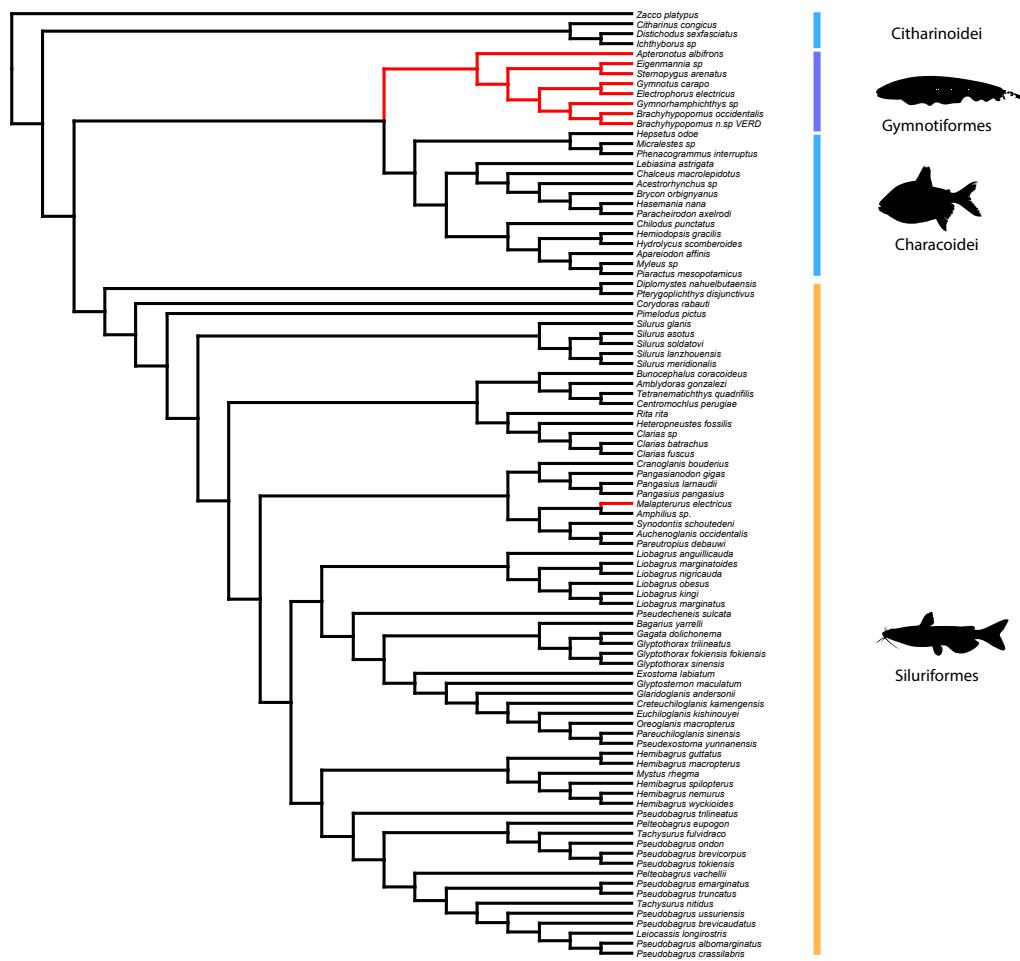
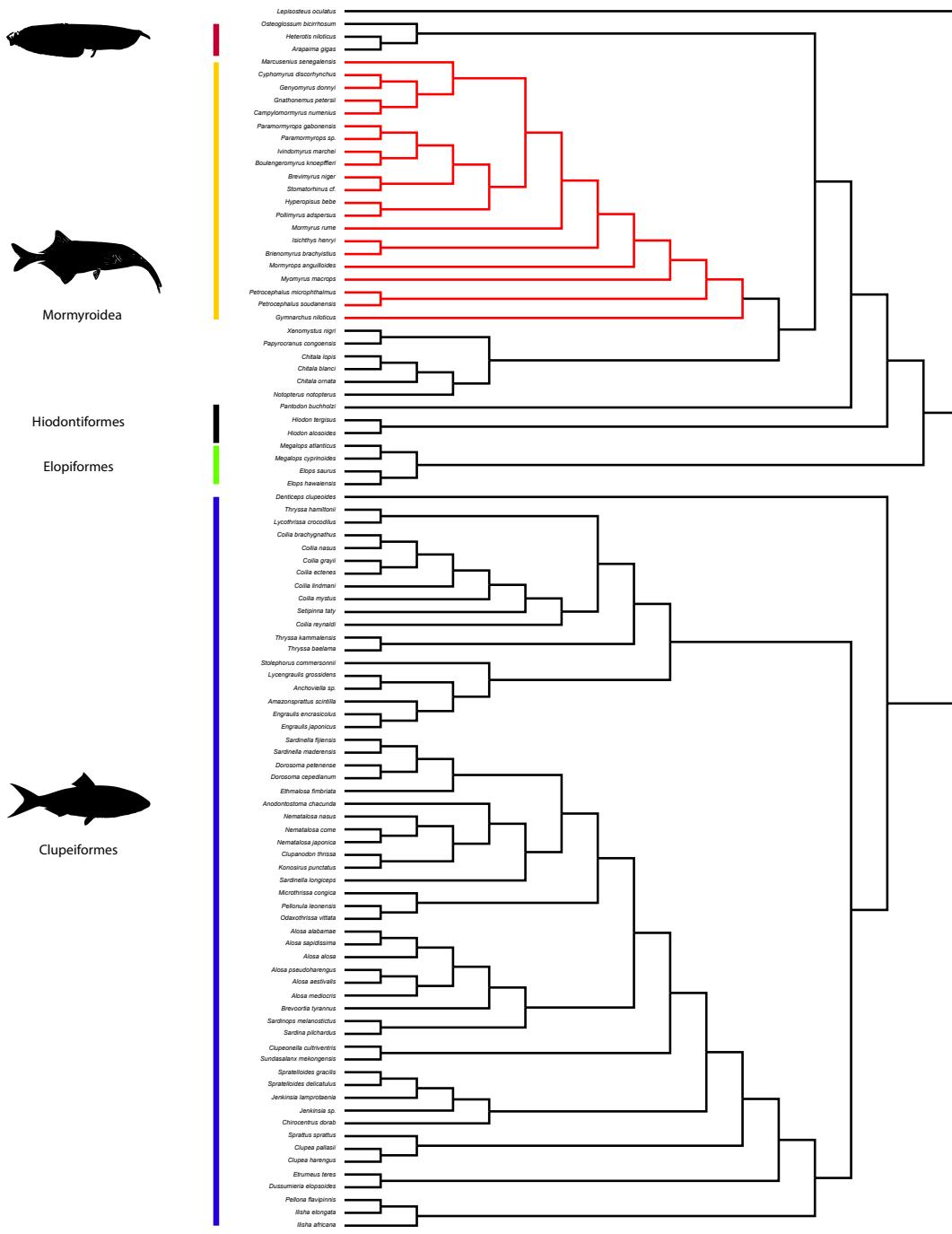


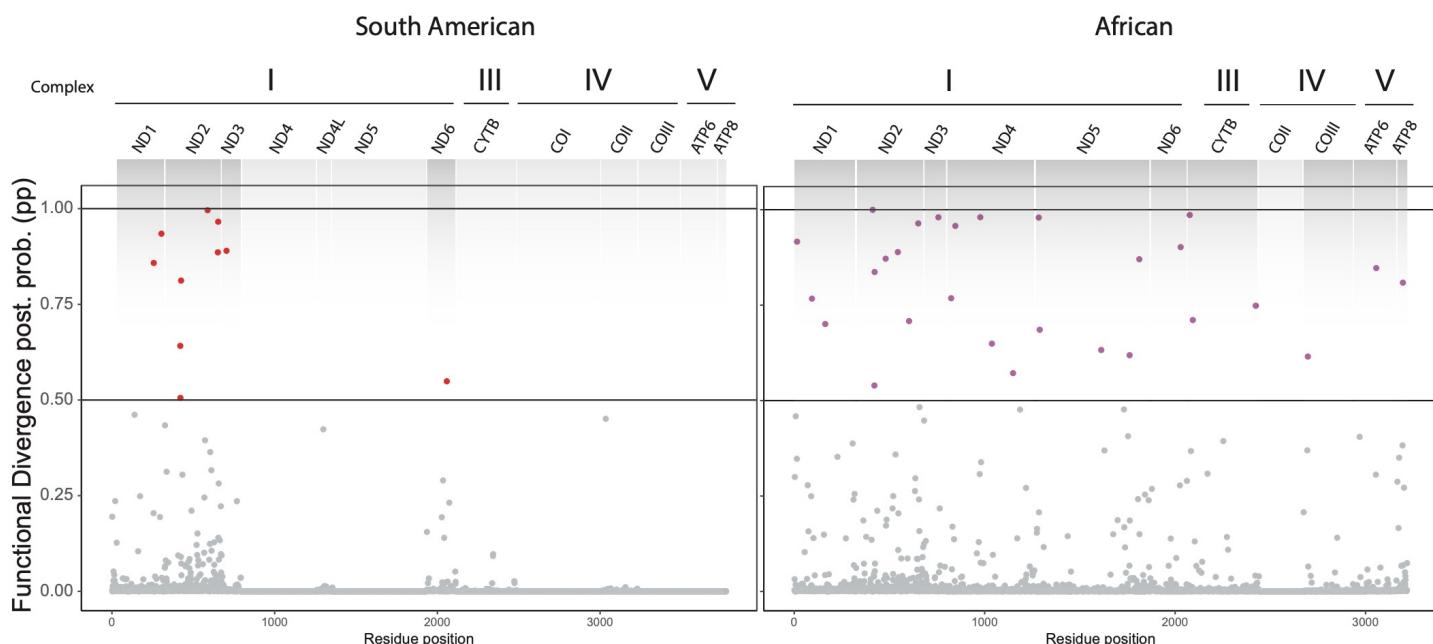
**Supplementary Figure 1 – Schematic representation of mitochondrial genomes and their contribution to OXPHOS complexes.** Left inset shows mitochondrial genomes presented in their circular orientation, with genes ordered to represent the typical vertebrate gene order and coloured according to the respiratory complex they encode. Right inset shows mitochondrial complexes roles in oxidative phosphorylation and ATP generation. Nuclear-encoded subunits are shown in black, while mitochondrial subunits are shown in yellow (complex I), purple (complex III), pink (complex IV) and green (complex V). Proton molecules are represented by red circles, and direction of proton flow during oxidative phosphorylation is indicated by black dashed arrows. IMS, inter-membrane space; IMM, inner mitochondrial membrane.



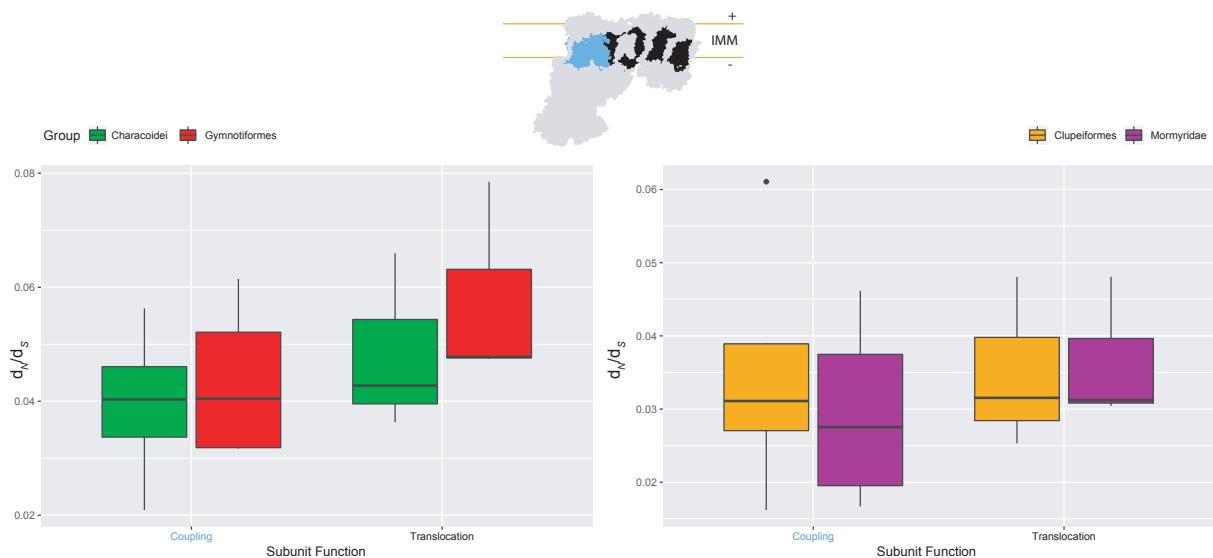
**Supplementary Figure 2 – molecular phylogeny of the South American dataset.** A maximum likelihood phylogenetic inference of the relationships between the species included in the South American dataset, generated using IQ-Tree. Electrogenic group coloured in red. Adapted from [1].



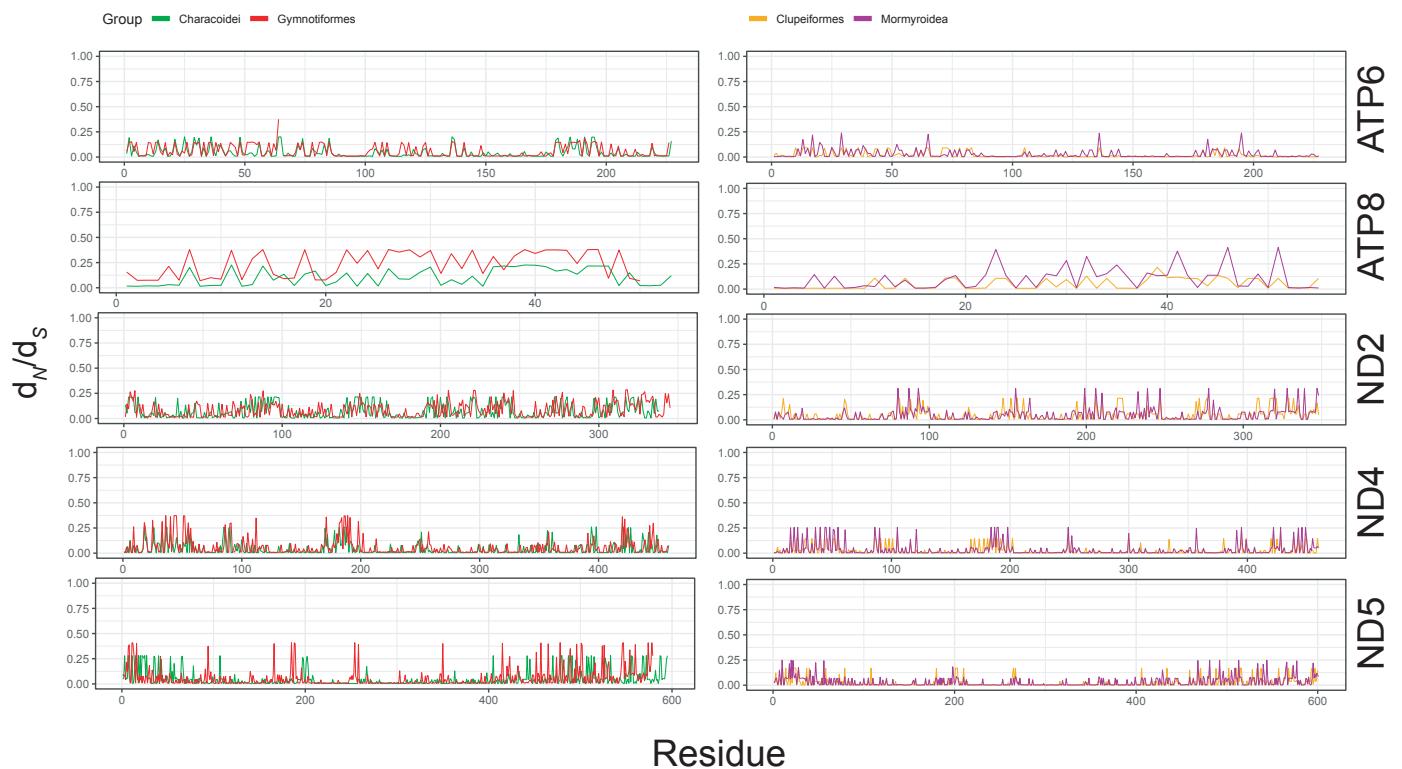
**Supplementary Figure 3 – molecular phylogeny of the African dataset.** A maximum likelihood reconstruction of the relationships of species included in the African dataset, based on complete mitochondrial genomes and using IQ-Tree program. Electrogenic group is highlighted with red branches.



**Supplementary Figure 5 – functional divergence of OXPHOS sites between electric fishes and non-electric relatives.** Sites with posterior probability, of being in the divergent class, above 0.5 are shown in red (South American dataset) and purple (African dataset). Genes with darker shades have at least one residue with evidence of functional divergence.



**Supplementary Figure 5 – functional constraint on complex I subunits evolution.** Rates of non-synonymous to synonymous substitutions estimated across genes (model M0) based on their involvement in either proton translocation (black) or coupling (cornflower blue). Schematic on the top shows the location of both types of subunits within complex I (PDB:5LNK).



**Supplementary Figure 6 – Omega estimates across sites in complex I and V.** For each gene, mean omega estimate across sites in the electric fishes and non-electric relative is plotted show peaks of elevated  $d_N/d_S$ .

**Supplementary Table 1 - Taxa used in this study.**

Order	Species	Genbank Accession
Gymnotiformes	<i>Gymnorhamphichthys sp.</i>	NC_015754.1
Gymnotiformes	<i>Electrophorus electricus</i>	KX058572
Gymnotiformes	<i>Brachyhypopomus occidentalis</i>	AP011570
Gymnotiformes	<i>Eigenmannia sp.</i>	NC_004701.1
Gymnotiformes	<i>Brachyhypopomus sp. n. VERD</i>	KX058570
Gymnotiformes	<i>Apteronotus albifrons</i>	NC_004692.1
Characiformes	<i>Hepsetus odoe</i>	NC_015819.1
Characiformes	<i>Citharinus conicus</i>	NC_015805.1
Characiformes	<i>Distichodus sexfasciatus</i>	NC_015836.1
Characiformes	<i>Ichthyborus sp.</i>	NC_015752.1
Characiformes	<i>Chalceus macrolepidotus</i>	NC_004700.1
Characiformes	<i>Hemiodopsis gracilis</i>	NC_015816.1
Characiformes	<i>Myleus sp.</i>	NC_015751.1
Characiformes	<i>Piaractus mesopotamicus</i>	NC_024940.1
Characiformes	<i>Apareiodon affinis</i>	NC_015834.1
Characiformes	<i>Chilodus punctatus</i>	NC_015801.1
Characiformes	<i>Lebiasina astrigata</i>	NC_015750.1
Characiformes	<i>Hydrolycus scomberoides</i>	NC_015813.1
Siluriformes	<i>Amphilios sp.</i>	NC_015746.1
Siluriformes	<i>Amblydoras gonzalezi</i>	NC_015745.1
Siluriformes	<i>Tetranemichthys quadrifilis</i>	NC_015743.1
Siluriformes	<i>Centromochlus perugiae</i>	NC_015748.1
Siluriformes	<i>Synodontis schoutedeni</i>	NC_015808.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pangasianodon gigas</i>	NC_006381.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pangasius larnaudii</i>	NC_015839.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pangasius pangasius</i>	NC_023924.1
Siluriformes	<i>Auchenoglanis occidentalis</i>	NC_015809.1
Siluriformes	<i>Cranoglanis bouderius</i>	NC_008280.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pareutropius debauwi</i>	NC_015837.1
Siluriformes	<i>Heteropneustes fossilis</i>	NC_015827.1
Siluriformes	<i>Clarias sp.</i>	NC_015749.1
Siluriformes	<i>Clarias batrachus</i>	NC_023923.1
Siluriformes	<i>Clarias fuscus</i>	NC_023941.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus ussuriensis</i>	NC_020344.1
Siluriformes	<i>Leiocassis longirostris</i>	NC_014586.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus albomarginatus</i>	NC_022726.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus crassilabris</i>	NC_021394.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus brevicaudatus</i>	NC_021393.1

Siluriformes	<i>Tachysurus nitidus</i>	NC_024456.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus truncatus</i>	NC_021395.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus emarginatus</i>	NC_024279.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pelteobagrus vachellii</i>	NC_014862.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus tokiensis</i>	NC_004697.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus brevicorpus</i>	NC_015625.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus ondon</i>	NC_022725.1
Siluriformes	<i>Tachysurus fulvidraco</i>	NC_023767.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pelteobagrus eupogon</i>	NC_018768.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudobagrus trilineatus</i>	NC_022705.1
Siluriformes	<i>Hemibagrus macropterus</i>	NC_019592.1
Siluriformes	<i>Hemibagrus guttatus</i>	NC_023976.1
Siluriformes	<i>Hemibagrus spilopterus</i>	NC_023222.1
Siluriformes	<i>Hemibagrus nemurus</i>	NC_024273.1
Siluriformes	<i>Hemibagrus wyckioides</i>	NC_024278.1
Siluriformes	<i>Mystus rhegma</i>	NC_023223.1
Siluriformes	<i>Silurus glanis</i>	NC_014261.1
Siluriformes	<i>Silurus asotus</i>	NC_015806.1
Siluriformes	<i>Silurus soldatovi</i>	NC_022723.1
Siluriformes	<i>Silurus lanzhouensis</i>	NC_015650.1
Siluriformes	<i>Silurus meridionalis</i>	NC_014866.1
Siluriformes	<i>Rita rita</i>	NC_023376.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus kingi</i>	NC_020337.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus marginatus</i>	NC_022923.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus marginatoides</i>	NC_021122.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus nigricauda</i>	NC_021407.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus anguillicauda</i>	NC_021602.1
Siluriformes	<i>Liobagrus obesus</i>	NC_008232.1
Siluriformes	<i>Glyptothorax fokiensis fokiensis</i>	NC_018769.1
Siluriformes	<i>Glyptothorax sinensis</i>	NC_024672.1
Siluriformes	<i>Gagata dolichonema</i>	NC_021596.1
Siluriformes	<i>Glyptothorax trilineatus</i>	NC_021608.1
Siluriformes	<i>Bagarius yarrelli</i>	NC_021606.1
Siluriformes	<i>Glaridoglanis andersonii</i>	NC_021600.1
Siluriformes	<i>Glyptosternon maculatum</i>	NC_021597.1
Siluriformes	<i>Creteuchiloglanis kamengensis</i>	NC_021599.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudexostoma yunnanensis</i>	NC_021604.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pareuchiloglanis sinensis</i>	NC_024434.1
Siluriformes	<i>Oreoglanis macropterus</i>	NC_021607.1
Siluriformes	<i>Euchiloglanis kishinouyei</i>	NC_021598.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pseudecheneis sulcata</i>	NC_021605.1
Siluriformes	<i>Exostoma labiatum</i>	NC_021601.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pimelodus pictus</i>	NC_015797.1

Siluriformes	<i>Malapterurus electricus</i>	NC_015833.1
Siluriformes	<i>Diplomystes nahuelbutaensis</i>	NC_015823.1
Siluriformes	<i>Pterygoplichthys disjunctivus</i>	NC_015747.1
Siluriformes	<i>Bunocephalus coracoideus</i>	NC_015811.1
Siluriformes	<i>Corydoras rabauti</i>	NC_004698.1
Characiformes	<i>Phenacogrammus interruptus</i>	NC_004699.1
Characiformes	<i>Micralestes sp.</i>	NC_015753.1
Characiformes	<i>Acestrorhynchus sp.</i>	NC_015755.1
Cypriniformes	<i>Zacco platypus</i>	NC_023105.1
Characiformes	<i>Brycon orbignyanus</i>	NC_024938.1
Characiformes	<i>Hasemania nana</i>	NC_022724.1
Characiformes	<i>Paracheirodon axelrodi</i>	NC_023270.1
Gymnotiformes	<i>Sternopygus arenatus</i>	KX058571
Lepisosteiformes	<i>Lepisosteus oculatus</i>	NC_004744
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Osteoglossum bicirrhosum</i>	AB043025.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Osteoglossum bicirrhosum</i>	NC_003095.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Heterotis niloticus</i>	AP009498.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Arapaima gigas</i>	AP009497.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Marcusenius senegalensis</i>	AP011575.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Cyphomyrus discorhynchus</i>	AP009613.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Genyomyrus donnyi</i>	AP009500.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Gnathonemus petersii</i>	AP009611.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Gnathonemus petersii</i>	AP008928.2
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Campylomormyrus numenius</i>	AP011571.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Paramormyrops gabonensis</i>	AP009614.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Paramormyrops sp.</i>	AP011581.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Paramormyrops sp.</i>	AP011580.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Paramormyrops sp.</i>	AP011579.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Paramormyrops sp.</i>	AP011578.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Ivindomyrus marchei</i>	AP011574.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Boulengeromyrus knoepffleri</i>	AP011568.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Brevimyrus niger</i>	AP009612.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Brienomyrus niger</i>	AP008929.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Hyperopisus bebe</i>	AP011572.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Mormyrops anguilloides</i>	AP011576.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Pollimyrus adspersus</i>	AP011582.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Stomatorhinus cf.</i>	AP011583.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Isichthys henryi</i>	AP011573.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Brienomyrus brachystius</i>	AP011569.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Mormyrus rume</i>	AP011577.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Myomyrus macrops</i>	AP009501.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Petrocephalus microphthalmus</i>	AP009609.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Petrocephalus soudanensis</i>	AP009502.1

Osteoglossiformes	<i>Gymnarchus niloticus</i>	AP009610.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Gymnarchus niloticus</i>	AP008930.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Xenomystus nigri</i>	AP009503.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Xenomystus nigri</i>	AP008927.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Papyrocranus congoensis</i>	AP008926.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Chitala lopis</i>	AP008922.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Chitala blinci</i>	AP008921.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Chitala ornata</i>	AP008923.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Notopterus notopterus</i>	AP008925.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Notopterus notopterus</i>	AP008924.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Pantodon buchholzi</i>	AB043068.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Pantodon buchholzi</i>	NC_003096.1
Osteoglossiformes	<i>Pantodon buchholzi</i>	AP011564.1
Elopiformes	<i>Megalops atlanticus</i>	NC_005804.1
Elopiformes	<i>Megalops cyprinoides</i>	NC_005799.1
Elopiformes	<i>Elops saurus</i>	NC_005803.1
Elopiformes	<i>Elops hawaiensis</i>	NC_005798.1
Hiodontiformes	<i>Hiodon tergisus</i>	AP009499.1
Hiodontiformes	<i>Hiodon alosoides</i>	AP004356.2
Clupeiformes	<i>Denticeps clupeoides</i>	NC_007889.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Thryssa hamiltonii</i>	NC_036672.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Thryssa kammalensis</i>	NC_029940.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia brachynathus</i>	NC_026912.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia nasus</i>	KM257636.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia grayii</i>	NC_023538.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia ectenes</i>	NC_019625.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia lindmani</i>	NC_014271.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia mystus</i>	NC_019644.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Setipinna taty</i>	NC_020468.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Coilia reynaldi</i>	NC_014276.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Thryssa baelama</i>	NC_014264.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Lycothrisa crocodilus</i>	NC_014277.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Stolephorus commersonnii</i>	NC_033521.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Lycengraulis grossidens</i>	NC_014279.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Anchoviella sp.</i>	NC_014269.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Amazonsprattus scintilla</i>	NC_014265.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Engraulis encrasiculus</i>	NC_009581.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Engraulis japonicus</i>	NC_003097.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sardinella fijiensis</i>	NC_035874.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sardinella maderensis</i>	NC_009587.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Dorosoma petenense</i>	NC_009580.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Dorosoma cepedianum</i>	MG570429.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Ethmalosa fimbriata</i>	NC_009582.1

Clupeiformes	<i>Microthrissa congica</i>	NC_016695.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Pellonula leonensis</i>	NC_009591.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Odaxothrissa vittata</i>	NC_009590.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Anodontostoma chacunda</i>	NC_021446.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Nematalosa nasus</i>	NC_023824.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Nematalosa come</i>	NC_021447.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Nematalosa japonica</i>	NC_009586.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Clupanodon thrissa</i>	NC_018600.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Konosirus punctatus</i>	JQ753955.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa alabamae</i>	NC_028275.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa sapidissima</i>	KY769128.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa alosa</i>	NC_009575.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa pseudoharengus</i>	NC_009576.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa aestivalis</i>	MG570463.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Alosa mediocris</i>	MG570462.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Brevoortia tyrannus</i>	NC_014266.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sardinops melanostictus</i>	NC_002616.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sardinella longiceps</i>	NC_033407.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Clupeonella cultriventris</i>	NC_015109.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	NC_009593.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Clupea pallasii</i>	NC_009578.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Clupea harengus</i>	NC_009577.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sardina pilchardus</i>	NC_009592.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Pellona flavipinnis</i>	NC_014268.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Ilisha elongata</i>	NC_009585.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Ilisha africana</i>	NC_009584.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Etrumeus teres</i>	NC_009583.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Sundasalanx mekongensis</i>	NC_006919.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Spatelloides gracilis</i>	NC_009589.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Spatelloides delicatulus</i>	NC_009588.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Jenkinsia lamprotaenia</i>	NC_006917.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Dussumieriella elopsoides</i>	NC_035063.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Chirocentrus dorab</i>	NC_006913.1
Clupeiformes	<i>Jenkinsia sp.</i>	NC_015076.1

**Supplementary Table 2 - Random site analysis of the protein coding mitochondrial genes of South American dataset.** Np, number of parameters; k is the kappa estimate; df is degrees of freedom; p is the p-value using chi distribution; AIC is the Akaike Information Criterion; ns, non-significant

Gene	Complex	Model	np	$\ln L$	k	Parameters <sup>a</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p	AIC	
						$\omega_0$ (Perc <sub>0</sub> ) or p	$\omega_1$ (prop <sub>1</sub> ) or q	$\omega_2$ (prop <sub>2</sub> ) or $\omega_p$						
ND1	I	M0	189	-30657.79865	5.1857	0.02317								61693.5973
		M1a	190	-30614.65322	5.04242	0.02261 (99.0%)	1.0000 (1.0%)							61609.30644
		M2a	192	-30614.65322	5.04241	0.02261 (99.0%)	1.0000 (0.4%)	1.0000 (0.6%)	M1a	0	2	1		61613.30644
		M3	193	-29654.69242	5.24566	0.00170 (58.6%)	0.02769 (30.0%)	0.12430 (11.3%)	M0	2006.212464	4	0		59695.38484
									M2a	1919.921604	1	0		
		M7	190	-29631.76332	5.24249	p = 0.25404	q = 8.72239							59643.52664
ND2	I	M8	192	-29631.76636	5.24257	p = 0.25404	q = 8.72244	1.0000 (0%)	M7	-0.00608	2	ns		59647.53272
														0
		M0	189	-39056.80908	4.46779	0.05068								78491.61815
		M1a	190	-38684.10183	4.61345	0.04648 (94.6%)	1.0000 (5.4%)							77748.20366
		M2a	192	-38684.10183	4.61328	0.04648 (94.6%)	1.0000 (5.4%)	17.94018 (0%)	M1a	0	2	1		77752.20366
		M3	193	-37444.4727	4.71766	0.00530 (49.8%)	0.06028 (36.6%)	0.21272 (13.6%)	M0	3224.672758	4	0		75274.94539
ND3	I								M2a	2479.258264	1	0		
		M7	190	-37350.29501	4.76955	p = 0.37732	q = 4.89105							75080.59002
		M8	192	-37350.29828	4.76956	p = 0.37732	q = 4.89094	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.006548	2	ns		75084.59657
														0
		M0	189	-12713.01323	4.22514	0.04684								25804.02646
		M1a	190	-12473.69538	4.13086	0.02991 (86.7%)	1.0000 (13.3%)							25327.39077
ND4	I	M2a	192	-12473.69538	4.13086	0.02991 (86.7%)	1.0000 (0.2%)	1.0000 (13.1%)	M1a	0	2	1		25331.39077
		M3	193	-12053.18052	4.351	0.00514 (69.0%)	0.07732 (17.7%)	0.26694 (13.3%)	M0	1319.66542	4	0		24492.36104
									M2a	841.029726	1	0		
		M7	190	-12038.6984	4.48102	p = 0.23018	q = 2.78520							24457.39681
		M8	192	-12038.69953	4.48102	p = 0.23018	q = 2.78521	1.79134 (0%)	M7	-0.00226	2	ns		24461.39907
														0
ND4L	I	M0	189	-47682.46601	4.30728	0.03463								95742.93202
		M1a	190	-47407.16812	4.37746	0.03139 (96.0%)	1.0000 (4.0%)							95194.33624
		M2a	192	-47407.16812	4.37747	0.03139 (96.0%)	1.0000 (0.2%)	1.0000 (3.8%)	M1a	0	2	1		95198.33624
		M3	193	-45895.14863	4.37496	0.00396 (64.5%)	0.05400 (23.4%)	0.18294 (12.1%)	M0	3574.634756	4	0		92176.29727
									M2a	3024.038972	1	0		
		M7	190	-45839.3084	4.39962	p = 0.26221	q = 4.90001							92058.61679
ND4L	I	M8	192	-45832.91643	4.42848	p = 0.27371	q = 5.90539	1.0000 (0.4%)	M7	12.783928	2	0.00167		92049.83286
														0
		M0	189	-9579.580687	5.37352	0.0323								19537.16137
		M1a	190	-9579.581667	5.37352	0.03230 (100%)	1.0000 (0%)							19539.16333
		M2a	192	-9579.580687	5.37352	0.0323 (100%)	1.0000 (0%)	1.0000 (0%)	M1a	0.00196	2	0.99902		19543.16137

	M3	193	-9383.798437	5.41133	0.00650 (64.7%)	0.05454 (25.6%)	0.14571 (9.7%)	M0	391.5645	4	0	19153.59687
								M2a	391.5645	1	0	
	M7	190	-9382.032981	5.40989	p = 0.41951	q = 11.14882						19144.06596
	M8	192	-9382.03396	5.41001	p = 0.41954	q = 11.14995	1.0000 (0%)	M7	-0.001958	2	ns	19148.06792
												0
ND5	I	M0	189	-65760.79795	3.87461	0.04452						131899.5959
	M1a	190	-65204.30578	4.05128	0.03936 (94.0%)	1.00000 (6.0%)						130788.6116
	M2a	192	-65204.30578	4.05126	0.03936 (94.0%)	1.00000 (0.1%)	1.00000 (5.9%)	M1a	-2E-06	2	ns	130792.6116
	M3	193	-62985.44635	4.08736	0.00426 (56.3%)	0.05384 (29.5%)	0.20687 (14.2%)	M0	5550.70321	4	0	126356.8927
								M2a	4437.71887	1	0	
	M7	190	-62895.06542	4.13608	p = 0.31598	q = 4.71588						126170.1308
	M8	192	-62895.06968	4.1361	p = 0.31599	q = 4.71627	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.008528	2	ns	126174.1394
												0
ND6	I	M0	189	-19173.44218	5.80276	0.04983						38724.88437
	M1a	190	-19095.2088	6.39772	0.04788 (96.3%)	1.00000 (3.7%)						38570.41761
	M2a	192	-19095.2088	6.39769	0.04788 (96.3%)	1.00000 (1.5%)	1.00000 (2.2%)	M1a	0	2	1	38574.41761
	M3	193	-18528.96331	6.49906	0.00554 (42.5%)	0.03793 (31.6%)	0.15813 (25.9%)	M0	1288.957754	4	0	37443.92661
								M2a	1132.490994	1	0	
	M7	190	-18513.73709	6.66572	p = 0.49380	q = 7.43407						37407.47417
	M8	192	-18513.73881	6.66574	p = 0.49380	q = 7.43407	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.00345	2	ns	37411.47762
												0
Cytb	III	M0	189	-34464.69401	4.67992	0.02399						69307.38802
	M1a	190	-34300.21571	4.35716	0.02219 (96.2%)	1.00000 (3.8%)						68980.43142
	M2a	192	-34300.21571	4.35715	0.02219 (96.2%)	1.00000 (0.1%)	1.00000 (3.7%)	M1a	0	2	1	68984.43142
	M3	193	-32980.22552	4.73681	0.00162 (65.7%)	0.03495 (23.8%)	0.15708 (10.5%)	M0	2968.936976	4	0	66346.45105
								M2a	2639.980372	1	0	
	M7	190	-32947.48439	4.72998	p = 0.18912	q = 5.63044						66274.96877
	M8	192	-32947.4879	4.72996	p = 0.18912	q = 5.63042	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.00702	2	ns	66278.97579
												0
COI	IV	M0	189	-41296.68133	4.24903	0.01182						82971.36266
	M1a	190	-41211.62667	4.25935	0.01072/0.99411	1.0000/0.00589						82803.25334
	M2a	192	-41211.62667	4.25934	0.01072 (99.4%)	1.0000 (0.1%)	1.0000 (0.5%)	M1a	0	2	1	82807.25334
	M3	193	-40696.86569	4.22563	0.00133 (77.8%)	0.02783 (17.4%)	0.04827 (12.2%)	M0	1199.631284	4	0	81779.73137
								M2a	1029.521966	1	0	
	M7	190	-40705.03319	4.22743	p = 0.14750	q = 7.29379						81790.06638
	M8	192	-40705.03821	4.22745	p = 0.14749	q = 7.29337	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.01004	2	ns	81794.07642
												0
COII	IV	M0	189	-17711.72612	3.97043	0.02582						35801.45225
	M1a	190	-17623.78921	3.97235	0.02288 (98.7%)	1.0000 (1.3%)						35627.57843
	M2a	192	-17623.78921	3.97238	0.02288 (98.7%)	1.0000 (0.2%)	1.00000 (1.1%)	M1a	0	2	1	35631.57843
	M3	193	-17308.92809	3.95641	0.00522 (73.8%)	0.0583 (22.4%)	0.22433 (3.8%)	M0	805.596078	4	0	35003.85617
								M2a	629.722258	1	0	

	M7	190	-17304.77943	3.95318	p = 0.25947	q = 6.01003								34989.55885
	M8	192	-17295.82325	3.95485	p = 0.29636	q = 9.40877	1.0000 (0.4%)	M7	17.91236	2	0.00013	34975.64649		
0														
COLI	M0	189	-21536.94963	3.97274	0.02199									43451.89926
	M1a	190	-21485.7016	3.97948	0.01897 (98.0%)	1.0000 (2.0%)								43351.40321
	M2a	192	-21485.70159	3.98007	0.01897 (98.0%)	1.0000 (0.5%)	1.00000 (1.4%)	M1a	3.8E-05	2	0.99998	43355.40317		
	M3	193	-21039.66195	3.97342	0.00488 (77.3%)	0.04708 (15.9%)	0.16379 (6.8%)	M0	994.575374	4	0	42465.32389		
								M2a	892.07928	1	0			
	M7	190	-21056.21886	3.97343	p = 0.28454	q = 8.04947								42492.43772
ATP6	M8	192	-21056.22139	3.97322	p = 0.28464	q = 8.05411	1.00001 (0%)	M7	-0.005064	2	ns	42496.44279		
														0
	M0	189	-24014.26324	4.43053	0.03661									48406.52647
	M1a	190	-23826.77997	4.56831	0.03318 (95.6%)	1.0000 (4.4%)								48033.55994
	M2a	192	-23826.78258	4.59338	0.03306 (95.6%)	1.0000 (3.3%)	1.0000 (1.2%)	M1a	-0.005214	2	ns	48037.56516		
	M3	193	-23247.85238	4.59212	0.00470 (60.7%)	0.06100 (31.7%)	0.23803 (7.6%)	M0	1532.821714	4	0	46881.70476		
								M2a	1157.860398	1	0			
ATP8	M7	190	-23215.67119	4.54438	p = 0.27882	q = 4.48612								46811.34238
	M8	192	-23218.42518	4.5358	p = 0.27256	q = 3.96319	1.0000 (0%)	M7	-5.507984	2	ns	46820.85037		
														0
	M0	189	-4751.951078	3.63263	0.11782									9881.902156
	M1a	190	-4696.529282	3.79772	0.10633 (88.1%)	1.00000 (11.9%)								9773.058564
	M2a	192	-4696.529282	3.79772	0.10633 (88.1%)	1.00000 (10.9%)	1.00000 (1.0%)	M1a	0	2	1	9777.058564		
	M3	193	-4583.717207	3.60262	0.01173 (37.8%)	0.13154 (49.5%)	0.43251 (12.6%)	M0	336.467742	4	0	9553.434414		
								M2a	225.62415	1	0			
	M7	190	-4583.407345	3.61239	p = 0.56417	q = 3.92647								9546.81469
	M8	192	-4583.407824	3.61239	p = 0.56417	q = 3.92647	1.15342 (0%)	M7	-0.000958	2	ns	9550.815648		
														0

**Supplementary Table 3 - Likelihood ratio tests for random-sites models (PAML) of the mitochondrial protein-coding genes of African dataset.** Np, number of parameters; k is the kappa estimate; df is degrees of freedom; p is the p-value using chi distribution; AIC is the Akaike Information Criterion; ns, non-significant

Gene	Complex	Model	np	$\ln L$	k	Parameters <sup>a</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p	AIC	
						$\omega_0$ (prop <sub>0</sub> ) or p	$\omega_1$ (prop <sub>1</sub> ) or q	$\omega_2$ (prop <sub>2</sub> ) or $\omega_p$						
ND1	I	M0	213	-35224.04365	4.66396	0.02272								70874.08729
		M1a	214	-35169.84224	4.6958	0.02146 (98.1%)	1.0000 (1.9%)							70767.68447
		M2a	216	-35169.84224	4.6958	0.02146 (98.1%)	1.0000 (1.8%)	1.0000 (0.1%)	M1a	0	2	1		70771.68447
		M3	217	-34243.95583	4.69627	0.00156 (63.8%)	0.0361 (26.5%)	0.12897 (9.7%)	M0	1960.175636	4	0		68921.91166
									M2a	1851.772816	1	0		
		M7	214	-34227.03988	4.73417	p = 0.22572	q = 6.93456							68882.07977
ND2	I	M0	213	-45412.11501	4.06095	0.05566								91250.23003
		M1a	214	-45251.7562	4.16148	0.05333 (95.8%)	1.0000 (4.2%)							90931.5124
		M2a	216	-45251.7562	4.16148	0.05333 (95.8%)	1.0000 (3.9%)	17.94018 (0.3%)	M1a	0	2	1		90935.5124
		M3	217	-43956.26871	4.19856	0.00436 (44.1%)	0.0513 (33.2%)	0.16454 (22.7%)	M0	2911.692608	4	0		88346.53742
									M2a	2590.974984	1	0		
		M7	214	-43872.68033	4.26169	p = 0.41017	q = 6.06572							88173.36066
ND3	I	M0	213	-13773.41678	4.90619	0.03663								27972.83355
		M1a	214	-13693.80805	4.89356	0.03118 (91.4%)	1.0000 (8.6%)							27815.61611
		M2a	216	-13693.80805	4.89357	0.03118 (91.4%)	1.0000 (8.2%)	1.0000 (0.4%)	M1a	0	2	1		27819.61611
		M3	217	-13140.97914	5.17597	0.00238 (62.7%)	0.04671 (22.3%)	0.17576 (15.0%)	M0	1264.875264	4	0		26715.95829
									M2a	1105.657818	1	0		
		M7	214	-13126.57476	5.227	p = 0.22700	q = 5.38231							26681.14952
ND4	I	M0	213	-52822.0422	4.29891	0.03129								106070.0844
		M1a	214	-52566.3819	4.38911	0.02761 (96.7%)	1.0000 (3.3%)							105560.7638
		M2a	216	-52566.3819	4.3891	0.02761 (96.7%)	1.0000 (2.9%)	1.0000 (0.4%)	M1a	0	2	1		105564.7638
		M3	217	-51017.02916	4.42707	0.00263 (59.4%)	0.03703 (27.7%)	0.1561 (12.9%)	M0	3610.026074	4	0		102468.0583
									M2a	3098.70548	1	0		
		M7	214	-50955.98124	4.47306	p = 0.26478	q = 5.60178							102339.9625
ND4L	I	M0	213	-10318.57133	5.53842	0.02898								21063.14266
		M1a	214	-10318.57231	5.53842	0.02898 (100.0%)	1.0000 (0%)							21065.14462
		M2a	216	-10317.45609	5.56808	0.02887 (100.0%)	1.0000 (0%)	999.000 (0%)	M1a	2.232444	2	0.32751		21066.91217
		M3	217	-10084.63541	5.87429	0.00394 (59.8%)	0.03912 (23.4%)	0.10277 (16.8%)	M0	467.871842	4	0		20603.27081

												M2a	465.641358	1	0								
															20590.03687								
												M8	216	-10082.20487	5.8722	p = 0.38081	q = 12.63544	1.0000 (0%)	M7	-2.37286	2	ns	20596.40973
ND5	I	M0	213	-67683.68969	4.11176	0.03224											0	135793.3794					
	M1a	214	-67432.39508	4.28584	0.02978 (96.8%)	1.00000 (3.2%)											135292.7902						
	M2a	216	-67432.39508	4.28582	0.02978 (96.8%)	1.00000 (2.4%)	1.00000 (0.8%)	M1a	0	2	1						135296.7902						
	M3	217	-65172.08908	4.25441	0.00219 (57.6%)	0.04133 (29.6%)	0.15643 (12.8%)	M0	5023.201232	4	0						130778.1782						
								M2a	4520.612002	1	0												
	M7	214	-65089.2715	4.31635	p = 0.26220	q = 5.75187											130606.543						
	M8	216	-65089.27751	4.31634	p = 0.26220	q = 5.75186	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.012024	2	ns						130610.555						
ND6	I	M0	213	-24373.6254	4.68741	0.05884											0	49173.25079					
	M1a	214	-24315.56259	4.8473	0.06041 (96.1%)	1.00000 (3.9%)											49059.12518						
	M2a	216	-24315.56259	4.84729	0.04788 (96.1%)	1.00000 (2.1%)	1.00000 (1.8%)	M1a	0	2	1						49063.12518						
	M3	217	-23604.46159	5.18901	0.00708 (39.4%)	0.05304 (33.9%)	0.15809 (26.7%)	M0	1538.327606	4	0						47642.92319						
								M2a	1422.201992	1	0												
	M7	214	-23565.0415	5.34445	p = 0.59848	q = 7.91781											47558.08299						
	M8	216	-23565.04315	5.34445	p = 0.59848	q = 7.91783	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.003308	2	ns						47562.0863						
Cytb	III	M0	213	-37088.58641	4.0686	0.01972											0	74603.17283					
	M1a	214	-37027.03229	4.06819	0.01852 (98.9%)	1.00000 (1.1%)											74482.06458						
	M2a	216	-37027.03229	4.06818	0.01852 (98.9%)	1.00000 (0.3%)	1.00000 (0.8%)	M1a	0	2	1						74486.06458						
	M3	217	-36027.12882	4.0604	0.00133 (68.3%)	0.03604 (23.5%)	0.13721 (8.2%)	M0	2122.915196	4	0						72488.25763						
								M2a	1999.80695	1	0												
	M7	214	-36023.6264	4.06174	p = 0.17999	q = 6.65216											72475.2528						
	M8	216	-36023.63019	4.06173	p = 0.17999	q = 6.65216	1.00000 (0%)	M7	-0.00758	2	ns						72479.26038						
COI	IV	M0	213	-43087.93503	3.95652	0.00809											0	86601.87006					
	M1a	214	-43036.59303	3.96496	0.00727 (99.6%)	1.0000 (0.4%)											86501.18607						
	M2a	216	-43036.59303	3.96501	0.00727 (99.6%)	1.0000 (0.1%)	1.0000 (0.3%)	M1a	2E-06	2	1						86505.18607						
	M3	217	-42676.50462	3.94254	0.00103 (82.8%)	0.03155 (16.0%)	0.1709 (1.2%)	M0	822.860832	4	0						85787.00923						
								M2a	720.176836	1	0												
	M7	214	-42706.39999	3.93586	p = 0.13983	q = 10.88442											85840.79998						
	M8	216	-42706.40513	3.93587	p = 0.13983	q = 10.88436	1.64479 (0%)	M7	-0.01028	2	ns						85844.81026						
COII	IV	M0	213	-18708.20329	4.41227	0.01537											0	37842.40658					
	M1a	214	-18702.47546	4.37725	0.01479 (99.6%)	1.0000 (0.4%)											37832.95092						
	M2a	216	-18702.47546	4.3773	0.01479 (99.6%)	1.0000 (0%)	1.00000 (0.4%)	M1a	0	2	1						37836.95092						
	M3	217	-18441.57455	4.39221	0.00166 (65.2%)	0.02525 (25.7%)	0.0852 (9.1%)	M0	533.257484	4	0						37317.1491						
								M2a	521.801822	1	0												
	M7	214	-18439.64765	4.38638	p = 0.27179	q = 14.59516											37307.2953						

	M8	216	-18439.64995	4.38638	p = 0.27179	q = 14.59493	2.00239 (0%)	M7	-0.0046	2	ns	37311.2999	
0													
COIII	M0	213	-22437.91077	4.26021	0.01656							45301.82154	
	M1a	214	-22420.22949	4.26523	0.01529 (98.9%)	1.0000 (1.1%)						45268.45898	
	M2a	216	-22420.22949	4.26523	0.01529 (98.9%)	1.0000 (0.5%)	1.00000 (0.6%)	M1a	0	2	1	45272.45898	
	M3	217	-21853.32876	4.25283	0.00076 (75.0%)	0.03207 (15.3%)	0.12356 (9.7%)	M0	1169.164022	4	0	44140.65752	
								M2a	1133.801462	1	0		
	M7	214	-21849.93925	4.24891	p = 0.13230	q = 5.59197						44127.8785	
ATP6	M8	216	-21849.94186	4.24892	p = 0.13230	q = 5.59205	2.01136 (0%)	M7	-0.00522	2	ns	44131.88372	
	0												
	M0	213	-25093.10846	4.60925	0.02334							50612.21692	
	M1a	214	-25093.11073	4.60929	0.02334 (100.0%)	1.0000 (0%)						50614.22146	
	M2a	216	-25093.10846	4.60925	0.02334 (100.0%)	1.0000 (0%)	1.0000 (0%)	M1a	0.00454	2	0.99773	50618.21692	
	M3	217	-24549.57586	4.72297	0.00150 (50.7%)	0.02057 (30.7%)	0.08814 (18.6%)	M0	1087.065194	4	0	49533.15172	
ATP8								M2a	1087.065194	1	0		
	M7	214	-24538.8149	4.76052	p = 0.33219	q = 11.77892						46811.34238	
	M8	216	-24538.81717	4.76052	p = 0.33219	q = 11.77895	1.0000 (0%)	M7	-0.00454	2	ns	49509.63435	
	0												
	M0	213	-5780.629912	4.77949	0.07771							11987.25982	
	M1a	214	-5780.630462	4.77952	0.07771 (100.0%)	1.00000 (0%)						11989.26092	
	M2a	216	-5780.629912	4.77949	0.07771 (100.0%)	1.00000 (0%)	1.00000 (0%)	M1a	0.0011	2	0.99945	11993.25982	
	M3	217	-5621.925806	5.09675	0.00744 (39.6%)	0.07873 (34.8%)	0.19538 (25.5%)	M0	317.408212	4	0	11677.85161	
								M2a	317.408212	1	0		
	M7	214	-5621.842447	5.1594	p = 0.58625	q = 7.68718						9546.81469	
	M8	216	-5621.842997	5.1594	p = 0.58625	q = 7.68717	2.19493 (0%)	M7	-0.0011	2	ns	11675.68599	
	0												

**Supplementary Table 4 – Random-site likelihood ratio tests for random-sites models (PAML) of the independent clades.** Gymn, Gymnotiformes only dataset; Charac, Characoidei only dataset; Morm, Mormyroidea only dataset; Clupei, Clupeiformes only dataset.

Gene	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\kappa$	Parameters <sup>a</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p
					$\omega_0/p$	$\omega_1/q$	$\omega_2/\omega_p$				
Gymn ATP6	M0	16	-3641.42	2.77045	0.05357						
	M3	20	-3566.98	2.95321	0.00548 (58.4%)	0.11412 (35.9%)	0.28940 (5.8%)	M0	148.8767	4	0
Gymn ATP8	M0	16	-960.93	2.92573	0.22725						
	M3	20	-952.734	3.1314	0.06458 (41.1%)	0.39467 (25.7%)	0.39467 (33.3%)	M0	16.39274	4	0.00254
Gymn COI	M0	16	-6167.86	3.10002	0.0124						
	M3	20	-6125.31	3.03813	0.00001 (71.9%)	0.03004 (23.4%)	0.13497 (4.7%)	M0	85.09226	4	0
Gymn COII	M0	16	-3085.92	3.0664	0.04392						
	M3	20	-3052.26	3.07948	0.00000 (44.9%)	0.05812 (45.8%)	0.18327 (9.3%)	M0	67.31411	4	0
Gymn COIII	M0	16	-3211.12	3.08523	0.02842						
	M3	20	-3175	3.06573	0.00000 (65.3%)	0.07088 (31.0%)	0.24404 (3.7%)	M0	72.24241	4	0
Gymn CYTB	M0	16	-5180.29	3.70993	0.02629						
	M3	20	-5074.4	4.01799	0.00000 (40.7%)	0.01504 (40.8%)	0.11773 (18.4%)	M0	211.7719	4	0
Gymn ND1	M0	16	-4584.07	4.64259	0.03191						
	M3	20	-4504.76	4.98183	0.00000 (53.5%)	0.05606 (40.8%)	0.21714 (5.7%)	M0	158.6147	4	0
Gymn ND2	M0	16	-6072.52	2.6095	0.07852						
	M3	20	-5957.82	2.81775	0.01215 (51.4%)	0.12695 (40.3%)	0.29681 (8.3%)	M0	229.3847	4	0
Gymn ND3	M0	16	-1911.42	2.69619	0.06147						
	M3	20	-1847.85	3.06738	0.00000 (52.9%)	0.09290 (35.8%)	0.38500 (11.2%)	M0	127.143	4	0
Gymn ND4	M0	16	-7083.68	3.14867	0.04777						
	M3	20	-6911.27	3.44741	0.00143 (50.9%)	0.06622 (40.7%)	0.35446 (8.4%)	M0	344.816	4	0
Gymn ND4L	M0	16	-1483.89	5.88689	0.03169						
	M3	20	-1463.42	6.28033	0.00844 (74.7%)	0.10413 (10.6%)	0.10413 (14.8%)	M0	40.93118	4	0
Gymn ND5	M0	16	-9121.84	2.94278	0.04743						
	M3	20	-8865.62	3.15319	0.00590 (62.5%)	0.08244 (28.1%)	0.37209 (9.4%)	M0	512.4464	4	0
Gymn ND6	M0	16	-2787.93	3.32951	0.04899						
	M3	20	-2728.03	4.17696	0.00578 (47.7%)	0.05589 (38.3%)	0.25631 (14.1%)	M0	119.8003	4	0
Charac ATP6	M0	29	-5798.06	2.99678	0.04027						
	M3	33	-5667.81	2.99309	0.00491 (58.2%)	0.05706 (29.3%)	0.28940 (5.8%)	M0	260.5005	4	0
Charac ATP8	M0	29	-1442.11	3.69051	0.10061						
	M3	33	-1407.25	3.67211	0.01396 (42.5%)	0.10019 (24.6%)	0.22728 (32.9%)	M0	69.71498	4	0
Charac COI	M0	29	-9942.78	3.67161	0.01213						
	M3	33	-9802.6	3.63449	0.00064 (84.5%)	0.05180 (12.5%)	0.19125 (3.1%)	M0	280.3627	4	0
Charac COII	M0	29	-4446.27	3.74345	0.02661						
	M3	33	-4377.31	3.69873	0.00597 (79.5%)	0.09907 (19.3%)	0.34893 (1.2%)	M0	137.9079	4	0
Charac	M0	29	-5206.77	2.94498	0.01674						

COIII		M3	33	-5169.95	3.00346	0.00599 (80.0%)	0.05377 (19.5%)	0.38437 (0.5%)	M0	73.62768	4 0
Charac	CYTB	M0	29	-7909.7	3.52718	0.02534					
Charac	ND1	M3	33	-7621.84	3.59699	0.00165 (71.5%)	0.05394 (22.3%)	0.26642 (6.3%)	M0	575.7063	4 0
Charac	ND2	M0	29	-7168.14	4.58791	0.02091					
Charac	ND3	M3	33	-6994.24	4.56179	0.00317 (75.5%)	0.06026 (19.5%)	0.16816 (5.0%)	M0	347.7908	4 0
Charac	ND4	M0	29	-10098.8	2.80312	0.06596					
Charac	ND5	M3	33	-9764.78	2.88207	0.00297 (38.4%)	0.05580 (38.5%)	0.21542 (23.0%)	M0	667.9682	4 0
Charac	ND6	M0	29	-2835.36	3.56083	0.04267					
Charac	ND7	M3	33	-2734.91	3.59353	0.00094 (60.2%)	0.05947 (29.0%)	0.29632 (10.8%)	M0	200.9025	4 0
Charac	ND8	M0	29	-11146.9	3.44173	0.03633					
Charac	ND9	M3	33	-10821	3.55098	0.00364 (67.6%)	0.07591 (25.1%)	0.26059 (7.3%)	M0	651.8642	4 0
Charac	ND10	M0	29	-2340.34	5.86618	0.03797					
Charac	ND11	M3	33	-2295.43	5.96939	0.00540 (67.4%)	0.08876 (30.1%)	0.34320 (2.5%)	M0	89.81815	4 0
Charac	ND12	M0	29	-15446.9	2.67729	0.04274					
Charac	ND13	M3	33	-14928.9	2.88888	0.00320 (53.4%)	0.04762 (36.9%)	0.28052 (9.7%)	M0	1036.078	4 0
Charac	ND14	M0	29	-4969.27	3.32299	0.05629					
Charac	ND15	M3	33	-4769.2	4.10706	0.00218 (41.1%)	0.06807 (42.3%)	0.21191 (16.6%)	M0	400.1426	4 0
Morm	ATP6	M0	55	-7188.76	6.52273	0.02745					
Morm	ATP8	M3	59	-7050.75	7.05078	00433 (71.0%)	0.07008 (25.3%)	0.24159 (3.7%)	M0	276.0278	4 0
Morm	COI	M0	55	-1812.72	6.39377	0.09484					
Morm	COII	M3	59	-1758.87	7.88508	0.00919 (47.9%)	0.13155 (41.3%)	0.41545 (10.8%)	M0	107.6871	4 0
Morm	COIII	M0	55	-12982.2	5.4923	0.00823					
Morm	CYTB	M3	59	-12860	5.54809	0.00000 (77.3%)	0.02533 (21.0%)	0.19026 (1.6%)	M0	244.4144	4 0
Morm	ND1	M0	55	-5339.79	6.53611	0.01509					
Morm	ND2	M3	59	-5276.26	6.60956	0.00000 (51.9%)	0.01651 (40.1%)	0.11734 (8.0%)	M0	127.0529	4 0
Morm	ND3	M0	55	-6535.79	5.36063	0.02096					
Morm	ND4	M3	59	-6344.97	5.41863	0.00000 (78.5%)	0.07933 (18.7%)	0.32431 (2.8%)	M0	381.6354	4 0
Morm	ND5	M0	55	-10366.5	6.39386	0.01883					
Morm	ND6	M3	59	-10093	6.53981	0.00000 (61.7%)	0.02284 (27.6%)	0.12325 (10.6%)	M0	547.0882	4 0
Morm	ND7	M0	55	-9371.54	5.91441	0.01669					
Morm	ND8	M3	59	-9191.92	6.17638	0.00000 (53.5%)	0.01627 (30.8%)	0.07742 (15.7%)	M0	359.2413	4 0
Morm	ND9	M0	55	-11321.4	5.26914	0.04807					
Morm	ND10	M3	59	-10985.5	5.54386	0.00403 (56.8%)	0.07811 (37.0%)	0.31273 (6.2%)	M0	671.9298	4 0
Morm	ND11	M0	55	-3909.48	6.66134	0.03458					
Morm	ND12	M3	59	-3766.68	7.3023	0.00000 (47.5%)	0.02188 (35.2%)	0.17196 (17.3%)	M0	285.5845	4 0
Morm	ND13	M0	55	-14590.8	6.06355	0.03122					
Morm	ND14	M3	59	-14140.4	6.39522	0.00244 (65.3%)	0.04918 (26.5%)	0.25728 (8.2%)	M0	900.6552	4 0
Morm	ND15	M0	55	-2882.78	6.92015	0.02048					
Morm	ND16	M3	59	-2844.4	7.36025	0.00000 (42.3%)	0.01976 (50.6%)	0.16517 (7.2%)	M0	76.75393	4 0
Morm	ND17	M0	55	-18415.1	5.72727	0.03042					
Morm	ND18	M3	59	-17851.4	6.03656	0.00200 (65.2%)	0.06842 (30.8%)	0.24786 (4.0%)	M0	1127.396	4 0
Morm	ND19	M0	55	-5397.21	7.25336	0.04615					
Morm	ND20	M3	59	-5248.21	8.68757	0.00514 (57.6%)	0.08052 (38.6%)	0.53480 (3.8%)	M0	297.9879	4 0

Clupei ATP6	M0	115	-14770.8	4.2861	0.0192						
	M3	119	-14494.2	4.34603	0.00004 (49.2%)	0.01536 (35.8%)	0.09203 (15.0%)	M0	553.1381	4	0
Clupei ATP8	M0	115	-3072.08	4.38044	0.05136						
	M3	119	-3002.45	4.44387	0.00824 (59.2%)	0.10556 (37.8%)	0.22893 (3.0%)	M0	139.2567	4	0
Clupei COI	M0	115	-25579.2	3.94091	0.00638						
	M3	119	-25430.7	3.92246	0.00113 (85.8%)	0.02763 (13.1%)	0.14658 (1.1%)	M0	297.0871	4	0
Clupei COII	M0	115	-11130.6	3.88962	0.01276						
	M3	119	-10997.3	3.86601	0.00294 (83.6%)	0.05563 (15.9%)	0.36160 (0.4%)	M0	266.6692	4	0
Clupei COIII	M0	115	-13454.6	4.34276	0.01131						
	M3	119	-13168.5	4.38325	0.00099 (86.0%)	0.05229 (11.1%)	0.19843 (2.9%)	M0	572.191	4	0
Clupei CYTB	M0	115	-22090.2	3.74164	0.01483						
	M3	119	-21639	3.73096	0.00110 (75.0%)	0.02993 (18.1%)	0.13314 (6.8%)	M0	902.2545	4	0
Clupei ND1	M0	115	-21478.7	5.59896	0.0162						
	M3	119	-20990.3	5.70695	0.00165 (72.8%)	0.03598 (21.4%)	0.12598 (5.9%)	M0	976.7363	4	0
Clupei ND2	M0	115	-28437.5	4.20765	0.04806						
	M3	119	-27556.2	4.51347	0.00457 (49.7%)	0.05838 (39.2%)	0.21535 (11.0%)	M0	1762.644	4	0
Clupei ND3	M0	115	-8141.29	4.98023	0.03067						
	M3	119	-7791.77	5.37017	0.00114 (66.0%)	0.05355 (22.4%)	0.17241 (11.6%)	M0	699.0489	4	0
Clupei ND4	M0	115	-31874.5	4.29799	0.02531						
	M3	119	-30848.8	4.524	0.00146 (62.6%)	0.02962 (26.6%)	0.14542 (11.2%)	M0	2051.381	4	0
Clupei ND4L	M0	115	-6198.73	5.39936	0.03153						
	M3	119	-6086.66	5.6652	0.00006 (31.3%)	0.01470 (36.2%)	0.07879 (32.5%)	M0	224.1264	4	0
Clupei ND5	M0	115	-40347.2	4.36211	0.02526						
	M3	119	-38957.3	4.55562	0.00158 (64.8%)	0.03823 (26.2%)	0.17005 (9.0%)	M0	2779.812	4	0
Clupei ND6	M0	115	-15892.1	4.30808	0.06107						
	M3	119	-15420.2	4.80591	0.00534 (30.3%)	0.03690 (35.6%)	0.14467 (34.1%)	M0	943.8119	4	0

**Supplementary Table 5 - Clade model analyses of the South American dataset.** Np, number of parameters; LRT is likelihood ratio test; p is the p-value of significance; ns denotes those with negative LRTs. Foreground omega estimates labelled F, and background estimates labelled B.

Gene	Complex	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\chi^2$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p								
						$\omega_0$	$\omega_I$	$\omega_2/\omega_d$												
<u>ND1</u>	I	M2a_rel	192	-29788.47877	5.23087	0.09171 (19.8%)	1.0000 (0%)	0.00648 (80.2%)	M2a_rel	0.10	1	0.756								
		CmC_Alt	193	-29788.43056	5.22811	0.00649 (80.2%)	1.0000 (0%)	0.09135 (19.8%)												
						F: 0.09497														
		M3	193	-29654.69242	5.24566	0.00170 (58.6%)	0.02769 (30.0%)	0.12430 (11.3%)	M2a_rel	267.57	1	0.000								
<u>ND2</u>	I	CmD_Alt	194	-29654.69204	5.24585	0.02769 (30.0%)	0.00170 (58.6%)	B: 0.12435 (11.3%)	M3	0.00	1	0.978								
						F: 0.12386														
		M2a_rel	192	-37647.16431	4.58039	0.10606 (39.3%)	1.0000 (2.4%)	0.00989 (58.3%)	M2a_rel	30.26	1	0.000								
		CmC_Alt	193	-37632.03531	4.58299	0.11973 (34.1%)	1.00000 (2.4%)	B: 0.01091 (63.5%)												
<u>ND3</u>	I					F: 0.02339														
		M3	193	-37444.4727	4.71766	0.00530 (49.8%)	0.06028 (36.6%)	0.21272 (13.6%)	M2a_rel	405.38	1	0.000								
		CmD_Alt	194	-37435.19616	4.6614	0.00531 (49.0%)	0.20346 (15.6%)	B: 0.05400 (35.3%)	M3	18.55	1	0.000								
						F: 0.08892														
<u>ND4</u>	I	M2a_rel	192	-46044.18884	4.41331	0.10731 (28.0%)	1.0000 (0.5%)	0.00631 (71.5%)	M2a_rel	1.10	1	0.295								
		CmC_Alt	193	-46041.99601	4.40111	0.00638 (71.4%)	1.0000 (0.5%)	B: 0.10473 (28.0%)												
						F: 0.19197														
		M3	193	-12053.18052	4.351	0.00514 (69.0%)	0.07732 (17.7%)	0.26694 (13.3%)	M2a_rel	135.81	1	0.000								
<u>ND4L</u>	I	CmD_Alt	194	-12051.76689	4.33813	0.00518 (68.8%)	0.26942 (13.2%)	B: 0.07293 (17.9%)	M3	2.83	1	0.093								
						F: 0.10371														
		M2a_rel	192	-45895.14863	4.37496	0.00396 (64.5%)	0.05400 (23.4%)	0.18294 (12.1%)	M2a_rel	298.08	1	0.000								
		CmD_Alt	194	-45894.75161	4.35193	0.05492 (23.5%)	0.00401 (64.6%)	B: 0.18254 (11.9%)	M3	0.79	1	0.373								
<u>ND5</u>	I					F: 0.20276														
		M2a_rel	192	-9399.676672	5.39418	0.00790 (69.7%)	1.0000 (0%)	0.08782 (30.3%)	M2a_rel	0.02	1	0.881								
		CmC_Alt	193	-9399.665489	5.39032	0.00792 (69.7%)	1.0000 (0%)	B: 0.08746 (30.3%)												
						F: 0.09027														
<u>ND6</u>	I	M3	193	-9383.798437	5.41133	0.00650 (64.7%)	0.05454 (25.6%)	0.14571 (9.7%)	M2a_rel	31.76	1	0.000								
		CmD_Alt	194	-9383.266763	5.40507	0.00652 (65.1%)	0.05528 (25.5%)	B: 0.15421 (9.3%)	M3	1.06	1	0.302								
						F: 0.11397														
		M2a_rel	192	-63341.12628	4.10121	0.11727 (32.7%)	1.0000 (1.1%)	0.00882 (66.1%)	M2a_rel	0.55	1	0.457								
<u>NDS</u>	I	CmC_Alt	193	-63340.84953	4.09677	0.00823 (66.1%)	1.00000 (1.1%)	B: 0.1166 (32.7%)												
						F: 0.12364														
		M3	193	-62985.44635	4.08736	0.00426 (56.3%)	0.05384 (29.5%)	0.20687 (14.2%)	M2a_rel	711.36	1	0.000								
		CmD_Alt	194	-63198.08393	4.04675	0.00702 (63.0%)	0.50000 (4.6%)	B: 0.09786 (32.4%)	M3	-425.28	1	#NUM!								
<u>ND6</u>	I					F: 0.13536														
		M2a_rel	192	-18592.85375	6.74474	0.13064 (33.5%)	1.0000 (0.9%)	0.01403 (65.5%)												

		CmC_Alt	193	-18592.84114	6.74598	0.01403 (65.6%)	1.0000 (0.9%)	B: 0.1307 (33.5%)	M2a_rel	0.03	1	0.874
F: 0.11552												
		M3	193	-18528.96331	6.49906	0.00554 (42.5%)	0.03793 (31.6%)	0.15813 (25.9%)	M2a_rel	127.78	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-18574.6769	6.91106	0.01377 (65.1%)	0.50000 (2.8%)	B: 0.12202 (32.1%)	M3	-91.43	1	#NUM!
F: 0.11973												
<u>CYTB</u>	<u>III</u>	M2a_rel	192	-33172.21124	4.72806	0.10446 (20.4%)	1.0000 (0%)	0.00500 (79.6%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-33169.50293	4.76485	0.00507 (80.1%)	1.0000 (0%)	B: 0.10935 (19.9%)	M2a_rel	5.42	1	0.020
								F: 0.08110				
		M3	193	-32980.22552	4.73681	0.00162 (65.7%)	0.03495 (23.8%)	0.15708 (10.5%)	M2a_rel	383.97	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-34834.90037	4.71921	0.03447 (24.4%)	0.15724 (10.6%)	B: 0.00107 (65.0%)	M3	-3709.35	1	#NUM!
F: 0.00378												
<u>COI</u>	<u>IV</u>	M2a_rel	192	-40751.73338	4.22016	0.06333 (13.8%)	1.0000 (0.2%)	0.00265 (86.0%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-40749.96187	4.21119	0.00265 (86.0%)	1.0000 (0.2%)	B: 0.06069 (13.9%)	M2a_rel	3.54	1	0.060
								F: 0.07847				
		M3	193	-40696.86569	4.22563	0.00133 (77.8%)	0.02783 (17.4%)	0.04827 (12.2%)	M2a_rel	-109.74	1	#NUM!
		CmD_Alt	194	-40696.86464	4.22557	0.00133 (77.8%)	0.02784 (17.4%)	B: 0.1225 (4.8%)	M3	0.00	1	0.964
F: 0.12149												
<u>COII</u>	<u>IV</u>	M2a_rel	192	-17332.87637	3.93379	0.08417 (21.9%)	1.0000 (0.4%)	0.00633 (77.6%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-17331.17535	3.92931	0.00646 (77.4%)	1.0000 (0.4%)	B: 0.08003 (22.2%)	M2a_rel	3.40	1	0.065
								F: 0.10719				
		M3	193	-17308.92809	3.95641	0.00522 (73.8%)	0.05832 (22.4%)	0.22433 (3.8%)	M2a_rel	47.90	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-17303.2793	3.94545	0.00522 (72.2%)	0.22573 (3.9%)	B: 0.05037 (23.9%)	M3	11.30	1	0.001
F: 0.09212												
<u>COIII</u>	<u>IV</u>	M2a_rel	192	-21086.51885	3.94968	0.10026 (16.7%)	1.0000 (0%)	0.00661 (83.3%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-21083.34997	3.9417	0.00653 (83.0%)	1.0000/0%	B: 0.09413 (17.0%)	M2a_rel	6.34	1	0.012
								F: 0.13763				
		M3	193	-21039.66195	3.97342	0.00488 (77.3%)	0.04708 (15.9%)	0.16379 (6.8%)	M2a_rel	93.71	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-21039.45949	3.97137	0.00485 (77.1%)	0.04623 (15.8%)	B: 0.15922 (7.1%)	M3	0.40	1	0.525
F: 0.17991 CmD_Null												
<u>ATP6</u>	<u>V</u>	M2a_rel	192	-23367.26063	4.41468	0.0962 (32.7%)	1.0000 (1.3%)	0.00679 (66.0%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-23360.61019	4.39782	0.00689 (65.7%)	1.000 (1.3%)	B: 0.09033 (32.9%)	M2a_rel	13.30	1	0.000
								F: 0.14265				
		M3	193	-23247.85238	4.59212	0.00470 (60.7%)	0.06100 (31.7%)	0.23803 (7.6%)	M2a_rel	238.82	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-23234.22358	4.54349	0.00444 (59.0%)	0.22564 (8.8%)	B: 0.05077 (32.3%)	M3	27.26	1	0.000
F: 0.10499												
<u>ATP8</u>	<u>V</u>	M2a_rel	192	-4612.110298	3.64021	0.01508 (38.1%)	1.0000 (10.3%)	0.17179 (51.6%)				
		CmC_Alt	193	-4609.379669	3.61657	0.01516 (37.6%)	1.0000 (10.4%)	B: 0.1598 (52.0%)	M2a_rel	5.46	1	0.019
								F: 0.27603				
		M3	193	-4583.717207	3.60262	0.01173 (37.8%)	0.13154 (49.5%)	0.43251 (12.6%)	M2a_rel	56.79	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	194	-4581.970191	3.59987	0.01202 (37.5%)	0.44103 (12.8%)	B: 0.12454 (49.7%)	M3	3.49	1	0.062
F: 0.19799												

**Supplementary Table 6 - Clade model analyses of the African dataset.** Np, number of parameters; LRT is likelihood ratio test; p is the p-value of significance; ns denotes those with negative LRTs. Foreground omega estimates labelled F, and background estimates labelled B.

Gene	Complex	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\chi^2$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p		
						$\omega_0$	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2/\omega_d$						
<u>ND1</u>	I	M2a_rel	216	-34370.0585	4.66	0.00309 (70.6%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.06966 (29.4%)				0.182		
		CmC_Alt	217	-34369.1683	4.67	0.00307 (70.6%)	1.000 (0.0%)	B: 0.06794 (29.4%)		M2a_rel	1.78	1		
		F: 0.07825												
		M3	217	-34243.9558	4.7	0.00156 (63.8%)	0.03610 (26.5%)	0.12897 (9.7%)		M2a_rel	252.21	1	0.000	
<u>ND2</u>	I	CmD_Alt	218	-34243.9305	4.7	0.00156 (63.8%)	0.03610 (26.5%)	B: 0.12953 (9.7%)		M3	0.05	1	0.822	
		F: 0.12556												
		M2a_rel	216	-44151.4153	4.11	0.01044 (56.7%)	1.000 (0.9%)	0.11146 (42.5%)			26.67	1	0.000	
		CmC_Alt	217	-44138.0783	4.13	0.01018 (56.9%)	1.000 (0.8%)	B: 0.10272 (42.2%)						
<u>ND3</u>	I	F: 0.15086											ns	
		M3	217	-43956.2687	4.2	0.00436 (44.1%)	0.05130 (33.2%)	0.16454 (22.7%)		M2a_rel	390.29	1		
		CmD_Alt	218	-43943.1118	4.2	0.04575 (32.0%)	0.00382 (42.9%)	B: 0.14238 (25.1%)		M3	26.31	1		
		F: 0.22230												
<u>ND4</u>	I	M2a_rel	216	-13207.2859	5.1	0.00572 (73.5%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.12212 (26.5%)			-973.04	1	ns	
		CmC_Alt	217	-13693.8081	4.89	0.03118 (91.4%)	1.000 (8.6%)	B: 10.68443 (0.0%)						
		F: 0.00002												
		M3	217	-13140.9791	5.18	0.00238 (62.7%)	0.04671 (22.3%)	0.17576 (15.0%)		M2a_rel	132.61	1	0.000	
<u>ND4L</u>	I	CmD_Alt	218	-13137.0617	5.2	0.00233 (62.8%)	0.04622 (22.4%)	B: 0.16031 (14.8%)		M3	7.83	1	0.005	
		F: 0.24977												
		M2a_rel	216	-51254.3201	4.45	0.09588 (26.4%)	1.000 (0.8%)	0.00659 (73.1%)			5.53	1	0.019	
		CmC_Alt	217	-51251.5534	4.46	0.09523 (26.1%)	1.000 (8.5%)	B: 0.00622 (73.1%)						
<u>ND5</u>	I	F: 0.00895											ns	
		M3	217	-51017.0292	4.43	0.00263 (59.4%)	0.03703 (27.7%)	0.1561 (12.9%)		M2a_rel	474.58	1	0.000	
		CmD_Alt	218	-51001.1352	4.44	0.03600 (27.7%)	0.00255 (59.3%)	B: 0.14047 (13.0%)		M3	31.79	1		
		F: 0.23149												
<u>ND4L</u>	I	M2a_rel	216	-10100.4371	5.79	0.07236 (35.1%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.00528 (64.9%)			0.36	1	0.550	
		CmC_Alt	217	-10100.2584	5.77	0.00532 (64.8%)	1.000 (0.0%)	B: 0.07394 (35.2%)						
		F: 0.06590												
		M3	217	-10084.6354	5.87	0.00394 (59.8%)	0.03912 (23.4%)	0.10277 (16.8%)		M2a_rel	31.60	1	0.000	
<u>ND5</u>	I	CmD_Alt	218	-10085.5467	5.91	0.04222 (24.6%)	0.00405 (60.8%)	B: 0.10300 (14.6%)		M3	-1.82	1	ns	
		F: 0.12959												
		M2a_rel	216	-65535.7445	4.21	0.00543 (68.5%)	1.000 (0.2%)	0.09203 (31.3%)			17.94	1	0.000	
		CmC_Alt	217	-65526.7727	4.23	0.09312 (30.5%)	1.000 (0.1%)	B: 0.00515 (69.4%)						
<u>ND6</u>	I	F: 0.00979											ns	
		M3	217	-65172.0891	4.25	0.00219 (57.6%)	0.04133 (29.6%)	0.15643 (12.8%)		M2a_rel	727.31	1	0.000	
		CmD_Alt	218	-65161.3735	4.26	0.00250 (59.4%)	0.16096 (11.8%)	B: 0.03940 (28.8%)		M3	21.43	1	0.000	
		F: 0.10000												
<u>ND6</u>	I	M2a_rel	216	-23694.0201	5.12	0.01333 (52.3%)	1.000 (0.6%)	0.11560 (47.1%)			11.28	1	0.001	
		CmC_Alt	217	-23688.379	5.18	0.01245 (53.1%)	1.000 (0.0%)	B: 0.10546 (46.9%)						
		F: 0.16257												

		M3	217	-23604.4616	5.19	0.00708 (39.4%)	0.05304 (33.9%)	0.15809 (26.7%)	M2a_rel	179.12	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	218	-23599.5726	5.26	0.00555 (35.8%)	0.03979 (30.0%)	B: 0.13002 (34.2%)	M3	9.78	1	0.002
F: 0.18978												
<u>CYTB</u>	<u>III</u>	M2a_rel	216	-36166.0594	4.06	0.043 (89.6%)	1.000 (9.2%)	11.58 (1.3%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-36149.9979	4.08	0.00212 (73.1%)	1.000 (0.0%)	B: 0.06083 (26.9%)	M2a_rel	32.12	1	ns
								F: 0.10361				
		M3	217	-36027.1288	4.06	0.00133 (68.3%)	0.03604 (23.5%)	0.13721 (8.2%)	M2a_rel	277.86	1	ns
<u>COI</u>	<u>IV</u>	CmD_Alt	218	-36021.2876	4.06	0.00129 (68.1%)	0.03485 (23.3%)	B: 0.12255 (8.6%)	M3	11.68	1	0.001
								F: 0.18943				
		M2a_rel	216	-42725.4024	3.93	0.04528 (14.2%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.00141 (85.8%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-42723.7671	3.94	0.04135 (14.7%)	1.000 (0.2%)	B: 0.00128 (85.1%)	M2a_rel	3.27	1	0.071
<u>COII</u>	<u>IV</u>							F: 0.00152				
		M3	217	-42676.5046	3.94	0.00103 (82.8%)	0.03155 (16.0%)	0.17090 (1.2%)	M2a_rel	-97.80	1	ns
		CmD_Alt	218	-42682.2558	3.95	0.00103 (82.8%)	0.03141 (16.0%)	B: 0.14969 (1.2%)	M3	-11.50	1	ns
								F: 0.10000				
<u>COIII</u>	<u>IV</u>	M2a_rel	216	-18462.2046	4.38	0.00352 (76.8%)	1.000 (9.2%)	0.05442 (23.2%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-18461.0142	4.37	0.05452 (23.2%)	1.000 (0%)	B: 0.00379 (76.8%)	M2a_rel	2.38	1	0.123
								F: 0.00166				
		M3	217	-18441.5746	4.39	0.00166 (65.2%)	0.02525 (25.7%)	0.08520 (9.1%)	M2a_rel	41.26	1	0.000
<u>ATP6</u>	<u>V</u>	CmD_Alt	218	-18440.0775	4.4	0.00176 (66.2%)	0.02645 (25.3%)	B: 0.08105 (8.6%)	M3	2.99	1	0.084
								F: 0.12370				
		M2a_rel	216	-21891.3842	4.24	0.00208 (82.3%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.08767 (17.7%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-21882.7078	4.26	0.00199 (82.1%)	1.000 (0.00%)	B: 0.07767 (17.9%)	M2a_rel	17.35	1	0.000
<u>ATP8</u>	<u>V</u>							F: 0.13465				
		M3	217	-21853.3288	4.25	0.00076 (75.0%)	0.03207 (15.3%)	0.12356 (9.7%)	M2a_rel	76.11	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	218	-21845.2621	4.27	0.00072 (74.7%)	0.03031 (15.2%)	B: 0.10678 (10.1%)	M3	16.13	1	0.000
								F: 0.19590	CmD_Null			
<u>ATP6</u>	<u>V</u>	M2a_rel	216	-24606.5837	4.72	0.00519 (71.3%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.06809 (28.7%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-24600.3699	4.77	0.00497 (71.4%)	1.000 (0%)	B: 0.06155 (28.6%)	M2a_rel	12.43	1	0.000
								F: 0.09600				
		M3	217	-24549.5759	4.72	0.00150 (50.7%)	0.02057 (30.7%)	0.08814 (18.6%)	M2a_rel	114.02	1	0.000
<u>ATP8</u>	<u>V</u>	CmD_Alt	218	-24542.6725	4.77	0.00144 (50.8%)	0.01976 (30.6%)	B: 0.07885 (18.6%)	M3	13.81	1	0.000
								F: 0.13058				
		M2a_rel	216	-5640.89266	4.99	0.01351 (47.2%)	1.000 (0.0%)	0.13869 (52.8%)				
		CmC_Alt	217	-5639.86974	4.98	0.13895 (52.5%)	1.000 (0%)	B: 0.01213 (47.5%)	M2a_rel	2.05	1	0.153
<u>ATP8</u>	<u>V</u>							F: 0.02221				
		M3	217	-5621.92581	5.1	0.00744 (39.6%)	0.07873 (34.8%)	0.19538 (25.5%)	M2a_rel	37.93	1	0.000
		CmD_Alt	218	-5619.59673	5.14	0.00733 (39.8%)	0.07900 (36.0%)	B: 0.18027 (24.2%)	M3	4.66	1	0.031
								F: 0.28509				

**Supplementary Table 7 – Expanded Genbank clade analyses of additional partial sequences obtained from Genbank.** Np, number of parameters; LRT is likelihood ratio test; p is the p-value of significance; ns denotes those with negative LRTs. Foreground omega estimates labelled F, and background estimates labelled B.

Gene	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\omega$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>			Null	LRT	df	p	
					$\omega_0$	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2/\omega_d$					
ATP6	M2a_rel	71	-10944.89611	3.62388	0.00791 (65.2%)	1.000 (0.9%)	0.10799 (33.9%)	B: 0.09375 (34.3%)	M2a_rel	3.67	1	0.055
	CmC_Alt	72	-10943.06098	3.66166	0.00770 (64.8%)	1.000 (0.9%)	F: 0.12065					
	M3	72	-10917.01748	3.66519	0.00508 (58.1%)	0.06456 (31.9%)	0.20579 (10.0%)	M3	0.23	1	0.635	
	CmD_Alt	73	-10916.90464	3.66029	0.06470 (31.9%)	0.00509 (58.1%)	0.21462 (10.0%)					
ATP8	M2a_rel	73	-2839.566908	3.66059	0.02857 (45.8%)	1.000 (0%)	0.22107 (54.2%)	B: 3.09769 (0%)	M2a_rel	0.45	1	0.504
	CmC_Alt	74	-2839.343233	3.60244	0.13509 (94.7%)	1.000 (5.3%)	F: 2.85524					
	M3	74	-2836.600443	3.65726	0.01514 (31.5%)	0.09304 (27.3%)	0.25107 (41.2%)	M3	0.58	1	0.445	
	CmD_Alt	75	-2836.308657	3.64286	0.00907 (20.4%)	0.22802 (51.2%)	0.03686 (28.4%)					
CYTB	M2a_rel	322	-40302.89638	5.49634	0.08584 (24.8%)	1.000 (0.3%)	0.00364 (74.9%)	B: 0.06971 (24.9%)	M2a_rel	7.99	1	0.005
	CmC_Alt	323	-40298.89971	5.56408	0.00355 (74.8%)	1.000 (0.3%)	F: 0.08977					
	M3	323	-40172.15146	5.54111	0.00208 (68.0%)	0.03925 (21.5%)	0.14564 (10.5%)	B: 0.14153 (10.6%)	M3	0.08	1	0.771
	CmD_Alt	324	-40172.10928	5.54776	0.00207 (67.9%)	0.03900 (21.5%)	F: 0.14614					
COI	M2a_rel	270	-20309.04551	5.21197	0.04587 (14.1%)	1.000 (0%)	0.00153 (85.9%)	B: 0.02974 (14.4%)	M2a_rel	7.43	1	0.006
	CmC_Alt	271	-20305.33006	5.2457	0.00148 (85.6%)	1.0000 (0%)	F: 0.05149					
	M3	271	-20305.03665	5.21529	0.00090 (79.0%)	0.01723 (12.7%)	0.05874 (8.3%)	M3	12.64	1	0.000	
	CmD_Alt	272	-20298.71899	5.25523	0.02264 (12.2%)	0.00104 (81.3%)	0.02808 (6.5%)					

**Supplementary Table 8 - Branch-site analyses of the branch leading to the ancestor of the African electric fish (Morm) and South American (Gymno).** Np, number of parameters; LRT, likelihood ratio test; df, degrees of freedom. Positively-selected sites above posterior probability of 0.8 in each gene of concatenated matrix are shown with numbers corresponding to sites in the following reference crystal structures from PDB: 5LNK for complex I, 5XTE for complex III, 1OCC for complex IV, 6B8H for complex V.

Model	np	$\ln L$	$\alpha$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>				Null	LRT	df	p	Positively-Selected Sites	
				$\omega_0$	$\omega_I$	$\omega_{2a}$	$\omega_{2b}$						
BrS_Null_Morm	215	-408493.19	3.59855	B: 0.03281 (95.4%)	B: 1.000 (4.6%)	B: 0.03281 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)						
						F: 1.000	F: 1.000						
BrS_Alt_Morm	216	-408457.77	3.59684	0.03269 (93.4%)	B: 1.000 (4.5%)	B: 0.03269 (2.0%)	B: 1.00000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	70.831996	1	0.000		ATP6: V199H; ATP8: L27I, T45L; COII: L27T; CYTB: L363I; ND2: L97T, L326T; ND4: S405A, T427Q; ND5: M42W, T547L, M548A
						F: 11.95286	F: 11.95286						
BrS_Null_Gymno	191	-363749.11	3.50523	B: 0.03565 (89.3%)	B: 1.000 (4.9%)	B: 0.03565 (5.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.3%)						
						F: 1.000	F: 1.000						
BrS_Alt_Gymno	192	-363739.35	3.50623	B: 0.03573 (94.1%)	B: 1.000 (5.2%)	B: 0.03573 (0.6%)	B: 1.000 (0.04%)	BrS_Null	19.52475	1	0.000		COI: V366S; COIII: L95A; CYTB: L372Y; ND2: T278L, L326T; ND4: K43G, K84R; ND5: S345V, G433N, P568N
						F: 61.64676	F: 61.64676						

**Supplementary Table 9 - Summary of clade model analyses of the South American and African dataset.** Statistically significant tests are shown with '\*'.

Gene	Complex	South American		African	
		CmC vs M2aREL	CmD vs M3	CmC vs M2aREL	CmD vs M3
ND1	I				
ND2	I	*	*	*	*
ND3	I				*
ND4	I	*		*	*
ND4L	I				
ND5	I			*	*
ND6	I			*	*
CYTB	III	*		*	*
COI	IV				
COII	IV		*		
COIII	IV	*		*	*
ATP6	V	*	*	*	*
ATP8	V	*			*

**Supplementary Table 10 - Branch-site analyses using individual gene matrices and testing the branch leading to the ancestor of the South American electric fish.** Np, number of parameters; LRT, likelihood ratio test; df, degrees of freedom.

Gene	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\alpha$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>				Null	LRT	df	p
					$\omega_0$	$\omega_I$	$\omega_{2a}$	$\omega_{2b}$				
ATP6	BrS_Null	191	-23826.78	4.59328	B: 0.03306 (95.6%)	B: 1.000 (4.4%)	B: 0.03306 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ATP6	BrS_Alt	192	-23826.78	4.59328	B: 0.03306 (95.6%)	B: 1.000 (4.4%)	B: 0.03306 (0%)	B: 1.00000 (0%)	BrS_Null	2.8E-05	1	0.996
						F: 1.0000		F: 108.41187				
ATP8	BrS_Null	191	-4696.53	3.79772	B: 0.10633 (88.1%)	B: 1.000 (11.9%)	B: 0.10633 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ATP8	BrS_Alt	192	-4696.53	3.79772	B: 0.10633 (88.1%)	B: 1.000 (11.9%)	B: 0.10633 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0	1	1.000
						F: 1.0000		F: 1.0000				
COI	BrS_Null	191	-41197.92	4.25486	B: 0.01050 (90.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.5%)	B: 0.01050 (9.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
COI	BrS_Alt	192	-41197.88	4.25465	B: 0.01050 (92.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.5%)	B: 0.01050 (7.2%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0.077116	1	0.781
						F: 1.40703		F: 1.40703				
COII	BrS_Null	191	-17622.86	3.97206	B: 0.02267 (93.2%)	B: 1.000 (1.2%)	B: 0.02267 (5.5%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
COII	BrS_Alt	192	-17622.86	3.97205	B: 0.02267 (93.2%)	B: 1.000 (1.2%)	B: 0.02267 (5.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	0	1	1.000
						F: 1.0000		F: 1.0000				
COIII	BrS_Null	191	-21478.41	3.97406	B: 0.01870 (83.9%)	B: 1.000 (1.7%)	B: 0.01870 (14.1%)	B: 1.000 (0.3%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
COIII	BrS_Alt	192	-21477.99	3.97279	B: 0.01869 (91.6%)	B: 1.000 (1.8%)	B: 0.01869 (6.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	0.84216	1	0.359
						F: 4.20347		F: 4.20347				
CYTB	BrS_Null	191	-34300.22	4.35716	B: 0.02219 (96.2%)	B: 1.000 (3.8%)	B: 0.02219 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
CYTB	BrS_Alt	192	-34293.52	4.44565	B: 0.02230 (96.0%)	B: 1.000 (2.9%)	B: 0.02230 (1.1%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	13.389232	1	0.000
						F: 69.61541		F: 69.61541				
ND1	BrS_Null	191	-30613.48	5.01921	B: 0.02253 (87.7%)	B: 1.000 (0.9%)	B: 0.02253 (11.3%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ND1	BrS_Alt	192	-30613.48	5.01903	B: 0.02253 (87.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.9%)	B: 0.02253 (11.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	9.8E-05	1	0.992
						F: 1.0000		F: 1.0000				
ND2	BrS_Null	191	-39148.99	4.22958	B: 0.04963 (81.9%)	B: 1.000 (5.4%)	B: 0.04963 (11.9%)	B: 1.000 (0.8%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ND2	BrS_Alt	192	-39147.39	4.22443	B: 0.04960 (86.7%)	B: 1.000 (5.6%)	B: 0.04960 (7.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.5%)	BrS_Null	3.20105	1	0.074
						F: 4.51440		F: 4.51440				
ND3	BrS_Null	191	-12473.21	4.13106	B: 0.02970 (79.8%)	B: 1.000 (12.2%)	B: 0.02970 (6.9%)	B: 1.000 (1.1%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ND3	BrS_Alt	192	-12473.21	4.13106	B: 0.02970 (79.8%)	B: 1.000 (12.2%)	B: 0.02970 (6.9%)	B: 1.000 (1.1%)	BrS_Null	0	1	1.000
						F: 1.0000		F: 1.0000				
ND4	BrS_Null	191	-47401.22	4.36865	B: 0.03127 (90.9%)	B: 1.000 (3.8%)	B: 0.03127 (5.1%)	B: 1.000 (0.2%)				
						F: 1.000		F: 1.000				
ND4	BrS_Alt	192	-47397.10	4.36145	B: 0.03125 (94.7%)	B: 1.000 (4.1%)	B: 0.03125 (1.1%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	8.245906	1	0.004

										F: 117.86539	F: 117.86539
ND4L	BrS_Null	191	-9580.98	5.38108	B: 0.03198 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.03198 (100%)	B: 1.000 (0%)			
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000			
ND4L	BrS_Alt	192	-9579.58	5.37356	B: 0.03230 (100%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.03230 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	2.803302	1 0.094
							F: 1.0000	F: 1.0000			
ND5	BrS_Null	191	-56351.39	3.95964	B: 0.03370 (93.0%)	B: 1.000 (4.1%)	B: 0.02967 (2.8%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)			
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000			
ND5	BrS_Alt	192	-56367.7	3.94275	B: 0.02972 (95.5%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.02972 (1.3%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	-32.637718	1 #NUM!
							F: 330.26009	F: 330.26009			
ND6	BrS_Null	191	-17149.07	6.14279	B: 0.04306 (96.8%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.04306 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)			
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000			
ND6	BrS_Alt	192	-17149.07	6.14279	B: 0.04306 (96.8%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.04306 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0	1 1.000
							F: 1.0000	F: 1.0000			

**Supplementary Table 11 - Branch-site analyses using individual gene matrices** and testing the branch leading to the ancestor of the African electric fish (*Morm*). Np, number of parameters; LRT, likelihood ratio test; df, degrees of freedom.

Gene	Model	np	$\ln L$	$\chi^2$	Parameters <sup>b</sup>				Null	LRT	df	p
					$\omega_0$	$\omega_I$	$\omega_{2a}$	$\omega_{2b}$				
ATP6	BrS_Null	215	-25092.03	4.60719	B: 0.02326 (68.1%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.02326 (31.9%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ATP6	BrS_Alt	216	-25091.94	4.60688	0.02325 (70.6%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.02325 (29.4%)	B: 1.00000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0.190586	1	0.662
							F: 108.41187	F: 108.41187				
ATP8	BrS_Null	215	-5778.54	4.76739	B: 0.07679 (81.1%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.07679 (18.9%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ATP8	BrS_Alt	216	-5777.24	4.76736	B: 0.07637 (87.9%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.07637 (12.1%)	B: 1.000 (0.04%)	BrS_Null	2.613664	1	0.106
							F: 57.03801	F: 57.03801				
COI	BrS_Null	215	-43034.61	3.96448	B: 0.00720 (0.7%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.00720 (98.8%)	B: 1.000 (0.4%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
COI	BrS_Alt	216	-43034.61	3.96446	B: 3.96446 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.00720 (99.6%)	B: 1.000 (0.4%)	BrS_Null	0.000726	1	0.979
							F: 1.08073	F: 1.08073				
COII	BrS_Null	215	-18702.48	4.37726	B: 0.01479 (99.3%)	B: 1.000 (0.4%)	B: 0.01479 (0.2%)	B: 1.000 (0%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
COII	BrS_Alt	216	-18702.48	4.37727	B: 0.01479 (99.6%)	B: 1.000 (0.4%)	B: 0.01479 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0	1	1.000
							F: 1.0000	F: 1.0000				
COIII	BrS_Null	215	-22418.01	4.25872	B: 0.01515 (91.9%)	B: 1.000 (1.1%)	B: 0.01515 (7.0%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
COIII	BrS_Alt	216	-22417.97	4.2585	B: 0.01515 (94.6%)	B: 1.000 (1.1%)	B: 0.01515 (4.3%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null	0.094974	1	0.758
							F: 1.98704	F: 1.98704				
CYTB	BrS_Null	215	-37026.16	4.06098	B: 0.01844 (64.7%)	B: 1.000 (0.7%)	B: 0.01844 (34.3%)	B: 1.000 (0.4%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
CYTB	BrS_Alt	216	-37026.15	4.06064	B: 0.01843 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.01843 (98.9%)	B: 1.000 (1.1%)	BrS_Null	0.024204	1	0.876
							F: 1.0000	F: 1.0000				
ND1	BrS_Null	215	-35166.51	4.67989	B: 0.02137 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.03565 (98.1%)	B: 1.000 (1.9%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ND1	BrS_Alt	216	-35166.50	4.67949	B: 0.02136 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.02136 (98.1%)	B: 1.000 (1.9%)	BrS_Null	0.024726	1	0.875
							F: 6.53311	F: 6.53311				
ND2	BrS_Null	215	-45250.31	4.15942	B: 0.05321 (92.7%)	B: 1.000 (4.1%)	B: 0.05321 (3.1%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ND2	BrS_Alt	216	-45248.94	4.16328	B: 0.05321 (94.0%)	B: 1.000 (4.2%)	B: 0.05321 (1.7%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	2.733208	1	0.098
							F: 55.98358	F: 55.98358				
ND3	BrS_Null	215	-13693.60	4.89226	B: 0.03110 (88.2%)	B: 1.000 (8.3%)	B: 0.03110 (3.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.3%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ND3	BrS_Alt	216	-13692.76	4.90481	B: 0.03107 (90.2%)	B: 1.000 (8.5%)	B: 0.03107 (1.2%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	BrS_Null	1.669118	1	0.196
							F: 376.86835	F: 376.86835				
ND4	BrS_Null	215	-52565.10	4.38571	B: 0.02756 (94.2%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.02756 (2.5%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)				
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000				
ND4	BrS_Alt	216	-52562.47	4.38845	B: 0.02758 (95.7%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.02758 (1.0%)	B: 1.000 (0.04%)	BrS_Null	5.259332	1	0.022

								F: 115.46901	F: 115.46901
ND4L	BrS_Null	215	-10318.57	5.53844	B: 0.02898 (100%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.02898 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000	
ND4L	BrS_Alt	216	-10317.43	5.56762	B: 0.02887 (100%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	B: 0.02887 (0%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null 2.286688 1 0.130
							F: 1.0000	F: 1.0000	
ND5	BrS_Null	215	-67426.97	4.27996	B: 0.02967 (89.8%)	B: 1.000 (3.0%)	B: 0.02967 (7.0%)	B: 1.000 (0.2%)	
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000	
ND5	BrS_Alt	216	-67422.06	4.28267	B: 0.02972 (95.5%)	B: 1.000 (3.2%)	B: 0.02972 (1.3%)	B: 1.000 (0%)	BrS_Null 9.822976 1 0.002
							F: 330.26009	F: 330.26009	
ND6	BrS_Null	215	-24315.49	4.84677	B: 0.06036 (94.3%)	B: 1.000 (3.9%)	B: 0.06036 (1.8%)	B: 1.000 (0.1%)	
							F: 1.000	F: 1.000	
ND6	BrS_Alt	216	-24314.75	4.84471	B: 0.06031 (95.0%)	B: 1.000 (3.9%)	B: 0.06031 (1.1%)	B: 1.000 (0.0%)	BrS_Null 1.475174 1 0.225
							F: 12.37209	F: 12.37209	

## References

1. Elbassiouny AA, Schott RK, Waddell JC, Kolmann MA, Lehmberg ES, Van Nynatten A, Crampton WGR, Chang BSW, Lovejoy NR. 2016 Mitochondrial genomes of the South American electric knifefishes (Order Gymnotiformes). *Mitochondrial DNA Part B Resour.* **1**, 401–403. (doi:10.1080/23802359.2016.1174090)