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2 **Response to SE-2016-163-SC1**

3 Thanks for your suggestions. We are appreciate for the comments concerning our manuscript entitled  
4 "Effects of wheat stubble on runoff, infiltration, and erosion of farmland in the Loess Plateau, China  
5 subjected to simulated rainfall" (ID: SE-2016-163). We have studied comments carefully and have made  
6 correction. The main corrections in the paper according to the reviewer's comments are as follows:

7 1. Line 27 and Line 147: "sloping farmland" change to "sloped farmland"

8 Reponse: Line 30: Soil and water losses from agricultural land, particularly **sloped farmland**, are  
9 regarded as major environmental threats to ecosystem sustainability on the Loess Plateau, China.

10 Line 153-154: TP is typically used by local farmers on **the sloped farmland** in the Loess Plateau region.

11 2. Line 257-259: ""Vermang et al. (2015) found that..." should be deleted.

12 Response: this sentence has been deleted in the manuscript.

13 3. Line 264 this sentence should add some references.

14 Response: To address this problem, the Chinese government launched the "Grain-for-Green" project in  
15 1999 with the aim of converting steep sloping ( $>25^\circ$ ) farmland into forest or grassland (**Cao et al., 2009;**  
16 **Wang, 2015**).

17 4. Line459 In the figure title "runoff pots" should be "runoff plots"

18 Response: Line 479: Figure 1 Experimental **runoff plots (a)** and schematic of the rainfall simulator (b).

19 5. In the figure2-5, I suggest use colors in these figures and the data symbols should increase the size:

20 Response: the figures have been reset according to the suggestions as follows:

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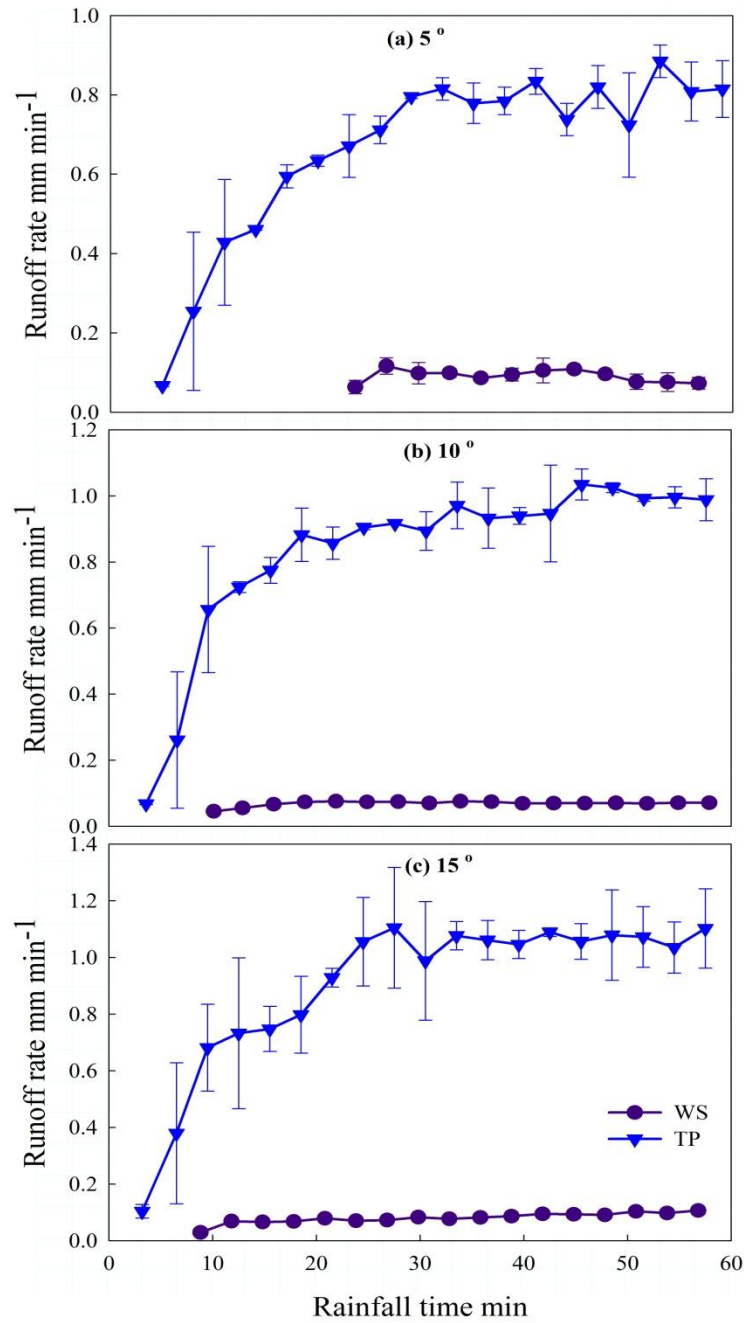
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41 Figure 2 Dynamics of the runoff rate in WS and TP plot during the simulated rainfall event .

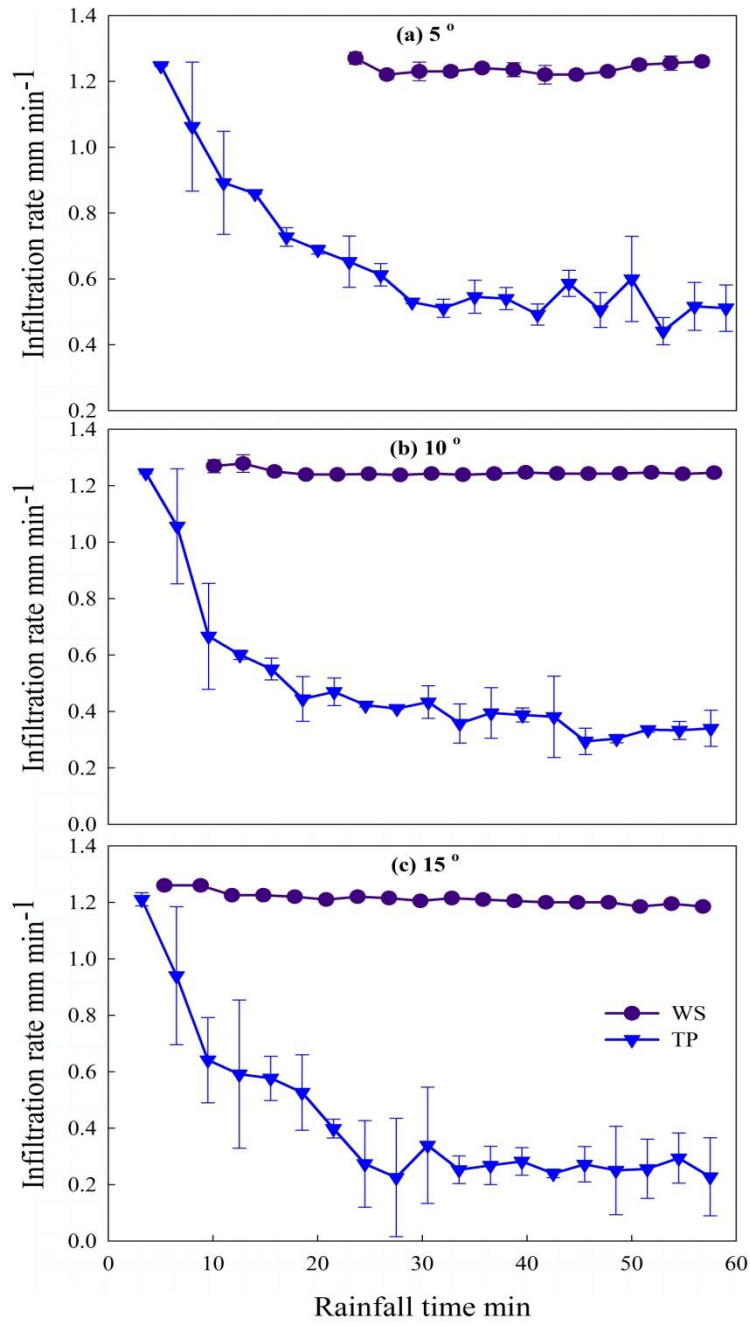


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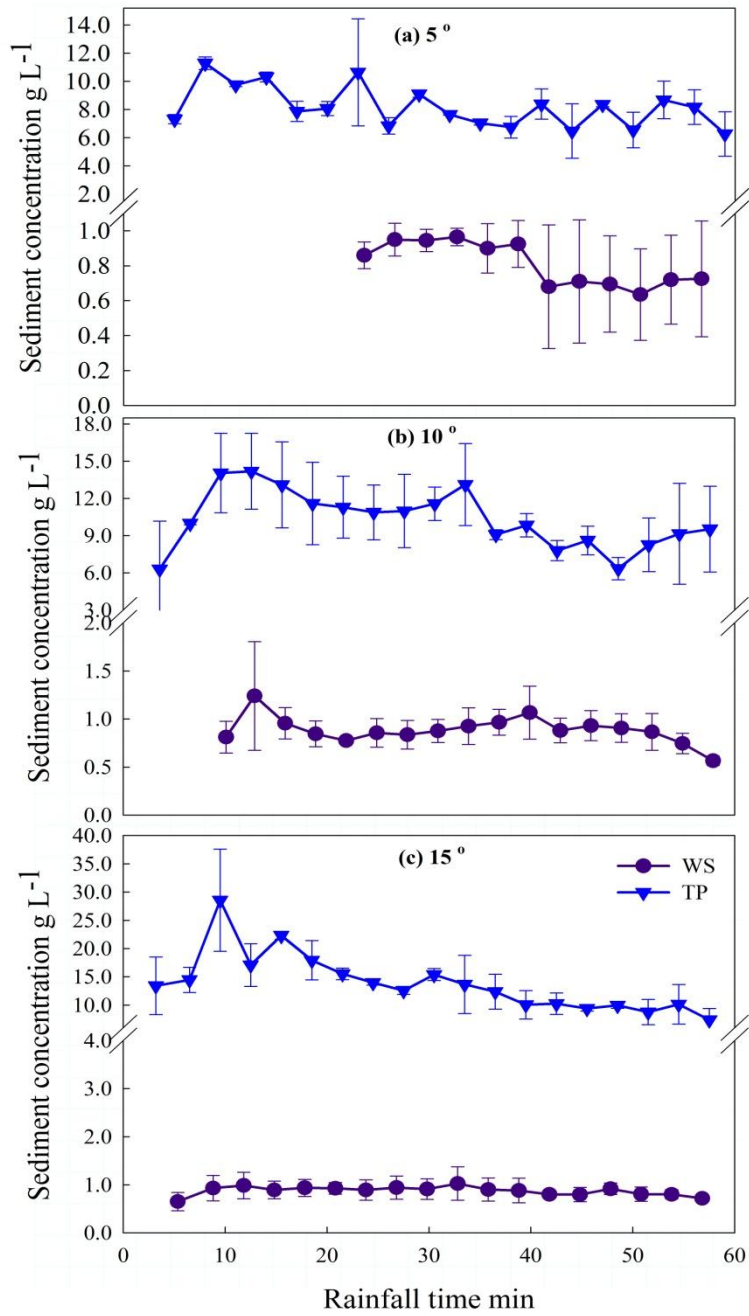
45 Figure 3 Dynamics of the infiltration rate in WS and TP plot during the simulated rainfall event.



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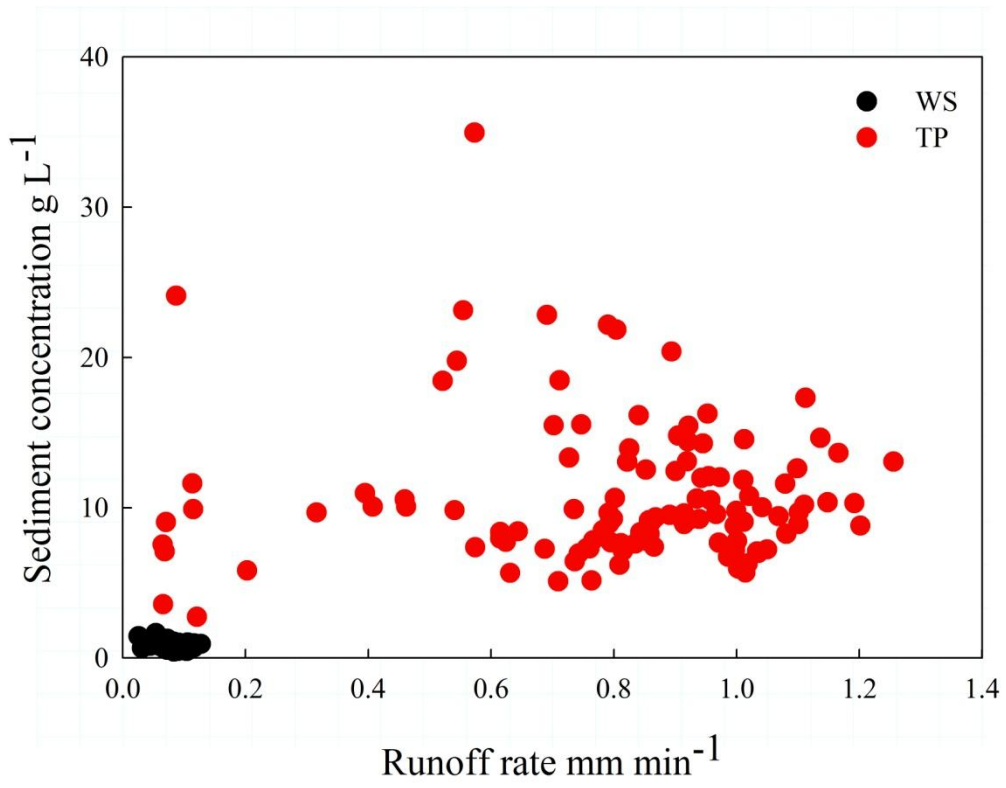
48 Figure 4 Dynamics of the Sc in WS and TP plot during the simulated rainfall event.



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51 Figure 5 Runoff rates versus sediment concentrations for WS and TP management treatment.



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