Assignment

The article by Steeland et al. is an example of a literature review of epidemiologic health effects data--in this case related to PFOA. Based on the short reading selections from this article (listed below), submit a response that addresses the following issues:

1. The bounds of any analysis have to be delineated--What limits were drawn around this review of the evidence based on how the question was framed, who asked it, and who answered it?
2. What is gained and what is lost by the particular framing in this case?
3. If you were charged with taking action on PFOA, what kind of decision would you feel comfortable making on the basis of the information in this review paper?

These questions are connected, so you can answer all of them together in a couple of paragraphs or address each one separately. Please submit before Class 20.