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## Drying of tomato using a parabolic greenhouse

## solar dryer



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## Don Tum Community Enterprise (Maechuy)

- Produce fresh and dried cherry tomatoes (Solanum lycopersicum var. cerasiforme)
- Chairman : Mr.Prayong Wongsakul
- Location : Don Tum sub-district, Bang Len district, Nakhon Pathom province, Thailand


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## Osmotic drying of tomatoes in Thailand

## Process

Mature red tomatoes

Washing
$\downarrow$
Sorting and cutting

Blanching

Dipping in sugar and salt solution

Drying

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## Mature red tomatoes



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## Washing and sorting



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## Cutting



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## Osmotic drying of tomatoes in Thailand

## Blanching and dip in sugar and salt solution



Blanching at $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 10 mins


Dipping in sugar and salt solution for 2 days

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## Drying



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## Osmotic drying of tomatoes in Thailand



The osmotic tomato of the initial moisture content of $50 \%(\mathrm{wb})$ was reduced to the final moisture content of $12 \%$ ( $w b$ ) in 4 days, compared to 7 days required by natural sun drying.


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## Changes of tomato during osmotic dehydration process and drying



Fresh tomato


Osmotic tomato


Dried tomato

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## Products of Don Tum Community Enterprise



