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PART 1:

Journal Name:	British Journal of Applied Science & Technology
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Title of the Manuscript:	Effect of Blanching and Osmotic Pre-treatment on Drying Kinetics, Shrinkage and Rehydration of Chayote (Sechium edule) during Convective Drying

PART 2:

FINAL EVALUATOR'S comments on revised paper (if any)	Authors' response to final evaluator's comments
As already noted previously the authors need to; 1) State the units of time on line 150. The reader needs to know this unit whether it is in seconds, minutes, hours or days. 2) Define the term L just like you have defined other symbols in line 126-128. There are different equations when L is for half thickness or full thickness. You should also give us the units of measuring L. 3) Insert a sentence in section 2.6 stating that the area was measured before and after drying. The way this section is written now leaves this knowledge to the imagination of the reader.	Units of the drying time specified as "min" on line 152 and in the "nomenclature" section "L" is defined as half thickness and the units of measurement stated as "m" in the "nomenclature" section. The first sentence in section 2.6 now modified to read "Area shrinkage of dried samples was estimated using image analysis software Image 1.46r (National Institutes of Health, USA) before and after drying"