

Does underground energy storage exist in porous media?

Compared with caverns (e.g., salt caverns and rock caverns), underground energy storage in porous media occupies much larger market. This paper systematically reviewed the current state of underground energy storage in porous media worldwide, especially the development of UES projects in porous media in China. Some conclusions can be drawn:

Can large-scale compressed air energy storage be used in porous media systems?

Expansion in the supply of intermittent renewable energy sources on the electricity grid can potentially benefit from implementation of large-scale compressed air energy storage in porous media systems (PM-CAES) such as aquifers and depleted hydrocarbon reservoirs.

Can porous media be used for energy storage?

Oldenburg and Pan laid the theoretical groundwork for PM-CAES, focusing on the coupled wellbore-reservoir system and highlighting the unique challenges posed by using porous media for energy storage.

Can compressed air energy storage manage intermittency in porous media?

The global transition to renewable energy sources such as wind and solar has created a critical need for effective energy storage solutions to manage their intermittency. This review focuses on compressed air energy storage (CAES) in porous media, particularly aquifers, evaluating its benefits, challenges, and technological advancements.

What are underground energy storage systems?

This paper clarifies the framework of underground energy storage systems, including underground gas storage (UGS), underground oil storage (UOS), underground thermal storage (UTS) and compressed air energy storage (CAES), and the global development of underground energy storage systems in porous media is systematically reviewed.

How has China improved the underground energy storage system in porous media?

China has gradually improved the underground energy storage system in porous media, especially underground gas storage in depleted natural gas reservoirs, and the current working gas volume of UGS projects is more than 16.4 billion m³. Thermal energy storage in shallow aquifers is widely developed, and the technology is mature.

Large-scale energy storage such as porous media hydrogen storage will be required to mitigate shortages originating from fluctuating power production if renewables dominate the total supply. In order to assess the applicability of this storage option, a possible usage scenario is defined for an existing anticlinal structure in the ...

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