

Table 8 Microbial Quality (cfu/g) and pH of freshly smoked fish samples

Types of fish	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	<i>Salmonella paratyphi</i> +	Staphylococcal count	<i>Escherichia coli</i> count	Total viable count	pH
Silver Catfish	4.0 x 10 ¹ _a	-	23.4 x 10 ² _a	-	4.6 x 10 ⁴ _b	6.43 _{abcde}
Spotted tilapia	5.3 x 10 ¹ _a	-	57.3 x 10 ² _c	-	4.0 x 10 ⁴ _b	6.61 _{cd}
Bonga shad	6.0 x 10 ¹ _{ab}	-	49.0 x 10 ² _b	-	6.0 x 10 ⁴ _c	6.41 _{defg}
Nig. tongue sole	12.2 x 10 ¹ _c	-	48.0 x 10 ² _b	-	2.3 x 10 ⁴ _a	6.69 _{cdefg}
G. barracuda	7.4 x 10 ¹ _b	-	21.1 x 10 ² _a	-	5.4 x 10 ⁴ _c	6.41 _{defg}

Note: Data are means of 3 replicates; Data with the same subscript are not significantly different at (p<0.05)