

## Gamma-Induced One-Step Synthesis of Reduced Graphene Oxide-Silver Nanoparticles with Enhanced Properties

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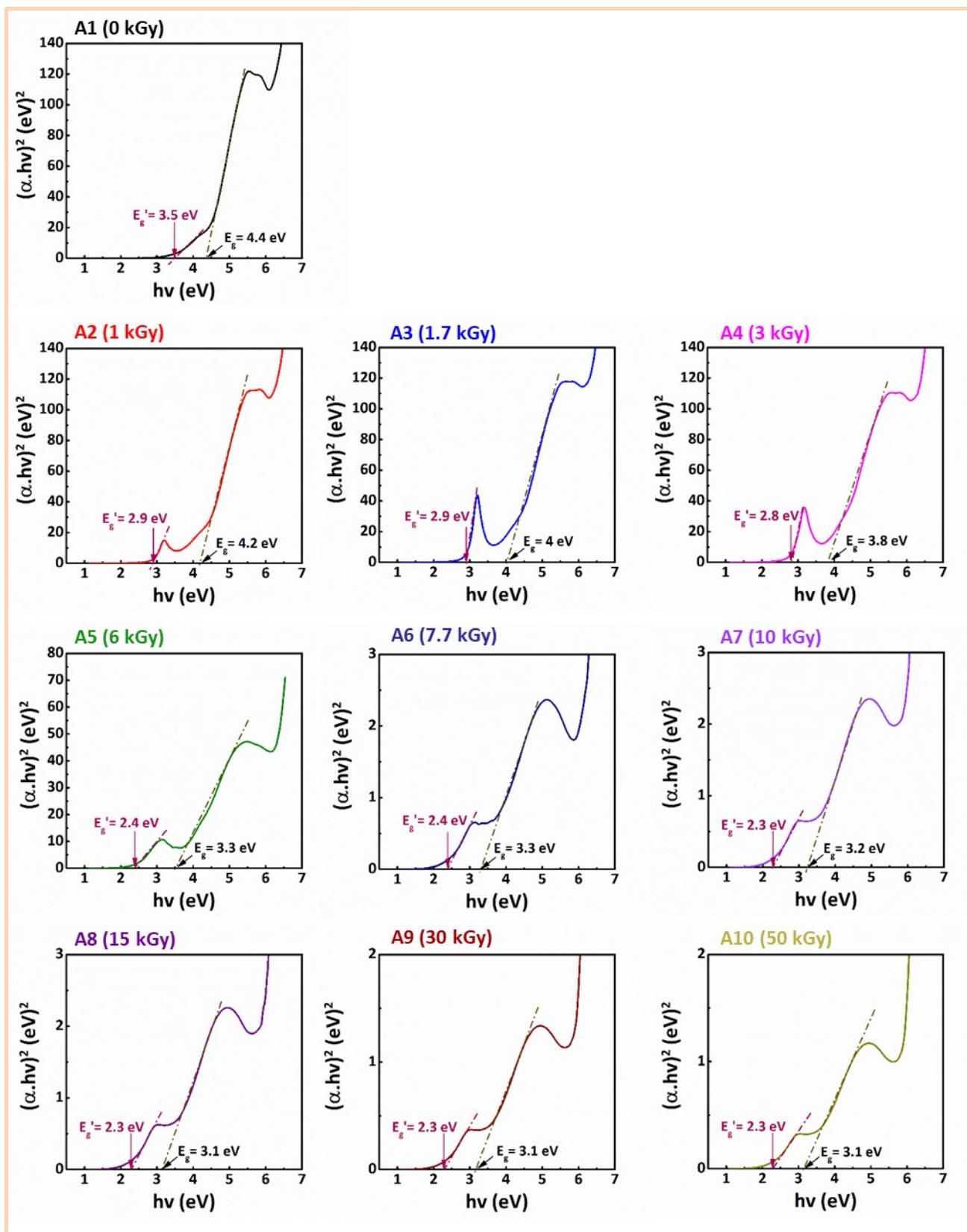
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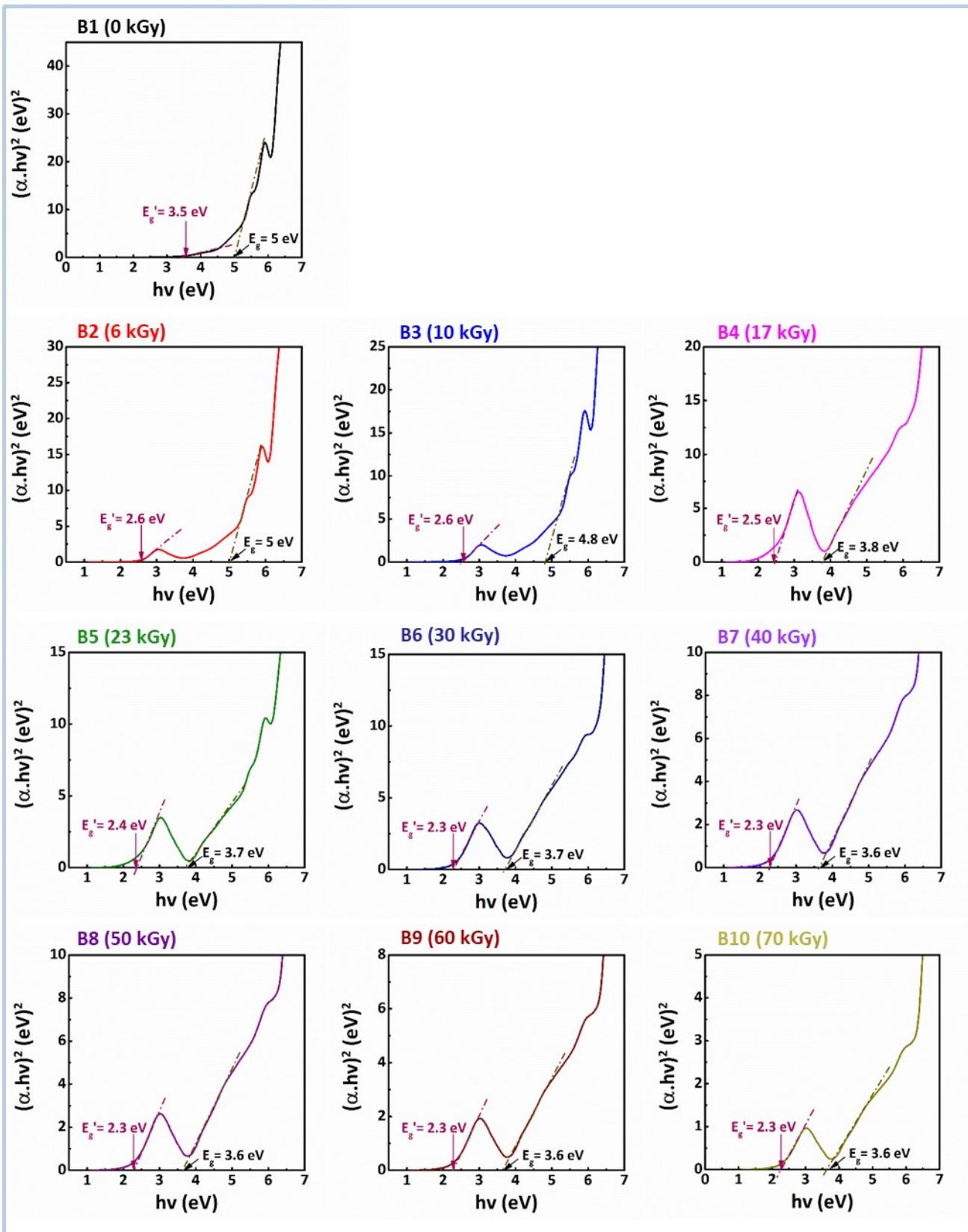
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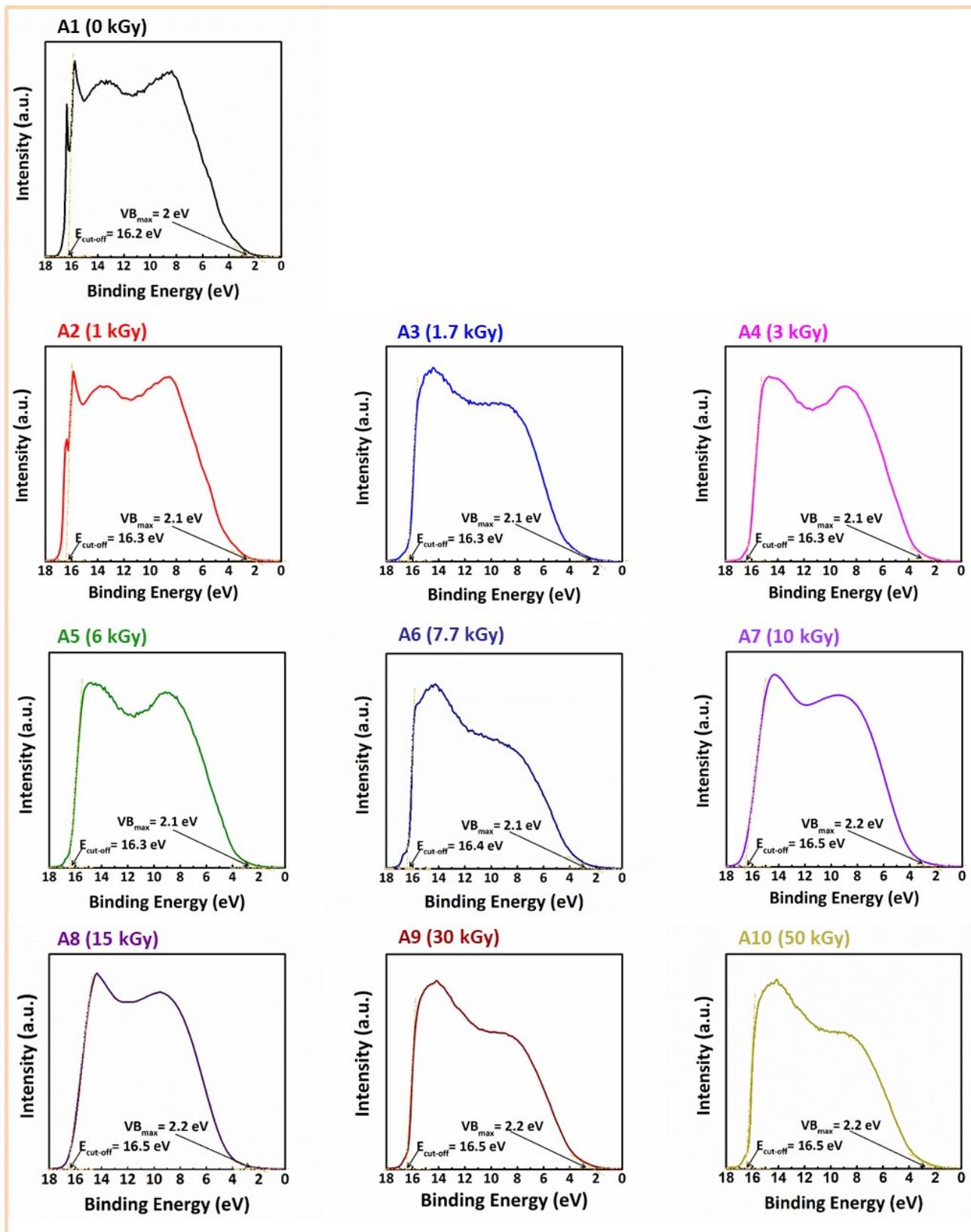
## Supporting information



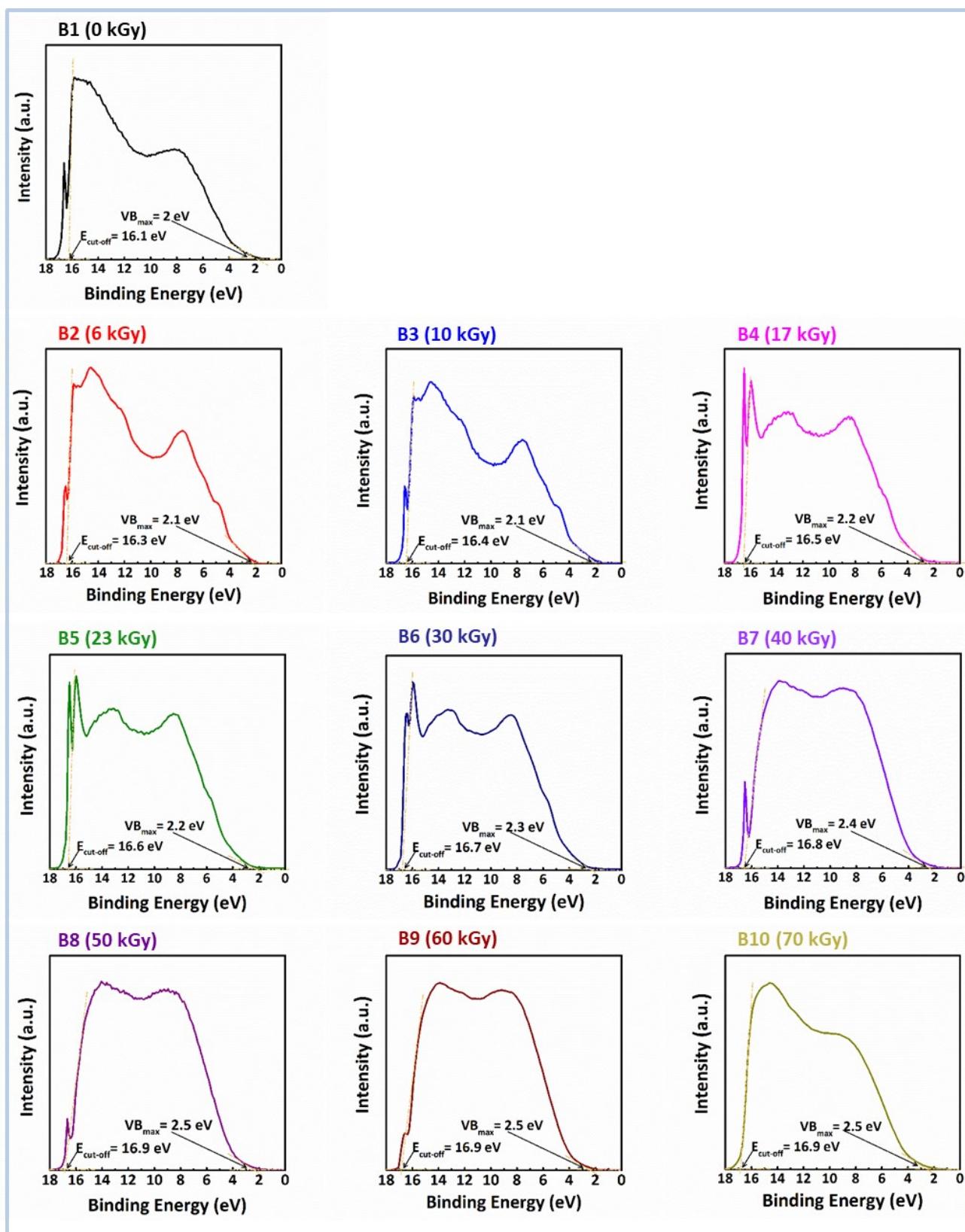
**Fig. S1** Tauc plot for the determination of the energy gap from UV-Vis spectra of Series A samples ( $[OG] = 0.2 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ ,  $[IPA] = 0.2 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ,  $[Ag^+] = 10^{-3} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ) irradiated at doses ranging from 0 kGy to 50 kGy. The intersection of the linear fit with the x-axis represents the energy gap for each sample.  $E_g$  corresponds to the bandgap GO and rGO, while  $E_g'$  refers to the bandgap of Ag NPs.



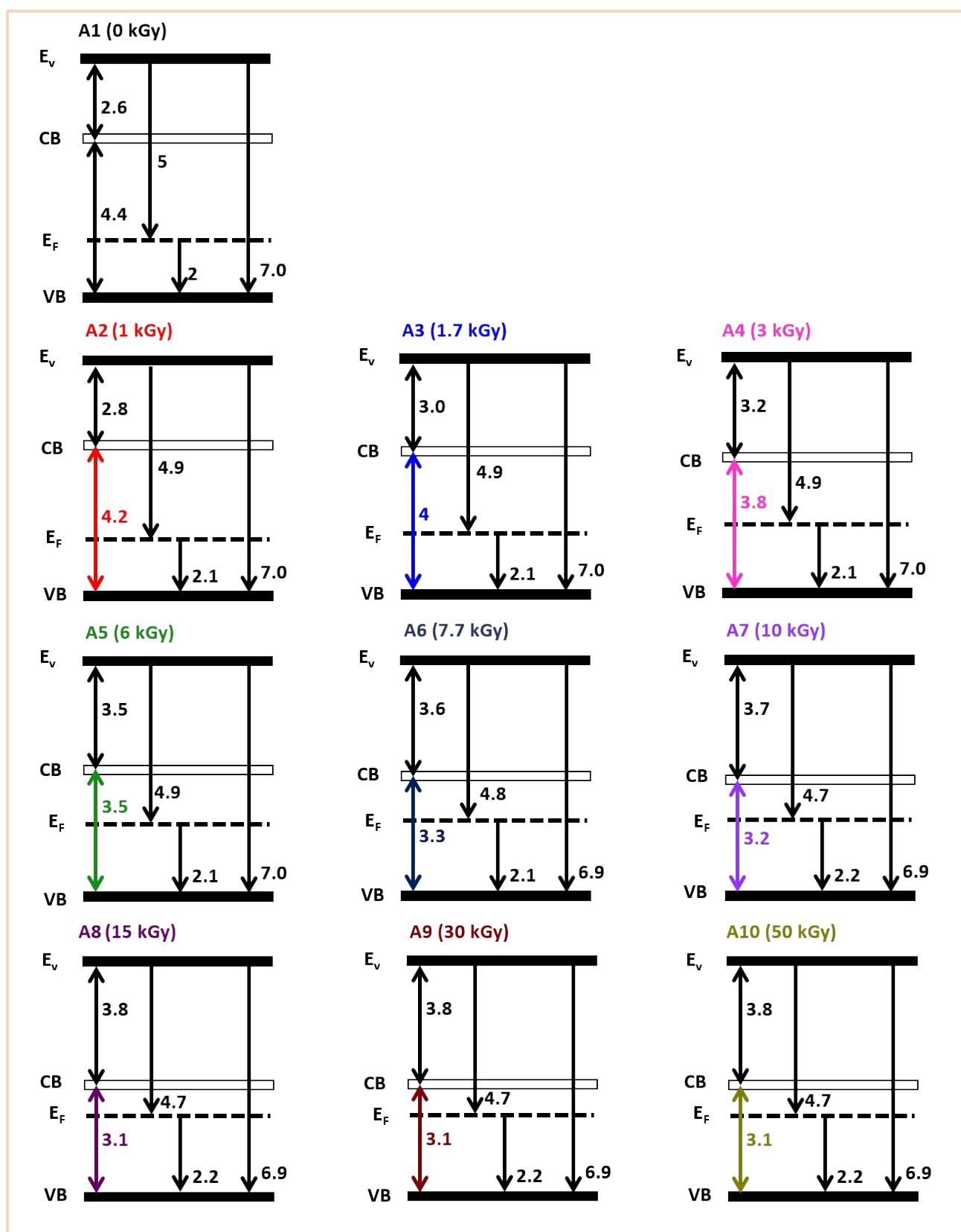
**Fig. S2** Tauc plot for the determination of the energy gap ( $E_g$ ) from UV-Vis spectra of Series B samples ( $[OG] = 0.2 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ ,  $[IPA] = 0.2 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ,  $[Ag^+] = 10^{-2} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ) irradiated at doses ranging from 0 kGy to 70 kGy. The intersection of the linear fit with the x-axis represents the energy gap for each sample.  $E_g$  corresponds to the bandgap GO and rGO, while  $E'_g$  refers to the bandgap of Ag NPs.



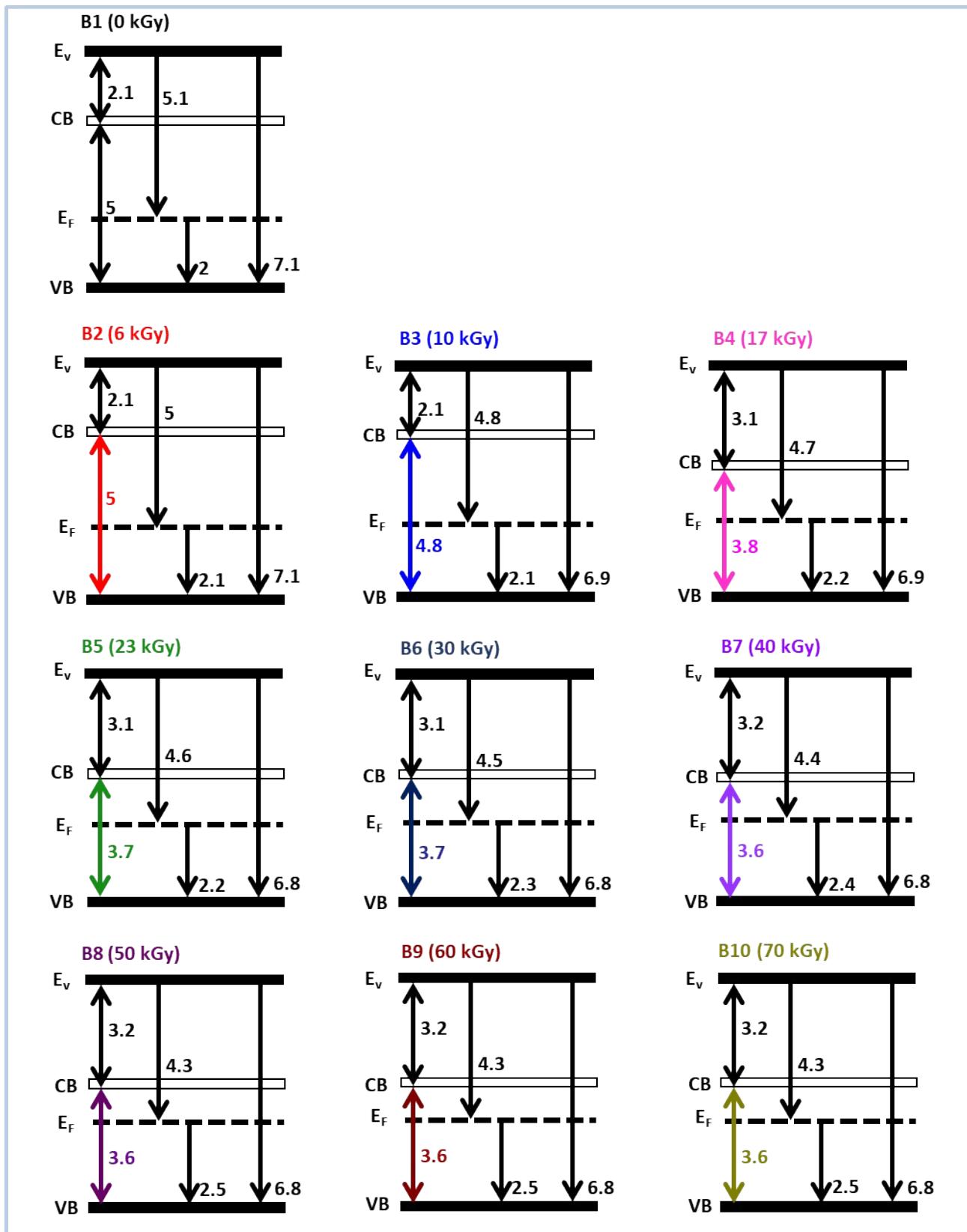
**Fig. S3** Evolution of the UPS spectrum obtained using HeI for all samples in Series A containing GO (0.2 g L<sup>-1</sup>), Ag<sup>+</sup> (10<sup>-3</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>), and IPA (0.2 mol L<sup>-1</sup>), both unirradiated and irradiated at various doses.



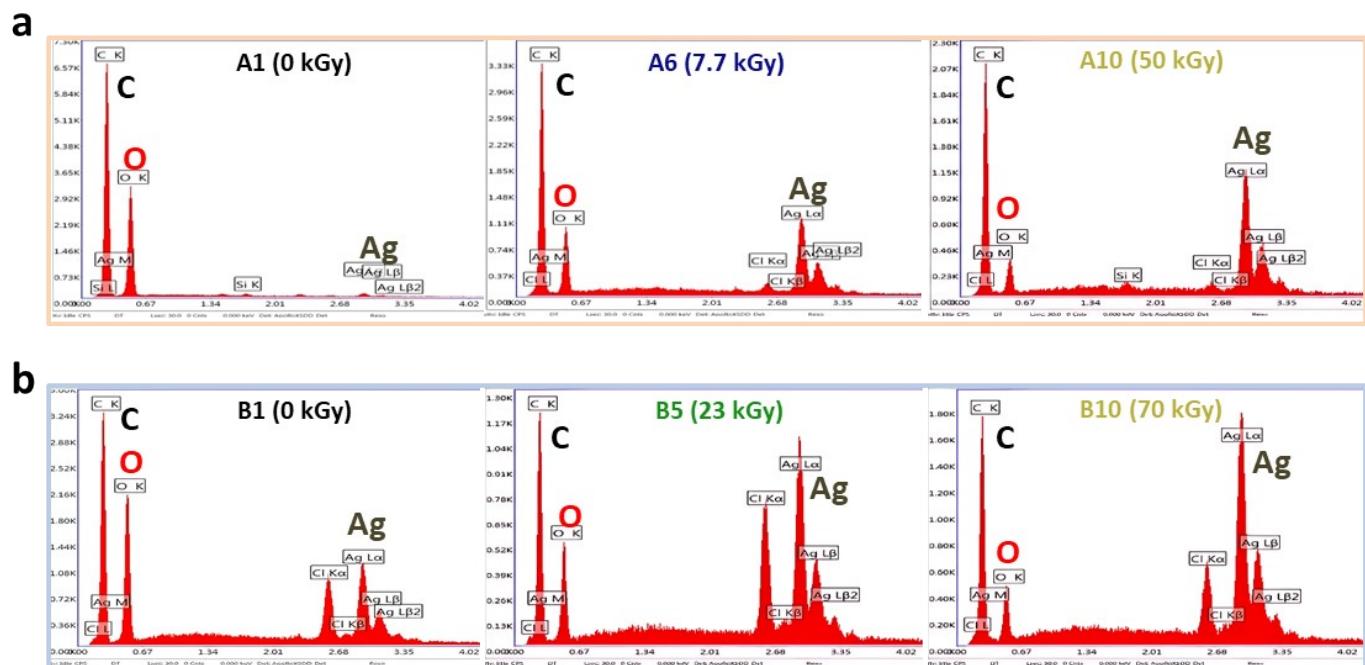
**Fig. S4** Evolution of the UPS spectrum obtained using HeI for all samples in Series B containing GO (0.2 g L<sup>-1</sup>), Ag<sup>+</sup> (10<sup>-2</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>), and IPA (0.2 mol L<sup>-1</sup>), both unirradiated and irradiated at various doses.



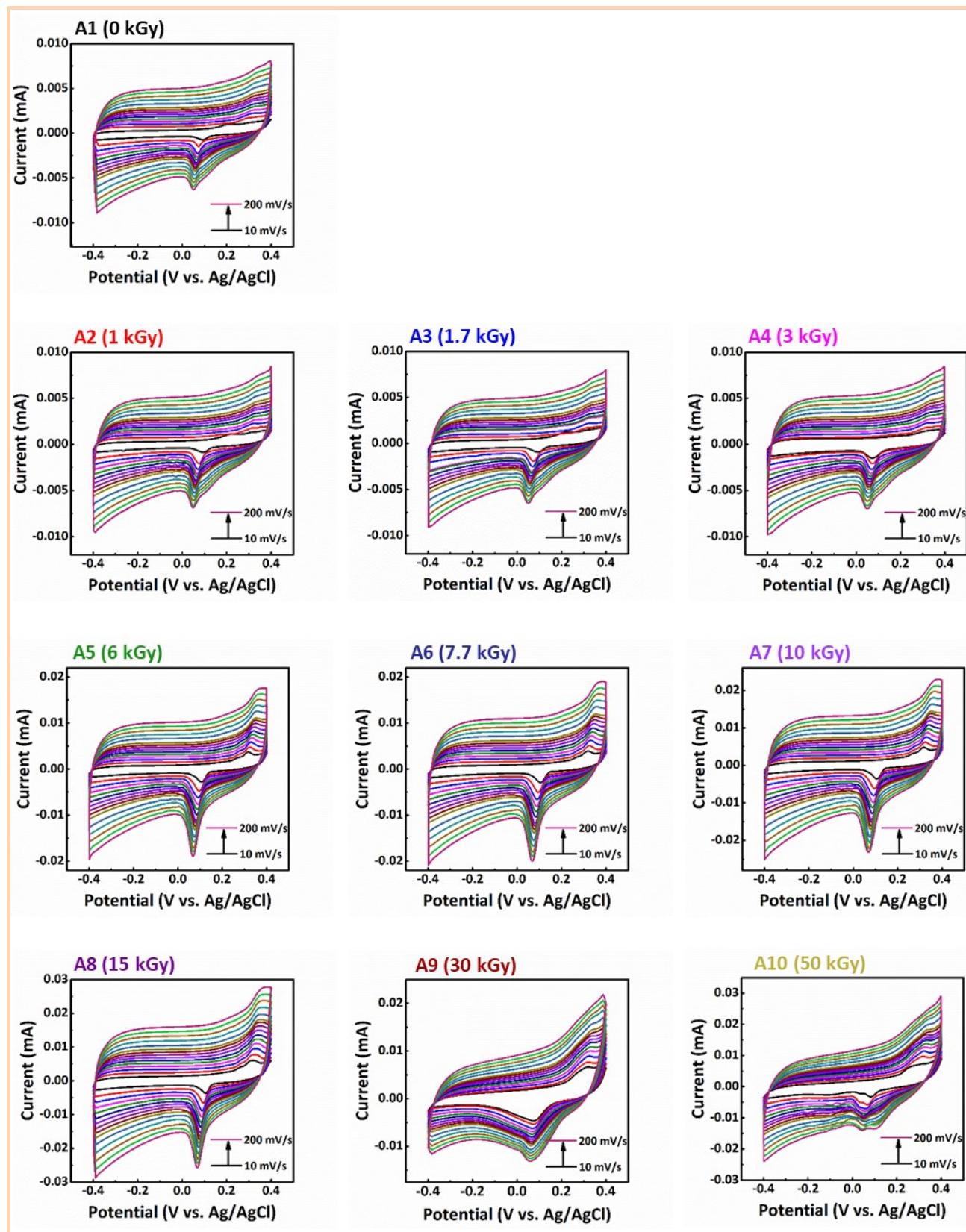
**Fig. S5** Band diagrams illustrating the evolution of the band structure of GO ( $0.2 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ )-Ag<sup>+</sup> ( $10^{-3} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ) in the presence of isopropanol ( $0.2 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ) as a function of absorbed dose (Series A).



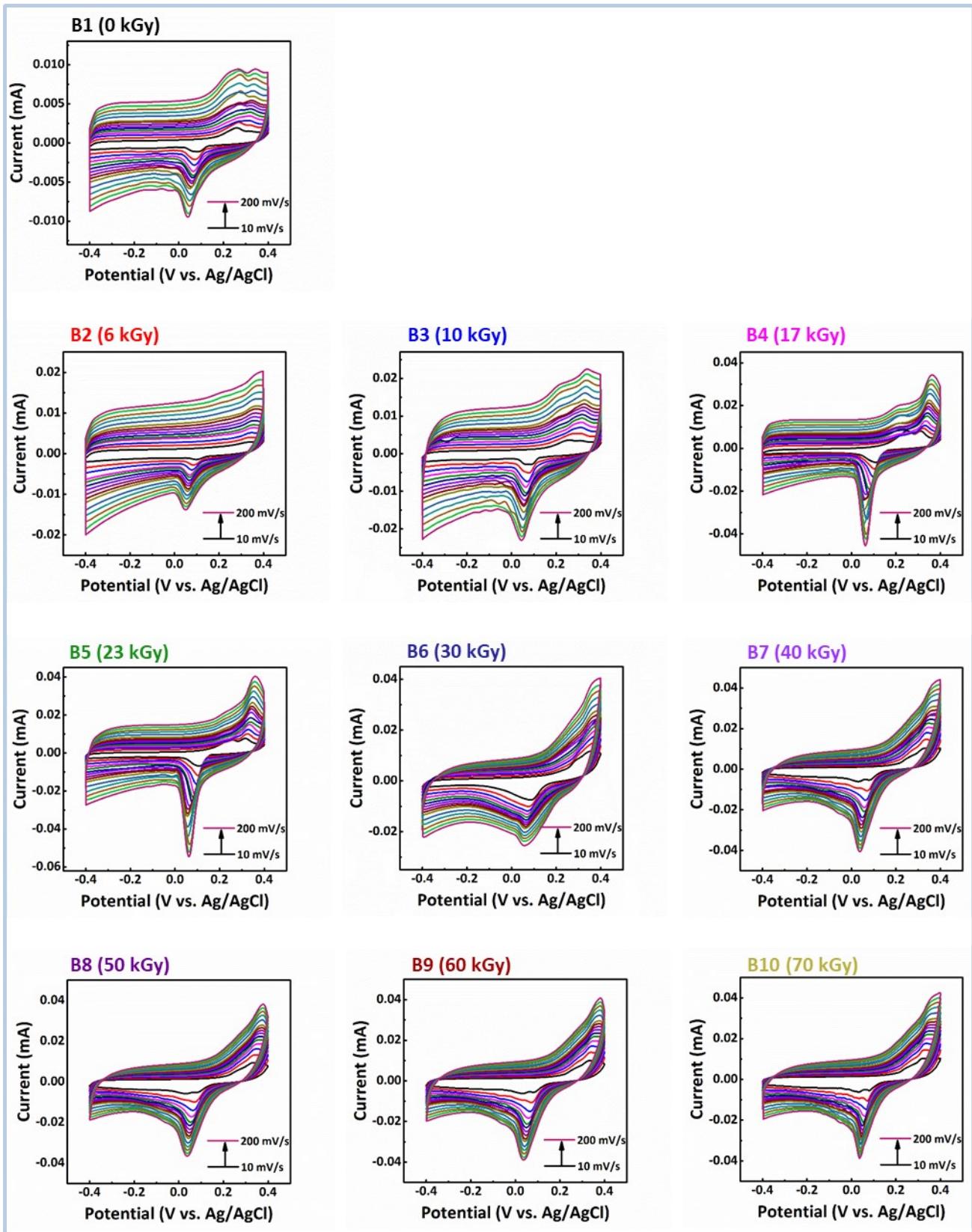
**Fig. S6** Band diagrams illustrating the evolution of the band structure of GO (0.2 g L<sup>-1</sup>)-Ag<sup>+</sup> (10<sup>-2</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>) in the presence of isopropanol (0.2 mol L<sup>-1</sup>) as a function of absorbed dose (Series B).



**Fig. S7** EDX diagrams of samples containing GO and Ag<sup>+</sup> before and after irradiation at increasing absorbed doses: a) Series A ([OG] = 0.2 g L<sup>-1</sup>, [IPA] = 0.2 mol L<sup>-1</sup>, [Ag<sup>+</sup>] = 10<sup>-2</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>) ; (b) Series B ([OG] = 0.2 g L<sup>-1</sup>, [IPA] = 0.2 mol L<sup>-1</sup>, [Ag<sup>+</sup>] = 10<sup>-2</sup> mol L<sup>-1</sup>).



**Fig. S8** Cyclic voltammograms at different scan rates ( $10\text{--}200\text{ mV s}^{-1}$ ) in  $0.1\text{ M KOH}$  electrolyte for non-irradiated and irradiated  $\text{GO-Ag}^+$  at different doses (Series A,  $[\text{OG}] = 0.2\text{ g L}^{-1}$ ,  $[\text{IPA}] = 0.2\text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ,  $[\text{Ag}^+] = 10^{-3}\text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ).



**Fig. S9** Cyclic voltammograms at different scan rates ( $10\text{-}200\text{ mV s}^{-1}$ ) in  $0.1\text{ M KOH}$  electrolyte for non-irradiated and irradiated  $\text{GO-Ag}^+$  at different doses (SeriesB,  $[\text{OG}] = 0.2\text{ g L}^{-1}$ ,  $[\text{IPA}] = 0.2\text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ,  $[\text{Ag}^+] = 10^{-2}\text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ).