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**Coverage for 10 - 16 October**

**PRESS RELEASES**

- The BMJ | Archives of Disease in Childhood
- BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
- British Journal of Sports Medicine
- BMJ Open Sports & Exercise Medicine
- Tobacco Control

**EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES**

- BMJ Global Health | BMJ Health & Care Informatics
- BMJ Open | Tobacco Control

**OTHER COVERAGE**

- The BMJ | Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
- Archives of Disease in Childhood | BMJ Case Reports
- BMJ Global Health | BMJ Medicine
- BMJ Open | BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
- British Journal of Ophthalmology | British Journal of Sports Medicine
- Evidence-Based Mental Health | Gut
- International Journal of Gynecological Cancer
- Journal of Clinical Pathology
- Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health | Journal of Medical Ethics
- Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
- Thorax | Tobacco Control

**INFLUENCE**

**The BMJ press release coverage**

Editorial: [Mobilising hope to overcome climate despair (PR to launch special climate emergency issue of The BMJ)]( Mirage News Australia 13/10/22)

Also in: Scienmag, TrendRadars
Further coverage for mothers’ diet of ultra-processed food and offspring obesity *(PR)*
25% obesity risk from junk food mothers Daily Mirror Irish edition 10/10/22 (print only)
Could a other’s diet increase child’s risk of obesity? CBS News Boston 13/10/22
Also in: Physician's Weekly Online, ArchyNewsy, Daily Express


Further coverage on safe sex texts do not cut infection rates *(Previous PR)*
Safe Sex Texts Do Not Cut Sexually Transmitted Disease Reinfection Rates Infectious Disease Advisor 14/10/22

Further coverage on lack of FDA regulatory actions backed by research *(Previous PR)*
Most Safety Signals Reported to FDA Lead to Regulatory Action (link unavailable) The Central Virginian Online 13/10/22

Further coverage for ultra-processed foods and risk of bowel cancer *(Previous PR)*
Men Who Eat This Are at 29 Percent Higher Risk of Colorectal Cancer, New Study Finds Yahoo News 10/10/22

Further coverage on health risks of artificial sweeteners *(Previous PR)*
Study suggests possible link between artificial sweeteners and heart disease Food Engineering & Ingredients 13/10/22
UAE doctors warn of health risks linked to sugar-free soda, sweeteners Al Arabiya Net 12/10/22

Other notable coverage

Safe Sex Texts Do Not Cut Sexually Transmitted Disease Reinfection Rates - Physician's Weekly Physician’s Weekly 10/10/22 *(Previous PR)*
Also in: Dermatology Advisor

The energy to care: Hospitals struggle with rising costs POLITICO 10/10/22
ME: ‘I spend 20 hours a day lying down, I have four upright hours in the day’ Irish Times 10/10/22

Male depression: how to know if your partner or loved one is suffering (and what to do about it) Evening Standard 10/10/22
Also in: Yahoo UK

Men Who Eat This Are at 29 Percent Higher Risk of Colorectal Cancer, New Study Finds Best Life Online 10/10/22 *(Previous PR)*
Also in: MSN Arabia + Health & Fitness

SWEET DREAMS People are just realising there's a 'right' side of the body to sleep on – so do you do it? The Sun + Scottish + Irish edition 10/10/22
Type 2 diabetes risk lower for women with diabetes history, optimal risk factor levels Healio 10/10/22 *(Previous PR)*
The cost of living crisis is wreaking havoc on our children’s mental health The Independent 10/10/22
Tragedy of Molly must be catalyst for real change Daily Express + Scottish edition 11/10/22
Government ‘ignoring’ official advice to boost sick pay for NHS staff with long Covid The Independent 11/10/22 *(Previous PR)*
Surgery: women at the operating room [Previous PR]

BBC Radio 4 Inside Health [11/10/22] Interview with The BMJ’s clinical editor Navjoyt Ladher about Covid and skin colour in medicine

Ebola hits Ugandan capital as president blames victim for ‘poisoning’ others [The Daily Telegraph 12/10/22]

WHO issues warning over ‘devastating’ long Covid symptoms (references Practice update listing “Covid stangle” as a symptom of long Covid Daily Express 12/10/22)

Also in: USA Today Post, Newslanes, Big World Tale

New research outlines pandemic policy lessons for London’s leaders (references Sixty seconds on . . . the “twindemic”) Mirage News Australia 12/10/22

Also in: London.tv.co.uk

Inside the staffing crisis that's crippling the NHS [The Daily Telegraph 13/10/22]

Also in: MSN UK, Yahoo News UK

Did Merck Bilk the UK Government? About $1b Spent on Molnupiravir, Yet the Drug Shows Little to No Benefit [Trialsite News 13/10/22]

If truth be told it can be hard to trust the fact-checkers [Belfast Telegraph 14/10/22]

This mom’s 14-year-old was denied medication to protect a fetus that didn’t exist [NBC Today 15/10/22]

Cancer warning over scheme allowing patients to 'shop around' for treatments [Daily Express 16/10/22]

Also in: TechiAzi, Knowledia

JOURNALS

Archives of Disease in Childhood

Research: Social communication skill attainment in babies born during the COVID-19 pandemic: a birth cohort study (PR)

Lockdown babies lag behind on milestones [The Times + Irish edition 11/10/22]

Babies born during the pandemic may have delayed communication skills [NBC News 11/10/22]

Lockdown babies slower to hit most milestones: study [Taipei Times 12/10/22]


Voice assistants bad for children?  Start Malaysia 10/10/22 (link unavailable) (Previous PR)
Also in: Moms.net, Noypigeeeks

**BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care**

**Research:** Use of oral diabetes medications and the risk of incident dementia in US veterans aged ≥60 years with type 2 diabetes (PR)

Type 2 diabetes drugs could help reduce dementia risk by 22pc  The Daily Telegraph
11/10/22
Common diabetes drugs may fight dementia, atrial fibrillation, studies suggest  UPI 11/10/22
Older Diabetes Drugs Linked to Reduced Dementia Risk in Study  BNN Bloomberg 11/10/22

Also in: Independent, Daily Express, Daily Mail, Wales Online, TIME, Naija on Point (NG),
Gizmodo Australia, News of Canada, Medical Brief South Africa, NY Breaking (AU), LA Weekly, USA Today Post, Samachar Central, Granthshala, Medical Dialogues India, The Straits Times, Foreign Affairs, Mirage News

Other: Expert, Express Digest, Newsbeezer, Knowledia, The News Amed, News Break,
New York Folk, User Walls, Pop News 24/7, 180 Gadgets, Medical Xpress, DUK News,
Medscape, Vigour Times, Healthline, Health Thoroughfare, Newsncr, Kaiser Health News,
Everyday Health, Medwire News, Diabetes Medicine Matters, Diabetes Daily, IMPACT,
Dermatology Advisor, Medically Prime, Mogaz News, Diabetes UK, Science Blog

Diabetes and sight loss in Nepal  City AM 12/10/22

Skipping meal tied to increased fat deposition in type 2 diabetes  MIMS Endocrinology
16/10/22

**BMJ Open Sports & Exercise Medicine**

**Research:** Impact of electrically assisted bicycles on physical activity and traffic accident risk: a prospective observational study (PR)

E-bikes lift bid to be fit  Daily Express + Scottish edition 11/10/22 (Print)
Riding an e-bike less likely to improve fitness than regular bicycle  UPI 12/10/22

**British Journal of Sports Medicine**

**British Journal of Sports Medicine retracts further 9 articles authored by former editor in chief** (PR)

**Prestigious medical journal retracts nine more articles authored by concussion expert Paul McCrory** The Guardian x 2 11/10/22

**Concussion researcher Paul McCrory earns nine more retractions, nearly 40 expressions of concern** RetractionWatch 11/10/22

**New plagiarism claims against former AFL concussion expert** Sydney Morning Herald 11/10/22

**Stars suing Rugby League accuse bosses of negligence over doctor advice** Sunday Mirror 16/10/22


**Regular exercise could protect you from severe illness** Times of India 09/10/22 (print) (Previous PR)

**Also in:** Tu Salud Mag, Cancer Health, POZ Magazine

**Green Is Good** Reader’s Digest India 10/10/22 (Previous PR)
The surprising exercise that could help you live longer  The Daily Telegraph 10/10/22 (print)
(Previous PR)


10 ways to boost hormone health (don't fast, do play tennis) The Times 10/10/22 (print only)

Further coverage for transgender women’s heart-lung capacity and strength (PR):
New study on transgender women could 'inform sports policy' Business Mayor 10/10/22

Also in: Campus Reform

Former Arsenal and England player opens up for World Mental Health Day Islington Gazette 10/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: Hackney Gazette, Ham & High

Tobacco Control

Research: Analysis of e-cigarette warning letters issued by the Food and Drug Administration in 2020 and 2021 (PR US Focus)

The FDA is FAILING children with its weak vaping policies, study finds Mail Online 14/10/22


Letter: Calculating the potential environmental impact of a menthol cigarette ban in the USA (External PR)

Proposed menthol ban in US would cut littering by 3.8 billion cigarette butts annually Medical Xpress 13/10/22
Also in: Mirage News

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Arthritis: Nine foods to reduce your risk of joint problems - high in vitamin C Press From UK 10/10/22 (Misattributed to The BMJ)
Also in: MSN Arabia + IE

Caring for Your PsA Skin and Joints When Cold Weather Hits Health Central 13/10/22
Check your pills before leaving the chemist  The Irish News 13/10/22

Research: What is ‘community resilience’? Responding to COVID-19 in rural Zimbabwe (External PR)

Competing COVID-19 narratives in rural Zimbabwe Zimbabwe Situation 10/10/22
Also in: ZimbabweLand, The Zimbabwean

Not enough women in World Health Assembly: Some countries may need a century for gender parity Down to Earth (IN) 10/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: News Leaflets, The Times of Truth

'Massive global failure' led to COVID-19 deaths and reversal of UN goals, report says News-Medical 16/10/22

Medical history may help predict autism in young children, researchers find Scienmag 11/10/22

COVID-19 vaccines could temporarily change menstrual cycle, new study finds Hero Mag 10/10/22
Also in: Epoch Times, Hematology Advisor, Daily Mirror

Air Pollution Tied To Increased Risk Of Hospitalization For Kids With Autism Disability Scoop 11/10/22 (Previous PR)

Relationship between working conditions and psychological distress experienced by junior doctors in the UK during the COVID-19 pandemic: a cross-sectional survey study (External PR)

'Majority' of UK junior doctors experienced severe depression, anxiety or stress during pandemic Medical Xpress 12/10/22
Also in: News-Medical.net, Medscape, ZIPE-Education,

TB and mental health – it's a complex relationship, but the gap in support is huge (misattributed to The BMJ) MSN South Africa 13/10/22
Also in: News24 South Africa, NewsPages.co.za, Collective Fearless

Impact of a sanitation intervention on quality of life and mental well-being in low-income urban neighbourhoods of Maputo, Mozambique: an observational study (External PR)

No coverage

The utilization and provision of pediatric primary care services during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic News-Medical.net 14/10/22
Why Your Asthma Treatment May Be Bad For Your BrainHealth Digest 15/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: Medical Dialogues (IN)

British Journal of Ophthalmology
Further coverage for AI retina imaging predicting cardiovascular disease/death (PR):
AI tool can scan your retina and predict your risk of heart disease 'in 60 seconds or less'
Digitpatrox 10/10/22
Also in: Dallas Express, 10News, ReachMD, Extreme Tech, VN Explorer, NewsCaf, LabPulse, Medical Dialogues (IN), Almoon, BreakingLatest, MSI.net, User2, News Explorer, TechExperts, Slnghility Hub, OI Canadian

Gruesome video shows elderly woman having 23 CONTACT LENSES removed from her eyeball with a Q-tip after forgetting to replace them for TWO YEARSMail Online 14/10/22

Caffeine Metabolite May Slow Progression of Myopia in Children: StudyThe Epoch Times 14/10/22 (Previous PR)

Evidence-Based Mental Health
Is mindfulness training in schools improving mental health? Education Executive 10/10/22 (Previous PR)

Gut
FMT Plus Anti-Inflammatory Diet Induces Remission in Ulcerative Colitis: Study Medscape 13/10/22

International Journal of Gynecological Cancer
Late-stage cervical cancer cases are on the rise Fox13 Salt Lake City 13/10/22 (Previous PR)

Journal of Clinical Pathology
Addison's Disease Explained: Causes, Symptoms, And Treatments MSN Health & Fitness 13/10/22
Also in: Health Digest

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health
You can retire well on 50% of your gross income Irish Examiner 10/10/22

OLDEST SIBLINGS ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE OBESE, STUDY CLAIMS Dail Mail 10/10/22

Over a million excess deaths in Britain due to decades of social inequality World Socialist Website 15/10/22
Also in: Daily Kos

Journal of Medical Ethics
Doctor says puberty blockers being prescribed like candy FISM TV 14/10/22

Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Further coverage for neurodegenerative disease risk in former rugby players (PR):
Rugby players face highly increased MND risk: disease study Projin News Korea 10/10/22
**Also in:** The Carer UK, The World Education News, Medically Prime, Doonited News (IN), Knowledia, MedPage Today, Laboratory News

**Deep Brain Stimulation May Ease Symptoms of Severe Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder**  
Psychiatry Advisor 11/10/22 (Previous PR)

**Thorax**  
Cystic fibrosis survival lags in Australia The Medical Republic (AU) 10/10/22

**INFLUENCE**

Chi Onurah, Shadow Minister (Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy) mentioned The BMJ in a House of Commons debate on Bowel Conditions 11 Oct 2022: "According to The BMJ, the north-east has the highest rate of ulcerative colitis in the country, and the UK as a whole has the highest rate in Europe."

WHO Director-General’s opening remarks at the launch of BMJ Global Health Special issue on Peace and Health, Geneva 10 October 2022: “Thank you all for joining us today, and my special thanks to BMJ Global Health for putting together this special issue on peace and health.”

**Social media**

This week the top post across BMJ corporate social media channels was a Tweet sharing an article from the press released climate issue of The BMJ, which generated 12,780 impressions and was liked 25 times.

The press released research on e-bikes in BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine also performed well on LinkedIn, with over 6,000 impressions and 43 likes.
Altmetrics

The press released Archives of Disease in Childhood research on the social development of babies born was mentioned 1186 times (968 mentions on Twitter).