

IOM Depleted Uranium Review Recap: We now know that we *still* don't know.

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Updated Literature Review of Depleted Uranium

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CONCLUSIONS SUMMARY

In summary, the committee assigned the category *inadequate/insufficient evidence to determine whether an association exists* to each health outcome described [see list below] for one or more of the following reasons:

- Well-conducted studies showed equivocal results.
- The magnitude or frequency of a health outcome may be so low that it cannot be reliably detected given the sizes of the study populations.
- The available studies had limitations (for example, inadequate exposure assessment or followup that was too short) that prevented the committee from reaching clear conclusions about health outcomes.

For those reasons, a conclusion of inadequate/insufficient evidence to determine whether an association exists is not synonymous with evidence of no association.

WHAT WAS COVERED BY THE IOM REVIEW:

Lung, Bone, Bladder, Brain, Central Nervous System, Stomach, Male Genital and Renal Cancers; Leukemias; Lymphomas; Nonmalignant Renal Disease; Nonmalignant Respiratory Disease; Neurologic effects; Reproductive and Developmental effects; other health outcomes include: Cardiovascular effects, Genotoxic effects, Hematologic effects, Immunologic effects and Skeletal effects.



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