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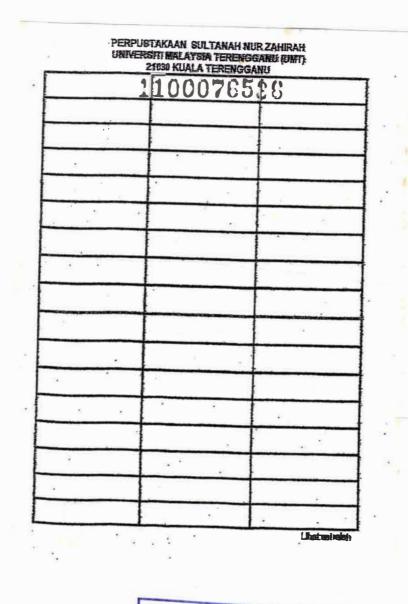
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ABSTRACT

The role of vegetables or fruits in the human diet has increases for several reasons. However, they are many challenges in vegetables or fruits production in order to provide high quality, disease-free produce that has extended shelf life. Disease like anthracnose, caused by the fungus *Colletotrichum* spp, is the commonly main postharvest disease problem of the bell pepper that the farmers faced today around the world. Both immature and ripe fruit are subject to infection, through ripe fruit are more susceptible. Besides that, leaves and stems are also susceptible to this disease. One of the post harvest quality that should be consider is about the whole of skin appearance. This paper work is study about the comparison of green bell pepper's skin which infected by that fungus with non-infected skin through Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) and image analyzer. This observation consists of topographic of skin surface and cross section of the bell pepper's skin. The outcome of this experiment, we can understands how the fungus penetrates into plant that caused anthracnose disease which can give effect to the quality of bell pepper.