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Latest highlights (3-9 Sep):

- Several articles in The BMJ this week generated UK and international coverage, including cardiovascular risks of diclofenac, fish oil supplements in pregnancy, statins in older people, and doctors opting to retire early

- An ADC review dispelling the myth that milk increases mucus generated widespread coverage, including the Daily Mail, HuffPost UK, and Pakistan Observer

- Research in BJSM suggesting that sexual and physical abuse is linked to a heightened injury risk among female athletes was covered by several medical and science outlets, including Medical Health News, Medibulletin and Science Daily

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Research: Association between diclofenac use and cardiovascular risks in Denmark: series of nationwide cohort studies

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Oily fish in pregnancy leads to stronger babies, study finds - MSN UK + IE + US
Taking fish oil during pregnancy boosts kids’ growth in their first six years, study finds - Daily Mail

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Careers: More hospital doctors are opting to retire early

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[Statins given to older Britons don't prevent heart disease - The Independent 06/09/2018 (link unavailable)]
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