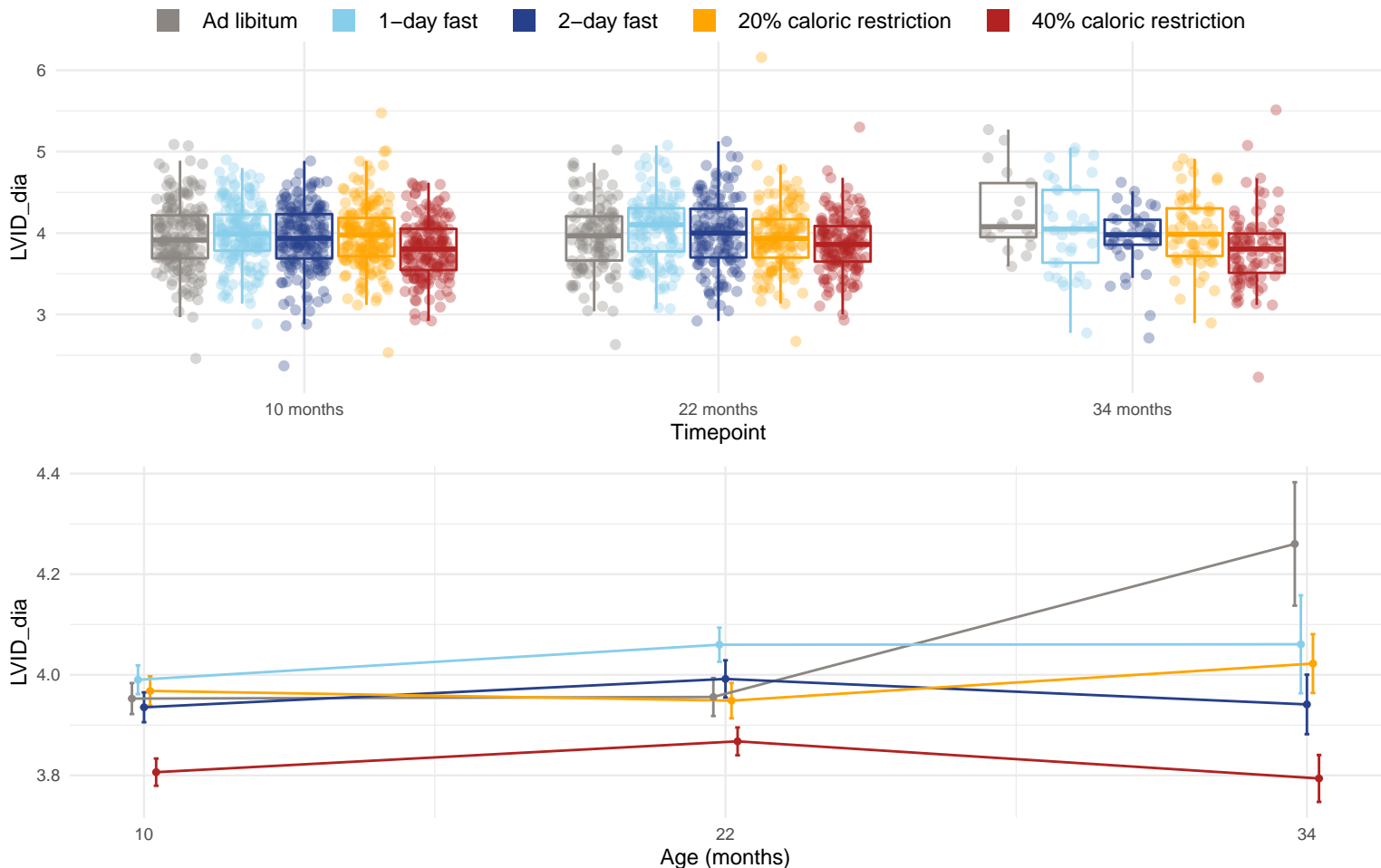


Diet and age effects on diastolic left ventricular internal diameter (mm)



Only the following timepoints were used when testing for direct diet and age–diet interaction effects (all timepoints were used when testing for direct age effects): 10 months and 22 months. The effects of age, diet, and the age–diet interaction 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: 10 months = 0.186 and 22 months = 0.0864. The p–value for the direct effect of age on LVID_dia is 0.00473. The p–value for the effect of the interaction between age and diet on LVID_dia is 0.312.