demands of space, delivering reliable and efficient power solutions for a wide variety of satellites. Customizable Solar Array Solutions: A modular solar solution to



meet the diverse power needs of satellites operating in any orbital condition.

How many solar panels would it take to generate solar power?

It would take more than six million solar panels on Earth's surface to generate the same amount. More information about Space-Based Solar Power can be found at the following links:



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