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 28 journals were picked up in the media last week (15-21 June) - our highlights include:

- A study in *Regional Anesthesia & Pain Medicine* indicating that switching from general to regional anaesthesia may help cut greenhouse emissions was picked up by *The Times*, *Gizmodo Australia* and *US News & World Report*.

- A *Vet Record* study finding that there has been a shift to a raw/home-made food diet for pets over the past decade made headlines in *Daily Mail*, *The Daily Telegraph* and *iNews*.

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**PRESS RELEASES**

*Regional Pain & Anesthesia Medicine*  
*Tobacco Control* | *Vet Record*

**EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES**

*BMJ Global Health*  |  *BMJ Nutrition Prevention & Health*  
*BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care*  |  *BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine*  
*BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care*

**OTHER COVERAGE**

*The BMJ*  |  *Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases*  
*Archives of Disease in Childhood*  |  *BMJ Case Reports*  
*BMJ Innovations*  |  *BMJ Leader*  
*BMJ Open*  |  *BMJ Quality & Safety*  
*British Journal of Sports Medicine*  |  *Emergency Medicine Journal*  
*ESMO Open*  |  *Gut*  
*Heart*  |  *Journal of Clinical Pathology*  
*Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health*  |  *Journal of Medical Ethics*  
*Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry*  
*Occupational & Environmental Medicine*  
*RMD Open*  |  *Thorax*

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*Preprint server founded by Yale now leading source for COVID-19 discoveries* CompanyHQ
Publishers commit to fight for diversity  Research Professional News 18/06/20

The BMJ notable coverage

Antibody tests 'miss quarter of cases' (quotes Jon Deeks in The BMJ) The Times 15/06/2020
Doctors need to know how to treat Covid-19 blood clots  The Mirror 16/06/2020
Also in:  The World News, European News
Why are black and Asian people at greater risk of coronavirus? (reference to Racism in Medicine issue) The Conversation UK 16/06/2020
Also in: Medical Xpress, Yahoo News Canada, Conservative Angle, The National Interest Online, Infosurveys
Masked Threats? Studies Reveal NO Benefits to Global COVID-19 Facemasks-for-all Policy (references response to Greenhalgh article) Sign of the Times 16/06/2020
Painkillers like ibuprofen can increase the risk of heart disease and should be restricted (references 2016 study) Australian News Daily Bulletin 16/06/2020
The very first human case of coronavirus was discovered at St Thomas's Hospital back in 1964  The Tab 16/06/2020
World-Leading Infectious Disease Expert: Government Lockdowns Must End (references Head to Head) Before It’s News 16/06/2020
Also in:  Insurance News
The coronavirus crisis: where is the British left? (references KK Cheng opinion, 11 May) The Morning Star Online 16/06/2020
Hippy crack crackdown: Experts call for action as telltale silver canisters from laughing gas use litter our parks in lockdown (references Opinion: The hidden burden of laughing gas) Daily Mail 18/06/2020
Nitrous oxide use among young people is increasing in lockdown because it's cheap and accessible  iNews 19/06/2020
Also in: expressdigest.com, Mogaz News, Celbest News
Having good heart health in your 50s lowers dementia risk later in life, say researchers Natural News 16/06/2020
Yes, it's embarrassing. But I won't be shamed into silence! (reference to vaginal mesh investigation) The Daily Mail 18/06/2020
Also in:  Sound Health, expressdigest.com
Living without workplace banter (references Opinion: The long term mental health impact of covid-19 must not be ignored) Arts Professional 19/06/2020
How Healthcare Providers are Benefiting from IT Consulting Services (references Analysis: Medical error—the third leading cause of death in the US) Healthcare Business Today 19/06/2020
Coronavirus symptoms update: The early warning sign in your hearing - what to look for Express 19/06/2020

Editorial:  Clinical features of covid-19
Coronavirus warning – when your eye watering could be a sign of COVID-19 infection Simple News 17/06/2020
Also in:  Business Telegraph, The Amed Post, Sound Health and Lasting Wealth
Editorial:  Administration of end-of-life drugs by family caregivers during covid-19 pandemic Families could be called on for Covid-19 end of life care Mirror 19/06/2020


Further coverage for **Features of 20,133 UK patients in hospital with covid-19 using the ISARIC WHO Clinical Characterisation Protocol** *(PR)*
Does Your Blood Type Increase Your Coronavirus Risk? Reader’s Digest 17/06/2020

Further coverage for **Characteristics and outcomes of pregnant women admitted to hospital with confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection in UK** *(PR)*

Some babies born to Covid-infected mothers ALREADY have antibodies to protect them against the disease, study finds Daily Mail 18/06/2020
The Coronavirus Pandemic: UK Healthcare System Failing Pregnant Black British Women The New Black Magazine 16/06/2020


Further coverage for **Hydroxychloroquine in patients mainly with mild to moderate coronavirus disease 2019: open label, randomised, controlled trial** *(PR)*
Donald Trump continues to tout dangerous drug despite health warnings The Express 16/06/2020
FDA Terminates Emergency Use Authorization Of Hydroxychloroquine To Treat Covid-19 Senegal Actu Online 16/06/2020
FDA revokes emergency use authorization for 2 medications to treat COVID-19 Ps4France 17/06/2020

Further coverage for **The scandal of modern slavery in the trade of masks and gloves** *(PR)*
The Scandal of “Modern Slavery” in the Trade of Masks and Gloves Global Health News 16/06/2020

Further coverage for **Use of personal protective equipment against coronavirus disease 2019 by healthcare professionals in Wuhan, China: cross sectional study** *(PR)*

Full PPE Use by Healthcare Workers Can Eliminate Risk of COVID-19 Infection, Professor Explains Sputnik International Russia 16/06/2020
Does Proper PPE and Training Prevent COVID-19 Infection in Healthcare Workers? – Here’s the Data InfoSurHoy.com 17/06/2020

Further coverage for **Algorithm based smartphone apps to assess risk of skin cancer in adults** *(PR)*
Phone Apps Helping To Detect Early Skin Cancer allnurses.com 16/06/2020

Further coverage for **Vitamin D levels and respiratory illness** *(PR)*
Exploring the Links Between Coronavirus and Vitamin D New York Times 17/06/2020

Also in: MedicalBrief South Africa, Daily Mail + Scottish Daily Mail, Daily Mail - This is Money, Angle News, News Need News

Further coverage for editorial: **Obesity and covid-19: the role of the food industry?** *(PR)*
Why COVID-19 risk further government intervention for drinks justdrinks.com 18/06/2020
Further coverage for *Effect of breakfast on weight and energy intake: systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials* (PR)
*Is Breakfast Really the Most Important Meal of the Day? What the Science Says* MSN Lifestyle 20/06/2020

Further coverage for *Stress related disorders and risk of cardiovascular disease: population based, sibling controlled cohort study* (PR)
*Every call is ‘ugly’: A police officer who reconstructed collision and crime scenes described his anguish; now his widow is fighting for support* The Paris Star 19/06/2020
*Also in:* The Vancouver Sun + covered widely by Canadian local news outlets

Further coverage for *Reducing risks from coronavirus transmission in the home—the role of viral load* (PR)
*How to cope if someone if your house is suffering from coronavirus at home* Mirror + Irish Mirror 21/06/220
*Also in:* MSN Lifestyle, Mul Press, European News

**JOURNALS**

**Regional Pain & Anesthesia Medicine**

**Daring Discourse:** *‘Green-regional’ anesthesia: the non-polluting benefits of regional anesthesia to decrease greenhouse gases and attenuate climate change* (PR)

*Local anaesthetic for surgery helps to save the planet* The Times 17/06/20 (+ print)
*A Switch in How Hospitals Use Anesthesia Could Have Huge Climate Benefits* Gizmodo Australia 17/06/20
*Doctors’ choice of anesthetic could help curb climate change* US News & World Report 17/06/20


**Tobacco Control**

**Brief report:** *Associations between cigarette prices and consumption in Europe 2004-2014* (PR)

*Tobacco industry discounting linked to higher cigarette consumption in Europe* Florida Oracle 17/06/20
*Higher smoking rates after industry cuts prices* OnMedica 18/06/20
*Tobacco industry discounting linked to higher cigarette consumption in Europe* Infosurhoy 20/06/20
*Also in:* BrightSurf.com, Medical Xpress

*Want to Lose Weight and Stress Less? A Pet Can Help, Studies Find* NBC New York
17/06/20

Also covered by various US local broadcast outlets

**Vet Record**

**Original research**: An observational study of pet feeding practices and how these have changed between 2008 and 2018 (PR)

Pet owners ‘putting their cats and dogs at risk by feeding them trendy raw, homemade and vegan food’. Daily Mail + Scottish + Irish editions 19/06/20

Trendy raw and vegan diets may cause health problems for cats and dogs. Daily Telegraph 19/06/20

Pet owners should avoid giving their cats and dogs homemade meals, vets warn. iNews 18/06/20


**Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases**

Order of TNF inhibitor, csDMARD tapering does not impact outcomes for RA patients. MedWire News 15/06/20

Hydroxychloroquine fails to prevent COVID-19 in patients with lupus. Heali 15/06/20

EULAR Provides COVID-19 Recommendations. Medscape 15/06/20

Also in: Rheumatology Advisor

Top 12 health benefits of papaya you should be aware of. TheHealthSite 16/06/20

NSAIDs, DMARDs May Not Increase Hospitalization Risk in COVID-19 Patients. DocWire News 16/06/20

Few non-radiographic axial spondyloarthritis patients end up with spine damage. Creaky Joints 16/06/20

Cartilage loss linked to only slightly worse knee OA pain. Heali 16/06/20

Status Report: The Rheumatoid Arthritis Drug Pipeline. Rheumatology Network 18/06/20

COVID-19: Most Individuals with Rheumatic Disease Recover. The Rheumatologist 19/06/20

Gout Often Impacts Entheses, Causing Ankle and Knee Pain — and Could Lead to Misdiagnoses. Creaky Joints 19/06/20

Some rheumatic diseases tied to higher risk of severe COVID-19. MD Alert 19/06/20

Eye Damage from Hydroxychloroquine More Common in Lupus than Other Rheumatic Conditions. Creaky Joints 20/06/20

**Archives of Disease in Childhood**

Further coverage for sibling SUDI deaths (PR)

Siblings of SIDS infants at 10-fold risk of same death. MedicalBrief South Africa 18/06/20
Six uses for a home fingertip pulse oximeter  Medical News Bulletin 19/06/20

BMJ Case Reports
Dog saliva can cause blood infection and possibly make you lose all your limbs  Daily Pedia.net 16/06/20

Girl in India Cries Tears of Blood in Rare Medical Anomaly  Newsweek 19/06/20
Also in: International Business Times India, The Daily Star

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Further coverage for lack of female COVID-19 researchers (PR)
Female researchers majorly underrepresented in COVID-19 research  Latin American Post 15/06/20
How female scientists are losing out during the pandemic and why it matters  CNN Health 18/06/20

Further coverage for modelling study of COVID-19 in Africa
How African Nations Can Respond To The Challenges Of Both Covid-19 And Future Pandemics  Forbes 15/06/20 (attrib to The BMJ)

Power and politics: the case for linking resilience to health system governance  ReliefWeb 16/06/20

Most COVID-19 clinical trials have big shortcomings  The Tyee News (Canada) 16/06/20

Commentary: Income security in times of ill health: the next frontier for the SDGs (External PR)
Research: Income security during periods of ill health: a scoping review of policies, practice and coverage in low-income and middle-income countries (External PR)

Income security important in times of ill health  Medical Xpress 17/06/20

Further coverage for misleading YouTube videos on COVID-19 (PR)
Coronavirus latest: Conspiracy theorists more likely to get Covid-19 information from Facebook and YouTube  iNews 18/06/20

Shocking report reveals 1 billion children are affected by violence every year  All4Women 19/06/20

Is COVID-19 magnifying colonial attitudes in global health?  Devex 19/06/20

Further coverage for wearing face masks at home (PR)
Yes, Wearing masks helps. Here's why NPR 21/06/20
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How To Save A Life? Don't Ask Siri, Study Warns Study Finds 17/06/20

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Even Amid Social Distancing, 'Vicarious Learning' Can Work Newswise 17/06/20
Also in: Health News Digest. Phys.org

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Vitamin D new hope in the war on corona (University of Surrey research misattributed to The BMJ) The Daily Mail 18/06/2020

Research: COVID-19 mortality increases with northerly latitude after adjustment for age, suggesting a link with ultraviolet and vitamin D (External PR)

Coronavirus: Should I start taking vitamin D? BBC News 18/06/20
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Does your doctor have a bias? Antelope Valley Press 15/06/20
Also in: NiagaraThisWeek, BlackDoctor.org

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Woman driving near protests says LAPD foam round injured her, files $10-million claim The World News 17/06/20
Fractured Skulls, Lost Eyes: Police Often Break Own Rules Using ‘Rubber Bullets’ Coronado Times 19/06/20

Men’s Health Week 2020: Common diseases in men that develop with age Newsd (India) 17/06/20

Academic provides evidence about Universal Credit before Commons Select Committee Teesside University 17/06/20

Many initial COVID-19 treatment trials poorly designed Pulmonology Advisor 17/06/20
Also in: Medical Brief South Africa, Medical Bag, Daily Telegraph, Clinical Pain Advisor, Infectious Disease Advisor, The Tyee News (Canada)

Let’s Talk About Osteoporosis Medication HealthCentral 17/06/20
Clinical trial costs to develop a new drug may actually be rather modest — or so one study suggests STAT 18/06/20

Will an app keep you on your medication schedule? Harvard Health Letter 18/06/20

Olive oil or coconut oil: Which is worthy of kitchen-staple status? Harvard Health Letter 18/06/20

Drug trials may cost less than companies claim, study suggests Becker’s Hospital Review 19/06/20

Coronavirus face coverings made by firms with a conscience and helping charity (misattrib to The BMJ) Mirror 20/06/2020

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Further coverage for full fat dairy diet (PR)
Dairy-Rich Diet May Help Lowering Diabetes And High BP Risks: Study NDTV 15/06/20

Research: Non-invasive monitoring of pharmacodynamics during the skin wound healing process using multimodal optical microscopy (External PR)

Researchers develop microscopy technique for noninvasive evaluation of wound healing BrightSurf.com 17/06/20
Researchers develop microscopy technique for noninvasive evaluation of wound healing Infosurhoy 20/06/20
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Induced Labor Riskier in Pregnant Women With Diabetes: Study Diabetes Self Management (US) 18/06/20

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Research: Implementation of a behaviour change intervention to enhance oral health behaviours in elite athletes: a feasibility study (External PR)

Elite athletes’ performances improved by using better toothpaste, new research suggests iNews 19/06/20
Simple oral health steps help improve elite athletes’ performance Medical Xpress 19/06/20


**BMJ Quality & Safety**
Stress-Management Strategies Can Boost Health-Care Teams During the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic 30 Seconds Health 15/06/20
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237+ Million Medication Errors Made Every Year in England – Costing Over £98 Million and 1700+ Lives. Infosurhoy 16/06/20
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Research: Anticipatory prescribing in community end-of-life care in the UK and Ireland during the COVID-19 pandemic: online survey (External PR)

Rapid changes in end-of-life care will affect patients at home and in care homes in the UK
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Dyspnea most important end-of-life symptom in COVID-19 patients MDAlert 19/06/20

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The Misunderstood Science of Exercising on Sunny Days Outside Magazine 15/06/20

English Premier League’s Project Restart - football is back but not as we know it. South China Morning Post 17/06/20

Exercising while wearing a mask New York Times 17/06/20

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7 benefits of walking and how it can improve your health MSN India 18/06/20
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Cooling strategies can prevent overheating while wearing PPE MD Alert 19/06/20

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Yoga is magic! Practitioners say it may help ease depressive symptoms in people with other mental health issues ANI News 20/06/20
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Emergency Doctors Rethink Processes As KKH Manages Fearful Parents, Crying Children During Covid-19 Pandemic BruDirect.com (Brunei) 21/06/20

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Medical Dialogues 19/06/20
'Important' microbiome studies offer hope for IBD prediction
NutraIngredients 15/06/20

Further coverage for heartburn drug to treat COVID-19 (PR)
COVID-19 Update: Heartburn Drug Can Fight Moderately Severe Coronavirus Cases; Vaccine May Take 10-15 Years Experts Say
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Heart
Further coverage for heart health benefits of napping (PR)
Study: Napping up to twice a week good for heart health
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Advance care planning: a 'hard' skill for cardiology clinicians?
Medical Health News 18/06/20

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Two Pro-inflammatory Proteins May Be Biomarkers of Gaucher Type 1
Gaucher’s Disease News 15/06/20
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BrightSurf.com 15/06/20

Why unaffordable housing affects physical, mental health of Hongkongers
South China Morning Post 18/06/20
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Business World MSN Philippines 21/06/20

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Brighton medical expert aims to trace thousands of 'missing' coronavirus cases
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Should biobanks be used in criminal investigations?
BioEdge 21/06/20

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Environmental Factors in Myositis: A Link? MedPage Today 17/06/20

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