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This week's (4-10 Dec) highlights:

- **The Economic Times** published an interview with **Peter Ashman** about **BMJ India** activities and the highlights of the 2017 **BMJ South Asia Awards**.
- **The BMJ** study on traffic pollution and its effects on the health of unborn babies generated national and international headlines, including ***The New York Times, The Guardian, and The Times of India.***
- An editorial published in **BMJ Sexual and Reproductive Health** on revised trainee guidelines to permit full spectrum of 'conscientious objection' was covered by national and international outlets, such as ***Medscape, The Independent and Brinkwire.***
- Two separate papers published in **The BMJ** and **BMJ Open** on inadequate regulatory processes for vaginal mesh products generated headlines including, ***Sky News, CTV News, and The Independent.***

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[What really drives BMJ as an organisation, is our vision for a healthier world : Peter Ashman](#)
- ET Healthworld 04/12/2017

[Ships, planes, trains, cars . . . and motion sickness – why do we get it and can we avoid it?](#) -
The Irish Times 05/12/2017

BMJ South Asia Awards (continued coverage)

[City surgeon represents country at BMJ awards](#) - The Tribune 06/12/2017

The BMJ

Research: [Traffic pollution putting unborn babies' health at risk, warn experts](#)

[Air pollution harm to unborn babies may be global health catastrophe, warn doctors](#) - The Guardian 05/12/2017

[Air Pollution May Harm Babies Even Before They Are Born](#) - The New York Times 05/12/2017

[Traffic Pollution In London Is Putting Unborn Babies' Health At Risk, Warn Experts](#) - HuffPost UK 06/12/2017

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[Widespread screening for breast cancer didn't do much to save women's lives. study finds](#) - Los Angeles Times 05/12/2017

[Widespread screening for breast cancer does little to save women's lives. study finds](#) - The Sydney Morning Herald 06/12/2017

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Analysis: [Inadequate regulation for vaginal mesh products has exposed women to unnecessary harms, warn experts](#)

['Inadequate' vaginal mesh regulations put women at risk, warn experts](#) - Sky News 07/12/2017

[Women harmed because vaginal mesh regulation 'not fit for purpose'](#) - The Guardian 06/12/2017

[Inadequate Vaginal Mesh Regulation Exposed Women To 'Unnecessary Harms', Warn Experts](#) - HuffPost UK 07/12/2017

Also covered by: The Independent, iNews, Daily Mail, CTV News (Canada), Medical Xpress

Editorial: [Leading doctors back legal action to force UK government to cut carbon emissions](#)

[Top doctors back legal action against Government on carbon emissions](#) - South Wales Argus 08/12/2017

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[Type 3c Diabetes Often Misdiagnosed as Type 2 Diabetes](#) - Medical News Bulletin
04/12/2017

[Pressure grows for Medsafe to ban transvaginal mesh in NZ](#) - New Zealand Doctor
05/12/2017

[Doctor bodies demand action against SDM Zainapora](#) - Rishing Kashmir 05/12/2017

[New device aims to sniff out skin cancer from cell phone](#) - Stuff.co.nz 06/12/2017

[Risk for Prosthetic Joint Infection, Surgical Revision After Total Joint Arthroplasty in RA-](#)
Rheumatology Advisor 05/12/2017

[Red meat tied to 9 diseases](#) - The Telegraph India 06/12/2017

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[Inexpensive Supplement Combats Breast Cancer Death Risk](#) - Newsmax 05/12/2017

[ATRIAL FIBRILLATION : NEW ANTICOAGULANTS MORE EFFECTIVE. AND
SOMETIMES MORE ECONOMIC](#) - The Siver Times 06/12/2017

[Alzheimer's risk 'falls by 11% for every year spent in education': Scientists believe 'complex
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[Notsensibles guitarist Stephen Hartley writes book. Painting Snails. about remarkable life](#) -
Lancashire Telegraph 07/12/2017

[New Study Shows Use of Certain Antipsychotics Nearly Triple the Risk of Major
Cardiovascular Events](#) - Mental Health Industry Watchdog 07/12/2017

[Tony Garrett, tobacco industry leader, 1918-2017](#) - Financial Times 08/12/2017

[Would you want a doctor convicted of manslaughter to care for YOUR child? How the
colleagues of Dr Bawa-Garba who made fatal blunders in case of boy, six, want her to return
to work](#) - Daily Mail + Scottish Daily Mail 08/12/2017

[Do Statins for High Cholesterol Decrease Deaths from Heart Disease?](#) - Medical News
Bulletin 08/12/2017

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[CHINESE AND INDIAN TOILET REVOLUTIONS LOOK TO SINGAPORE'S BOTTOM LINE](#)
- South China Morning Post 09/12/2017

[How much whole grain is in that product? GoodMills creates an index to tell consumers](#) -
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[How to cure a hangover quick: Get rid of a headache and nausea with THIS food](#) Daily Express 09/12/17

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[Revised trainee guidelines permit full spectrum of 'conscientious objection'](#) Medical Xpress 07/12/17

[UK Expands Conscientious Objections in New Training Guides](#) Medscape 10/12/17

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[Sudanese asylum seeker perforates his intestine twice after swallowing a ballpoint pen in
protest](#) Daily Mail 08/12/17 + NetralNews + Brinkwire

[Here are five bizarre accidents that took place during sex](#) International Business Times
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[Cedars-Sinai pharmacy staff uses data to cut patient drug errors by 80%](#) Healthdata

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