

Table S1. Ingredient composition and nutrient content of the basal diet (% , as-fed basis).

Items	1-4 Weeks	5-8 Weeks	9-10 Weeks
Ingredient			
Corn (7.9)	61.70	68.94	75.80
Soybean meal (45)	26.09	26.80	20.10
Corn protein flour (55)	7.90	—	—
Dicalcium phosphate	1.40	1.40	1.40
Limestone	1.08	1.06	1.06
Salt	0.38	0.38	0.38
DL-Methionine	0.15	0.22	0.16
L-Lysine	0.20	0.10	0.00
choline chloride (50%)	0.10	0.10	0.10
Premix	1.00 ¹	1.00 ²	1.00 ³
Total	100	100	100
Nutritional level			
Calculated nutrient ⁴			
Metabolizable energy (MJ/kg)	12.14	11.98	12.21
CP (%)	20.67	17.51	15.03
Calcium (%)	0.90	0.90	0.88
Total phosphorus (%)	0.68	0.67	0.65
Non-phytate phosphorus (%)	0.44	0.44	0.44
Lysine (%)	1.07	0.95	0.71
Methionine (%)	0.48	0.48	0.39
Methionine +cystine (%)	0.81	0.75	0.63
Threonine (%)	0.75	0.66	0.56
Tryptophane (%)	0.21	0.19	0.16

¹ The premix provided per kilogram diet: vitamin A 4000 IU, vitamin D3 2000 IU, vitamin E 20 mg, vitamin K3 2.0 mg, vitamin B1 2.0 mg, vitamin B2 12 mg, vitamin B6 3.0 mg, vitamin B12 0.02 mg, nicotinic acid 50 mg, D-pantothenic acid 10 mg, folic acid 1 mg, biotin 0.2 mg, Cu 8 mg, Fe 60 mg, Mn 100 mg, Zn 60 mg, Se 0.2 mg, I 0.4 mg.

² The premix provided per kilogram diet: vitamin A 3000 IU, vitamin D3 2000 IU, vitamin E 10 mg, vitamin K3 2.0 mg, vitamin B1 1.5 mg, vitamin B2 8 mg, nicotinic acid 30 mg, D-pantothenic acid 10 mg, vitamin B6 3.0 mg, vitamin B12 0.02 mg, biotin 0.1 mg, folic acid 1 mg, Cu 8 mg, Fe 60 mg, Mn 80 mg, Zn 40 mg, Se 0.2 mg, I 0.4 mg.

³ The premix provided per kilogram diet: vitamin A 2500 IU, vitamin D3 1000 IU, vitamin E 10 mg, vitamin K3 2.0 mg, vitamin B1 1.5 mg, vitamin B2 8 mg, nicotinic acid 30 mg, D-pantothenic acid 10 mg, vitamin B6 3.0 mg, vitamin B12 0.02 mg, biotin 0.1 mg, folic acid 1 mg, Cu 8 mg, Fe 60 mg, Mn 80 mg, Zn 40 mg, Se 0.2 mg, I 0.3 mg.

⁴ Values were calculated based on the data provided by Feed Database in China (2004).

Table S2. Concentration (ng g⁻¹) of volatile compounds identified and quantified by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry in the duck breast muscle with different dietary curcumin.

Volatile Compounds (ng g ⁻¹)	Groups				SEM	<i>p</i> -Value	<i>p</i> -Value		CAS
	T ₀	T ₃₀₀	T ₄₀₀	T ₅₀₀			Linear	Quadratic	
Aldehydes									
Nonanal	22.15 ^a	6.93 ^b	6.83 ^b	6.51 ^b	0.194	< 0.001	0.027	< 0.001	124-19-6
Hexanal	20.49 ^a	15.49 ^b	10.65 ^c	3.16 ^d	0.275	< 0.001	0.000	< 0.001	66-25-1
Benzaldehyde	2.93 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.045	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	100-52-7
Hexadecanal	2.82 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.043	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	629-80-1
Tetradecanal	4.21 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.037	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	124-25-4
Pentadecanal	4.70 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.010	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	2765-11-9
2-Octenal, (E)-	6.66 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.061	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	2548-87-0
2-Decenal, (E)-	3.33 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.201	< 0.001	0.035	< 0.001	3913-81-3
2,4-Nonadienal, (E,E)-	2.90 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.041	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	5910-87-2
2,4-Decadienal, (E,E)-	28.62 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.618	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	25152-84-5
2-Nonenal, (E)-	5.10 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.082	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	18829-56-6
Benzaldehyde, 3-hydroxy-4-methoxy-	3.40 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.082	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	621-59-0

Ketones									
2,3-Octanedione	60.07 ^a	24.49 ^b	20.33 ^c	17.02 ^d	1.297	< 0.001	0.008	< 0.001	585-25-1
Acetoin	3.82 ^a	3.56 ^b	3.50 ^b	2.83 ^c	0.057	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	513-86-0
Alcohols									
1-Pentanol	3.61 ^d	4.91 ^c	4.15 ^b	7.80 ^a	0.100	< 0.001	0.006	0.002	71-41-0
1-Hexanol	3.30 ^a	3.17 ^b	3.71 ^c	7.32 ^d	0.111	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	111-27-3
1-Octen-3-ol	42.20 ^d	43.93 ^c	44.93 ^b	46.03 ^a	0.142	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	1832-68-4
1-Octanol	5.75 ^a	2.44 ^b	2.37 ^c	2.67 ^c	0.076	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	111-87-5
Cyclooctyl alcohol	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	2.82 ^a	0.043	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	696-71-9
3-Octanol, 2-methyl-	2.71 ^d	3.55 ^c	8.46 ^b	12.54 ^a	0.217	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	26533-34-6
1-Hexanol, 2-ethyl-	4.74 ^a	2.72 ^b	2.61 ^b	2.24 ^c	0.089	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	104-76-7
Cyclohexanol, 4-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-	5.60 ^c	5.72 ^c	11.91 ^a	11.32 ^b	0.241	0.002	0.002	0.003	98-52-2
2-Decen-1-ol, (E)-	2.49 ^d	5.52 ^c	5.80 ^b	7.81 ^a	0.081	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	18409-18-2
trans-2-Undecen-1-ol	2.87 ^c	2.94 ^b	3.82 ^b	5.52 ^a	0.084	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	75039-84-8
2,3-Butanediol	3.23 ^d	3.47 ^c	6.01 ^b	7.00 ^a	0.069	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	513-85-9
Acids									
Butanoic acid	4.61 ^a	2.33 ^b	1.92 ^c	1.61 ^d	0.087	< 0.001	0.004	< 0.001	107-92-6

Hexanoic acid	6.95 ^a	6.01 ^b	5.72 ^c	5.69 ^c	0.096	0.002	0.007	< 0.001	142-62-1
Octanoic acid	3.2	3.24	3.13	3.23	0.083	< 0.001	0.857	0.746	124-07-2
Nonanoic acid	3.23 ^a	2.48 ^b	2.40 ^c	2.18 ^d	0.026	< 0.001	0.001	0.000	112-05-0
n-Decanoic acid	5.14 ^b	5.55 ^a	4.56 ^c	4.58 ^c	0.019	< 0.001	0.016	0.055	334-48-5
Benzoic acid	6.71 ^a	4.12 ^b	3.59 ^c	2.53 ^d	0.055	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.000	65-85-0
Dodecanoic acid	3.89	3.83	3.78	3.77	0.062	0.276	0.044	0.146	143-07-7
n-Hexadecanoic acid	21.37 ^a	17.89 ^b	15.17 ^c	14.02 ^d	0.081	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	57-11-4
Tetradecanoic acid	2.17 ^a	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.009	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	544-63-8
Acetic acid	6.58 ^a	6.57 ^a	6.27 ^b	5.20 ^c	0.088	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	64-19-7
Esters									
Hexanoic acid, methyl ester	10.89 ^a	7.48 ^b	7.52 ^b	7.13 ^b	0.339	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	6624-60-8
Nonanoic acid, methyl ester	0.00 ^c	3.22 ^b	4.72 ^a	4.80 ^a	0.084	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	1731-84-6
Octanoic acid, methyl ester	6.33 ^c	7.80 ^b	7.99 ^{ab}	8.09 ^a	0.092	< 0.001	0.010	< 0.001	10152-76-8
iso-Amyl levulinate	8.41 ^d	9.02 ^c	10.62 ^b	17.71 ^a	0.124	< 0.001	0.005	< 0.001	71172-75-3
9-Octadecenoic acid, methyl ester, (E)-	3.63 ^b	5.30 ^a	5.14 ^a	5.18 ^a	0.095	< 0.001	0.003	0.009	22147-34-8
1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, bis(2-methylpropyl) ester	3.01 ^c	3.29 ^b	3.38 ^b	4.91 ^a	0.077	< 0.001	0.005	0.000	84-69-5
9-Hexadecenoic acid, methyl ester, (Z)-	2.71 ^c	3.19 ^a	2.80 ^b	3.21 ^a	0.038	< 0.001	0.026	0.089	1120-25-8

9,12-Octadecadienoic acid (Z,Z)-, methyl ester	3.52 ^d	5.44 ^b	4.69 ^c	5.64 ^a	0.059	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.001	112-63-0
Hexadecanoic acid, methyl ester	4.52 ^b	4.55 ^b	4.56 ^b	5.10 ^a	0.045	< 0.001	0.023	< 0.001	112-39-0
Alkenes								< 0.001	
2-Octen-1-ol, (E)-	6.03 ^d	10.39 ^c	11.42 ^b	14.13 ^a	0.13	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	18409-17-1
Anethole	0.00 ^c	0.00 ^c	2.38 ^b	5.83 ^a	0.036	< 0.001	0.002	< 0.001	4180-23-8
Hexadecane	0.00 ^d	6.44 ^c	8.20 ^b	9.41 ^a	0.043	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	629-73-2
Alkanes								< 0.001	
Tetradecane	2.76 ^d	3.67 ^c	3.80 ^b	4.53 ^a	0.054	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	629-59-4
Octadecane	2.06 ^d	3.53 ^c	4.11 ^b	10.96 ^a	0.052	< 0.001	0.003	< 0.001	593-45-3
Cantharidin								< 0.001	
Cantharidin	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	3.80 ^a	0.041	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	56-25-7
Silicide								< 0.001	
Cycloheptasiloxane, tetradecamethyl-	43.14 ^a	11.47 ^b	10.79 ^c	6.01 ^d	0.257	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	107-50-6
Cyclooctasiloxane, hexadecamethyl-	8.11 ^d	6.39 ^c	5.73 ^b	5.34 ^a	0.096	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	556-68-3
Cyclononasiloxane, octadecamethyl-	25.30 ^a	16.52 ^b	13.77 ^c	0.00 ^d	0.367	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	556-71-8
Alanine								< 0.001	
Alanine	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	0.00 ^b	7.32 ^a	0.123	< 0.001	0.033	< 0.001	56-41-7

Furan								< 0.001	
Furan, 2-pentyl-	2.44 ^d	3.60 ^c	3.90 ^b	4.27 ^a	0.089	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	3777-69-3
Sulfide								< 0.001	
Sulfide, allyl methyl	9.90	9.94	9.95	9.95	0.317	0.404	0.078	0.212	10152-76-8

SEM = Standard error of the means. Orthogonal polynomials were used to investigate linear and quadratic responses to the level of curcumin treatment.
Results were means with n = 10 per group.