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I am enclosing herewith a manuscript entitled “Vitamin D concentrations and disease activity in Moroccan children with juvenile idiopathic arthritis” submitted to “BMC musculoskeletal disorders” for possible evaluation.

With the submission of this manuscript i would like to undertake that the above mentioned manuscript has not been published elsewhere, accepted for publication elsewhere or under editorial review for publication elsewhere; and that my Institute’s El Ayachi hospital representative is fully aware of this submission.

In adults, many studies have shown an inverse association between disease activity and serum levels of 25(OH)D. However, data is limited regarding the association between disease activity and serum levels of 25(OH)D in children with juvenile idiopathic arthritis, so the aim of our study was to examine the association between serum levels of 25(OH)D and disease activity in Moroccan children with JIA.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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