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Title of the Manuscript:	POST-FLOWERING CHEMICAL THINNING AND INFLUENCE ON CELL DIVISION AND FINAL NUMBER OF FRUIT CELLS I APPLE TREES
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed highlight that part in the manus his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	 The manuscript, aimed to give major information about the possible anatomical and histological interferences on fruit caused by chemical thinning product, focused on two apple varieties. Material and Methods it is not clear. The experimental design need to be better explained. How many treatment for each variety? Could you associate the acronymT1, T2T8 to the type of treatment? You tell of 2 year of experiment but when you explain the chemical treatment (lines 13-15 of theMaterial and Methods) speak of the year 2016 and treatment 2017??? A better description of how variable are evaluated could be interesting in material and methods. How do you determined the fruit growth rate? Explain better the use of pachymeter. On the base of the Matherial and matods and results, I would change the title into: Influence of post flowering chemical thinning on fruit development and quality of tho apple varieties. Conclusions could be extended according to the main results obtained. 	
Minor REVISION comments	When you speak about an acronym for the first time the complete meaning is needed (eg. DAPF: Day after full flowering???) Lines numbers are needed to facilitate the comments	
Optional/General comments		

<u>PART 2:</u>

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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