

Towards a greener Antarctica: A techno-economic analysis of renewable energy generation and storage at the South Pole ANL: Susan Babinec (energy storage), Ralph Muehlsein (solar modeling & system design), Amy Bender (CMB exp, S. Pole), NREL: Nate Blair (economics), Ian Baring-Gould (wind modeling), Xiangkun Li (system optimization), Dan Olis

Progress on introducing renewable energy in Antarctica In an article recently published in Antarctic Science, Lucci, Alegre and Vigna (2022) provide an updated summary on the progress of Antarctic Treaty Parties towards reducing their energy consumption and replacing the fossil fuel system with renewable energy and include an

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The present study maps the current use of renewable energy at research stations in Antarctica, providing an overview of the renewable-energy sources that are already in use or have been tested in the region.

This study presents a techno-economic analysis for implementation of a hybrid renewable energy system at the South Pole in Antarctica, which currently hosts several high-energy physics experiments with nontrivial power needs.

This paper tracks the progress of renewable energy deployment at Antarctic facilities, introducing an interactive database and map specifically created for this purpose.

The proposed system also incorporates advanced energy storage and optimized power flow within the TARS microgrid. This research aims to establish a sustainable energy model for TARS, reduce its carbon footprint, and contribute to global efforts to transition Antarctic research stations towards renewable energy-based solutions.

Tracking the deployment of renewable energy systems contributes to the assessment of technological progress and of the alignment of Antarctic operations with broader national decarbonization targets. The database created for this paper is expected to grow in scope and develop to become an Antarctic renewable energy tracker.

Burning this fuel emitted around 5,500 tonnes of carbon dioxide into the Antarctic environment. Using alternative, renewable energy systems has many benefits including: large scale reductions in the emission of greenhouse gases



Renewable energy system Antarctica

This article showcases a range of small and large scale energy efficiency and renewable energy deployments at Antarctic research stations and field camps. Due to the cold and harsh environment, significant amounts of fuel are needed to support humans working and living in Antarctica.

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