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**The BMJ press release coverage**

Research: [Indirect effects of the covid-19 pandemic on childhood infection in England: population based observational study](https://www.bmj.com/content/377/bmj.f2404) (PR)

Editorial: [Covid-19 control measures and common paediatric infections](https://www.bmj.com/content/377/bmj.f2409) (PR)

Pandemic brought 'dramatic' fall in English hospital admissions for childhood infections, The Guardian 12/1/2022
Covid measures led to fall in hospital admissions for common childhood infections, study finds Daily Telegraph 13/1/2022
Covid rules led to fall in hospital admissions for childhood infections in England The Irish Times 12/1/2022


Opinion: **Should e-cigarettes be licensed as medicines?** (PR)

Experts debate the medicinal licensing of e-cigarettes News Medical 13/1/2022

Should e-cigarettes be approved as a medicine? Florida News Times 12/1/2022

Also in: California News Times, UK Today News

Guideline: **A living WHO guideline on drugs for covid-19** (PR)

WHO recommends Eli Lilly, GSK-Vir’s drugs, widening COVID-19 treatment pool MarketScreener 13/1/2022

WHO recommends Eli Lilly, GSK-Vir’s drugs, widening COVID-19 treatment pool Yahoo Finance 13/1/2022


Further coverage for open letter to Facebook on incompetent “fact check” claim (PR)
The British Medical Journal blows Facebook/Meta “fact-check” scam wide open with incredible accuracy Natural News 10/1/2022
Further coverage for superhero behaviour clue to health in later life (PR)
How to Age Well, Superhero-Style  Time 10/1/2022

Use of Certain Prescription Meds Linked to COVID-19 Mortality  Independent Tribune 10/1/2022
Also in: Medical Xpress, HealthDay, Drugs.com, Winona Daily News plus extensive local media coverage, IMPACT

Other notable coverage
The Omicron Shift in Europe: Pandemic or Endemic?  New York Times 14/1/2022
Scientists argue for a Europe-wide approach to tackle Omicron COVID variant surge  euronews.next 14/1/2022
Good Morning Scotland (1:40:12 into programme) discussion about COVID transmission risk as self-isolation is cut to five days in England (mentions TBMJ news article)  Dexamethasone effective as an analgesic adjuvant in total knee replacement  MD Alert 14/1/2022
Qatar reports its second child death from Covid: a 3-week-old baby  New York Times 16/1/2022

JOURNALS

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

Research: Do partnership dissolutions and living alone affect systemic chronic inflammation? A cohort study of Danish adults  (PR)

Divorce is VERY bad news for men's health: Study reveals men who live alone for more than seven years are more at risk of early death, heart attacks and dementia  Daily Mail 11/1/2022
Men living alone and experiencing serial breakups at higher risk of inflammation: Study  Hindustan Times 16/01/22
Men living alone are at greater risk of inflammation, study says  CNN 12/01/22

Drinking behaviours after diagnosis of cardiovascular disease

Univadis 12/1/2022

Occupational & Environmental Medicine

Research: Long-term exposure to air pollution and COVID-19 incidence: a prospective study of residents in the city of Varese, Northern Italy (PR)

Air pollution makes catching Covid-19 likelier, study says

The Times + Irish edition 11/1/2022
Long-term exposure to air pollution may increase COVID-19 risk: Study
Times of India
16/01/22

Study suggests link between air pollution and heightened Covid risk
News.com.au
11/01/221


Research: **Secondhand nicotine vaping at home and respiratory symptoms in young adults** (PR)
Editorial: **Beware, vaping e-cigarettes around children is adversely impacting their lung health** (PR)

Exposure to second-hand nicotine from VAPING doubles risk of young adults developing a wheeze, study finds Daily Mail 10/1/2022
Secondhand nicotine vaping at home linked to heightened risk of bronchitic symptoms in young adults Scienmag 11/1/2022
'Secondhand Vaping' Risks Don't Justify Public E-Cigarette Restrictions American Council on Science and Health 13/01/22


**Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases**
Don't Expect Much From COVID Vax in This Patient Group MedPage Today 13/01/22

**BMJ Global Health**
Benefits of Mask Wearing Lost if Government Messaging is Not Clear: Study Medscape 10/01/22

How did the COVID pandemic affect the spread of other zoonotic diseases? News Medical 12/1/2022

**BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health**
Further coverage for McDonald's focus on kids in lower-middle income countries (PR)
McDonald's Is Targeting Youth In Social Media Ads Moms.net 10/1/2022

BMJ Paediatrics Open
Medical cannabis effective in controlling seizures in kids Medical Dialogues India 13/01/22
(Previous PR)

BMJ Open
Research: Prevalence and individual and work-related factors associated with suicidal thoughts and behaviours among veterinarians in Norway: a cross-sectional, nationwide survey-based study (the NORVET study) (External PR)
Despair, suicidal thoughts rife among Norwegian veterinarians Horsetalk.co.nz 14/1/2022
Also in: Phys.org, 24HTECH, Academic Gates

Researchers plan to review the effect of SARS-CoV-2 on male reproductive health News Medical 10/1/2022
Also in: Industrial News, Biz News Post, Fuentitech

UK Study Characterizes Patient, Health Care System Burden From Chronic Cough
American Journal of Managed Care 14/1/2022

Researchers say that optimizing the treatment of high blood pressure and cardiovascular disease can save lives Florida News Times 15/1/2022
Also in: Mirage News Australia

BMJ Open Sport & Exercise Medicine
Olympics facing new row over trans-athletes as 'guidelines undermine integrity of sport New York Times Post 17/1/2022
Also in: MailOnline, The News Amed, WhatsNew2Day, Daily Advent, Express Informer, Mogaz News

British Journal of Ophthalmology
Want to avoid glaucoma? Look at what you eat Medical Xpress 10/01/22
Also in: HealthDay, Medicine.net

British Journal of Sports Medicine
Noticing leakage? What you need to know about doing 'yoga' for your pelvic floor Irish Examiner 13/01/22

Drugs and Therapeutics Bulletin
Further coverage for doctors advised to prescribe fewer antidepressants (PR)
Drugs for depression are not for all patients The Star (Malaysia) 14/1/2022
Also in: Medscape, Knowledia News, Biz News Post

Emergency Medicine Journal
Hyperbaric Oxygen Resolves COVID-19 Breathing Problems Much Faster Than Standard Therapy Medscape 11/1/2022 (Previous PR)
Also in: Federal Practitioner, Clinician Reviews
COVID-19 patients with greatest odds of surviving should get first dibs on scarce ICU beds: survey MD Alert 12/1/2022
Also in: Medscape

**Gut**

Research: [Extracellular Vesicles from Pancreatic Cancer Stem Cells Lead an Intratumor Communication Network (EVNet) to fuel tumour progression](External PR)

Portuguese scientists discover method to prevent progression of pancreatic cancer Macau Business 12/1/2022
New findings may contribute to better treatment of liver cancer: Study Devdiscourse 12/1/2022

Research: [Blocking hepatocarcinogenesis by a cytochrome P450 family member with female-preferential expression](External PR)

Scientists discover Cytochrome P450 family member CYP39A1 can block hepatocarcinogenesis Mirage News Australia 14/1/2022
Bad toothbrushing habit massively increases your chance of catching cancer Mirror Online 13/01/22

*Journal of Medical Ethics*
Could a vaccine tax ensure equitable vaccine distribution?, Health Europa 11/01/22 (Previous PR)

*Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry*
Warning: Health problem affecting one in three in UK found to raise dementia risk - BMJ Daily Express 10/01/22

*Lupus Science & Medicine*
Younger Age Deemed Risk Factor of Flare in Patients Discontinuing Glucocorticoids Rheumatology Network 10/1/2022
Also in: Knowledia