

BEATS Study

Built Environment and
Active Transport to School

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BEATS Research-Related Media Commentaries

(2014 – present)

Date	Media source	Description of contributions
04/2021	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Research Team and the BEATS-2 Study. Article entitled "Transport study back on track: leader", written by Brenda Harwood, was published in The Star newspaper on 08/04/2021: https://www.odt.co.nz/the-star/transport-study-back-track-leader
05/2020	University of Otago Magazine	Article profiling the BEATS Research Programme. Article entitled "The School BEAT" was published as one of the feature articles in the University of Otago Magazine (issue 50) on 08/05/2020: https://www.otago.ac.nz/otagomagazine/issue50/features/otago734684.html
02/2020	University of Otago Bulletin	Article about the BEATS Symposium and BEATS Research Group Award. Article entitled "BEATS symposium celebrates achievements and shares results" was published in the University of Otago Bulletin on 24/02/2020: https://www.otago.ac.nz/otagobulletin/news/otago733048.html
12/2019	Otago Daily Times (newspaper)	Newspaper article profiling Gordon Wilson, BEATS Advisory Board member, receiving the Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit Award. In the article, Gordon Wilson acknowledges his work on the BEATS Research Programme as one of his major contributions to services in education. Article entitled "New Year honours 2020: The Southern recipients" was published in the Otago Daily Times newspaper on 31/12/2019: https://www.odt.co.nz/regions/new-year-honours-2020-southern-recipients-0
10/2019	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Rural Study publication about social capital, active transport and independent mobility among rural Otago adolescents. Article entitled "Active transport options marred", written by Brenda Harwood, was published in The Star newspaper on 24/10/2019 (page 13): https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/active-transport-options-marred
10/2019	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Research Team winning the University of Otago Research Group Award 2019. Article entitled "Researchers awarded for transport study", written by Brenda Harwood, was published in The Star newspaper on 17/10/2019 (page 6): https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/researchers-awarded-transport-study
10/2019	Otago Daily Times (newspaper)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Research Team winning the University of Otago Research Group Award 2019. Article entitled "Beats team wins uni award", written by Emma Perry, was published in the Otago Daily Times newspaper on 16/10/2019 (page 2): https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/beats-team-wins-uni-award

10/2019	Press release (University of Otago)	Press release about the BEATS Research Team winning the University of Otago Research Group Award 2019. Press release entitled "BEATS Research Team receives 2019 Otago Research Group Award" was published on 15/10/2019: https://www.otago.ac.nz/news/news/otago719827.html
07/2019	Diario del AltoAragón newspaper (Spain)	Newspaper article regarding S Mandic's academic visit to the University of Zaragoza (Huesca, Spain) and academic presentations about BEATS Research Programme in New Zealand. Article entitled 'Huesca y Dunedin realizan un intercambio de proyectos de ciudades saludables' [<i>"Huesca and Dunedin undertake exchange between the projects about active cities"</i>] published in Diario del AltoAragón newspaper on 09 Jul 2019, page 3 (article in Spanish): http://www.diariodelaltoaragon.es/NoticiasDetalle.aspx?id=1171890
07/2019	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	Newspaper article about the received Health Research Council funding for the BEATS Natural Experiment. Article entitled "Pupil transport habits to be re-surveyed" was published in The Star newspaper on 04/07/2019 (page 3): https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/pupil-transport-habits-be-re-surveyed
06/2019	Media release (University of Otago)	Media release about successful HRC funding for University of Otago research projects which included BEATS Natural Experiment. Media release entitled "HRC grants \$40m to Otago research tackling issues from climate change to heart failure" was published on 26/06/2019: https://www.otago.ac.nz/news/news/releases/otago713599.html
05/2019	Kia Ora in-flight magazine, Air New Zealand (magazine)	Magazine article about BEATS Study publication about the relationship between physical activity and transport to school. Article entitled "Meet you halfway" written by Fiona Barber was published in Well & Good section of Kia Ora in-flight magazine in May 2019 (page 118)
03/2019	OAR FM Radio (Dunedin)	Radio interview about the BEATS Study and BEATS publication about the relationship between physical activity and transport to school. Podcast of this interview is available online: http://www.accessradio.org/Player.aspx?eid=7ecca0dd-e571-4cc0-8290-cab6279190f7
03/2019	Otago Daily Times newspaper; The Star newspaper	Newspaper article about BEATS publication about the relationship between physical activity and transport to school. Article entitled "Mixed transport way to combat pupil inactivity" was published in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Otago Daily Times newspaper on Sunday, 10 Mar 2019: https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/mixed-transport-way-combat-pupil-inactivity The Star newspaper on Thursday, 07 Mar 2019 (page 7)
03/2019	Media release	Media release about published BEATS journal article by Kek CC et al. about the relationship between physical activity and transport to school. "Mixing active and motorised transport for school commute a beneficial option – Otago study": https://www.otago.ac.nz/news/news/otago706450.html
02/2019	Agency for Nutrition Action	S Mandic wrote a case study report about the BEATS Research Programme for the Agency for Nutrition Action Toolkit to be published on the Agency's website; report entitled: "Learning Through Action: BEATS Research Programme" (in press; February 2019)
02/2019	The Star newspaper	Newspaper article about The Active Living and Environment Symposium 2019 and Public Forum "Transforming Cities into Healthy, Active and Sustainable Places".

	(Dunedin)	Article entitled "Discussion for positive change" was published in The Star newspaper on 14 February 2019 (page 9). https://readnow.isentia.com/Temp/133622-790405/1078345196.pdf
02/2019	Media release	Media release about Public Forum "Transforming Cities into Active, Healthy and Sustainable Places" organised as part of The Active Living and Environment Symposium (TALES) 2019. "Otago events focus on creating healthy places to live". https://www.otago.ac.nz/news/otago705046.html
01/2019	Agency for Nutrition Action	S Mandic was invited to contribute professional opinion on health promotion-related vision for New Zealand in 2019. Statement published in the Agency for Nutrition Action newsletter/eUpdate; article title: "Aspirations 2019" (published on 17 January 2019)
11/2018	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Study Symposium 2018. Article entitled "Study checks rural pupils' transport methods to school" was published in The Star newspaper on 22 November 2018 (page 9). https://www.thestar.co.nz/news/study-checks-rural-pupils-transport-methods-to-school/
11/2018	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Otago)	Newspaper article about the BEATS Study Symposium 2018. Article entitled "Adolescent activity levels revealed" was published on 21 November 2018. https://www.odt.co.nz/rural-life/rural-people/adolescent-activity-levels-revealed?fbclid=IwAR1dG7F06Z2lx03gya_Ft5BwLLMNK11Q8n5etvjhoallbSI2xVmHlhzQyXQ
11/2018	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about a published BEATS Study article on cycling helmets as a barrier to adolescents' cycling to school. Article entitled "Study investigates pupils' biking qualms" was published on 08 November 2018. http://www.thestar.co.nz/news/study-investigates-pupils-biking-qualms/
10/2018	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about a published BEATS Study article about school bag weight as a barrier to adolescents' walking and cycling to school. Article entitled "Heavy bags barrier to walking, cycling" was published on 19 October 2018. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/heavy-bags-barrier-walking-cycling
09/2018	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about the BEATS Research Programme. Article entitled "Dunedin pupils reluctant to walk or bike" was published on 29 September 2018. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/dunedin-pupils-reluctant-walk-or-bike
09/2018	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about the BEATS Rural Study. Article entitled "Focus on rural pupils' activity" was published on 23 September 2018. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/focus-rural-pupils-activity
04/2018	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about the BEATS Rural Study. Article entitled "School transport study moves out to country" was published on 05 April 2018. http://www.thestar.co.nz/news/school-transport-study-moves-out-to-country/
03/2018	New Zealand National Radio	S Mandic participated in a live phone interview about barriers to cycling to school about the published cycle skills training journal articles and the BEATS Study. Interview entitled "On your bike: barriers to cycling to school" recorded on 27 March 2018. http://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/ninetoon/audio/2018637986/on-your-bike-barriers-to-cycling-to-school

03/2018	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about the published cycle skills training journal articles. Article entitled "Action urged to get more cycling to school" was published on 09 March 2018. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/action-urged-get-more-cycling-school
03/2018	The News newspaper (Central Otago)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview for the newspaper about the BEATS Rural Study. Article entitled "Pupil's transport to school studied" was published on 08 March 2018, page 12. http://www.thenews.co.nz/digital-edition/?edition=CO_2018_03_08&pub=co
08/2017	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview for the newspaper about the BEATS Study progress and public lecture and the International Symposium Active Living and Environment. Article entitled "Teen activity and transport study extended" was published on 31 August 2017, page 33. http://www.thestar.co.nz/?s=Teen+activity+and+transport+study+extended
08/2017	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic completed an in-person interview for the newspaper about the International Symposium Active Living and Environment. Article entitled "Green spaces vital for wellbeing" was published on 31 August 2017, page 25. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/green-spaces-vital-wellbeing
06/2017	Otago Daily Times newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview for the newspaper about published BEATS Study article on school choice and active transport to school. Article entitled "Pupils must pick close school: Study" was published on 15 Jun 2017. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/pupils-must-pick-close-school-study
09/2016	Agencies for Nutrition Action newsletter (ANA)	S Mandic prepared invited commentary for a series of published research articles in the field of physical activity. Agencies for Nutrition Action Newsletter. Sep 2016, Issue: 65, page 7. http://ana.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/ANA-Newsletter-September-2016-WEB-final.pdf
08/2016	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview for The Star regarding the BEATS Study Symposium 2016 and BEATS Study update. Newspaper article entitled "Half of pupils driven to school" published in The Star in, 04 Aug 2016, page 3. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/half-pupils-driven-school
02/2016	Sunday Star Times newspaper (New Zealand)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview to comment on school transport safety. Newspaper article entitled "Parents too scared to let kids to walk to school" was published in Sunday Star Times (New Zealand national newspaper) on 20 Feb 2016, p. A13. https://www.stuff.co.nz/life-style/parenting/77015108/null
02/2019	Alumni newsletter	Article about the Active Living Laboratory and the BEATS Study published in Alumni Newsletter (Semester 2, 2016), School of Physical Education, Sport and Exercise Sciences, University of Otago. Article title: "Spotlight on Dr Sandy Mandic". https://www.otago.ac.nz/sopeses/otago625303.pdf
12/2015	The Star Newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview The Star newspaper to comment on the report "25 Years of New Zealand Travel: New Zealand Household Travel 1989-2014 Report". Newspaper article entitled "Barriers to pupils cycling to school" published in The Star, 10 Dec 2015, page 36.
10/2015	Considero (Heart Foundation of New Zealand)	S Mandic participated in an in-person interview regarding the BEATS Study. Newsletter article entitled "Vision for an active youth" published in Considero (Alumni newsletter of the National Heart Foundation of New Zealand), Oct 2015, Issue 4, page 17. https://issuu.com/heartfoundation/docs/considero_final_copy

09/2015	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview for The Star regarding the BEATS Parental Survey. Newspaper article entitled "Pupil travel study to focus on parents" published in The Star in Sep 2015
08/2015	Dunedin TV	D Hopkins participated in an in-person TV interview about the BEATS Study (while I was on a Research and Study Leave overseas) http://www.dunedintv.co.nz/interview/nightly-interview-debbie-hopkins
07/2015	Diario del AltoAragón newspaper (Spain)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview (in Spanish) about current research on active transport to school. A newspaper article entitled "Nueva Zelanda lucha contra la obesidad con un transporte activo" [<i>"New Zealand's fight against obesity through active transport"</i>] published in Diario del AltoAragón newspaper on 16 Jul 2015, page 33.
07/2015	Diario del AltoAragón newspaper (Spain)	Newspaper article and editorial published about the scientific meeting that S Mandic participated in in Huesca (Spain) on 15 July 2015 and mentions my research in New Zealand (article: "Acercar al deporte a los colectivos mas sensibles" [<i>"Bringing sport to the most sensitive groups"</i>]; editorial: "La universalidad de los habitos saludables" [<i>"The universality of health habits"</i>] in Diario del AltoAragón newspaper on 16 Jul 2015, pages 1, 32-33 (article) and page 14 (editorial)
05/2015	Heart Life (Heart Foundation newsletter)	S Mandic participated in a phone interview regarding the BEATS Study. Newsletter article featuring the BEATS Study entitled "Dr Mandic's quest for active youth" published in Heart Life (newsletter of the National Heart Foundation of New Zealand), Winter 2015, page 3.
12/2014	He Kitenga (University of Otago magazine)	S Mandic participated in an in-person interview regarding the BEATS Study. Magazine article entitled "Student Movement" published in He Kitenga magazine in Dec 2014, pages 44-45. http://www.otago.ac.nz/hekitenga/2014/otago087580.html
11/2014	Otago Daily Times (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in an in-person interview regarding the BEATS Study Symposium. Newspaper article entitled "Screen time extreme and exercise lagging" published in Otago Daily Times, 08 Nov 2014. https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/screen-time-extreme-and-exercise-lagging
11/2014	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in an in-person interview regarding the BEATS Study Symposium. Newspaper article entitled "Activity study shares its results to date" published in The Star, 06 Nov 2014, page 6.
09/2014	The Star newspaper (Dunedin)	S Mandic participated in an in-person interview regarding the BEATS Student Survey. Headlines article entitled "Teen study sets of warning bells" published in The Star, 25 Sep 2015, pages 1 and 5.