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This week’s (22-28 February) highlights include:

The BMJ

Editorial: “Vaginal seeding” of infants born by caesarean section

Doctors warn of demand for "vaginal seeding" despite thin evidence - Reuters 23/02/2016
Bacteria swabbing trend for newborns medically in doubt - CNN 23/02/2016
Vaginal seeding trend risking newborns' health - Times of India 24/02/2016


Feature: Rivaroxaban: can we trust the evidence?

How Big Pharma greed is killing tens of thousands around the world: Patients are over-medicated and often given profitable drugs with 'little proven benefits,' leading doctors warn (mentions Rivaroxaban investigation) - The Daily Mail 23/02/2016
Aseem Malhotra also mentions Rivaroxaban investigation in an interview on BBC Radio 4 Today (8.19 am) - 24/02/2016

Research: Publication and reporting of clinical trial results: cross sectional analysis across academic medical centers

Academic Medical Centers Get An F In Sharing Research Results - NPR 23/02/2016
**Ongoing coverage for the weekend effect article**

**BBC News** 24/02/2016

Junior doctor mentions The BMJ's weekend effect article on **BBC Question Time** - 25/02/2016

**Financial Times** 25/02/2016

David Cameron says Jeremy Hunt is 'guilty' over 6,000 deaths claim - because real total was **HIGHER** - the Daily Mirror 24/02/2016

Why David Cameron is completely wrong about 11000 weekend NHS deaths - The Independent 24/02/2016

Also covered by the Daily Mail, Huffington Post UK, The Guardian, Politics.co.uk

**BMJ blog: Paul Glasziou: Still no evidence for homeopathy**

Homeopathy 'quackery' should be cut from NHS, campaigners urge after study finds it **ineffective** - the Independent 22/02/2016

Still no evidence for homeopathy: Scientist responds to review criticism - Sydney Morning Herald 24/02/2016

**HOMEOPATHY IS A “THERAPEUTIC DEAD-END” SAYS BRITISH SCIENTIST** - PopSci 22/02/2016

Also covered by International Business Times, Treehugger, Medical Daily, Stuff.co.nz

**Research:** Effect of antihypertensive treatment at different blood pressure levels in patients with diabetes mellitus: systematic review and meta-analyses

Blood pressure-lowering treatment could harm some patients with diabetes - Diabetes.co.uk 25/02/2016

Aggressive Treatment of Moderate HTN May Backfire in Diabetes - MedPage Today 26/02/2016

Type 2 diabetes: blood pressure drugs may be harmful for some patients - Medical News Today 26/02/2016

Also covered by Science Codex, Medical Daily, Medical Xpress, Tech Times, Newsmag, Healio, MicroCap Magazine

Flavonoids in fruits and veggies may help fight weight gain with age - Reuters 25/02/2016

These doctors want to fix a huge problem with drug trials. Why isn't anyone listening? - Vox

UWS complementary research institute promotes good news and ignores bad, critics say - Sydney Morning Herald 28/02/2018

Too much of BP-lowering meds may harm people with diabetes - Times of India 26/02/2016

How did Britain get so fat? - the Telegraph 26/02/2016

FDA should warn of risks of opioid, benzo combo, say public health experts - STAT 22/02/2016

Silent agony of the stillbirth mothers - the Daily Mail & Scottish Daily Mail 25/02/2016
New Data Inform but Don't Confirm Incretin Diabetes Drugs Safety - Medscape 24/02/2016

Do big name journals have a 'marketing trial' problem? - BioPharma Dive 24/02/2016

What you've read about breastfeeding may not be true - Washington Post 23/02/2016

The Life Project: what makes some people happy, healthy and successful – and others not? - the Guardian 27/02/2016

Grain power - The Sunday Times Ireland 28/02/2016 (in print)

Paying for sex abroad? Face prosecution back home, MPs demand - The Independent 22/02/2016
Also covered by Scottish Legal News

Scientists 'should take ethics oath like doctors' - The Times & The Times Ireland 22/02/2016
Scientists 'should take ethics oath like doctors' - The Australian

Benzos not linked to elders' dementia - Irish Independent 22/02/2016

Diabetes drug found not to cause pancreatic cancer - McGill Newsoom 22/02/2016

Shortchanged Scots demand their doctors back - Government News 23/02/2016

Doctors may boycott detention centres - The Age 20/02/2016 (in print)

Why a cold snap will make your man ff-frisky! - Irish Daily Mail 23/02/2016

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Archives of Disease in Childhood

Research: Are parents' anxiety and depression related to child fussy eating?

Parents' anxiety, depression may lead to kids being fussy eaters - Fox News 23/02/16
Parental anxiety, depression may lead to fussy eating in kids - Times of India 23/02/16
Children whose parents are anxious or depressed 'more likely to become fussy eaters' - The Independent 23/02/16

Journal of Medical Ethics

Paper: Female genital alteration: a compromise solution & accompanying articles

U.S. Study Proposes Nicking Genitals as 'Compromise' for FGM in Western Countries
Newsweek 22/02/16
Doctors claim legalising some genital mutilation may help girls - New Scientist 22/02/16
Some procedures to alter female genitals should be tolerated: Doctors - Hindustan Times 23/02/16


Injury Prevention (US Focus)

Research: Distinctive injury deaths: the role of environment, policy and measurement across states

Study of Injury-Related Deaths for Each State Shows Striking Pattern, Researchers Say - ABC News 25/02/16
Fatal Shootings Involving Police Concentrated In Distinct Areas Of U.S. - Newsroom America 26/02/16
Study Flags Seven States With High Rates of Accidental Gun Deaths - NBC News 26/02/16

Also covered by: MinnPost, STAT, Science Codex, Medical Xpress

Research: Paid family leave’s effect on hospital admissions for paediatric abusive head trauma

Babies Are Less Likely to Be Injured If Their Parents Get paid family leave - TIME 26/02/16
Paid Family Leave Tied to Decline in Child Abuse - US News & World Report 26/02/16
Paid Family Leave Tied to Decline in Child Abuse - Philly.com 26/02/16

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New review suggests solutions that can help ease chronic pain in women. - News-Medical.net 26/02/16
Can you eat to beat arthritis and ditch the medication for good? - Daily Mirror + Irish Daily Mirror 23/02/16

BMJ Case Reports

A Brazil woman's plastic surgery turned her into a kleptomaniac - Quartz 23/02/2016
Man, 63, has giant tumour the size of a FOOTBALL removed from his neck after it grew so large he couldn't turn his head - the Daily Mail 27/02/2016
Double Trouble: Twins Suffer Heatstroke in Same Marathon - Live Science 23/02/2016
Plastic surgery has left a woman in Brazil with temporary kleptomania - ScienceAlert 24/02/2016

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Follow on coverage on social clubs and retirement:

Join a club to live longer in retirement - Daily Telegraph 27/02/16
How retirement affects your health - New Zealand Herald 24/02/16
A stressful notion: It appears that retirement may speed up your demise - The Washington Post 23/02/16 (print only)
Also Chicago Tribune, Houston Chronicle
Adding Life to Years: Why Living Longer Is Just the Start of a Good Later Life - Huffpost Lifestyle 23/02/16

Reading Visit Notes Improves Patient Healthcare Experience - Medscape 25/02/16
Why America pays so much more for drugs - The Washington Post 25/02/16
“Findings about staffing levels are not new but are still unheard” - Nursing Times 24/02/16
More hands-on training for doctors required if policy changes - Politics Home 24/02/16
+ Science Codex, Medical Xpress
Extra 5,000 GPs would prevent 600 premature deaths a year - GP Online 24/02/16

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'Shame' over out of hours deaths - Sunday Express 28/02/2016
British Journal of Sports Medicine

Why do some people NEVER get running injuries? And is it worth shelling out on expensive trainers and insoles? - Daily Mail 25/02/16

Minding the gap - HuffPost Healthy Living 25/02/16

Gut check: Should you take probiotics? - Triathlete Europe 26/02/16

Fifth of school rugby injuries sustained to head - Ulster TV 23/02/16
Also Belfast Newsletter, 4ni.co.uk

The Business of Insoles: Support System or Rip-Off? - Outside Magazine 23/02/16

How does temperature affect your performance? - Cyclist 24/02/16

Fetal & Neonatal Edition

Delayed Labor - Wall Street Journal 22/02/16

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Are skinny jeans dangerous to your health? - Care2.com 25/02/16

Dystonia: Why Some Patients Respond Better to Deep Brain Stimulation - MD Magazine 23/02/16

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Traffic-related pollution linked to facial liver spots - South China Morning Post 22/02/16 (print only)