

Table 1 Parameters for experiment and simulations.

Parameters	Values
Average velocity of the overlying water	13.3 cm s <sup>-1</sup>
Average depth of the overlying water ( $H$ )	10.75 cm
Initial concentration of colloids in overlying water ( $C_0$ )	0.2 kg m <sup>-3</sup>
Initial concentration of colloids in bedform ( $S_0$ )	0
Bedform length ( $L$ )	15.50 cm
Stoss length ( $L_c$ )	11.00 cm
Lee length ( $L_l$ )	4.50 cm
Bedform height ( $H_b$ )	2.00 cm
Average streambed depth ( $d_b$ )	13.16 cm
Hydraulic conductivity ( $K$ )	8.84×10 <sup>-4</sup> m s <sup>-1</sup>
Bulk porosity ( $\epsilon$ )	0.33
Water density ( $\rho$ )	1000 kg m <sup>-3</sup>
Water dynamic viscosity ( $\mu$ )	0.001 Pa s

Table 2 Parameters for small ( $d_p < 1.10 \mu\text{m}$ ), middle ( $1.10 \mu\text{m} < d_p < 3.06 \mu\text{m}$ ) and large ( $d_p > 3.06 \mu\text{m}$ ) -sized particles.

	Total	Small-sized	Middle-sized	Large-sized
Initial mass proportion	100%	25.13%	39.35%	35.51%
Final mass proportion	100%	61.77%	38.22%	0.01%
Settling velocity $v_s$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	1.75×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.22×10 <sup>-6</sup>	1.51×10 <sup>-6</sup>	4.83×10 <sup>-6</sup>
Transfer coefficient $\alpha$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	1.79×10 <sup>-7</sup>	1.33×10 <sup>-6</sup>	4.65×10 <sup>-7</sup>	3.51×10 <sup>-9</sup>
Settlement-transfer number $N_s$	78.0	8.53	30.2	1.28×10 <sup>4</sup>
Equal effect settlement-transfer number $N_{se}$	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14
Release coefficient $k_s$ (s <sup>-1</sup> )	/	0.501	/	/
Poisson process parameter $\lambda$	/	1.06×10 <sup>-4</sup>	/	/