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Postharvest Quality and Control of Microbial Decay in Horticultural Produce

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- Microbiological impact on fresh produce quality and safety;
- Postharvest ripening and senescence mechanisms;
- Pre- and postharvest strategies for the reduction of postharvest physiological and microbiological disorders;
- Predictive microbiology;
- Microbial risk assessment.

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