Sustainability Assessment of Perovskite Solar Cells

Application for Emergency Shelters

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Abstract

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1 Introduction

This study conducts a comprehensive sustainability assessment of emergency shelter tents¹, examining their environmental footprint, economic viability, socio-environmental trade-offs, and social implications. Analysis and comparison of the most prominent shelter technologies for disaster response are conducted with an emphasis on **energy systems**.

1.1 Product Selection

This assessment compares three distinct power solutions:

- **Perovskite-integrated shelters**: The primary focus, representing an emerging technology with potential advantages in efficiency and manufacturing cost compared to conventional options.
- Silicon solar-equipped shelters: Serving as the baseline renewable alternative, with established performance data and widespread deployment in field operations.
- **Diesel generator systems**: Representing conventional power solutions for shelters in grid-independent scenarios, despite their known environmental drawbacks.

This selection encompasses both mature and emerging technologies to provide a balanced perspective on sustainability tradeoffs in disaster response applications.

1.2 Justification for Selection

Natural disasters are a significant global issue, affecting over 100 countries each year. More than 200 million people are impacted annually by natural disasters, and on average, 20 to 40 million people require temporary shelters (Alves, B., 2014). The ability to provide timely, efficient, and sustainable shelter in such situations is critical, making the assessment of emergency shelter technologies highly relevant.

The focus of this study is on comparing emergency shelter **power solutions** to understand their implications for both disaster relief efforts and sustainability goals.

¹ An emergency shelter tent is a portable structure, often lightweight and easy to set up, designed to provide temporary protection from the elements in emergency situations. It offers a safe and sheltered space, especially in scenarios where traditional housing is unavailable or inadequate, as noted by Gala Tent (2024) and ICBrindle (2022)

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