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What is nuclear materials & energy?

The open-access journal Nuclear Materials and Energy is devoted to the growing field of research for material application in the production of nuclear energy. The emphasis of the journal is on materials employed in reactors where they are exposed to extreme environments in terms of radiation,...

Can nuclear energy withstand extreme environments?

Global demand for low-carbon baseload power has led to a resurgence of interest in nuclear energy. To unlock its potential, scientists are developing cutting-edge materials that can withstand extreme environments.

Could a nuclear reactor and a solar energy coupling be better together?

In reality, they could be better, together. At the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ben Lindley, an assistant professor of engineering physics and an expert on nuclear reactors, and Mike Wagner, an assistant professor of mechanical engineering and a solar energy expert, are studying the feasibility and benefits of such a coupling.

What makes a nuclear power plant a complex installation?

Eng., 12 December 2023 A nuclear power plant is a highly complex installation. Its design is a response to many drivers, including neutronic efficiency, thermal efficiency, economic efficiency, radiation safety, structural integrity, ease of monitoring and maintenance.

The new materials laying the foundations for nuclear energy's next generation Global demand for low-carbon baseload power has led to a resurgence of interest in nuclear energy.

In this framework, materials and material science play a crucial role towards safer, more efficient, more economical and overall more sustainable nuclear energy.

In energy policy debates, nuclear energy and renewable energy technologies are sometimes viewed as competitors. In reality, they could be better, together. Ben Lindley At the University of Wisconsin ...

Nuclear plants often occupy vast sites that could be usefully used to deploy solar PV installations Electricity generation has always been to some extent a matter of combining the geography of ...

The fossil fuels had been the main stay for electricity generation, especially the coal, followed by hydro and renewals (wind and solar). As evident from Fig. 1, thermal and super thermal power plants using ...

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The escalating demands of thermal energy generation impose significant burdens, resulting in resource depletion and ongoing environmental damage due to harmful emissions [1] the present era, the effective use of ...

With solar technology becoming more affordable and mass-produced and newer more cost-efficient ways of energy storage becoming available, this combination brings a lot of promise and potential. ...

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This paper describes the reasoning behind structural materials choices and the changing perspectives on the interplay with other design imperatives in historic, current and future plant designs. It ...

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