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Customer:	M/s. D. S. GROUPS.
Process:	Batch Microwave + Convection Heat Treatment for Drying of Extrude Areca.

# TEST REPORT No: 55/KRDC/LAB/17 Mum 02/03/2022

Date Sample reception : 02/03/2022 ID : 55/LAB/02

#### **SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:**

Sampling : As Requested
Sample Condition : Acceptable
Sampling date : 02/03/2022
Product : Extrude Areca.

Requirement : Final Product must be dried fully and moisture content should be less

than 4%

Start Date test : 02/03/2022 End Date test : 02/03/2022

### LABORATORY EXPERIMENTAL SET UP FOR TRIAL:



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#### LAB BATCH MICROWAVE+CONVECTION HEATING SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS:

Microwave Power	2 KW (CW)
Frequency	2450 MHz ± 50
Convective Power	3.5 KW (airflow 350 I/min at 20°C)
Microwave Exposure Zone (Cavity)	1 Cubic meter
Mode Stirrer	One
Thermal Monitoring System	Single Channel Fiber Optic: Range - 40 to 250°C
Exhaust Power	1 HP
Tray size (width*height*depth)	450*950*50 mm

### **ENVIRONMENT-LABORATORY AMBIENT CONDITIONS:**

Temperature (degree C)	27.1°C (±5°C)
Humidity (%)	≤70% RH
Pressure (kN/m2 or kPa)	Not recorded

**Note for recommendation:** Environmental conditions have a direct impact on test results. Accuracy and consistency of test data are affected by the laboratory conditions.

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# **EQUIPMENTS USED:**

Name of Equipment	Picture of Equipment	Specifications
Compact Thermal Imaging Camera		Model: FLIR E-30 Resolution: 160x 120IR Thermal sensitivity of 0.10°C
Moisture Analyzer		Make: Axis Balance Description: Moisture range: 1% (sample 0.02/0.05g), 0.1% (Sample 0.5/5g), 0.01%(Sample>5g)
Thermo Hygrometer	20 Br	Model No: HTC-2  Temperature accuracy: ±°C (1.8°F) Temperature resolution: 0.1°C (0.2°F) Humidity range: 10%~99% RH Humidity accuracy: ±5% RH Humidity resolution: 1% RH

#### **SAMPLE PREPARATION AND METHOD/PROCEDURE:**

The experiment has been performed on Extrude Areca without adding any additive to speed up the drying rate. For this experimental run, given sample has been placed on Glass tray in MW + Convection heating system with suitable parameters. Observations are made on the final moisture content of sample, weight and appearance Also, initial weight before drying and final weight after drying was taken.

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#### **ANALYTICAL RESULTS:**

**TRIAL-A:** 

Sample: B2

Initial Wt.: 200g

**Initial Moisture: 24.8%** 

Cycles	Specifications of Microwave	Cycle Time	Moisture	Remarks.
		(min.)	Content.	
C1	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW;	After 40 min	8.3%	Drying Start
	Set temp. of MW:40°C;			
	Set temp. of Heater: 30°C;			
	Fan speed: 100%			
C2	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW;	After 90 min	4.8%	Drying
	Set temp. of MW:40°C			Continues.
	Set temp. of Heater: 30°C;			
	Fan speed: 100%			
C3	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW;	After 110 min	3.7%	Drying
	Set temp. of MW:40°C			Continues.
	Set temp. of Heater: 30°C;			
	Fan speed: 100%			

Total time: 1 hr. 50 min Final Weight: 146 g Final Moisture: 3.7%

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Sample: B3

Initial Wt.: 375g

**Initial Moisture: 24.2%** 

Cycles	Specifications of Microwave	Cycle Time (min.)	Moisture Content.	Remarks.
C1	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C; Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 50 min	12.2%	Drying Start
C2	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 70 min	5.5%	Drying Continues.
С3	Magnetron Power: 0.5 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 95 min	3.4%	Dried as Desired.

Total time:1 hr. 35 min Final Weight: 290g

Final Moisture content: 3.4%







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#### **TRIAL-B:**

### **ANALYTICAL RESULTS:**

Sample: B2

Initial Wt.: 200g

**Initial Moisture: 24.8%** 

Cycles	Specifications of Microwave	Cycle Time	Moisture	Remark.
		(min.)	Content.	
C1	Magnetron Power: 0.8 kW;	After 40 min	4.6%	Drying Starts
	Set temp. of MW:40°C;			
	Set temp. of Heater: 30°C;			
	Fan speed: 100%			
C2	Magnetron Power: 0.8 kW;	After 80 min	3.3%	Drying
	Set temp. of MW:40°C			Continues.
	Set temp. of Heater: 30°C;			
	Fan speed: 100%			

Total time: 1hr. 20 min Final Weight: 150g

Final Moisture content: 3.3 %







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Sample: B3

Initial Wt.: 200g

**Initial Moisture: 24.2%** 

Cycles	Specifications of Microwave	Cycle Time (min.)	Moisture Content.	Remark.
C1	Magnetron Power: 0.8 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C; Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 40 min	6.4%	Drying Starts
C2	Magnetron Power: 0.8 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 80 min	5.7%	Drying Continues.
C3	Magnetron Power: 0.8 kW; Set temp. of MW:40°C Set temp. of Heater: 30°C; Fan speed: 100%	After 90 min	2.7%	Dried as Desired.

Total time: 1 hr. 30 min Final Weight: 164 g

Final Moisture content: 2.7 %





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#### **BEFORE AND AFTER PICTURES OF TREATED SPECIMEN SAMPLE:**

#### **SMAPLE B2**



a) UNTREATED SPECIMEN.



b) TREATED UNDER BATCH MW SYSTEM.

### **MOISTURE ANALYSIS REPORTS:**

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		Drying started	1		Drying start	ed	
ate: 2-03-2022 ime:10:57:57 odel:A68200 Gerial number:	138	Date: 2-03-2022 Time:17:56:02 Hodel:AGS200 Serial number:	138		Date: 2-03-2022 Time: 17:02:21 Model: 463200 Serial number:	138	
Drying parameters		Drying parameters			Drying parameters		
Product	: 0	Product	: 0		Product	: 0	
Drying temperature	: 105,0 °C	Drying temperature	: 105.	0 °C	Drying temperature	: 105	.a "c
Drying profile Mode Calculation	: Short mode : ((mD-m)/mD)*100%	Calculation	: Short nod : ((#0-m)/R	0)*100%	Mode Calculation	: standard : Short mod : ((mO-m)/s	de ±0)#100%
Finished	: 3 samples	Finished	: 3 sample	5	Finished	: 3 sample	15
Initial weight	: 0.596 9	Initial weight	: 0.73	1 9	Initial weight	: 0.5	78 g
Final weight	: 0.448 9	Final weight	: 0.70	14 g	Final weight	: 0.5	59 g
Drying time Sampling interval	: 00:07:20s : 20 sec	Drying time Sampling interval	: 00:03:2	20s 20 sec	Brying time Sampling interval		20s 20 sec
Moisture	: 24.8 %	Moisture	: 3	.7 %		: 3	.3 %
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#### **SMAPLE B3**





a) UNTREATED SPECIMEN.

b) TREATED UNDER BATCH MW SYSTEM.

#### **MOISTURE ANALYSIS REPORTS:**

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Drying started	Drying started	Drying started
tate: 2-03-2022 lime: 11:18:21 odel:A65200 erial number: 138	Date : 2-03-2022 Time :15:14:53 Hodel:AS\$200 Serial number : 138	Date: 2-03-2022 Fime: 18:07:51 Model:AGS200 Serial number: 138 Drying parameters
Drying parameters	Drying parameters	
Product : 0	Product : 0	Frouges
Drying temperature: 105.0 °C	Drying temperature: 105.0 °C	Drying temperature: 105.0 °C
Drying profile : standard  Hode : Short aode  Calculation : ((aO-e)/sO)*100%  Finished : 3 samples	Drying profile : standard Mode : Short mode Calculation : ((m0-m)/m0)*100% Finished : time over	Drying profile : standard Hode : Short mode Calculation : ((m0-m)/m0)*100% Finished : 3 samples
Initial weight : 0.644 g	Initial weight : 1.010 g	Initial weight : 0.636 g
Final weight : 0.488 g	Final weight : 0.976 g	Final weight : 0,819 g
Drying time : 00:11:40s Sampling interval : 20 sec	Drying time : 00:04:34s Sampling interval : 20 sec	Drying time : 00:02:40s Sampling interval : 20 sec
Hoisture : 24.2 %	Moisture : 3.4 %	Moisture : 2.7 %
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#### **OBSERVATION:**

The drying behavior of extrude Areca has been investigated under the Microwave + Convection heating system. The drying rate is found to be increasing with respect to increase in time. As per physical investigation, it has been observed that there is no enzymatic browning of product and there is hardness in texture. Also the desirable moisture content as required is obtained without charrying.

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