

Paper Submission Form - SAIP2025 Proceedings

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Section A: Paper Submission Information

Paper/Abstract ID	482
Paper title	Automated photovoltaic module imaging for high throughput data capture and analysis
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My manuscript presents a novel approach by developing a laboratory-based gantry system for automated high-resolution visual and UVF imaging of PV modules.

Unlike existing manual or drone-based inspection methods, this system integrates precise mechanical control with automated image capture and custom stitching techniques to enable scalable, high-throughput fault detection.

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