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 **24 journals** were picked up in the media last week (16-22 November) - our highlights include:

- **A living WHO guideline advising against the use of remdesivir for covid-19, and published in The BMJ, made global headlines, including CNN, Times of India, The New York Times, and Aljazeera.**

- **Research published in Thorax suggesting that permanent night shift workers are at a heightened risk of moderate to severe asthma was covered widely, including Times of India, Ladders, and The Daily Telegraph.**

- **A Journal of Medical Ethics article arguing that the sexbot industry should design and market products for older adults with disabilities made headlines in the Daily Star, iNews, and VICE.**

**BMJ PRESS RELEASES**

**The BMJ | Journal of Medical Ethics**

**Occupational & Environmental Medicine | Thorax**

**EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES**

**BMJ Global Health | BMJ Open**

**ESMO Open**

**OTHER COVERAGE**

**The BMJ | Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases**

**BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine | BMJ Military Health**

**BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health | BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care**

**BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health | British Journal of Ophthalmology**

**British Journal of Sports Medicine | Gut**

**Heart | Injury Prevention**

**Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health | Journal of Medical Genetics**

**Journal of NeuroInterventional Surgery | Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry**

**Practical Neurology | RMD Open**
Sexually Transmitted Infections

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WISH collections/virtual conference

Vaccine rollout requires public health measures: Dr Fauci (Fiona Godlee mentioned) Qatar Tribune 19/11/2020

Also in: Gulf Times, Kuwait Local, MENA FN, Vatican News

Researchers to analyse toxic stress in children Nursing in Practice 19/11/2020

The BMJ press release coverage

Research: First line drug treatment for hypertension and reductions in blood pressure according to age and ethnicity: cohort study in UK primary care (PR)

High blood pressure drugs 'could be simpler' i news 19/11/2020

Also in: Mirage News, Medscape, OnMedica

Research: A living WHO guideline on drugs for covid-19


WHO recommends against using remdesivir to treat Covid-19 CNN 20/11/2020
WHO advises against remdesivir for coronavirus treatment Times of India 20/11/2020
WHO advises against use of remdesivir for treating COVID-19 Aljazeera 20/11/2020


International

Other
Other notable coverage

Warning: your home could be making you ill (print) The Times 17/11/2020
Quirks of quarantine regime seem to defy logic (print) The Daily Telegraph 17/11/2020
Where on earth is the common sense among the chaos? The Telegraph 17/11/2020
Behavioural scientist devoted to championing hygiene and sanitation The Guardian 18/11/2020
No wonder the nation's turning to drink, amid chaos The Daily Telegraph 18/11/2020
There will be no Boris reset until he breaks the endless lockdown cycle (print) The Daily Telegraph 20/11/2020

Sir Christopher Cope mentioned a news article published in The BMJ when suggesting that the people who have tested positive for covid-19 and had recovered should be exempt from regulations because their T cells give them immunity for at least six months - House of Commons, BBC Parliament (skip to 3:04:14) 18/11/2020

Also in: BBC Radio 5 Live, BBC News Channel Prime Minister's Questions (skip to 33:04), Politics Live, Business Fast, Newscabal, The Sun, Daily Star

Why has it taken 50 years for football to connect heading with brain injuries? The Guardian 18/11/2020
Number of COVID-19 'long haulers,' survivors experiencing lasting virus symptoms, is growing ABC News 19/11/2020
Operation Moonshot ignored screening experts. No wonder it's failing The Guardian 19/11/2020
Bengaluru: After clinic's hard work during lockdown, doctors push for slum health Times of India 21/11/2020
When you have an all-male panel discussing women's health Times of India 21/11/2020
Two Covid tests a week could win people a 'freedom pass' The Sunday telegraph 22/11/2020

JOURNALS

Journal of Medical Ethics

Feature article: Nothing to be ashamed of: sex robots for older adults with disabilities (PR)

Sex robot industry 'should cater to sexual needs of elderly and disabled' Daily Star 17/11/2020
Sex robot manufacturers 'should consider the sexual needs of older, disabled people' iNews 16/11/2020
Sex Robots Should Target the Elderly and the Disabled, Experts Say VICE 17/11/2020

Further coverage for mandating COVID vaccine (PR)

The Case for Paying People to Get a Covid-19 Vaccine Bloomberg News 16/11/2020

Does the autonomy principle work for substance abusers? BioEdge 18/11/20

Why Covid-19 vaccines offer cause for hope and concern New Statesman 18/11/2020

Facebook Broke the Law by Censoring Anti-Biden Ad, Conservative Group Claims PJ Media 18/11/20

Occupational & Environmental Medicine

Research: Changes in prolonged sedentary behaviour across the transition to retirement (PR)

Couch potato grannies: Retired women sit down for an extra 20 minutes a day – raising their risk of cardiovascular disease Daily Mail 16/11/2020
Couch potato time rises sharply after women retire US News & World Report 17/11/20


Further coverage for high rate of COVID-19 in grocery store workers (PR)

COVID-19 pandemic: Grocery store workers face accelerated risk of infection, study finds Safety+Health Magazine 16/11/20

Also in: Axis of Logic, Common Dreams

Your Quest for Productivity Might Be Preventing You From Achieving More Mind Cafe 18/11/2020

Thorax

Research: Night shift work is associated with an increased risk of asthma (PR)

Asthma risk increases by a third for night shift workers, study suggests The Daily Telegraph 16/11/2020
Night shift workers at high risk of severe asthma: Study Times of India 18/11/20
Working this way will put you at greater risk of asthma Ladders 20/11/20

Also in: Daily Mail, inews, MSN UK, RecentnewsUK, Daily UK News, The Irish Times

International

Other

Matt Hancock warns that whole population is at risk of ‘long Covid’ ExpressDigest 17/11/2020
Covid second wave flatlines as daily cases rise 0.06% in a week Sound Health & Lasting Wealth 17/11/2020

Further coverage for inhalers and osteoporosis risk (PR)
Are Doctors Doing Enough to Manage Bone Risks for People With Asthma Who Take Steroids? Everyday Health 18/11/2020

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Upadacitinib Safety Similar to Other Jakinibs for RA The Rheumatologist 16/11/2020

Study Supports Safety, Efficacy of Switching Between Upadacitinib and Adalimumab in Rheumatoid Arthritis Rheumatology Advisor 16/11/2020
Also in: Monthly Prescribing Reference

6 Reasons People Quit Their Psoriatic Arthritis Medication — and Why You Shouldn’t Everyday Health 18/11/20

EULAR Consultation Service helps address rheumatic, musculoskeletal diseases News-Medical.net 20/11/20

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine
Further coverage for caffeine consumption in pregnancy (PR)
One cup of coffee a day could increase risk of stillbirth by a quarter, study suggests The Daily Telegraph (print + online) 17/11/2020
Also in: News & Star

Also in: Jersey Evening Post + UK local news outlets, The Sun + Scottish Sun, Best World
Further coverage for honey for cough (PR)
Not just some old remedy: Honey effectively reduces coughing in children, study finds Daily Sabah 17/11/2020
Also in: Novinite, Nigerian News Direct

Antibiotic overuse 'has caused 32% rise in superbug infections' From Press UK 18/11/2020

BMJ Global Health
Crossing international borders can be deadly for forced migrants Medical Xpress 16/11/2020

Vizag among India's best in early handling of coronavirus, suggests study New Indian Express 18/11/2020

Opinion Pieces Address Topics Related To COVID-19, Including Managing TB Kaiser Family Foundation 17/11/20

Measles outbreak threat due to Covid (skip to 22.44) BBC World Service Health Check 18/11/2020

Prisoners should jump the coronavirus vaccine queue and get the jab AHEAD of 60-year-olds, scientists say Daily Mail 20/11/20
Also in: Mogaz News, The News Amed, News Colony, Big World Tale

BMJ Military Health
Troops risk early dementia and psychiatric problems if they suffer heat stroke Mirror 21/11/2020

BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health
Your Dietitian: Eat well with holiday superfoods The Gazette 17/11/2020
Also in: The Chronicle,

BMJ Open
Further coverage for benefits of multivitamins in the minds of users (PR)
Advantages of daily supplements may be all in the mind Stuff NZ 17/11/2020

Maine’s Rise in COVID-19 Cases Linked to Face Masks Before It's News 16/11/2020

Further coverage for rise in ‘diseases of despair’ in US (PR)
A New Study Found ‘Deaths Of Despair’ Soared Over The Past Decade Forbes 16/11/2020
Also in: HealthDay, Journey Line

Cynical people are more likely to get heart disease, study finds From Press 17/11/2020

If Your Face Mask Has One of These, Stop Using It Immediately Designer zcentral
Challenges of Patient Engagement in Atopic Dermatitis  Pharmaceutical Executive 17/11/20

Patient Access To Medical Records Is Set To Become Mandatory  VeryWell Health 17/11/20

What Is Vaginal Steaming?  VeryWell Health 18/11/20

Research: Occurrence, mortality, and cost of brain disorders in Denmark: A population based cohort study (External PR)

Training more doctors would help us and poorer countries (no link available) The Independent 20/11/2020

Watch This Guy Try to Eat and Burn 10,000 Calories in 24 Hours  pressfrom Canada 21/11/20

Worn out and worn down? What to do about fatigue  Texarkana Gazette (US) 21/11/20

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
Further coverage for tea and coffee consumption and diabetes (PR)
Drinking Green Tea And Coffee Daily Improves Survival In People With Diabetes  Medical Dialogues 17/11/20
Also in: Nation Africa, NewsMax

Study: use of daily foot-temperature sensing mat avoids amputation in patients with diabetes Health Leaders 19/11/2020

Substituting regular meals with total diet replacements could aid weight loss, control diabetes  FirstPost 19/11/2020

What Happens to My Body if I Go Vegan for a Month?  WTOP Online 20/11/20
Also in: US News & World Report, us.pressfrom, MSN Health & Fitness

Beating back Type 2 diabetes complications  Telegraph Herald 20/11/20

Type-2 Diabetes Has Four Subtypes, Reveals Study; Expert Decodes Different Types  Doctor NDTV 22/11/20

BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health
What having more than 10 sexual partners means  The Standard Health (Kenya) 16/11/2020
Also in: The World News, East Africa Standard

British Journal of Ophthalmology
Istar Medical highlights positive one-year Minject results  BioWorld 18/11/20
Also in: New Kerala

Prediabetes linked to macular thinning  MD Alert 19/11/20
Are Men’s Neckties Obsolete? (Style Battle: Tie vs No Tie) Real Men Real Style 21/11/20

Intravitreal Anti-VEGF Injections vs Intravitreal Dexamethasone Injections for Central Retinal Vein Occlusion Practice Update 22/11/20

British Journal of Sports Medicine
5 Morning Hack to Get You in the Right Mindset While Working From Home Thrive Global 16/11/2020

3,357 OLYMPIAN SPORT INJURIES SUBJECT OF NEW STUDY Orthopedics This Week 17/11/20

Return to sport: clinicians should seek inspiration from Barack Obama Physio Update 18/11/2020

Short bursts of exercise as beneficial as prolonged ones, claims study but not all are convinced FirstPost 19/11/20

What happens in the body when eating chicken daily Explica 20/11/20

ESMO Open

Research: Factors associated with the aggressiveness of care at the end of life for patients with cancer dying in hospital: a nationwide retrospective cohort study in mainland Portugal (External PR)

No coverage

Gut
Blood test picks out cancers likely to benefit from targeted drugs Medical Xpress 17/11/2020
Also in: Technology Networks, PharmiWeb

Heart
Further coverage for benefits of daytime naps (PR) Art of the Nap Virginia Living 18/11/2020

Further coverage for health benefits of a hot bath (PR) Take a soak for your health Harvard Newsletter November issue

Injury Prevention
New York City's window guard policy tied to fewer falls and deaths Reuters 26/11/2020

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health
SAVE THE GIRLS Campaign Life Coalition (Blog) 20/11/20

Journal of Medical Genetics
Adults With Rett Require Tailored Care Program to Manage Symptoms, Study Says Rett Syndrome News 18/11/20

Journal of NeuroInterventional Surgery
Implantable brain-computer allows severely paralyses patients to complete daily tasks Spinal
Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Guillain-Barre Severity, 1-Year Outcomes Seen in Serum NfL, Physician’s Weekly
17/11/2020
Also in: Republic World, India.com,

Alzheimer’s hotspots, Human Time Cells; COVID-Related Encephalopathy, MedPage Today
17/11/20


Hans Berger has a real brainstorm, Cosmos Magazine 20/11/20

Practical Neurology
Spectrum Stage Theory Seeks a Better Understanding of Parkinson’s, Parkinson’s News
Today 20/11/20

RMD Open
Effect of Denosumab on Joint Destruction in Subgroups of Patients with Rheumatoid Arthritis,
Rheumatology Advisor 18/11/2020

Sexually Transmitted Infections
Sex and dating were hibernating in lockdown, Sydney Morning Herald 21/11/20
Also in: Medical Xpress, Mirage News, WA Today.au, The Age Australia

Almost one in ten HIV PrEP users report buying antibiotics for STI prevention, raising concerns over potential antibiotic resistance, AidsMap 20/11/20