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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to examine the effects of sodium alginate (2% or 4%) combined with cinnamic acid (4mM or 6mM) on shelf life of mango fruits (Mangifera indica L.) stored at 25°C for fifteen days. The effectiveness of the treatments in extending shelf life was measured by determining the post-harvest quality and post-harvest disease of mango fruits. Coated mango fruits had a greater quality and visual acceptability as compared to that of uncoated mango fruits. Mangoes coated with a combination of 4% sodium alginate and 6mM cinnamic acid delayed the external colour change, retaining fruit firmness and reduced total soluble solid change throughout the storage while mangoes coated with a combination of 2% sodium alginate and 6mM cinnamic acid had a strong barrier effect against the pathogenic microorganisms and fungi decay besides delaying ripening and reducing weight loss of mango fruits without impeding the development of sweetness of mango fruits. The results of this study suggests that mangoes coated with a combination of 2% sodium alginate and 6mM cinnamic acid is the most effective treatment in maintaining post-harvest quality and prolonging the shelf life of mangoes.

ABSTRAK

Kajian ini dijalankan untuk mengkaji kesan kombinasi rawatan natrium alginat (2%, 4%) dan asid cinamik (4mM, 6mM) ke atas jangka hayat buah mangga (Mangifera indica L.) yang disimpan pada suhu 25°C selama lima belas hari. Keberkesanan rawatan-rawatan ini dalam memanjangkan hayat buah mangga telah dinilai dengan menentukan ciri-ciri kualiti dan penyakit lepas tuai buah. Manga yang dirawat mempunyai kualiti dan ciri visual yang lebih baik berbanding dengan mangga yang tidak dirawat. Buah mangga yang dirawat dengan kombinasi 4% natrium alginat dan 6mM asid cinamik dapat melewatkan perubahan warna buah, menggurangkan kandungan pepejal terlarut dan mengekalkan kesegahan buah manakala buah mangga yang dirawat dengan kombinasi 2% natrium alginate dan 6mM asid cinamik dapat menghalang serangan daripada penyakit di samping melambatkan proses permasakan dan mengurangkan kehilangan berat buah tanpa menjejaskan perkembangan kemanisan buah mangga. Hasil kajian mencadangkan bahawa buah mangga yang dirawat dengan kombinasi 2% natirum alginat dan 6mM asid cinamik ialah kombinasi yang terbaik untuk mengekalkan kualiti dan memanjangkan tempoh buah mangga.