

Worthwhile Experience from a World-Class Conference

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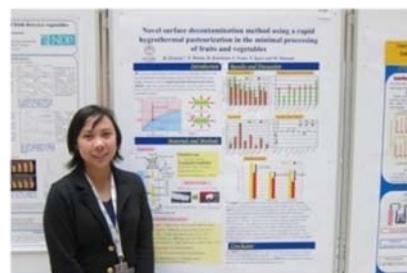
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Conference : *The 2011 European Federation of Food Science & Technology (EFFoST)
Annual Meeting; Process-Structure-Functions-Relationships*

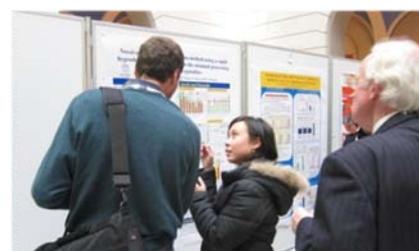
Food is necessary in human life and human have tried since ancient time to find a way to preserve food and keep it as long as they can. Novel surface decontamination method using a rapid hydrothermal pasteurization is an innovative method to keep fruits and vegetables in good conditions, including their nutrition. In Europe, any method to preserve foods effectively is considered important, especially if it has commercial potential. This is what EFFoST Annual Meeting is for. The meeting's main focus is on the interaction between process, structure, and functions of food systems. Many academic papers which have characters of innovations in processing, structure management and function generation will be selectively presented in this conference.

This year, my study on 'novel surface decontamination method using a rapid hydrothermal pasteurization' was selected to be one of innovative methods which could be used to preserve fruits and vegetables. This was because this method used only saturated water vapor in the process and without any other chemical substances used. Also, many countries in Europe now does not allow the use of sodium hypochlorite solution in the food industry because certain researches have shown that this substance can turn to be carcinogen and could possibly cause cancer in human. Therefore, I participated in this conference to present the details of my study on this novel safety method as it also had commercial potential.

What I have got priceless experience from this conference. I have seen many world class researches from other academic fellows. I had chance to learn something new from other experts. I have met others academic fellows whom I could share knowledge and experience with in the future. And most importantly, I had chance to share what I have found from my study to others.



Her study was selected as one of the best.



Heated discussion on food preservation method with world-class researchers



Information map of Budweiser Budvar Brewery; they visited it after EFFoST

I would like to thank all my lecturers for their kind supports and feedbacks during my study. Without them, I will not be able to have found this innovative method. Also, I would like to give my special thank to the JSPS for the fund and the chance given. Without kind support from JSPS, I will not be able to attend this conference and gain this wonderful experience. Thank you!