Glossary:

- 1. Indigenous Enzymes: Innate or inherent enzymes.
- **2. Brine:** Water saturated with or containing large amounts of a salt, especially sodium chloride.
- 3. Nausea: A stomach distress with distaste for food and an urge to vomit.
- **4. Anaerobes:** An anaerobic organism or anaerobe is any organism that does not require oxygen for growth. It may react negatively or even die if oxygen is present.
- **5. Siderophores:** Any medium-sized molecule that has a high specificity for binding or chelating iron; they are employed by microorganisms to obtain iron from the environment.
- **6. Facultative organisms:** Having the capacity to live under more than one specific set of environmental conditions, as a plant that can lead either a parasitic or a nonparasitic life or a bacterium that can live with or without air (opposed to obligate).
- **7. Fishy off odors:** An odor that is not natural or up to standard owing to deterioration or contamination (the butter smelled of fish and other off-odors).
- **8. Slaughter:** The killing or butchering of cattle, sheep, etc., especially for food.
- **9. Evisceration:** The process whereby tissue or organs that usually reside within a body cavity are displaced outside that cavity, usually through a traumatic disruption of the wall of the cavity; evisceration of bowel.
- **10. Proteolytic bacteria:** The bacteria which have the ability of hydrolysis of proteins or peptides with formation of simpler and soluble products.
- **11. Vacuum packing:** Vacuum packing is a method of packaging that removes air from the package prior to sealing. This method involves (manually or automatically) placing items in a plastic film package, removing air from inside, and sealing the package.
- 12. Minced Meat: Finely chopped meat.
- **13. Modified atmosphere:** Modified atmosphere is the practice of modifying the composition of the internal atmosphere of a package (commonly food packages, drugs, etc.) in order to improve the shelf life.
- **14. Shelf life:** The length of time a product may be stored without becoming unsuitable for use or consumption.
- **15.** Oviposit: To deposit or lay eggs, especially by means of an ovipositor.