

# A Study on the Effect of Preservation on the Microbial Growth in Fruit Juices

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## ABSTRACT

Traditionally fruit juices and fruit products are considered as microbiologically safer than other unprocessed foods. Fruit juices are popular drinks as they contain antioxidants, vitamins, and minerals that are essential for human being and play an important role in the prevention of heart diseases, cancer, and diabetes. The objective of this study is to evaluate microbiological safety and quality of freshly prepared juices and preserved juices. Thirty fruit juice samples were collected from different areas in and around Hyderabad. Some of the packed juice products were also collected for the study. The microorganisms isolated from both fresh street vended juices and packed liquid products were identified as *Staphylococcus* spp, *Lactobacillus* spp, *Corynebacterium* spp, *Micrococcus* spp, *Pseudomonas* spp by biochemical tests. Pathogens like *Corynebacterium*, *Staphylococcus* were also isolated. On preservation of fruit juices for 5 days the microbial load increased when compared to fresh juice samples. The viable count of sample increases from  $4 \times 10^0$  to  $610 \times 10^0$  CFU/ml. The Antimicrobial susceptibility testing is performed to check the sensitivity of the isolated pathogenic organisms and it was observed that *Staphylococcus aureus* was sensitive to all the antibiotics while *Corynebacterium* spp was sensitive to few antibiotics like Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, and Azithromycin and resistant to Amikacin, Ampiclox, Ciprofloxacin, Clarithromycin, Cefotaxime, Sparfloxacin.

**Keywords:** Fresh Juices, Packed Juices, Preservation

## I. INTRODUCTION

Fruit juices are very nutritive, invigorating and non-alcoholic beverage, which is very well liked throughout the world [1]. Unpasteurized fruit juice is defined as the product produced by pressing or squeezing of the fruits [2]. These juices can be used in their natural concentration or in processed form. They are very scrumptious and palatable and they have most of the minerals like calcium magnesium, phosphorus, and sodium and vitamin c [1]. Extracted juices from fruits contain most substances, which are found in the original ripe and sound fruit from which the juices is made [2]. However, these processed juices contain mainly water, sugar, preservatives, colour, fruit pulps and other additives as ingredients and must maintain sanitary standard. The most commonly used preservatives are benzoic acid, sorbic acid, or sulphur dioxide. Natural colours such as anthocyanins and

betanin are used. Acid is an essential universal constitution of soft drinks. The most commonly used is citric acid [1].

Most fruit juices contain sufficient nutrients that could support microbial growth. Several factors encourage, prevent, or limit the growth of microorganisms in juices; the most important are water activity, pH, hygienic practice and storage temperature and concentration of preservative. Storage of products at refrigerator temperature or below is not always best for the maintenance of desirable quality of some fruit. Water used for juice preparation can be a major source of microbial contaminants such as total coliforms, faecal coliforms, faecal streptococci, etc. Environmental formites may also make the fruits unsafe and these may have a role in spreading of *Salmonella*, *Shigella*, *Vibrio*, *Escherichia coli*, and other diseases causing as well as fruits spoilage types.

Spoilage yeasts, such as *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Candida lipolytica* and *Zygosaccharomyces* spp. can tolerate acidic environments. It should also be noted that changes in pH could transform a food into one, which can support growth of pathogens [1]. Pathogenic bacteria contribute to other globally important diseases such as Pneumonia, which can be caused by bacteria such as *Streptococcus* and *Pseudomonas*. Pathogenic bacteria also cause infections such as tetanus, typhoid fever, diphtheria, syphilis and leprosy. These bacteria are also the cause of high infant mortality rates in developing countries [12].

The quality of soft drinks is strictly maintained in developed countries under some law and regulation but in many developing and under developed countries; the manufacturer is not concern about the microbiological safety and hygiene of soft drinks because of negligence of law. Thus, the transmission of some human diseases through juice and other drinks are considered a serious problem in recent years [1].

## II. METHODS AND MATERIAL

### 1. Sample collection

A total of 30 samples from different locations of Hyderabad were collected. Samples were collected in a sterile container and tested within an hour after procurement.

### 2. Isolation of Bacteria From the Samples

0.1 ml of fresh juice sample was taken and inoculated onto nutrient agar medium [11] by spread plate technique [3]. The plates were incubated at 37°C for 24 hours. The samples were further preserved in refrigerator for 5 days and 0.1ml of each sample was taken and was spread over nutrient agar medium and incubated at 37°C for 24 hours.

### 3. Total Viable Count

The discrete colonies observed following incubation period were enumerated by viable count method [3]

### 4. Morphological and Biochemical Characterization

The isolated microorganisms were identified by Gram staining [11] using Bergey's manual [4]. The isolates

were characterized by biochemical tests viz. IMViC reactions i.e. indole test, Methyl Red test, Voges-Proskauer test and Citrate utilization test, Lactose and Glucose fermentation Reaction test by standard method using Bergey's manual [4].

## 5. Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing

Antibiotic sensitivity testing was performed using Kirby-Bauer disc diffusion method (NCCLS, 2001) [10]. The sensitivity and resistance of the pathogenic bacteria to antibiotics like Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, Azithromycin, Amikacin, Ampiclox, Ciprofloxacin, Clarithromycin, Cefotaxime and Sparfloxacin was determined by measuring the diameter of zone of inhibition and then compared with the standard diameters that were installed in the standard scales.

## III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In spite of the potential benefits offered by fruit juices, concerns over their safety and quality have been raised. Freshly squeezed fruit juices have little or no process steps that reduce pathogen levels, if contaminated [5]. In the present study, 30 fruit juice samples (20 samples from street vender and 10 packed juices) were examined for microbiological analysis. 0.1ml of the sample when inoculated onto nutrient agar media and incubated at 37°C discrete colonies were observed. Morphological identification and biochemical tests revealed the presence of pathogenic and non-pathogenic bacteria (Table 1 & 2). The pathogenic isolates identified were *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Corynebacterium* spp. The microbial load was determined by viable count method [3] (Figure 1, 2). The viable count of pathogenic bacteria is found to be more in fresh street vended samples than in processed samples, this is because of unhygienic maintenance during preparing the juice [3] (Figure 3 & 4). A number of studies showed the microbiological analysis of street vended and packaged juices cause growth of coli forms like faecal coliforms, *E. coli*, *S. aureus* and *Vibrio cholera*. Many factors are responsible for contamination of freshly squeezed fruit juices. Most fruit contains bacterial counts of  $1 \times 10^5$  cfu/cm<sup>2</sup> on their surface [7] [8] [9]. Improper washing of fruits add these bacteria to juices leading to contamination. In addition lack of appreciation of basic safety issues by vendors contribute to augmentation of the microbial loads.

These include use of crude stands and carts, unavailability of running water for dilution and washing, prolonged preservation without refrigeration, unhygienic surroundings with swarming flies and airborne dust [6]. The literature also reveals that microbial quality of ice manufactured for use to cool foods and drinks could be a cause of concern [5]. The microbial safety of commercial ice used in drinks was evaluated by Lateef et al. (2006) in Nigeria and it was found that microbial loads of these ice samples ranged from 1.88-3.20 X 10<sup>4</sup> cfu/ml which was largely above the recommended loads of more than 500 and 1000 cfu/ml for ice obtained from manufacturing plants and retail outlets respectively.

Most of the fruit juice samples which were preserved for 5 days showed equal or much higher viable count than the permitted count [3] (Figure 2). There was equal number of bacterial load in both street vended and packed juice sample. On 0<sup>th</sup> day sample 17 showed least viable count and the organism which is high in number was *Lactobacillus* spp, (Table 1) very few fresh samples showed presence of pathogenic bacteria. While the same sample on 5<sup>th</sup> day showed highest viable count (i.e.610) and pathogenic organisms like *Staphylococcus* and *Cornybacterium* spp. were high in number (Table 2) Variation in viable count and change in the organism in both 0<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> day sample is because of preservation at refrigerated conditions.

After preserving at low temperatures for 5 days the organisms like *Cornybacterium* spp, *Staphylococcus* spp., *Lactobacillus* spp., *Micrococcus* spp., *Proteus vulgaris*, *Citobacter diversis* and *Edwardsiella tarda* were isolated from both packed juices and street vended juices. Of them the pathogenic organisms were *Cornybacterium* spp and *Staphylococcus* spp. According to the literature *Lactobacillus* which was isolated from fruit juices is a Gram positive rod shaped, non-spore forming bacteria, member of lactic acid bacteria. *Lactobacillus* spp produce hydrogen peroxide which inhibits the growth and virulence of fungal pathogen *Candida albicans* in vitro and in vivo [13]. Some *Lactobacillus* spp. are used as starter cultures in industry for controlled fermentation in the production of yoghurt, cheese, sauerkraut, pickles, beer, Kimchi, cocoa, and other fermented foods as well as animal feed. the antibacterial and antifungal activity of *Lactobacillus* spp. rely on production of bacteriocins and low molecular weight compounds that inhibits these compounds [14]. *Micrococcus* is a gram-positive

spherical cells ranging about 0.5 to 3 micrometers in diameter and typically appear in tetrads. Most commonly occurs in soil, water and dust. They are likely involved in detoxification and biodegradation of many other environmental pollutants. *Proteus vulgaris* is a rod shaped Gram-negative bacterium. It can be found in soil, water and fecal matter. An opportunistic pathogen to humans, known to cause wound infection and urinary tract infection. *Citobacter* spp. is a Gram negative coliform bacteria. They are differentiated by their ability to convert tryptophan to indole, ferment lactose and use malonate. They are found in soil, water, waste water and in human intestine. *Edwardsiella tarda* is small, motile, gram-negative, straight rod, cause infection in Channel fish and eels. It is the cause of periodic infections for various animals within zoos [15]. *Staphylococcus* spp. is an gram positive cocci and an opportunistic pathogen that can cause a variety of self-limiting to life threatening diseases in humans. The bacteria are a leading cause of food poisoning, resulting from the consumption of food contaminated with enterotoxins. *Cornybacterium keutscari* Gram positive, small, rod shaped bacteria. It mainly causes systemic abscessation in rodents similiar to caseous lymphadenitis in sheep. Previously called *Cornybacterium murium*. The disease produced by infection of *Cornybacterium Keutscari* is also known as Pseudotuberculosis [16]. *Cornybacterium xerosis*, an organism frequently responsible for human infection is a part of normal flora of the nasopharynx and skin [17]. Humans may be infected with different microorganism when they consume contaminated foods. To treat those infections antibiotics are used. The administration of a particular antibiotic depends on its susceptibility towards the drug which can be determined by Antimicrobial susceptibility test. The antimicrobial activity of different antibiotics like Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, Azithromycin, Amikacin, Ampiclox, Ciprofloxacin, Clarithromicin, Cefotaxime and Sparfloxacin against the isolated pathogenic organisms was determined (Table 3,4,5). It was observed that *Staphylococcus* spp was sensitive to all the available antibiotics like Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, Azithromycin, Amikacin, Ampiclox, Ciprofloxacin, Clarithromicin, Cefotaxime and Sparfloxacin. *Cornybacterium* spp was susceptible to Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, Azithromycin and resistant to Amikacin, Ampiclox, Ciprofloxacin, Clarithromicin, Cefotaxime,

Cefuroxime, Cefoperazone and Sparfloxacin. The zone diameter was found to be 10 mm, 20 mm, 14 mm, 12 mm, 15 mm, 11 mm for *Corynebacterium xerosis* and the zone diameter for *Corynebacterium*

*leutscari* is 17mm, 19mm, 30mm, 13mm, 26mm, 28mm, 20mm, 25mm.

**Table 1:** Identification and Biochemical test of isolated organism using Bergey's manual for 0<sup>th</sup> day samples

Sample	Gram character	Identification test						Organism
		Catalase	Glucose fermentation	Starch hydrolysis	Indole	H <sub>2</sub> S	Urease	
Sample 1	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutscari</i>
Sample 2	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 3	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 4	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutscari</i>
Sample 5	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 6	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 7	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 8	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 9	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 10	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 11	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 12	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 13	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+	+	+	<i>Proteus vulgaris</i>
Sample 14	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	- (MR +, VP -)	+	-	<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>
Sample 15	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+ (Citrate +)	-	-	<i>Citrobacter diversus (VP -)</i>
Sample 16	Gram +vecocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>
Sample 17	Gram +vecocci	+	+	-	-	-	-	<i>Micrococcus varians</i>

Sample 18	Gram +ve cocci	+	+	-	-	-	-	<i>Micrococcus varians</i>
Sample 19	Gram +ve cocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>
Sample 20	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+	+	-	<i>Edwardsiella tarda</i>
Sample 21	Gram -ve bacilli		+	-	-	-	-	<i>Pseudomonas spp (citrate +)</i>
Sample 22	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+	+	-	<i>Edwardsiella tarda</i>
Sample 23	Gram +ve cocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 24	Gram +ve cocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>
Sample 25	Gram +ve cocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 26	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 27	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 28	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 29	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 30	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+( Citrate +)	-	-	<i>Citrobacter diversus (VP -)</i>

**Table 2:** Identification and Biochemical test of isolated organism using Bergey's manual for 5<sup>th</sup> sample

Sample	Gram character	Identification test						Organism
		Catalase	Glucose fermentation	Starch hydrolysis	Indole	H <sub>2</sub> S	Urease	
Sample 1	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschii</i>
Sample 2	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium xerosis</i>
Sample 3	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschii</i>
Sample 4	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 5	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium xerosis</i>
Sample 6	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+( Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>

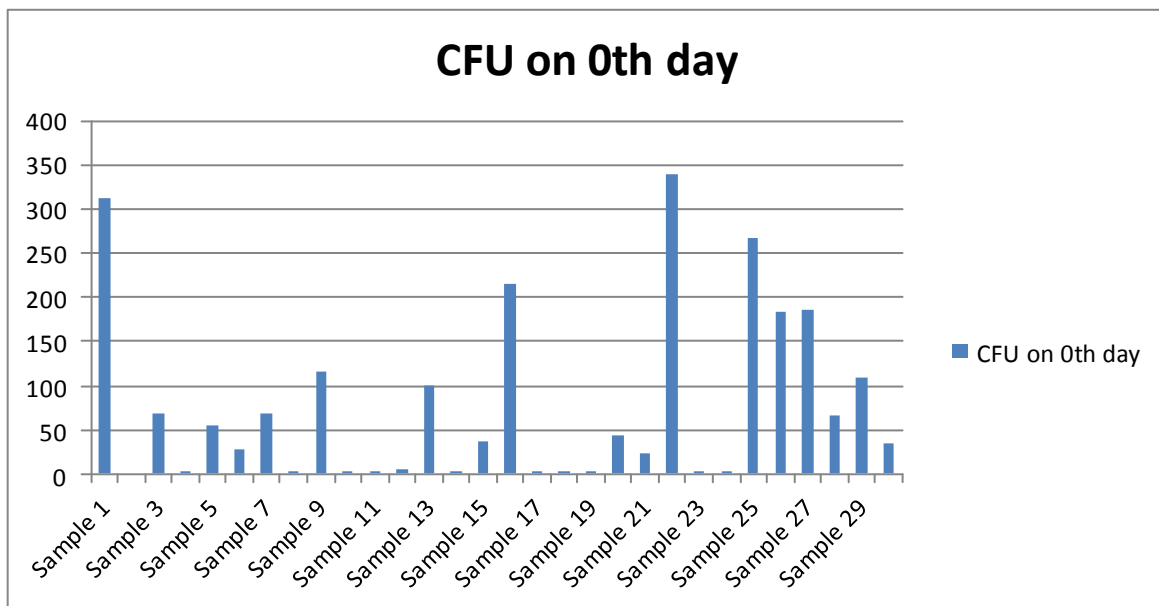
Sample 7	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 8	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschari</i>
Sample 9	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschari</i>
Sample 10	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschari</i>
Sample 11	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 12	Gram +vecocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 13	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium xerosis</i>
Sample 14	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 15	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 16	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 17	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ (Acid & Gas)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus fermenti</i>
Sample 18	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium xerosis</i>
Sample 19	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol +)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus casei</i>
Sample 20	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+	+	-	<i>Edwardsiellatard a</i>
Sample 21	Gram -ve bacilli		+	-	-	-	-	<i>Pseudomonas spp (citrate +)</i>
Sample 22	Gram -ve bacilli	-	-	-	+	+	-	<i>Edwardsiellatard a</i>
Sample 23	Gram +vecocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 24	Gram +vecocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 25	Gram +ve bacilli	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 26	Gram +vecocci	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
Sample 27	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	+	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium keutschari</i>
Sample 28	Gram +ve bacilli	+	-	-	-	-	-	<i>Corynebacterium xerosis</i>

Sample 29	<b>Gram +ve bacilli</b>	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>
Sample 30	<b>Gram +ve bacilli</b>	-	+ ( Acid &mannitol -)	-	-	-	-	<i>Lactobacillus delbrueckii</i>

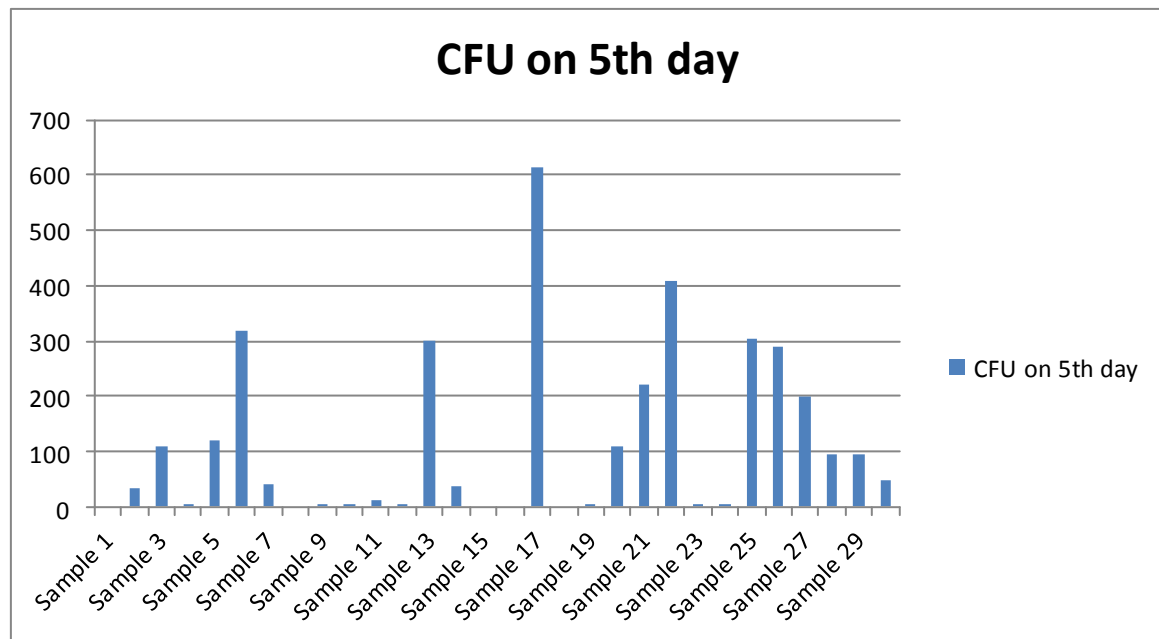
**Total Viable Count**

The microbial load of freshly collected samples(0<sup>th</sup> day) and preserved samples(5<sup>th</sup> day) was determined by viable count method.(Fig1,2).The number of viable cells increased on preservation of juice samples. Sample 22 shows the highest number of viable count on 0<sup>th</sup> day ( i.e. 348) and samples 2,4,8,10,14,18,23,24 showed least no of viable count. Whereas on 5<sup>th</sup> day, sample 17 shows highest number of viable count ( i.e.610) and samples such as 1,4,6,8,15,16 18, showed least number of viable count

**Figure 1 : Viable count of organism on 0<sup>th</sup> day**

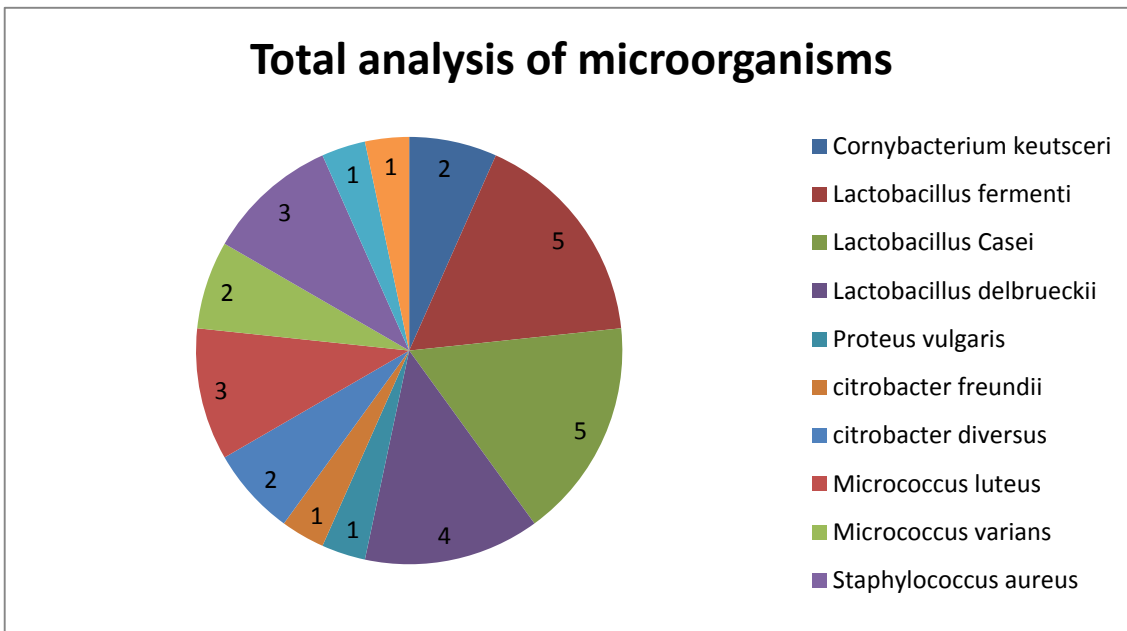


**Figure 2 : Viable count of organism on 5<sup>th</sup> day**

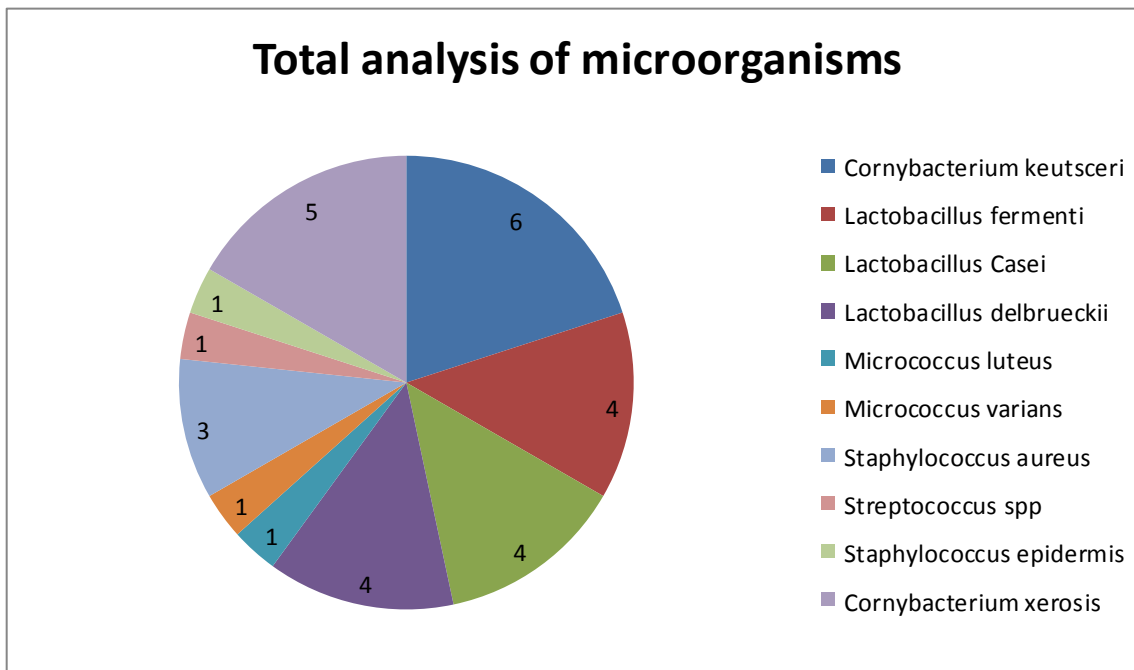


On 0<sup>th</sup> day *Lactobacillus fermentii*, *Lactobacillus casei* and *Lactobacillus delbrueckii* were high in occurrence and organisms like *Proteus vulgaris*, *Citrobacter freundii* and *Citrobacter diversus* were less in occurrence compared to other organism. On 5<sup>th</sup> day *Cornybacterium keutsceri*, *Lactobacillus delbrueckii*, *Cornybacterium xerosis* and *Staphylococcus aureus* were high in occurrence (Fig 3,4).

**Figure 3:** Total analysis of microorganism 0<sup>th</sup> day



**Figure 4 :** Total analysis of microorganism 5<sup>th</sup> day





## Antimicrobial Activity

**Table 3 :** Antimicrobial activity of commercially available antibiotic discs on *Staphylococcus aureus*

ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT	CODE	DISC CONTENT	DIAMETER OF ZONE OF INHIBITION (CM)			ANTIBIOTIC SENSITIVITY
			Resistant	Intermediate	Susceptible	
Amikacin	AN	30 mcg	14	15-16	17	22
Ampiclox	ACX	20 mcg	22	23-27	28	22
Ciprofloxacin	CIP	5 mcg	15	16-20	21	30
Clarithromycin	CLR	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	20
Cefotaxime	CF	30 mcg	14	15-22	23	Sensitive
Sparfloxacin	SF	5 mcg	15	16-18	19	Sensitive
Cefuroxime	CR	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	Sensitive
Cefoperazone	CFP	75 mcg	15	16-20	21	22
Gentamicin	G	10 mcg	12	13-14	15	Sensitive
Roxythromycin	RX	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive
Cefadroxil	CD	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	Sensitive
Azithromycin	AZ	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive

**Note:** *Staphylococcus aureus* showed sensitivity against all the antimicrobial agent available in the disc.

**Table 4:** Antimicrobial activity of commercially available antibiotic discs on *Corynebacterium xerosis*

ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT	CODE	DISC CONTENT	DIAMETER OF ZONE OF INHIBITION (CM)			ANTIBIOTIC SENSITIVITY
			Resistant	Intermediate	Susceptible	
Amikacin	AN	30 mcg	14	15-16	17	10
Ampiclox	ACX	20 mcg	22	23-27	28	20
Ciprofloxacin	CIP	5 mcg	15	16-20	21	14
Clarithromycin	CLR	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	12
Cefotaxime	CF	30 mcg	14	15-22	23	14
Sparfloxacin	SF	5 mcg	15	16-18	19	15
Cefuroxime	CR	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	11
Cefoperazone	CFP	75 mcg	15	16-20	21	14
Gentamicin	G	10 mcg	12	13-14	15	Sensitive
Roxythromycin	RX	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive
Cefadroxil	CD	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	Sensitive
Azithromycin	AZ	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive

**Note:** *Corynebacterium xerosis* showed sensitivity against Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, and Azithromycin

**Table 5 :** Antimicrobial activity of commercially available antibiotic discs on *Corynebacterium keutsceri*

ANTIMICROBIAL AGENT	CODE	DISC CONTENT	DIAMETER OF ZONE OF INHIBITION			ANTIBIOTIC SENSITIVITY
			Resistant	Intermediate	Susceptible	
Amikacin	AN	30 mcg	14	15-16	17	17
Ampiclox	ACX	20 mcg	22	23-27	28	19
Ciprofloxacin	CIP	5 mcg	15	16-20	21	30
Clarithromycin	CLR	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	13
Cefotaxime	CF	30 mcg	14	15-22	23	26
Sparfloxacin	SF	5 mcg	15	16-18	19	28
Cefuroxime	CR	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	20
Cefoperazone	CFP	75 mcg	15	16-20	21	25
Gentamicin	G	10 mcg	12	13-14	15	Sensitive
Roxythromycin	RX	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive
Cefadroxil	CD	30 mcg	14	15-17	18	Sensitive
Azithromycin	AZ	15 mcg	13	14-17	18	Sensitive

**Note:** *Corynebacterium keutsceri* is sensitive against Gentamicin, Roxythromycin, Cefadroxil, Azithromycin

#### IV. CONCLUSION

Juices prepared from fresh fruits and processed juices, on preservation cause microbial growth which is potentially hazardous to public health [2]. In this study, on preservation of fresh and processed juices for 5 days caused the growth of pathogenic organism. The presence of pathogenic microorganisms in juices is a clear indication of food borne outbreaks [2].

To prevent the disease caused by the pathogenic organism, commercially available antimicrobial agents were used and inhibited the growth. In future, natural antimicrobials from plants, fruits and vegetables can be used to control spoilage and growth of pathogenic microorganisms in juices.

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