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This week's (27 June-3 July) highlights include:

### **The BMJ**

**Research:** [Impact of statin related media coverage on use of statins: interrupted time series analysis with UK primary care data](#)

**Editorial:** [Statins, news, and nuance](#)

[Statin controversy led 200000 people to stop taking pills, says study](#) - The Guardian 29/06/2016

[Statin debate may have caused temporary slump in use](#) - Scotsman 29/06/2016

[Row on statins led to big treatment drop](#) - The Australian 29/06/2016

**Also covered by:** the Daily Mail (**front page**) & Scottish Daily Mail, The Times, The Times Scotland, The Times Ireland, the Independent, the Daily Telegraph, the Daily Mirror, the Irish Daily Mirror, the Express, Metro, Vox, Pulse, NHS Choices, Net Doctor, Science Daily, Science 2.0, Diabetes.co.uk, Net Doctor, OnMedica, Pharmacy News, Science Codex, Medical Xpress, WebMD, NEWS.com.au, Belfast Telegraph, SBS. **Also broadcast by:** ITV Lunchtime & Evening News

**Research:** [Comparison of rates of safety issues and reporting of trial outcomes for medical devices approved in the European Union and United States: cohort study](#)

[EU systems to approve medical devices 'three times as risky' as in US](#) - the Daily Telegraph 29/06/2016

[Medical devices get to market faster in Europe — but are tied to more safety issues](#) - STAT 28/06/2016

[Call for urgent reform of regulation of medical devices](#) - OnMedica 29/06/2016

**Also covered by:** the Daily Express, Healio, Science 2.0, Science Codex, Science Daily

**Personal View:** [A tampon tithe could help reduce violence against women](#)

[Tampon makers can help cut violence against women](#) - Business Standard 29/06/2016

[Tampon makers urged to help fight violence against women](#) - i news 29/06/2016

[Tampon makers could help reduce violence against women](#) - Medical Xpress 29/06/2016

**Also covered by:** MSN, The Indian Express, Medical Daily

[Brexit 'has already scuppered NHS recruitment drive' at Yorkshire hospitals](#) - Yorkshire Post 29/06/2016

[NHS recruitment 'may be damaged by Brexit'](#) - The Independent 20/6/2016  
(both mention quotes from The BMJ's [news piece](#) on brexit)

[Brexit's Effect on Healthcare Could Be Far-reaching](#) - Medscape 27/06/2016

[When broadcasting fairness and balance isn't fair or balanced](#) - The Guardian 01/07/2016  
(mention of Martin Mckee's [blog post](#) on media reporting in the run up to Brexit)

[How hospitals are seeking to prevent medical error deaths](#) - The Globe and Mail 26/06/2016

[Medicine with a serious downside](#) - The Daily Telegraph 27/06/2016

[Doctor's Diary: How closely should GPs be adhering to guidelines?](#) - Telegraph 27/06/2016

[5 Things you need to know today](#) - Irish Times 28/06/2016

## JOURNALS

### **BMJ Case Reports**

**Article: [The lick of death: Capnocytophaga canimorsus is an important cause of sepsis in the elderly](#)**

[Woman's pet dog gave her a life-threatening infection](#) - CBS News 30/06/2016

[70-year-old licked by dog nearly dies from blood poisoning](#) - New Zealand Herald 01/07/2016

[Dog lovers, beware: Your pet may make you critically ill](#) - Hindustan Times 01/07/2016

**Also covered by:** the Daily Mail, Scottish Daily Mail, Irish Daily Mail, New Kerala, Business Standard, Live Science, Fox News, New York Daily News, IFLScience.com, Fox News, GoodHousekeeping.com, Daily News & Analysis,

**Article: [A case of acute lead toxicity associated with Ayurvedic supplements](#)**

[Are ayurvedic remedies really safe? New report says 'herbal' could be 'deadly'](#) - Hindustan Times 01/07/2016

[Ayurvedic Herbal Supplements Caused Man's Lead Poisoning](#) - Live Science 30/06/2016

**Also covered by:** Medical News Today, The American Bazaar

**Article: [An unusual case of appendicitis](#)**

[Stomach-churning moment surgeons realise schoolgirl's 'appendicitis' was actually WORMS](#) - the Daily Mirror 30/06/2016

[Teenager's 'appendicitis' is found to be infestation of WORMS](#) - the Daily Mail 30/06/2016

[Doctors shocked to find worms in organs inside teenage girl](#) - the Daily Express 01/07/2016

**Also covered by:** Yahoo News UK, Yahoo News Canada, North Devon Journal, West Briton, Opposing Views

[Man's penis became so infected it started to ROT after he removed his genital piercing with a razor blade](#) - The Sun 30/06/2016

[Man's penis infected and began to ROT after he removed his piercing with a razor blade](#) - Daily Mail 30/06/2016

[Woman who peed WORMS for 3 months is found to have infestation of fly larvae in her bladder](#) - the Daily Mirror 27/06/2016

### **British Journal of Sports Medicine**

**Consensus statement: The Copenhagen Consensus Conference 2016: children, youth, and physical activity in schools and during leisure time**

[To do better in school, kids should exercise their bodies as well as their brains, experts say](#) - Los Angeles Times 27/06/16

[Hong Kong kids' lack of exercise could be hurting their grades, study finding suggests](#) - South China Morning Post 28/06/16

[Exercise helps children learn, say experts](#) - The Guardian 27/06/16

**Also covered by:** The Times + Times Scotland, Independent i, The Sun, Scottish Sun, The Northern Irish Sun, Daily Mirror, Irish Daily Mirror, Huffington Post, Irish Health, Irish Examiner, Yorkshire Post, Medical Daily, Medical News Today, Science Daily, Science Codex, Science 2.0, Medical Xpress, Sci-Tech Today, Tech Times, TheHealthSite, Consumer Affairs, Newswise, Newsmax, News-medical.net, WebMD, BT.com, News.com.au, SBS, Courier Mail, Asian Age, Hindustan Times, The Hindu, India Live Today, New Kerala, Deccan Chronicle, Siasat Daily, ANINews, Zee News, The Statesman, CTV news, California Healthline, Maine News Online, Business Standard, Financial Express, Jordan Times, All Africa.com, PsychCentral.com, Education Week, Education Dive, Teaching Personnel, Physical Therapy Products, Express Tribune

[The sport injury you can't see](#) - Scienceline 27/06/16

[15 minutes of daily exercise cuts death risk in older adults](#) - Healio 27/06/16

[Fight infection like an Olympic athlete](#) - Canada Free Press + Toronto Sun 27/06/16

[The problem with genetics based training programs](#) - Outside Magazine 27/06/16

[Kids Who Drink Sugary Sports Drinks Risk Cavities, Childhood Obesity: Dentists Offer Alternatives](#) - Medical Daily 29/06/16

[Four things I've learned using a standing desk](#) - LifeHacker Australia 29/06/16

[Expert criticises UK dietary guidelines](#) - FoodProcessing.au 29/06/16

[Hydration myths busted for Hong Kong's fitness brigade](#) - South China Morning Post 02/07/16

## **Journal of Medical Ethics**

### **Paper: [Is Australia engaged in torturing asylum seekers? A cautionary tale for Europe](#)**

[There is increasing evidence that Australia is torturing refugees, medical experts claim](#) - The Independent 28/06/16

[Australian ethicists warn Europe not to follow Australia's 'morally offensive' immigration system](#) - International Business Times Australia 28/06/16

[Australian doctors warn Europe on asylum seekers](#) - Australian Financial Review 28/06/16

**Also covered by:** The National, Daily Express, SBS, RT, 6minutes, Eurasia Review, Daily Pakistan, IndiaNews Link, Mintpress News (blog)

[The people's cure for cancer](#) - The Daily Telegraph (Telegraph Magazine) 02/07/16 (print only)

## **Journal of Medical Genetics**

### **Cancer genetics: [Specifying the ovarian cancer risk threshold of 'premenopausal risk-reducing salpingo-oophorectomy' for ovarian cancer prevention: a cost effectiveness analysis](#)**

[Women would benefit from preemptive ovarian cancer operation](#) - CNN 28/06/16

[Online and in the news](#) - Irish Examiner 30/06/16

[Preventive surgery for ovarian cancer should be offered to more women](#) - OnMedica 29/06/16

**Also covered by:** The Times, Daily Mirror, Daily Mail, Irish Medical Times, Belfast Telegraph, BT.com, Science Daily, Parent Herald, Medical News Today, Medscape

## **Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases**

[Safety of Adalimumab in RA confirmed](#) - MedPage Today 02/07/16

[Cancer immunotherapy may induce arthritis, sicca syndrome](#) - Cancer Therapy Advisor 30/06/16

[Checkpoint inhibitors linked to inflammatory arthritis](#) - Medscape 29/06/16

[EULAR: new recommendations for treating vasculitis](#) - MedPage Today 29/06/16

[Ipilimumab, nivolumab linked with increased risk of autoimmune joint, tissue diseases in cancer patients](#) - Healio 28/06/16

## **BMJ Open**

[Labelling to take the pinch out of salt](#) - The Hindu 02/07/16

[Race and beyond: Americans must understand that a bullet has all of our names on it](#) - Center for American Progress 01/07/16

[Quitting smoking? Expect a lot of failure before you succeed](#) - Healthline News 29/06/16  
[Bullying rife in obs and gynae](#) - OnMedica 28/06/16

**Also in:** Medscape

[People more unlikely to have unsafe sex if they think their partner is hot](#) - Huffington Post US 28/06/16

[When reality bites: procedures meet practice in community pharmacy](#) - Science Daily 27/06/16

### **BMJ Quality & Safety**

[Tips towards better clinical summaries](#) - The Hospitalist 26/06/16

### **BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care**

[One third of older people undergo unnecessary end of life treatments, report reveals](#)  
Homecare.co.uk 28/06/16

[Improving the approach to end of life care](#) - The Financial 08/06/16

### **Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**

[Research links education with rare brain tumors](#) - Shanghai Daily 29/06/16

**Also in** Libertarian Republic, AOL News

[Diabetes raises risk of death for years after a heart attack](#) - Medscape 30/06/16

**Also in** Endocrinology Advisor, TCTMD, Cardiology Advisor

[11 happy skills everyone should learn before they turn 50](#) - Huffington Post 30/06/16

### **Journal of Neurology Neurosurgery & Psychiatry**

[Health news capsules: coffee and MS](#) - Asian Journal (Philippines) 30/06/16