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Coverage for 17 - 23 October 2022

PRESS RELEASES

The BMJ | BMJ Open | Journal of Epidemiology of Community Health

EXTERNAL PRESS RELEASES


OTHER COVERAGE

The BMJ | Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Archives of Disease Childhood | BMJ Case Reports
BMJ Health & Care Informatics
BMJ Nutrition Prevention & Health | BMJ Open
BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care | BMJ Open Ophthalmology
BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health | BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care
British Journal of Ophthalmology | British Journal of Sports Medicine
Evidence-Based Mental Health
Journal of Medical Ethics | Journal of Medical Genetics
Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
RMD Open | Sexually Transmitted Infections
Thorax | Tobacco Control

INFLUENCE

The BMJ press release coverage

Editorial: COP27 Climate Change Conference: urgent action needed for Africa and the world (PR)

Sky News, Richard Smith interview Television broadcast 19/10/22
Over 250 health journals urge world leaders to deliver climate justice for Africa Mirage News AU 18/10/22
Health journals push for Africa climate justice at COP27 SciDev.Net newsletter 21/10/22

Also in: Macau Business, New Zealand Doctor, Eye Witness News (South Africa), VN
Research: **Effect of financial voucher incentives provided with UK stop smoking services on the cessation of smoking in pregnant women (CPIT III): pragmatic, multicentre, single blinded, phase 3, randomised controlled trial** (PR)

£400 bribes really DO help pregnant women stop smoking, The Daily Mail 20/10/22
Voucher scheme effective at stopping smoking in pregnancy – study, Belfast Telegraph 20/10/22
Vouchers help to quit smoking in pregnancy, National Tribune AU 20/10/22


Other: The Sun Best, Head Topics, News 7 Trends, Scienmag, Sound Health and Lasting Wealth, Medscape, Press Review 24, The Fast Newz, My Science, Express Digest, MD Edge

Research: **Maternal hypertensive disorder of pregnancy and mortality in offspring from birth to young adulthood: national population based cohort study** (PR)

Dangerous pregnancy condition raises risk of children dying, study, The Daily Mail 20/10/22
Pregnancy blood pressure problems associated with increased risk of infant mortality, The Print 21/10/22
HEALTH WATCH Common illness in pregnant mums linked to high risk of death in children, The Sun + Scottish Sun 20/10/22

Also in: DUK News, Al Jazeera India, VN Explorer, Independent Eagle, Doonited (IN), News Channel Nebraska, KVIA-TV + widespread US regional news, webindia123.com, Scandinavia Times, Denmark Sun, AniNews.in, Dublin News, Tajikistan News.net, Irish Daily Sun, Health Europa, Medical Dialogues

Other: Finno Expert, Express Digest, News 7 Trends, Scienmag, Medical Xpress, Mantras, Sound Health and Lasting Wealth, Big News Network, Vigour Times, Internewscast, The Insidexpress, Physician's Briefing, DoctorsLounge, Quick Telecast, Drugs.com

Editorial: **Homicide is a leading cause of death for pregnant women in the US** (PR)
US pregnant women more likely to be MURDERED than die of complications  The Daily Mail 20/10/22

With homicide a leading cause of maternal death, doctors urged to screen pregnant women for domestic violence  CNN 21/10/22

Homicide is a leading cause of death among pregnant women  UPI 21/10/22


Other notable coverage

Poor care for those with learning disabilities (Print) The Daily Telegraph 17/10/22

Will new UK fiscal plan restore credibility? Deutsche Welle 17/10/22

Also in: VN Explorer, DailyFinland.fi

The most toxic town in the world The Mirror 19/10/22

Anal sex attitudes have changed for hetero partners – what to know before you try it Mirage News 19/10/22 (Previous PR)

Also in: NewsPages.co.za, The Conversation Australia, Medical Xpress, News 7 Trends

Working till late night? You may develop these 5 health issues MSN India 19/10/22

'Haemoptysis': The 'common presenting' cancer sign that's 'important' in determining death The Daily Express 19/10/22

The return of heroin chic is a cynical betrayal of young women The Daily Mail 20/10/22

Also in: VN Explorer

Mother's Ultra-processed Food Intake Linked to Obesity Risk in Children Complete Nutrition 20/10/22 (Previous PR)

Also in: The Star Malaysia (Print), Ruetir, Medical Dialogues

Top in endocrinology: New name for diabetes insipidus; gestational diabetes and CVD risk Healio 20/10/22 (Previous PR)

What is The Wim Hof Method – and Should We All Be Trying It? Country & Town House 21/10/22

Dr. Zorba Paster: Diet drinks aren't as healthy as you think Journal Times 21/10/22 (Previous PR)

Also in: Madison + widespread US regional coverage

Long-COVID: 3 TCM Tricks to Improve Long-Term Loss of Smell Epoch Times 23/10/22 (Previous PR)

Why is Britain still lagging behind on cancer care? The Sunday Times 23/10/22

JOURNALS

BMJ Open
Research: **Effect of social prescribing link workers on health outcomes and costs for adults in primary care and community settings: a systematic review** (PR)

Prescribing art and gardening for patients is 'a waste of money'. The Times + Irish edition 18/10/22
Prescribing social activities on NHS 'has no impact'. The Daily Telegraph (print) 18/10/22
'Absence of evidence' to support social prescribing, finds major review Pulse 18/10/22


I Lied To My Pediatrician About Where My Baby Slept At Night — And I’m Not The Only One HuffPost 18/10/22 (misattributed to The BMJ)

Protocol: **Protocol for a qualitative pilot study to explore ethical issues and stakeholder trust in the use of normothermic regional perfusion in organ donation in Canada** (External PR)

Reviving organs after death: New transplant procedure challenges ethics rules Airdrie Echo 20/10/22
Also in: The Observer Canada, Ottawa Citizen, Edmonton Examiner + widespread Canadian regional news coverage, National Post, The Graphic, VN Explorer, Paris Star Online, The Londoner Online


India's typhoid burden decreasing, study of antibiotic prescription trends shows Economic Times India 21/10/22
India's typhoid burden decreasing, study of antibiotic prescription trends shows India Mirror 21/10/22
Also in: The Week (IN), News9 Live, NewsAzi, AP Direct, Devdiscourse, The Siasat Daily, Outlook India

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

Research: **Neighbourhood natural space and the narrowing of socioeconomic inequality in years of life lost: a cross sectional ecological analysis of the Scottish Burden of Disease** (PR)

How more green space could narrow lifespan gap between rich and poor The Independent
Neighborhood parks, private gardens could improve life spans in poor areas

UPI 20/10/22


No one is really taking care of us': Little progress made on improving Inuit housing

Northern Sentinel 17/10/22
Also in: CBC News Network, extensive Canadian regional coverage

The UK has become a laughing stock, we need a general election now

Left Foot Forward 21/10/22

Austerity Fuelled a National Health Crisis – Can We Afford Round Two? Byline Times 21/10/22

Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Groups highlight importance of physical activity on World Pediatric Bone and Joint Day
Healio Rheumatology 18/10/22

EULAR points-to-consider offers support to improve healthy work participation of people with RMDs. News-medical.net 21/10/22
Also in: Medical Xpress

Archives of Disease in Childhood
Further coverage for the impact of lockdowns on babies’ social development (PR):
Study: Babies born during COVID-19 lockdown show signs of cognitive disabilities
Newstarget 21/10/22
Also in: News18, Techno Charger, Physician’s Briefing, Missoulian Online, WISC-TV + widespread US regional coverage, HealthGrades, Drugs.com, Physician’s Weekly, NaturalNews.com

Use Voice-Control Smart Devices for Your Child’s Benefit Healthnews.com 18/10/22
(Previous PR)

BMJ Case Reports
Everything You Need To Know About Surfer's Eye Health Digest 23/10/22
Also in: Press From US, Press Review 24

Woman Had White Maggots Covered in Black Dots Living in Arm for Months Newsweek (misattributed to The BMJ) 21/10/22
Also in: AP Direct (IN)

BMJ Health & Care Informatics
AI Predicts Autism in Children from Medical Data Psychology Today 21/10/22
Also in: Dataconomy

BMJ Nutrition Prevention & Health
13 Unexpected Causes Of Vitamin D Deficiency Health Digest 18/10/22

Change below the surface: why the battle against high salt intake needs a new playbook
The Consumer Goods Forum 20/10/22 (Previous PR)
Research: **Putting nutrition education on the table: development of a curriculum to meet future doctors’ needs** *(External PR)*

Nutrition education should be ‘on the menu’ of all healthcare professionals’ education-new research Medical Xpress 21/10/22

**Also in:** News 7 Trend, Hospital + Healthcare, Doonited News *(IN)*

**Study:** Vegetarian Elderly Have Lower COVID-19 Severity Rate Epoch Times 23/10/22 *(Previous PR)*

**BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care**

Further coverage for type 2 diabetes drugs and reduced dementia risk *(PR)*: 
*Dementia: Might an old drug for diabetes help lower risk?* Medical News Today 18/10/22

**Also in:** Gizmodo, South Florida Reporter, WISC-TV + widespread US regional news coverage, IDEA Fitness, HealthDay, Prime Publishers, Doctors Lounge, US News & World Report, Pharmacy Times

Protein supplements could help control type 2 diabetes – scientist explains The Daily Express 20/10/22

**BMJ Open Ophthalmology**

*Can Having Dry Eyes Cause Headaches?* Health Digest 19/10/22

**BMJ Sexual & Reproductive Health**

*How Roe v. Wade's overturn affects trans and nonbinary people who can get pregnant* Baltimore Fishbowl 19/10/22

**Also in:** The Daily Record + US regional coverage

**BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care**

*Patients with life-limiting diseases deserve dignified care* The Star Malaysia 23/10/22

**British Journal of Ophthalmology**

*AI-Enabled Retinal Vasculometry Provides Alternative Biomarker of Vascular Health* ConsultantLive 18/10/22 *(Previous PR)*

**Also in:** MD Magazine, The Senior, Association of Optometrists

Research: **Association of hyperopia with incident clinically significant depression: epidemiological and genetic evidence in the middle-aged and older population** *(External PR)*

Older Individuals with Hyperopia More Likely to Develop Incident Depression HCP Live 19/10/22

Clinically significant depression linked to hyperopia regardless of genetic predisposition 21/10/22

Eyesight: Western diet can increase the risk of blindness - expert Pedfire 19/10/22

**Also in:** Daily Express, MSN K+ IE +Arabia + South Africa, VN Explorer

**British Journal of Sports Medicine**

Further coverage for retractions of articles by former E-i-C Paul McCrory *(PR)*: ’Colonoscopy Is Not Effective if You Don’t Do It’: What We Heard This Week Networthy News 18/10/22

**Also in:** How a scientific scandal could force sport to rethink concussion The Guardian Weekly 17/10/22
Also in: MedPage Today, News Concerns, Knowledia, TrendRadars,

**A Low-Pressure Guide to Make Strength Training a Habit** The New York Times 18/10/22
(Previous PR)
Also in: Manchester Evening News, The Daily Express, Dublin Live, My London + widespread UK regional coverage, 2MinuteMedicine.com, Longevity, Physician's Weekly, Channel NewsAsia, MDLinx,

**Older People Who Can't Do This May Be at Higher Risk of Death** MSN Health & Fitness 19/10/22 (Previous PR)

'Tis the Season for Running Injuries. Here's How to Avoid Them. The New York Times 19/10/22

New study shows physical differences in transgender female athletes Washington Examiner 19/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: The Christian Post

Here's How To Torch More Calories In Any Workout Women's Health Online 21/10/22

Spreading the word on breast cancer Borneo Bulletin 22/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: Herald Sun (AU), Daily Telegraph (AU)

Evidence-Based Mental Health
Does meditation work? Some scientists are sceptical The Times 21/10/22 (Previous PR)

Journal of Medical Ethics
Physicians Behaving Badly: US vs UK Medscape 21/10/22

Don't Let Doctors Kill Sick Patients for Their Organs Epoch Times 18/10/22
Also in: BioEdge

Why more people are seeking out "ego death" via psychedelic drugs NewsBreak 23/10/22
Also in: Salon.com

Journal of Medical Genetics
Polygenic Risk Scores Could Refine Breast Cancer Screening Recommendations GenomeWeb 17/10/22

Newborn screening transforming lives in Taiwan: study Taipei Times 23/10/22

Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry
Systematic review finds "strong evidence base" supporting deep brain stimulation for OCD NeuroNews International 18/10/22 (Previous PR)
Also in: Health.com, Quebec News Tribune, Wired

RMD Open
Ten-Day Methotrexate Pause After COVID Vaccine Booster Enhances Immunity Against Omicron Variant Medscape 20/10/22

Sexually Transmitted Infections
Rapid diagnostic tests may offer same-day therapy and eliminate needless treatment of infections: BMJ Medical Dialogues 21/10/22
Thorax
Low levels of iron increase the risk of life-threatening blood clots, says study Daily Express 21/10/22

Tobacco Control
Further coverage for FDA oversight of vaping industry (PR) FDA Targets Small Vape Companies With Permanent Injunctions Filter Mag 20/10/22

This Popular Kind Of Tobacco Product Is More Likely To Tempt Kids To Use Tobacco Health Digest 20/10/22

INFLUENCE

Anna McMorrin Shadow Minister (Justice) mentioned The BMJ in a House of Commons debate Ban on Fracking for Shale Gas Bill 19 October 2022: "One concerning risk is from flowback water coming from the fracking process itself. Water that flows back contains a high concentration of salinity. This is known to cause hypertension that can lead to pregnant women developing pre-eclampsia, exposing them to potential stroke risks and organ failure, with some babies being stillborn. Medical experts have written to The BMJ stating those arguments."

Sky News interview with Richard Smith, former editor of The BMJ Discussing the press released editorial published simultaneously by 250 journals, including The BMJ, urging world leaders to deliver climate justice for Africa ahead of COP27.

Social media

The best performing post across BMJ corporate social media channels was a LinkedIn post for the press released research on upping green space, published in the Journal of Epidemiology of Community Health. The post generated almost 6,500 impressions and was liked 66 times.

The tweet sharing the press released editorial on homicide being the leading cause of death for pregnant women in the US, published in The BMJ, generated almost 6,000 impressions, and was liked 11 times.
New research: Upping green space could narrow lifespan gap between poorest and richest areas https://bit.ly/3TvFuoq Each... 

Homicide is a leading cause of death in #pregnant women in the US. "A shocking situation linked to a lethal combination ...