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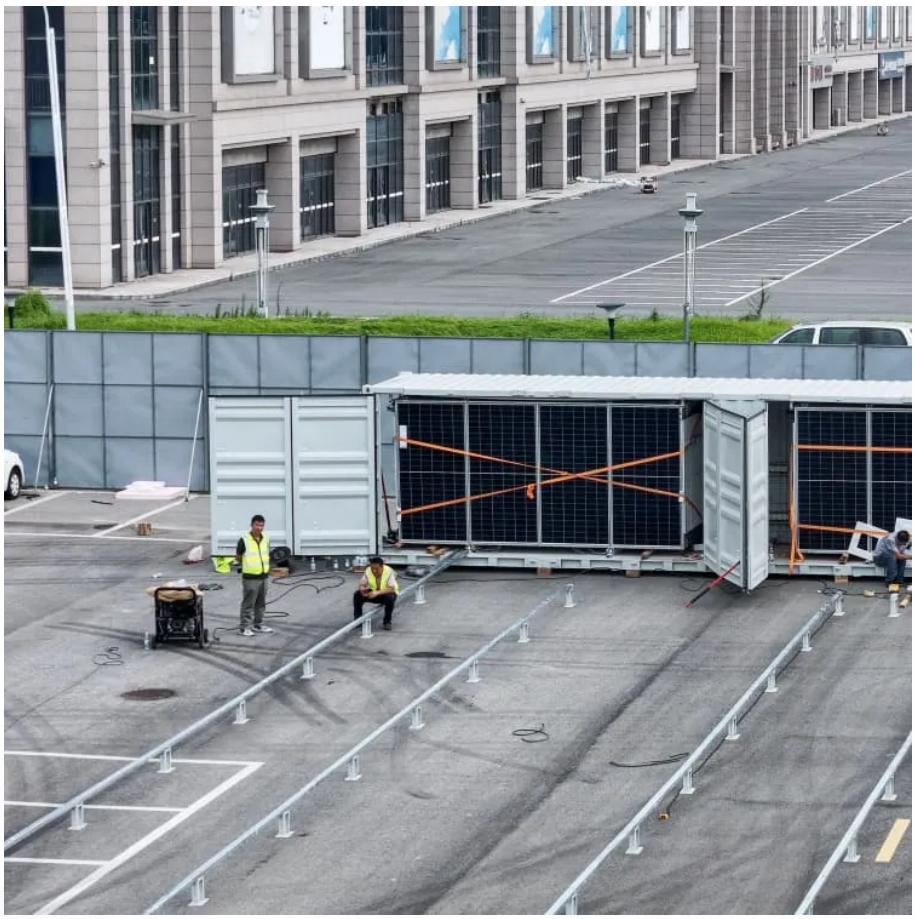

Overview

Are 5G base stations causing more energy consumption?

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How much power does a 5G base station use?

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Will MIMO increase the energy consumption of 5G base stations?

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Does China Mobile have a 5G base station?

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How will 4G & 5G networks work?

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