

## Supplementary Information

### Permanent photodoping of plasmonic gallium-ZnO nanocrystals

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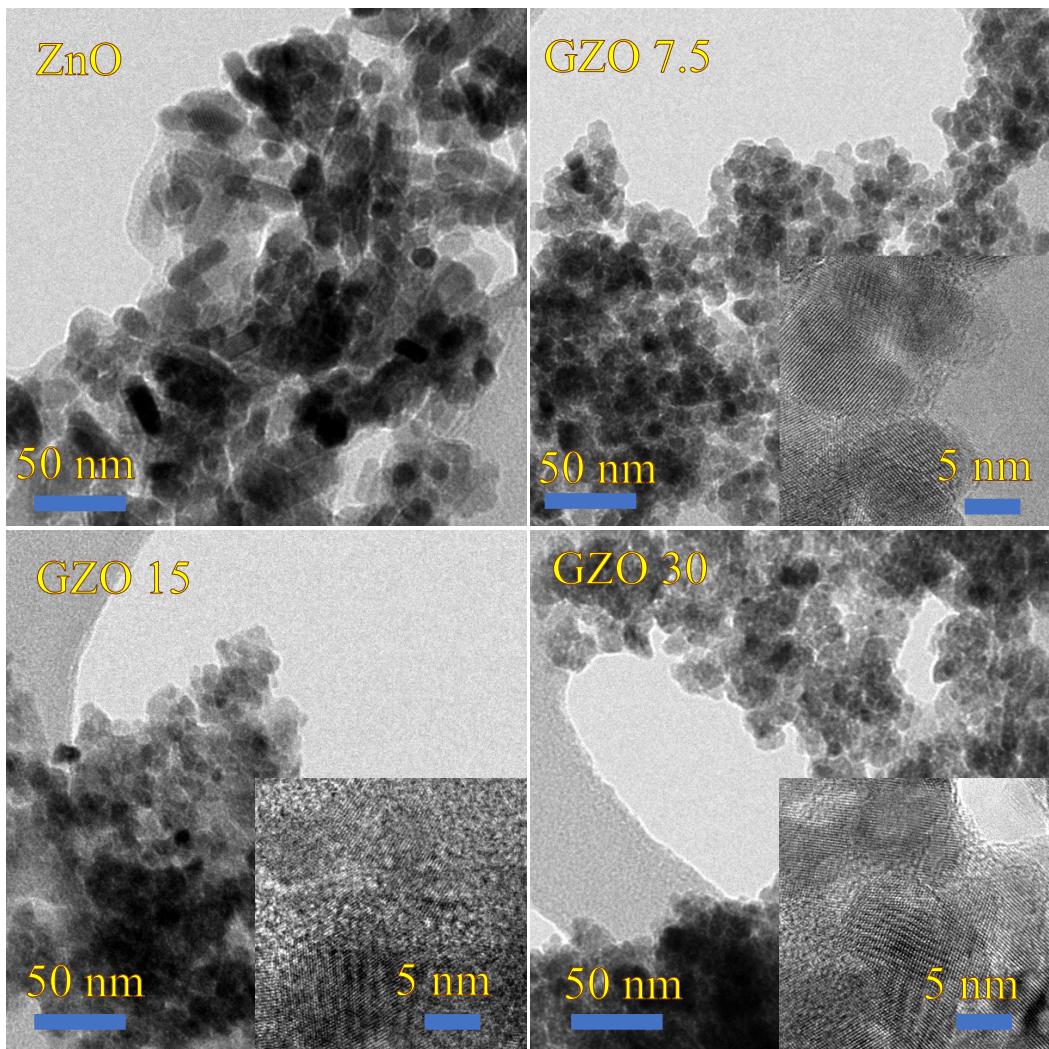
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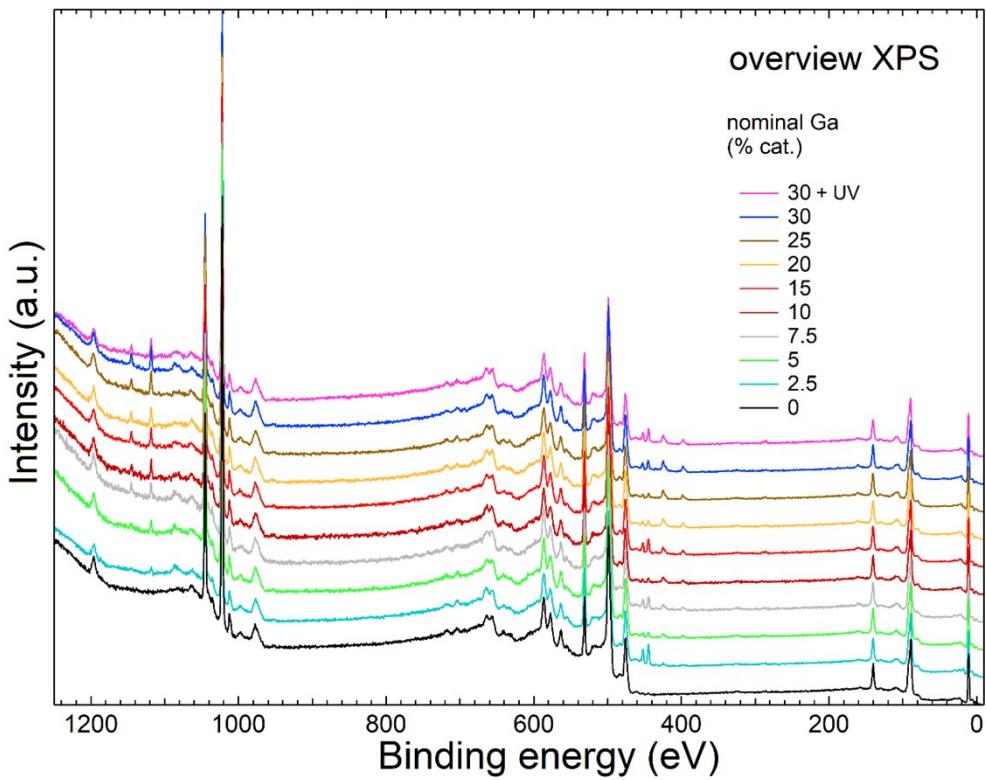
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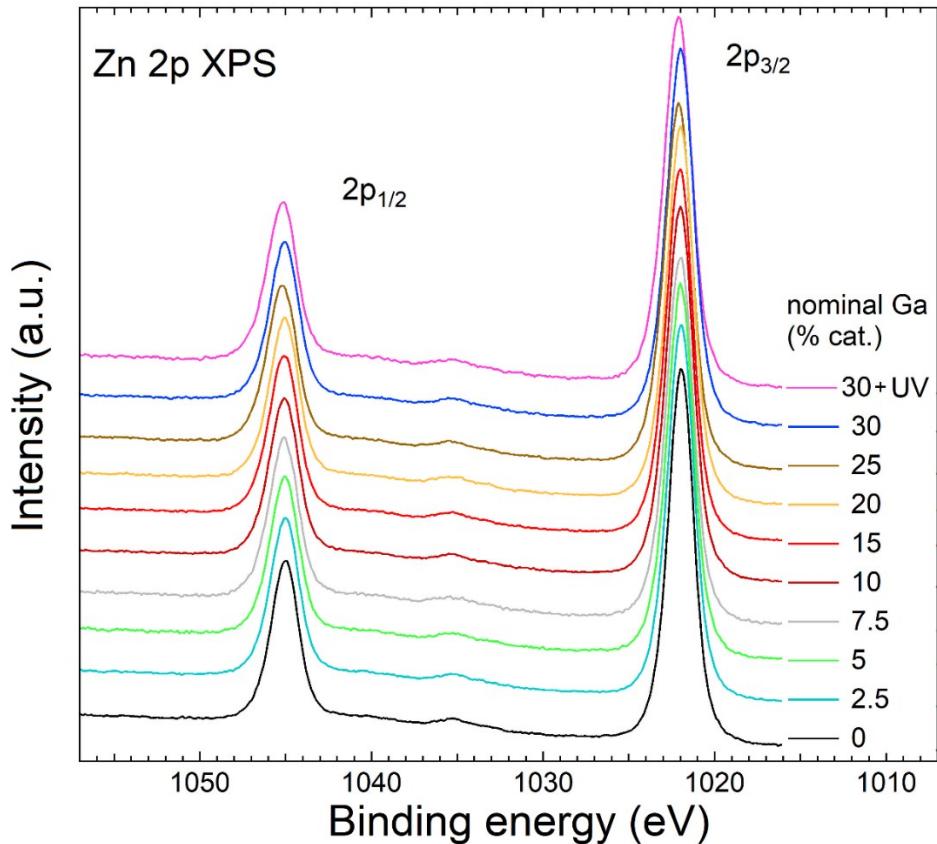
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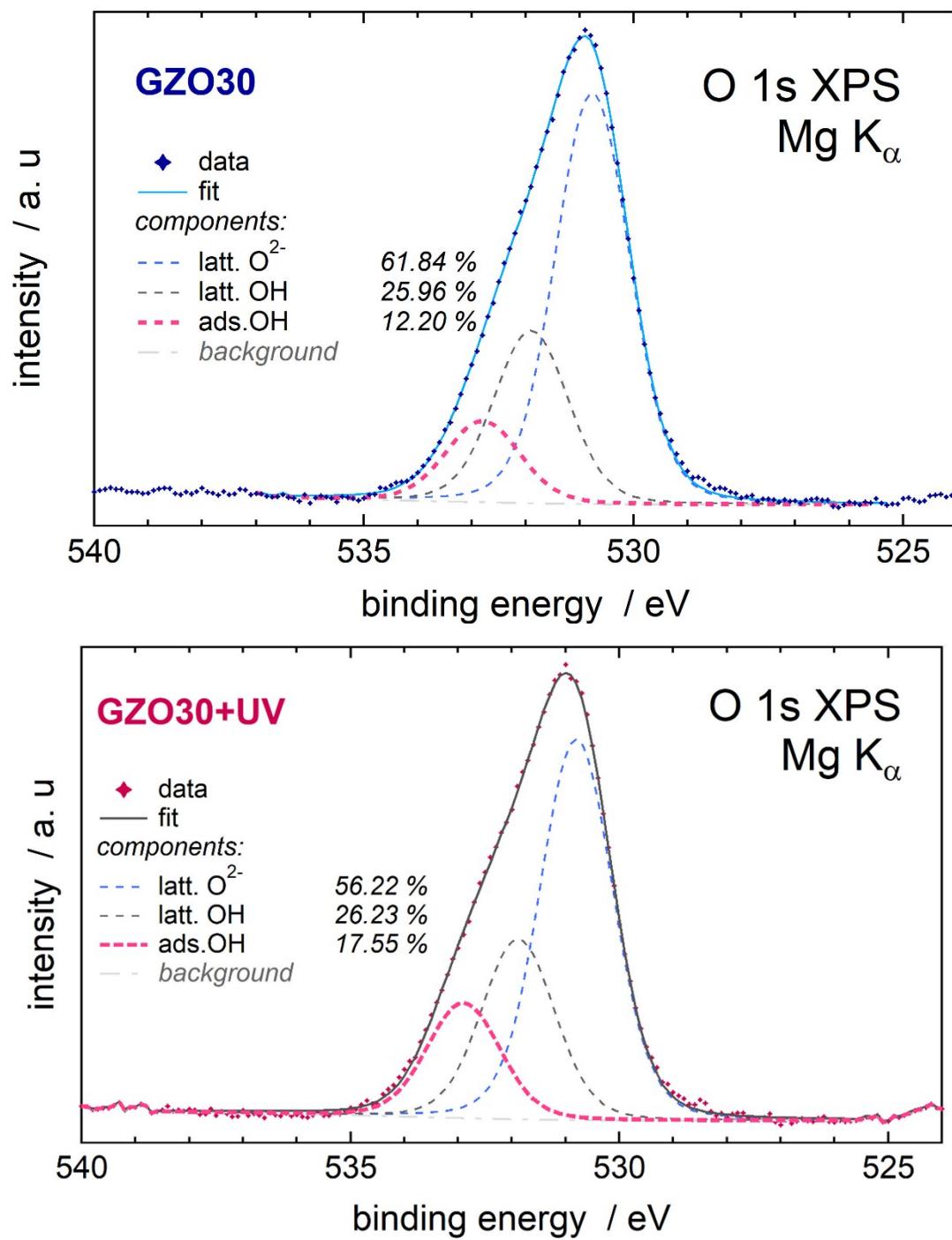
**Fig. S1.** Transmission electron microscopy images of ZnO and Ga doped samples



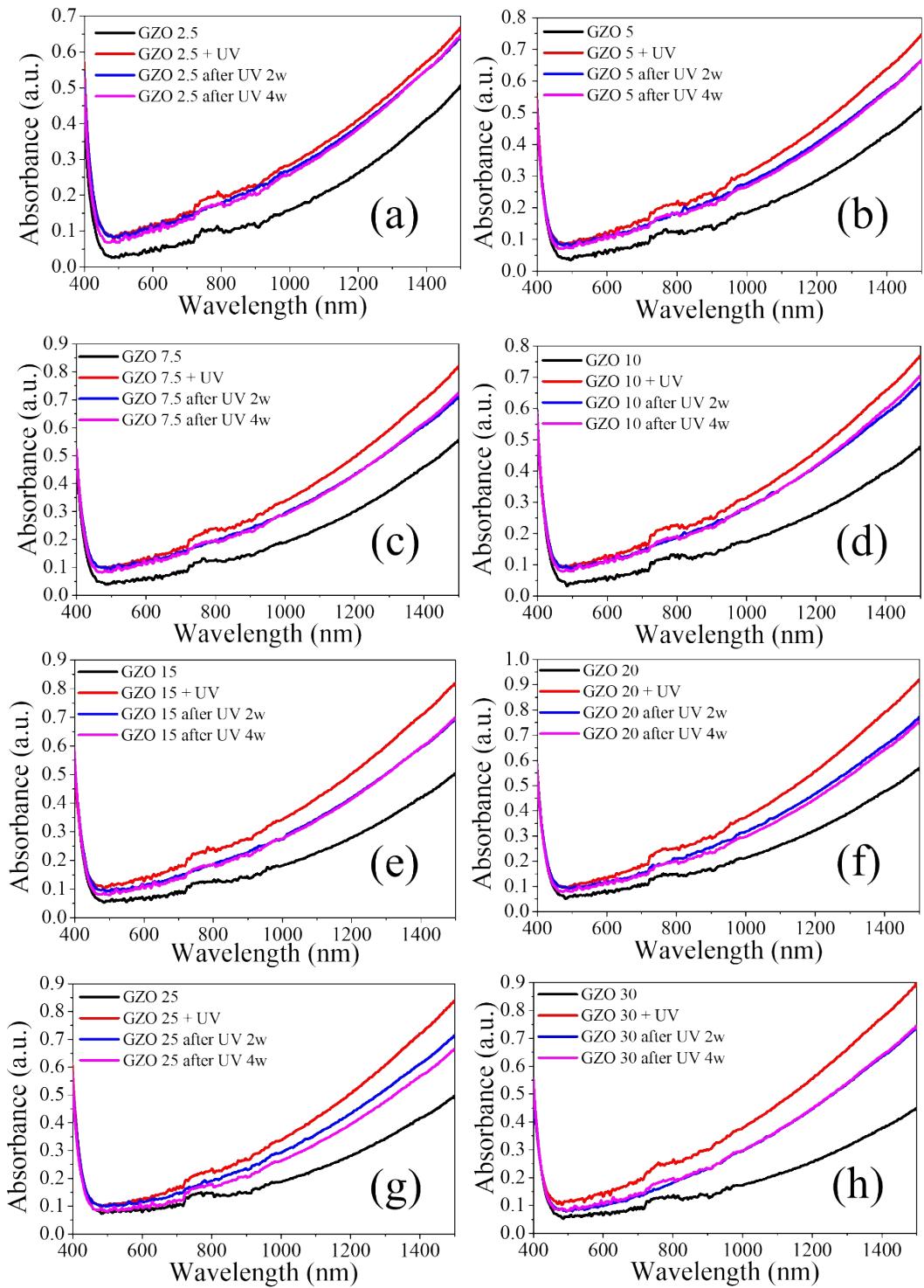
**Fig. S2.** Overview spectra for undoped and Ga doped ZnO samples.



**Fig. S3.** Zn 2p spectra for undoped and Ga doped ZnO samples.



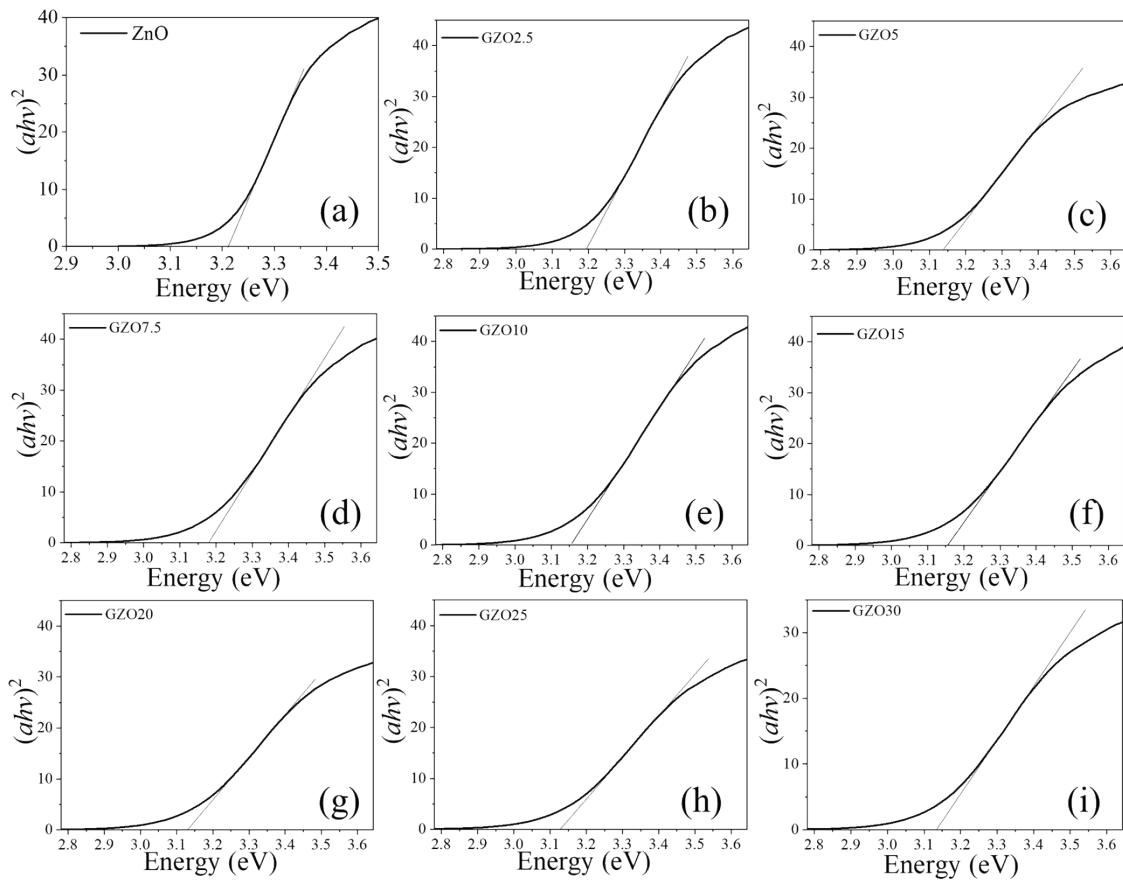
**Fig. S4.** O 1s spectrum of GZO 30 before and after UV irradiation in n-butanol



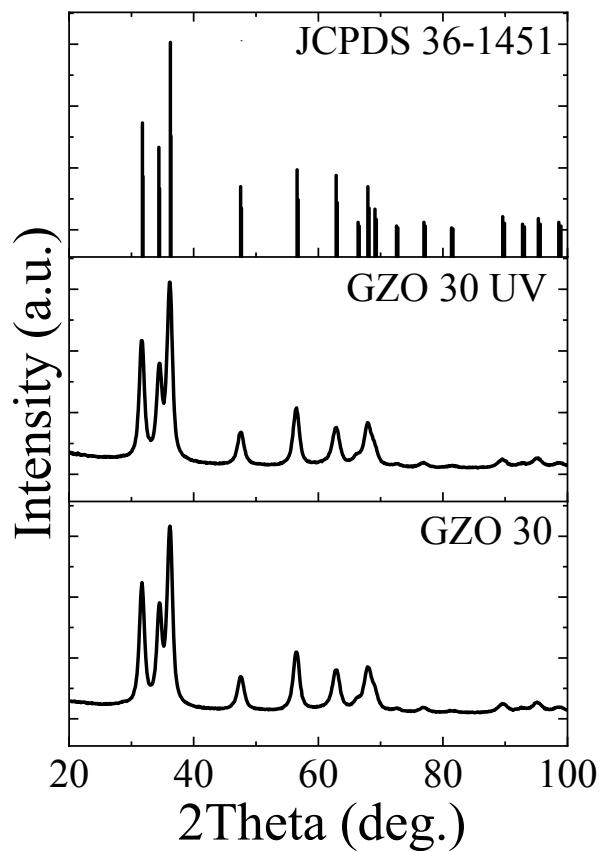
**Fig. S5.** UV-vis-NIR absorption spectra of various powder samples before and after 72 h photodoping, and relaxation after storing in air for 2 and 4 weeks.

**Table S1.** The band gap values for ZnO and GZO samples

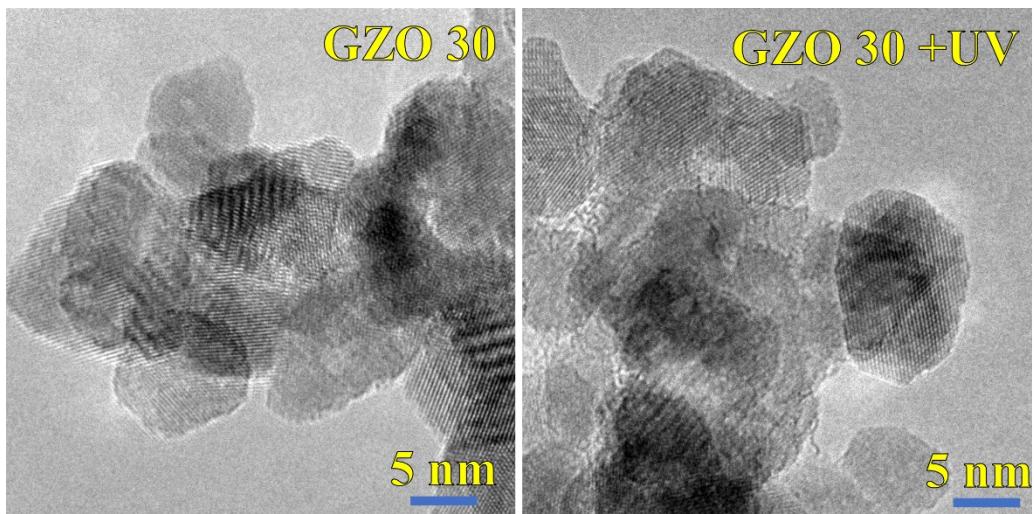
Sample nominal Ga% (%)	Band gap
0	3.21
2.5	3.19
5	3.13
7.5	3.18
10	3.16
15	3.16
20	3.13
25	3.13
30	3.13



**Fig. S6.**  $(ahv)^2$  versus energy for ZnO and Ga doped samples.



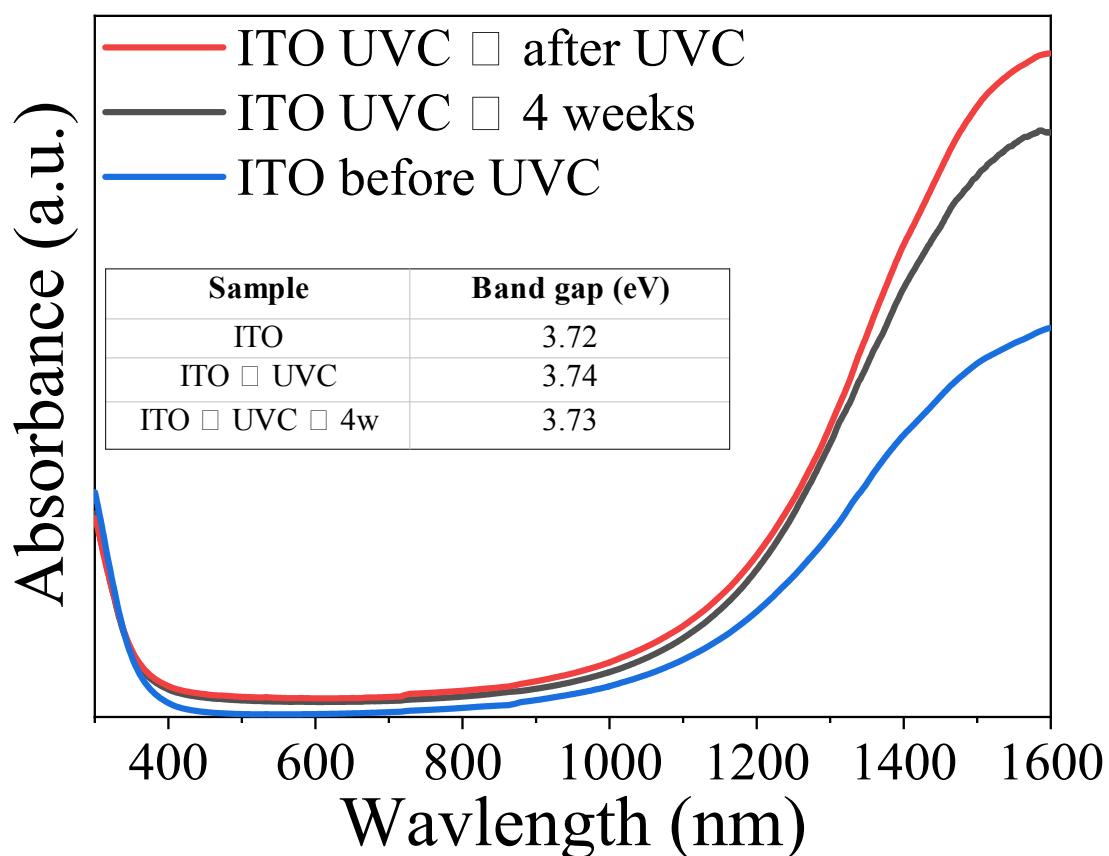
**Fig. S7.** XRD for GZO 30 and GZO 30 UV samples.



**Fig. S8.** TEM images for GZO 30 samples before (GZO 30) and after UV (GZO 30 +UV) irradiation.

**Table S2.** ICP-MS measurements for supernatants after synthesis and before UV irradiation

	23 Na	66 Zn	71 Ga	23 Na	66 Zn	71 Ga
	mg/L			% from synthesis solution		
Synthesis solution	4901	9.32	103	100	100	100
n-butanol supernatant	4.94	0.223	0.018	0.10	2.39	0.02



**Fig. S9.** UV-vis-NIR absorption spectra of indium doped tin oxide (ITO) nanopowder (particle size 30 nm) from Sigma-Aldrich before, after and 4 weeks after UVC photodoping.