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.

Latest highlights (15 - 21 Jan):

- A BMJ Case Report on the perils of stifling a sneeze generated global print, broadcast and online coverage, including BBC, Washington Post, Japan Today, CNN and Russia Today

- A study in Heart on the cardiovascular risks of early periods generated UK and international coverage, including New York Times, Independent Online (South Africa) and Channel News Asia

- The Boston Globe and The Los Angeles Times picked up a US study from The BMJ this week on opioid misuse after surgery

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Have times changed? - Daily Telegraph 15/01/2018 (mention of the photo with Fi Godlee and the female presidents of 8 royal medical colleges) (link unavailable)

The BMJ

Research: Duration of treatment rather than dose more strongly associated with opioid misuse after surgery

Duration, not dosage, is key in opioid problems, study finds - The Boston Globe 17/01/2018
To reduce the risk of opioid addiction, study suggests higher doses but fewer refills - Los Angeles Times 17/01/2018

Also covered by: EurekAlert, Inverse, HeraldScotland, Pain News Network, The Cancer Letter,

Head to Head: Should all patients be asked about their sexual orientation?

Ban the NHS nosey parkers! Royal doctor calls for end to snooping on patients sex lives - Daily Express 18/01/2018
Top doctor blasts health bosses for ordering ‘intrusive’ questions about patients’ sexual orientation - The Sun 18/01/2018
Hugely controversial NHS decision to ask all patients if they are GAY is ‘political correctness gone mad’, claims family GP - Daily Mail 17/01/2018

Also covered by: Brinkwire

Other coverage included:

US tobacco companies engaged in ‘numerous acts of fraud’ - Daily telegraph 15/01/2018 (link unavailable)
Asthma: what happens in your lungs, and why you shouldn’t underestimate it - The Irish Times 15/01/2018
Why are doctors in the Middle East cosying up to foreign armies? - The Independent 15/01/2018
From ‘baby brain’ to ‘man flu’: Bizarre myths or real ailments? - RT News 15/01/2018
MP wins new study on radiotherapy after Parliamentary debate - Cumbria Crack 15/01/2018
The PFI bosses fleeced us all. Now watch them walk away - The Guardian 16/01/2018
Remedies for Britain’s ailing health service - The Times + The Times Ireland + The Times Scotland 17/01/2018
Diet Secrets & How to Lose Weight (TV) - Channel 5 16/01/2018
GP referral scheme extended for further year in north Durham - The Northern Echo 17/01/2018
‘Children need the truth about death’ - Daily Telegraph 18/01/2018 (link unavailable)
Tokens Will Bring Conflicts of Interest to Healthcare - Coindesk 17/01/2018
How to teach children about death – through movies - The Telegraph 18/01/2018
The TV Series Hospital CEOs Don’t Want You To See - HuffPost 17/01/2018
Why the cold snap will make your man f-f-frisky! - Scottish Daily Mail 19/01/2018 (link unavailable)
Toronto doctor urges review of morning sickness drug Diclectin - The Globe and Mail (17/01/2018)
PLEA FOR HELP Horror photo emerges of emaciated Brit trapped in the Philippines as throat tumours leave him unable to eat and family battle to get him home - The Sun 19/01/2018
Austerity, welfare reform, and deaths - Ekklesia 18/01/2018
Quantum of illicit cigarettes not as much as ‘industry claims’ - Daily News & Analysis India 19/01/2018
New Tool to Find Out Age for Onset of Prostate Cancer - The Global Health News 18/01/2018
Homeopathy helps - The Times + The Times Scotland + The Times Ireland 20/01/2018 (link unavailable)
Reinvigoration of our town and city centres - The Times 20/01/2018
Heritage: NHS in crisis - Upminster GP blames patients in 1950 - Romford Recorder 20/01/2018

JOURNALS

BMJ Case Reports
Case: **Snap, crackle and pop: when sneezing leads to crackling in the neck**

**He tried to hold in a sneeze and ended up in the hospital on a feeding tube.**  Washington Post 16/01/18

**Man ruptures throat by stifling a sneeze**  BBC News 16/01/18

**Here Is What Can Happen If You Hold In A Sneeze**  Forbes 15/01/18

**UK + Ireland**


**International**


**Other**


**Lupus detected through eye examination**  Optometry Today 19/01/18

**Is Sushi Safe? Giant Tapeworm Linked to Eating Raw Fish Raises Concern**  Yahoo News 20/01/18
Couple gets hookworm after sitting on Caribbean beach. Trinidad and Tobago Loop 21/01/18

Heart

Research: Women’s reproductive factors and incident cardiovascular disease in the UK Biobank

Reproductive Factors in Women Tied to Heart Disease and Stroke Risk New York Times 18/01/18
Girls who start their period before 12 are 10% more likely to have a heart attack or stroke in later life and also face a greater risk of early menopause and pregnancy complications Daily Mail 16/01/18
Early menopause is linked to heart and stroke Independent Online (South Africa) 16/01/18


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Introduction of bDMARDs Linked to Reduced Incidence Rates of Total Knee Replacement Rheumatology Advisor 15/01/18

Sprinkle of powder can ‘cure’ peanut allergy: Substance with tiny traces of the protein that triggers allergic reaction is placed on food to build up a patient’s immune system Daily Mail 16/01/18

Update: 2017 Treat-to-Target Recommendations for Spondyloarthritis Rheumatology Advisor 18/01/18

Study reveals key role of macrophages in systemic sclerosis News-Medical.net 19/01/18

Rapid Onset Seen for Apremilast in PsA MedPage Today 19/01/18

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Burnout: Our doctors have it, so what is the prescription? Irish Times 15/01/18

Patient Satisfaction Ratings Can Be Negatively Impacted by Nurse Staffing Ratio Oncology
Alcohol-Related ER Visits Increase, Particularly Among Women  The Fix 15/01/18

Risk of adverse medication reactions to people with COPD  Medical Xpress 15/01/18

Time-varying depression increases risk for CVD, non-CVD, cancer mortality  Heali 19/01/18

**BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care**

People with HIV more likely to get diabetes  The Star (Kenya) 15/01/18

Diabetes Injection Pens Market – Empowering product knowledge will unlock the potential of these devices  Coherent News 15/01/18

Developing Diabetes: Monitor Aging Individuals with HIV Closely  Pharmacy Times 18/01/18

**British Journal of Ophthalmology**

Moxifloxacin preferred injectable antibiotic in cataract surgery  Heali 15/01/18

Fancy a cup of creativi-TEA? Simple cuppa sparks an instant burst of brain power by putting people in a good mood, reveals study  Daily Mail 16/01/18

A cup of tea a day keeps away a leading cause of blindness, study suggests  Metro US 19/01/18

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5 myths about cardio that you need to stop believing  INSIDER 16/01/18

CAS suspends controversial IAAF hyperandrogenism rule for six more months  BT.com 19/01/18

Strike an appy medium with FitBit and sport technology, Exercise and Sports Science Australia claims  Geelong Advertiser 21/01/18

**Emergency Medicine Journal**

New psychiatric space at Billings Clinic designed to allow better emergency care  Billings Gazette 20/01/18

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NYC moving controversial doc statue to Green-Wood  Brooklyn Daily Eagle 16/01/18
Marriage can make you crazy, but it deters dementia too  The Jordan Times 15/01/18
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Medtronic's ITB Therapy Superior to CMM for PSS Reduction  Nasdaq 16/01/18

Herbal Extract could Improve Brain Function of Patients Suffering from Ischemia  Coherent News 18/01/18