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Interactive 360° video to "Survival of microencapsulated *Lactobacillus casei* (prepared by vibration technology) in fruit juice during cold storage"



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ABSTRACT

Background: Foods including probiotics are considered "functional foods." As an alternative to dairy products, we investigated the behavior of *Lactobacillus casei* when exposed to low-pH fruit juice. Juices of fruits such as pineapple, raspberry, and orange were assessed. Free and microencapsulated forms of *L. casei* were compared, and the viability of the probiotic was evaluated under storage at 4°C for 28 d. Microbiological analyses were carried out to ensure a safe and healthy product for consumers who look for foods with probiotics from sources other than dairy.

Results: Low pH affected *L. casei* survival during storage depending on the type of fruit juice. In the case of pineapple juice, some microcapsules were broken, but microcapsules recovered at the end of the storage period had 100% viability $(2.3 \times 10^7 \text{ CFU/g spheres})$. In the case of orange juice, more than 91% viability $(5.5 \times 10^6 \text{ CFU/g spheres})$ was found. In raspberry juice, viability decreased rapidly, disappearing at the end of the storage period, which was caused by the absorption of high concentrations of anthocyanin inside microcapsules more than low pH.

Conclusions: Low pH affected the survival of *L. casei* under refrigeration; even when they were microencapsulated, acidic conditions impacted their viability. Although pH affects viability, its value is very sensitive and will depend on the type of fruit juice and its composition. Some fruit juices contain compounds used as substrates for Lactobacillus and other compounds with antimicrobial effects.

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Interactive 360° video

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