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Quality evaluation of *si mU* prepared from two sources of heat (Gas and Charcoal)

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ABSTRACT

Cooking increases the safety of food by inhibiting the growth of harmful microbes and increasing shelf-life. However, the type of heat a product is subjected to have a profound effect on the final product both chemically and physically. Suya is boneless meat of animals usually from beef that is stacked on sticks, sauced and oiled and then grilled over a glowing fire which is usually charcoal. The aim of this study is to assess the effect of different sources of heat on the nutritional and keeping qualities of suya.

A total of twenty-four Semitendinosus muscle was harvested from the carcasses of twelve fattened Balami rams; these were sliced into thin sheets and stacked into Suya stick. The weight of each stick before and after the meat was stacked was recorded. A total of 120 sticks of meat were prepared, randomly allotted to the two sources of heat. The final products were labeled Gas Suya (GS) and Charcoal Suya (CS), respectively. The average weight of the meat and stick together were between 14-17g. The raw meat with sauce and oil, GS and CS were subjected to analysis. The laboratory analysis includes cooking loss (CL), water holding capacity (WHC), product yield (PY) and chemical composition (CC) using AOAC methods, microbiological counts ($\log_{10} \text{cfu/g cm}^2$) using the total aerobic count (TAC) method.

The results showed that CL ($27.58 \pm 2.69\%$), was significantly higher ($P=0.05$) in CS, while WHC ($87.53 \pm 6.90\%$) and PY (78.96 ± 5.47) were significantly ($P<0.05$) higher in GS. The ash content ($8.52 \pm 0.47\%$) of CS, the moisture ($23.03 \pm 0.41\%$) and cholesterol ($53.08 \pm 3.96\%$) contents of GS were significantly higher ($P=0.05$). The TAC (2.83 ± 0.20) of CS was higher ($P=0.05$) than 1.30 ± 0.20 of GS. The chemical and physical composition of GS are better than those of CS Suya, therefore, using gas in the grilling of Suya will be a great advantage to the producer and the consumer.

Keywords: Suya, heat, microbiological counts, gas, charcoal, cooking loss, water holding capacity, aerobic counts

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Quality evaluation of **mutton** *suya* prepared from two sources of heat (Gas and Charcoal)

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1. INTRODUCTION

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Cooking increases the safety of food by inhibiting the growth of microorganisms, inactivating antinutrient enzymes, and increasing shelf-life. Additionally, it improves the organoleptic properties of meat [1, 2]. The source of heat used during cooking is a crucial factor in controlling and diminishing contamination in food products [3].

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The fuel type used as source of heat and the temperature are the major contributors to contaminants of meat products [4, 5]. There is preferential consumption of different types of meat by people due to some factors such as religious belief, culture, food habits, and sex of the animal, age at slaughter, socio-economic factors, individual variation and income [6, 7]. In Nigeria, chevon is predominant among the South Easterners; pork is a slice of forbidden meat among the Northerner [7] while mutton consumption is mostly restricted to one of the festive periods among the Muslims.

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Sheep have been among the first domesticated animals and are ranked the third among the domesticated ruminants for the production of meat and milk after cattle and buffaloes [8]. These animals offer an important source of wealth and continuing contribution of providing food for the growing world population [9]. However, potentials of mutton have not been fully explored especially in areas of value addition which can further increase its acceptance in various households.

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Suya is one of the meat products that are popular especially in Nigeria and also in other African countries. It is a popular street delicacy of several countries, particularly those in West Africa [10]. It is a boneless, roasted, spicy ready-to-eat meat product usually prepared from beef, although other meat sources such as chevon, chicken, fish etc have also been used in preparing *Suya*. However, its production from mutton has received low attention.

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The objective of this research was to: investigate the influence of different sources of heat on the physico-chemical properties, chemical composition, eating quality characteristics and keeping qualities of *Suya* produced from mutton.

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2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

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A total of twenty-four *Semitendonus* muscles (ST) were harvested from the carcasses of twelve fattened Balami rams slaughter at the slaughterhouse of the Department of Animal Science, University of Ibadan. The ST muscles were cut into thin slices and randomly assigned to the two sources of heat (charcoal and gas).

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2.1 Preparation of *Suya* Ingredients

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The spices (raw) used in preparing the *suya* ingredient were purchased from spice stand unit at Bodija market (a commercial market). The spices include ginger (*Zingiber officinales*),

113 black pepper (*Piper guineense*), red pepper (*Capsicum frutescens*). Roasted groundnut
 114 (*Arachis hypogaea*) and other seasonings (*Monosodium glutamate*) were also bought from
 115 the same market. The spices were dried, milled individually and kept in a dry container
 116 separately before mixing it together in a specific proportion as shown in Table 1 as developed
 117 in Animal Product Unit of the Department of Animal Science, University of Ibadan [11, 12].
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119 **Table 1: Percentage composition of Suya ingredient**

120 Name of spices and Additives	Scientific names	%
121 Groundnut cake powder	(<i>Arachis hypogea</i>)	52.00
122 Ginger	(<i>Zingiber officinale</i>)	5.00
123 Garlic	(<i>Allium sativum</i>)	5.00
124 Red Dried pepper	(<i>Capsicum annum</i>)	10.00
125 White pepper	(<i>Piper nigrum</i>)	5.00
126 Curry	(<i>Murraya koenigii</i>)	5.00
127 Salt	(<i>sodium chloride</i>)	8.50
128 Seasoning	(<i>monosodium glutamate</i>)	7.50
129 Groundnut oil		2.00
130 Total		100.00

131 Source: Omojola *et al.* (2004)

132 * 5-10 mls of groundnut oil was added to each stick of meat during roasting.
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134 2.2 Preparation of Suya

135 The ingredient was spread on a clean, dry tray and each stick of meat was properly dusted
 136 with the ingredient (Omojola *et al.*, 2004). An individual *suya* stick, which was about 30 cm
 137 long, was weighed and the thin sheets of meat inserted into the *suya* stick. A total of 60 sticks
 138 of *suya* were prepared from each muscle type.
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140 2.2.1 Sticking of Suya

141 Individual *Suya* stick, about 30 cm long, was weighed and the thin sheets of meat inserted
 142 into the *Suya* stick and weigh again. The average weight of the meat per stick was between
 143 33.67 to 43.16g. The formulated ingredient was spread on a neat flat tray and each stick meat
 144 was properly dusted with the ingredient [11]. The average weight of ingredient per stick meat
 145 was measured after proper coating with the ingredient. The average weight of ingredient per
 146 stick meat was between 4.64 and 7.35g. A total of 120 sticks of *Suya* were prepared and these
 147 were randomly allotted equally to the two heat sources (Charcoal and Gas) after which they
 148 are labeled, Charcoal *Suya* (CS) and Gas *Suya* (GS) for proper identification. Five to ten
 149 mls of groundnut oil was sprinkled on each *Suya* sample during grilling. The *Suya* was
 150 grilled for 25 minutes with intermittent turnings. The *suya* was allowed to cool down before
 151 the final weights were taken.
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153 2.2.2 Grilling Suya with the charcoal heat source (CS)

154 A glowing smokeless fire was made from charcoal. Labeled *Suya* sticks of meat were
 155 arranged around the glowing charcoal fire. A distance of 20cm from the center of the fire and
 156 the *suya* sticks was maintained and the stick meats were turned intermittently. Groundnut oil
 157 was sprinkled on the meat while grilling continued [11]. The temperature of cooking was
 158 monitored by a thin chromium-aluminum thermometer and cooking terminated when the core
 159 temperature of the stuck meat reached the degree of doneness (78°C to 80°C). (This
 160 temperature was attained at around 20 minutes of cooking the meat). The products were
 161 removed from the fire and allowed to cool down at room temperature for thirty minutes and

162 the final weights taken and recorded to determine the product/cooking yields and cooking
 163 loss. All necessary hygienic precautions were observed during the processing procedures.

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165 **2.2.3 Grilling *Suya* with the gas heat source (GS)**

166 This was performed using a large preheated gas grilling machine. The sticks of meat were
 167 placed on a turntable rack, arranged approximately 20cm above the heating elements and
 168 turned intermittently during the twenty minutes of exposure to heat. The cooking was
 169 terminated when the internal core temperature of the stacked meat reached the degree of
 170 doneness (71°C to 75 °C for grilling machine). After cooking the products were allowed to
 171 cool for thirty minutes and the weights were taken and recorded to determine the
 172 product/cooking yields and cooking loss. The products (CS and GS) were packaged
 173 separately in Low Density Polythene (LDPE) for subsequent analysis.

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175 **2.3 Quality Studies**

176 **2..3.1 Cooking loss (CL) and cooking /product yield (PY) percentages**

177 Cooking loss was determined on raw meat samples before stacking it on the *suya* sticks.
 178 Chunks of meat were cut and weigh, these were put into polyethylene bags and labeled. The
 179 polyethylene was now put into boiling water (100°C) and boiled for twenty minutes after
 180 which it was removed, allowed to cool at ambient temperature and the weight was taken. This
 181 was done in triplicates. Cooking loss percentage was determined by evaluating the
 182 differences in weight of the initial raw sample from a cooked sample and divided by the
 183 initial weight before cooking multiplied by 100.

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185 Cooking/products yield were determined in *suya* samples in triplicates. This was determined
 186 using the method described by [13]. It was expressed as the percentage of the final weight of
 187 the product to the initial weight of raw samples of *suya*.

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189 **% cooking loss** =
$$\frac{\text{Initial weight of the sample before cooking} - \text{weight of the sample after}}{\text{Initial weight of the sample before cooking}} \times 100$$

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191 **% cooking/product yield (PY)** =
$$\frac{\text{Weight of } \textit{Suya} \text{ after cooking}}{\text{Weight of } \textit{Suya} \text{ before cooking}} \times 100$$

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2.3.2 Water holding capacity (WHC)

The WHC was determined with a press method according to [14]. An approximately 1g of a
 sample (*Suya*) was placed between two 9 cm Whatman No 1 filter papers (model C, Caver
 Inc, Wabash, U. S. A). The sample was pressed between two 10.2 x10.2 plexiglass for sixty
 seconds using a vice. Pressed samples were oven dried at 105°C for 24 hours and their
 moisture contents determined. Amount of water released from samples was measured
 indirectly by measuring the area of filter paper wetted relative to the area of pressed samples.
 This was done in triplicates for each of the cooking methods thus WHC of samples was
 calculated thus:

$$\text{WHC} = \frac{100 - (A_w - A_s) \times 9.47}{W_s \times M_c} \times 100$$

Where A_w = Area of water released from Samples (cm²)

A_s = Area of Sample (cm²)

211 Ws = Weight of Samples (g)
212 Mc = Moisture Content of Samples (%)
213 9.47 = Constant Factor

214 215 **2.3.3 Shear force (SF) determination**

216 This was determined by using the method described by [15] Shear test was performed using
217 INSTRON 5965 with Warner-Bratzler shear force (WBSF) attachment. The WBSF was
218 determined for *Suya* samples. Cylindrical samples, with the diameter of 1.27 cm and height
219 of 2.5±0.3cm, were shear using a "V" shaped knife. The direction of cutting force was
220 perpendicular to the muscle fibres orientation. The test was conducted with constant head
221 speed (cell capacity 500 N) at 200 mm/ min, at a standardized temperature of the samples
222 (2±1°C). This was done in triplicates for *suya* from each heat sources.

223 224 **2.3.4 Colour**

225 The colour of the mutton *Suya* samples were measured using a colorimeter (Minolta
226 spectrophotometer CM 3500d, Japan). The colour reading ranges from redness, lightness, and
227 yellowness.

228 229 **2.3.5 pH determination**

230 The pH of fresh mutton and mutton *Suya* samples were determined according to the method
231 described by [16]. The pH was measured in an aqueous extract from 1g of the dried samples
232 homogenized in 10 ml distilled water. The pH was measured using a pH meter (Lab tech
233 digital 152R).

234 235 **2.3.6 Chemical composition:**

236 The chemical composition for moisture, protein, fat, and ash was determined according to the
237 [17]. This was carried out both on the raw mutton and on the mutton *suya*. The crude protein
238 contents were determined by the Kjeldahl method and the crude lipid contents were
239 determined by the Soxhlet method. The ash contents were determined by subjecting the
240 samples to high temperature (550°C) inside the furnace overnight.

241 Percentage moisture contents were determined using the air oven method by drying 10 grams
242 of raw mutton and *suya* samples at 105°C to a constant weight. The difference in weight
243 before and after drying divided by weight before drying multiplied by 100 was recorded.

244 245 **2.4 Microbial analysis**

246 The microbiological assessment of *Suya* was carried out using three parameters: Total
247 Aerobic Counts (TAC), Total Coliform Counts (TCC) and Total Fungal Counts (TFC). The
248 TAC of *suya* samples from the two heat sources were determined following aseptic technique
249 procedure and following the method described by (7). Samples from each product (15 g)
250 were taken aseptically and homogenized in 0.1% (w/v) peptone solution for one minute. The
251 homogenate was serially diluted and used for microorganism enumeration and nutrient agar
252 was used for total bacteria counts after 48 hours incubation at 37°C. The population of
253 bacteria was expressed as log CFU g⁻¹.

254 For TCC, the spread plate technique was used. One milliliter aliquot of each of the diluted
255 samples was plated out on sterile MacConkey agar (MA). Incubation was at room
256 temperature for 48 hours in an inverted position. Discrete colonies of coliform bacteria that
257 developed were counted and recorded.

258 259 **2.4.1 Preparation of Media for Fungi Isolation (TFC)**

260 The media (Nutrient agar, Potato Dextrose Agar and MacConkey agar) were prepared
261 according to the manufacturers' instruction. The associated fungi were isolated using a
262 standard pour plate technique. Ten grams of the dried meat products were homogenized in
263 sterile distilled water. One milliliter of the homogenate was decimally diluted and 1 ml of
264 selected dilution (10^{-4}) was plated in duplicate on a sterile Sabouraud Dextrose agar
265 containing 1% streptomycin. Inoculated plates were incubated at $28 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 5-7 days.
266 Discrete colonies were isolated in pure culture by sub-culturing the cells [18].

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268 **2.4.2 Thiobarbituric Acid Reactive Substances (TBARS)**

269 The rate of lipid oxidation was determined on the *suya* samples by measuring the amount of
270 thiobarbituric acid reactive substances produced by the samples during storage (7 days). This
271 was determined through the extraction methods process described by [19] and modified by
272 [20].

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274 **2.5 Sensory evaluation**

275 The panel consists of 25 students from the Department of Animal Science, University of
276 Ibadan. A 9 point hedonic scale method which ranged from 1; dislike very much to 9; like
277 very much - was used to evaluate colour, flavour, tenderness, juiciness and overall
278 acceptability (1).

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280 **2.6 Statistical analysis**

281 Data obtained were analyzed using one-way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) and followed
282 by DUNCAN Multiple range test of statistical package for social science version 15.0 [22]
283 where there are statistical differences.

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285 **3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

286 **3.1 Physical properties**

287 The physical properties of *suya* prepared from different sources of heat are shown in Table 2.
288 Cooking loss of *suya* samples from CHS ($27.58 \pm 2.69\%$) and GHS ($20.94 \pm 2.71\%$) were
289 significantly different as the sources of heat and internal temperatures were not the same.
290 Cooking loss measurement is a method used in assessing the impact of heat treatment on
291 meat products because it is a reflection of the degree of its juiciness, as well as the product
292 yield [23]. The differences obtained in the product yields of *suya* in this study contradicts the
293 results obtained by [24] and [15] who observed no significant differences in the cooking
294 yield of beef with the slow heat process. The results showed that product yield of *suya*
295 samples from GHS ($78.96 \pm 5.47\%$) was significantly ($P=0.05$) higher than that of *suya*
296 samples from CHS ($72.62 \pm 9.59\%$). The low product yield of samples obtained for CHS
297 might be attributed to the excessive fat separation and water release during cooking as a
298 result of the high and unregulated temperature. During the heat treatment, meat loses 20-40%
299 of its total initial weight due to fluid leakage with the increasing temperature [25]. The higher
300 product yield recorded for GHS could also be as a result of the high recipe uptake by most of
301 the *suya* allotted to a GHS as indicated on the table. However, the result obtained for this
302 study fall within the values of 21.27 to 33.36% reported by [26] for meat products.

303 The SF and pH of *suya* samples from CHS (3.91 ± 0.23 and $5.97 \pm 0.01 \text{kg/cm}^2$) were
304 significantly ($P=0.05$) higher than that of *suya* samples from GHS (3.11 ± 0.46 and
305 $5.86 \pm 0.02 \text{kg/cm}^2$). Warner-Bratzler shear force is an objective measure of tenderness used in
306 the research laboratory to evaluate relative differences in tenderness or toughness of meat
307 products. From the results, it was observed that products prepared from the GHS have a high
308 water holding capacity compared to a product prepared from the CHS. This implies that *suya*

309 samples from GHS will retain more water which might make it tender and soft during
310 mastication compared with products from CHS which is drier due to the less water retained.
311 The meat pH has a great impact on three sensory quality characteristics of meats: appearance,
312 texture and flavour; and all these affect the consumer acceptance of meat [27]. Such
313 differences could be caused by the differences in the organic acid content of the raw materials
314 used as the sources of heat [28]. The pH of the *suya* in this study was in line with the research
315 which stated that the water content of meat thermally treated was lower than the raw meat
316 [11].

317 Water holding capacity, reported as percentage expressible juice, was $87.53 \pm 6.90\%$ for the
318 *suya* samples from GHS and $67.94 \pm 7.95\%$ for the CHS samples, all of which were
319 significantly different from each other. The water holding capacity of meat is of great
320 importance in the meat industry, as it affects the chemical composition, economic and
321 sensory attributes of meat [26, 29 and 30]. The treatment using charcoal led the protein of
322 meat to bind more volatile compound, thus, it could not bind much water. A volatile
323 compound of CHS was lower than that of GHS. Generally, cooking contributes to the loss of
324 water-holding capacity, resulting in the concentration of proteins, fat, and ash in meat
325 products [10] and meat [31]. Prolonged heat treatment caused tenderness loss in the products
326 of CHS. This can be explained by the significant content of connective tissue in the muscle
327 [13]. High temperature and prolonged heating affect the tissue, which in turn influences
328 hardness of the product since changes in the cutting force are closely related to the myofibrils
329 contraction and degree of collagen denaturation [32].

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331 **Table 2: Physical properties of *Suya* prepared from two different sources of heat**

Parameters (%)	Sources of Heat		P value
	Charcoal	Oven	
Recipe uptake	16.24±4.89	19.68±3.90	0.1458
Cooking loss	27.58±2.69 ^a	20.94±2.71 ^b	0.0001
Cooking /Product yield	72.62±9.59 ^b	78.96±5.47 ^a	0.0710
Shear force kg/cm ²	3.91±0.23 ^a	3.11±0.46 ^b	0.0001
Ph	5.97±0.01 ^a	5.86±0.02 ^b	0.0001
Water Holding Capacity	67.94±7.95 ^b	87.53±6.90 ^a	0.0001

332 ^{a,b,c}: Means with different superscripts in the same row differ significantly (P<0.05)

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335 **3.2 Chemical Composition of *Suya***

336 The changes in moisture, protein, fat, and ash contents of raw mutton before and after
337 cooking are shown in Table3. The moisture content of mutton before cooking is
338 $70.87 \pm 0.24\text{g}/100\text{g}$, decreased after cooking. Raw mutton had the lowest protein content
339 ($20.79 \pm 0.25\text{g}/100\text{g}$), while the cooked samples had the highest (49.50 ± 0.05 and
340 $49.44 \pm 1.06\text{g}/100\text{g}$). The results indicated that sources of heat affected the protein content of
341 cooked meat but was not significantly different. Denaturation of protein occurred during the
342 heating [33, 34]. The values obtained for crude protein, ash, fat contents of *suya* in this study
343 were higher than that reported by [35] and [18]. Raw mutton contained a higher level of
344 moisture compared to cooked samples. The moisture content of raw mutton samples found to
345 be inversely related to the total lipid content. This could be attributed to the oil penetration on
346 the food after water is evaporated during cooking [36]. Generally, the protein and ash
347 contents increased after cooking in all evaluated methods (P=0.05). According to [37],

348 increase in protein, fat, and ash contents could be explained by the reduction in moisture. The
349 fat content of cooked meat was higher than raw; samples from CHS and GHS were similar
350 with our results which stated that the fat content of meat thermally treated was higher than the
351 raw meat [11].

352 **Table 3: Chemical compositions of raw and freshly prepared *suya* produced from**
353 **mutton using two sources of heat**

Parameters (%)	Raw mutton	Mutton <i>Suya</i>		Pvalue
		Sources of Heat		
		Charcoal	Oven	
Moisture Content	70.87±0.24 ^a	22.46±0.42 ^c	23.03±0.41 ^b	0.0001
Crude Protein	20.79±0.25 ^b	49.50±0.95 ^a	49.44±1.06 ^a	0.0001
Ether Extract	6.25±0.17 ^b	18.04±0.46 ^a	18.05±0.67 ^a	0.0001
Ash	2.09±0.08 ^c	8.52±0.47 ^a	7.98±0.41 ^b	0.0001

354 ^{a,b,c}: Means with different superscripts in the same row differ significantly (P<0.05)

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356 3.3 Sensory Evaluation of *Suya*

357 Table 4 showed the results of mean organoleptic properties of *suya* samples. The results
358 indicated that there were significant (P=0.05) differences in organoleptic properties of *suya*
359 samples. *Suya* colour (6.70±0.28), juiciness (7.10±0.71) and tenderness (7.00±0.7) were
360 significantly higher (P=0.05) in *suya* samples from GHS than CHS while *suya* samples from
361 CHS was adjudged the most (P=0.05) flavoured (6.50±0.71). However, Similar results were
362 obtained for hotness and acceptability. In general, the most preferable colour of *suya* is
363 golden brown which depends on the non-meat ingredients, meat components and heating
364 process. Also, there were Maillard reaction and caramelization as well as changes of
365 myoglobin of meat during processing together with the present of non-meat ingredients.
366 According to [38] hotness and acceptability were statistically not significant difference.

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373 **Table 4: Eating qualities of freshly prepared *suya* produced from two different sources**
374 **of heat**

Parameters	Sources of Heat		Pvalue
	Charcoal	Oven	
Colour	4.10±0.41 ^b	6.70±0.28 ^a	0.0086
Flavour	6.50±0.71 ^a	6.22±0.12 ^b	0.2859
Juiciness	6.40±0.71 ^b	7.10±0.71 ^a	0.0171
Tenderness	6.30±0.71 ^b	7.00±0.71 ^a	0.1121
Hotness	5.20±0.28	6.42±0.46	0.2524
Overall acceptability	6.40±0.71	7.30±0.71	0.1253

375 ^{a,b,c}: Means with different superscripts in the same row differ significantly (P<0.05)

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377 3.4 Microbiological characteristics of *suya* prepared from different sources of heat

378 Table 5 showed the results of microbiological analysis of *suya* prepared from different
379 sources of heat. The results of microbiological analysis showed that the total aerobic aerobic

380 counts was $2.83 \pm 0.20 \text{Log (cfu/g)}$ and $1.30 \pm 0.20 \text{Log (cfu/g)}$ for *suya* samples from CHS and
 381 GHS, respectively. The differences in these values were statistically significant ($P=0.05$).
 382 Total coliform and Total fungal counts (Logcfu/g) were 4.20 ± 0.20 and 4.40 ± 0.20 in *suya*
 383 samples from CHS, respectively while 7.30 ± 0.20 and $3.10 \pm 0.20 \text{Log (cfu/g)}$ in *suya* samples
 384 from GHS, respectively. Significant differences ($P<0.05$) were observed between the mean
 385 microbial counts in *suya* samples at day-seven. The levels of microbial loads in different *suya*
 386 samples did not exceed the recommended value of 5.48Log (cfu/g) . A low microbial content
 387 of these samples could be due to the low moisture content, proper handling, spices and non-
 388 meat ingredients and water activity value of samples. TBARS content is commonly evaluated
 389 to determine lipid oxidation which is related to meat quality [39]. TBARS were not
 390 significantly different between the experimental samples in the present study, probably due to
 391 the absence of differences in PUFA-content of meat samples [40, 27].

392 **Table 5: Microbiological counts ($\log 10^2 \text{cfu/g cm}^2$) and Thiobarbituric Reactive**
 393 **Substances (TBARS) (mgMDA/100g) of mutton *Suya* produced from two heat sources**
 394 **after storage for 7 days**

Parameters	Sources of Heat		Pvalue
	Charcoal	Oven	
Total Aerobic Count	2.83 ± 0.20^a	1.30 ± 0.20^b	0.0001
Total Coliform Count	4.20 ± 0.20^b	4.40 ± 0.20^a	0.0001
Total Fungal Count	7.30 ± 0.20^a	3.10 ± 0.20^b	0.0001
TBARS	0.21 ± 0.02	0.22 ± 0.04	0.0001

395 ^{a,b,c}: Means with different superscripts in the same row differ significantly ($P<0.05$)

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397 Conclusion

398 On comparing the *suya* samples from CHS and GHS, the results indicated that GHS had
 399 considerable effect on the proximate composition of *suya* samples. Based on the results
 400 obtained for physical properties, proximate, sensory and microbiological properties, the GHS
 401 of *suya* samples were found to be the best among the sources of heat for healthy eating.

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404 Competing Interests

405 Authors have declared that no competing interests exist.

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