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PHOTOELECTROCHEMICAL SOLAR ENERGY CONVERSION

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ABSTRACT 1:

Photoelectrochemical cells (PECs) provide alternatives to conventional photovoltaic solar cells. Photoelectrochemical cells are based principally on the semiconductor-electrolyte junction. It is the semiconductor's ability to absorb light and convert it to electrical and/or chemical energy that forms the basis for the semiconductor-electrolyte junction solar cell. Here we look into the historical account, basic principles, present status and emerging trends of photoelectrochemical solar energy conversion.