ABSTRACT

This research was conducted in Panggoi Village, Muara Dua District, Lhokseumawe City, from January to March 2024 using a Completely Randomized Design (CRD) with two factors, 16 treatment combinations, and 3 replications. The first factor was mung bean boiled water (4 levels), and the second was ricewashing water (4 levels). Observed parameters included mycelium length, pinhead initiation time, fresh weight, diameter, and number of fruiting bodies of oyster mushrooms (Pleurotus ostreatus). The results showed that mung bean boiled water had a significant effect on fruit body diameter and number, while rice-washing water significantly affected almost all growth and production parameters. Their interaction showed a highly significant effect, particularly in the 4th week of mycelium growth and overall production parameters. The best combination was 40 ml mung bean boiled water with 40 ml rice-washing water for mycelium growth, and 60 ml mung bean boiled water with 20-40 ml ricewashing water for faster pinhead initiation. The highest fresh weight was obtained with 40 ml rice-washing water, the largest fruit body diameter with 60 ml ricewashing water, and the highest number of fruiting bodies with no mung bean boiled water and 60 ml rice-washing water. Overall, rice-washing water had a stronger influence compared to mung bean boiled water on the growth and production of oyster mushrooms.

Keywords: mung bean boiled water, rice washing water, white oyster mushroom