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- Maturity assessment and prediction
- Product quality, safety, control
- Postharvest pathology, disease control, treatments, value-addition
- Food traceability, identity preservation: policy, legislation, enabling technologies
- ICT in postharvest management
- Education/training methods for sustainable postharvest development
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- Instrumentation/control systems, postharvest laboratory standards/accreditation
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- Assessment/reduction of postharvest losses
- Cool-chain management, drying technology, kinetics
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