

The Symptomatic prevalence of von Willebrand Disease (VWD) in a Pediatric Population:
A study to validate a "revised" commonly used adult bleeding questionnaire in the pediatric
population.

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Synopsis:

The overall aim of this project is to establish standardized criteria for use in the evaluation of a bleeding tendency in the child. The short term goal is to evaluate the criteria in a control group of children.

Future investigations will focus on validation, and the use of this instrument to investigate the prevalence of symptomatic bruising/bleeding in a general pediatric population and the association of those symptoms a diagnosis of Von Willebrand Disease.

We hypothesize that with only minor modifications, a commonly used adult bleeding questionnaire will prove to be a useful tool to evaluate hemorrhagic symptoms in the pediatric population, and become a standard in the evaluation of children for possible von Willebrand Disease and other bleeding disorders.