## Use intellectual property to develop and promote carbon neutrality technologies

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Carbon neutrality refers to the total amount of carbon dioxide or greenhouse gas emissions produced directly or indirectly by a country, enterprise, product, activity or individual within a certain period of time, and the use of low-carbon energy to replace fossil fuels, reforestation, energy conservation and emission reduction to offset the carbon dioxide or greenhouse gas emissions produced by itself and achieve relatively "zero" carbon dioxide emissions.

#### The main pathways to carbon neutrality include:

Reducing carbon emissions; using low or zero carbon emission technologies, such as using renewable energy sources (e.g., wind and solar), so that the amount of carbon released and absorbed back into the earth is in balance and does not increase.



#### China to achieve carbon neutrality by 2060

On September 22, 2020, President Xi Jinping delivered an important speech in which he stated that "China will increase its independent national contribution, adopt stronger policies and measures, strive to peak CO2 emissions by 2030, and strive to achieve carbon neutrality by











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China's carbon neutrality needs to be achieved through various ways, such as energy structure transformation, paradigm upgrade, energy efficiency improvement, and carbon capture and storage technology, among which the most critical is energy structure transformation and reduction of  $CO_2$  emissions per kWh.

Energy structure transformation is a key grip to reach emission reduction targets





- BIPV is a technology that integrates solar power (photovoltaic) products into buildings, which can not only achieve perfect integration with buildings, but the electricity generated can also be provided to buildings for use, which is one of the effective ways to solve the carbon emission of buildings.
- China's existing building area of 60 billion square meters, can be installed BIPV products nearly 10 billion square meters, about 1500GW. Every year, about 2 billion square meters of new buildings are added, which can be installed with about 18GW of new area.
- In the context of the goal of carbon neutrality and the vigorous development of green buildings, the development prospect of BIPV market is broad.



Image from Sunman eArc® module installation.





Module weight= 20 kg Cell weight= 0.72 kg Only 3.6% generate electricity Module thickness= 40 mm Cell thickness= 0.5 mm Only 1.3% generate electricity

Due to the bulky and hardened of PV modules, BIPV cannot be applied due to load problems or curved shaped installation environments. Traditional PV modules have not changed for more than 40 years This has led to a slow development process of BIPV!



Sunman was founded by Dr. Shi Zhengrong and a group of industry veterans, aiming at the expansion of photovoltaic technology applications and the achievement of carbon neutrality goals through the research and development of photovoltaic encapsulant materials and application installation technologies.

The founder, Dr. Shi Zhengrong, is the founder of Suntech, a professor at the University of New South Wales and academician of the Australian Academy of Engineering. As a solar scientist, Dr. Shi holds more than 80 patents for inventions in photovoltaic technology, he has published more than 100 articles and papers in relevant scientific journals and conferences.

#### **Sunman Qualification:**

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National high-tech enterprise;

Provincial special-precision and special-new enterprises;

Investing more than 5% of sales revenue in R&D projects each year;





#### The advent of eArc® technology





## The advent of eArc® technology

- Officially named "eArc" brand, and obtained Chinese trademark registration in Class 4, 6, 7, 9, 35. Achieved a new type of photovoltaic module without glass, light weight and thin sheet.
- ➢ eArc ® module weight ≤ 3.3kg/m<sup>2</sup> = 30% of the weight of traditional PV modules.
- ▷ eArc ® module thickness ≤ 2 mm, shape and size can be modulated to achieve customized design and production, easy transportation, and significantly reduce transportation costs. eArc ® technology was born to expand the imagination of photovoltaic technology applications infinitely! It can be easily combined with various innovative solutions, making it very suitable for scenarios such as the lightweight roof market, BIPV, mobile energy, robotics and outdoor activities.



eArc<sup>®</sup> Panel



## **Patent planning of eArc® technology**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 (until now)	Total
Patent Applications	3	13	14	23	14	23	26	24	140
PCT International Patent Applications	0	2	4	0	1	3	0	3	13
PCT foreign patent applications	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12
Patents granted	0	1	1	11	4	24	33	20	94



- ---- Patent Applications
- ---- PCT International Patent Applications
- **PCT** foreign patent applications
- $\rightarrow$  Patents granted



### **Patent planning of eArc® technology**



	Categories	Patent applications
■封装材料	Encapsulation Materials	35
■ 组 <b>件</b> 结构	Module Structure	29
■ 组 <b>件エ</b> 艺	Module Process	3
■阻燃功能	Flame Retardant Function	2
■散热功能	Heat Dissipation	2
■ 组 <b>件安装</b>	Mounting	22
■ <b>低</b> 线损 <b>安装</b>	Low wire loss installation	20
■ 无接线盒安装	No junction box installation	2
■可折叠安装	Foldable installation	6
■防水集成	Waterproof integration	6
■保温集成	Insulation Integration	2
■抗风集成	Wind Resistant	1
■水面光伏	Water Surface PV	5
■ 组 <b>件</b> 应用	Module Applications	6



## **Patent planning of eArc® technology**





Key foundation patents: Front surface encapsulation material technology. ZL201610927464.6. Licensed in China, Europe, USA, Australia, Japan.

Back surface encapsulation material technology. ZL201921204030 .9. Has been authorized in China and is entering abroad through PCT.

Laminated process technology ZL201610927383.6 Has been authorized in China.



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#### **Patent planning of eArc® technology**



The complementary advantages of two important technical routes in the PV industry: C-Si technology and Thin-film technology.

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Lightweight



22.0-27.0 kg





## Introduction of eArc® products Lightweight Bendable





#### **Easy to transport**



#### Amount per person per carry:

Amount per person per car		
Glass module	0.5-1 piece	
eArc ®	1-2 piece	

#### Modules per container:

	20' container	40' container
Glass module	125 piece	600 piece
eArc <sup>®</sup>	270 piece	1080 piece



#### **Easy installation**



- ➢ In-factory prefabrication
- Saves a lot of roof construction
- Simplifies installation process
- Aesthetic installation



Bonding



- > No extra installation structure
- Strong adhesion to meet building requirements
- > No risk of roof penetration



#### Mechanical installation



- Applicable to existing surface structures
- Simple installation for roofs and facades

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 Minimal structural requirements for installation





Product certificates: IEC61215/IEC61730/UL1703/ IEC61701/IEC62804-1





Passed tests for salt spray, sand and dust, ammonia and PID



#### **Bending & shake experiment**



r=260 mm 168.7°

Bending diameter: 900 mm No micro cracks No power attenuation



12 h continuous shake bending test, no new micro cracks,

power attenuation <3%

## Introduction of eArc® products Anti-glare test





#### Glass module eArc <sup>®</sup> eArc can significantly reduce light pollution

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#### Profiled steel roof, China

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![](_page_24_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### Profiled steel roof, Germany

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![](_page_25_Picture_1.jpeg)

Profiled steel roof, Australia National Maritime Museum

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Waterproof membrane roof , Netherlands

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#### Curved steel carport, China

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Glass roof, China

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Solar wall, Norway

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Retractable Solar Carport, Switzerland

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![](_page_32_Picture_1.jpeg)

Solar Train, Australia

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Winter Olympics snow wax car, China

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#### **Other applications**

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## **Patent technology achievements and prospects of eArc®**

#### **Benefits of eArc patented technologies:**

	2019	2020	2021
Total installed capacity (MW)	10.17	15.71	75.22
Sales revenue (ten thousand $ {\bf Y}$ )	4592.51	5412.94	11740.47
Profits (ten thousand $F$ )	328.54	264.53	581.59

Access to financing for eArc<sup>®</sup> patented technologies.

- Southern Cross REVC Trustco, 3.5 Million \$
- SBCVC Fund V,L.P. , 3.5 Million \$
- Clean Energy Finance Corporation, 7 Million \$

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## **Patent technology achievements and prospects of eArc®**

A new 1GW eArc® module production base is built in 2021, covering 260 acres of land.

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In 2025, it is expected that reach 60-70% of the market share of lightweight crystalline silicon photovoltaic field, with sales volume exceeding 5 GW, which can add 1 billion + sales

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