

**PE4.68 Effect of Adding *Rhus verniciflua* Stokes Extract and O<sub>2</sub> Concentration on the Quality of Ground Pork Packaged in Modified Atmosphere 246.00**

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**Abstract**—The objective of this research was to investigate the effect of adding *Rhus verniciflua* Stokes (RVS) extract and O<sub>2</sub> concentration (0%, 40%, and 60%) on the quality of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere containing 30% CO<sub>2</sub>. The pH and VBN were not affected by the addition of RVS extract and O<sub>2</sub> concentration. The TBARS content was inhibited by the addition of RVS extract but promoted by 60% O<sub>2</sub>-MAP. The color was resulted in a darker by the addition of RVS extract but in a redder by higher O<sub>2</sub>-MAP.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

NATURAL antioxidants improve the human health and food safety [13, 16]. In Korea, *Rhus verniciflua* Stokes (RVS) (a member of Anacardiaceae family) has been used traditionally as natural medicines for treating gastritis, stomach cancer, and arteriosclerosis [3, 4]. The antioxidant potential of RVS extract has been verified in liposome and meat homogenate model systems [8] and emulsion-type sausage [7].

Modified atmosphere packaging (MAP) is an effective technique to minimize the deterioration of meat products [9, 17]. Especially, high O<sub>2</sub> MAP (70-

80% O<sub>2</sub> and 30-20% CO<sub>2</sub>) is the most common method for fresh meat and results in the fascinating bright-red color [15] and further long shelf-life than air packaging [1]. But it promotes the lipid oxidation and myoglobin denaturation [2].

Therefore, the objective of this research was to investigate the effect of adding RVS extract and O<sub>2</sub> concentration on the quality of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere.

## II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

### A. RVS extract preparation

RVS extract was made from 100 g of naturally dried-RVS meal and 2,000 mL of deionized water using a red ginseng master (HS-777, Hansscience, Korea).

### B. Sample preparation

Frozen pork was ground through 6 mm and 4 mm plates using a meat chopper and divided into two groups. RVS extract was added to one group at 2% (w/w) based on total weight of meat and the other (control) was non-added meat. About 300 g of sample was placed on a barrier foam tray (Maximum O<sub>2</sub> transmission rate=0.1 cc/m<sup>2</sup> at 23°C, 0% RH; Maximum moisture vapor transmission rate=2.0 g/24 hr·254 cm<sup>2</sup> at 28°C, 100% RH, Cryovac Sealed Air Corp., USA), filled with either 0% O<sub>2</sub>/30% CO<sub>2</sub>/70% N<sub>2</sub>, 40% O<sub>2</sub>/30% CO<sub>2</sub>/30% N<sub>2</sub>, or 60% O<sub>2</sub>/30% CO<sub>2</sub>/10% N<sub>2</sub> and sealed with O<sub>2</sub> barrier film (Maximum O<sub>2</sub> transmission rate=20 cc/24 hr·254 m<sup>2</sup> at 4.4°C, 100% RH; Maximum moisture vapor transmission rate=0.10 g/24 hr·254 cm<sup>2</sup> at 4.4°C, 100% RH; Lid 1050, Cryovac Sealed Air Corp., USA) using a MAP machine (HyperVac, Korea) equipped with a gas mixer (MAP Mix 9001 ME, PBI Dansensor, Denmark).

Gas composition in each tray was measured using a handheld gas analyzer (CheckPoint O<sub>2</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub>, PBI Dansensor, Denmark) and N<sub>2</sub> concentration (%) was calculated as 100-[O<sub>2</sub> (%)+CO<sub>2</sub> (%)].

All packaged meat was stored at 4°C for 12 days.

### C. Experimental methods

The pH was measured by a pH meter (SevenEasy pH, Mettler-Toledo GmbH, Switzerland). Oxidation-reduction potential (ORP) was determined as described by Nam and Ahn [11] and expressed as mV. Total reducing ability (TRA) was determined as described by Lee et al. [6] and expressed as absorbance of 1 mM potassium ferricyanide minus absorbance of sample. Lipid oxidation was performed by the TBARS (2-thiobarbituric acid reactive substances) method of Sinnhuber and Yu [14] and expressed as mg malonaldehyde (MA) per kg meat. Volatile basic nitrogen (VBN) was measured by the Conway dish method of Kohsaka [5] and expressed as mg%. CIE  $L^*$  and  $a^*$  values were measured by a chroma meter (CR-400, Konica Minolta Sensing, Inc., Japan). Data was analyzed by the General Linear Model procedure of SAS program [12].

### III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The effect of adding RVS extract and  $O_2$  concentration on the pH of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere is presented in Fig. 1. The pH was not significantly ( $P>0.05$ ) different with the addition of RVS extract and  $O_2$  concentration.

The ORP (Fig. 1) was significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) decreased by the addition of RVS extract during storage. In the RVS extract -added,  $O_2$  concentration did not affect ORP during storage. But in the non-added, 60%  $O_2$ -MAP retained the highest ORP until 12 days of storage.

The VBN (Fig. 2) was not significantly ( $P>0.05$ ) different with the addition of RVS extract and  $O_2$  concentration.

The TBARS content (Fig. 2) was significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) decreased by the addition of RVS extract after 4 days of storage. Regardless of the addition of RVS extract, 60%  $O_2$ -MAP showed the highest ( $P<0.05$ ) TBARS content after 8 days of storage.

The  $L^*$  value (Fig. 3) was significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) decreased by the addition of RVS extract after 4 days of storage. But in the RVS extract-added and the non-added,  $O_2$  concentration did not affect  $L^*$  value during storage.

The  $a^*$  value (Fig. 3) was not significantly ( $P<0.05$ ) different with the addition of RVS extract during storage. Regardless of the addition of RVS extract, the higher  $O_2$ -MAP showed the higher  $a^*$  value during storage.

### IV. CONCLUSION

The effect of adding RVS extract and  $O_2$  concentration on the quality of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere was investigated in this

research. The addition of RVS extract improved the lipid oxidation stability. Moreover, the high  $O_2$ -MAP decreased the lipid oxidation stability but improved the color quality.

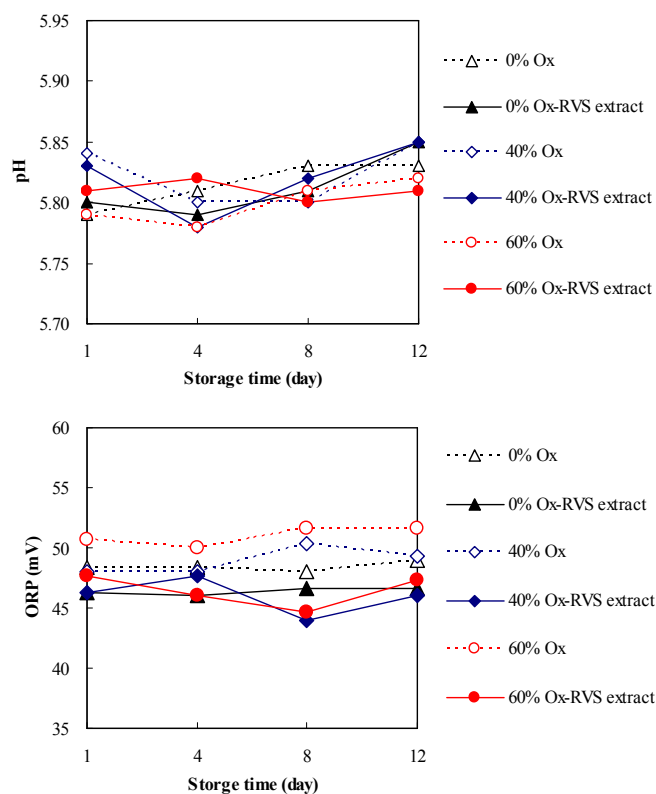
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**Fig. 1. The effect of adding RVS extract and  $\text{O}_2$  concentration on the pH and ORP of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere during storage at 4°C.**

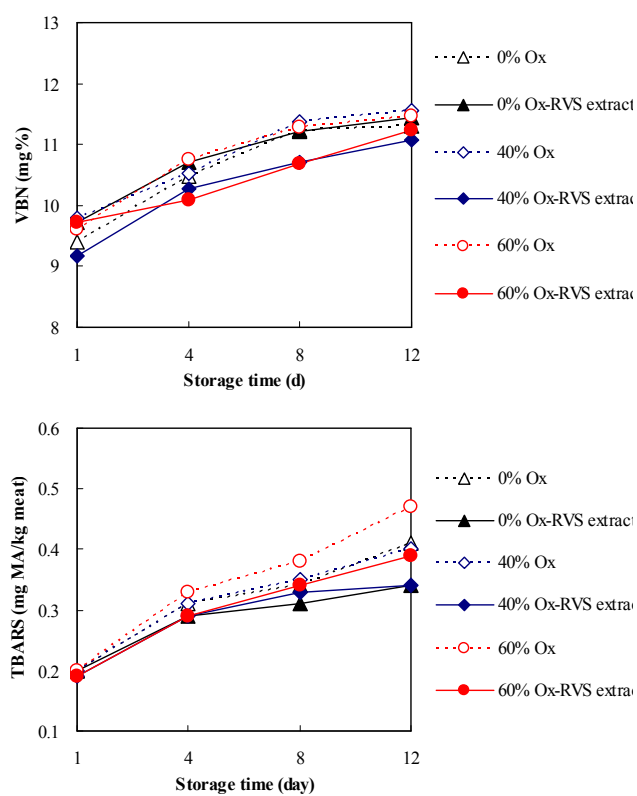


Fig. 2. The effect of adding RVS extract and O<sub>2</sub> concentration on the VBN and TBARS content of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere during storage at 4°C.

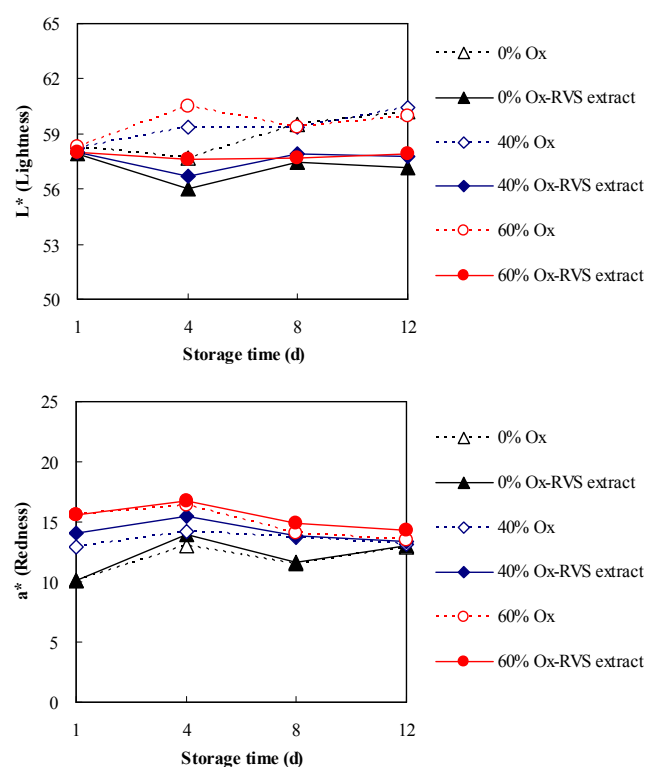


Fig. 3. The effect of adding RVS extract and O<sub>2</sub> concentration on the color of ground pork packaged in modified atmosphere during storage at 4°C.