

## Article

# Supplementary Materials: Nutritional Evaluation and Risk Assessment of the Exposure to Essential and Toxic Elements in Dogs and Cats through the Consumption of Pelleted Dry Food: How Important Is the Quality of the Feed?

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**Table S1.** Complete list of elements included in the study. LOD, LOQ, DRV, TRV and maximum permitted content were included.

Essential elements	Symbol	LOD (ng/g)	LOQ (ng/g)	DRV (ng/kg/day) (1)
Copper	Cu	0.4	1.7	380000
Iron	Fe	5	24.6	3050000
Manganese	Mn	0.1	0.4	190000
Selenium	Se	0.05	0.2	12550
Zinc	Zn	5	51.1	3410000

ATSDR's Priority Pollutant list

Toxic Elements		TRV (ng/kg/day) (2)	Maximum Permitted Content (mg/kg) (3)
Arsenic (inorganic)	iAs	0.05	300
Cadmium	Cd	0.02	1000
Mercury (methyl)	MeHg	0.02	100
Lead	Pb	0.1	6000

Potentially toxic elements

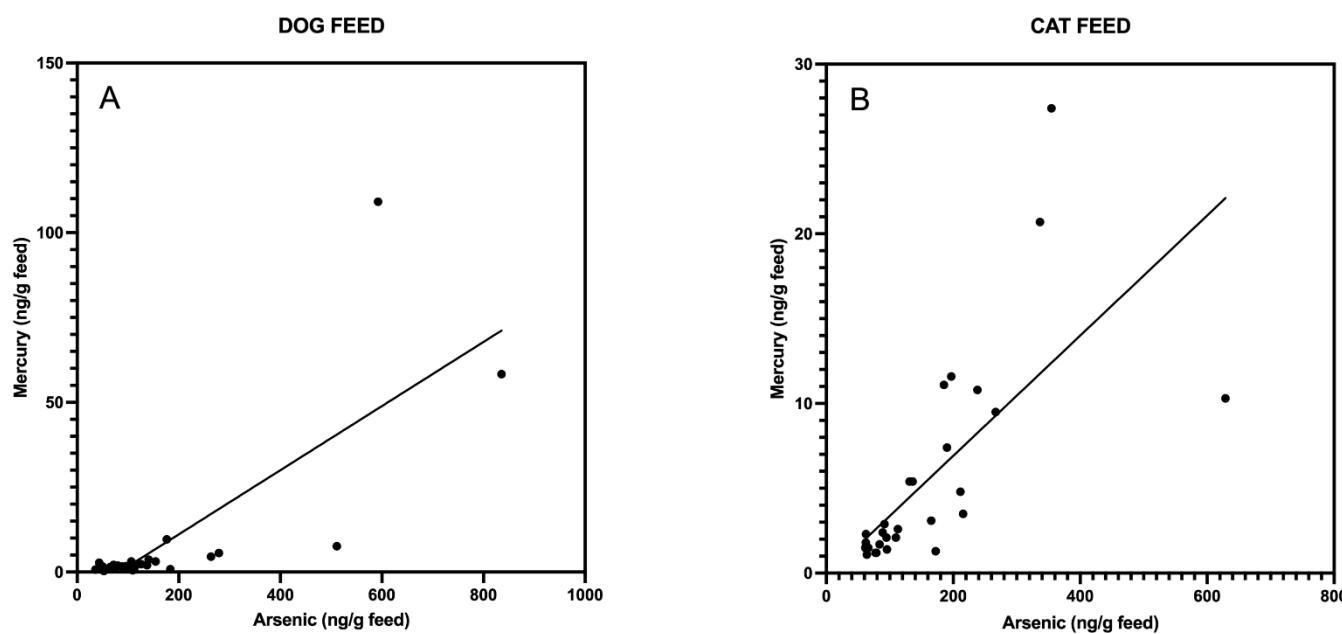
Silver	Ag	0.05	0.1	5000
Aluminium	Al	7.5	38.4	1000000
Barium	Ba	0.2	1	200000
Beryllium	Be	0.05	0.1	2000
Molybdenum	Mo	0.05	0.2	5000
Nickel	Ni	1	8	20000
Antimony	Sb	0.05	0.1	400
Tin	Sn	0.05	0.1	600000
Strontium	Sr	0.1	0.5	600000
Thallium	Tl	0.05	0.1	
Uranium	U	0.05	0.1	3000
Vanadium	V	0.05	0.1	1000

Rare Earth Elements and Elements Used in High Tech Devices

Cerium	Ce	0.05	0.1
Dysprosium	Dy	0.05	0.1
Erbium	Er	0.05	0.1
Europium	Eu	0.05	0.1
Gallium	Ga	0.05	0.1

Gadolinium	Gd	0.05	0.1
Holmium	Ho	0.05	0.1
Indium	In	0.05	0.1
Lanthanum	La	0.05	0.1
Lutetium	Lu	0.05	0.1
Niobium	Nb	0.05	0.1
Neodymium	Nd	0.05	0.1
Osmium	Os	0.05	0.1
Praseodymium	Pr	0.05	0.1
Platinum	Pt	0.05	0.1
Ruthenium	Ru	0.05	0.1
Samarium	Sm	0.05	0.1
Tantalum	Ta	0.05	0.1
Terbium	Tb	0.05	0.1
Thulium	Tm	0.05	0.1
Yttrium	Y	0.05	0.1
Ytterbium	Yb	0.05	0.1
<b>Sum REE</b>		<b>61000 (4)</b>	

(1) DRVs were obtained from National Research Council (2006) Nutrient requirements of dogs and cats. (2) TRVs were obtained at EPA - Integrated Risk Information System, available at <https://www.epa.gov/iris>. (3) Maximum permitted content in products intended for animal food was obtained from Directive 2002/32/EC. (4) TRV for the sum of RRE was obtained from: Sci Rep 2017, 7, 9772; and Chemosphere 2017, 168,578–582.



**Figure S1.**: Bivariate correlation between the concentration of arsenic and mercury in dog (A) and cat (B) feed.