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DUAL PIEZO-SOLAR ENERGY HARVESTING "mechanical fish". However, the capabilities of this synergetic configuration are yet to be explored for an inverted cantilever flag located in a flowing fluid.

The focus of Silva-Leon et al was the simultaneous harvesting of wind energy and solar radiant energy, so they did not seek to provide a systematic assessment of composite inverted flags under pure wind excitation. As such, the influence of the geometric parameters of the composite inverted flag on its dynamics and power generation remains unknown.

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Preliminary tests carried out with this first batch of dual wind-solar inverted flags indicated the potential of this concept but also highlighted a structural limitation of this design [62] in ...

The inverted flags are made using piezoelectric strips that harvest energy as the device flaps around in the wind and flexible photovoltaic cells which capture solar energy Dr. Mostafa Nabawy, The ...

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This paper presents results from a practical assessment of the endurance of an inverted flag energy harvester, tested over multiple days in a wind tunnel to provide first insights into flapping fatigue and failure. The inverted flag is a composite bimorph, composed of PVDF (polyvinylidene difluoride) strips combined with a passive metallic core to provide sufficient ...

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In this work, we report a new and robust approach to harvest ambient wind energy using a piezoelectric flag fixed at the trailing edge and the leading edge free to move called "inverted flag" (Fig. 1 (a)). A previous experimental investigation showed that a flexible membrane fixed in this configuration could induce self-oscillations with large amplitudes via adjustments ...

To systematically investigate the effects of mass ( $M^*$ ) and aspect ratios ( $W/L$ ) of inverted piezoelectric flags on the energy harvesting performance, we conducted parametric experimental studies with controlled wind conditions. Experiments were performed in a wind tunnel (Fig. 1(b)) with a cross-section of  $1? \&\#215; 1?$  (0.3 m  $\&\#215;$  0.3 m) capable of producing a free-stream ...

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Conversely, when wind flows across the leading edge of flags and results in reciprocating flapping motion, they are called "inverted flags". Wind energy harvesters based on inverted flags can be ...

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Preliminary characterization of the inverted flag response: (a) amplitude of motion, (b) flapping frequency, and (c) power output versus wind speed, for both increasing and decreasing wind speed.



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