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F1000Prime nets its 150,000th article recommendation

The 150,000th article recommendation, published today in F1000Prime (http://f1000.com/prime), identifies an important research article that helps our understanding of how consumption of fish oils could help protect against certain allergies, and demonstrates significant progress in open, post-publication peer review pioneered by F1000.

Submissions of article recommendations to F1000Prime, which launched in 2002, have been rising year-on-year, reaching 16,654 in 2013. The 150,000 article recommendations cover nearly 115,000 different articles, published across more than 3,700 journals, and represent around the top 3% of articles indexed in the largest life science literature database, PubMed.

This wide coverage of the best life science and medical articles in F1000Prime has been possible because of continued growth in the numbers of Faculty Members who select, rate and comment on important published articles. The F1000Prime Faculty now includes nearly 6,000 leading scientists – two of whom in 2013 were honoured with Nobel Prizes – who are supported by nearly 5,000 Associate Faculty Members.

The article identified as the 150,000th recommendation (http://f1000.com/prime/718226206?key=dFgdNNv8T4mPzo1) in F1000Prime was published in the journal Allergy in November 2013. Dr Linette E. M. Willemsen, corresponding author of the article, said: “I am honoured that our group’s recent article has been selected by Prof Rick Maizels (http://f1000.com/prime/thefaculty/member/796996891252456) in F1000Prime. The finding that partial replacement of dietary vegetable oil by fish oil protects against allergic sensitization via installation of functional Treg, helps us to understand how minor changes in the diet may impact the susceptibility to develop allergic disease on a mechanistic basis.

“As a researcher and author it is important to know not just that our work is being read, but that it is being read and built upon by other scholars, such as the peer-nominated experts contributing to F1000. We are delighted that our paper was selected to contribute to this and celebrate the establishment of this 150,000th recommendation,” she said.

F1000Prime Publisher Kathleen Wets said: “We congratulate the authors of the Willemsen paper – and authors of every paper recommended by F1000Prime – on the selection of their article and trust it will help demonstrate the impact of their work in the scientific community. At F1000 we are very grateful for the continued work of our Faculty Members in identifying the best published research through post-publication peer review, guiding researchers and clinicians to the most important papers in the ever-growing sea of literature.”

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