



Only the following timepoints were used when testing for diet and age effects: 05 months, 16 months and 28 months. The effects were estimated using mixed linear models and the significance of the effects were assessed with an approximate F-test using the Kenward and Roger (1997) approach. The p-values for the diet effect at each timepoint are: 05 months = 0.357; 16 months = 4.36×10^{-28} and 28 months = 2.89×10^{-14} . The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) means at 16 months are AL-20, AL-40, 1D-40, 2D-40 and 20-40. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) means at 28 months are AL-20, AL-40, 1D-20, 1D-40, 2D-40 and 20-40. The p-value for the direct effect of age on NK_CD11BnegCD11CnegPercNK is 6.3×10^{-6} . The p-value for the effect of the interaction between age and diet on NK_CD11BnegCD11CnegPercNK is 3.51×10^{-18} . The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) rates of change with age are AL-20, AL-40, 1D-20, 1D-40, 2D-20, 2D-40 and 20-40.