

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): 05 months, 16 months and 28 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: 05 months = 0.0152; 16 months = 0.000573 and 28 months = 0.000963. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) means at 05 months are AL-2D and 2D-20. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) means at 16 months are AL-20 and AL-40. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value of the effect of the interaction between age and diet on Other_PercViable is 0.00123. The diet pairs that have significantly different (Tukey p-value < 0.05) rates of change with age are AL-20 and 20-40.

Age (months)