Reviewer’s report

Title: Impact of juvenile idiopathic arthritis on schooling

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Major Compulsory Revisions:
1. there are not socio-demographic characteristics of control group;
2. it is not specified which questionnaire is used to assess the patient pain and global disease activity;
3. in the article it comes school performance but are not used tools in this regard if not the failure and school dropout;
4. there is no correlation between failure of children in the school and gender or socio-economic status;
5. it is surprising that in the controls there is a zero percentage of schooling failure: which parameters are used for the frequency or failure of school?
6. how many illiterate mothers are in the control group? why there is the correlation only for in the patients group?
7. other studies are cited in the discussion: why there is a discrepancy in the mean school attendance?

Discretionary Revisions:
1. missing a description of the schooling system in Morocco.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests