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 (27 Mar - 2 Apr) highlights:

Widespread coverage for a study in Occupational & Environmental Medicine linking occupational exposure to electromagnetic fields and motor neurone disease included The Times, Hindustan Times, and The Australian

A BMJ study questioning the cost effectiveness of the increasing trend for knee replacement surgery in those with mild to moderate symptoms picked up interest from Consumer Affairs, WebMD and Medscape among other outlets.


The BMJ Awards continued to generate interest in regional outlets.

The BMJ Awards

Health & Wellbeing: Teams shortlisted for awards [link unavailable] - Hampshire Independent 24/03/2017

Oxford team up for national award for psychosis work - Oxford Mail 29/03/2017
Also in: This is Oxfordshire, Herald Series, Oxford Times, Bicester Advertiser, Banbury Cake, Whitney Gazette

Team on 'Medical Oscars' shortlist for psychosis work [link unavailable] - Oxford Mail, 30/03/2017

The BMJ

Research: Impact of total knee replacement practice: cost effectiveness analysis of data from the Osteoarthritis Initiative

Knee Surgery Does Not Improve Life Quality for Many Patients – Medscape 29/03/2017
Knee Replacement Doesn't Always Pay: Researchers - WebMD 29/03/2017
Is knee replacement surgery worth it? – ConsumerAffairs 29/03/2017

Also covered by: OrthoSpineNews, Medical Research.com, Mass Device, Healio
Research: Exposure to any antenatal corticosteroids and outcomes in preterm infants by gestational age: prospective cohort study

Editorial: Antenatal corticosteroids for women at risk of preterm delivery

Extreme Preemies Benefit Most From Corticosteroids Before Birth  Doctors Lounge
30/03/17

Also in: Physicians Weekly

Observations: Should healthcare professionals breach confidentiality when a patient is unfit to drive?

Doctors should ‘tell DVLA about patients who are unfit to drive’ after death of 3-year-old girl  – iNews 31/03/2017

Should healthcare professionals breach confidentiality when a patient is unfit to drive?  – The Economic Voice 31/03/2017

Also in: The Times, The Times Scotland, The Times Ireland, The Independent

Research: Better air quality standards in China could save 3 million early deaths year

Enforcement key to tackling air pollution  - South China Morning Post 28/03/2017

Analysis: Mild hypertension in people at low risk

Hypertension tales (James Le Fanu, Doctor’s Diary)  - The Daily Telegraph 27/03/2017

Coke diverts ‘blame for obesity from sugar’  [quotes Deborah Cohen ahead of Dispatches: Secrets of Coca-Cola programme]  - Daily Mail (+Scottish & Irish Daily Mail) 27/03/2017

Omega-3 oils could help fight depression  [no link available]  - The Daily Telegraph 27/03/2017

Tool for detecting publication bias goes under spotlight  Nature.com 31/03/2017

Radio guide  The Times [Saturday Review]  01/04/17 (link unavailable)

Fight against cancer: As immunotherapy hopes fade, two new studies hold out hope  Financial Express 01/04/17

JOURNALS

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

Research: Return on investment of public health interventions: a systematic review

HEALTH CUTS ‘HIT’ Spending cuts for NHS sexual health services and schemes for quitting smoking ‘will cost us £7.6billion,’ study says  The Sun  30/03/2017

Public health campaigns may prolong lives. But save money? That’s fiction  The Spectator 31/03/2017

Every £1 spent on public health in UK saves average of £14  OnMedica 30/03/2017
Does having children help you live past 80?  STAT 27/03/17

Lots of sex and looking at boobs proven to help men live longer, says science  Metro 28/03/17

Occupational & Environmental Medicine

Research: Occupational exposure and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis in a prospective cohort

ALS linked to occupational exposure to electromagnetic fields  New Scientist 29/03/17
Scientists Found A Link Between Electromagnetic Field Exposure And Motor Neurone Disease  Gizmodo Australia 31/03/17
Jobs with high exposure to electromagnetic fields linked with rare nerve disease  Hindustan Times 30/03/17

Hospital workers beware: Those exposed to sanitisers, disinfectants and sterilisers have a 65% higher risk of thyroid cancer  Daily Mail 31/03/17
Chemical disinfectants and sanitizers linked to thyroid cancer  Business Insider 31/03/17

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases

DMARDs Rheumatoid Arthritis Treatment Guidelines Updated  Clinical Pain Advisor 29/03/17
Glucocorticoids for Early Rheumatoid Arthritis: Assessing Long-term Safety  Clinical Pain Advisor 29/03/17

BMJ Open

Fruit, Veg Consumption May Lower Psychological Stress  28/03/17
Clever teenagers are twice as likely to smoke cannabis, according to a new study  Business Insider 28/03/17
WHY ‘ASK YOUR PHARMACIST’ COULD MOVE US FORWARD  Australian Journal of Pharmacy 29/03/17

Expose rural women to abortion-related communication’  India.com 29/03/17

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care

The Surprising New Reason Behind Rising Diabetes Rates  Reader’s Digest 27/03/17
Also in Clinical Advisor

British Journal of Sports Medicine

Athlete Perceptions of a Monitoring and Strength and Conditioning Program  United States Sports Academy Sports Journal 30/03/17

RepliCel’s Successful RCT-01 Tendon Repair Clinical Trial Shows Signs of Healing Chronic Tendon Problems  Yahoo Finance 28/03/17

Las Vegas team finds a trainer at the circus  International New York Times 27/03/17 (link unavailable)

Heart

TO YOUR HEALTH  Daily Mirror 23/03/17 (print only)

Journal of Medical Ethics

Canada harvesting the organs of euthanasia patients  Baptist Press 27/03/17
Letter: New York should approve Medical Aid in Dying Act  The Buffalo News 29/03/17
Defining doctors down  The Weekly Standard  31/03/17