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# **Exchange on Solar-Powered Containers Used in Field Research**



## Overview

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Can solar energy be used as a power source in a ship?

New energy sources, including solar energy, wind energy and fuel cells have already been introduced into ship power system. Solar energy can now be used as the main power source to propel small-scale ships, and as an auxiliary power source in large-scale ships to supply lighting, communication devices and navigation system.

Can solar energy be used in small-scale ships?

However, stand-alone PV generation systems integrated with an electrical propulsion unit could offer the possibility for mainstream development of solar energy-based systems for small-scale ships. In small-scale solar-powered ships, solar energy could be used as the main energy source, providing a genuinely green alternative.

What is a solar powered ship?

Solar/battery powered ships Solar/battery power system is the typical power system configuration for medium and small-scale solar-powered ships. The “Sun 21” (Fig. 9 a) was the world's first solar-powered ship to cross the Atlantic in 2006, with 65 m<sup>2</sup> PV panels between the hull to supply the ship power system .

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