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Trina Solar i-TOPCon technology development roadmap



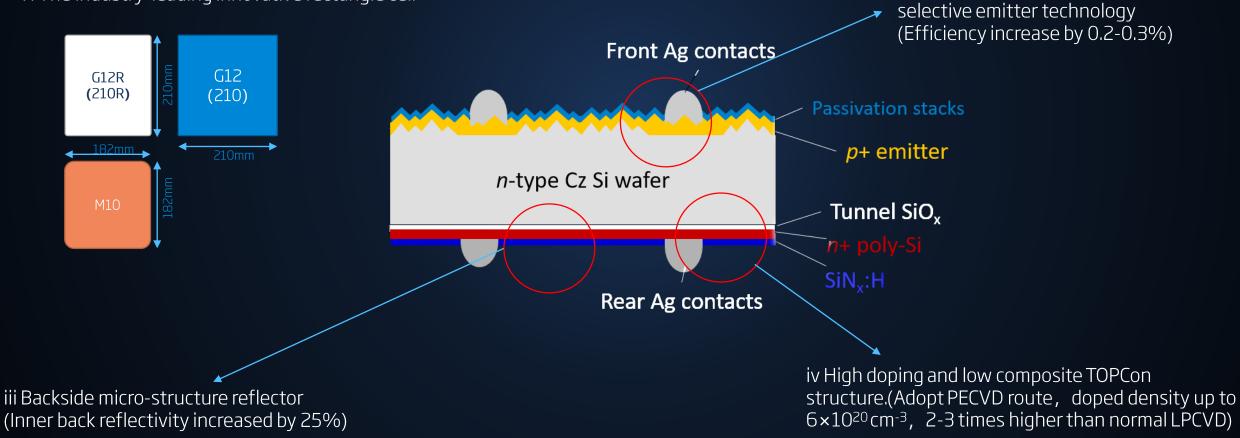




ii .Large area boron doped by laser,

i-TOPCon advanced: Cell efficiency up to 26.2% (210R rectangle cell, selective emitter, back side micro-structure reflector, high doping and low composite TOPCon structure.)

i . The industry-leading innovative rectangle cell



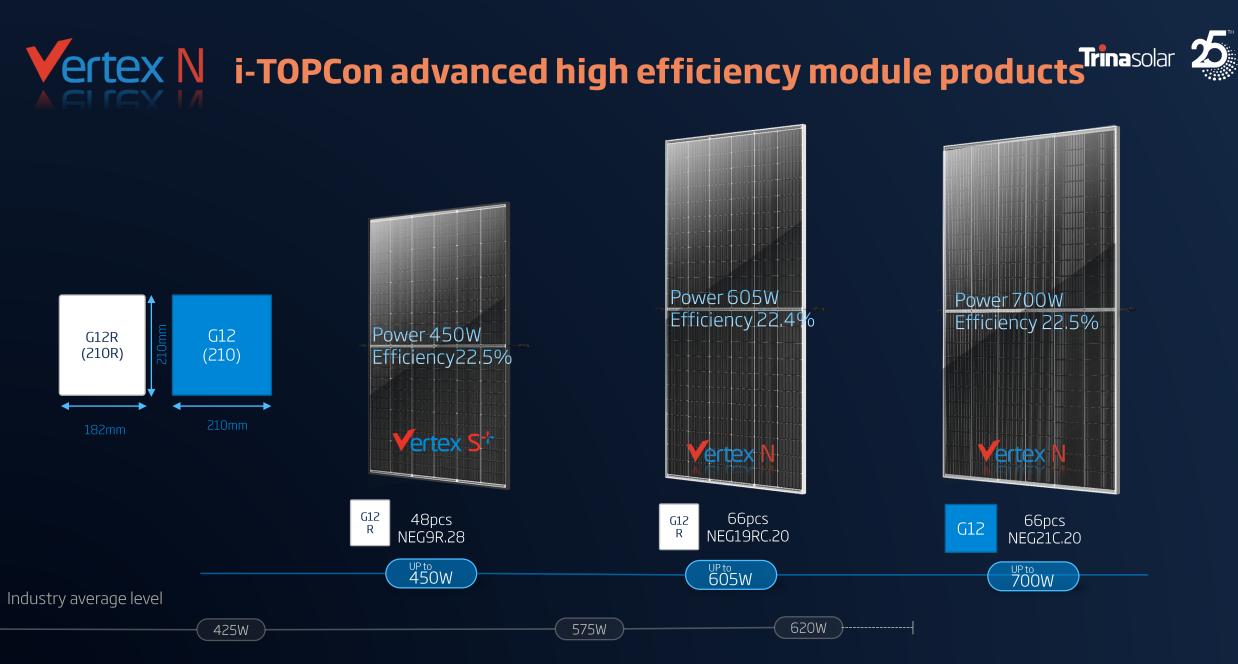


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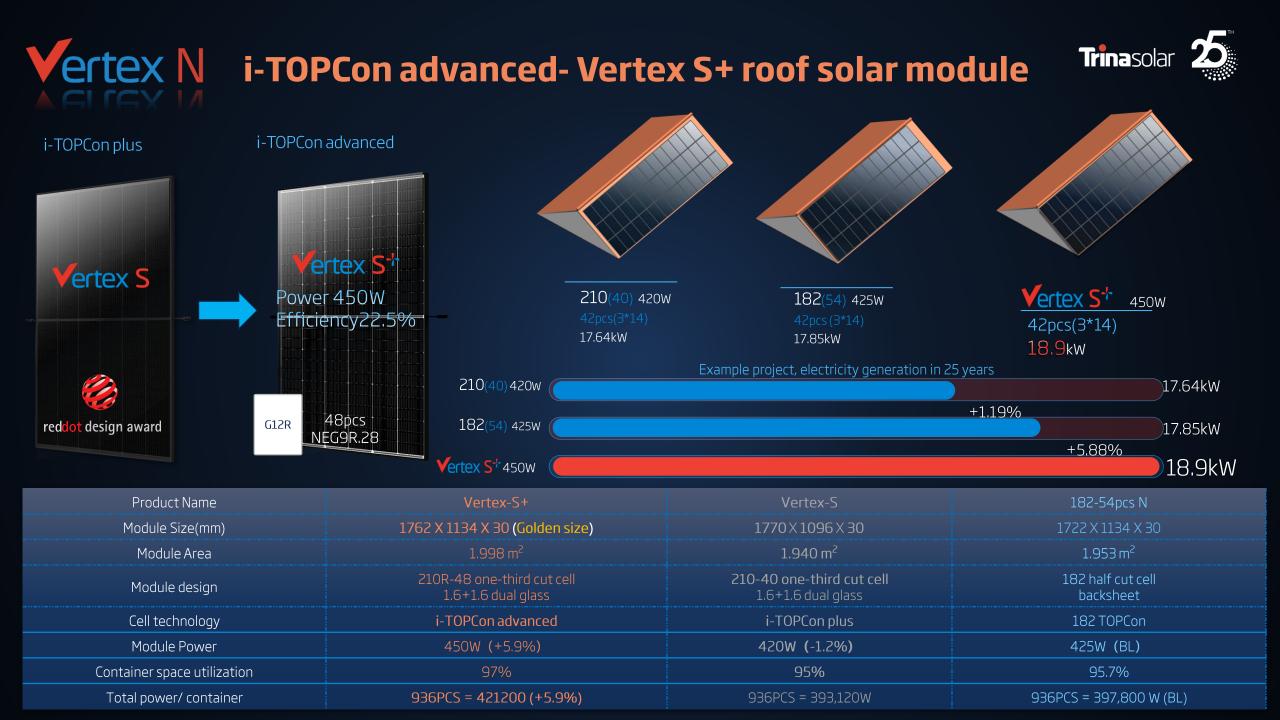
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Trina solar N-iTOPCon Vertex high efficiency series solar modules ,fit for all kinds of application scenarios.

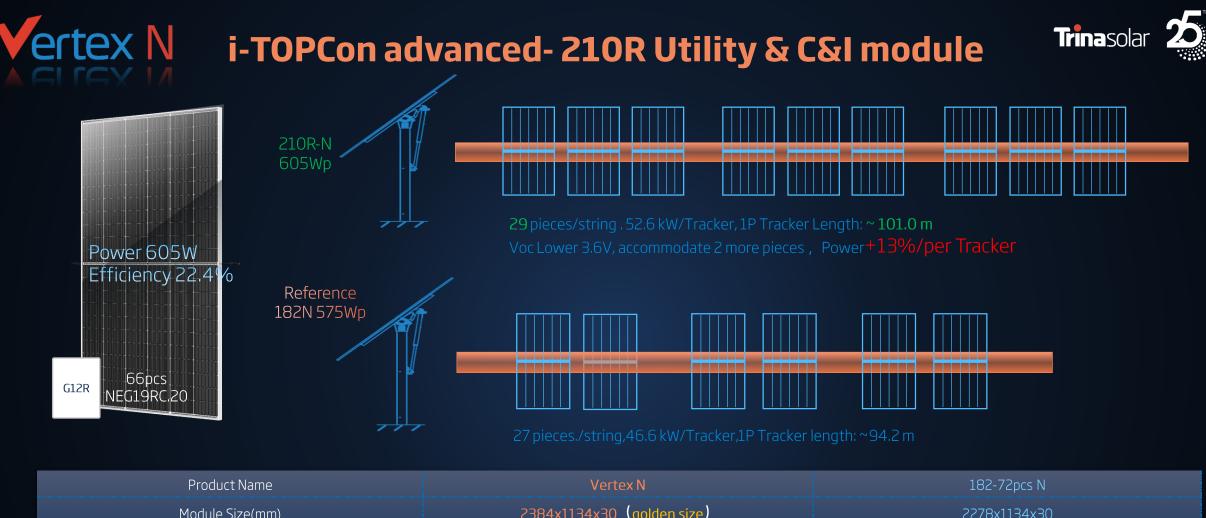




210R - 48pcs Golden size : Ultimate small size format design .

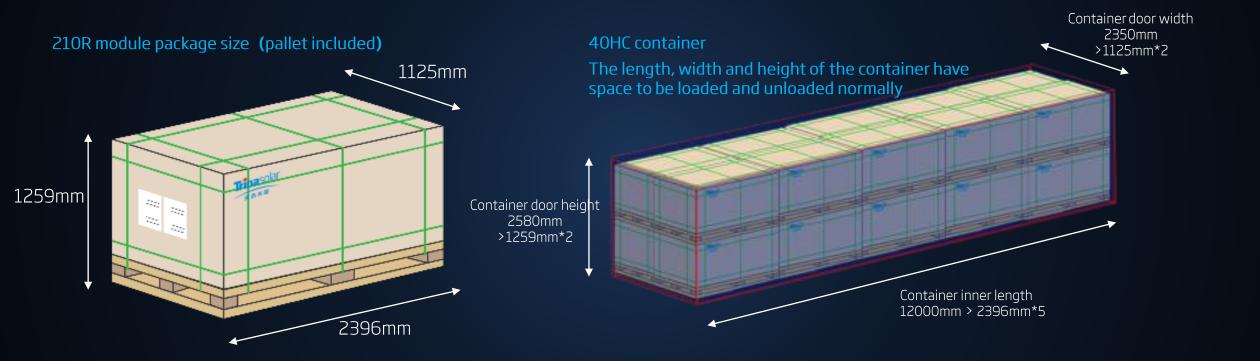


Extremely safe, distributor, installer friendly, easy to handle and install



Module Size(mm)	2384x1134x30(golden size)	2278x1134x30
Module design	210Rx66 half cut Dual glass	182x72 half cut Dual glass
Cell technology	i-TOPCon advanced	182 TOPCon
Module Power output	605W (+5.2%)	575W (BL)
Container space utilization	98.5%	94.5%
Total power/ container	435,600(+5.2%)	414,000

i-TOPCon advanced-210R Utility & C&I module 210R -66pcs Golden size:2384*1134mm, Maximize the use of container space



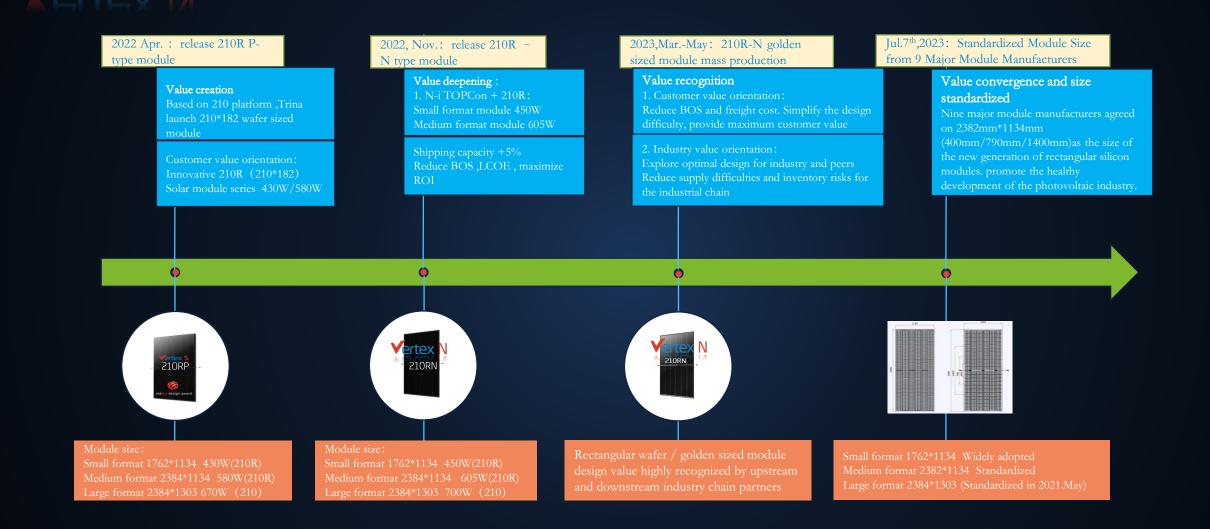
	Module power	Pieces per pallet	Pallets per container	Container space utilization	Power total per container	
182-N	575W	36	20	94.5%	414000W	BL
210R-N	605W	36	20	98.5%	435,600W	+21,600W (+5.2%)



Product Name	Vertex N (2023)	Vertex N (2022)	182-78pcs N
Module Size(mm)	2384x1303x33 (golden size)	2384x1303x33	2465x1134x30
Module design	210-66 half cut cell 2+2 bifacial dual glass	210-66 half cut glass 2+2 bifacial dual glass	182 half cut glass Bificial
Cell technology	i-TOPCon advanced	i-TOPCon plus	182 TOPCon
Module Efficiency	700W (+12.9%)	680W (+10.6%)	620W (BL)
Container space utilization	97.6%	97.6%	81.4%
Total power/ container	594PCS = 415,800(+16.4%)	594PCS = 403920(+13.1%)	576PCS = 357,120(BL)

Colden size standardized - take the lead once again





Vertex N i-TOPCon advanced 210R:BOS,LCOE assessment



Project Information

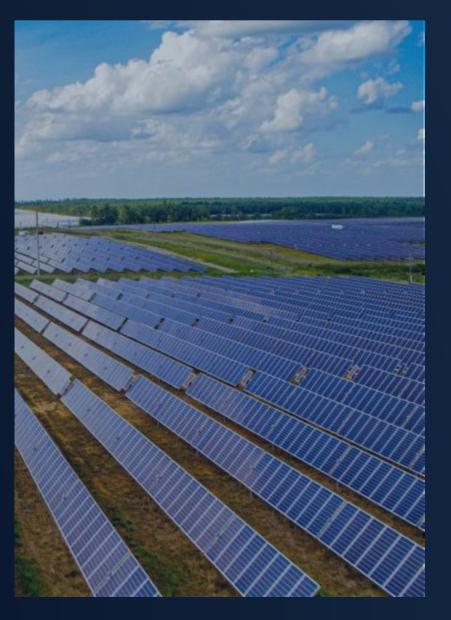
	Ground-mounted
Location	Dubai, UAE
AC capacity	4~MW (Standard single array)
Type of inverter	Central inverter
Mounting	NX Horizon 1P tracker
Type of module	Bifacial module



PV System	n Configuration	(Standard single	e array)
		Vertex N	Reference 182-N
ltem	Module type	NEG19RC.20	182N-72pcs
	Module power	605W	575W
	Module size (mm)	2384×1134×30	2278×1134×30
Module	Open circuit voltage	48.7 V	
	Short circuit current	15.83 A	14.31 A
Mounting	Installation	NX Horizor	n 1P tracker
Mounting	Pitch	E-W 6.91m	E-W 6.60m
Inverter	Inverter type	MVPS	4000
	Inverter power (AC)	400	0 kW
	Inverter number	1	1
	Module/string	30	
	String power	18,150W (+13%)	
	Tracker configuration	1V90 Portrait	
Lavout	String/tracker	3	З
Layout	String number	279	
	Tracker units	93	105
	Module number	8370	8820
	GCR (%)	34.50%	34.50%
Capacity	DC capacity (kW)	5063,85	6071.5
	AC capacity (kW)	4000	4000
	DC/AC ratio	1.266	1.268

Vertex N i-TOPCon advanced 210R:BOS,LCOE assessment

PV module		NEG19RC.20	182N-575W
	Torque Tube (kg)	1231.28	1150.18
	Normal pile (kg)	720.99	640.70
	Motor pile (kg)	99.60	95.32
	Purlin (kg)	406.69	380.16
Structure Part	Slew driver seat (kg)	52.58	48.83
	Tube connector (kg)	33.38	33.38
	Purlin hoop (kg)	64.40	60.20
	Bearing pedestal (kg)	11.40	10.64
	Bearing seat (kg)	50.00	50.00
	Limit baffle (kg)	4.00	4.00
	Control box holder (kg)	2.88	2.88
	Bearing (\$/W)	0.002	0.002
	Sub-total price (\$/W)	0.0728	0.0759
Motor	Sub-total price (\$/W)	0.0084	0.0095
Communication & Control	Control box (\$/W)	0.0028	0.0032
	Communication box and cables (\$/W)	0.0001	0.0001
	Damper	0.0045	0.0051
	Sub-total price (\$/W)	0.0080	0,0090
Total price (\$/W)		0.0893	0.0946
ncluding installation cost \$/W		0.1027	0.1087



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Vertex N i-TOPCon advanced 210R:BOS,LCOE assessment

Trinasolar 2

TS4 connector



Module type	NEG19RC.20	182N-575W
Combinerbox (unit)	18(16 in 1)	18(18 in 1)
TS4 connector (pair)	558	630
PV cable (m)	43367	47028
LV cable (m)	1706	1812
Cable trench (m)	646	696

PV cable

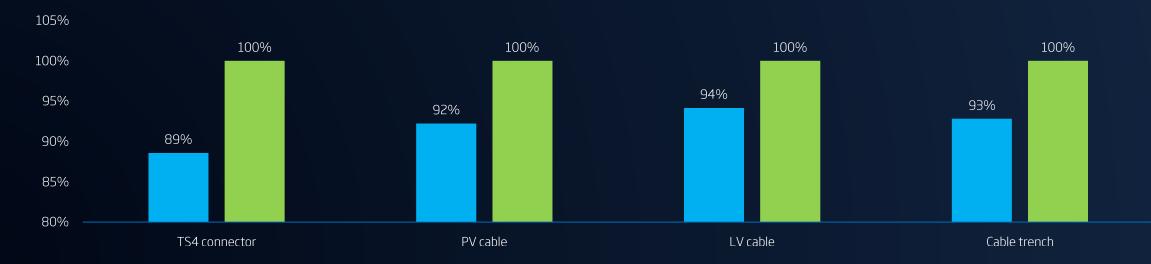


LV cable trench





■ NEG19RC.20 ■ 182N-575W



i-TOPCon advanced 210R:BOS,LCOE assessment

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0.182 0.180

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Module type NEG19RC.20 182N-575W Module installation 0.0116 0.0122 Solar inverter Combiner box 0.0039 0.0039 TS4 connector 0.0003 0.0003 PV cable 0.0097 0.0105 LV cable Cable trench 0.0023 0.0025 0.0720 Electrical system 0.0704 1P Tracker 0.1027 0.1087 Module transportation 0.0041 0.0039 **Total BOS*** 0.1885 0.1970 **BOS** saving Baseline -0.0085

Unit: USD/Wp



BREAKDOWN OF BOS* SAVING

The result shows that the Vertex NEG19RC.20-605W module performs better, with a saving of 0.85 \$ct in CAPEX and 1.2% in LCOE than 182N-575W.



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Vertex N i-TOPCon advanced reliability





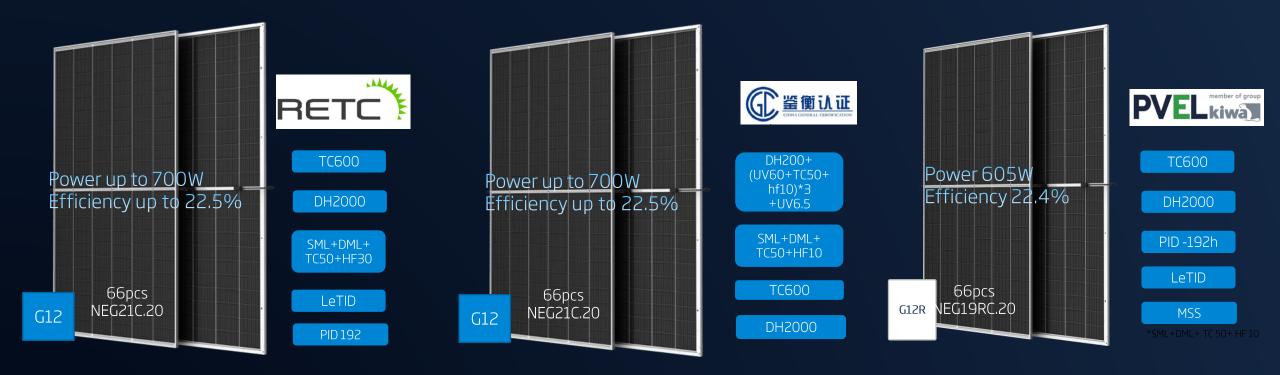
Electric Reliability

PVST State Key Laboratory of PV Science and Technology **Optimal Product Design**

Trinasolar **All Stages Product Quality Assurance System**

i-TOPCon advanced reliability





Trina i-TOPCon advanced products passed various extended reliability tests(TC, DH, Letid, PID, UV, compound mechanical tests) in reputable 3rd party labs.

Manufacturing capacity of Trina

Suqian

Xining (Si material)

Yancheng

Changzhou

Thailand &Vietnam Yiwu Huaian 2023 module capacity



2023 cell capacity

75 _{gw}

i-TOPCon 40GW

2023 Si ingot capacity





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Reliability Analysis of Trina Solar's Ntype Modules

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TUV Rheinland Partner Laboratory



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WHY USE THE THRESHER TEST?



How is it performed?





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The Thresher Test

A series of tests designed to put PV modules through a rigorous durability vetting protocol:

- Provide detailed info on long-term safety and power output
- Identify modules with truly differentiated long-term reliability and performance advantages





PAN File with AOI/IAM

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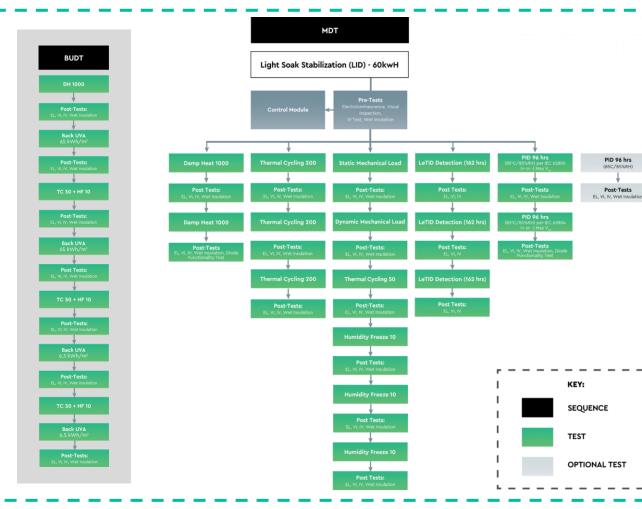
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Ultraviolet Exposure (UV)

Light & Elevated Temperature-Induced Degradation (LeTID)

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PV MODULE INDEX OVERVIEW & RESULTS



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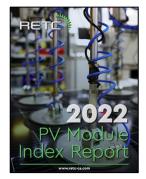
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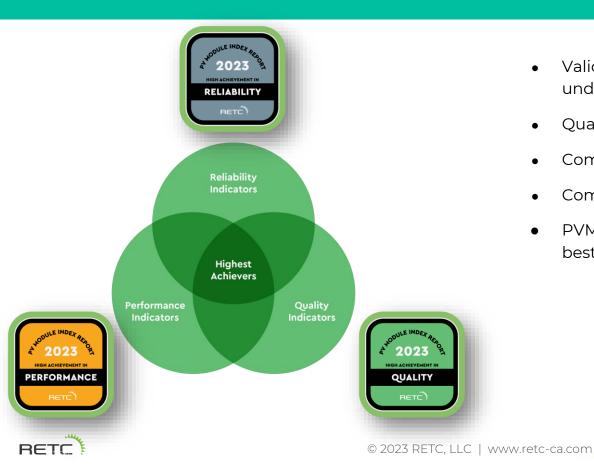








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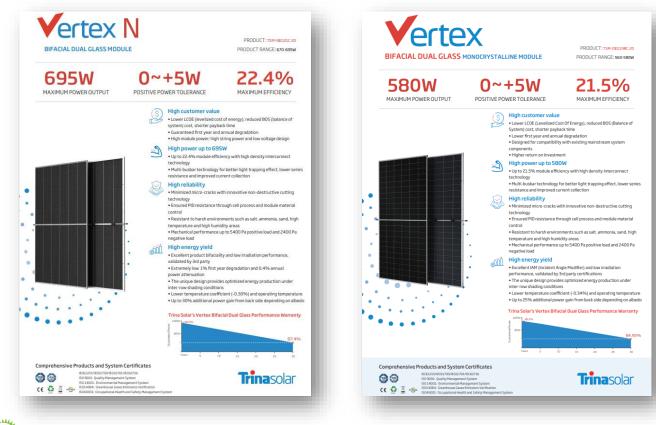


- Validated bill of materials manufactured under supervision
- Quality Audit and process assessment
- Comprehensive reliability testing
- Comprehensive Performance Testing
- PVMI High Achievers must demonstrate best in class ranking in all categories



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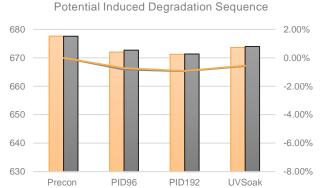
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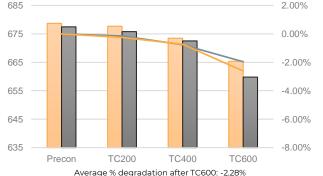
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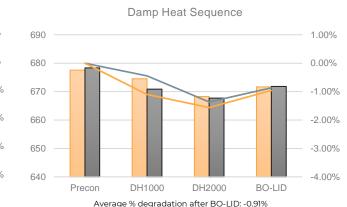


Average % degradation after UVsoak: -0.56%

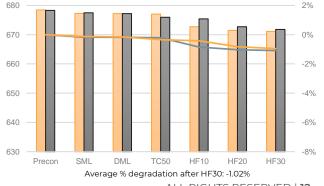




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Average % degradation after post-LID2: -0.31%

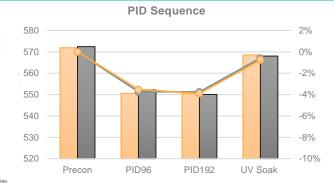
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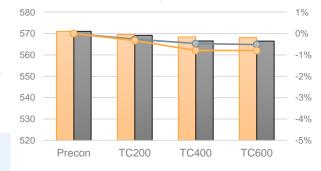
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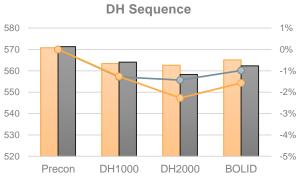
Average % degradation after PID+UV Soak: -0.68%

TC Sequence

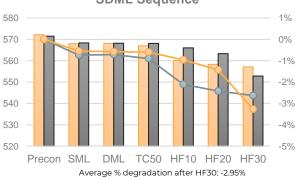


Average % degradation after TC600: -0.66%

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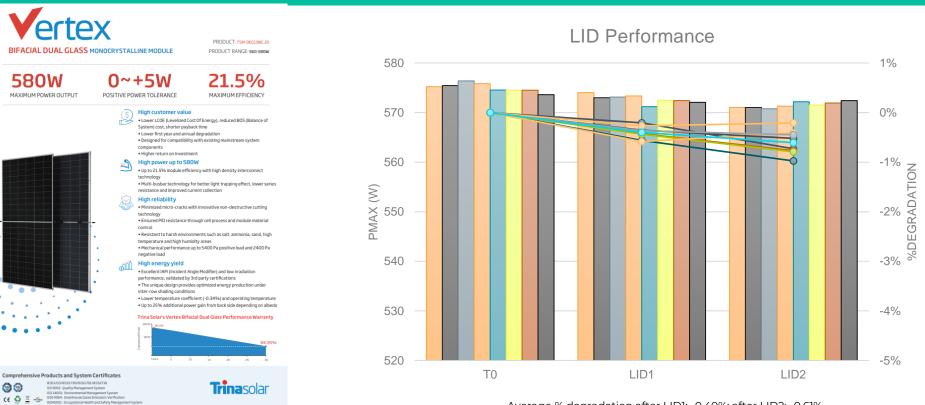
Average % degradation after BOLID: -1.28%



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Thresher Test Results - TSM-565DEG19RC.20



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Average % degradation after LID1: -0.40%; after LID2: -0.61%

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Performance Advantages of Topcon PV modules

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- 2 Key control points of PAN file testing
- **3** Performance advantages of TOPCon modules

1.

Introduction of IEC 61853 series of standards





Scope and object

Photovoltaic (PV) modules are typically rated at STC (25 °C cell temperature, 1 000 W·m⁻² irradiance, and air mass (AM) 1.5 global (G) spectrum). However, the PV modules in the field operate over a range of temperatures, irradiance, and spectra. The object of IEC 61853 is to accurately predict the energy production of the modules under various field conditions.

IEC 61853-1	Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating – Part 1: Irradiance and temperature performance measurements and power rating	Edition 1.0	2011	PAN file
IEC 61853-2	Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating - Part 2: Spectral responsivity, incidence angle and module operating temperature measurements	Edition 1.0	2016	
IEC 61853-3	Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating - Part 3: Energy rating of PV modules	Edition 1.0	2018	
IEC 61853-4	Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating - Part 4: Standard reference climatic profiles	Edition 1.0	2018	





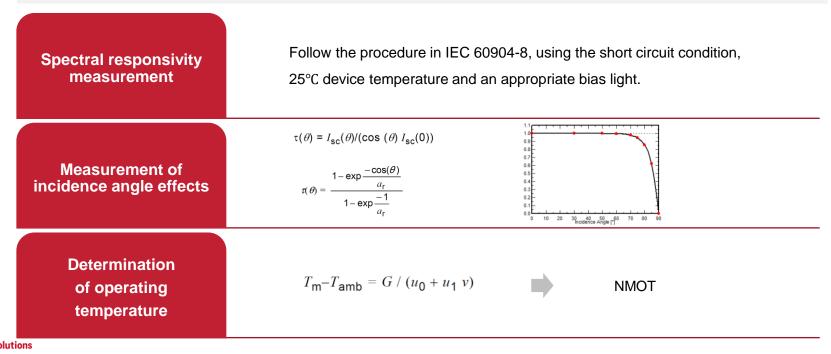
Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating – Part 1: Edition 1.0 2011 Irradiance and temperature performance measurements and power rating

Irradiance Spectrum			Module temperature			
W⋅m ⁻²		15 °C	25 °C	50 °C	75 °C	
1 100	AM1,5	NA				
1 000	AM1,5					
800	AM1,5					
600	AM1,5					
400	AM1,5				NA	
200	AM1,5			NA	NA	
100	AM1,5			NA	NA	



IEC 61853-2

Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating - Part 2:Edition 1.02016Spectral responsivity, incidence angle and module operating temperaturemeasurementsEdition 1.02016



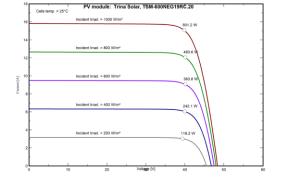
PAN file

The PAN file is created using PVsyst, with the PV module's basic information, nominal STC parameters, measurement data of different irradiance and different temperature, Temperature coefficient, IAM, etc.



UL-CCIC Company Limited (China)

Manufacturer	Trina Solar	Commercial data	
Model	TSM-600NEG19RC. 20	Availability : Prod	. Since 2022
		Data source :	UL 2022
Pnom STC power (manufacturer)	600 Wp	Technology	Si-mono
Module size (W x L) 1.	134 x 2.384 m ²	Rough module area (Amodule)	2.70 m ²
Number of cells	2 x 66	Sensitive area (cells) (Acells)	2.19 m ²
Specifications for the model (ma	nufacturer or measureme	ent data)	
Reference temperature (TRef)	25 °C	Reference irradiance (GRef)	1000 W/m ²
Open circuit voltage (Voc)	48.4 V	Short-circuit current (Isc)	15.82 A
Max. power point voltage (Vmpp)	40.3 V	Max. power point current (Impp)	14.91 A
=> maximum power (Pmpp)	600.9 W	Isc temperature coefficient (muIsc)	6.0 mA/°C
One-diode model parameters			
Shunt resistance (Rshunt)	500 Q	Diode saturation current (IoRef)	0.017 nA
Serie resistance (Rserie)	0.20 Q	Voc temp. coefficient (MuVoc)	-117 mV/°C
Specified Pmax temper. coeff. (muPMa	xR) -0.30 %/°C	Diode quality factor (Gamma)	1.04
		Diode factor temper, coeff. (muGamm	a) 0.000 1/*C
Reverse Bias Parameters, for use	e in behaviour of PV array	s under partial shadings or mismatcl	ı
Reverse characteristics (dark) (BRev)	 3. 20 mA/V² 	(quadratic factor (per cell))	
Number of by-pass diodes per module	3	Direct voltage of by-pass diodes	-0.7 V
Model results for standard condit		1000 W/m ² , AM=1.5)	
Max. power point voltage (Vmpp)	39. 9 V	Max. power point current (Impp)	15.07 A
Maximum power (Pmpp)	601.2 Wp	Power temper. coefficient (muPmpp)	−0.30 %/°C
Efficiency(/ Module area) (Eff mod)	22.2 %	Fill factor (FF)	0.785





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Key control points of PAN file testing





Test equipment for PAN file in UL

- 1. High-precision test simulator, meets the A+ standard.
- 2. Independent ambient temperature control system, controls the ambient temperature at 25 within \pm 0.5 °C.
- 3. Multi-point temperature measurement of components, real-time monitoring of uniformity. The temperature uniformity of the module is controlled within 2°C.
- 4. IAM testing supports full-size samples, and highprecision angle measurement equipment can reach 0.01°.







Key control points

The following control points are considered for the accuracy of the test results:

- Factors that affect the accuracy of device measurement, such as voltage, current, power.
- The accuracy of irradiance, such as spectra, uniformity, stability, etc.
- Influence factors of WPVS calibration measurement, spectral matching, etc.
- Coplanar deviation of the measured sample and WPVS.
- Factors that affect the accuracy of sample temperature measurement.
- The inhomogeneity of sample temperature.
- The temperature differences between the inside cell and substrate of the sample.
- Test repeatability by different person.
- Influencing factors of angle measurement (for IAM).

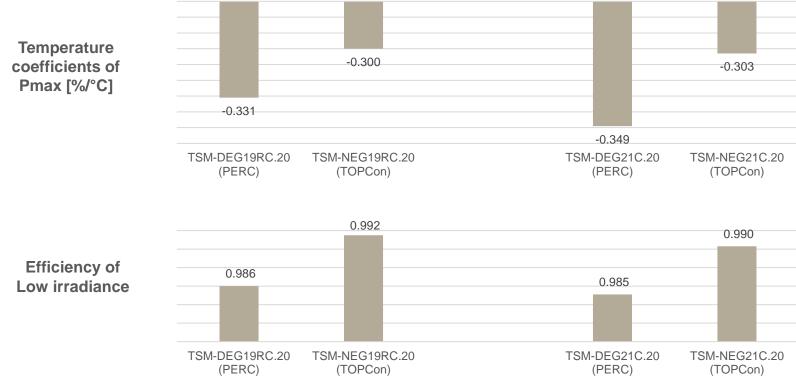


3. Performance advantages of TOPCon modules





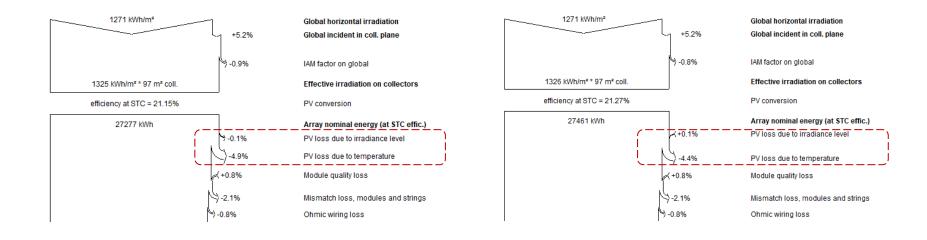
Performance advantages of test results





Performance advantages in PVsyst simulation

System Loss in a demo project, all settings are same except for PAN file of PV module.

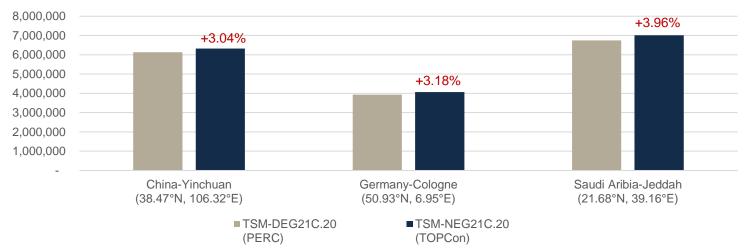


TSM-DEG19RC.20 (PERC) TSM-NEG19RC.20 (TOPCon)



Performance advantages in PVsyst simulation

Produced Energy (kWh/year) for 3.1 MW demo projects in different locations.



Produced Energy (kWh/year)





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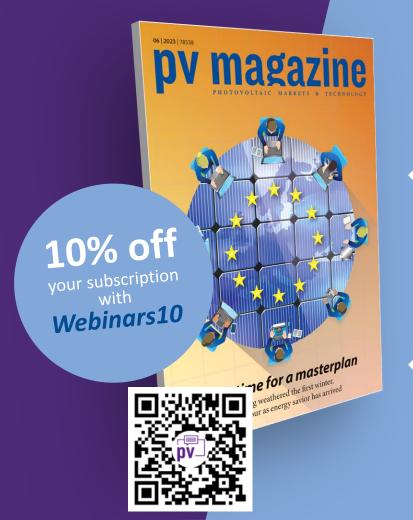


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