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### POSTHARVEST PATHOGENS AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Postharvest diseases caused by microbial pathogens account for millions of dollars

in losses of both durable and perishable produce products every year.

Moreover, with consumers increasingly demanding minimally processed

vegetables and fruits--which can be invaded by human pathogens--

there is an imperative need for suitable protective measures to provide

pathogen-free commodities that are free from, or contain only

acceptable levels of, chemical residues. Providing details of both

conventional and modern molecular techniques applicable

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