

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 = 0.336; 16 months = 0.539 and 28 months = 0.00587. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) means at 28 months are 1D-40 and 2D-40. The p-value for the direct effect of age on NKG2DposT_CD4posPercNKG2DposT is 1.86e-13. The p-value for the effect of the interaction between age and diet on NKG2DposT_CD4posPercNKG2DposT is 1.33e-06. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) rates of change with age are AL-40, 1D-40, 2D-40 and 20-40.