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.

A total of **22 journals** were picked up in the media last week (6-12 April) - our highlights include:

- Experts in *The BMJ* arguing that it’s time to encourage people to wear face masks as a precaution made headlines in MailOnline, The Times, The Daily Telegraph and the Times of India.

- A review published in *BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health* suggesting that many popular fertility and pregnancy planning apps may be inaccurate was covered widely, including CNN, *The Times* and *Free Malaysia Today*.

- A study published in *Injury Prevention* revealing that men pose more risk to other road users than women was picked up internationally, including MailOnline, CNN and the Hindustan Times.

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**PRESS RELEASES**

*The BMJ | BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health
Injury Prevention | Tobacco Control*

**EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES**

*Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases*

**OTHER COVERAGE**

*The BMJ | Archives of Disease in Childhood: Fetal and Neonatal | BMJ Global Health
BMJ Open | BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine | BMJ Quality & Safety
BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care | British Journal of Sports Medicine
ESMO Open | Gut
Heart | Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health
Journal of Investigative Medicine | Journal of Medical Ethics
Thorax | RMD Open
Vet Record*

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The BMJ press release coverage

Research: Systematic review and critical appraisal of prediction models for diagnosis and prognosis of COVID-19 infection

Current approach to fighting covid-19 may be flawed and based on weak evidence Mirage News 07/04/2020
Potentially flawed models may result in making inappropriate decisions on Covid-19 patients News-Medical.Net 07/04/2020

Also in: Stoke Sentinel, Yahoo UK, Foreign Affairs, Yahoo Finance, Yahoo News, Medical Xpress, HealthDay

Research: Maternal and paternal mental illness and risk of injuries in children and adolescents: a nationwide register-based cohort study in Sweden

Editorial: Injuries in the children of parents living with mental illness

Children of parents with mental illness have higher risk of injuries: Study ET Healthworld 09/04/2020


Analysis: Face masks for the public during the covid-19 crisis

+ Editorial: Covid-19: should the public wear face masks?
+ Opinion: Covid-19: Should cloth masks be used by healthcare workers as a last resort? (PR)

Britons SHOULD wear face masks to protect against the killer coronavirus because they can help curb the spread of the infection, experts say MailOnline 09/04/2020
Time to encourage people to wear face masks as a precaution Times of India 10/04/2020
Public 'should wear masks' The Times 10/04/2020


Further coverage for effects of diets largely disappearing after a year
This study blows the lid off these 3 super popular diets Ladders 06/04/2020

Also in: MinnPost, Endocrinology Advisor

Further coverage for maternal smoking and risk of fracture in infants
WANT TO INCREASE A BABY’S FRACTURE RISK? SMOKED, Orthopedics This Week 07/04/2020

Further coverage for concerns over “exaggerated” study claims of AI outperforming doctors
Too Much Hype in Studies of AI? MedPage Today 08/04/2020
Roundup: Evergreen Life builds COVID-19 heat map, and many more MobiHealthNews 09/04/2020
Also in: MindMatters

Also covered widely by regional BBC radio

Further coverage for vegetarian diet and risk of stroke
Secrets of your supermarket shop - Going Green (skip to 12:32) Channel 5 09/04/2020

Further coverage for egg consumption and risk of CVD
Dr Miriam Stoppard: You can go to work on an egg... if your diet is healthy Mirror 09/04/2020

Further coverage for #properPPE campaign
BBC Radio 5 Live 10/04/2020 (short clip of Fiona Godlee discussing)

Other notable coverage
Pollutionwatch: lockdown is boosting air quality but we can do more The Guardian 06/04/2020
Doctor helped hay fever sufferers with his pollen reports (print) New York Times 07/04/2020
Stop using toilet paper (print only) The New York Times 07/04/2020
Allow young people out of lockdown early to get country moving, say business experts The Telegraph 07/04/2020
World banking system cannot weather a long lockdown The Telegraph 07/04/2020
Communications blackouts in Jammu and Kashmir are making coronavirus lockdown doubly frightening Mirage News 08/04/2020
Less than 1% of Austrians infected with coronavirus, study shows The Guardian 10/04/2020
How NHS doctors turn to WhatsApp to understand the coronavirus The Telegraph 11/04/2020
World Health Organisation chief accused of failing to record three cholera epidemics in home country The Telegraph 11/04/2020
Covid-19 patient with no symptoms contagious: HP doctor to BMJ Times of India 12/04/2020

JOURNALS

BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health

Research: Use of menstruation and fertility app trackers: a scoping review of the evidence (PR)

Fertility apps can be ‘misleading’ for women, review finds CNN 07/04/2020
Many fertility apps lack accuracy, study reveals Free Malaysia Today 07/04/2020
Scientists doubtful about accuracy of fertility apps (print) The Times 07/03/2020

**Further coverage for multiple sexual partners and cancer risk**

**Having intercourse with 10 or extra humans ups most cancers risk**  News Dog 10/04/20

**Injury Prevention**

**Research:** How does mode of travel affect risks posed to other road users? An analysis of English road fatality data, incorporating gender and road type (PR)

Women really are SAFER behind the wheel than men and should be employed in road transport roles, study claims  MailOnline 07/04/20

Men are more dangerous to other road users than women, new study shows  CNN 06/04/20

Women can actually be better, safe drivers than men  Hindustan Times 08/04/20


**International**


**Other**


**Ride hailing apps like Uber linked to increased crashes, study finds**  tnw 08/04/2020


**Tobacco Control**

**Research:** Tobacco imagery in on-demand streaming content popular among adolescents and young adults in India: implications for global tobacco control (India Focus PR)

Netflix, Amazon Prime flouting India's tobacco regulations: Study  The New Indian Express 10/04/20

Netflix, Amazon Prime flouting India tobacco regulations: Study  Outlook India 10/04/20

Netflix, Amazon Prime etc are flouting India tobacco regulations: Study  Hindustan Times 11/04/20


**Coronavirus: Smokers at highest COVID-19 risk**  News.com.au 10/04/20

Also in: The Australian
Further coverage for limited supply of antimalarials (PR)
Trump-backed anti-malaria drug hydroxychloroquine is the most effective coronavirus treatment currently available, finds international poll of 2,000 doctors Daily Mail 03/04/2020
UK’s top medical experts issue plea for more volunteers to take part in coronavirus drug trials Express Digest 07/04/2020

Also in: Celbest News, CPhI.cn, Naturopathic Doctor News & Review, MedicalBrief South Africa, Malay Mail, Pharmacy Times

Research: Horizontal fissuring at the osteochondral interface: a novel and unique pathological feature in patients with obesity-related osteoarthritis (External PR)

Obesity linked to earlier need for knee replacements Medical Xpress 09/04/2020
Obese individuals might need knee replacement surgery at a younger age than normal-weight patients The World News 11/04/2020

Also in: Free Malaysia Today, Inquirer.net

Ambrisentan and Tadalafil Combination Therapy Appropriate for CTD-PAH Pulmonology Advisor 07/04/2020

EULAR, ERA–EDTA issue guidelines for managing lupus nephritis MedWire News 07/04/2020

Tanezumab: A Win as Last-Ditch Osteoarthritis Tx RheumNow 07/04/2020

Tenosynovial fluid white cell count complements ultrasound to rule out inflammatory tenosynovitis Healio 08/04/2020

Homocitrullination May Be Linked to Interstitial Lung Disease in Rheumatoid Arthritis Pulmonology Advisor 08/04/2020

Glucocorticoids, not biologics, increased adverse outcome risk after elective surgery in RA Healio 08/04/2020

Treatment for RA, SpA may not affect COVID-19 severity MDedge 08/04/2020
Also in: The Hospitalist

Regular Use of DMARD Medication Doesn’t Seem to Increase Risk of Coronavirus Complications, Says Italian Study Data Creaky Joints 08/04/2020

IL-17A/F Inhibitor a Winner in Spine Disease MedPage Today 10/04/2020

Archives of Disease in Childhood: Fetal and Neonatal

FDA Grants Vapotherm® Oxygen Assist Module (OAM™) Breakthrough Device Designation Financial Times 09/04/2020
Also in: Benzinga + widely covered by US online business news outlets

BMJ Global Health
Can We Reimagine Global Health In The Post-Pandemic World? Forbes 06/04/2020

What about other chronic illnesses? The Hundu Business Line 10/04/2020

Also in: Vancouver Sun,

South Africa may not have enough doctors to fight COVID-19. But we could be making better use of those we have. Here's how. Bhekisisa.org 09/04/2020

BMJ Open
Christopher Labos: Cloth masks given the OK, but do they work? Pembroke Observer 07/04/2020
What you need to know when you’re wearing an improvised face mask ZME 08/04/2020
Also covered by numerous Canadian local news outlets, Newshub NZ, Kentucky Indian, webIndia123, The World News

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
Population-based type 2 diabetes screening linked to reduced insulin use Medicine Matters 07/04/2020
Also in: Medwire News

DKA risk in secondary diabetes ‘could be underestimated’ Medicine Matters 08/04/2020

Remove term: Insulin Pens Market Insulin Pens Market Expansion Projected to Gain an Uptick During (2020-2027) Curious Desk 10/04/2020

BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine
New Study Finds NFL Rule Changes Implemented Over Last 10 Years Have Failed To Make Game Safer Forbes 09/04/2020
Also in: Allusanewshub

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Do ER Caregivers’ On-the-job Emotions Affect Patient Care? HCN 07/04/2020

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More Training Needed in CF End-of-life Care, Small UK Survey Shows cysticfibrosisnewstoday.com 08/04/2020

British Journal of Sports Medicine
5 Habits For A Morning Routine If You Work From Home Forbes 06/04/2020
Also in: Leadership

FITNESS CHECK How exercise can protect against coronavirus – but don’t overdo it The Sun 06/04/2020
Also in: The World News

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Why Cardio is Good For Your Brain Thrive Global 07/04/2020
The eight advances for performance and health in tennis history  Tennis World 07/04/2020

Health: The perfect storm for hypertension  Red Deer Advocate 07/04/2020
Also in: NiagaraThisWeek.com

How Much Water Do You Need To Drink Each Day?  LifeHacker 09/04/2020

The Value of Gardening as a Hobby  Greener Ideal 08/04/2020

AHA News: Keep Your Immune System in Top Shape With These Tips  HealthDay 08/04/2020
Also in: KCPQ-TV Online, Medical Xpress, Cooking with Kathy Man, EdgeMedia, The Epoch Times-Chicago Edition

Self-Isolation Running Tips from Virgin Sport CEO Jessica Frey  Run247 09/04/2020

Harness the power of ten  The Sun 10/04/20 (print only)

Does Running Actually Build Muscle?  Runner’s World 10/04/2020

Put your back into it: Exercise to beat back pain  Irish Examiner 10/04/2020

FREE MONEY! How to get PAID for your coronavirus run  Daily Express 13/03/2020

ESMO Open
Treating Lung Cancer in COVID-19 Times: Update From ESMO  Medscape 07/04/2020
Also in: MDEdge, Allusanewshub

Gut
Further coverage for Mediterranean diet and healthy ageing
Mediterranean Diet Helps in Healthy Ageing, Study Says  Report Door 08/04/2020

Heart
Further coverage for regular bathing and lower risk of heart disease/stroke (PR)
Research shows daily baths could reduce risk of heart disease and stroke  Extra.ie 06/04/2020
Also in: Her Campus, Good News Network, Thrive Global, Business Insider Australia, INSIDER, MSN Health CA

Five genuine health reasons to enjoy chocolate this Easter weekend  Irish Examiner 08/04/2020

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Keeping Aging Muscles Fit Is Tied to Better Heart Health Later  World Independent 07/04/2020

STIMULUS CHECKS COST $290 BILLION. A FRACTION OF THAT COULD HAVE CHANGED RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK, EXPERTS SAY  Newsweek 08/04/2020

Why are fewer women dying from the coronavirus?  Vox 09/04/2020
Journal of Investigative Medicine
Immune-Boosting Supplements in a Nutshell Conservative Angle 10/04/2020

Immune-Boosting Supplements in a Nutshell The Epoch Times 10/04/2020

Journal of Medical Ethics
High-quality PPE ‘crucial for at-risk healthcare workers’ researchprofessionalnews.com 08/04/2020

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Progression of BMD Changes in Early RA Physician’s Weekly 12/04/2020

Thorax
Further coverage for COPD and lung cancer risk in non-smokers (PR)
Increased Risk of Lung Cancer With COPD, Even in Never Smokers Medscape 07/04/2020
In Nonsmokers, COPD May Up Lung Cancer Risk HealthDay 08/04/2020

Vet Record
Is your cat a coronavirus risk? Veterinary scientists insist Covid-19 CANNOT be passed from pets to humans but urge owners with symptoms to keep them indoors because they can carry saliva droplets in their fur Daily Mail 08/04/2020

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