





# THE MONITORING AND CHARACTERIZATION OF ORGANIC FRUIT QUALITY STORED AND PROCESSED IN DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGICAL CONDITIONS

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#### GENERAL DATA

- The objectives of study is to monitoring and characterize the organic fruit quality stored and processed in different technological conditions.
- ➤ This study is part of Component Project P4, Complex Project ECOTEHNOPOM, nr. 12PCCDI/2018, with partners like: Research Institute for Fruit Growing Pitești Mărăcineni and Research Institute for Industrialization and Marketing of Horticultural Products "HORTING"



#### **FRUIT SPECIES**

## Raspberry:



#### Apples:

- **Example** Rubinola
- **Topaz**
- **Gemini**
- **Renoir**



## Strawberry:

Regina



## STORAGE METHODS APPLIED (I)



## STORAGE METHODS APPLIED (II)

Controlled atmosphere storage (1°C, 95% RH, 3%O2, 5% and 10% CO2), for:

Apples

**Strawberries** 





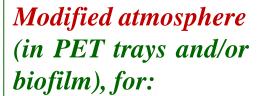
## STORAGE METHODS APPLIED (III)

Experiment 1 (PET and biofilm) - 14 days









- **Raspberries**
- Apples
- Strawberries

Experiment 3 (biofilm) – in progress











# Modified atmosphere - Packaging method



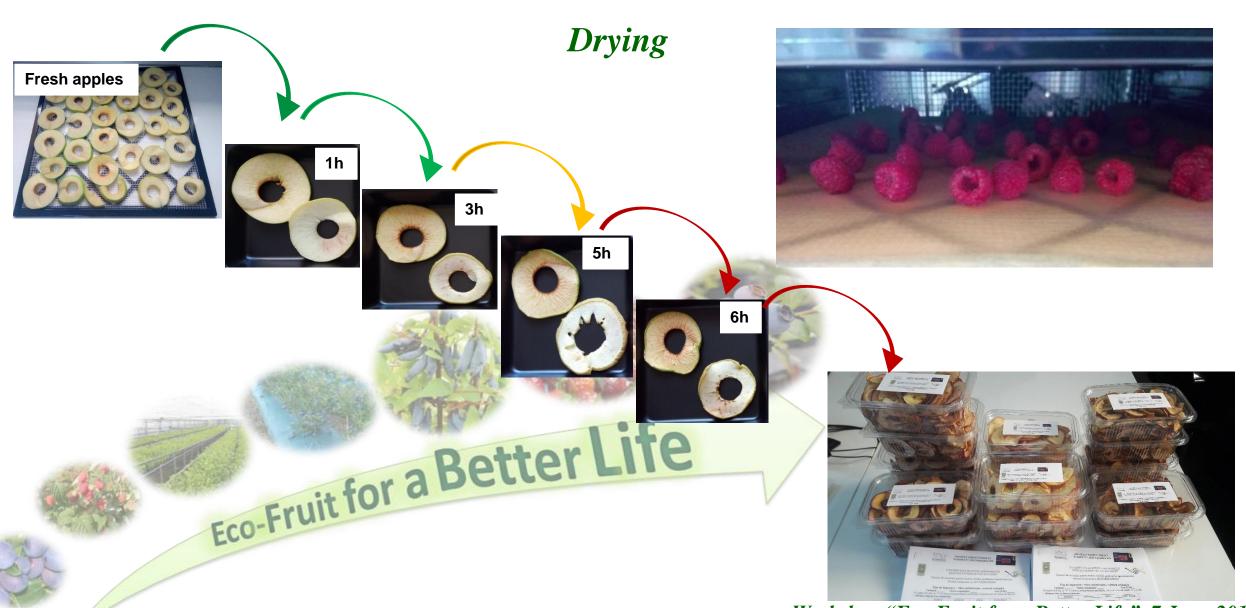
**Pakaging** 

Stored at 1°C, 95% UR



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## PROCESSING METHODS (I)



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# **PROCESSING METHODS (II)**

## Freezing/Lyophilization



## PROCESSING METHODS (III)



Fast freezing and storage (-80°C)



Slow freezing and



Fast freezing (-80°C) for 24h, storage (-18°C)



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#### **ANALYZING METHODS**

#### Phisical-chemical

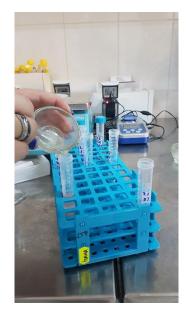
- pH value
- Total soluble solids
- Total titratable acidity
- Dry matter content
- Procentual losses due to dehydration

#### Nutritional characterization

- Ascorbic acid content
- Total anthocyanin content
- Chlorophyll a, b and total
- Total polyphenols content









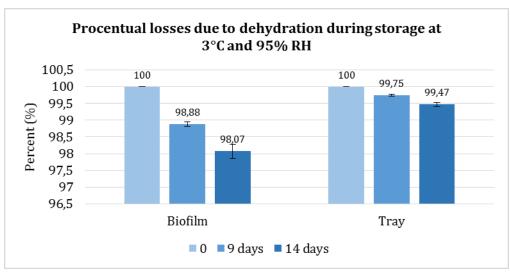


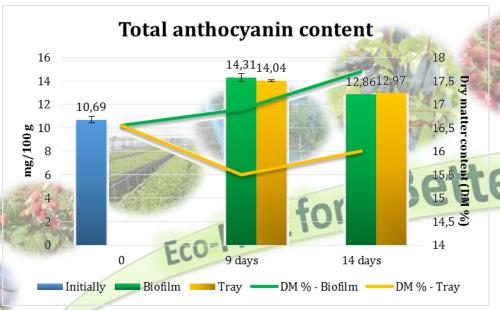


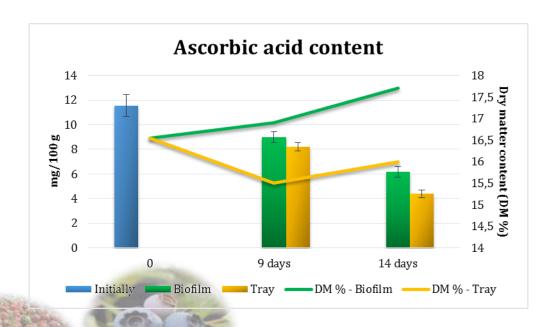


Dry matter content

## Raspberry results - pending publication







- Procentual losses due to dehydration were slightly higher in biofilm comparing with PET trays.
- Ascorbic acid content was better maintained for raspberries packed in biofilm comparing with those in PET trays.
- Total anthocyanin content of raspberry registered similar behavior for both biofilm and PET tray.
- Finnaly this work suggest that biofilm preserve better the quality indicators of organic raspberries, but further studies and trials are required.









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