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The effectiveness of generally recognized as safe (GRAS) including propyl paraben, salicylic acid and oxalic acid at five concentrations of 100 250 500 750 and 1,000 mg/l was tested to control mango anthracnose. *In vitro* experiment, propyl paraben at concentrations of 250, 500, 750 and 1,000 mg/L inhibited mycelial growth and spore germination at 100% similar to imazalil (positive control) whereas salicylic acid and oxalic acid showed low inhibition. *In vivo*, experiments were divided into pre and post inoculation with *C. gloeosporioides* 10⁶ conidia/ml at 25°C for 24 hr in the moist condition after treatment. The pre-inoculation experiment, 100 mg/L oxalic acid showed the most efficiency to control disease which was no significant difference with at 250 mg/L imazalil and disease severity was 6.1 and 6.0 % respectively. For the post-inoculation experiment, propyl paraben at 250 mg/L showed the lowest disease severity at 4.9% and oxalic acid at 100 and 250 mg/L was 14.6 and 11.8 %. Mango fruit were dipped in 100 mg/l oxalic acid at 6, 12, and 18 and 24 hr, before inoculation with *C. gloeosporioides*, β -1, 3 -glucanase assay was conducted. The result revealed that mango fruit dipped in 100 mg/L oxalic acid at 24 hr before inoculation treatment had the lowest disease severity at 4.1% and induced the highest β -1,3 -glucanase activity at 23.92 units/mg protein. Furthermore, oxalic acid delayed color changes and firmness losses, but had no effect on titratable acidity, total soluble solids content and ascorbic acid.

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