

**Table S1.** Changes of total bacterial counts in lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	3.82 ± 0.53 <sup>Bb</sup>	7.05 ± 1.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.32 ± 0.8 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.21 ± 1.5 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.32 ± 0.85 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.24 ± 0.19 <sup>Aa</sup>
SF	6.36 ± 0.55 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.96 ± 0.6 <sup>ABa</sup>	8.74 ± 1.78 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.17 ± 1.04 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.71 ± 1.15 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.22 ± 0.25 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	3.97 ± 0.21 <sup>Bb</sup>	5.83 ± 0.35 <sup>Ab</sup>	4.42 ± 0.44 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.49 ± 0.49 <sup>Bb</sup>	5.59 ± 0.36 <sup>Ab</sup>	5.87 ± 0.84 <sup>Ab</sup>

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**Table S2.** Changes of Lactobacillus colony count in lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	3.4 ± 0.23 <sup>Cb</sup>	6.92 ± 0.36 <sup>Bb</sup>	8.88 ± 1.42 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.38 ± 1.04 <sup>ABa</sup>	8.01 ± 1.15 <sup>ABa</sup>	8.34 ± 1.04 <sup>ABa</sup>
SF	5.38 ± 0.7 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.97 ± 1.13 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.45 ± 0.77 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.62 ± 0.95 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.95 ± 0.55 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.96 ± 0.8 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	3.28 ± 0.3 <sup>Cb</sup>	4.34 ± 0.25 <sup>Bc</sup>	4.38 ± 0.2 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.18 ± 0.54 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.04 ± 0.24 <sup>Bb</sup>	5.17 ± 0.53 <sup>Ab</sup>

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**Table S3.** Changes of pH value of lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	6.19 ± 0.52 <sup>Aa</sup>	5.9 ± 0.44 <sup>Aa</sup>	4.43 ± 0.18 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.36 ± 0.46 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.34 ± 0.54 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.38 ± 0.53 <sup>Bb</sup>
SF	6.2 ± 0.59 <sup>Aa</sup>	4.33 ± 0.42 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.28 ± 0.05 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.33 ± 0.29 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.25 ± 0.49 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.39 ± 0.73 <sup>Bb</sup>
ST	6.19 ± 0.35 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.11 ± 0.42 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.13 ± 0.51 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.19 ± 0.61 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.12 ± 0.25 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.16 ± 0.38 <sup>Aa</sup>

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**Table S4.** Changes of Aw value of lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	0.86 ± 0.13 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.87 ± 0.1 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.13 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.15 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.87 ± 0.13 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.03 <sup>Aa</sup>
SF	0.86 ± 0.07 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.19 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.05 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	0.87 ± 0.18 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.88 ± 0.07 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.15 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.87 ± 0.11 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.87 ± 0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.86 ± 0.06 <sup>Aa</sup>

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**Table S5.** Changes of L\* value of lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	52.03 ± 3.04 <sup>Aa</sup>	52.64 ± 5.97 <sup>Aa</sup>	53.63 ± 10.23 <sup>Aa</sup>	52.78 ± 5.34 <sup>Aa</sup>	54.85 ± 10.62 <sup>Aa</sup>	55.61 ± 3.99 <sup>Aab</sup>
SF	54.31 ± 4.28 <sup>Aa</sup>	55.25 ± 3.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	54.42 ± 2.62 <sup>Aa</sup>	56.2 ± 3.16 <sup>Aa</sup>	55.78 ± 3.74 <sup>Aa</sup>	58.38 ± 5.1 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	51.81 ± 1.6 <sup>Aa</sup>	48.42 ± 5.03 <sup>Aa</sup>	51.25 ± 6.93 <sup>Aa</sup>	52.26 ± 2.37 <sup>Aa</sup>	53.7 ± 3.65 <sup>Aa</sup>	50.43 ± 4.08 <sup>Ab</sup>

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**Table S6.** Changes of a\* value of lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	6.03 ± 0.24 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.37 ± 0.4 <sup>ABb</sup>	8.23 ± 0.75 <sup>Ab</sup>	7.54 ± 1.44 <sup>Ab</sup>	7.4 ± 0.64 <sup>ABb</sup>	8.55 ± 1.02 <sup>Ab</sup>
SF	6.19 ± 0.28 <sup>Ca</sup>	9.24 ± 1.04 <sup>Ba</sup>	10 ± 0.59 <sup>ABa</sup>	9.82 ± 1.07 <sup>ABa</sup>	10.48 ± 1.23 <sup>ABa</sup>	11.08 ± 1.03 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	6.14 ± 0.39 <sup>Aa</sup>	5.23 ± 0.43 <sup>Bc</sup>	5.14 ± 0.25 <sup>Bc</sup>	5.03 ± 0.62 <sup>Bc</sup>	4.96 ± 0.68 <sup>Bc</sup>	5.75 ± 0.55 <sup>ABc</sup>

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**Table S7.** Changes of b\* value of lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	11.91 ± 0.85 <sup>Ab</sup>	11.41 ± 0.66 <sup>Ab</sup>	12.07 ± 0.83 <sup>Ab</sup>	11.73 ± 0.96 <sup>Aab</sup>	12.29 ± 1.14 <sup>Ab</sup>	12.59 ± 1.46 <sup>Ab</sup>
SF	14.1 ± 0.34 <sup>Aa</sup>	13.05 ± 0.7 <sup>Aa</sup>	13.71 ± 1.55 <sup>Aa</sup>	13.58 ± 1.5 <sup>Aa</sup>	14.52 ± 0.98 <sup>Aa</sup>	14.85 ± 0.68 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	12.11 ± 0.88 <sup>Ab</sup>	10.83 ± 1.13 <sup>Ab</sup>	11.27 ± 0.47 <sup>Ab</sup>	11.15 ± 1.59 <sup>Ab</sup>	11.34 ± 1.04 <sup>Ab</sup>	12.23 ± 0.7 <sup>Ab</sup>

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**Table S8.** Changes of TVB-N in mutton liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	13.25 ± 0.58 <sup>BCa</sup>	16.19 ± 0.84 <sup>Aa</sup>	11 ± 1.5 <sup>Ca</sup>	11.24 ± 2.08 <sup>Cb</sup>	13.07 ± 0.7 <sup>Ca</sup>	15.37 ± 1.48 <sup>ABa</sup>
SF	13.86 ± 2.23 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.68 ± 0.68 <sup>Ab</sup>	12.4 ± 1.98 <sup>Aa</sup>	14.68 ± 1.37 <sup>Aa</sup>	14.56 ± 2.9 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.87 ± 0.54 <sup>Ab</sup>
ST	13.23 ± 2.51 <sup>Aa</sup>	12.62 ± 1.97 <sup>Ab</sup>	13.07 ± 0.67 <sup>Aa</sup>	14.54 ± 2.61 <sup>Aa</sup>	15.38 ± 3.24 <sup>Aa</sup>	13.7 ± 2.25 <sup>Aab</sup>

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**Table S9.** Changes of TBARS in mutton liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	3.0 ± 0.05 <sup>ABa</sup>	3.6 ± 0.04 <sup>Aa</sup>	2.9 ± 0.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	2.0 ± 0.04 <sup>Ca</sup>	2.1 ± 0.05 <sup>Ca</sup>	1.9 ± 0.02 <sup>Ca</sup>
SF	3.8 ± 0.04 <sup>Aa</sup>	2.9 ± 0.05 <sup>Bb</sup>	2.6 ± 0.04 <sup>BCa</sup>	2.6 ± 0.08 <sup>BCa</sup>	2.0 ± 0.02 <sup>CDa</sup>	1.7 ± 0.01 <sup>Da</sup>
ST	3.7 ± 0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	3.0 ± 0.02 <sup>Bb</sup>	2.6 ± 0.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	2.6 ± 0.02 <sup>Ba</sup>	1.9 ± 0.02 <sup>Ca</sup>	1.7 ± 0.01 <sup>Ca</sup>

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**Table S10.** Changes of moisture content in lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	40.76 ± 1.67 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.59 ± 6.32 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.34 ± 5.71 <sup>Aa</sup>	40.19 ± 2.86 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.46 ± 5.59 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.73 ± 3.22 <sup>Aa</sup>
SF	39.19 ± 2.13 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.18 ± 5.77 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.52 ± 6.1 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.65 ± 2.49 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.94 ± 5.93 <sup>Aa</sup>	38.79 ± 2.39 <sup>Aa</sup>
ST	39.87 ± 2.58 <sup>Aa</sup>	38.9 ± 4.51 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.07 ± 3.53 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.62 ± 5.47 <sup>Aa</sup>	39.13 ± 3.82 <sup>Aa</sup>	38.59 ± 2.68 <sup>Aa</sup>

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**Table S11.** Changes of protein content in lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	11.66 ± 0.54 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.42 ± 1.34 <sup>Aa</sup>	12.32 ± 1.74 <sup>Aa</sup>	12.81 ± 0.93 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.85 ± 1.75 <sup>Aa</sup>	12.59 ± 1.72 <sup>Aa</sup>
SF	11.32 ± 0.68 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.11 ± 1.27 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.4 ± 1.65 <sup>Aab</sup>	10.94 ± 1.38 <sup>Ab</sup>	10.99 ± 0.74 <sup>Aa</sup>	11.47 ± 1.16 <sup>Aab</sup>
ST	11.75 ± 1.28 <sup>Aa</sup>	10.18 ± 1.58 <sup>ABa</sup>	9.72 ± 1.02 <sup>ABb</sup>	9.32 ± 1.33 <sup>Bb</sup>	9.72 ± 1.83 <sup>ABa</sup>	10.14 ± 0.71 <sup>ABb</sup>

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**Table S12.** Changes of crude fat content in lamb liver paste with three different treatments during storage period.

Group	0 d	1 d	7 d	14 d	21 d	28 d
NF	3.04 ± 0.64 <sup>Bb</sup>	4.35 ± 0.39 <sup>Ab</sup>	3.78 ± 0.23 <sup>ABb</sup>	4.19 ± 0.09 <sup>Ab</sup>	3.91 ± 0.49 <sup>Ab</sup>	4.15 ± 0.61 <sup>Ac</sup>
SF	3.77 ± 0.42 <sup>Ca</sup>	4.04 ± 0.69 <sup>Cb</sup>	4.59 ± 0.56 <sup>BCb</sup>	4.6 ± 0.09 <sup>BCb</sup>	5.36 ± 0.57 <sup>ABa</sup>	5.71 ± 0.51 <sup>Ab</sup>
ST	3.07 ± 0.11 <sup>Bb</sup>	5.75 ± 0.34 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.6 ± 1.36 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.02 ± 0.97 <sup>Aa</sup>	5.5 ± 0.39 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.78 ± 0.65 <sup>Aa</sup>

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