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#### ABSTRACT

#### DEVELOPMENT OF SOURSOP (Annona muricata L.) JAM

This study was conducted to develop a new type of iam with soursop fruit which posses a distinctive flavour. From a total of nine formulations being developed, F9 was chosen as the best formula through BIB ranking test and hedonic rating test. The sample F9 which consisted of 40% soursop puree and 55% sugar attained the highest mean rank for most of the sensory attributes being tested including flavour, texture, taste and overall acceptability. Proximate analysis showed that the soursop jam contained 30.52±0.18% moisture, 0.37±0.07% ash, 0.47±0.09% protein, 0.02±0.00% fat, 0.66±0.03% crude fiber and 67.95±0.18% carbohydrate with a total of 273.87±1.08 kcal energy in 100g of jam. In physicochemical composition, the total soluble solid, pH value and water activity of sample were  $69.0\pm0.00$  °Brix. 3.10±0.01 and 0.823±0.01, respectively. A tendency for yellow colour was noticed by colour analysis with L\* value 48.48±0.31, a\* value 0.08±0.02 and b\* value 9.42±0.24. Shelf life study of soursop jam was carried out for four weeks at ambient temperature of  $25\pm2^{\circ}$ C. From the results obtained, physicochemical analysis showed significant differences (p<0.05) for pH value, total soluble solid and colour attribute in the soursop jam developed while water activity did not differ significantly (p>0.05). Microbiological test showed that the colonies of bacteria, yeast and mould was still within the acceptable range of less than  $10^5$  CFU/g. Paired comparison test showed no significant differences (p>0.05) in in colour, flavour, taste and overall acceptability while the texture attribute differed significantly (p < 0.05) throughout the storage period. Consumer test showed that 85% of consumers are willing to purchase the developed product, 13% of them are still considering while 2% of them rejected it. In conclusion, the soursop jam developed presented a good acceptance and has a market potential.



#### ABSTRAK

#### PEMBANGUNAN JEM DURIAN BELANDA (Annona muricata L.)

Kajian ini dijalankan untuk membangunkan jem dengan menggunakan buah durian belanda yang mempunyai aroma yang wangi. Daripada sembilan formulasi yang dibentuk, F9 telah dipilih sebagai formulasi yang terbaik melalui keputusan ujian pemeringkatan BIB dan ujian skala hedonik. Sampel F9 yang menggandungi 40% puri durian belanda dan 55% gula telah mendapat min tertinggi bagi kebanyakan atribut sensori termasuk aroma, tekstur, rasa dan penerimaan keseluruhan. Hasil analisis proksimat menunjukkan F9 mengandungi 30.52±0.18% kelembapan, 0.37±0.07% abu, 0.47±0.09% protein, 0.02±0.00% lemak, 0.66±0.03% serabut kasar and 67.95±0.18% karbohidrat dengan jumlah kandungan tenaga sebanyak 273.87±1.08 kkal dalam 100g jem. Dalam komposisi fizikokimia, kandungan pepejal larut, nilai pH serta aktiviti air dalam jem yang dihasilkan adalah 69.0±0.00 °Briks, 3.10±0.01 and 0.823±0.01 masing-masing. Kecenderungan kepada warna kuning telah didapati dalam ujian warna dengan nilai L\* sebanyak 48.48±0.31, nilai a\* sebanyak 0.08±0.02 and nilai b\* sebanyak 9.42±0.24. Uijan mutu simpanan jem durian belanda telah dijalankan selama empat minggu pada suhu bilik 25±2°C. Keputusan analisis fizikokimia telah menunjukkan bahawa perbezaan yang signifikan (p<0.05) terhadap nilai pH, kandungan pepejal larut, dan atribut warna antara sampel yang disimpan manakala aktiviti air tidak berbeza secara signifikan (p>0.05). Ujian mikrobiologi menunjukkan biliangan koloni bakteria, yis dan kulat masih berada dalam lingkungan selamat iaitu kurang daripada 10<sup>6</sup> CFU/g. Ujian perbandingan berganda menunjukkan tiada perbezaan signifikan (p>0.05) bagi atribut warna, aroma, rasa dan penerimaan keseluruhan tetapi perbezaan signifikan wujud dalam tekstur sepanjang tempoh penyimpanan selama empat minggu. Ujian pengguna menunjukkan sebanyak 85% pengguna akan membeli produk ini manakala 13% perlu berfikir lagi dan 2% tidak akan membelinya. Secara keseluruhan, jem durian belanda yang dihasilkan mendapat sambutan yang baik dan mempunyai potensi pasaran.



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## LIST OF ABBREVIATION

Analysis of Variance
The Association of Official Analytical Chemist
Balanced Incomplete Block
Consumer Price Index
Fakulti Sains Makanan dan Pemakanan
(Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition)
Honest Significant Difference
Least Significant Difference
Malaysia Agriculture Research and Development
Plate Count Agar
Potato Dextrose Agar
Statistic Package for Social Science
Total Soluble Solids
Universiti Malaysia Sabah



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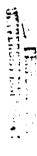
# LIST OF SYMBOL

%	Per Cent
° Brix	Degree Brix
°C	Degree Celcius
a"	Water Activity
cm	Centimeter
g	Gram
kcal	kilocalories
kg	Kilogram
L	Litre
mg	Milligram
mL	Millilitre
mm	Millimeter
S	Second



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## **CHAPTER 1**

# INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Background

Fruits are very important in human daily diets due to their high nutritional values. However, they are seasonal and highly perishable because of juicy content and thus need to be processed into more stable forms like jam, juices, jellies, ice creams, yogurt and fruit bars.

The most common reason for quality deterioration of food product is the result of microbial activity and this usually leads to food moulding, fermenting and change in acidity (Umme *et al.*, 1999). Therefore, several types of processing techniques have been introduced in order to minimize the undesirable changes in products while maintaining the inherent quality of fruits.

In this study, a new type of fruit jam will be developed. It is one of the fruit preservation methods which can conserve and utilize the fruits during the off-season. A fruit jam is prepared by boiling the fruit pulp with sweetening agents to a suitable gelled consistency (CODEX, 2008). Pectin, acidulant and other ingredients such as preservatives, colouring and flavouring are also added to enhance the quality of fruit jam produced. Thus, the characteristics and quality of jam produced highly depend on the type of fruits, proportions of the ingredients and cooking methods.

As sugar is main ingredient in jam processing, it is able to inhibit the growth of food-spoilage microorganisms such as bacteria, yeasts and moulds by withdrawing water out of fruits and forming chemical bonds between the water molecules and sugar molecules. The bound water is held tightly that is no longer available to support the microbial growth. Hence, it can prolong the shelf-life of jam and provide a nutritive product to consumers throughout the years.



Fruits processing industry in Malaysia has a tremendous potential to be developed for import substitution and export opportunities. Jam processing is one of the methods used to preserve fruits in order to minimize the wastage and indirectly help to increase the growers' economic condition. In 1990, RM 830,000 worth of jam and jelly and RM 1,858,700 jam and jelly were exported and imported by Malaysia respectively (Abdullah & Tan, 2001). Most of the jam processed in Malaysia utilizes the imported fruits such as strawberry, blackcurrant, gooseberry and grapes (Abdullah & Tan, 2001). Meanwhile, pineapple is the most widely tropical fruit used by local processors compared to the other local tropical fruits like papaya, mango, banana, Roselle and carambola guava.

Malaysia Agriculture Research and Development Institute (MARDI) has also successfully carried out processing of some fruits products such as durian powder, frozen durian, durian pudding, durian paste, *cempedak* sauce, *cempedak* jam, *cempedak* cordial, *cempedak* juice drink, fruit salsa (pineapple, musklime, mango and soursop) and fruit dessert sauce which use banana, mango, durian, pineapple, strawberry, carambola and papaya (Omar, 2010). Thus, fruits are widely used to be further processed into products such as juices, jams, jellies and nectars so that consumers can diversify the consumption of fruit based products in their daily diets.

In addition, fruit jam gives variety in ways of enjoying the foods. It is not only used as bread or cracker spread solely, but also can be used as fillings in bakery products like cookies, pies, pastries and cakes. Thus, this can lead to an increase in consumers' choices of fruits products.

In this study, soursop is utilized to make the fruit jam. It is one of the exotic fruits valued for its pleasant, aromatic, sub-acid and juicy flesh which consists of edible white pulp and a core of indigestible black seeds. Its white cottony pulp is very juicy, varying flavour from acid to sweet and highly regarded due to its distinctive aroma and flavour (Buesco, 1980). As soursop has unique taste, it has higher potential to be processed into juices, jam, jelly and ice-cream to attract consumers. In addition to the pleasing taste of soursop, it also possesses substantial nutritive values. For example, the juice is diuretic while other fruit parts have antibacterial, anti-cancerous, astringent, sedative and other therapeutic properties (Asprey and Thornton, 1995).



#### 1.2 Rationale of Research

The rationale to carry out this research is to develop a new flavour of fruit jam. Soursop fruits are highly susceptible to spoilage, soften very rapidly during ripening and become mushy easily and thus difficult to consume. Hence, further processing is required to enhance their freshness and nutritive values. There are various types of fruit jams available in the market including strawberry jam, blueberry jam, raspberry jam, grape jam, red plum jam, apricot jam, pineapple jam and mango jam. Therefore, soursop jam would be a new choice for the consumers.

Soursop is one of the exotic fruits that have greater potential to be commercialized and able to compete in the international markets. As soursop is a seasonal fruit which is rarely found, the food industry is constantly looking for opportunities to make it available for consumers throughout the years. Hence, this study is undertaken to obtain the best formulation of soursop jam that has higher values in market.

#### 1.3 Objective

This research is carried out to achieve the following objectives:

- 1. To develop soursop jam using the fresh fruit pulps with different formulations.
- 2. To determine the proximate composition of soursop jam.
- 3. To examine the storage stability of soursop jam at ambient temperature.
- 4. To analyze the physicochemical properties, microbial content and sensory characteristics of soursop jam throughout the storage period.



# CHAPTER 2

# LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 Local Jam Industry

Based on the trade statistics for international business development (2014), the exported value of jams, fruit jellies and marmalades products increased gradually from 2009 to 2013. The table below shows the major exporters around the world.

Table 2.1: List of Exporters for the Jams, Fruit Jellies and Marmalades
Products, 2009-2013

Exporters	Exported	Exported	Exported	Exported	Exported
	value in				
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
World	2,110,296	2,384,324	2,705,834	2,825,322	3,132,172
France	302,630	317,816	341,348	325,330	373,286
Germany	179,024	177,499	209,364	235,967	248,871
Turkey	134,848	182,143	217,911	236,698	246,607
Belgium	174,762	166,277	188,288	189,605	234,630
Italy	118,943	136,679	162,513	183,183	231,057
Chile	95,179	104,949	159,776	181,499	175,670
Spain	64,355	74,175	81,203	91,203	143,813
India	57,351	64,800	76,099	82,109	113,632
Netherlands	63,128	58,199	76,932	82,817	111,009
China	68,277	78,759	93,142	98,381	97,333
USA	47,017	50,930	67,055	79,768	81,538
Malaysia	7,208	8,226	8,769	11,669	13,142

Unit: US Dollar Thousand

Source: ITC (2014)



In Malaysia, the exported value of jams, fruit jellies and marmalades products increased from USD 7,208 thousand in year 2009 to USD 13,142 thousand in year 2013. Hence, the local jam industry has a great potential to be developed.

According to Department of Statistics Malaysia (2014), the consumer price index (CPI) for food and non-alcoholic beverages increased from 2013 to 2014 by 3.5% as shown in the following table.

Group	Wt.		]	Index % Change				je	
	Ì	Oct	Sep	Oct	Jan-	Jan-	Oct	Oct	Jan-
		2013	2014	2014	Oct	0ct	2014/	2014/	Oct
					2013	2014	Sep	Oct	2014/
							2014	2013	2013
Total	100.0	108.3	110.7	111.3	106.8	110.2	0.5	2.8	3.2
Food &	30.3	112.4	115.8	115.6	111.1	115.0	-0.2	2.8	3.5
Non-					ł				
Alcoholic									
Beverages								l	
Non-Food	69.7	106.5	108.5	109.4	104.9	108.1	0.9	2.7	3.0

 Table 2.2: Consumer Price Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic

 Beverages Group, Malaysia

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (2014)

Based on the above changes, the relative contribution to the increase of 3.5% in the CPI can be identified as shown in Table 2.3 while the CPI for subgroup of food and non-alcoholic beverages is shown in Table 2.4.



# Table 2.3: Contribution to the Changes in the Overall Consumer PriceIndex by Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages Group, Malaysia

		2013/2012 October 2014/2013				January - October 2014/2013		
Group	Wt.	% Change	% Contribution	% Change	% Contribution	% Change	% Contribution	
Food & Non- Alcoholic Beverages	30.3	3.6	50.2	2.8	32.2	3.5	34.7	

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (2014)

# Table 2.4: Consumer Price Index for Subgroup of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Malaysia

				Index		% Change			
					Jan-	Jan-	Oct	Oct	Jan-
Subgroup	Wt.	Oct	Sep	Oct	Oct	0ct	2014/	2014/	Oct
		2013	2014	2014	2013	2014	Sep	Oct	2014/
							2014	2013	2013
Food	28.9	112.6	116.2	116.0	111.3	115.3	-0.2	3.0	3.6
Food At Home	18.9	112.5	115.7	115.2	111.2	115.0	-0.4	2.4	3.4
Rice, Bread & Other Cereals	4.4	104.7	105.7	105.6	104.3	105.4	-0.1	0.9	1.1
Meat	2.9	114.2	119.3	115.6	112.1	116.4	-3.1	1.2	3.8
Fish & Seafood	4.5	121.0	124.8	124.9	118.2	124.3	0.1	3.2	5.2
Milk & Eggs	1.8	114.9	118.6	119.3	112.8	116.9	0.6	3.8	3.6
Oils & Fats	0.6	100.8	101.0	101.1	101.0	101.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
Fruits	1.2	113.4	116.1	115.9	112.0	115.9	-0.2	2.2	3.5

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (2014)



				Index		% Change			
Subgroup	Wt.				Jan-	Jan-	Oct	Oct	Jan-
		Oct	Sep	Oct	Oct	Oct	2014/	2014/	Oct
		2013	2014	2014	2013	2014	Sep	Oct	2014/
							2014	2013	2013
Vegetables	2.1	107.0	110.5	110.6	108.4	110.0	0.1	3.4	2.4
Sugar, Jam,	0.6	121.6	129.4	129.4	119.6	129.1	0.0	6.4	7.9
Honey, Choc.									
&									
Confectionery					, j				
Food	0.8	111.8	114.3	114.6	111.0	113.8	0.3	2.5	2.5
Products							-		2
n.e.c									
Food Away	10.0	112.9	117.1	117.4	111.5	116.1	0.3	4.0	4.1
From Home									
Coffee, Tea,	1.4	107.1	108.1	108.1	106.7	107.8	0.0	0.9	1.0
Сосоа &									1.0
Non-Alcoholic					i				
Beverages									
Source: Depart	ment	of Statict	icc Mala			L			

# Table 2.4: Consumer Price Index for Subgroup of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Malaysia (continued)

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia (2014)

Among the subgroups of food, the consumer price index of sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery contributed to the highest increase during the period which was 7.9%. This indicates the changes in purchasing pattern of population and costs of items.

The following table shows the production and sales of packaged food in Malaysia in year 2009 and 2010.



Production Volu	me (in 1	.000 tor	ıs)	Sales Volume in min RM			
Туре	2009	2010	Growth	2009	2010	Growth	
Baby Food	-	-	n.a	1218.3	1316	8.02%	
Bakery	259.8	263.4	1.39%	2406.5	2463.3	2.36%	
Canned/Preserved	86.6	88.7	2.42%	902.5	931.2	3.18%	
Food							
Chilled Processed	5.3	5.4	1.89%	250.3	259.1	3.52%	
Food							
Confectionery	29.3	29.8	1.71%	894.3	917.5	2.59%	
Dairy	-	-	n.a	2891.4	3006.2	3.97%	
Dried Processed Food	818.9	848.8	3.65%	2794.1	2991.7	7.07%	
Frozen Processed	37.6	38.7	2.93%	474.1	491.5	3.67%	
Food							
Ice-cream	44.1	45.2	2.49%	534.8	548.6	2.58%	
Meal Replacement	0.8	0.8	0.00%	130.9	142	8.48%	
Noodles	104.7	109.3	4.39%	939.9	1044	11.08%	
Oils and Fats	699.8	713.8	2.00%	2223.5	2281.6	2.61%	
Pasta	1.5	1.6	6.67%	11.2	12.6	12.50%	
Ready Meals	6.4	6.6	3.12%	101	105	3.96%	
Sauces, Dressings	77.5	79.7	2.84%	1158.4	1192.9	2.98%	
and Condiments							
Snack Bars	0.2	0.2	0.00%	7.2	7.7	6.94%	
Soup	2.6	2.7	3.85%	49.2	51.8	5.28%	
Spreads	10.3	10.6	2.91%	129.7	134.7	3.86%	
Sweet and Savory	31.1	31.9	2.57%	603.7	623.2	3.23%	
Snacks							
Impuls and		-	n.a	3592.3	3688.6	2.68%	
Indulgence Products							
Nutrition/Staples		-	n.a	10256	10759.3	4.91%	
Meal Solutions	209.6	215.3	3 2.72%	2836.5	2928.6	3.25%	
Packaged Food		-	n.a	16666.3	17357.2	4.15%	

### Table 2.5: Production and Sales in Malaysia

Source: Euromonitor International (2012)



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