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 23 journals were picked up in the media last week (8-14 June) - highlights include:

Research in The BMJ showing that BAME women account for over half of pregnant women in UK hospitals with covid-19 was covered widely, including BBC and ITV News, CNN, while an editorial on the food industry’s role in covid-19 made Sky News, The Daily Telegraph and Daily Mail.


A study in ADC showing that risk of sudden death in children runs in families was picked up by several outlets, including The Daily Telegraph, The World News, and Medical Xpress.

**PRESS RELEASES**

The BMJ | Archives of Disease in Childhood
BMJ Global Health | BMJ Quality & Safety

**EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES**

BMJ Open | BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care

**OTHER COVERAGE**

The BMJ
Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases | BMJ Case Reports
BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health | BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine
British Journal of Ophthalmology | British Journal of Sports Medicine
Gut | Heart | Injury Prevention
Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health | Journal of Medical Ethics
Journal of Medical Genetics | Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Occupational & Environmental Medicine | Thorax
Tobacco Control | Vet Record

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The BMJ press release coverage

Editorial: The UK's public health response to covid-19

What the UK can learn about vital COVID-19 testing “The government’s efforts in using testing and tracing to contain the spread of the virus have been described as ‘too little, too late, too flawed’ by The BMJ” Sky News 12/06/2020

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Research: Characteristics and outcomes of pregnant women admitted to hospital with confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection in UK

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Coronavirus: Risk higher for pregnant BAME women BBC News 08/06/2020
More than half of pregnant women in UK hospitals with Covid-19 are minorities, study finds CNN 08/06/2020
Experts are calling for an ‘urgent investigation’ into the high rate of pregnant women of color hospitalized with coronavirus Pulse Nigeria 08/06/2020


Business insider, Yahoo! Lifestyle Singapore, Mirage News Australia, Asian Image, Health Europa, euronews, China Daily,


Research: Use of personal protective equipment against coronavirus disease 2019 by healthcare professionals in Wuhan, China: cross sectional study

Adequate PPE effective in preventing COVID-19 infection in doctors, nurses: Study The New Indian Express 11/06/2020
China study emphasises importance of PPE to protect nurses from Covid-19 Nursing Times 11/06/2020

'EXPLOSION' OF PPE LAWSUITS AHEAD (link unavailable) Irish Daily Mail 12/06/2020


Editorial: Obesity and covid-19: the role of the food industry?

Food industry's fuelling of obesity means it must 'share blame' for severity of coronavirus.
experts say The Telegraph 10/06/2020
Junk food industry shares the blame for Britain's Covid-19 disaster, scientists argue, because the virus is more deadly for overweight and obese people MailOnline 10/06/2020
Anger as medical journal links food industry to Covid-19 death toll Food Management Today 12/06/2020
BMJ blame game no help to obesity sufferers at higher risk from Covid-19 justfood.com 12/06/2020


Further coverage for inflammatory disease more common in children of African ancestry (PR)
Kawasaki-Like Disease More Common in Children of African Ancestry Drugs.com 08/06/2020

Further coverage for COVID-19 risk factors (PR)
‘Obese people face mental, physical problems in corona times’ MENA FN 11/06/2020
Also in: Vishva Times, India4u, Prokerala, WhatsNew2Day, Outlook India, tcmtmd, Physician's Briefing

Further coverage for link between Vitamin D levels and respiratory illness (PR)
Unpacking the science on Vitamin D - Health24 South Africa 12/06/2020
Also in: MSN South Africa, News 24 South Africa, Plant Based News

Further coverage for 2018 study on role of nicotine patches to help smokers quit (PR)
Response to “Alberta’s vaping bill fails to protect children and youth” Global Banking and Finance 12/06/2020


Further coverage for industry payments to US medical leaders (PR)
The Medical-Industrial Complex Pads Its Pockets As We Empty Ours The Health Blog 13/06/2020

Further coverage for certain diabetes drugs may protect against kidney problems (PR)
Certain diabetes drugs may protect against serious kidney problems The Pharmaceutical Journal 12/06/2020

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After retractions of two Covid-19 papers, scientists ask what went wrong STAT 08/06/2020
Coronavirus: UK faces deeper recession than any other country in the world, says OECD
The Independent 10/06/2020
Exploring the Links Between Coronavirus and Vitamin D New York Times 10/06/2020
Australia prevails in decade-long duel with Big Tobacco Australian Financial Review 11/06/2020
This is a golden age for science: Interview with Maurice Zeegers, Maastricht Care and Public Health Research Institute (CAPHRI) on ‘rapid and living’ systematic review projects regularly published in the leading journal The BMJ.” Maastricht University 12/06/2020
Professor Garner talking about experience of COVID-19 (link unavailable) Look North BBC One Yorks & Lincs 12/06/2020 Also in: BBC Radio Humberside
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Researchers analyse ethics of allocating medical resources in covid-19 Penn News 13/06/2020
Same old, same old, with NY Times Well column – bisphosphonates for pneumonia this time Health News Review 13/06/2020 (reference to The BMJ’s Too Much Medicine campaign article “Overdiagnosis of bone fragility in the quest to prevent hip fracture”)
State Department Rebukes China’s ‘Decadeslong War on Faith’ (mentions The BMJ on consent from organ donors for Chinese research) USSA News 13/06/2020
Criminal Big Pharma Put in Charge of COVID-19 Vaccine (mentions The BMJ investigation into WHO swine flu experts link with drug companies) USSA News 14/06/2020

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Risk of sudden death in children runs in families The Daily Telegraph 12/06/2020
Siblings of children who die suddenly have 10 times risk of same The World News (attrib to The BMJ) 12/06/20
Risk Up for Families After One Sudden Unexpected Infant Death Physician’s Weekly 13/06/20
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Poor suffer most when lockdown's imposed Morning Star 10/06/2020

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Commentary: Where are the women? Gender inequalities in COVID-19 research authorship (PR)
Women under-represented in Covid-19 research papers  Engelmed Health News 12/06/20
Women are majority under-represented in COVID-19 research authorship  Mirage News Australia 12/06/20
Only one in three Covid-19 papers are authored by women  Research Professional News 12/06/20

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Finding reliable information on COVID-19: working out following COVID-19 diagnosis  Hometown Focus (US) 12/06/20

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Wearing of masks most effective means to prevent COVID-19  WGCL-TV Online 12/06/20
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