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**The BMJ Awards**

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**SAHF wins BMJ “Diabetes Team Of The Year” award** - European Pharmaceutical Review 26/05/2015

**Trophy for team behind diabetes DVD** - Yorkshire Post 27/05/2015 (in print; link unavailable)

**Pelican helps scoop two gongs at medical ‘Oscars’** - Basingstoke Observer 20/05/2015 (in print; not online)

**The BMJ**

**The BMJ celebrates 20 years online**

*The BMJ is celebrating 20 years online by reuniting the three digital pioneers who launched the journal’s online presence* - UKSG News 28/05/15

**Research: Use of combined oral contraceptives and risk of venous thromboembolism**

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**Personal View: Psychedelic drugs should be legally reclassified so that researchers can investigate their therapeutic potential**

*The Today Programme* - from 52 mins 27/05/2015

*Do LSD and Magic Mushrooms Have a Place In Medicine?* - TIME 27/05/2015

*Psychedelic drugs may have a role in medical treatment* - the Independent (editorial) 27/05/2015


**Analysis: Overdiagnosis of bone fragility in the quest to prevent hip fracture**

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Douglas Todd: On ditzy wives and idiot husbands - Vancouver Sun 29/05/2015

Reforms aim to make medical research safer for its subjects - Baltimore Sun 30/05/2015

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Swedish study suggests cases of autism have not been rising - Pittsburgh Post Gazette 26/05/2015

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