

Supporting information

***In-situ* stabilization of multiple heavy metals (Pb, Zn, As) by ferrous sulfate – From batch experiments to pilot study**

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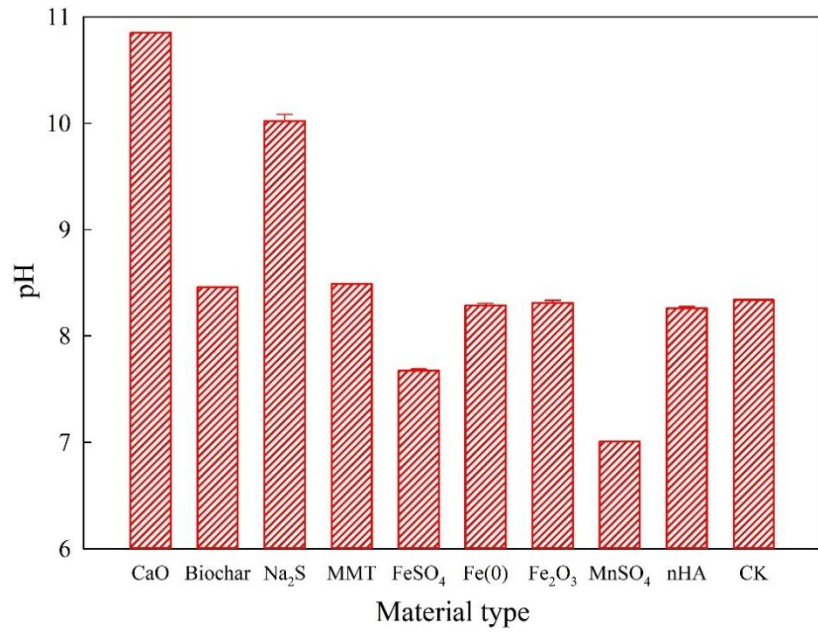


Fig. S1 Soil pH after the addition of different materials for 7 days

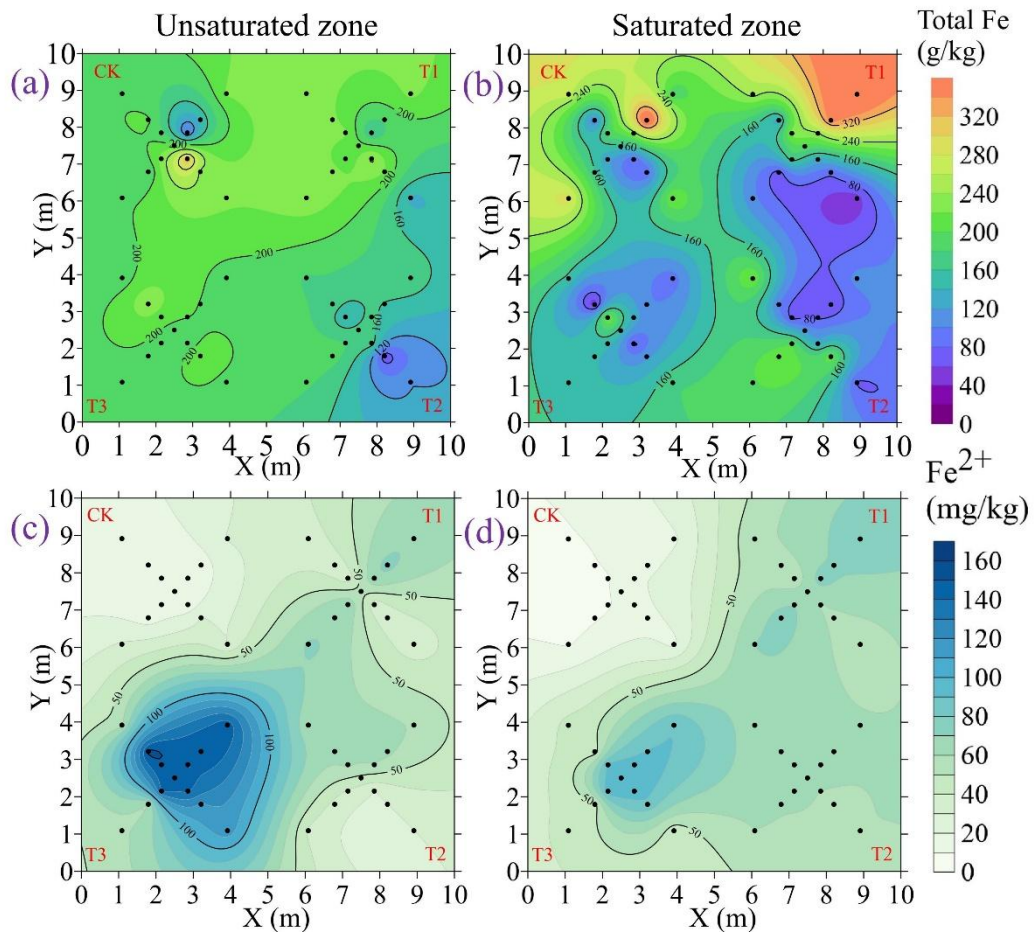


Fig. S2 The distribution of total Fe and Fe^{2+} concentrations after stabilization. (a) Total Fe concentration in the unsaturated zone; (b) Total Fe concentration in the saturated zone; (c) Fe^{2+} concentration in the unsaturated zone; (d) Fe^{2+} concentration in the saturated zone.

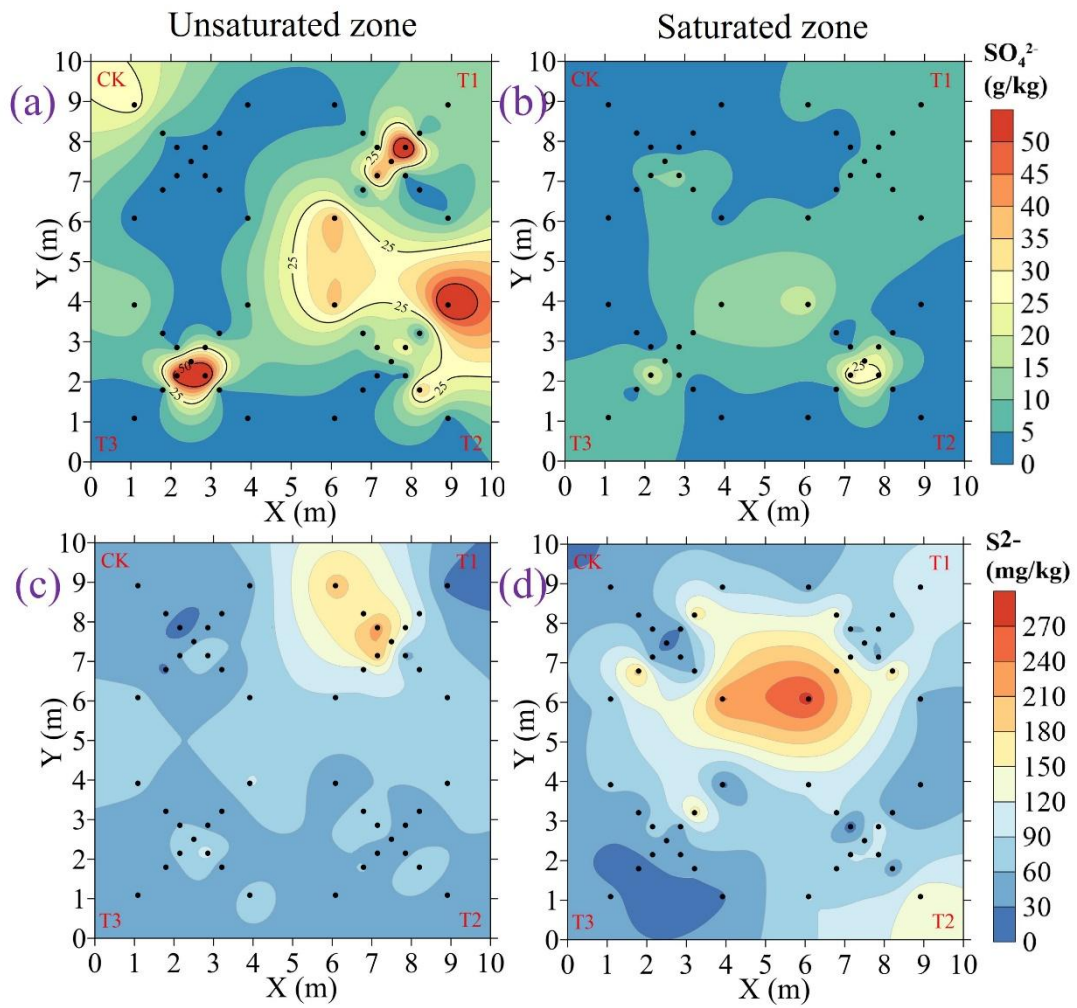


Fig. S3 The distribution of SO_4^{2-} and S^{2-} concentrations in soil after stabilization. (a) SO_4^{2-} concentration in the unsaturated zone; (b) SO_4^{2-} concentration in the saturated zone; (c) S^{2-} concentration in the unsaturated zone; (d) S^{2-} concentration in the saturated zone.

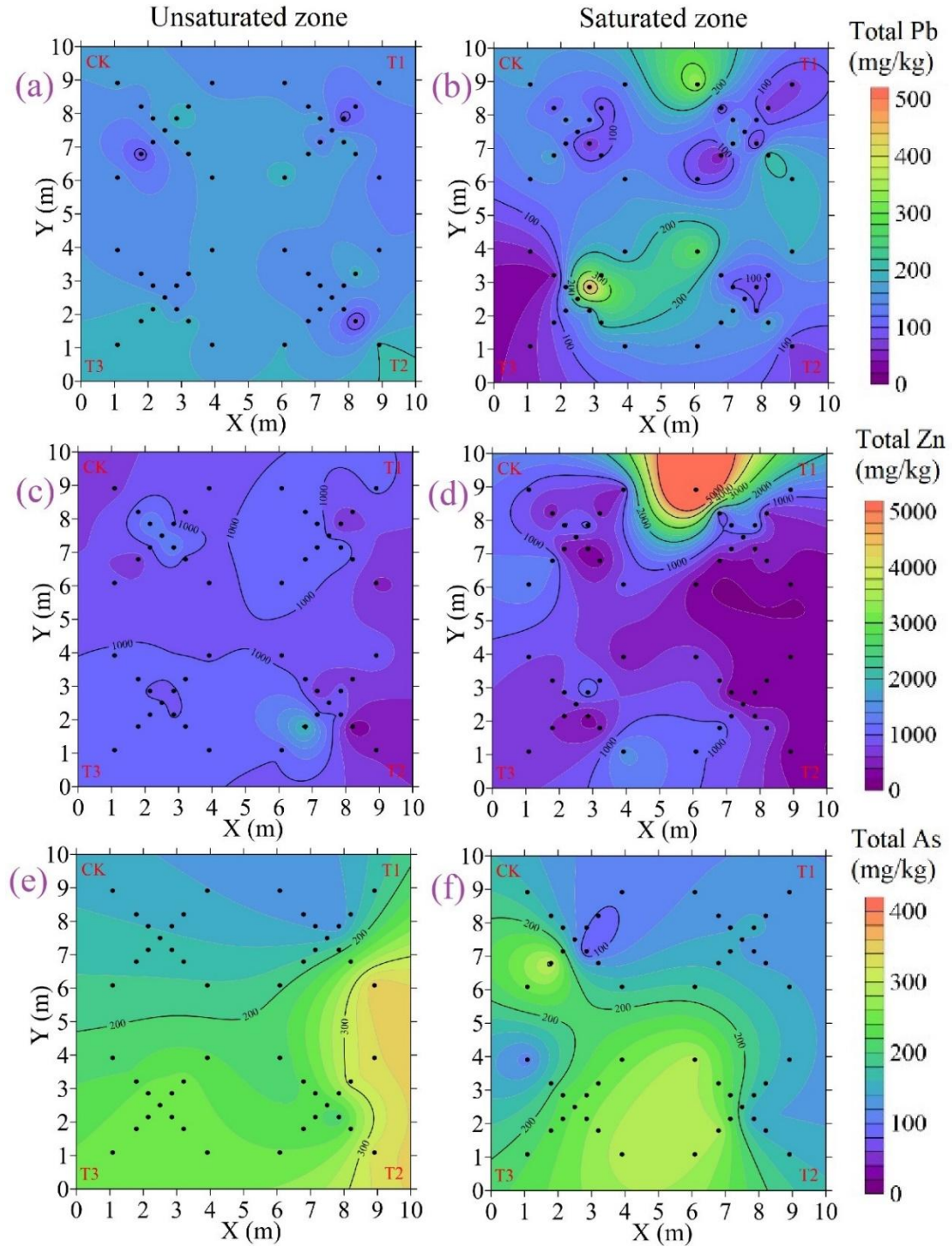


Fig. S4 The distribution of total Pb, Zn and As concentrations after stabilization. (a) Total Pb concentration in the unsaturated zone; (b) Total Pb concentration in the saturated zone; (c) Total Zn concentration in the unsaturated zone; (d) Total Zn concentration in the saturated zone; (e) Total As concentration in the unsaturated zone; (f) Total As concentration in the saturated zone.

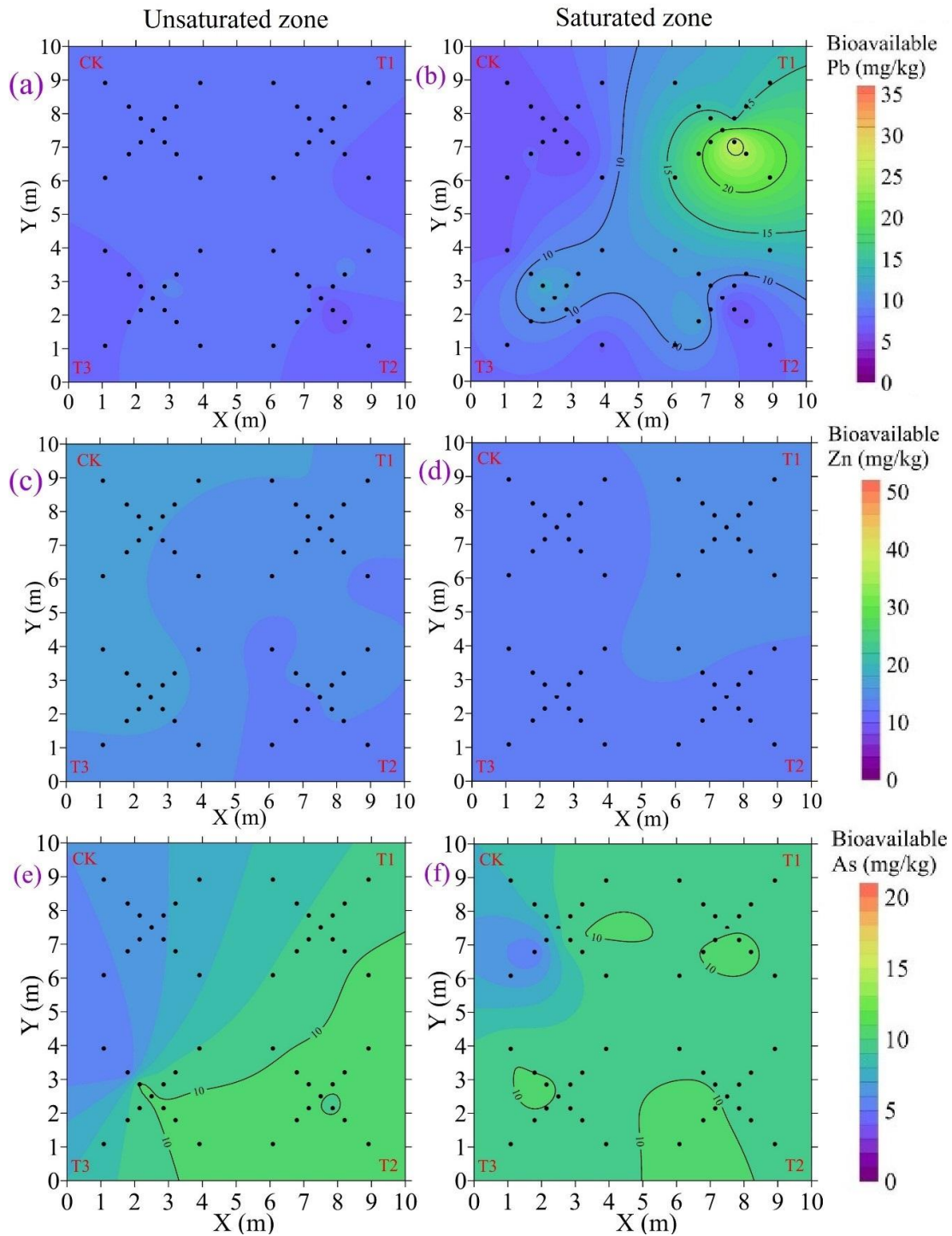


Fig. S5 The distribution of bioavailable Pb, Zn and As concentrations in soil before stabilization. (a) Bioavailable Pb concentration in the unsaturated zone; (b) Bioavailable Pb concentration in the saturated zone; (c) Bioavailable Zn concentration in the unsaturated zone; (d) Bioavailable Zn concentration in the saturated zone; (e) Bioavailable As concentration in the unsaturated zone; (f) Bioavailable As concentration in the saturated zone.

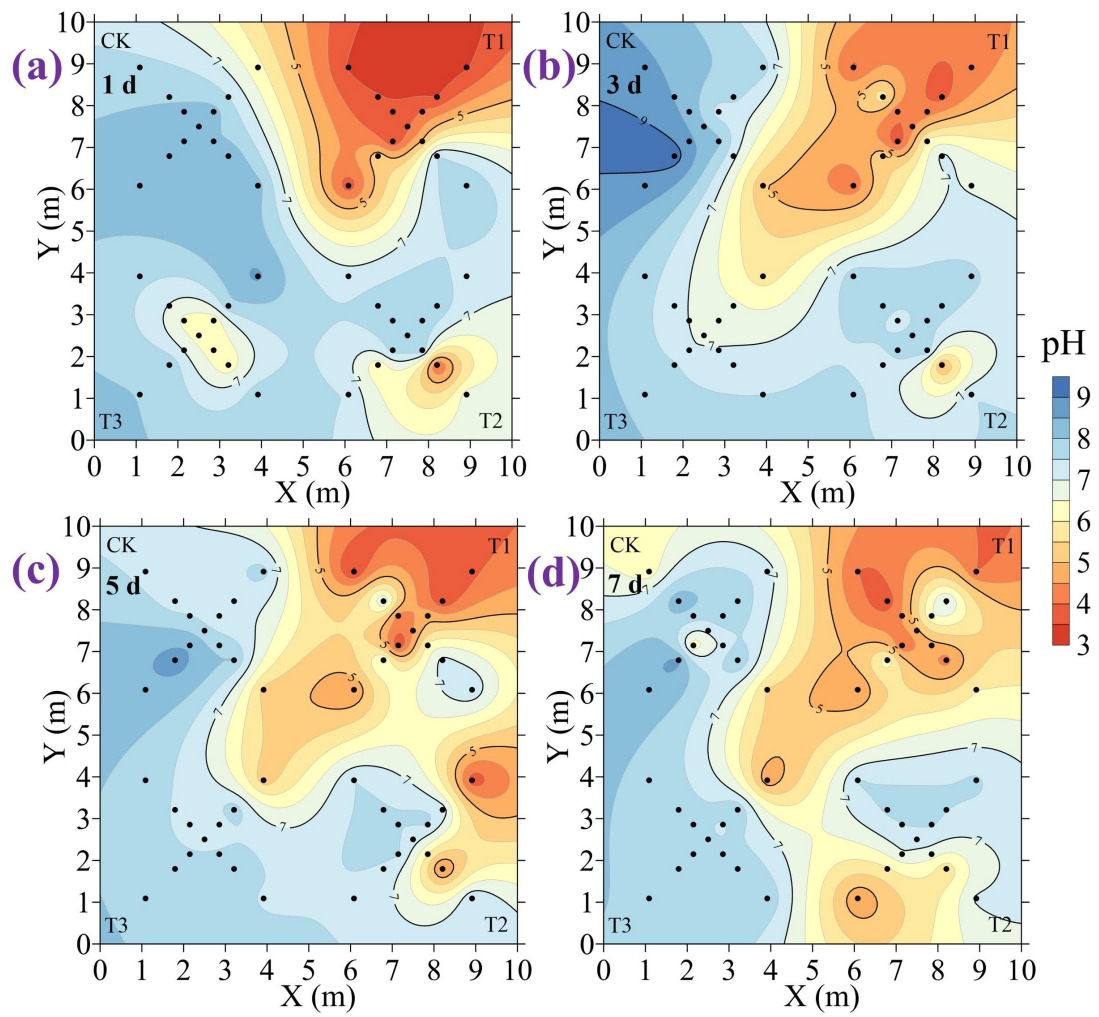


Fig. S6 The distribution of groundwater pH after the injection of FeSO_4 solution for 1 day (a), 3 days (b), 5 days (c) and 7 days (d) respectively.

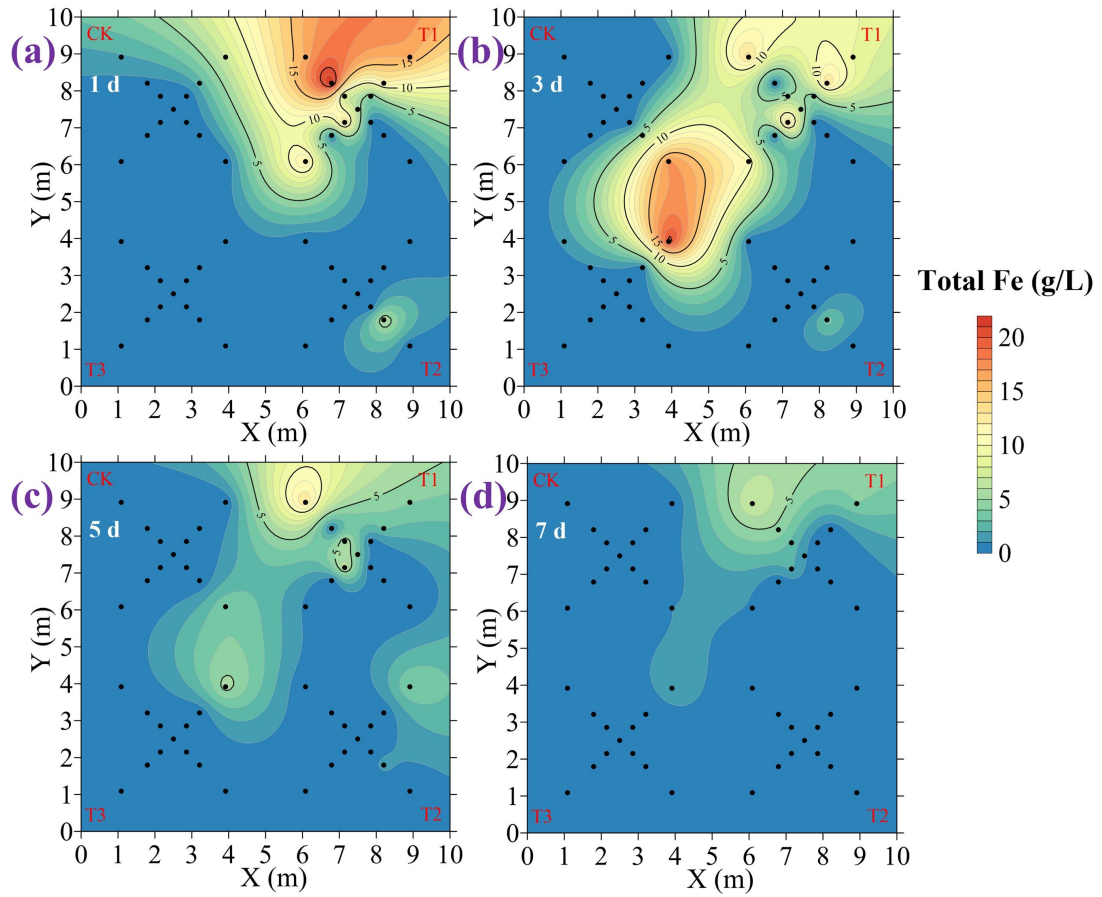


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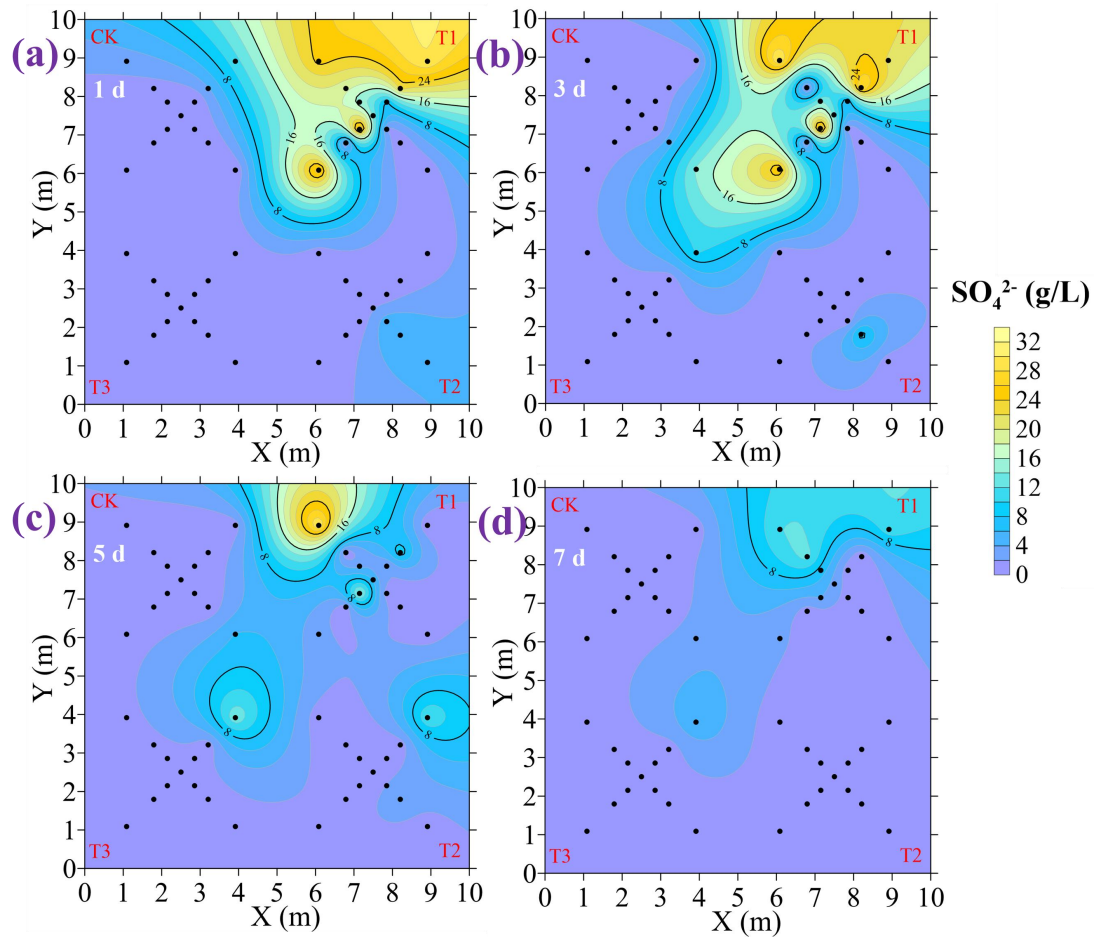


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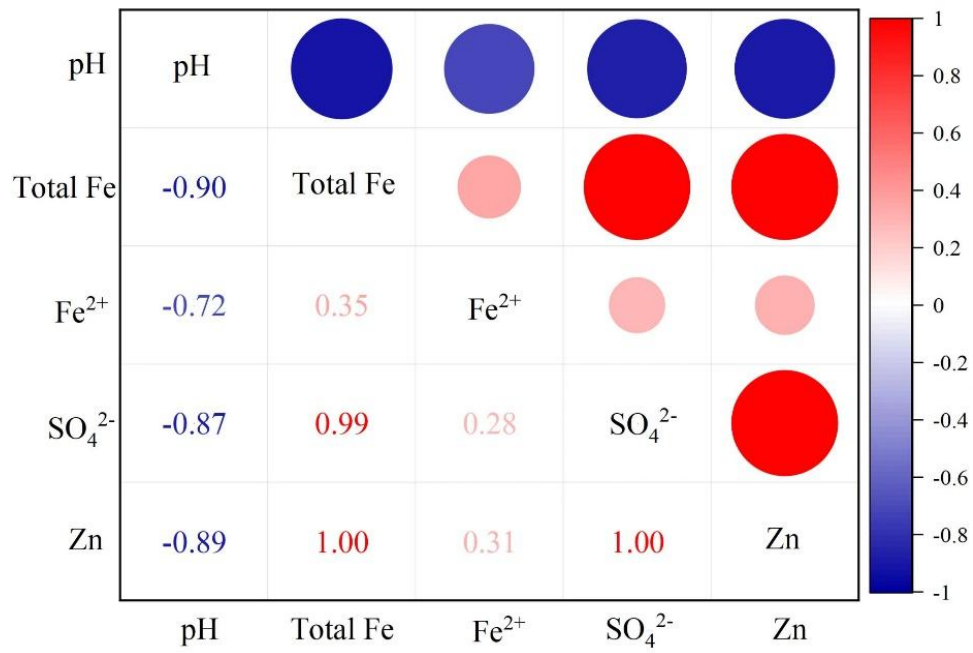


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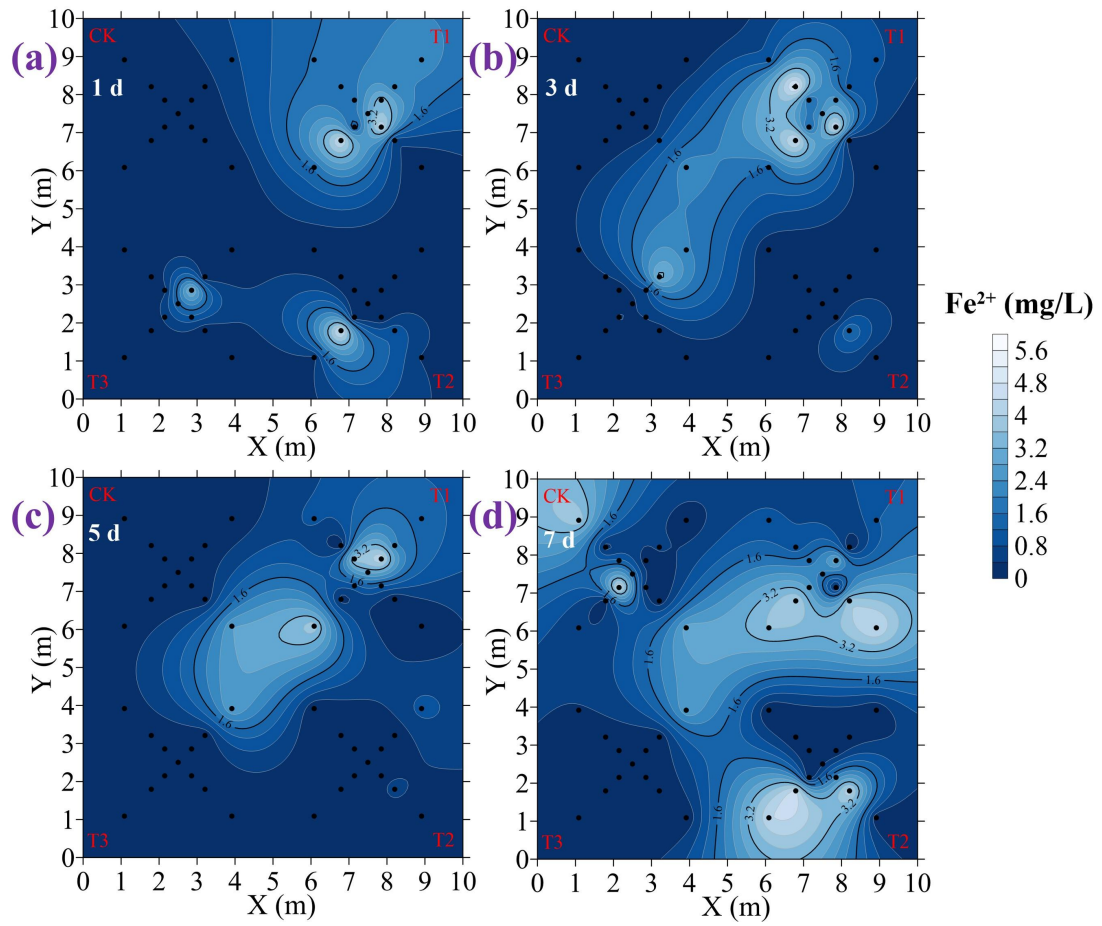


Fig. S10 The distribution of Fe^{2+} concentration in groundwater after the injection of FeSO_4 solution for 1 day (a), 3 days (b), 5 days (c) and 7 days (d) respectively.

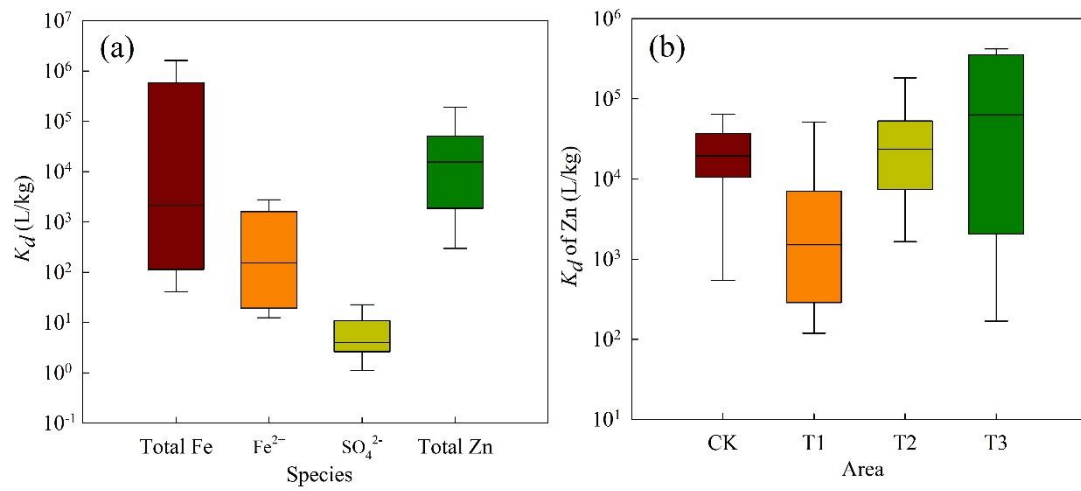


Fig. S11 The water-solid distribution coefficient (K_d) in the contaminated site after stabilization for 7 days. (a) K_d for different species; (b) K_d of total Zn in different areas.

Text S1 The calculation of solution radius of influence

Assuming that the thickness of unconfined aquifer was 1.0 m and the porosity was 0.3, The solution radius of influence could be calculated by the following equation:

$$V = \pi R^2 H \phi \rightarrow R = \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi H \phi}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.8m^3}{3.14 \times 1.0m \times 0.3}} = 0.921m \quad (\text{Eq. S1})$$

Text S2 The calculation of theoretical concentration of Fe^{2+} and SO_4^{2-} in soil after injection of $FeSO_4$ solution

It was assumed that soil porosity (ϕ) was 0.3 and the density of soil particles (ρ_p) was $2.55 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$. If 1 L $FeSO_4$ solution was injected into dry soil, the volume of soil that was filled by the $FeSO_4$ solution could be calculated by the following equation:

$$V_s = \frac{V_l}{\phi} = \frac{1L}{0.3} = 3.33L \quad (\text{Eq. S2})$$

Soil weight in such a volume could be calculated by the following equation:

$$M_s = V_s(1 - \phi)\rho_p = 3.33L \times (1 - 0.3) \times 2.55 \text{ kg} / L = 5.94 \text{ kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S3})$$

Therefore, the theoretical increased Fe^{2+} and SO_4^{2-} concentration in T1 could be calculated by the following equations:

$$\Delta C(Fe^{2+})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{Fe}}{M_s} = \frac{0.27 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 56 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 2.55 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S4})$$

$$\Delta C(SO_4^{2-})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{SO_4^{2-}}}{M_s} = \frac{0.27 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 96 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 4.36 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S5})$$

The theoretical increased Fe^{2+} and SO_4^{2-} concentration in T2 could be calculated by the following equations:

$$\Delta C(Fe^{2+})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{Fe}}{M_s} = \frac{0.52 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 56 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 4.90 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S6})$$

$$\Delta C(SO_4^{2-})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{SO_4^{2-}}}{M_s} = \frac{0.52 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 96 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 8.40 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S7})$$

The theoretical increased Fe^{2+} and SO_4^{2-} concentration in T3 could be calculated by the following equations:

$$\Delta C(Fe^{2+})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{Fe}}{M_s} = \frac{0.90 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 56 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 8.48 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S8})$$

$$\Delta C(SO_4^{2-})_s = \frac{C_l V_l M_{SO_4^{2-}}}{M_s} = \frac{0.90 \text{ mol} / L \times 1L \times 96 \text{ g} / \text{mol}}{5.94 \text{ kg}} = 14.55 \text{ g} / \text{kg} \quad (\text{Eq. S9})$$