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[origin: WO2020178546A1] The present disclosure provides a method of processing pH-treated tobacco material comprising contacting at least one pH-treated tobacco material with an effective amount of one or more gases, wherein the one or more gases reduce the pH of the pH-treated tobacco material, and wherein the reduction in pH of the pH-treated tobacco material is reversible. Also provided are methods of storing pH-treated tobacco and the use of a gas to improve the shelf-life or bulk storage time of pH-treated tobacco material.

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