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 29 journals were picked up in the media last week (3-9 May) - our highlights include:

- Research in Gut finding that drinking two or more daily sugar-sweetened beverages in adulthood is linked to a doubling in the risk of bowel cancer before the age of 50 was covered widely, including The Guardian, Times of India, and Medscape.


BMJ PRESS RELEASES

The BMJ | BMJ Global Health
Gut | Heart

EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES

BMJ Global Health | BMJ Open

OTHER COVERAGE

The BMJ | Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Archives of Disease in Childhood | BMJ Case Reports
BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine | BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health | BMJ Open
BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care | BMJ Open Ophthalmology
British Journal of Ophthalmology | British Journal of Sports Medicine
Emergency Medicine Journal | General Psychiatry
Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer | Journal of Clinical Pathology
Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health | Journal of Medical Ethics
Journal of NeuroInterventional Surgery | Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Lupus Science & Medicine | Occupational & Environmental Medicine
Open Heart | Postgraduate Medical Journal
BMJ and IReL extend partnership to provide Irish member institutions and research bodies the opportunity to publish OA in BMJ Journals Knowledgespeak 05/05/21

The BMJ press release coverage

Research: Suicide and self-harm in adult survivors of critical illness (PR)

Ottawa hospital researchers find higher rates of suicide among Ontario ICU survivors freshradio Canada 05/05/21


Research: Arterial events, venous thromboembolism, thrombocytopenia, and bleeding after vaccination with Oxford-AstraZeneca ChAdOx1 in Denmark and Norway (PR)

Pneumonia and flu now kill more people than Covid The Times 05/05/21
Tweaked Moderna vaccine ‘neutralises Covid variants in trials’ The Guardian 05/05/21
Risk of blood clots after AstraZeneca Covid jab is ‘small’ and people are three times more likely to die if they aren’t vaccinated Daily Mail 06/05/21
New Study Finds ’Small’ Blood Clot Risk After One AstraZeneca Vaccine Dose, Rates Are Higher Than Expected For General Population Forbes 06/05/21


Head to Head: Is PTSD overdiagnosed? (PR)

Is PTSD overdiagnosed? Florida News Times 06/05/21
Is PTSD on the rise? Healthcare in Europe.com 06/05/21
Experts debate on the true incidence and overdiagnosis of PTSD News-Medical.net 06/05/21
Open Letter: **Leading doctors call on India to stop mass gatherings and consider postponing elections** (PR)

‘India needs a global plan to recover from Covid-19’ Eastern Eye 06/05/21

Research: **Risk of colorectal cancer in first degree relatives of patients with colorectal polyps** (External PR)

Relatives’ Colonoscopy Results Could Affect Your Colon Cancer Risk US News & World Report 05/06/21


Further coverage of editorial on cancelling Olympic and Paralympic games

Nurses say they are needed elsewhere, not at Tokyo Olympics The World News 03/05/21

Nurses in Japan speak out against request for 500 to assist with Tokyo Olympics amid coronavirus pandemic Intellasia.net 04/05/21

Online petition to cancel Games gets tens of thousands of signatures CTV News (Canada) 06/05/21


Other notable coverage

Nestlé’s vitamin push is $5.8 bln placebo Reuters 03/05/21

Minna Heeraman had an aggressive cancer. Did the March 2020 treatment shutdown shorten her life? (mentions Oct 2020 research: mortality due to cancer treatment delay) The Guardian 04/05/21

Also in: MSN UK, Business Fast, Medical Health News

Highly contagious Brazilian COVID variant confirmed in El Paso County (mentions news story: Brazil’s spiralling crisis is increasingly affecting young people) Denver Gazette / Colorado Springs Gazette 05/05/21

India, COVID and the Need for Scientific Integrity not Sensationalism (mentions editorial: Covid-19 Politicisation, Corruption, and Suppression of Science) Dissident Voice 04/05/21

Also in: Signs of the Times (US), The Burning Platform

Top medical journals have rarely published articles on racism and health, study shows The Harvard Gazette 04/05/21

Ireland’s minimum unit pricing for alcohol to take effect from January 1, 2022 MSN South Africa 04/05/21

Also in: MSN UK, London South East, Belfast Telegraph, Echo Live, Sunday World
“Open letter” demands end to UK pandemic restrictions as official figures confirm COVID-19 is a “poor man's disease” (mentions opinion piece by Christina Pagel) The World Socialist Website 04/05/21

Coronavirus vaccine hoarding: three reasons it's in rich countries' own interests to be generous (mentions opinion piece: a call for global vaccine equity) South China Morning Post Online 06/05/21

Why drugs should be not only decriminalised, but fully legalised New Statesman 04/05/21

Alcohol deaths highest for 20 years in England and Wales, new data shows Sky News 06/05/21 Also in: MSN UK + widespread local UK radio stations

Why the COVID situation is so bad in India, according to experts (mentions news article: Why is India having a covid-19 surge?) New York Post 06/05/21

Also in: The World News, Newsbeezer

Coronavirus vaccine hoarding: three reasons it's in rich countries’ own interests to be generous South China Morning Post 06/05/21

Coronavirus doctor's diary: Families stranded in Pakistan, India and Bangladesh BBC News 06/05/21

JOURNALS

BMJ Global Health

Research: Natural hazards, disasters and violence against women and girls: a global mixed-methods systematic review (PR)

Climate crisis increases violence against women and girls, study finds The Independent 06/05/21

Climate crisis increases violence against women and girls, study finds World News Network 06/05/21

Natural disasters can increase triggers for violence against women, girls — study TV New Zealand 08/05/21


How traditional diets can improve diabetes care Healio 03/05/21

University of Toronto's Reach Alliance expands to University of Oxford, University College London and Tecnológico de Monterrey Education News Canada 03/05/21

How rechargeable tricycles are saving pregnant mothers and newborns in rural Zimbabwe Nigeria HealthWatch 03/05/21

Also in: AllAfrica.com, MyAfrica, NewZimbabwe.com

Practice: Overcoming vaccine deployment challenges among the hardest to reach: lessons from polio elimination in India (External PR)

India's successful program to eliminate polio provides guidance for mass immunization initiatives News-Medical.net 06/05/21

Also in: 7th Space, Medical Xpress, ScienMag, BioEngineer

What It Would Mean for Big Pharma If Vaccine IP Rights Are Waived Bloomberg News
Gut

Research: Sugar-sweetened beverage intake in adulthood and adolescence and risk of early-onset colorectal cancer among women (PR)

Sugar drinks may raise bowel cancer risk, claims major US study The Guardian 06/05/21
Sugar beverage linked to increased risk of colorectal cancer in women under 50: Study Times of India 08/05/21
Early-Onset Colorectal Cancer — Are Sugary Drinks to Blame? Medscape 07/05/21

Also in: The Sun + Scottish + Irish editions, Metro, Daily Telegraph, Independent, Daily Mail + This is Money, HuffPost UK, Belfast Telegraph, Wales Online, The National, Yahoo News UK, DailyUK News, London News Time, This is Guernsey, Bristol Post + extensive local and regional news outlets, The Sunday Post, Irish News, MSN IE + UK, AOL UK,

International

Other

COVID-19 vaccine response weakened by common IBD drug Medical News Today 04/05/21
Also in: Health Central

Further coverage for junk food and gut microbiome (PR)
How Does Eating Junk Food Slow Your Metabolism? An RD Explains NewsTalk 96.3 FM 04/05/21
Also in: The Salon,

How Mediterranean-Style Diets May Reduce Your Alzheimer’s Risk Healthline 05/05/21

Further coverage for inflammatory diet (PR)
More meat maladies and white flour substitutes Texarkana Gazette 07/05/21
Heart

Research: Prognostic value of lower bone mineral density in predicting adverse cardiovascular disease in Asian women (PR)

Bone density scans show promise for predicting atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
Health Imaging News 07/05/21


Taking This Many Naps a Week Can Lower Heart Attack Risk, Study Says MSN AE 03/05/21 (Previous PR)
Also in: MSN Health & Fitness, MSN MY, Best Life, Intrenz

60 Ways to Live Longer, Stronger and Better AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) 05/05/21 (Previous PR)

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Brodalumab Shows Promise in Axial Spondyloarthritis Medscape 03/05/21
Also in: Rheumatology News

Researchers discover that Kefir (fermented yogurt) can halt cytokine storms observed during SARS-CoV-2 infections Natural News 03/05/21
Also in: BruDirect.com

Results Disappoint for Fecal Transplant in Arthritis MedPage Today 04/05/21
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Warfarin vs Direct Oral Anticoagulants Associated With Higher Risk for Knee and Hip Replacements Rheumatology Advisor 04/05/21

Impact of Coronavirus (COVID-19) Regenerative Medicine Market Size 2021 Emerging Trends PharmiWeb 05/05/21

EULAR: Studies on work participation should identify contextual factors upfront Healio 06/05/21

Urate Transporter Variants Associated With Transition From Asymptomatic Hyperuricemia to Gout Rheumatology Advisor 06/05/21

Archives of Disease in Childhood
Story Time in the Gardens a special time for mothers and children Post & Courier 09/05/21

BMJ Case Reports
Further coverage for cardiac risks of energy drinks (PR)
Case study reveals health dangers of energy drinks West Magazine 03/05/21
A 13-year-old girl was hospitalized with genital ulcers possibly related to COVID-19, and she had to have labia surgery. Business Insider India 07/05/21

Further coverage for CBD oil and early puberty (PR)
CBD for Severe Epilepsy Linked to Early Puberty in a 2-Year-Old Medscape 07/05/21

Black Fungus Reported Among Survivors of COVID in India, Some Patients Lose Eyesight Newsweek 07/05/21

Further coverage of deafness risk after COVID-19 (PR)
Covid-19 can make tinnitus WORSE or even trigger a hearing problem Daily UK News 08/05/21

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine
PREGNANCY DIET & NUTRITION: WHAT TO EAT, WHAT NOT TO EAT DoctorKSA.com 05/05/21 (Previous PR)

BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health
Further coverage for supplements and COVID-19 severity (PR)
Some Supplements May Lower Risk for SARS-CoV-2 Positivity Clinical Pain Advisor 03/05/21
Also in: Dermatology Advisor, Health News Report, Endocrinology Advisor

Safety and Efficacy of SARS-CoV-2 mRNA Vaccines in Patients With Chronic Inflammatory Diseases Demonstrated Endocrinology Advisor 03/05/21
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BMJ Open
Can Caffeine During Pregnancy Accelerate Your Child’s Weight Gain? Eminetra.nz 02/05/21

Nine stories for Lyme Disease Awareness Month Healio 03/05/21 (Previous PR)

Research: International clinical practice guidelines for gender minority/trans people: systematic review and quality assessment (External PR)

Better healthcare guidance needed for trans people Infosurhoy 06/05/21
Also in: 7th Space, Medical Xpress, ScienMag, Cambridge News Online, Mirage News Australia, Outrage News

Preschoolers’ Screen Time Is Linked to Negative Psychosocial Symptoms NEJM Journal Watch 06/05/21 (Previous PR)

How the Normalization of anal intercourse Has Shifted the Conversation About Consent SPRUNQ 06/05/21 (Previous PR)
An ER Doctor Went Viral for Pointing Out That Fast Food Is All Some People Can Afford
UberFacts 07/05/21

Middle-aged stress can lead to risk of dementia in later life Eminetra.nz 08/05/21

Overweight teens feel stigmatized and bullied: research Eminetra.nz 08/05/21 (Previous PR)

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Overly tight glucose control in older adults linked to country income MedWire News 05/05/21

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HOYA VISION CARE RELEASES RESULTS OF THREE-YEAR MIYOSMART SPECTACLE LENS FOLLOW-UP STUDY Optical Prism (Canada) 03/05/21

Covid symptoms: Link between eye inflammation and COVID-19 – expert weighs in Daily Express 06/05/21

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This study shows the main causes of vision loss in the elderly Jioforme 02/05/21

Electroretinography Can Predict Diabetic Eye Disease Changes Endocrinology Advisor 05/05/21

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HOYA Vision Care Releases Results Of Three-Year MiYOSMART Spectacle Lens Follow-up Study VisionPlus Magazine 07/05/21
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Concussions can lead to mental health issues in kids — sometimes for years, study finds Charlotte Observer 03/05/21
Also in: Miami Herald, Herald Sun, MyHealthyClick, The Olympian Online, Mackay Online News, Sacramento Bee, Tribune Online + extensive local US news outlets, Hippocratic Post, Blogarama, The Hill, Mahoning Matter, The Sector

Health and Fitness: Research finds HIIT training combats stress in senior school students Newcastle Herald (Australia) 03/05/21
Also in: Lakes Mail

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Fight Off COVID-19 With TeamUp Fitness Millennium Magazine 04/05/21
5 Ways to Add Eccentric Training to Your Workouts So You Get Even Stronger  SELF 04/05/21

How the athletes prepare for the Tokyo heat  Archyde 05/05/21

11 little known health benefits of walking just 15 minutes each day  The Ladders 06/05/21

Laurel Hubbard Could Become First Biological Male To Compete In A Women’s Sport At Tokyo Olympics The Daily Caller 06/05/21 (Previous PR)

Morning Exercise Kick-Starting the Brain of the Elderly  Eminetra.nz 06/05/21

Slippers off - it’s time to fix lockdown feet  The Times 07/05/21 (link unavailable)

How Bad Is It Really to Crack Your Back Every Day? Livestrong 08/05/21

Emergency Medicine Journal
COVID revolution: How pandemic could change the hospital's role forever  Jerusalem Post 07/05/21

General Psychiatry
Health Fusion: The ‘nappuccino’ and how it can help you stay alert  Grand Forks Herald 06/05/21 (Previous PR)

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Novel cancer vaccine targets oncogenes known to evade immunity in melanoma and neuroblastoma models  World News Era 03/05/21

How does immunotherapy work? Medical News Bulletin 05/05/21

Researcher discovers marker that may predict response to cancer immunotherapy  Mirage News Australia 07/05/21

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Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Now Linked to a Common Stomach Virus?  USSA News 08/05/21

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Raising The Minimum Wage By $1 May Prevent Thousands Of Suicides, Harvard Study Shows  Lipstick Alley 03/05/21 (Previous PR)

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**Vaccine ethics: an ethical framework for global distribution of COVID-19 vaccines**  Center for Vaccines Ethics and Policy 02/05/21

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**Stenting should be reserved for the extracranial vertebral arteries only**  Neuro News International 07/05/21

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**Effect of Lateral Therapy Switches to Oral Moderate-Efficacy Drugs in MS**  Practice Update 06/05/21

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**Majority of Women With Rheumatic Disease Desire to and Can Breastfeed**  Rheumatology Advisor 05/05/21

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**Avoid This Common Retirement Health Risk**  Chicago Epoch Times 03/05/21 (Previous PR)

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Liver Damage Is Off the Charts  Epoch Times Chicago 03/05/21

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The gastroenterologists had a gut feeling about it . . .  The Irish Times 03/05/21

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The Best and Worst Foods to Eat When You Have COPD  LiveStrong 05/05/21

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Secondhand smoke increases risk of oral cancer, study finds  Nursing in Practice 05/05/21

FDA’s menthol cigarette ban would be a police state win  The Washington Times 06/05/21 (Previous PR)