# OUTCOME ASSESSMENT OF JOINT IN PEOPLE WITH HEMOPHILIA

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## **INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVE:**

Children with hemophilia in our center are under low doses prophylaxis. In order to evaluate their joint status we use the Hemophilia Joint Health Score.

## **SUBJECTS AND METHODS:**

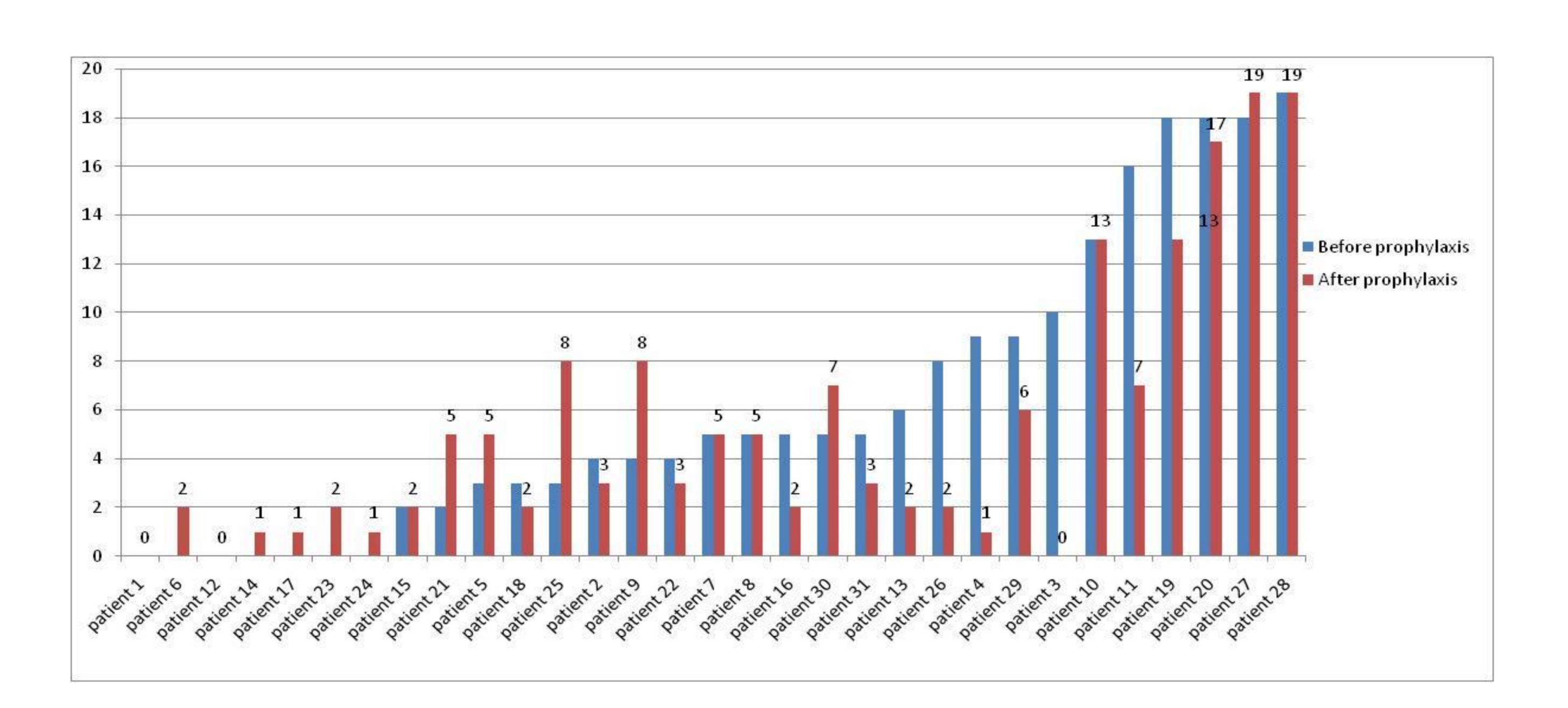
**HJHS** version 2.1

Before prophylaxis: 45 children

After one year: 31 children

We consider that the HJHS is stable if the score is the same ± 3 and the number of joint diseases is the same.

### **RESULTS:**



#### **DISCUSSION:**

Initially the HJHS was under 10 for 28 patients.

After one year of follow up only 2 children have increase their score from 3 to 8 and 4 to 8 because of a lack of compliancy for prophylaxis protocol, 7 children have a decrease of the score despite the low doses of prophylaxis. All the other have a stable score.

The HJHS is an assessment tool for joint status. It was validated for children less than 18 years. It should be used routinely at least once a year.

Ultrasound exam could useful as a complimentary assessment tool.

## **CONCLUSION:**

We consider that low doses prophylaxis could be effective to protect joint status but we should continue our evaluation using the HJHS because it's an objective data.

