

Solar collectors are energy harvesting devices that convert solar radiation into heat energy and transport the generated heat via a working fluid (heat transfer fluid) in a riser pipe to a storage tank [21], [22]. The solar energy transported by the working fluid can also be utilised directly for space heating, equipment conditioning and other thermomechanical applications [23].

In this article, an extensive review of various solar thermal energy technologies and their industrial applications are presented. The following industries are covered: power generation, oil and gas, pulp & paper, textile, food processing & beverage, pharmaceutical, leather, automotive, and metal industries.

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