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論文題目

Dynamic Changes in Quality and Metabolites of Soft Kale Stored in Perforation-Mediated Modified Atmosphere Packaging

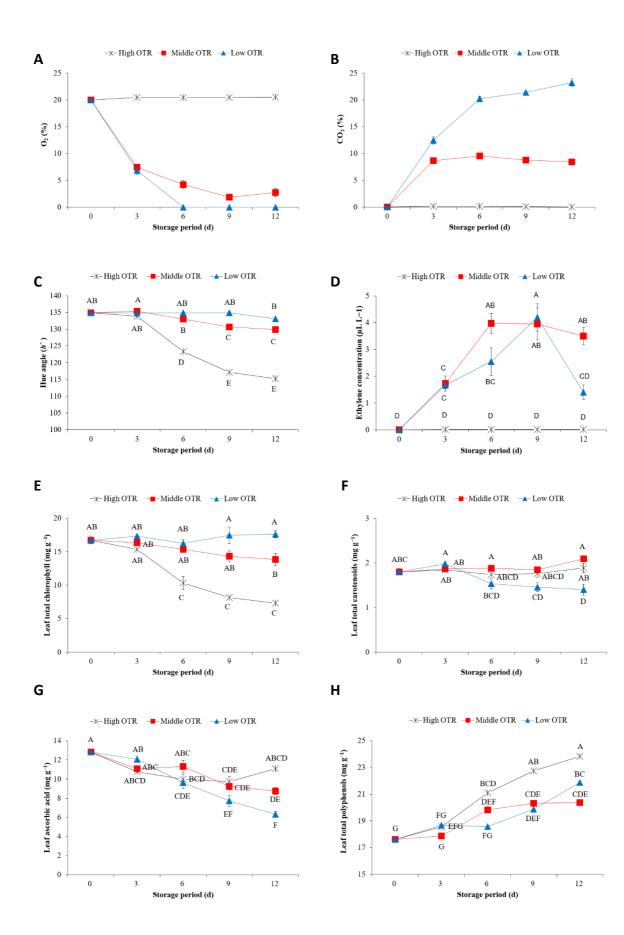
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Modified atmosphere packaging (MAP) is one of the most promising techniques that has been widely and successfully used to extend the shelf life of fresh vegetables and fruits by controlling the surrounding gas composition of products (Kader, 2002). The depleted O₂ and elevated CO₂ in MAP, derived from the respiration rate of the product and the gas permeability of the packaging film, can reduce the respiration rate of the fresh product (Zagory & Kader.1988). In recent years, the perforation-mediated MAP (PM-MAP) has proved to be an effective technology for packing high-respiring products due to the high gas exchange rates achieved. The use of perforation technology has optimized the limited permeability properties of traditional MAP films (Hussein, 2015).

Fresh kale is highly perishable after harvest, readily losing its green color as well as undergoing marked postharvest loss of bioactive compounds. This study aimed to examine the effect of three different micro-perforated packaging films with different oxygen transmission rate (OTR) on the overall appearance and bioactive compounds of intact kale. In addition, the metabolomics profile of soft kale leaf and stem associated with the three different OTR pouches were characterized during the 12 d storage period at 10 °C.

The micro-perforated pouches with different OTRs had a significant impact on the postharvest performance of kale leaf and stem during storage at 10 °C for a period of 12 d under dark

conditions. As shown in Figs. A, B, no gaseous (O₂ and CO₂) modification was observed within the OTR 1.66×10^6 pouch. As a consequence of the respiration of kale and the gradient-induced gas transmission characteristics of the packaging film (Zhang et al., 2015), the gaseous composition in the OTR 3×10^3 pouch modified to lie within the ranges of $1.9 \sim 7.4 \% O_2$ and $8.5 \sim 9.6 \%$ CO₂, which are near the recommended internal atmospheres of $2 \sim 5 \%$ O₂ and $3 \sim 8 \%$ CO₂ in MAP for the preservation of fresh leafy vegetables to avoid the anaerobic respiration at low O₂ atmosphere and to avoid the CO₂ injury at high CO₂ concentrations (Mampholo et al., 2013). The OTR 64 pouch showed significant increases in CO₂ and decreases in O₂ concentrations, with the O₂ concentration decreasing to 0 % on day 6 and CO₂ increasing to 23.3 % on day 12. Usually, a low O2 and/or a high CO2 atmosphere suppresses respiration rate, decreases ethylene production. However, the OTR 1.66×10^6 pouch showed a significantly (p < 0.05) lower concentration of ethylene throughout the storage period, which might be reflecting the high permeability of the packaging film used (Fig. C). The ethylene concentration in the OTR 3×10^3 pouch and OTR 64 pouch showed a sharp rise until day 6 and 9 day, respectively. As shown in Fig. C, the OTR 1.66×10^6 pouch, yellowing of kale leaves was recorded with a significantly (p < 0.05) lower h° value from day 6 onward. The overall evaluation of the effect on bioactive compounds of kale leaf showed that leaves stored in the OTR 3000 maintained the pigment concentrations (Figs. E, F); maximized the concentration of ascorbic acid (Fig. G), although it depressed the accumulation of the total polyphenols (Fig. H) during the postharvest storage. In addition, OPLS-DA showed 24.66% and 38.54% of the metabolites were contributed to the separation of the four class in leaf and stem, respectively (Figs, I, J). The middle OTR pouches (OTR 3000) located near from the fresh sample cluster and it showed little fluctuation compared with other two pouches. This result supported the fact that the micro-perforated pouch with an OTR of 3×10^3 mL m⁻² d⁻¹ atm⁻¹ achieved the most promising storage effect on kale preservation.



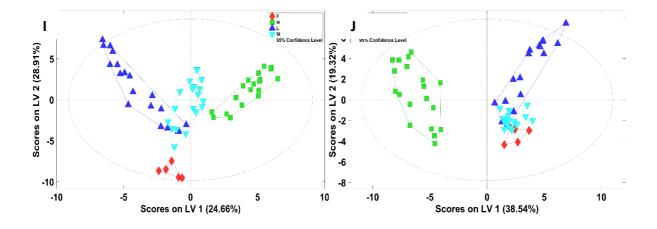


Figure. (A) Headspace O_2 content, CO_2 content (B), ethylene concentrations (C), hue angle (D), leaf total chlorophylls (E), total carotenoids (F), ascorbic acid content (G), total polyphenols (H) in three micro-perforated pouches with different OTRs (mL m⁻² d⁻¹ atm⁻¹) (High OTR: 1.66×10^6 ; Middle OTR: 3×10^3 ; Low OTR: 64). Mean values ± standard error of five biological replicates are shown. Leaf (I), stem (J) orthogonal partial least squares discriminant analysis score (F: fresh, H: high OTR, M: middle OTR, L: low OTR).

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