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# **PENGARUH PENCELURAN AIR BERASID DAN RAWATAN MENGUNAKAN ENZIM PEKTINASE TERHADAP KUALITI JUS BETIK CARICA**

## **ABSTRAK**

Buah betik (betik Carica) masak dengan cepat yang mengakibatkan kerugian selepas menuai. Terdapat berbagai produk yang dihasilkan dari betik termasuk jus betik. Namun, pektin yang tinggi, di dalam buah menyebabkan pengekstrakkan jus menjadi susah dan menghasilkan jus yang sangat likat dan pekat. Oleh itu, kajian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui pengaruh penceluran air berasid dan enzim pektinase terhadap sifat fizikokimia, aktiviti antioksidan dan penerimaan jus betik *Carica*. Betik dirawat menggunakan penceluran air dengan kepekatan asid sitrik (1.5% dan 2.5%) yang berbeza dan kombinasi asid sitrik di dalam penceluran air serta enzim pektinase dengan kepekatan yang berbeza (0.05% dan 0.10%). Penentuan sifat fizikokimia (hasil jus, pH, warna, pepejal larut total (TSS)), antioksidan (jumlah kandungan fenolik (TPC), ujian DPPH dan asid askorbik) dan penerimaan pengguna (ujian hedonik dan ujian skala tindakan makanan (FACTS)) dijalankan. Hasil kajian menunjukkan bahawa penerapan rawatan penceluran air berasid dan rawatan enzim pektinase tidak mempunyai perbezaan kesan yang signifikan ( $p > 0,05$ ) pada peratusan hasil jus betik. Kombinasi penceluran air dengan asid sitrik 1.5% serta rawatan enzim pektinase 0.05% berkesan ( $p < 0,05$ ) untuk merendahkan pektin dan mengurangkan kelikatan dan menghasilkan kejelasan jus betik yang tinggi. Walaupun jumlah TPC dan asid askorbik lebih rendah setelah betik dirawat dengan kombinasi penceluran air dengan asid sitrik 1.5% serta enzim pektinase 0.05% berbanding sampel kawalan dan rawatan penceluran air berasid, tetapi aktiviti pemerangkapan radikal bebas (DPPH) meningkat. Hasil kajian menunjukkan bahawa pengguna menyukai sedikit jus betik yang dirawat dengan penceluran berasid (1.5%) dan enzim pektinase 0.05% yang mempunyai skor penerimaan tertinggi berbanding dengan rawatan lain.

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## ABSTRACT

Papaya (*Carica papaya*) fruit ripen very fast which resulting post-harvest losses. There are various products made from papaya including papaya juice. However, high pectin content in papaya makes the juice extraction become complicated and produced a very viscous and concentrates papaya juice. Therefore, this study aims to determine the effect of acidified blanching water and pectinase enzyme on physicochemical properties, antioxidant activities and consumer acceptability of *Carica papaya* juice. The papaya was treated with different concentration of citric acid (1.5% and 2.5%) blanching water and combination of citric acid blanching water with different concentration pectinase enzyme (0.05% and 0.10%). Determination of physicochemical properties (yield, pH, colour, total soluble solids (TSS)), antioxidant (total phenolic content (TPC), DPPH assay and ascorbic acid) and consumer acceptability (hedonic test and food action rating scale (FACT) test) were carried out. Result showed that, application of acidified blanching water and pectinase enzyme of treatments, had no significant different ( $p>0.05$ ) effect on the percentage of the papaya juice yield. The combination of 1.5% citric acid blanching water with 0.05% pectinase enzyme treatment was effective ( $p<0.05$ ) to degrade the pectin and reduce the viscosity and produce high clarity of papaya juice. Although the amount of TPC and ascorbic acid were decrease significantly after the papaya was treated with combination of 1.5% citric acid blanching water with 0.05% pectinase enzyme treatment than control and acid blanching treatment, but DPPH scavenging activity was increased ( $p<0.05$ ). Result showed that consumer like slightly the papaya juice treated with acidified blanching water and 0.05% pectinase enzyme which had the highest acceptability score compared to the other treatments