**Editor Decision: Publish subject to technical corrections** (08 Aug 2014) by Tobias Bolch Comments to the Author:

**Comment 1.** Abstract L. 15: Please give either an uncertainty rage or write "about 52 m yr-1 ... by  $\sim 0.04$  km<sup>2</sup> yr-1"

**Response:** We agree and have changed the text to read:

"...receding at about 52 m yr-1 and the lake expanding in area by 0.04 km2 yr-1."

**Comment 2.** Figure 1: Include the map source in the caption. It is hardly readable in the figure.

**Response:** We have changed the figure caption to read:

"Figure 1. Location of the Khumbu region of Nepal. Source: ESRI, World Imagery (2014)."

**Comment 3.** You do not need to acknowledge myself. If you want to keep nevertheless, please just write "the editor" as the name of the editor appears directly after the acknowledgements.

**Response:** We have removed the acknowledgement.