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INFLUENCE

The BMJ press release coverage

Feature: The NHS paid private hospitals £2bn in the pandemic but some treated more private patients than NHS ones (PR)

NHS Deal for Private Pandemic Help Yielded Little, BMJ Says Bloomberg + Bloomberg Surveillance (television) 16/2/23
Private hospitals 'wasted' in Covid The Mail on Sunday + Scottish edition
Research: **Health and nutrition claims for infant formula: international cross sectional survey** (PR)

Most baby formula health claims not backed by science—study The Tribune (PH) 16/2/23
Most health claims on formula milk 'not backed by evidence' The Guardian 16/2/23
Most Baby Formula Health Claims Not Backed By Science: Study International Business Times 16/2/23

Editorial: **Proposal to scrap England's long term plan for cancer** (PR)

Axing cancer plan will put lives at risk, warn doctors The Daily Mail + MailPlus 16/2/23
Ditching cancer plan 'will cost lives' The Daily Express (print) 16/2/23
Government decision to scrap dedicated cancer strategy 'will cost lives' The Independent 16/2/23


Analysis: **High drug prices are not justified by industry’s spending on research and development** (PR)
High drug prices are not justified by industry’s research and development spending, argue experts. Head Topics UK 16/2/23

Also in: Mirage News Australia, Health Reporter, Aged Care News, The Medical News

Further coverage for covid vaccination in pregnancy (PR):
Covid vaccination in pregnancy protects infants against infection and hospital admission Medical Dialogues IN 13/2/23

Research: Evaluation of effectiveness and safety of pharmacist independent prescribers in care homes: cluster randomised controlled trial (External PR)
Pharmacists make care homes safer, research suggests BBC News 14/2/23

Other notable coverage
A long and lethal legacy: In the shadow of asbestos in the UK Al Jazeera 13/2/23
Changes to diet could 'dramatically' slash your dementia risk by nine times - new study The Daily Express 16/2/23 (Previous PR)
GMC Promises to Act on 'Fairness Review’ Recommendations Medscape on Kamran Abbasi’s editorial on GMC reform 16/2/23
Doctors – the brain drain continues The Irish Times 16/2/23
The poverty of “choice” The Critic 17/2/23
Wake Me Up in the Spring The Times + Scottish + Irish editions 17/2/23
Ask Dr Miriam The Daily Mirror 17/2/23 (Previous PR)
Bristol scientists develop quicker way to detect papilloedema BBC News 17/2/23
It's not un-Christian to support assisted dying The i Newspaper (app edition) 18/2/23
The Times view on managing seasonal moods: Wake Me Up in the Spring The Times 18/2/23
'Hindsight is 20/20': Israel's lessons after 3 years of COVID-19 The Jerusalem Post 18/2/23 (Previous PR)
The Case for Free-Range Lab Mice The New Yorker 18/2/23
Before Fetterman, many politicians have disclosed mental health problems The Washington Post 18/2/23
BBC Radio 5 Live broadcast on recruiting doctors 19/2/23

JOURNALS
BMJ Global Health

Commentary: Antimicrobial resistance and the Iraq wars: armed conflict as an underinvestigated pathway with growing significance (PR)

Iraq war 'sparked rise in drug-resistant bacteria that could wipe out millions' The Daily Star 14/2/23
In Iraq, only bacteria are emerging victorious from a series of wars El Pais (English) 14/2/23
US involvement in Iraq may have caused antibacterial resistance- study Jerusalem Post 14/2/23


Pumping loud music is putting more than 1 billion young people at risk of hearing loss Daily Bulletin AU 4/2/23 (Previous PR)
Also in: VerveTimes

Breastfeeding 'safeguards infants' from respiratory infections, research finds Irish Times 14/2/23

Youth depression and anxiety rates increased during the COVID-19 pandemic Physician's Weekly 18/2/23

Heart

Research: Prevalence, outcomes and costs of a contemporary, multinational population with heart failure (PR)

TICK TOCK Urgent warning as millions living with undiagnosed silent killer – the 4 signs you must never ignore The Sun + The Scottish Sun 14/2/23
More people are at risk of heart failure worldwide, researchers say Jerusalem Post 14/2/23
Heart failure places significant load on healthcare: Study The Economic Times (IN) 14/2/23


Vitamin supplement could raise risk of diabetes - 'Side effect known to occur' The Daily Express 18/2/23
Also in: Independent Eagle, Sound Health and Lasting Wealth

Studies show the pros and cons of napping MSN Health & Fitness 18/2/23 (Previous PR)
Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases
Bimekizumab achieves significant, rapid improvements in axial spondyloarthritis  Heali o 16/02/23

Archives of Disease in Childhood
Early intervention for asthma needed  The Hippocratic Post 15/02/23

BMJ Case Reports
'Do not dismiss it': U.K. infectious disease experts warn of illness transmitted by bug bites in the Mediterranean  CTV News (CA) 14/2/23
Also in:  NewsCaf, Canadian News

'Man Infected With Rare, Deadly Flesh-Eating Bacteria That Ravaged His Face'  Newsweek 15/02/23

US cancer patient developed 'uncontrollable' Irish accent, doctors say  The Guardian 16/2/23

'Adults and kids pushed each other to grab as many bottles as they could': how the world got hopped up on energy drinks  The Guardian 18/2/23 (Previous PR)
Also in: Yahoo UK

BMJ Medicine

Research:  Sex differences in cardiovascular complications and mortality in hospital patients with covid-19: registry based observational study  (External PR)

Female Patients Hospitalized With COVID-19 Are Less Likely to Have Cardiovascular Complications  Pharmacy Times 17/02/23

Heightened Risk of Cardiovascular Disease in People with Coeliac Disease  Nutrition2Me 14/2/23 (Previous PR)

BMJ Open

PREDICTION MODEL COULD AID HEART FAILURE PATIENTS  The National UAE (print) 13/2/23

Eye scan could predict patient's risk of a stroke years ahead of time, research shows  The Daily Mail (on pre-eclampsia and later cardiovascular risk  research) 13/2/23
Also in: Pedfire

Wonder of brew  The Irish Sun (print) 13/2/23
How can the workplace affect our mental health? Politics Home 14/2/23

How a children's shelter rescued street boys after stresses of Covid-19 Nation Africa 14/2/23

Research: Weighting of risk factors for low birth weight: a linked routine data cohort study in Wales, UK (External PR)

New study identifies risk factors associated with low birth weight Medical Xpress 16/2/23

Also in: Verve Times, News Azi, The Medical News, Science Daily, News Wise, Scienecnwsnet.in, News-Medical

Accutane And Depression: What To Know Before Starting The Medication Health Digest 15/2/23

BMJ Open Diabetes Research & Care
Further coverage for marriage may help people maintain lower blood sugar levels (PR): Why marriage is good for your health The Telegraph 16/2/23

Also in: Granthshala News, MSN Malaysia, Yahoo UK, Mint Lounge, The Limited Times, The Star Malaysia, Prothom Alo English

BMJ Open Gastroenterology
COVID-19: A Wakeup Call for Our Dying Microbiome The Epoch Times 18/2/23

BMJ Open Sports & Exercise Medicine
Further coverage for golf better than Nordic Walking for older people (PR):
Best exercise to do in every decade of your life i Newspaper 13/2/23

Also in: Daily Prabhat, Mantras, Big News Network, Latestly, Devdiscourse, AniNews.in, Webindia123.com, SwedenSun, Denmark Sun, Scandinavia Times, ThePrint (IN), DrugGenius, Florida Star, Zenger News, Swift Telecast

BMJ Quality & Safety
Review can inform onsite pharmacist program Australian Ageing Agenda 17/02/23

Research: Communication about sexual orientation and gender between clinicians, LGBT+ people facing serious illness and their significant others: a qualitative interview study of experiences, preferences and recommendations (External PR)

NHS doctors are told: Do not assume the gender of any patient The Daily Mail + MailPlus 18/2/23

Urgent review into NHS guidance that treats every patient as gender neutral The Daily Express (print) 18/2/23


British Journal of Ophthalmology
Skye Bioscience Doses Second Cohort of Phase 1 Clinical Trial of SBI-100 Ophthalmic Emulsion Yahoo Finance 13/02/23

3 Years On, Here’s What We Know About Living With Long COVID Verve Times 14/2/23

Also in: Todays Chronic, Breathinglabs (Previous PR)

British Journal of Sports Medicine
World first study calls for new approach on homophobia in sport Out in Perth 12/2/23

Also in: The Herald Sun (AU), Medical Xpress
**Fitness: Your Super Bowl heroes are aging faster than you are** The Edmonton Examiner 13/2/23
Also in: widespread Canadian regional coverage

**New study finds best time of day to exercise to burn body fat** The Daily Express 14/2/23
Also in: Fyne Fettle, Samachar Central, Daily Record, MSN UK

**Emergency Medicine Journal**
Hospital overcrowding in A&E departments ‘killed 1,300’ patients amid urgent waiting list warning The Sun Ireland (misattributed to The BMJ) 13/2/23 (Previous PR)
Also in: The Irish Times, The Evening Standard, Time Out

**General Psychiatry**
Deep Meditation May Alter Gut Microbes – And Improve Physical and Mental Health
FocusTechnica 13/2/23 (Previous PR)
Also in: Knowledia, NewsMax

**Gut**
Researcher identifies potential cause of ‘long COVID’ Medical Xpress 15/2/23

**Research:** Combining ferroptosis induction with MDSC blockade renders primary tumours and metastases in liver sensitive to immune checkpoint blockade (External PR)

Liver cancer research: Iron-dependent cell death could be key to novel combination therapies Medical Xpress 18/2/23

**Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer**
New CAR-T therapy shows promise against ovarian tumors Free Think 13/2/23
Also in: Knowledia, Oncology Nurse Advisor

**Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**
Further coverage for least wealthy people at risk of mental ill health later in life (PR):
Less wealthy people are more likely to have mental health disorders later in life: Study
Denmark Sun 13/2/23
Also in: Medical Dialogues (IN), Clinical Trials Arena,

Replacing Just 7 Minutes of Sedentary Behavior Every Day Could Boost Mid-Life Brain Power Russian News 14/2/23 (Previous PR)
Also in: Scitechdaily, FocusTechnica, NBC Palm Springs, To Your Health

**Journal of Medical Ethics**
UNIVERSITY COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATES SHOULD BE RESCINDED The Highwire 14/2/23

**Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry**
How to spot the first early signs of dementia and what you can do about the symptoms The Daily Telegraph 18/2/23
Also in: MSN Malaysia + Singapore

**Lupus Science & Medicine**
Meeting report: the ALPHA project: a stakeholder meeting on lupus clinical trial outcome measures and the patient perspective (External PR)
Global Lupus Experts Recommend Changes to Clinical Trial Outcome Measures to Expedite Development of Therapeutics

Also in: USA Times, NY Newscast, Coastal Today Magazine, News Blaze, Coastal Today Magazine, Health Care Today

Tobacco Control
How the World Health Organization helped kill a promising made-in-Canada vaccine

Also in: Swift Telecast, News Concerns, Todays Chronic

INFLUENCE

Social Media

The top two posts across BMJ corporate social media channels were a LinkedIn post and an Instagram post both sharing an infographic to accompany the recently press released research in The BMJ on lifestyle and memory decline, with 311 and 231 reactions, respectively.