

# Telescope plus solar power generation



## Overview

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Hubble has two solar arrays that produce approximately 5,000 watts of electricity. Unlike home solar panels and the original solar arrays made of silicon, Hubble's solar arrays are made of gallium arsenide cells, allowing them to produce up to 20. Here, we explore various isolated low-carbon power system setups for the newly planned Atacama Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope, and compare them to a business-as-usual diesel power generated system. Technologies included in the designed systems are photovoltaics, concentrated solar power. A study shows that powering a new telescope in Chile's Atacama Desert with renewable energy can also support around 66% of the electricity needs for nearby communities, according to a media release from Utrecht University. The Atacama Large Aperture Submillimeter Telescope (AtLAST) project wrapped. supplying the power demand of astronomical observatories., "A renewable power system for an off-grid sustainable telescope fueled by solar power, batteries and green hydrogen," Energy, □ Environmental impacts?

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### Researchers propose innovative telescope project to bring reliable

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The Chilean summer months January to March have enough solar generation and storage capacity to meet the seasonally lower telescope demand, while the autumn and winter months use ...



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### Electrical Power

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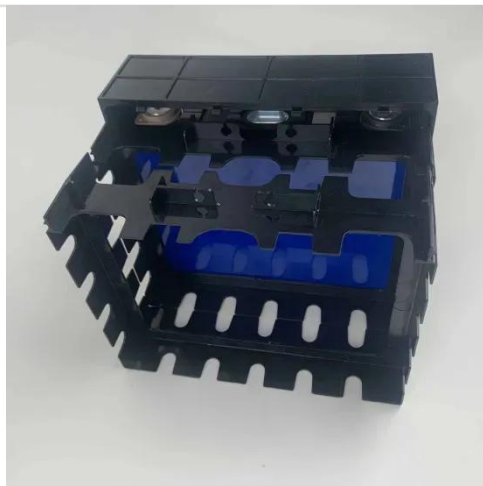
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## Renewable energy for telescopes

## and local communities

It turns out, that many of them are powered by generators that run on fossil fuels, diesel and natural gas. But the location of many telescopes makes them prime candidates for solar power. ...

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## How to power an off-grid telescope?

1st telescope to include sustainable power generation in design phase funded under EU's Horizon

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Figure 1: Map of the studied area, highlighting a potential sites of AtLAST, the power generation location in the valley and the necessary power line pathway between the two.

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## Sustainable astronomy: A comparative life cycle assessment

In this comparative life cycle assessment (LCA), we study various RES supply systems to power a new telescope in the Atacama Desert, Chile.

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### **A renewable and socially accepted energy system for astronomical ...**

Here we propose a socially accepted renewable energy system for a future telescope in the Atacama Desert, combining an energy system model with a participatory multi-criteria analysis.

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solar power, diesel generators, batteries,  
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