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Dear Associate Professor Amrizal Nalis,

Our reviewers have now commented on your paper. You will see that they are advising you to revise your manuscript. If you are prepared to undertake the work required, I would be pleased to reconsider my decision.

For your guidance, reviewers' comments are appended below.

If you decide to revise the work, please submit a list of changes or a rebuttal against each point which is being raised when you submit the revised manuscript. Whenever possible, please consider citing articles published by Engineering Journal.

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Dear Associate Professor Amrizal Nalis,

I am pleased to tell you that your work has now been accepted for publication in Engineering Journal. It was accepted on 2022-08-16 22:06:17. Comments from the Editor and Reviewers can be found below.

Your article is scheduled to be included in our August 2022 issue (vol. 26, no. 8). We will contact you again when your proof is ready for you to check before its publication. Thank you for submitting your work to Engineering Journal. We look forward to publishing your article.

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Reviewer 1: Reviewer's general comment: The work focused on Geometry Optimization of PV/T-TEG Collector under Different Operating Conditions Using CFD Simulation and Taguchi Method. The manuscript is within the scope of the Journal. In order to help improve the paper quality, my suggestions and comments are shown below.

1) Abstract: qualitative results with quantitative data are necessary to support the contribution of the work.

2) Highlights: should be within 85 characters.

3) More references with latest papers are necessary to enhance the readability of this study.

4) Scientific gaps are not clear and the originality is not straightforward.

5) Fig. 1, the process is confusing. Any experimental study for CFD model validation? Furthermore, as there are several different scenarios with different setting parameters, which scenario will be selected to be the validation case?

6) The PV/T-TEG system can generate both thermal and electrical energy. The dual functions on solar-to-power and thermal-to-power can further enhance the power efficiency. It is necessary to provide both thermal/electrical energy and efficiency of the system, together with parametrical analysis.

7) This study proposes a new structure with TEG techniques. Compared to cooling systems with PCMs or other nano heat transfer fluids, what are advantages and disadvantages of the PV/T-TEG system?

8) This paper is interesting and the comparison with latest techniques can further increase the attractiveness of this manuscript.

Multi-level uncertainty optimisation on phase change materials integrated renewable systems with hybrid ventilations and active cooling. *Energy*, 2020

Passive and active phase change materials integrated building energy systems with advanced machine-learning based climate-adaptive designs, intelligent operations, uncertainty-based analysis and optimisations: A state-of-the-art review. *Renewable & Sustainable Energy Reviews* 2020

A state-of-the-art-review on phase change materials integrated cooling systems for deterministic parametrical analysis, stochastic uncertainty-based design, single and multi-objective optimisations with machine learning applications. *Energy and Buildings* 2020.

A review on cooling performance enhancement for phase change materials integrated systems—flexible design and smart control with machine learning applications. *Building and Environment* 2020.

Overall, the topic of this study is attractive and important. The manuscript is well-written and organised. Research skills, innovation and contribution are good but need to be improved. Hope the comments can be helpful to improve the paper quality.

Reviewer 2:

Should address clearly the simulation work by showing the image of boundary conditions, solar load model (s2s/DO/etc), grid independent test,

Required to mention ANSYS software license (version).

Should state clearly the PVT in this project producing what type of useful heat, either air or water. If hot air is the output from the PVT, the design must be enclosed on the bottom to enable the flowing air harvest/collecting hot fin from TEG.

Recommend to include statement of heat transfer from the PV towards the TEG fin in the introduction part. It may give the better understanding to a reader the present of the TEG.

The results to come out with the conclusion of optimization of design and parameter considerably not extensive. It need to show the limit lower and upper before determining the optimize conditions.



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Jul 23, 2022, 9:59 PM ☆ ↶ ⋮

Dear Yan Zhao, PhD

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to submit a revised draft of my manuscript titled "*Geometry Optimization of PV/T-TEG Collector under Different Operating Conditions Using CFD Simulation and Taguchi Method*" to *Engineering Journal*. We appreciate the time and effort that you and the reviewers have dedicated to providing your valuable feedback on my manuscript. We are grateful to the reviewers for their insightful comments on my paper. We have been able to incorporate changes to reflect most of the suggestions provided by the reviewers. We have highlighted the changes within the manuscript.

Here is a point-by-point response to the reviewers' comments and concerns

#### Comments from Reviewer 1

**Comment 1:** *[Abstract: qualitative results with quantitative data are necessary to support the contribution of the work.]*

**Response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We agree with this comment. Therefore, we have added the quantitative data at the end of the abstract

**Comment 2:** *[Highlights: should be within 85 characters.]*

**Response:** Thank you for this suggestion. It would have been interesting to provide this aspect. However, in the case of journal template, there is no space available to add the highlights.

**Comment 3:** *[More references with latest papers are necessary to enhance the readability of this study.]*

**Response:** We agree with this and have incorporated your suggestion. We have added and cited several latest papers throughout the manuscript.

**Comment 4:** *[Scientific gaps are not clear and the originality is not straightforward.]*

**Response:** We have, accordingly, revised the scientific gaps to emphasize the originality in the introduction of manuscript.

**Comment 5:** *[Fig. 1, the process is confusing. Any experimental study for CFD model validation? Furthermore, as there are several different scenarios with different setting parameters, which scenario will be selected to be the validation case?]*

**Response:** Thank you for pointing this out and we have revised and changed the content of the Fig. 1 to avoid the confusing of the process. The process validation of CFD software is only done once at the beginning by comparing the result between CFD simulation and experimental process with the same model and the same boundary conditions. In this case, the experimental data are obtained from the reference 33. Once the CFD software (Ansys) is valid, it is not necessary to validate the software again. The validation procedure itself is completely explained in the chapter 3.1.

**Comment 6:** *[The PV/T-TEG system can generate both thermal and electrical energy. The dual functions on solar-to-power and thermal-to-power can further enhance the power efficiency. It is necessary to provide both thermal/electrical energy and efficiency of the system, together with parametrical analysis.]*

**Response:** Thank you for this suggestion. It would have been interesting to explore this aspect. However, in the case of our study, it seems slightly out of the CFD numerical software available. For that reason, the analysis is only suitable for the thermal part especially with the two responses (temperatures of PV panel and TEG sides). Even though, due to the dual functions of this type collector, the parametric of electrical also have included in the section 2.4 Model Geometry of manuscript to complete the electrical part.

**Comment 7:** *[This study proposes a new structure with TEG techniques. Compared to cooling systems with PCMs or other nano heat transfer fluids, what are advantages and disadvantages of the PV/T-TEG system?]*

**Response:** Thank you for this suggestion. We have compared and explained in the introduction of manuscript the advantages and disadvantages of the PV/T-TEG system in terms of structure, working fluid, manufacturing process and material.

**Comment 8:** *[This paper is interesting and the comparison with latest techniques can further increase the attractiveness of this manuscript?]*

**Response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We have compared other latest techniques in cooling system especially PCM integrated renewable systems with hybrid ventilations and active cooling, passive and active phase change materials, phase change materials integrated cooling systems and cooling performance enhancement for phase change materials.

**Comments from Reviewer 2**

**Comment 1:** *[Should address clearly the simulation work by showing the image of boundary conditions, solar load model (s2s/DO/etc), grid independent test.]*

**Response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We agree with this comment. Therefore, we have added the image of boundary conditions, solar load model, grid independent test in section 2.4. Numerical Simulation of the manuscript

**Comment 2:** *[Required to mention ANSYS software license (version).]*

**Response:** Thank you for this suggestion. We have mentioned the ANSYS software version in section 2.4 Numerical Simulation of the manuscript.

**Comment 3:** *[Should state clearly the PVT in this project producing what type of useful heat, either air or water. If hot air is the output from the PVT, the design must be enclosed on the bottom to enable the flowing air harvest/collecting hot fin from TEG.]*

**Response:** We agree with this and have incorporated your suggestion. Since air used as a working fluid in the present study, we have designed the rectangular channel which is enclosed on each of collector sides as shown in Fig.2 and Fig.4.

**Comment 4:** *[Recommend to include statement of heat transfer from the PV towards the TEG fin in the introduction part. It may give the better understanding to a reader the present of the TEG.]*

**Response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We have included statement of heat transfer from the PV towards the TEG fin in the introduction part.

**Comment 5:** *[The results to come out with the conclusion of optimization of design and parameter considerably not extensive. It needs to show the limit lower and upper before determining the optimize conditions.]*

**Response:** We agree with this and have incorporated your suggestion. We have explained the limit lower and upper related to optimize conditions in the conclusion part.

We look forward to hearing from you in due time regarding our submission and to respond to any further questions and comments you may have.

Sincerely,

Amrizal

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