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ABSTRACT

Large amounts of solar energy that can actually be used for solar power generation by using solar panels. However, solar cells as a solar power generating unit are not without problems. The output power of solar cells is very low compared to other types of power generation. The impact of the low efficiency of solar cells has an effect on the output of electrical power in solar panels. For this reason, efforts are needed to optimize the output of solar modules so that their efficiency also increases. One possible solution is to increase the amount of light hitting the surface of the solar module with the help of a solar reflector. This study aims to determine the effect of the reflector on the output power of a solar panel. The method used is direct experiment. Tests were carried out using two types of reflectors with varying angles of 60°, 75°, 90° and data collection every hour from 10 am to 3 pm for three days. The results of this study indicate that the use of an aluminum reflector can produce 35.12 watts of power or 6.04% more power than without a reflector. While a flat mirror reflector with an angle of 75° can produce 34.47 watts of power or 4.08% greater than without a reflector. Increasing the intensity of the light received causes the resulting voltage and current to increase, resulting in greater power.

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