# advocating for pet food consumers.

## The Consumer Funded Pet Food Test Overview

# **Mycotoxins**

## **Risk to Pets**

## SERIOUS

Even at low levels

Existing studies of mycotoxin contamination in pet food have shown that day to day consumption of small amounts of mycotoxins can result in "chronic diseases such as liver and kidney fibrosis, infections resulting from immonosuppression and cancer."

## Risk Equivalent Quality Rating

#### 0 = No Risk, 5 = Low Risk, 10 = Medium Risk, 20 = High Risk

Pet Foods Tested	Risk Equivalent Quality	
Royal Canin Vet. Diet Renal LP Can Cat Food	8	
Fancy Feast Grilled Chicken Can Cat Food	1	
Meow Mix Tender Centers Salmon & Turkey Flavors Dry	70	
Wellness Complete Health Chicken, Chicken Meal & Rice Adult Cat Food Dry	10	
Hill's Prescription Diet C/D Urinary Tract Health Can Dog Food	16	
Cesar Top Sirloin Beef and Grilled Chicken Moist Dog Food	2	
Blue Buffalo Grain Free Chicken Recipe Adult Dog Food Dry	2	
Beneful Original Dog Food Dry	32	

# Guaranteed Analysis/ Mineral Content

## **Risk to Pets**

## **SERIOUS**

Science finds excess calcium in dogs can cause "reduction in growth", "negative magesium balance in cats". Science finds excess sulphur can "inactivate thiamine", linked to "ataxia, depression, and in some cases convulsions".

Pet Foods Tested	National Research Council Suggested Maximum	AAFCO Regulations Maximum	
Royal Canin Vet. Diet Renal LP Can Cat Food	Above NRC suggested maximum of sulphur		
Fancy Feast Grilled Chicken Can Cat Food	Above NRC suggested maximum for calcium and sulphur		
Science Diet Adult Hairball Control Canned Cat Food	Above NRC suggested maximum of sulphur		
Hill's Prescription Diet C/D Urinary Tract Health Can Dog Food	Above NRC suggested maximum of calcium, magnesium and sulphur	Above AAFCO maximum of calcium and phosphorus	
FreshPet Vital Chicken Beef, Salmon Egg Recipe Grain Free Moist Dog Food	Above NRC suggested maximum of calcium and sulphur	Above AAFCO maximum of calcium and phosphorus	
Cesar Top Sirloin Beef and Grilled Chicken Moist Dog Food	Above NRC suggested maximum of calcium and sulphur	Above AAFCO maximum of calcium	

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# Bacteria

## **Risk to Pets & Humans**

### **SERIOUS**

FDA and Centers for Disease Control issue warnings regarding these bacteria stating they "have the potential to pose a serious threat to public health." Numerous bacteria are linked to spoiled/putrid meat. The known infection risk is to the consumer handling the pet food, however because the pet food and subsequent bacteria is being ingested by cats and dogs - infection risk concerns remain for our pets.

Pet Foods Tested	Contains One or More Bacteria FDA's Antibiotic Resistant "Qualifying Pathogens"	Contains One or More Bacteria Linked to Human Illness and Death	Contains One or More Bacteria Linked to Spoiled or Putrid Meat	Contains One or More Bacteria of Risk per Analysis by Dr. Jean Dodds
Royal Canin Vet. Diet Renal LP Can Cat Food		$\checkmark$		
Fancy Feast Grilled Chicken Can Cat Food	$\checkmark$	$\sim$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Science Diet Adult Hairball Control Canned Cat Food	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Meow Mix Tender Centers Salmon & Turkey Flavors Dry	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Friskies Grillers Cat Food Dry	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Wellness Complete Health Deboned Chicken, Chicken Meal & Rice Adult Cat Food Dry	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>	$\checkmark$
Hill's Prescription Diet C/D Urinary Tract Health Can Dog Food	<b>~</b>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>~</b>
Cesar Top Sirloin Beef and Grilled Chicken Moist Dog Food		$\checkmark$		
Blue Freedom Grain Free Chicken Recipe Adult Dog Food Dry	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Beneful Original Dog Food Dry	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
OI' Roy Dog Food Soft & Moist Beef Flavor Dog Food Semi-Moist	$\checkmark$			