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 25 journals were picked up in the media last week (21-27 September) - our highlights include:

- Research in The BMJ on excess belly fat and risk of early death was covered widely, including CNN, The Daily Mail and The Daily Telegraph.

- The New York Times ran an op-ed by Peter Doshi, Associate Editor at The BMJ on covid-19 vaccine trials.

- Research in Thorax warning that patients with no symptoms carry as much covid-19 virus as those with symptoms generated global headlines, including NBC News, New York Daily News and The Guardian.

BMJ PRESS RELEASES

The BMJ | BMJ Open
Open Heart | Thorax

EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES

BMJ Open | BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
British Journal of Sports Medicine | Emergency Medicine Journal

OTHER COVERAGE

The BMJ | Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Archives of Disease in Childhood | BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine
BMJ Global Health | BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health
BMJ Open Respiratory Research | Frontline Gastroenterology
Gut | Heart
Injury Prevention | Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health
Journal of Medical Ethics | Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Medical Humanities | Occupational & Environmental Medicine
Postgraduate Medical Journal | Practical Neurology
Vet Record

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New Co-Editors-in-Chief for BMJ Quality & Safety journal InPublishing 24/09/2020
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Also in: Mirage News Australia, Knowledgespeak  

BMJ Best Practice made free to access for NHS staff  Orthopaedic Product News 23/09/2020  

The BMJ press release coverage  

Research: Central fatness and risk of all cause mortality: systematic review and dose-response meta-analysis of 72 prospective cohort studies  

Every 4in on your belly 'raises risk of early death'  Daily Mail 24/09/2020  
Belly fat linked to early death, study finds  CNN 24/09/2020  
Chunky thighs and wide hips linked to long life expectancy  The Times 24/09/2020  


Research: Sodium glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitors and risk of major adverse cardiovascular events  

Certain diabetes drugs linked to lower risk of major heart problems  Medical XPress 24/09/2020  

Also in: Social News XYZ, Vishva Times, AustinIndian, The Siasat Daily Online, India4u.com, Dajiworld, The Hans India, webindia123.com, DoctorsLounge, Physician's Briefing, INDIA New England Online, Drugs.com, Physician's Weekly,  

Feature: UK medical schools fear for quality of student education as funding axe falls  

COVID-19 impact on medical schools risks 'serious damage' to future NHS workforce  GP 24/09/2020  
The BMJ reveals worrying cuts to UK medical schools  Medical XPress 24/09/2020  
Also in: The Times (p18, print only), The Independent (p8, print only), OnMedica,  

Opinion: The health, wellbeing, and employment arrangements for people with Long Covid remain unaddressed  

Boris Johnson is urged to take action on 'long Covid'  Daily Mail 23/09/2020  
Government warned of importance of taking action on 'long Covid' and its effects on sufferers  Kent Live 23/09/2020  
Also in: MSN, Belfast Live, The World News, internewscast, Health Medici Net, Medical XPress,  

Editorial: US regulator adds to confusion around heated tobacco products  

Author Anna Gilmore interviewed on BBC World Service Health Check (17.15 mins into
Practise: Interpreting a covid-19 test result

Airlines push for coronavirus testing before international flights


Further coverage of government ‘moonshot’ plans

Further coverage of pregnancy and covid

Further coverage for single dose breast radiotherapy

Further coverage for dietary guidelines and global health and environmental targets

Further coverage for air pollution risk to children’s health

Further coverage for harms of ultra-processed foods
Are the additives in our food making us all ill? The Daily Mail 22/09/2020

Also in: Health Medici Net, Chicago Health online, Internews Cast

Other notable coverage

Kids and Covid: Should I send my child to school with a cold – and everything else you need to know The Daily Telegraph 21/09/2020

The alarming rise of the anti-vaxxers (references blog) Evening Standard 22/09/2020

Covid, flu or a cold: how to tell, what to do The Times 22/09/2020

Patients set to benefit from Artificial Intelligence health solutions (publication of SPIRIT and CONSORT guidelines on AI) Connected Technology Solutions Online 21/09/2020

Also in: The Scientist

Coronavirus: What is herd immunity and is it a possibility for the UK? (references editorial on seroprevalence) MSN UK 21/09/2020

Also in: Gulf Today

WISH 2020 Partnership with The BMJ to Significantly Widen the Global Reach of Policy Research Johnanews 21/09/2020

Also in: Gulf Times, Qatar Tribune, OANA - The Organization of Asia-Pacific News Agencies, The Peninsula Online

Long COVID: Specialists lay groundwork for diagnosis and management (reference to The BMJ webinar) Medical News Today 21/09/2020

Fears that 6.7 Million U.S. Children on Mind-Bending Drugs Will Escalate (Jeanne Lenzer quoted) einpresswire 22/09/2020

Also in: WBOC2-TV, WBOC-TV, WICZ-TV

Julian Assange a high suicide risk, extradition (Assange subscribes to The BMJ, court told) The Times 22/09/2020

Also in: Russia Today, Computer Weekly


Coronavirus: Firm behind 15-minute antigen test says it is a 'game-changer' (John Deeks and The BMJ quoted - sceptical about mass testing) Sky News 22/09/2020

Canadians can now see conflicts of interest declared by COVID-19 vaccine task force (interview with Fiona Godlee) CJOB-AM Global News Radio 23/09/2020

Also in: Canada 24 News, MSN News Canada


Also in: Yahoo News, MSN

Dr. Fauci Says the Pandemic May Last Another Two Years (refers to The BMJ interview) Yahoo 24/09/2020

Also in: MSN


Covid Death Toll Nears 1 Million, But Real Number May Be Double (references blog on rise in cases) Bloomberg News 25/09/2020

As debate over Sweden’s covid-19 response continues, cases in the country are on the rise The Washington Post 25/09/2020

I used to be Ms Covid Casual. But with a sick sister, that's changed The Guardian 26/09/2020

Ministers' plan to save Christmas at all costs The Daily Telegraph 26/09/2020

Airport deploys dogs to sniff out Covid-19 The Financial Times - Coronavirus Latest 27/09/2020
Why India should worry about post-Covid-19 care  BBC News 27/09/2020

JOURNALS

BMJ Open

Communication: So near yet so far: why won't the UK prescribe medical cannabis?  (PR)

Medical Experts: It Is Time to Embrace Cannabis for Medicinal Use  SciTechDaily 22/09/20
Medicinal cannabis still not favoured by doctors  Radio New Zealand 22/09/20
UK docs: "utterly deceitful to withhold medical cannabis"  MedPage Today 22/09/20


Research: Under-reported relationship: a comparative study of pharmaceutical industry and patient organisation payment disclosures in the UK (2012-2016)  (External PR)

Revealed: Large discrepancies in accounting for the funding sources of some UK patient organisations  Medical Xpress 21/09/20
Also in: Research Professional News

This Is the No. 1 Mental Health Mistake You’re Making Right Now  MSN Arabia 23/09/20
Also in: MSN MY + IN, MSN Health & Fitness, BestLife, xinmsn, Yahoo Finance

OASI Care Bundle viewed positively by two published evaluation papers  MIDIRS Midwifery Digest 22/09/20

Further coverage for heart disease risk for unpopular teens  (PR)
Unpopular teens at higher risk of heart problems when they are older  Drew Reports 23/09/20
Also in: Contemporary Pediatrics


Operation Moonshot swab tests could damage the economy, claims top statistician  Daily Telegraph 24/09/20

Wide adoption of primary-care POCUS deemed feasible but not immediately advisable  Health Imaging 24/09/20

The Simplest Way to Support a Partner With Heart Disease  HealthCentral 24/09/20

The risks of taking sleeping pills  Everyday Health 24/09/20

Possible Genetic Component to MG Found in Large-scale North American Analysis
Open Heart

Research: **Accuracy of telephone triage in primary care patients with chest discomfort: a cross-sectional study** (PR)

Phone system for assessing chest troubles is unsafe and unreliable  Infosurhoy.com
21/09/20

COVID vs Head, Heart, and Heparin: Afib Screening Flop; Phone Triage Dangerous?
MedPage Today 22/09/20
Also in: Medical Xpress, Mirage News Australia

Thorax

Research: **Upper respiratory viral load in asymptomatic individuals and mildly symptomatic patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection** (PR)

People with 'silent Covid' carry just as much virus and are 'driving the spread'  Daily Star
23/09/20

New research adds to growing evidence for asymptomatic spread of COVID-19  NBC News
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COVID-19 patients showing no symptoms can carry just as much of virus as those who are, study says  New York Daily News 23/09/20


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DMARDs for Early Rheumatoid Arthritis Have Cardiovascular Benefits RheumNow
21/09/20

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New SLE Classification Criteria Perform Well in Early Disease and Across Sexes, Ethnicities Rheumatology Advisor 21/09/20

Age-Stratified COVID-19 Hospitalization Rates for People With Autoimmune Inflammatory Rheumatic Disease ContagionLive 22/09/20

Genetic Risk Scores May Facilitate Clinical Diagnosis of Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Rheumatology Advisor 22/09/20

Greater Joint and Skin Improvement With Ixekizumab vs Adalimumab in Patients With Psoriatic Arthritis Rheumatology Advisor 24/09/20

TNF Biologics and COVID-19: What Autoimmune Patients Need to Know Creaky Joints 25/09/20

EUROPEAN COMMISSION GRANTS MARKETING AUTHORIZATION FOR JYSELECA® (FILGOTINIB) FOR THE TREATMENT OF ADULTS WITH MODERATE TO SEVERE ACTIVE RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS Globe Newswire 25/09/20

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Controversies persist in diagnosing, treating GH deficiency, short stature in children Healio 21/09/20


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Further coverage for coffee and pregnancy (PR) BBC R4 More or Less 23/09/20 (09.25)

Also in: BBC World Service 26/09/20

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The High Cost of Academic Publishing Leaves Africa Behind VICE 22/09/20

New Study Reviews Cost-Effectiveness of Hypertension Management in Low- and Middle-Income Countries Targeted News Service 22/09/20

Further coverage on inaccuracy of YouTube COVID videos (PR) YouTube adds fact checks to videos for UK viewers to combat conspiracy theories iNews 24/09/20

BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health

Reduced risk of obesity - one of the benefits of eating nuts, study finds Medical News Bulletin 21/09/20
Also in: POP Times UK

Vitamin A toxicity is rare, but taking supplements increases your chance of developing it pressfrom US 24/09/20

There’s even more evidence that getting enough vitamin D could reduce the risk of severe coronavirus infections us.pressfrom.com 25/09/20

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Research: Physical behaviours and chronotype in people with type 2 diabetes (External PR)

Early birds vs night owls: for diabetics, an early bedtime is best Mirage News Australia 21/09/20


Can Probiotics Improve Type 2 Diabetes? A Sweet Life 21/09/20

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The silent assassin: Is chlorine hurting swimmers more than it’s helping? Swimming World Magazine 23/09/20

Recovery from COVID-19 can be a struggle The Hindu 23/09/20

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Walking On A Regular Basis Could Help You Fight Cold And Flu Season frompress Canada 23/09/20

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Sports-related concussions in young St. Lucian athletes St Lucia News 24/09/20

Research: Nine typical injury patterns in German professional male football (soccer): a systematic visual video analysis of 345 match injuries (External PR)

Reasons For Football Injuries ScienMag 24/09/20

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Arthroscopic partial meniscectomy tied to radiographic knee osteoarthritis MD Alert 24/09/20
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Éanna Falvey – a wide-ranging Q&A with World Rugby’s chief medical officer Rugby World 25/09/20

10 surprising health benefits of gardening IOL online (South Africa) 25/09/20

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Research: Occupational exposures and programmatic response to COVID-19 pandemic: an emergency medical services experience (External PR)

Adjusting tactics quickly cut EMS providers’ COVID-19 risk Mirage News Australia 25/09/20

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Neuroendocrine tumours: what gastroenterologists need to know Medical Health News 24/09/20

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Further coverage for Mediterranean diet and aging (PR)

Is Aging a Disease You Can Reverse? A Look at the Science Behind the Longevity Movement Vogue Magazine 22/09/20
Also in: Cuenca High Life

One blood test can now diagnose celiac disease without biopsy Celiac.com 24/09/20

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Fear of hospital ‘killed thousands’ Daily Mail 26/09/20 (print; exclusive shared by authors)
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Doing This For Just Minutes A Day Can Improve Your Health KYR News 27/09/2020
Also in: East This! Not That!, Yahoo Lifestyle,

Injury Prevention
Drowning biggest killer of children in Indian Sundarbans Mirage News Australia 21/09/20
Also in: BW Education Business World

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Colorado Researchers Call For National Guidelines On Alerting Potential Suicide ‘Hot Spot’ Schools Reno Public Radio 22/09/20

The shocking number of employees that work on the weekend Ladders 23/09/20

How peer pressure, drug abuse is ruining women’s lives Daily Monitor (Uganda) 23/09/20

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What Happens to Your Body When You Eat Chicken Every Day

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Tales of Treatment highlight benefits of grassroots public engagement for researchers

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Suspension of fertility treatments during COVID-19 has mental health impacts

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Calling doctors: New survey on challenges faced by international doctors

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A Father With Dementia and His Son Connect Through Improvised Piano

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The Happy Puppy Site 24/09/2020