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ABSTRACT

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Butterfly pea flowers had the potential to become food colorant. It contained acylated anthocyanin which known to be more stable than unacylated one. This research was done to know which pre-treatment was suitable to be applied to obtained longer shelf life of butterfly pea flower since it will take long time to transport from rural area to production plant. There were two pre-treatments; sun and oven drying that was compared for selection. In the next step, multiple extractions were done to know how many extractions were needed to obtain high amount of anthocyanin. Then it was stored at three different temperatures; room temperature, 45^{0} C and 60^{0} C. The results showed that sun drying is preferable to oven drying although it took longer time for the process. Extraction process only need to be done once, since most of anthocyanin already extracted in first extraction. Heat still become a major issue since greater degradation occurred when more intense heat introduced at 45^{0} C and 60^{0} C. Therefore, careful selection of process for extraction will be needed to preserve more anthocyanin and better color stability.

Keywords: anthocyanin content, butterfly pea flower, color intensity, drying, extraction, heat, pre-treatment, storage, temperature

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