

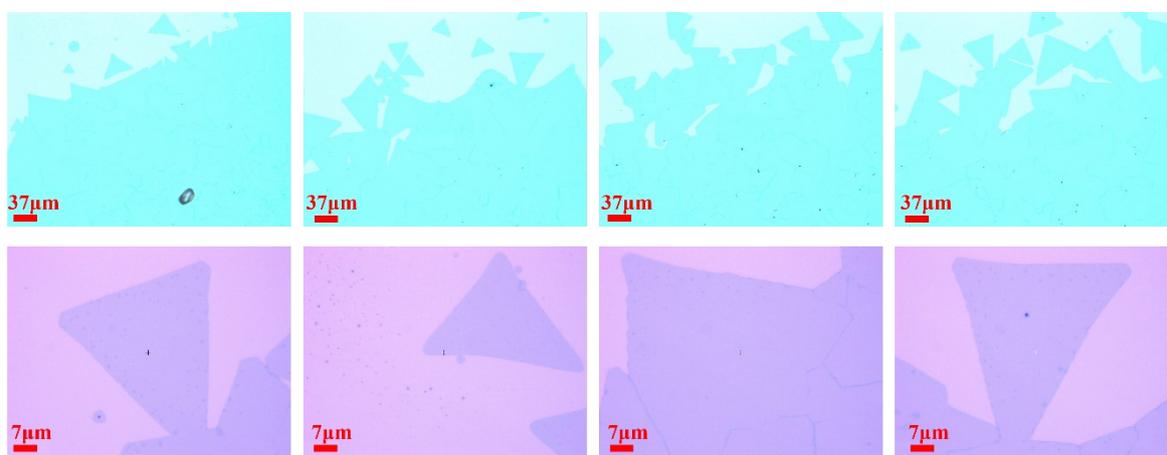
**Optically active defect states and valley depolarization in  
monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> induced by high-energy electron beam irradiation**

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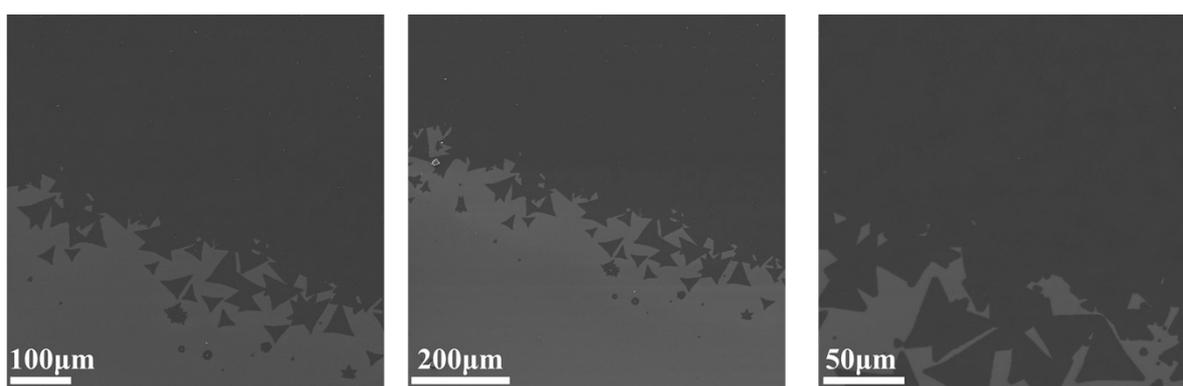
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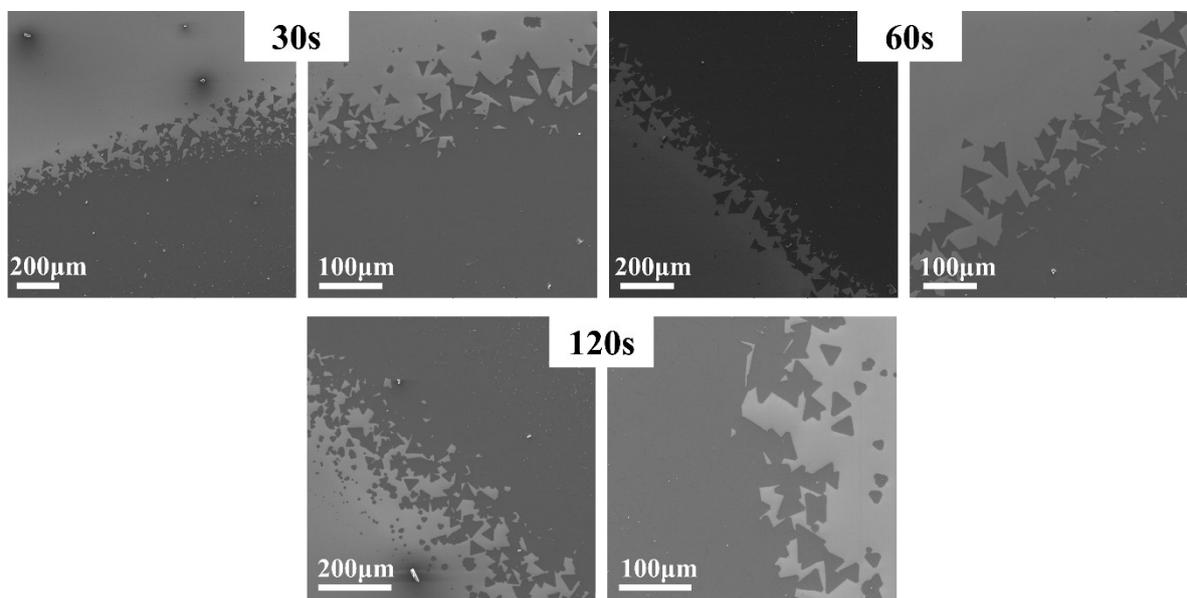


***Figure S.1(a): Optical microscopy images of as-grown sample***



***Figure S.1(b): Scanning electron microscopy images of as-grown sample***

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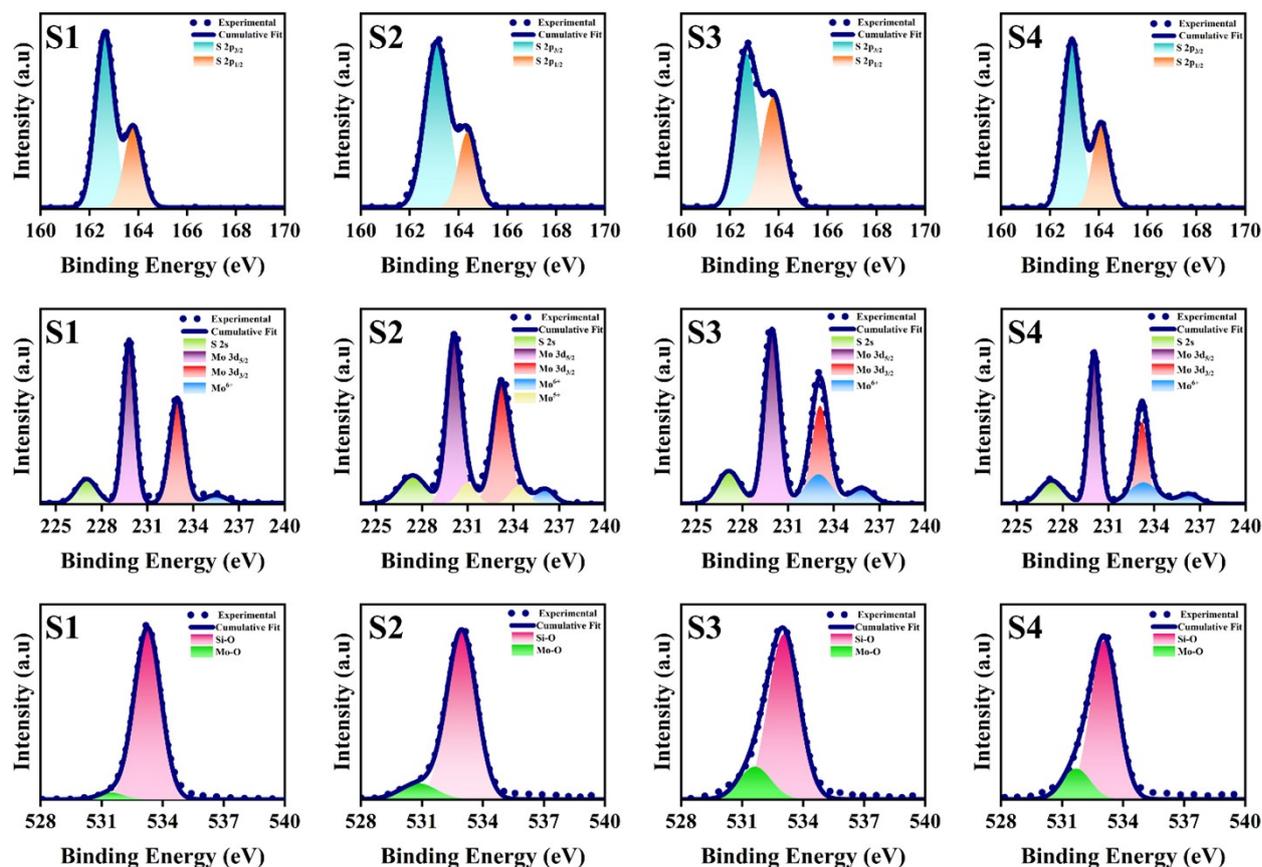
*Figure S.2: Scanning electron microscopy images of irradiated samples. The spherical particles observed on the sample surface are precursor residues from the chemical vapor deposition process.*

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Irradiation Time	S 2p <sub>3/2</sub> (eV)	S 2p <sub>1/2</sub> (eV)	Mo 3d <sub>5/2</sub> (eV)	Mo 3d <sub>3/2</sub> (eV)
As-grown	162.64728± 0.00751	163.81529± 0.01518	229.82746± 0.002	232.9866± 0.00352
30s	162.63956± 0.00966	163.83626± 0.02179	229.8051± 0.00203	232.93306± 0.00991
60s	163.00693± 0.00427	164.25543± 0.00728	230.07758± 0.00082633	233.31246± 0.00213
120s	162.91879± 0.00164	164.09103± 0.00323	230.09569± 0.00375	233.26901± 0.0114

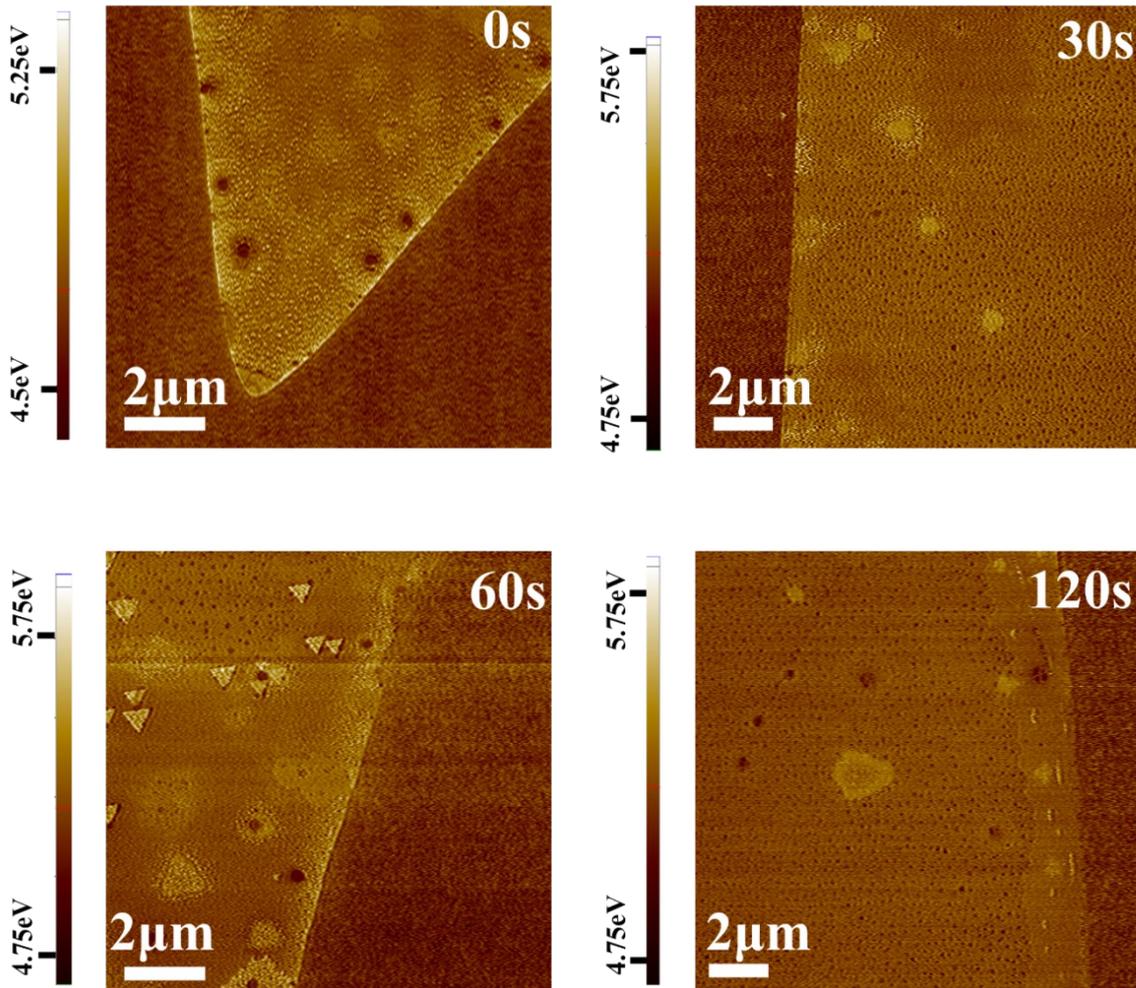
*Table S.1: Extracted fitting parameters from XPS spectra*

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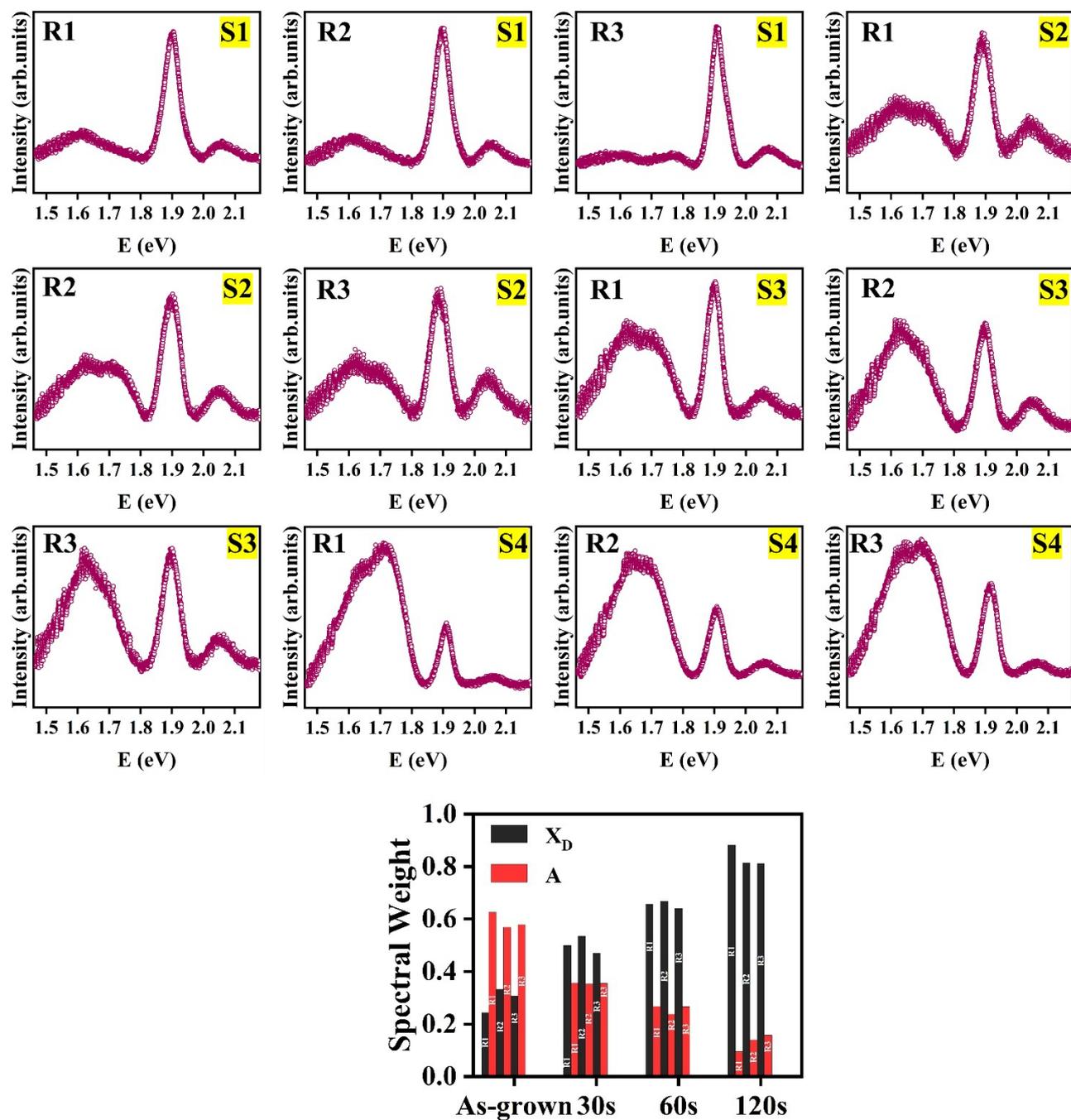
**Figure S.3: XPS spectra of S-2p, Mo-3d and O-1s . S1 corresponds to the as-grown monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> sample. S2, S3, and S4 represent samples irradiated with ~1MeV electron beam for 30s, 60s, and 120s, delivering fluences of  $3.6 \times 10^8$  electrons/cm<sup>2</sup>,  $7.2 \times 10^8$  electrons/cm<sup>2</sup>, and  $1.44 \times 10^9$  electrons/cm<sup>2</sup>, respectively.**

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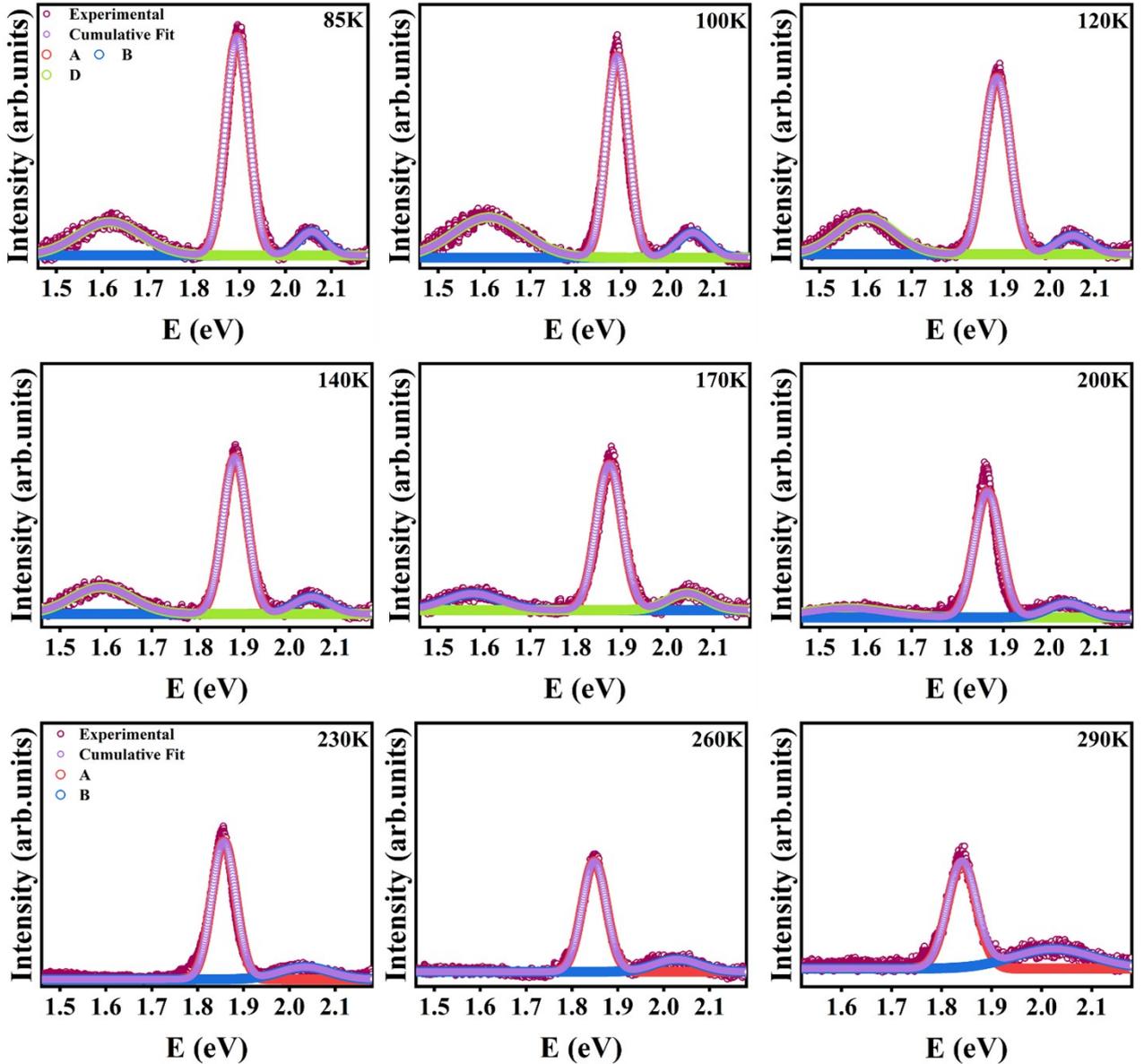
*Figure S.4: Workfunction mapping of as-grown and irradiated samples obtained from Kelvin Probe force microscopy analysis*

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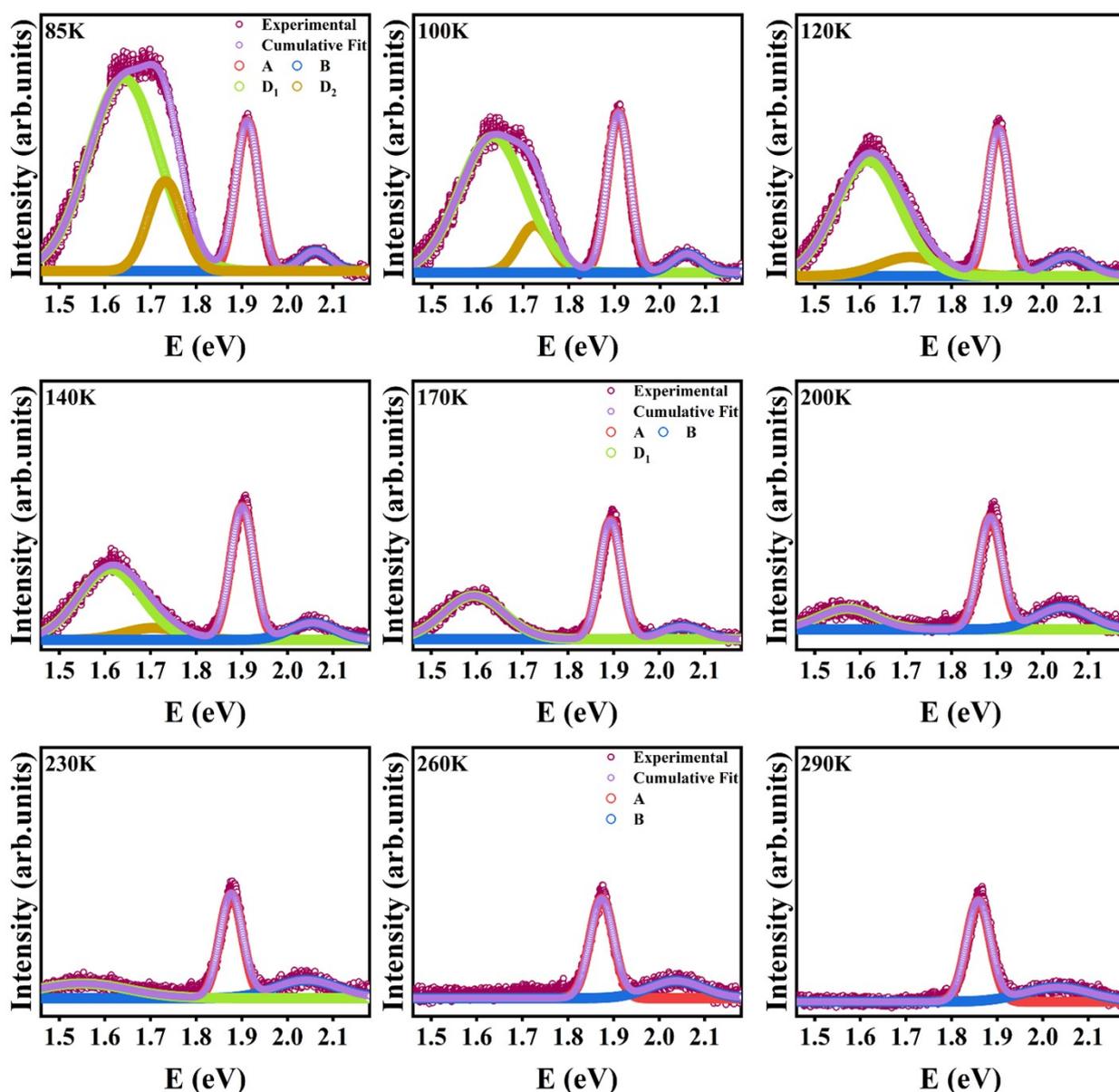


**Figure S.5:** Photoluminescence spectra acquired at 85K from different regions (labelled as R1, R2 and R3) of samples S1(as-grown), S2(30s irradiated), S3(60s irradiated), and S4 (120s irradiated). The corresponding spectral weight is also shown, indicating the consistent response of MoS<sub>2</sub> to irradiation. Bound exciton ( $X_D$ ) and A-exciton emissions are indicated in black and red, respectively.

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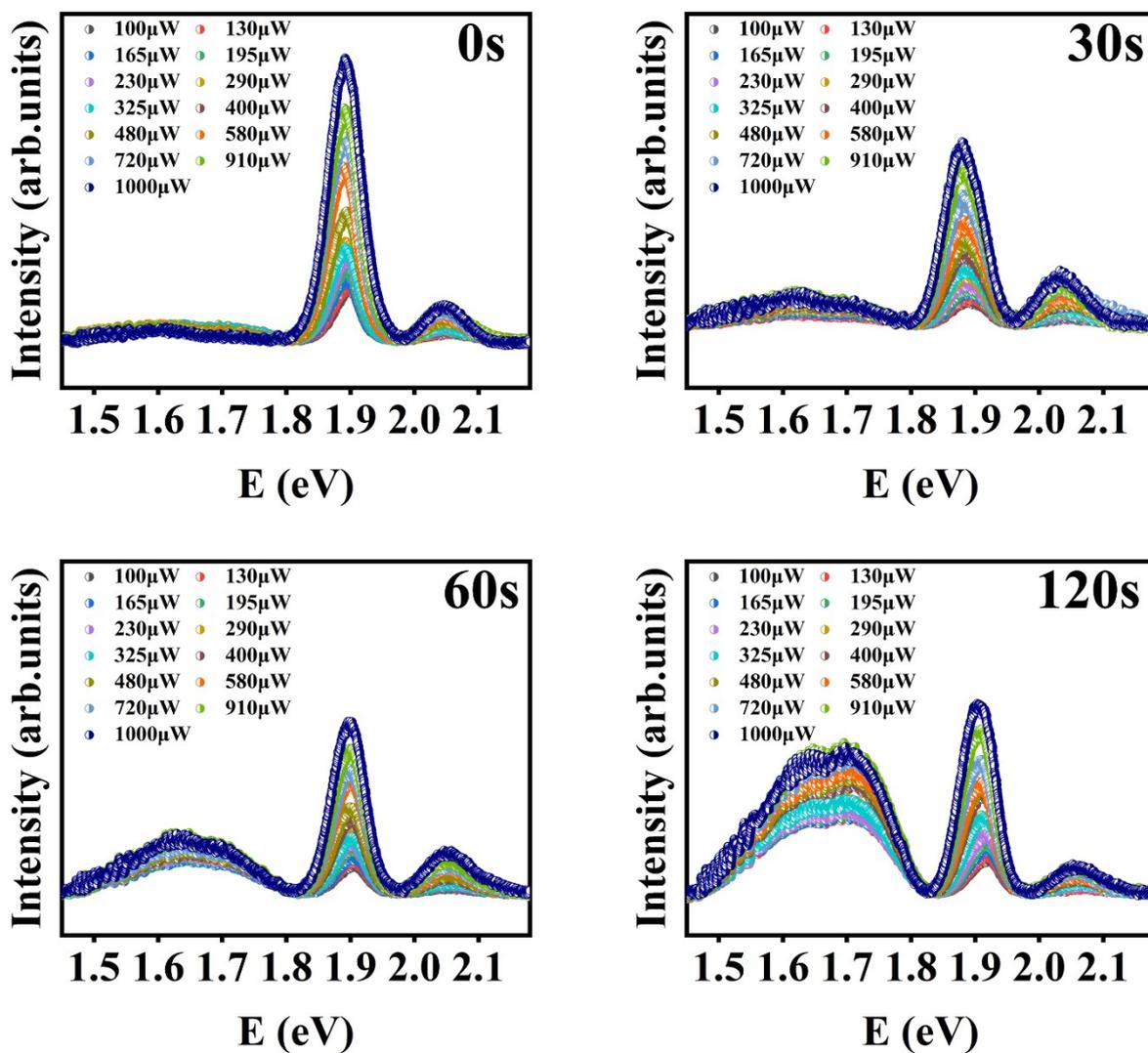


**Figure S.6(a):** Temperature-dependent photoluminescence (PL) spectra of as-grown MoS<sub>2</sub> (sample S1). PL spectra measured between 85–290 K (temperature shown in each panel) are fitted using Gaussian deconvolution. The Spectra is dominated by A exciton, B exciton, and a defect-related emission D at lower energy. With increasing temperature, the A and B exciton redshift and the defect emission is quenched, leaving primarily the A and B excitonic peaks above ~230 K.



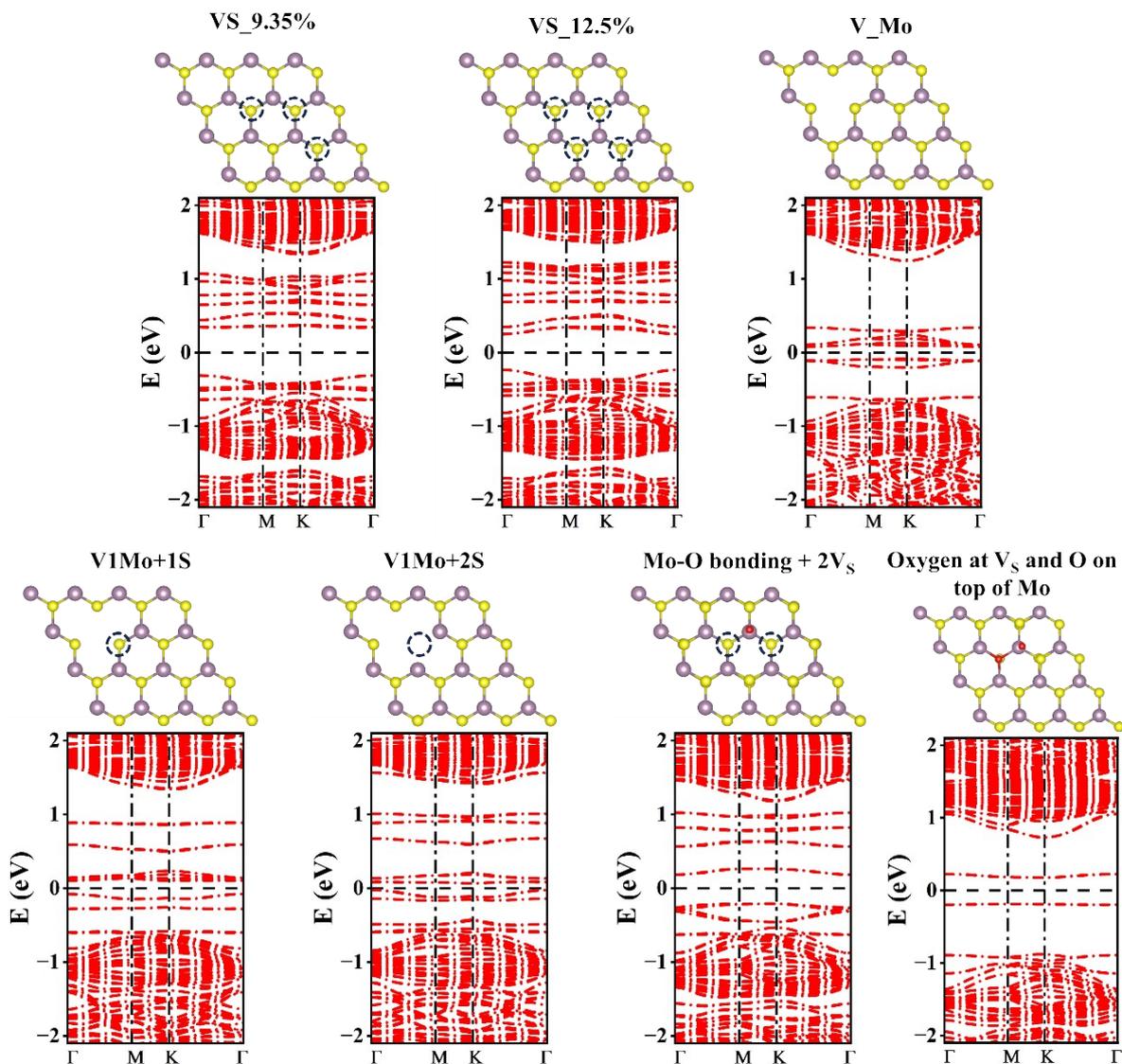
**Figure S.6(b):** Temperature-dependent photoluminescence (PL) spectra of electron-beam irradiated MoS<sub>2</sub> at a fluence of  $1.44 \times 10^9$  electrons/cm<sup>2</sup> (Sample S4). PL spectra measured between 85–290 K (temperature shown in each panel) are fitted using Gaussian deconvolution. The Spectra is dominated by the A exciton, the B exciton, and the defect-related emissions D<sub>1</sub> and D<sub>2</sub> at lower energy. The defect emissions are quenched at higher temperatures, leaving primarily the A and B excitonic peaks above ~230 K.

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*Figure S.7: Power-dependent photoluminescence (PL) spectra of as-grown and irradiated samples. PL spectra were measured at excitation powers ranging from 100  $\mu\text{W}$  to 1000  $\mu\text{W}$ .*

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*Figure S.8: Electronic band-structure of monolayer  $\text{MoS}_2$  with various defect configurations. The blue dotted circles indicate the sulfur vacancy sites. Increased defect concentration leads to more mid-gap states within the band-gap.*

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<b>Configurations</b>	<b><math>E_{\Gamma-K}</math> (eV)</b>	<b>Configurations</b>	<b><math>E_{\Gamma-K}</math> (eV)</b>
Pristine	0.4917	1O <sub>2</sub> physisorption+V <sub>1S</sub>	0.3514
V <sub>1S</sub>	0.4195	2O <sub>2</sub> physisorption	0.3539
V <sub>2S</sub>	0.3492	1O <sub>2</sub> physisorption+1O <sub>2</sub> bonding	0.1632
1O <sub>2</sub> bonding+V <sub>1S</sub>	0.2067	Mo-O-Mo+V <sub>1S</sub>	0.4613
2O <sub>2</sub> bonding	0.202	Mo-O bonding+V <sub>1S</sub>	0.3313

*Table S.2: Calculated energy separation between  $\Gamma$  and K points for the electronic band structures shown in the figure.8*