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A landmark review of concrete as thermal energy storage material is presented through a bibliometric analysis approach. This study shows influential literature and the current relevant research directions.

Concrete-based energy storage: exploring electrode and electrolyte enhancements Deeksha N. Bangera,<sup>a</sup> Sudhakar Y. N. <sup>\*b</sup> and Ronald Aquin Nazareth<sup>\*a</sup> The exploration of concrete-based energy storage devices represents a demanding field of research that aligns with the emerging concept of creating multifunctional and intelligent building solutions ...

Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) have developed a groundbreaking technology that could revolutionize energy storage by turning concrete into a giant battery writes Tom Ough for the BBC. This innovative approach, led by Damian Stefaniuk, involves creating supercapacitors from a mix of water, cement, and carbon ...

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Phase change material concrete as a new building envelope has been widely used in passive building energy conservation, but less research has been done for it as a heat storage block in an active ...

To this end, this paper performs a critical analysis of the literature on the current and most promising concrete energy storage technologies, identifying five challenges that must be overcome for ...

The present numerical studies on simulating concrete Thermal Energy Storage (TES) systems represent a critical dimension of research, offering insights into the complex dynamics of energy storage. By employing advanced modelling techniques, researchers aim to simulate and optimise the performance of concrete TES systems under varying conditions.

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MIT engineers created a carbon-cement supercapacitor that can store large amounts of energy. Made of just cement, water, and carbon black, the device could form the basis for inexpensive systems that store intermittently renewable energy, such as solar or wind energy.

The foothills of the Swiss Alps is a fitting location for a gravity energy storage startup: A short drive east from Energy Vault's offices will take you to the Contra Dam, a concrete edifice ...

Test results of concrete thermal energy storage for parabolic trough power plants: Laing et al. [32] 2009: Journal of Solar Energy Engineering, Transactions of the ASME: 83 #1#3: 4: Comparative life cycle assessment of thermal energy storage systems for solar power plants: Or#243; et al. [33] 2012: Renewable Energy: 80 #1: 5

Therefore, the addition of ATP@P with smaller particle sizes in concrete can bring the best heat storage effect. This is due to the addition of phase change heat storage materials with high energy storage efficiency, thereby improving the overall heat storage capacity of phase change heat storage concrete blocks.

This research brief by Damian Stefaniuk, James Weaver, Admir Masic, and Franz-Josef Ulm outlines the basics of the electron-conducting carbon concrete technology, a multifunctional concrete that combines this intrinsically scalable, resilient structural material with energy storage and delivery capabilities.

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Ulm says turning concrete into energy storage could make it "part of the energy transition." The research team also included postdocs Nicolas Chanut and Damian Stefaniuk at MIT's Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, James Weaver at the Wyss Institute, and Yunguang Zhu in MIT's Department of Mechanical Engineering.

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This work discusses the applicability of lightweight aggregate-encapsulated n-octadecane with 1.0 wt.% of Cu nanoparticles, for enhanced thermal comfort in buildings by providing thermal energy storage functionality to no-fines concrete. A straightforward two-step procedure (impregnation and occlusion) for the encapsulation of the nano-additivated phase ...

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concrete and its composites revolutionize basic building blocks for the design and fabrication of intrinsically strong structural ...

Electron-conducting concrete combines scalability and durability with energy storage and delivery capabilities, becoming a potential enabler of the renewable energy transition. In a new research brief by the CSHub and MIT ec&#179; hub, we explore the mechanics and applications of this technology.

The concrete blocks, the unit's storage medium, on show during the project's construction phase. Image: Storworks. EPRI, Southern Company and Storworks have completed testing of a concrete thermal energy storage pilot project at a gas plant in Alabama, US, claimed as the largest of its kind in the world.

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