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

Latest highlights (22-28 Oct):

- A study in The BMJ showing a link between common blood pressure tablets and lung cancer generated widespread coverage, including Forbes, Daily Telegraph and The Times.
- Another study in The BMJ looking at healthy lifestyle and the associated reduced risk of stroke was picked up by US Health News, Malay Mail and The Hindu.
- A study in Tobacco Control investigating the dangers of heated tobacco products in comparison to cigarettes was covered by The Los Angeles Times and more widely by US local newspapers.

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Knives are out in row over 'butter bias' The Times 22/10/2018
Leading medical journal is accused of having a 'pro-BUTTER bias' as more than 160 academics demand its editor stops publishing 'odd' studies Daily Mail 22/10/2018

The BMJ

Research: Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors and risk of lung cancer: population based cohort study

Blood pressure pills taken by millions may raise risk of lung cancer, study suggests Daily Telegraph 25/10/2018
Blood pressure pills taken by MILLIONS worldwide 'raise your risk of lung cancer', scientists warn Daily Mail 25/10/2018
Common Blood Pressure Medication Linked To Increased Risk Of Lung Cancer Forbes 27/10/2018


Research: Genetic risk, incident stroke, and the benefits of adhering to a healthy lifestyle: cohort study of 306473 UK Biobank Participants
Does Stroke Run in Your Family? Healthy Living Lowers the Risk  US Health News 24/10/2018
A healthy lifestyle can reduce stroke risk even in those with a high genetic risk  Malay Mail 26/10/2018
'A healthy lifestyle can cut stroke risk'  The Hindu 26/10/2018


Research: Oxygen therapy for acutely ill medical patients: a clinical practice guideline

Expert Panel: Cap Oxygen Saturation at 96% for Acutely Ill Patients  Medical Health News 25/10/2018
New 'rapid' guidance recommends minimal oxygen use for most hospital patients  Nursing Times 26/10/2018
Also in: Medical Xpress + wide coverage by local US radio and TV outlets

Research: Efficacy, effectiveness, and safety of herpes zoster vaccines in adults aged 50 and older: systematic review and network meta-analysis

Recombinant Zoster Vaccine More Efficacious Than Live Vaccine  NEJM Journal Watch 26/10/2018
Also in: Longroom.com, Technology Networks, NewsMedical.net

Further coverage of pre-eclampsia and risk of dementia: The New York Times, Medical Research, Physicians Briefing, Drugs.com, Clinical Advisor

Further coverage of the fatty acids and healthy ageing: The New York Times, Reuters, MD Alert, Channel NewsAsia + wide coverage by local US radio and TV outlets

Further coverage of the common cold treatments: Reuters, Channel NewsAsia, Business Insider, Physicians weekly + wide coverage by local US radio and TV outlets

Other coverage for The BMJ:
How Britain became Cannabis PLC with one secret greenhouse in Norfolk producing nearly half the world's medical marijuana  Daily Mail 22/10/2018
Collaborating for health care  The Hindu 22/10/2018
Abortions by mail are available now in the US. Here’s what you need to know  Vox 22/10/2018
Also covered widely by US local radio stations
The British are unafraid to talk about rationing. That’s something to admire  KevinMD.com 23/10/2018
Patients at Ohio Hospital Have Surgery Without Opioids  Medical Health News 23/10/2018
Austerity in Bolton - in numbers  The Lancashire Telegraph 23/10/2018 + widely covered by UK Radio stations
What Impact will prescribed cannabis have in the workplace?  theHRDIRECTOR 23/10/2018
Takeaways make up a smaller slice of Northamptonshire’s food outlets than in 2010  Food Industry Today 23/10/2018
GHOSTWATCH AND UNLEASHING SPIRITS ON THE BBC  SYFY WIRE 23/10/2018
Abortion pills now available by mail in US -- but FDA is investigating CNN 23/10/2018
Also widely covered by US local radio stations

Millennials are more sceptical of vaccines because they haven't been 'exposed to the reality of a number of diseases' Daily Mail 24/10/2018

Death risk increased with two blood pressure drugs The Pakistan Observer 24/10/2018

5 foods you should eat if you want to live longer Country Living 25/10/18

Incretin-Based Therapies Not Associated With New-Onset Depression, Self-Harm in T2D Medical Health News 25/10/18

One country's plan to solve the world's hidden health crisis BBC Future 25/10/2018

Laparoscopic cholecystectomy bests catheter drainage in high-risk cholecystitis MD Alert 26/10/2018

FT Health: Health for all or health for some? Financial Times 26/10/2018

Hospital accreditation not linked to patient outcomes in U.S. Reuters 26/10/2018
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Calls for a 'vegan vaccine' as vegetarians say PORK gelatine in flu, MMR and shingles jabs is putting people off getting them The Daily Mail 26/10/2018

On The Pulse - October 2018 OnMedica 26/10/2018

Is Running While Pregnant or Trying to Become Pregnant Safe? Runners World 26/10/2018

Removal of 'cancer' label could reduce overdiagnosis, overtreatment of low-risk disease - Medical Health News 27/10/2018

Mum who lost daughter to meningitis B slams Tories for risking 11 million kids' lives to save money Daily Mirror 28/10/2018

Research on the exposure to fast-food broadcast on Sunday Morning Live, BBC One

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Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Drug Free Inactive Disease a Feasible Goal in JIA Family Practice News Online 23/10/2018

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Man, 33, nearly loses his penis after it became wedged inside two steel ball bearings during a bizarre attempt to pleasure himself before it was saved by doctors using a SAW Daily Mail 22/10/18
Also in: The Sun, The Scottish Sun

BMJ Global Health
Refugee Girls Gain From Effort To Teach Life Skills Bioengineer.org 22/10/2018

BMJ Open
Book clubs a booster shot of good health Niagarathisweek 23/10/18
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Incretin-Based Therapies Not Associated With New-Onset Depression, Self-Harm in T2D Endocrinology Advisor 24/10/18
Are Asthma Hospitalizations Predictive of Influenza Hospitalizations in NYC Adults?
Pulmonology Advisor 25/10/18

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Men: What to Eat to Boost Your Fertility The Times 27/10/2018 (print version only)

Continued coverage of corporal punishment bans:
Georgia Today, Atlanta Journal Constitution, NET website, Quartz, MinnPost, Nature Middle East

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Diabetes risk raised by use of statins: Millions take cholesterol-lowering drug Express 25/10/2018

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More work-life balance for healthcare workers linked to better safety culture, study finds Becker’s Hospital Review 26/10/18

British Journal of Sports Medicine
Doctors have a simple piece of advice for heart patients who want to live longer Market Watch 22/10/18
Staying active the key to staying alive longer – and you’re never too old to start exercising South China Morning Post 28/10/2018

Is gluten-free diet good for all? Experts call the trend dangerous The Times of India 22/10/18

5 bedtime beverages that will help you lose weight Health24 South Africa 23/10/2018

Dak Prescott Used Smelling Salts After Being Cleared of Concussion Medical Health News 24/10/2018

According to 3 Experts, This Is How Often You Should Lift Weights If You Want to Lose Weight PopSugar 27/10/18

Neck Device Shows Promise in Protecting the Brain of Female Soccer Players New Kerala 28/10/2018

Further coverage for health benefits of golf

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As Reassuring Data on Anticancer Biosimilars Grow, ESMO Ups Its Biosimilar Education Center for Biosimilars 24/10/18

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Bacteria in mouth could help to detect colorectal cancer The Irish Times 22/10/18

Journal of Clinical Pathology
Adoption of NGS Reflex Testing for Lung Cancer Efficient, Cost Effective, Study Finds GenomeWeb 22/10/18

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Sex-selective abortion & the International Day of the Girl National Right to Life News 23/10/2018

Our Anti-Immigrant Atmosphere May Be Contributing To Dangerous Birth Complications For Latinas HuffPost 23/10/2018

Trusting Others May Help You Live Longer: Study MedIndia 26/10/2018
Also in: Phys.Org, Australian Men's Health, Infosurhoy

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Toronto Children's Hospital Mulls Merits Of Assisted Suicide For Kids Medical Health News 23/10/2018
As a health researcher who has seen a loved one suffer through illness, 'aid in dying' is a humane option NJ.com 27/10/2018
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Artificial Womb Technology Can Be A Game Changer for Preterm Infants — If Clinical Hurdles Are Cleared Medical Bag 25/10/18

Journal of NeuroInterventional Surgery
Cath Lab Recap: Post-PCI Inflammation; No Stenting Before TAVR MedPage Today 25/10/18

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Dementia Patients Like Sandra Day O'Connor May Hold Key to Cure Daily Beast 23/10/18

Further coverage for prevalence of stroke and dementia
Half of Women Found to Develop Stroke, Dementia, or Parkinsonism The Clinical Advisor 26/10/2018
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'A Staggering Hypocrisy': Tobacco Company Slammed For Telling UK Smokers To Quit The Huffpost 22/10/2018
Heated tobacco product touted as safer alternative to cigarettes is no less dangerous than smoking, studies find Los Angeles Times 23/10/2018 (print and online, no link available)
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Flavoured capsule cigarettes pose a threat to smokefree goals Medical Xpress 23/10/18
Tobacco companies lead the anti-cigarette charge, but what’s behind the smoke and mirrors? Southeast Asia Globe 23/10/18

New Clinical Trial Indicates Allen Carr's Easyway to Stop Smoking is at Least Twice as Effective as the Health Service - Yahoo Finance 26/10/2018

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