

# Study on Quality Control in Dog Food Processing

In this paper, the common problems in the processing of pet food were systematically studied.

## [Dog food machine](#)

The problems are found in the actual production, and the methods to solve them are found through the systematic experimental research and the establishment of the experimental model.

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Dry pet food has high fat content, up to about 10%.

Therefore, some antioxidants are often added in the actual production to avoid the oxidation loss of fat in the process of processing, transportation and storage.

There are two kinds of antioxidants: natural antioxidants and synthetic antioxidants. In this paper, several commonly used antioxidants VE, TBHQ, BHT, PG and grease-butter in pet food were selected as the research objects.

Four antioxidants and synergist-citric acid (CA) were added into butter separately or in a certain proportion. With blank samples, peroxide value (POV) was measured every three days by Schall oven method, and their oxidation stability was compared to study the four antioxidants.

Antioxidants inhibit the oxidation of fat in pet food. The results showed that the antioxidant effect of four antioxidants in feeding butter was the strongest when the content of VE was 0.02%(g/g), but when the content of VE was increased to 0.05%, the antioxidant effect was the same as that of TBHQ with 0.02%.

Four kinds of antioxidants were compounded randomly, of which VE (0.05%)/TBHQ had the strongest antioxidant capacity. After adding 0.005% citric acid to VE (0.05%)/TBHQ, the antioxidant effect was further enhanced. Therefore, it is suggested that in the actual production of pet food, a variety of antioxidants can be selected and used simultaneously with synergist citric acid, which will play a better antioxidant effect and significantly prolong the shelf life of pet food.

In order to solve these problems, some hydrophilic colloids (xanthan gum, konjac gum and carrageenan) were used as stabilizers, and hardness and cooking loss were taken as indexes by orthogonal experiments. It was concluded that the hardness of pet cans could be maximized when their mass concentration was 0.4%, 0.2% and 0.3%, respectively. Minimization.

The distribution of oil droplets in minced meat was analyzed by BT-1600 image particle analysis system. It was found that the fat particles in the minced meat were smaller and more evenly distributed when the compound gum was added. Then, referring to foreign studies, spray dried plasma protein powder (SDAP) was added on the basis of the original formula.

By establishing response surface analysis model, the texture and color difference of the finished product were investigated. It was found that when SDAP, WG and mixed adhesive were added at 2.0%, 2.0% and 0.45%, the actual color difference ( $L^*$ ,  $a^*$ ,  $b^*$ ) and texture characteristics (hardness, elasticity, water holding capacity) were the closest to the optimal theoretical value.

