

A short story: I took my cat to the vet, and he asked me how my beagle was doing. I said that she had been having trouble with itching, hair loss and redness on her belly. First I treated with flea medicine. That had no effect so I treated it as if it were a fungal problem, using athlete's foot cream. No effect. So next I used a cortisone cream, again with no effect. At that point the vet looked at me over his glasses, eyebrows raised. I said, "Well, aren't all these products tested on beagles before they ever get to us?" He said, "Point taken". (BY the way, the problem was resolved by switching her to a better grade food.)

Thanks for listening,
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