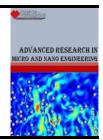


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# Green Engineering with Nanofluids: Elevating Energy Efficiency and Sustainability

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#### ABSTRACT

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to improve energy efficiency, lessen environmental impact, and contribute to a more sustainable future. As this area of study and development develops, nanofluids will be in a position to play a crucial part in resolving the urgent problems of our day.

#### 1. Introduction

In the context of a global society contending with the urgent issues of climate change and the depletion of natural resources, the endeavor to develop sustainable and energy-efficient technology has assumed utmost significance [1]. Among the new solutions that have evolved, nanofluids have attracted substantial interest as a promising green technology capable of transforming the energy landscape. The colloidal suspensions, which are manufactured at the nanoscale and composed of nanoparticles distributed in a base fluid, demonstrate exceptional thermal and heat transmission characteristics [2]. These traits have the potential to significantly improve energy efficiency in various applications. Nanofluids embody the integration of nanotechnology, fluid dynamics, and materials science, providing a multidimensional strategy to tackle the worldwide need for enhanced energy efficiency and sustainability [3-5]. This introductory investigation delves into the captivating realm of nanofluids, revealing their origins, essential attributes, and the significant potential they have for numerous industries[6]. The pressing need to address climate change has led to a renewed focus on the development of sustainable energy alternatives.

Conventional heat transfer fluids, such as water or oil, possess inherent limits that frequently necessitate significant energy inputs to fulfil the requirements of diverse sectors and systems [7]. Nanofluids offer a sustainable solution for optimizing energy utilization by effectively enhancing thermal conductivity and convective heat transfer. The utilization of nanoparticles in nanofluids has the potential to revolutionize energy-efficient systems for heating, cooling, and power generation by capitalizing on their distinct features [8]. This study will undertake a thorough analysis of nanofluids, encompassing an in-depth investigation of their fundamental characteristics and methods of synthesis, as well as exploring their wide-ranging applications in several disciplines such as solar energy conversion, electronics cooling, and automotive engineering. Furthermore, we will explore the environmental advantages linked to the implementation of nanofluids, clarifying how this environmentally friendly technology matches with the principles of sustainability through its capacity to decrease energy usage, minimize greenhouse gas emissions, and reduce overall environmental harm [9,10].

As we commence our exploration into the domain of nanofluids, it becomes apparent that these extraordinary substances possess significant potential as a fundamental component of forthcoming environmentally sustainable technology. Nanofluids possess the ability to enhance energy efficiency, mitigate environmental impacts, and facilitate sustainable advancements [11]. Consequently, they not only signify a significant advancement in the field of materials science but also offer a promising prospect for addressing the pressing challenges faced by our global community [12]. This investigation will function as a comprehensive resource for comprehending the inherent capacity of nanofluids to bring about significant changes, illuminating the trajectory towards a more environmentally friendly and enduring future. In light of the global concerns surrounding climate change, resource preservation, and pollution mitigation, the utilization of nanofluids emerges as a promising avenue to tackle these pressing matters. By augmenting the efficacy and environmental sustainability of various applications, nanofluids offer a compelling prospect in addressing these challenges. The article examines the several functions of nanofluids as an environmentally friendly technology, emphasizing its influence on improving energy efficiency, enhancing heat transfer, and promoting environmental sustainability.

## 2. Preparation of Nanofluid

Nanofluids have garnered considerable interest in recent times owing to their exceptional thermal and physical characteristics, making them a noteworthy category of sophisticated fluids [13]. The composition of these fluids comprises a primary liquid, commonly water, oil, or ethylene glycol, and nanoparticles that are stably dispersed inside [14]. These nanoparticles are frequently of metallic or non-metallic nature. The process of preparing nanofluids necessitates the meticulous selection of nanoparticles, the consideration of the base fluid, and the implementation of appropriate strategies to achieve effective dispersion.

The selection of nanoparticles plays a crucial role in the process of nanofluid formulation [15]. Nanoparticles are commonly selected based on their distinct characteristics, including but not limited to, elevated thermal conductivity, expansive surface area, and inherent stability [16]. Frequently employed nanoparticles in the formulation of nanofluids encompass metallic nanoparticles such as copper, silver, and gold, alongside non-metallic nanoparticles like carbon nanotubes or graphene oxide [17]. The choice of selection is contingent upon factors such as the intended application, pricing, and availability. The selection of the base fluid utilized in the manufacture of nanofluids holds considerable importance in establishing the ultimate characteristics of the nanofluid. Water is frequently employed as a base fluid owing to its exceptional heat transmission characteristics and economical nature [18]. However, different fluids like oils, ethylene glycol, or even ionic liquids may be utilized dependent on the individual application and temperature range [18]. The selection of the base fluid should be in accordance with the overarching objectives and specifications of the nanofluid.

In the process of using nanoparticles to increase the thermal conductivity of fluids, the preparation of nanofluids is an essential step that must first be taken [16]. There have been two distinct methodologies utilized in the production of nanofluids. There exists a way that involves a single step, while another method involves two steps [19]. The single-step method refers to a procedure that integrates the production of nanoparticles with the synthesis of nanofluids [20]. In this process, the nanoparticles are created right away using either the liquid chemical method or the physical vapour deposition (PVD) technique [21]. This method circumvents the procedures of drying, storage, transportation, and dispersion of nanoparticles, thereby minimizing the agglomeration of nanoparticles and enhancing fluid stability [22]. However, one drawback of employing this approach is its limited compatibility with fluids possessing low vapor pressure. The application of the approach is constrained by this limitation.

In their study, Shiave [23] stated that the synthesis of a ferromagnetic nanofluid consisting of iron (Fe), nickel (Ni), and cobalt (Co) utilizing the direct evaporation process known as vacuum evaporation on running oil substrate (VEROS). In their study, Angayarkanni and Philip [24] employed the submerged arc nanoparticle synthesis system (SANSS) to synthesize zinc dioxide nanoparticles in dielectric liquids, specifically deionized water, ethylene glycol (EG), and a mixture of water and EG. This technique enables precise manipulation of nanoparticle morphology, including needle-like, polygonal, square, and circular shapes, while minimizing nanoparticle aggregation. The investigation conducted using transmission electron microscopy (TEM) demonstrated the creation of nanoparticles exhibiting diverse shapes and a consistent distribution of sizes. The choice of dielectric liquid is a crucial factor in defining the morphology of nanoparticles.

In their investigation, Zhu *et al.*, [25] mentioned about creating a nanofluid of Cu-EG using microwave irradiation. This was accomplished by reducing sodium hypophosphite monohydrate and copper sulphate in an ethylene glycol (EG) medium. Utilizing this particular technology led to the creation of a Cu nanofluid that showed outstanding stability and homogenous distribution. Amirova

*et al.*, [26] reported on the creation of a stable and homogenous nanofluid based on graphene oxide (GO). The phase transfer approach was utilized for this synthesis. Since graphene oxide nanoparticles often contain oxygen-containing functional groups like COOH (carboxylic), OH (hydroxyl), and CO (carbonyl), they are hydrophilic by nature and are readily suspended in water [27]. Oleylamine was used as a moderator in a modification technique to improve the compatibility of graphene oxide (GO) with organic solvents. The conversion of graphene oxide nanoparticles into hydrophobic nanoparticles was made easier by this modification method, allowing for their dispersion in organic solvents.

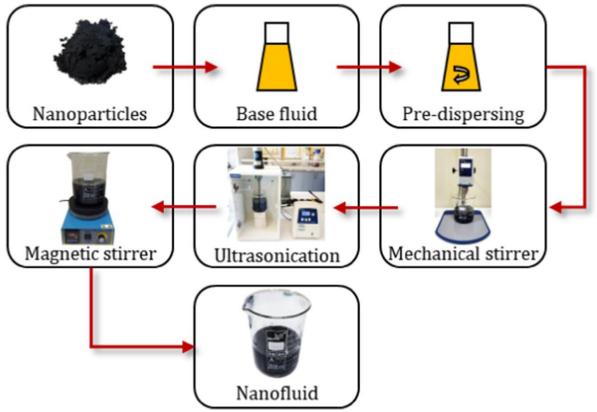
The preparation of nanofluids involves a two-step approach wherein nanoparticles are dispersed into base liquids [28]. Figure 1 shows the two-step method of nanofluid preparation [29]. The nanoparticles, nanotubes, or nanofibers employed in this procedure are initially synthesized as a dry powder by methods such as inert gas condensation, mechanical alloying, chemical vapor deposition, or other appropriate processes [30-32]. Subsequently, the nanoscale powder is distributed into a fluid during a subsequent processing stage. The proposed methodology entails a sequential approach that distinguishes the preparation of nanofluids from the preparation of nanoparticles. Consequently, the phenomenon of nanoparticle agglomeration can occur during various stages, notably during the drying, storage, and transportation processes [33,34]. The process of agglomeration will not only lead to the settlement and obstruction of microchannels, but it will also cause a reduction in heat conductivity [35]. Commonly employed methods to reduce particle aggregation and enhance dispersion behavior involve the utilization of straightforward approaches, such as ultrasonic agitation or the introduction of surfactants into the fluids [36]. Given that various businesses have successfully scaled up nano powder synthesis techniques to commercial production levels, there exist significant cost benefits associated with employing two-step synthesis methods that utilize these powders [37]. However, a critical issue that necessitates resolution is the stabilization of the prepared suspension.

The attainment of a stable and homogeneous dispersion of nanoparticles within the underlying fluid is of paramount importance in the process of nanofluid formulation [38]. Insufficient dispersion may result in the phenomenon of agglomeration, which in turn can cause a decrease in thermal conductivity and an increase in viscosity [39]. Nanoparticles are dispersed using a variety of techniques, including ultrasonication, mechanical stirring, and methods aided by surfactants. Due to its effectiveness in creating homogenous dispersion and breaking up clusters of nanoparticles, ultrasonication is a frequently used technique [40]. It is crucial to maintain the stability and toughness of nanofluids. Nanoparticles have a propensity for settling or agglomeration over time, which causes a reduction in their enhanced features. To enhance the long-term stability of nanofluids, it is common practice to incorporate stabilizing agents, such as surfactants or polymers, which effectively mitigate agglomeration [41].

The concentration of nanoparticles within the nanofluid is an essential characteristic. The thermal conductivity and viscosity of the fluid can be considerably influenced by its concentration [42]. Increase in concentrations typically result in enhanced thermal conductivity, although they can also give rise to increased viscosity, potentially impacting pumpability and flow properties [43]. The determination of the ideal nanoparticle concentration for a certain application necessitates meticulous deliberation and empirical investigation.

The production of nanofluids necessitates a meticulous choice of nanoparticles, base fluids, and suitable dispersion methodologies in order to optimize their potential advantages [44]. Although nanofluids present several benefits in the context of heat transfer and cooling applications, it is crucial to consider various parameters like stability, concentration control, and long-term

performance. The ongoing development of nanofluid technology is expected to result in its wider adoption in diverse industries, leading to enhanced energy efficiency and sustainability outcomes.



**Fig. 1.** Popular method of nanofluids' preparation. Reproduced with permission from Şirin [29] Copyright 2023, Elsevier

# 3. Improved Heat Transfer Efficiency

Nanoparticles have significantly greater heat conductivity in comparison to the underlying fluid medium [45]. The effective thermal conductivity of a fluid is increased when nanoparticles are dispersed within it. Consequently, the enhanced thermal conductivity of the fluid facilitates a more efficient conduction of heat, resulting in diminished temperature gradients and enhanced heat transfer [46]. It has been observed that nanofluids possess a greater heat capacity in comparison to the basic fluid. This enables them to effectively assimilate and retain a greater amount of thermal energy, hence leading to an increased rate of heat transmission. Nanofluids have the potential to enhance convective heat transfer in various applications, such as heat exchangers. The utilization of nanoparticles has the potential to augment the convection mechanism, resulting in improved heat dissipation and enhanced cooling efficiency [47].

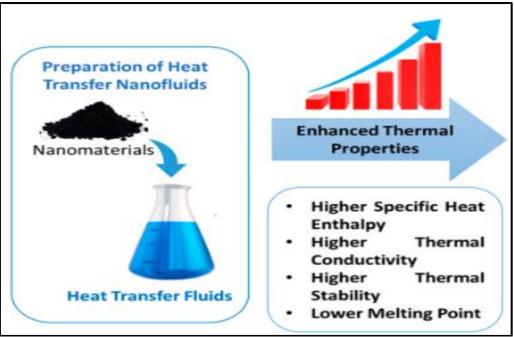
The presence of nanoparticles has the potential to disturb the boundary layer in close proximity to heated surfaces [48]. The reduction in the thickness of the boundary layer results in a decrease in resistance to heat transfer, hence facilitating a more efficient passage of heat from the solid surface to the nanofluid [48]. Furthermore, nanofluids have the potential to enhance heat conduction and can be intentionally designed to include phase change materials (PCMs), which possess the capability to absorb and release heat during phase transitions [49]. Figure 2 shows the enhanced thermal properties in PCM [50]. Thermal energy storage applications greatly benefit from the utilization of this particular method. It is imperative to acknowledge that the efficacy of nanofluids in enhancing

heat transfer efficiency may exhibit variability contingent upon elements such as the kind of nanoparticles, their concentration, and the particular context of implementation.

The enhanced efficiency of heat transmission has the potential to facilitate the development of environmentally sustainable and ecologically conscious technologies in multiple ways [51]. The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to enhance the efficacy of heat exchange systems. By enhancing heat transfer efficiency, these devices enable the attainment of equivalent cooling or heating levels with reduced energy consumption. This can lower the overall energy consumption of systems such as air conditioning, refrigeration, and industrial processes, which in turn reduces greenhouse gas emissions and energy costs [52,53]. The utilization of nanofluids enables the enhancement of heat exchanger efficiency, allowing for reduced size and weight without compromising, and potentially even boosting, overall performance [54]. This holds significant importance in sectors such as automotive and aircraft, when limitations pertaining to weight and space are of utmost significance. The utilization of smaller and lighter heat exchangers has the potential to result in less fuel consumption and emissions in both cars and aircraft [55,56]. The utilization of nanofluids has been shown to have a positive impact on the efficiency of waste heat recovery systems. In numerous industrial operations, a substantial quantity of thermal energy is dissipated without being effectively utilized.

The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to enhance the operational efficiency of several renewable energy sources, such as solar panels and geothermal systems [57,58]. In the context of solar thermal systems, the utilization of nanofluids has been seen to enhance the absorption and heat transfer capabilities, hence resulting in a notable augmentation of the overall energy yield of those systems [59]. Nanofluids possess enhanced heat transfer efficiency, which can potentially lead to reduced emissions of greenhouse gases, particularly in the context of power plants and industrial operations [60]. By implementing energy-efficient measures, it is possible to decrease the carbon footprint associated with these operations, since they would use less energy to achieve the same degree of heat transmission [61]. Nanofluids have been found to exhibit improved heat transfer characteristics in cooling and refrigerants [62,63]. The significance of this matter is particularly pronounced within the framework of climate change, given that certain conventional refrigerants possess a high capacity to contribute to the greenhouse effect.

Improved heat transfer efficiency has the potential to mitigate the detrimental effects of equipment and component degradation, hence resulting in extended operational lifetimes [64]. Consequently, this leads to a decrease in the necessity for frequent substitutions and, consequently, a reduction in the utilization of resources and energy needed for the production and disposal of equipment. In general, the utilization of nanofluids for the purpose of enhancing heat transfer efficiency across diverse technological domains holds the potential to foster an environmentally conscious and sustainable trajectory. This is achieved through the mitigation of energy consumption, emissions, and the overall ecological footprint associated with a wide range of industries and applications [65].



**Fig. 2.** Impact of nanomaterials on thermal properties of nanofluids. Reproduced under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license-Open Access, from Awan *et al.*, [50]. Copyright 2023, MDPI

# 4. Enhanced Renewable Energy Technologies

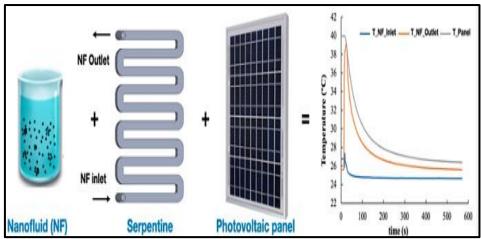
The utilization of nanofluid is a promising and novel strategy for enhancing the efficacy and functionality of diverse renewable energy systems. The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to enhance the operational efficiency of solar panels. The enhancement of heat transfer capabilities of the coolant fluid used for cooling photovoltaic (PV) panels is achieved by floating nanoparticles within it [66]. This phenomenon aids in maintaining lower temperatures for solar cells, hence potentially enhancing their overall efficiency. Figure 3 shows an example of nanofluids as coolant in PV solar panels [67]. Nanofluids have the potential to serve as heat transfer fluids in solar collector systems within concentrated solar power (CSP) applications [68]. The enhanced thermal properties of the nanoparticles inside the nanofluid result in improved heat absorption and transmission capabilities, hence augmenting the overall efficiency of the system [69]. The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to augment the heat transfer characteristics of thermoelectric materials, which are responsible for converting temperature gradients into electrical energy [70]. Enhanced heat transfer has the potential to augment the power generation efficiency within thermoelectric generators. Nanofluids have the potential to enhance wind turbine systems by serving as lubricants and coolants, thereby mitigating friction and heat generation [71]. This application has promise for prolonging the lifespan of turbine components and enhancing energy generating capabilities [71].

Nanofluids have the potential to augment the efficiency of heat transfer between the geothermal reservoir of the Earth and the working fluid employed for electricity generation in geothermal systems. This phenomenon has the potential to result in increased energy output and enhanced efficiency of the system. Nanofluids have the potential to be utilized in thermal energy storage systems [72]. The capacity to store thermal energy derived from sustainable sources and subsequently release it as required is a notable attribute [72]. The increased thermal conductivity that nanofluids display has the potential to greatly increase the effectiveness of this particular process. Nanofluids have the potential to enhance the cooling efficiency of hydroelectric turbine

systems in the context of power generation, hence facilitating the operation of generators at temperatures that are conducive to optimal performance [73]. Nanofluids have the potential to be utilized in biomass conversion and biofuel production procedures to augment heat transfer and amplify reaction speeds, hence enhancing the overall efficiency of these processes.

It has been discovered that using nanofluids in solar collectors improves solar radiation absorption and makes it easier to transfer heat to the working fluid [74-76]. Consequently, there is an increase in energy conversion efficiency, thereby leading to a reduction in the overall expenses associated with solar energy systems and enhancing their ecological sustainability. The utilization of nanofluids in wind turbine systems has the potential to enhance the efficiency of heat transfer in various components, such as gearboxes. The aforementioned practices result in a decrease in equipment degradation, an extension of their operational lives, and an enhancement of energy conversion efficiency within the context of wind power generation. Nanofluids possess the potential to be employed in thermal energy storage systems, which play a crucial role in the storage of surplus renewable energy for subsequent utilization [9]. These systems provide a more dependable and uninterrupted provision of electricity, thereby diminishing the dependence on non-renewable energy sources and fostering the adoption of environmentally friendly alternatives [77]. The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to augment the efficiency of waste heat recovery systems employed in industrial operations [78]. By optimizing the capture and utilization of waste heat, these systems have the potential to mitigate energy inefficiencies and mitigate the release of greenhouse gas emissions [79]. Nanofluid-enhanced systems frequently exhibit decreased operational expenses as a result of their greater efficacy and diminished maintenance demands. This has the potential to enhance the economic feasibility of renewable energy technologies, hence fostering their acceptance and advancement.

The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to mitigate the environmental consequences associated with energy generation by enhancing the efficacy of renewable energy systems [9]. This encompasses a decrease in the release of greenhouse gases, together with a diminished reliance on non-renewable energy resources. The advancement and application of nanofluid technologies serve as a catalyst for fostering innovation within the realm of renewable energy [80]. The continuous research and development efforts have resulted in the emergence of increasingly efficient and sustainable technologies, hence facilitating the advancement of green technology. In brief, the use of nanofluid has the potential to contribute to the advancement of green technology through its capacity to enhance the efficacy, cost-efficiency, and ecological implications of diverse renewable energy systems. These technological breakthroughs play a significant role in facilitating the worldwide shift towards sustainable and environmentally friendly energy sources, thereby diminishing our dependence on fossil fuels and addressing the issue of climate change.



**Fig. 3.** Application of nanofluids for cooling photovoltaic solar panels Nobrega *et al.,* [67]. Reproduced under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license-Open Access, from Nobrega *et al.,* [67] Copyright 2023, MDPI

#### 5. Reduced Water Usage

Nanofluids offer a noteworthy and pioneering approach within the realm of fluid dynamics, specifically in relation to the mitigation of urgent global concerns such as water scarcity and conservation [81]. The utilization of sophisticated colloidal suspensions, which involve the dispersion of nanoparticles in a base fluid, has exhibited promising capabilities in the substantial reduction of water consumption across diverse applications [82]. Nanofluids present a significant opportunity to optimize heat transfer, reduce energy consumption, and contribute to more sustainable and efficient water management by improving the thermal and hydraulic properties of conventional fluids [83].

When compared to the use of pure water or conventional coolants, research investigations have shown that the usage of nanofluids can significantly improve the efficiency of heat transfer [84]. The base fluid's thermal conductivity is increased by the addition of scattered nanoparticles, allowing for a more effective heat transfer mechanism [43]. As a result, less water is needed to efficiently disperse an equivalent amount of thermal energy [85]. This is especially helpful for industries like power generating, data centers, and manufacturing that require efficient cooling. Studies have shown that compared to conventional heat transfer fluids, nanofluids have significantly improved thermal conductivity [86]. As a result, they are better able to efficiently collect and distribute thermal energy, which improves their cooling powers. As a result, using cooling systems at lower temperatures may result in a reduction in the need for excessive water use.

In comparison to conventional fluids, nanofluids can achieve comparable heat transfer rates at lower flow rates [87]. This suggests that cooling systems have the ability to provide the desired cooling result while using less water. Nanofluids have the potential to lead to the creation of more compact cooling systems because of their improved capacity for heat transmission [88]. The system requires fewer cooling towers and heat exchangers, which reduces the total amount of water used. By enhancing the thermal characteristics of heat exchangers, nanofluids have the potential to improve energy efficiency in a variety of industries [89]. This enhancement in heat transfer makes it possible to use heat more efficiently, which reduces energy waste and reduces the need for water for cooling or temperature regulation. By allowing cooling systems to operate with less energy, the use of nanofluids, which have better heat transfer characteristics, has the potential to lead to energy conservation [90].

It is crucial to recognize that the specific benefits of nanofluids in reducing water use depend on the specific application and the individual nanofluid variant used. Additionally, a thorough evaluation is required to determine whether nanofluids are suitable for a certain application, considering elements like cost, stability, and environmental effects. Although nanofluids have shown promise in reducing water use, it is vital to recognize that they do not provide a complete answer and should be considered in conjunction with other water conservation measures.

## 6. Reduced Environmental Impact

Nanofluids exhibit a notably enhanced thermal conductivity in comparison to their respective base fluids [91]. The increased thermal conductivity exhibited by nanofluids has the potential to facilitate the development of heat exchange systems that are smaller in size and more efficient in operation [92]. Consequently, this leads to a reduction in the quantity of materials required for these systems, so promoting resource conservation and mitigating the environmental problems associated with their production and disposal [92]. Nanofluids have the potential to enhance the thermal management of electrical equipment [88]. This phenomenon has the potential to result in an extended operational lifespan and enhanced functionality of electronic components, hence mitigating the necessity for frequent replacements and the subsequent development of electronic waste [88].

Nanofluids have been identified as a potential means to enhance the efficiency of energy generation and waste heat recovery in industrial processes [93]. This phenomenon has the potential to result in a decrease in the release of greenhouse gases, as a lesser amount of energy is needed to attain equivalent outcomes [93]. Nanofluids have the potential to be water-based, hence offering a more ecologically sustainable alternative in comparison to fluids that are oil-based [94]. The utilization of nanofluids in cooling systems for diverse applications, such as data centers or cars, enables the maintenance of appropriate operating temperatures while minimizing energy and water consumption, so contributing to the mitigation of environmental impact [9].

Nanofluids are employed within solar thermal systems to enhance the efficacy of solar energy absorption and transfer [95]. Consequently, there is a notable augmentation in the generation of energy derived from renewable sources, so diminishing the dependence on fossil fuels [96]. The utilization of nanofluids has the potential to mitigate maintenance demands and system downtime across diverse applications, resulting in cost efficiencies and a reduction in the environmental repercussions linked to maintenance operations.

# 7. Conclusions

In summary, nanofluids exhibit considerable potential as an environmentally friendly technology that may greatly improve energy efficiency and sustainability in several industries. The utilization of nanoscale particles dispersed in traditional fluids has exhibited notable characteristics, such as enhanced thermal conductivity, increased heat transfer efficiency, and decreased energy consumption. The utilization of nanofluids in diverse sectors, such as the automotive, electronics, and renewable energy industries, presents a multitude of advantages, encompassing diminished emissions of greenhouse gases, amplified energy conservation, and improved operational efficiency of systems.

Nanofluids possess the capacity to revolutionize the domain of energy and sustainability by enhancing the efficiency and ecological compatibility of current systems. The significance of their multifunctionality across diverse applications, ranging from cooling systems to solar panels, highlights their pivotal role in mitigating energy consumption and its corresponding environmental consequences. In addition, the utilization of nanofluids has the potential to foster the advancement of environmentally friendly and enduring energy solutions. In our pursuit of addressing the complexities posed by an increasingly dynamic climate, the use of nanofluids as an environmentally friendly technology holds considerable potential in attaining our objectives of sustainability. Nevertheless, it is important to persist in doing further research and advancing the sector in order to effectively tackle any prospective obstacles and guarantee the secure and conscientious utilization of nanofluids.

In conclusion, nanofluids present a significant opportunity to improve energy efficiency and promote sustainability, perhaps serving as a pivotal factor in our shift towards a more sustainable and environmentally conscious future. By means of ongoing research, technological advancements, and conscientious application, the utilization of nanofluids holds the potential to effectively tackle the urgent concerns surrounding energy preservation and climate change, thereby making a valuable contribution towards the establishment of an environmentally friendly and sustainable global ecosystem.

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