BMJ in the News is a weekly digest of BMJ stories, plus any other news about the company that has appeared in the national and a selection of English-speaking international media.

This week’s (15 - 21 June) highlights include:

**The BMJ**

**Research: Risk of recurrent stillbirth: systematic review and meta-analysis**

*One Stillbirth Greatly Raises Odds for Another: Study* - U.S. News & World Report 24/06/2015  
*Mother of stillborns likely to lose another child* - The Scotsman  
*Women who suffer stillbirths are FOUR TIMES more likely to suffer the tragedy again* - the Mirror 25/06/2015


**Editorial: Fossil fuel companies and climate change: the case for divestment**

*Leading health experts call on Wellcome to divest from fossil fuels* - The Guardian 25/06/2015 (also in print)  
*Leading Health Experts Call For Fossil Fuel Divestment to Avert Climate Change* - TIME 25/06/2015

This story was also covered by E News Park Forest, Phys.org, Science Codex, Newsroom America and News Medical.

**Investigation: Why e-cigarettes are dividing the public health community**

*BMJ Investigation examines bitter dispute over e-cigarettes in the public health community* - The Economic Voice

This story was also covered by Techie News, Medical News Today, Medical Xpress and Rochdale Online.
Personal View: **India’s abortion law puts women at risk**

**India: Abortion law amendments that put lives at risk 'must be redrafted'** - International Business Times 26/06/2015

**India’s abortion law stirs concern for women: US study** - Business Standard 26/06/2015


The first medical article on the hazards of asbestos dust was published in the British Medical Journal in 1924 and is mentioned in this BBC documentary *The Edwardian Home*.

**Coal’s health threat** (letter signed by Fiona Godlee) - The Times & The Times Ireland 26/06/2015

**New BMJ editorial: “How Medicine is Broken, and How We Can Fix It”** - Bad Science 23/06/2015

**GPs’ cancer diagnosis delays cost 10,000 lives every year: Watchdog forced to issue step by step guide to spotting disease after too many patients ‘slip through the net’** - the Daily Mail 23/06/2015

**A Cure for ‘Conflict of Interest’ Mania** - The Wall Street Journal 26/06/2015

**Yasmin pill risk: stroke victim joins class action against drug company Bayer** - The Age 28/06/2015

**Why are female cyclists more vulnerable to London’s lorries?** - London Evening Standard 24/06/2015 (also in print)

**Close to Home: Conflicts, campaign funds and vaccines** - The Press Democrat 25/06/2015

**New BMJ Study Suggests Xarelto Use Doubles Gastrointestinal Bleeding Risk** - The Legale Examiner 25/06/2015

**Patient Controlled Medication Found Effective For Abdominal Pain In ER** - Medical Research 25/06/2015

**Reforms aim to make medical research safer for its subjects** - Medical Xpress 22/06/2015

**Recommendations for diabetes management during Ramadan** - Clinical Endocrinology Review 23/06/2015

**Is it really unsafe to drink alcohol when pregnant?** - The Telegraph 23/06/2015
Yoga Vs exercise - The Hindu 24/06/2015

New BMJ Study Suggests Xarelto Use Doubles Gastrointestinal Bleeding Risk - The Legal Examiner 25/06/2015

Choose health information sources carefully - The Carillon 26/06/2015

JOURNALS

Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry

Research: Fashion victim: rhabdomyolysis and bilateral peroneal and tibial neuropathies as a result of squatting in ‘skinny’ jeans

Skinny jeans health hazard: woman collapses in park, losing feeling in lower legs - Washington Post 23/06/15
Skinny jeans, corsets and oversized bags: a guide to dangerous fashion trends - The Independent 23/06/15
Woman collapses after skinny jeans cut off blood supply - Times of India 23/06/15

North American coverage:

UK

Australasia

Asiatic
Gut bug linked to leanness and metabolic health

Research: **Akkermansia muciniphila and improved metabolic health during a dietary intervention in obesity: relationship with microbiome richness and ecology**

- OnMedica 23/06/15
- HealthDay 23/06/15
- Le Quotidien du Medicin 23/06/15


Injury Prevention

Research: **SSRI use and risk of fractures among perimenopausal women without mental disorders**

- Daily Mail + Scottish +Irish versions 25/06/16
Common antidepressants linked to higher fracture risk in menopausal women - Philly.com 25/06/15
Antidepressants, fracture risk in menopausal women - WebMD 26/05/15


Veterinary Record

Research: Cross-border transport of rescue dogs may spread rabies in Europe
Editorial: What is the true risk of imported dogs into the UK?

EU rules preventing spread of rabies by dogs not fit for purpose - The Independent 26/06/15
Britain faces growing threat of rabies thanks to meddling EU - Daily Express 26/06/15
Rabies risk from EU tinkering - Pulse 26/06/15

This story was also covered by Independent i.

Journal of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care

Research: Barriers and facilitators of access to first trimester abortion services for women in the developed world: a systematic review

India: abortion law amendments that put lives at risk must be redrafted - International Business Times UK 26/06/15
Access remains an issue worldwide for women seeking abortion - MedPage Today 26/06/15

Study identifies barriers to abortion services in developed countries - Medical News Today 26/06/15

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Education can make Ramadan fast safer for type 2 diabetics - Times of Malta 22/06/2015 (wrongly attributed to The British Medical Journal)

Recommendations for diabetes management during Ramadan - Clinical Endocrinology News Network 23/06/15

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Full time workers should move for 2 hours during shifts - Boston Globe 26/06/15
Sit stand or walk? The advice goes round and round - Modern Healthcare 27/06/15

Experts offer new guidelines for athletes competing in the heat - Reuters UK 24/06/15
Exercise can fatten you - New Kerala 24/06/15

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Even modest exercise provides benefits - The Patriot Ledger 27/06/15

**Journal of Medical Ethics**

**Paper: Paternal age bioethics**

Freeze sperm at 18, bioethicist urges men - BBC News 25/06/15
Scientist urges 18 year olds to freeze sperm, argues that men's biological biological clocks are ticking too - Washington Post 26/06/15
Young men should freeze their sperm expert says - ITV News 25/06/15


**BMJ Open**

Screen time linked to weaker bones in boys (previous PR) - Toronto Sun 26/06/15


Psychological programs designed to forcibly modify unemployed people - Mad in America 26/06/15

Fat moves up the social ladder - Sunday Times Scotland 28/06 16 (print; no link available)

**Heart**

Health bites - South China Morning Post 23/06/15 (print; no link available)

Chocolate lowers your risk of heart disease, study suggests - Times of Oman 22/06/15


**Tobacco Control**

Needham teens’ smoking drops - Boston Globe 20/06/15 (print; link unavailable)

**Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**

The search for Brahmasthan - Mint India 26/06/15