



Work Capability Assessment – UK Media Coverage

Summary

This document contains a collection of several hundred articles in the UK Media about the Work Capability Assessment for Employment and Support Allowance

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Disabled People Against Cuts:

DPAC is a grass roots campaign body. It was formed by a group of disabled people after the first mass protest against the austerity cuts and their impact on disabled people held on the 3rd October in Birmingham 2010, England. It was led by disabled people under the name of The Disabled Peoples' Protest. DPAC has over 15,000 members and supporters and works with many anti-cuts groups, Universities, Disabled Peoples' Organizations, and Unions

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1. Introduction

This document contains a list of all the known media reports on the Work Capability Assessment. Many of these reports contain specific examples of cases where the Assessment has failed to correctly assess people's medical conditions, leading to hardship and worry for the people affected and their carers and loved ones.

The articles contained in this document come from both local and national press, there is also a section on video media relating to the WCA.

A companion report to this, contains factual information about the Work Capability Assessment. It is available to read online at

<http://www.scribd.com/doc/149781564/Dpac-Report-Atos-Wca-Factfile>

2. WCA in Video and Audio Media

Youtube Video	House of Commons - Work Capability Assessment Debate – 17th Jan 2013 Debate Speech By Michael Meecher
BBC Democracy Live – Video Recording	House of Commons - Backbench Business Debate - MPs criticise Atos' role in assessing ill and disabled for work
BBC Democracy Live – Video Recording	Scottish Parliament - Welfare Reform Committee taking evidence on the WCA
BBC – The One Show 9 th May 2011 (Youtube)	Atos Fit to Work Assessment v Dr Assessment -The One Show -9 May 2011
Youtube Video	After Atos - The Alternative Christmas Message: Pain and Great Tribulation
Youtube Video	House of Commons - John McDonnell MP speaking up for Atos Healthcare victims
Youtube Video	Simon Hickmans Atos assessment
Youtube Video	Video on Advice for Appealing WCA the UK Government tried to ban
BBC Democracy Live – Video Recording	House of Commons - Westminster Hall debate on 4 September 2012 on the Role of ATOS in the WCA
Channel 4 Dispatches-Video	Dispatches - Britain on the Sick
BBC News-Video	ATOS protests and disability benefit payment changes
Channel 4 News-Video	Disability testing system failing says dead man's parents
Youtube Video	ATOS Healthcare -Register of Shame
Youtube Video	ATOS Protest, Triton Square, 3rd Feb 2012
Youtube Video	DPAC & UK Uncut protest ATOS + DWP 31/8/2012
Youtube Video	A call to ATOS to enquire about euthanasia options for the sick and disabled
Youtube Video	BBC South East Today 13th December 2013 on the WCA
Youtube Video	10,000 Cuts and Counting

3. List of News Articles

This list of articles is presented in reverse chronological order

3.1. December 2013

Disability News Service	Row grows over Harrington's WCA advice to Grayling
Guardian	How Atos comes under pressure to declare disabled people as fit for work
Guardian	Ministers 'ignored advice on inhumane fit-for-work tests'
The Times of Malta	UK fit-for-work interviews criticised
BBC News	Work fitness tests are 'confrontational' - review

Camden New Journal	Former soldier suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder tells of humiliating Atos medical assessment
Herald Scotland	Running on empty: the desperate families forced to turn to the food bank for survival
Reading Chronicle	Work assessments unfair on mentally ill, says court
The Bolton News	Amputee forced to undergo 'degrading' fitness for work medical

3.2. November 2013

NewsShopper	Unemployed Gravesend man hanged himself after sickness benefits were cut
Bristol Post	Bristol woman 'killed herself after benefits were stopped'

3.3. October 2013

Mirror	Skinner-ed alive: Warrior MP Dennis gave Atos both barrels
Mirror	Cancer killed my husband, but Atos took his dignity a long time before his death
Mail	Bedridden farmer suffering from diabetes had benefits cut and told he was fit to work... then was refused reassessment when diagnosed with terminal cancer
Islington Tribune	Islington Council passes vote of no confidence in disabled assessing company Atos
Sky News	Fit-To-Work Benefits Test 'Unfit For Purpose'
Mirror	Grieving son blasts benefit cuts: My dad looked like a concentration camp prisoner before he died
Daily Record	Heartbroken dad reveals agony as decision to axe his son's benefits is overturned.. weeks after his boy killed himself
Nottingham Post	Sneinton man overdoses after benefits stopped

3.4. September 2013

BBC News	Labour calls on PM to 'sack' benefits test company
BBC News	Disability tests opposed by dean of St Paul's Cathedral
ITV News	Dean of St Paul's urges PM to axe disability tests
Mirror	10,000 Cuts and Counting: Protest campaign in memory of victims of welfare reforms
Darlington and Stockton	Severely disabled man told he must take medical to prove he is not fit for

Times	work
Huffington Post	Amy Jones, Woman With Cerebral Palsy, Given Prognosis By ATOS That Her Disability 'Expected To Improve'
Bury Times	Retired blind man is 'fit for work'

3.5. August 2013

New Statesman	How are those with mental health problems treated by Atos?
Bradford Telegraph and Argus	Bradford Council to probe work 'disability tests'
Nursing in Practice	Charities criticise 'flawed' fit for work system
Independent	GPs charge disabled up to £130 to appeal fitness-to-work decisions
Huffington Post	Atos Tests Branded 'Farcical' After Finding Multiple Sclerosis Sufferers Fit For Work
Mirror	Written off by ATOS - I might as well die: The desperate letters from benefit cuts victims
BBC News Foyle and West	Brain injury victim's family disgusted at 'work' letter
Independent	Watchdog turns focus on Atos -the firm that tests people claiming sickness and disability benefits
Guardian	Our pilgrimage to the Atos centre, where miracles happen
Broughton Spurtle	ATOS GETS A TASTE OF ITS OWN MEDICINE
Mirror	Whistleblower tells the inside story of ATOS
British Medical Journal	Personal View - I blew the whistle on the government's disability assessments
Northern Echo	Former Darlington nurse in fitness to work dispute
Mirror	Atos fit-to-work assessments branded 'farcical' as nearly half of people with progressive diseases like Parkinson's told they'll RECOVER
Mirror	How could Atos class such a sick man as fit for work?

3.6. July 2013

Guardian	Why I blew the whistle on Atos fitness-for-work test
Guardian	Disabled benefits claimants test: Atos reports found 'unacceptably poor'
Guardian	The problems with work assessments run deeper than Atos
BBC News	Work fitness tests must improve, say ministers
BBC News Foyle and West	30 protest at medical test centre in Londonderry
Daily Record	Iain Duncan Smith blasted for ignoring the warnings of an Atos whistle-blower who quit in protest at controversial welfare tests
Guardian	Atos assessors told to keep disability benefit approvals low, film suggests
Lancashire Evening Post	Benefits farce hits family of Down's Syndrome twins

3.7. June 2013

Herald Scotland	Tartaglia attacks 'injustice' of Coalition benefit reform
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Herald Scotland	Tory immunity to facts will not make them disappear
Liverpool Daily Post	Police called after welfare experts offer advice to disabled ahead of Atos sickness benefit assessments
Daily Record	Record View: Atos chief's £280k pay rise adds insult to injury for the disabled tricked out of their benefits
Morning Star	Disability activists ask for 2nd opinion from reneging GPs

3.8. May 2013

BBC News	GPs 'flooded' with letter requests due to UK benefit reforms
BBC News	Disability benefit assessments 'unfair', says ex-worker
Daily Record	Benefits row dad takes his own life and is found dead in his flat by his fiancée
Herald Scotland	Welfare reforms not fit to work
Mirror Online	Linda Wootton: Double heart and lung transplant dies nine days after she has benefits stopped
Scotsman	John McArdle: GPs unaware they can flag up patients at risk
Scotsman	GPs say benefits tests causing 'enormous suffering'
This is Croydon	Disabled woman 'humiliated' by health assessor

3.9. April 2013

Gazette & Herald	Benefits withdrawal led to man's suicide
Guardian	Atos apologises to long-term sick wrongly assessed as fit for work
Guardian	Telling tales about work assessment
Northern Echo	Former bodybuilder who can barely walk contemplated suicide after nurse ruled him fit to work Former bodybuilder who can barely walk contemplated suicide after nurse ruled him fit to work
Huffington Post	Benefit Cuts Caused Disabled Yorkshire Man Nicholas Barker To Take His Life, Rules Coroner

3.10. March 2013

Bolton News	Amputee declared "fit to work" and has his benefits cut
Hamilton Advertiser	Staff doing Atos work to get 'violence' training
Huffington Post	Carer For Bolton Amputee Who Had Benefits Cut Speaks Out
Mail	Blind in one eye, partially deaf and facing major spinal surgery but Thalidomide mother is STILL found fit to work
Independent	Brain-damaged amputee fit for work, says Atos

3.11. February 2013

Daily Record	Con-Dem benefit cuts blasted by vet crippled by chronic pain
Daily Record	Labour MP vents fury over Atos 36% profit increase

Daily Record	Fitness for work testing deemed a failure
Guardian	DWP to blame for fitness-to-work tests fiasco, MPs say
Kate Belgrave Blog	Why can't we find out more about Atos mental function champions?
The Fed Online	Atos nurses were told: 'You're too nice to work here'
Manchester Evening News	Blind Chadderton woman is ordered back to work wins benefits battle
New Statesman	The tragedy of Alice, How the Work Capability Assessment costs lives
Herald Scotland	Busy GPs refuse to help disabled patients fight benefit tribunals
Independent	Partially blind Thalidomide victim with brain tumour fights Atos decision to force her to attend interviews and put together CV

3.12. January 2013

Daily Record	DWP force 50,000 disabled Scots to go back to work
Holyrood Magazine	Abusive behaviour toward Atos staff in Scotland on the rise
ITV News	Kidney patient may lose benefits
New Statesman	The Shadow State: The "dehumanising, degrading" treatment of disabled people
BBC -Ouch! Blog	The Great Disability Scam, as told by Kate
Daily Record	Atos scandal: Man found fit to work despite peeling bones
Guardian	'This brutal new system': a GP's take on Atos and work capability assessments
Ekklesia	Latest Work Capability Assessment proposals will worsen plight of sick and disabled people
Guardian	Atos comes under attack in emotional Commons debate
Independent	Atos told incontinent woman to 'wear nappy'
Express	Deaths warning as MPs blast Atos
London Evening Standard	Deaths warning as MPs blast Atos
The Fed Online	New 'fitness for work' test changes 'could breach Human Rights Act'

3.13. December 2012

Daily Record	Blaze survivor turns to Christmas food bank after his jobseeker's allowance is cut
Daily Record	Revealed: Tory tests passed Alexander Mackie fit to work despite being registered blind and walking with a white stick
Daily Record	Lung transplant patient's benefits cash slashed from £130 to £21
Guardian	Disabled man takes government to court over benefit test
Independent	Disabled man abandoned on the second floor of building during Atos fire alarm evacuation
This is Staffordshire	Shelton benefits blunder victim Chris Cann dies
Huffington Post	Atos Disability Benefits Row: Epileptic Colin Traynor's Death Blamed On Stress Of Being Found 'Fit For Work

Manchester Evening News [Paralympian with one leg told he's 'not disabled enough' to receive benefits](#)

3.14. November 2012

Craven Herald [Disabled carer told 'you're fit to work'](#)

Daily Record [Atos killed my dad, says boy 13](#)

Daily Record [Iain Duncan Smith to write to distraught teenager who blames Atos for father's death](#)

Daily Record [Benefits clawback firm ATOS call back cancer patients and dementia sufferers](#)

Daily Record [ATOS bosses to face parliament probe after campaign reveals controversial fit for work tests being carried out](#)

Daily Star [£25m on appeals](#)

Guardian [Work capability assessment reform too slow, says independent review](#)

Herald [Staff anger as benefit test firm Atos wins Government counselling contract](#)

Huffington Post [Disabled Man Christos Palmer On Hunger Strike Outside Atos Offices After Being Found 'Fit For Work'](#)

Independent [How can it be that a disabled man needs to go on hunger strike just to get heard by Atos?](#)

Isle of Man Today [Almost 70% lose incapacity benefit](#)

Mail Online [Double heart bypass patient in post operative intensive care is sent Government letter ordering him back to work](#)

Manx Radio [Labour MP concerns over Atos Healthcare](#)

New Statesman [Sick and tired: the coalition's war on the disabled and destitute](#)

Politics.co.uk [Man with terminal brain cancer told he's 'fit for work'](#)

This is Derbyshire [System targets society's most vulnerable people](#)

Wales Online [Cancer stricken ex RAF pilot becomes victim of benefits cuts](#)

Your Local Guardian [Grandfather with traumatic brain injury told he is fit to work](#)

3.15. October 2012

BBC News ['Blame shared' over sickness benefit test problems](#)

Daily Record [Disabled Scots spared Atos assessment after firm forced into retreat thanks to Record campaign](#)

Daily Record [Axemen ATOS face £40m payday for work making disabled Scots miserable](#)

Express [Doctor 'shocked' by benefits system](#)

Guardian [How welfare assessors told disabled woman to get ready for work](#)

Guardian [Get ready for work: what woman who needs constant care was told](#)

Guardian [Atos calls in public sector to take on outsourced medical assessments](#)

Huffington Post [Department of Work and Pensions Blunders, Exposes Dirty Washing in Public](#)

Independent [How many more, George? Ruth Anim and Liam Barker. Different disabilities, very similar situations](#)

Independent [Enough is enough. Disabled people are driven to suicide because of the Government's welfare reform](#)

Independent [Fear of fitness to work tests driving disabled patients to suicide, say 6% of GPs](#)

Isle of Man Today	Atos's bill is 'confidential'
Mirror	Atos to land £40m profit from disability test contract in North and Scotland
Public Service Online	Hodge: DWP management contract 'easily exploited'
Socialist Worker	Atos documents reveal chaos behind Tory benefit reforms
Telegraph	20,000 back to work assessments on benefits claimants 'substandard', audit finds
Telegraph	Botched tests deny the disabled their benefits

3.16. September 2012

BBC News	ATOS protests and disability benefit payment changes
24 Dash	MP's constituent with broken back passed 'fit for work'
Belfast Telegraph	Crowd voices ATOS anger
Big Issue	ATOS are unfit to test disability, say Big Issue readers
Camden New Journal	Mother who was signed off work with 'excruciating pain', another victim of controversial disability benefit assessments
Crosby Herald	Amputee denied benefits despite chronic pain
Daily Record	Alex Salmond wants to give ATOS £3million
Daily Record	ATOS bill for humiliating assessments matches benefits for 55,000 disabled Scots
Daily Record	ATOS scandal victims speak to the Daily Record
Daily Record	ATOS scandal: Benefits bosses admit over half of people ruled fit to work ended up destitute
Daily Record	Benefits bullies ATOS are driving Scots to brink of suicide
Daily Record	Disabled need help but ATOS is failing them in the worst way possible
Daily Record	Labour MP calls for 'fundamental reform' of ATOS' capability assessment
Daily Record	Marine's ordeal at the hands of ATOS
Daily Record	Nurse makes heartfelt apology after ATOS forced her to trick disabled people out of benefits
Daily Record	Royal Marine who lost limb in Afghanistan has disability benefit stopped in ATOS scandal
Daily Record	Tories accuse ATOS scandal stories of being 'anecdotal' as cross party support hails campaign
Disability News Service	London 2012: The ATOS cover up continues
Ekklesia	Work or starve plans for seriously ill welfare claimants might backfire
Fed Online	Disabled claimants feel 'persecuted' by WCA system, say MPs
Google News	Protest over 'fit for work' tests
Guardian	ATOS is doing a good job as the government's flakcatcher
Guardian	Big name brands were the major losers of London 2012
Guardian	Catch up with the Paralympics vibe stop excluding disabled people
Guardian	Disabled benefits claimants face £71 a week fines for breaching work plan
Guardian	Docking benefits from sick and disabled people unable to work is barbaric
Guardian	Government relaxes plans forcing cancer patients to actively seek work

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Guardian	Labour calls for review of sickness benefits assessment
Guardian	Letters: Private firms' role in creation of disability assessment regime
Guardian	Paralympians express fears over disability living allowance plans
Guardian	Paralympics 2012: disability makes for a surprisingly political Games
Huddersfield Examiner	Huddersfield protestors campaign against Paralympic sponsor ATOS
Huddersfield Examiner	Huddersfield protestors occupy job centre in demonstration against French firm ATOS Healthcare (Video)
Huffington Post UK	ATOS 'Makes Benefits Error' On One In Five Assessments, DWP Figures Show
Huffington Post UK	Universal Credit and Disability Allowance Controversy
IC Sefton and West Lancs	Sefton Central MP Bill Esterson calls for ATOS Healthcare to be axed in benefits row
Independent	ATOS assessor 'forced to judge disabled fit for work'
Independent	Empty words don't fund a full life for disabled people
Independent	Not all disabled people can be world beaters
Independent	Paralympics stars urged to denounce ATOS
Independent	Politics and the Paralympics: Voters are against cuts to disability benefits
Independent	Thousands of sick and disabled people face months of worry over this sorry test
Independent	Chris Grayling heckled in parliamentary debate as he defended Government use of ATOS Healthcare
Irish Times	Death of cancer patient who went public over benefit cuts
Islington Tribune	Disabled campaigners challenge benefit company and Paralympic sponsor accused of 'assessing people's lives in minutes'
Liverpool Daily Post	Mr Brocklebank: Vulnerable? Let me get my violin out!
Mail	Benefits bosses apologise after war veteran and his daughter were wrongly denied payments
Mail	Job Centre Plus: Paralysed teen who has been on life support since birth is told to prove he can't work or lose benefits
Metro	One legged marine 'not disabled enough' to be allowed benefits
Mirror	ESA cuts: Government's disability assessment policy is not working for those most in need
Mirror	Public Service David Cameron and George Osborne booed at Paralympic events
Mirror	Team GB slam government plans to slash disability payments
Morning Star	New research shows how disabled bear brunt of Tory cuts
Morning Star	What game is ATOS playing?
Northampton Chronicle and Echo	Living with the cuts: a look at the reality for disabled people in Northamptonshire
Northamptonshire Telegraph	MP calls for ATOS contract review
Optician Online	Paralympics sparks ATOS assessment row
Press Association	Protest over 'fit for work' tests
PressTV	'Paralympics welfare cuts propaganda'

PressTV	UK government cuts affect disabled people
Public Service Europe	Paralympics embarrassment a warning for George Osborne
Public Service Magazine	'Disability 'fit to work' tests can kill'
Rethink Mental Illness	New GP survey shows Government welfare test is pushing vulnerable people to the brink
Right to Work	ATOS Shamed And DWP Occupied
RT News	Sponsorship scandal mars Paralympics
Scotsman	Analysis: Are Paralympians being used as tools in the propaganda war against disability benefits?
Scotsman	Paralympics buzz will not drown out chorus of disapproval of ATOS
Scotsman	Paralympics propaganda for welfare cuts, claim disabled
Sheffield Telegraph	MP calls for ATOS contract review
Sheffield Telegraph	Protest over 'fit for work' tests
Sheffield Telegraph	Sheffield's disabled join Paralympic protest
Socialist Worker	'ATOS forced me to crawl on floor in tears'
Socialist Worker	'Seven medals but now Tories want my benefits'
Socialist Worker	Hundreds protest outside ATOS headquarters then blockade DWP
This is Gloucestershire	Demo on disabled benefit cuts

3.17. August 2012

BBC News	Paralympic sponsors cause controversy
BBC News	Disabled people 'wrongly deprived of benefits'
BBC News Kent	Maidstone CAB 'wins 95% of work test benefit appeals'
BBC News London	Disability protests at benefits contractor ATOS HQ
BBC News London	ATOS protest: Disability rights groups target firm
BBC News Northern Ireland	Benefits appeal woman Cecilia Burns from Strabane has died
BBC News UK	Watchdog finds 'weaknesses' in sickness benefit system
BBC News UK	Sickness benefit contractor ATOS Healthcare to review letters
BBC News UK	Minister for Disabled People: 'We need to get changes right'
Blottr	Protesters stage 'die in' against ATOS sponsorship of Paralympics
Blottr	ATOS to claimant, "WHY AREN,T YOU DEAD YET!"
Blottr	ATOS: Public criticism gains momentum after inspirational Paralympics Opening Ceremony
Brand Channel	Paralympic Sponsor ATOS Getting Grief From Athletes
Bristol 247	Bristol MP backs protest against Paralympics sponsor
Channel 4 News	Paralympic Games open with a message of inspiration
Channel 4 News	Disability rights protesters invade government building
Channel 4 News	Did GB Paralympians choose to hide ATOS branding?
Computer Weekly	Paralympic protests against ATOS reaches Whitehall
Computer Weekly	Disability activists hijack Paralympics for ATOS protest

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Computer Weekly	ATOS employees to be investigated over Facebook remarks about disability benefit applicants
Computer Weekly	ATOS and Capita win £540m in controversial DWP disabilities testing contract
Express	MP calls for ATOS contract review
Guardian	Phil Disley on ATOS's involvement with the Paralympics cartoon
Guardian	Paralympics 2012: crossing London can be an obstacle course for disabled fans
Guardian	Letter: Paralympic paradox
Guardian	Disabled people protest against ATOS role in Paralympics
Guardian	Cuts to disability services threaten our Paralympian future Sue Marsh
Guardian	Celebrate Paralympians, but remember they needed state help to get there
Guardian	British Paralympic team deny 'anti ATOS protest'
Guardian	Behind the Paralympics, the reality for disabled people in Britain 2012
Guardian	ATOS protests climax with 'day of action' against Paralympics sponsor
Guardian	ATOS holds £3bn of government contracts
Guardian	ATOS doctors could be struck off
Guardian	ATOS and Capita named as preferred bidders for PIP disability assessments
Huffington Post UK	Scuffles At ATOS Paralympics Protest As Police And Disability Campaigners Clash (VIDEO) (PICTURES)
Huffington Post UK	Paralympics: Government Accused Of 'Hypocrisy' Towards Disabled People
Huffington Post UK	Paralympics 2012 Could Improve Public Attitudes To Disability, Scope Research Shows
Huffington Post UK	Paralympic Organisers Accused Of Discriminating Against Wheelchair Users
Huffington Post UK	Matt Carr: Disabled people: heroes or scapegoats?
Huffington Post UK	Cecilia Burns Dead: Benefits Campaigner, Who Appealed Against 'Fit To Work' Report By ATOS, Dies
Independent	The lasting legacy of the Paralympics should be to see disabled people as equal
Independent	Paralympic sponsor engulfed by disability tests row
Independent	Paralympic sponsor ATOS engulfed by disability tests row
Independent	Mark Steel: Odd choice for a Paralympics sponsor
Independent	Leading article: These Games are about ability and inspiration
Independent	Leading article: A fantastic show – but it wasn't the whole story
Independent	Hundreds protest against Paralympics sponsor ATOS as anger about its role in slashing benefits bill intensifies
Independent	Half a million disabled people may lose benefits under reforms
Independent	Gold for UK plc, but no podium for sponsors
Independent	David Cameron praises Paralympians, but his policies will crush them
Independent	ATOS contract does not offer value for money, says National Audit Office
Independent	Letters: A bitter blow for disabled people
Inside the Games	Olympic sponsor targeted by angry disability groups over links to London 2012
ITN News	Disability protesters clash with police

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ITV News Wales	Protest in Cardiff over tests for incapacity benefit
Londonist	Paralympic Sponsor ATOS Provokes Protests
Mail	Widow awaiting cancer surgery told to get back to work by benefits inspectors following Government welfare reforms
Mail	When Are You Going To Stand Up For Our Sick And Disabled, Mr. Miliband?
Mail	Triple amputee warned he will lose his benefits unless he can prove he is disabled
Mail	The Paralympics celebrate the strength of disabled people and so do all the protests that accompany them
Metro	Protesters show anger at Paralympic sponsor over disability benefit work
Metro	Disabled rights campaigners protest at ATOS and DWP
Mirror	David Cameron wins gold medal for hypocrisy for his treatment of disabled people
Mirror	ATOS protests: "Grand finale" to a week of action against 'fit for work' testing firm
Mirror	32 disability benefit claimants die after being forced into jobs
Morning Star	Where the real greed lies
Morning Star	What game is ATOS playing?
Morning Star	Tycoonery
Morning Star	The company that doesn't give ATOS about disability
Morning Star	Paralympic hero joins ATOS protest
Morning Star	Paralympians join action against ATOS
Morning Star	New disability test will 'cause suicides'
Morning Star	Home carer calls for hypocrite Cameron to be prosecuted
Morning Star	Disabled target ATOS on eve of Paralympics
Morning Star	Disabled storm DWP in daring anti ATOS raid
Morning Star	Disability campaigners are set to descend on Paralympic sponsor ATOS yet again tomorrow
Morning Star	Coalition told it must punish ATOS for mess
Morning Star	Campaigners target Games sponsor ATOS
Morning Star	Campaigners take ATOS fight to firm's HQ
Morning Star	Callousness beyond belief
Morning Star	Beggaring the nation
Morning Star	As low as you can get
Morning Star	Anti cuts demo targets ATOS HQ
Morning Star	'Is this country worth dying for?'
New Statesman	Perhaps Iain Duncan Smith will accuse me of peeing on the data
New Statesman	Labour must lead the way in restoring politics after its abuse by elites
New Statesman	Is benefit bashing the next Osborne gamble to go wrong?
Press TV	ATOS protests climax with 'day of action' against Paralympics sponsors
Public Finance Magazine	NAO finds faults in disability assessments contract
Public Service Magazine	NAO finds failings in fitness for work test

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Public Service Magazine	Protests against Paralympics partner get senior support
Redpepper Magazine	ATOS sponsors the Paralympics? It's enough to make you scream
Rocket News	Benefits cut appeal woman dies
Scotsman	Joyce McMillan: Cynically demonising the disabled
Sheffield Telegraph	Sheffield's disabled join Paralympic protest
Sourcing Focus	National Audit Office criticises ATOS 'under performance'
Sourcing Focus	Disability activists prepare to protest against ATOS
Sourcing Focus	"Disability activists prepare to protest against ATOS"
Tech Week Europe	Paralympics Sponsor ATOS Hits Back At Disability Protesters
Telegraph	Video: Disability rights protesters clash with police outside Department for Work and Pensions
The Consultant	ATOS, Capita scoop £500 million in UK DWP disability award.
The Daily Shame	ATOS parasites, sorry, employees have fun on Facebook
This is Derbyshire	Pressure mounts against firm over assessments for sickness support
This is Derbyshire	Fury at Paralympic 'hypocrisy' of private firm ATOS behind fit to work tests
This is Hull and East Riding	Benefits protest at Hull branch of ATOS over Paralympic Games 'hypocrisy'
This is Hull and East Riding	'Responsibility to treat disabled people fairly'
This is South Wales	Disabled groups in sponsor protest
Times of News	ATOS benefit appeal woman dies
Wales Online	MP calls for ATOS contract review
Wales Online	Disabled People Against Cuts stage demo against Paralympics sponsor
Washington Post	As Paralympics start, Britain's disabled decry cuts
Washington Post	Activist Patrick Lynch sobs during a protest next to ATOS's London headquarters
Womens Views on News	Disabled people slam 'hypocrisy' of Paralympics sponsor
Yahoo! News	Protest over 'fit for work' tests

3.18. July 2012

BBC News	Benefit cheats 'colour attitudes to disabled people'
Camden New Journal	Disabled protest over 'fit for work' tests at ATOS in Holloway
Computer Weekly	ATOS profits grow 2% in first half of 2012 to €102m
Guardian	Flaws exposed in fit for work test
Guardian	Fitness-for-work tests hit by technical chaos
Guardian	Chris Grayling's email to Ministry of Justice full document
Guardian	Benefits assessment firm causing 'fear and loathing' among claimants, says MP
New Statesman	Work capability assessments: the fightback
Huffington Post UK	Could We Have a Corporate-Free Olympics? Yes we could!
Independent	Benefits and targets: Sickness and disability are not the same

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Independent	Deaf and disabled artists take centre stage
Mail	Out... Boss of incapacity benefit crackdown who called for more humanity
Mail	Flawed disability tests 'send those who are genuinely sick and unable back to work'
Mirror	Doctor claims Government has issued targets for 7 out of 8 to be reclassified as eligible for work
Morning Star	Pressure piles up on sick profiteers ATOS
Morning Star	Disabled means test to be challenged at High Court
Morning Star	ATOS workers to vote on Olympic strikes
New Statesman	Work capability assessments: the fightback
New Statesman	Withdrawing benefits when there are no jobs to find is just cruel
New Statesman	Welfare reform suicides must not be overlooked
Sourcing Focus	Olympic sponsor ATOS faces summer strikes
Telegraph	Disability tests 'sending sick and disabled back to work'
The Bureau of Investigative Journalism	Tough love or tough luck: assessing disability benefits
The Fed Online	Access to Work figures are 'disgraceful', says shadow minister
This is Derbyshire	Review into flawed benefits system assessment praised
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Huffington Post UK	Disability Living Allowance Disgrace
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Mail	Wheelchair users banned from using lift at assessment centre for disability benefits
Mirror	Outrage as firm accused of 'smearing' disabled is named Paralympics sponsor
Morning Star	Hardest hit fight back against cuts
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Morning Star	Claimants on streets over ATOS national protests
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New Statesman	The war on welfare scroungers, part 94
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This is South Wales	A Port Talbot mum has travelled to London to lobby against new benefit rules that might lead to her son losing his independence.
Guardian	Letters: Anguish over benefits tests
Mirror	Another sick attack on the ill
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Mirror	Spinning the sick note myth
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New Statesman	James Purnell: I could have been Iain Duncan Smith
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