

Supplementary Material

Bayesian Divergence-Time Estimation with Genome-Wide SNP Data of Sea Catfishes (Ariidae) Supports Miocene Closure of the Panamanian Isthmus

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1 Supplementary Text

Supplementary Text S1: Parameter operators used in divergence-time estimation with SNAPP.

Clock rate: As a single operator on the clock rate, the standard scale operator implemented in SNAPP is used (described in Drummond et al. 2002).

Speciation rate: Like for the clock rate, a scale operator is used also for the speciation rate.

Population sizes: In order to link the Θ values of all branches, all operators on Θ are replaced with a single scale operator that changes all Θ values by the exact same scale value whenever its proposals are accepted.

Tree topology: For analyses of simulated data sets, we fixed the species-tree topology to the true species tree by excluding operators on the species tree. In contrast, our analyses of empirical data employed SNAPP’s “NodeSwapper” operator to propose changes to the species-tree topology. When producing XML input files for SNAPP with our script “snapp_prep.rb”, the NodeSwapper operator is included by default, but can be turned off with option “`-w`/--weight = 0”.

Supplementary Text S2: Computational requirements of divergence-time estimation with SNAPP.

SNAPP analyses were conducted on the Abel computing cluster provided by the University of Oslo, using four threads on dual eight-core Intel Xeon E5-2670 (Sandy Bridge-EP) CPUs running at 2.6 GHz. We performed between 400 000 and 18.4 million Markov-chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) iterations per SNAPP analysis (Supplementary Table S2). For each SNAPP analysis of simulated data sets, we recorded i) the time required per MCMC iteration, ii) the number of iterations required for convergence ($ESS \geq 200$) of all parameters, and iii) the time required for convergence as the product of i) and ii).

The computational time required per MCMC iteration increased with the number of SNPs analyzed, the population size used in simulations, and the number of diploid individuals sampled per species (Supplementary Figure S4, Supplementary Table S2). The effect of the number of SNPs was less strong than that of the number of unique site patterns in each data set. The data sets of 300, 1 000, and 3 000 SNPs included 64 to 100 (mean: 81.8), 112 to 166 (mean: 138.0), and 183 to 280 (mean: 232.4) unique site patterns, respectively, and therefore showed a less-than-linear increase of the number of unique sites with the number of SNPs. With most settings, the time per iteration was on the order of 0.15–0.50 seconds. The exceptions to this were analyses with different sample sizes in experiment 3; these required on average only 0.05 seconds with a sample size of 1 diploid individual per species, or close to 2 seconds with a sample size of 4 individuals (Supplementary Table S2).

The number of MCMC iterations required for convergence (all ESS values ≥ 200) increased with the number of SNPs when constraints were placed on the root node. This relationship was inverted when younger age constraints were used, presumably due to narrower peaks in the probability surface with larger SNP numbers. The number of MCMC iterations required also increased with larger simulated population sizes; however, the sample size had little influence on it.

As a result, the computational time required for convergence was driven by a combination of

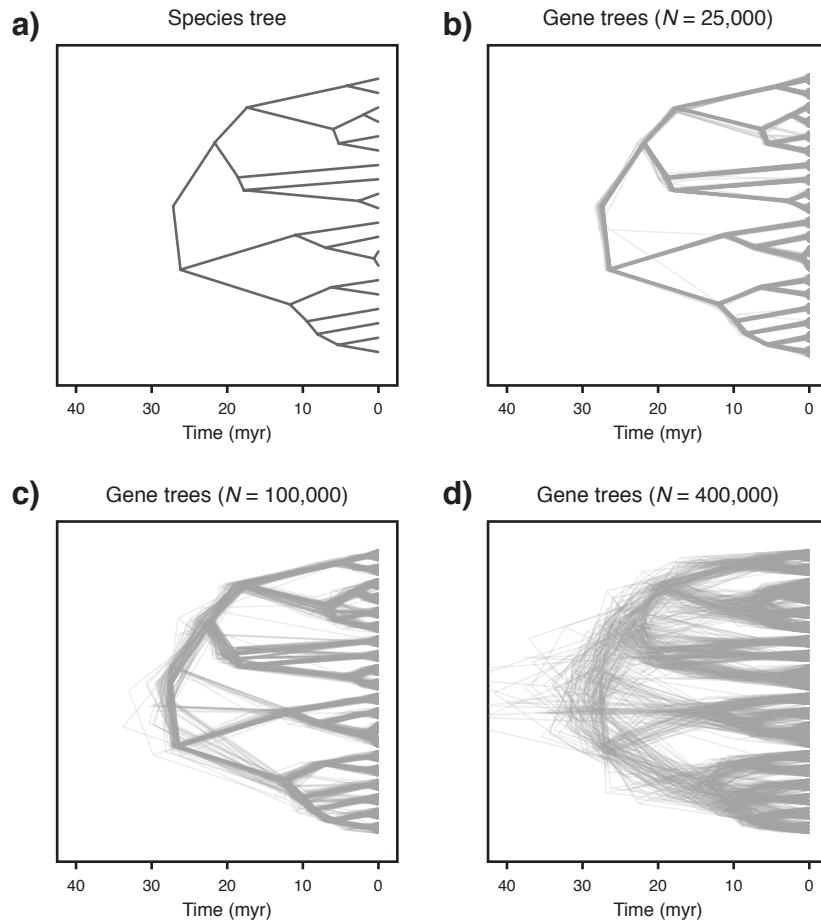
the size of the data set, the placement of the node-age constraint, the population size, and the number of sampled individuals. The latter parameter had the strongest impact on computational time: With a sample size of 1 diploid individual, analyses converged on average after 4.5 hours, but required over 200 hours on average with a sample size of 4 individuals (Supplementary Table S2). The fastest analysis (which used a sample size of 1) converged after 4.0 hours, while the slowest analysis (with a sample size of 4) took over 106 days to converge.

The observation that the number of unique site patterns determines computational requirements more directly than the number of SNPs suggests that further extensions to the SNP data may have relatively little impact on these requirements when many of the site patterns included in these extensions are already present in the data set. Nevertheless, the addition of these SNPs would further improve the precision of divergence-time estimates, which implies that even analyses with extremely large numbers of SNPs may be worthwhile. However, how rapidly the set of unique site patterns approaches saturation likely varies among data sets and will depend on factors such as the number of species, the number of specimens per species, and the proportion of missing data.

2 Supplementary Figures

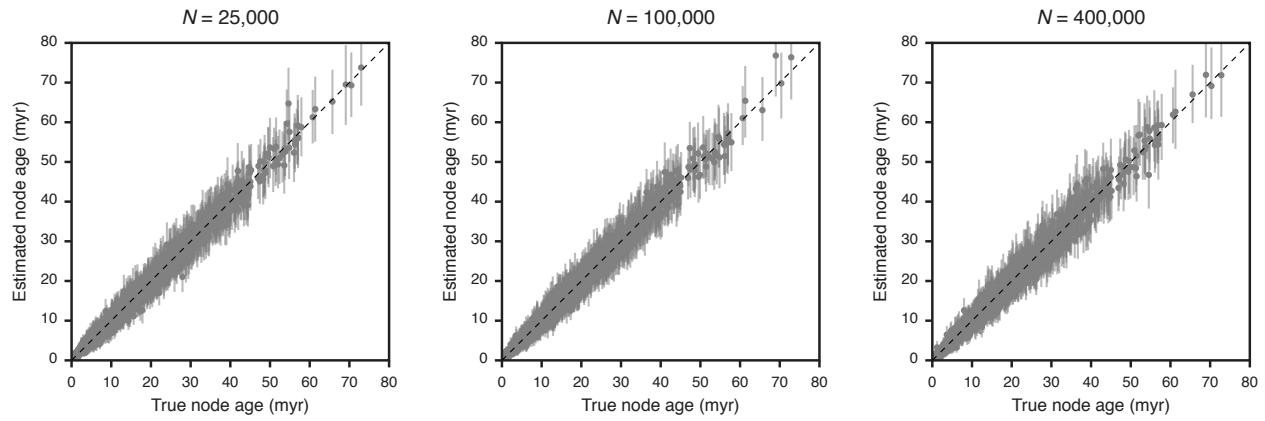
Supplementary Figure S1: Exemplary species tree and gene trees.

a) Visual representation of one out of the 100 simulated species trees. b-d) Cloudograms of gene trees simulated for the species tree shown in a) with a population size of 25 000 (b), 100 000 (c), and 400 000 (d) diploid individuals. The generation time used in simulations was 5 years.



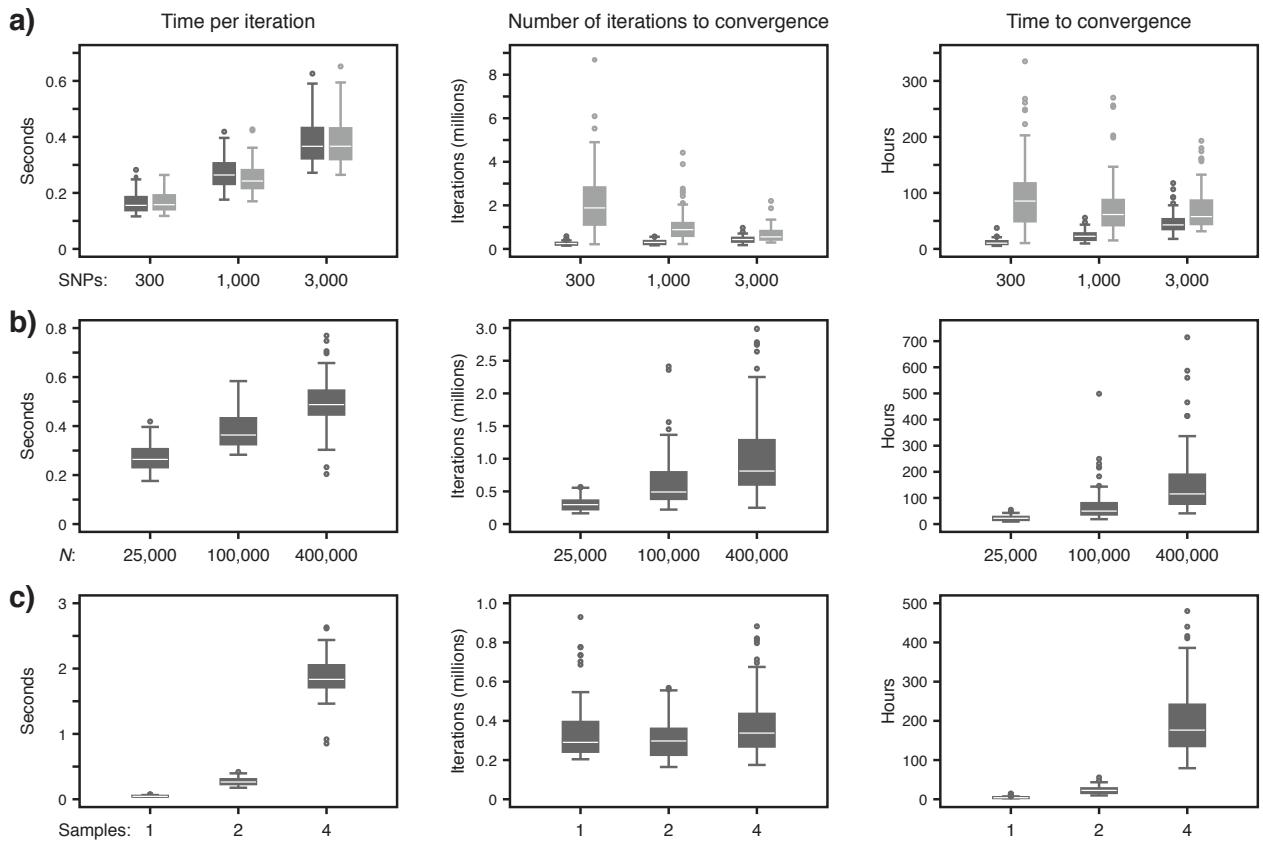
Supplementary Figure S2: Comparison of true and estimated node ages with different simulated population sizes (experiment 2).

In experiment 2, we compared node-age estimates obtained with data sets that were simulated with different population sizes, these were $N = 25\,000$, $N = 100\,000$, and $N = 400\,000$ diploid individuals. All results are based on 100 simulated species trees with 20 extant species, 2 diploid individuals sampled from each species, and 1 000 SNPs analyzed per individual. Node ages were estimated with an age constraint on the root node in all analyses of experiment 2. Only unconstrained nodes are shown. The plot shown for a population size of $N = 25\,000$ is identical to the one in the left column of Figure 2, for results based on ascertainment-bias correction.



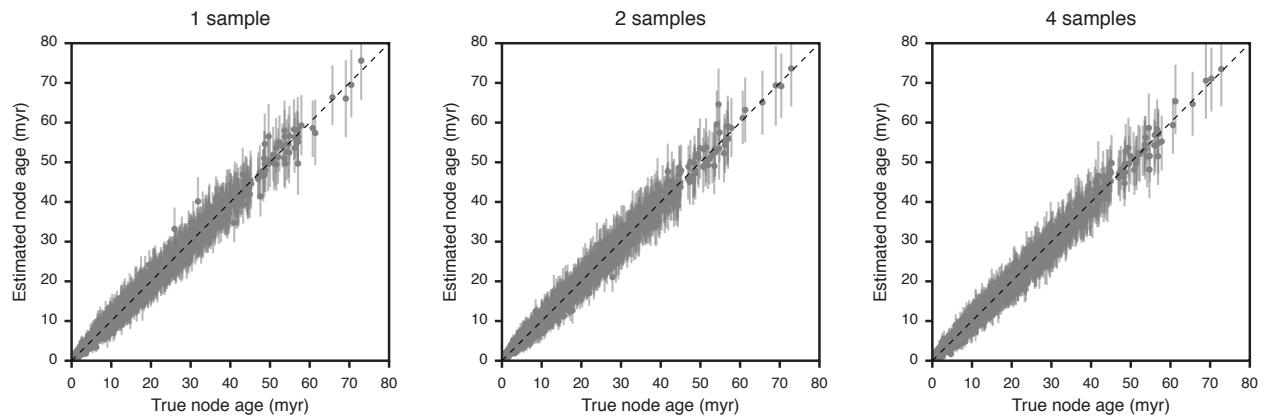
Supplementary Figure S3: Computational time requirements of SNAPP analyses.

The time required per MCMC iteration, the number of iterations required for convergence (ESS values for all parameters ≥ 200), and the resulting time required for convergence are compared for analyses of experiments 1-3. a) Computational time requirements of analyses conducted for experiment 1, with data sets comprising 300, 1 000, and 3 000 SNPs, and with age constraints on either the root node (dark gray) or a younger node (light gray). Population sizes and sample sizes did not vary in experiment 1: the population size was set to $N = 25\,000$ diploid individuals, of which 2 diploid individuals were sampled (see Table 1 and Supplementary Table S2). b) Time requirements of analyses conducted for experiment 2, for data sets simulated with population sizes of $N = 25\,000$, $N = 100\,000$, and $N = 400\,000$ diploid individuals. All analyses conducted in experiment 2 were based on a sample size of 2 diploid individuals, a data-set size of 1 000 SNPs, and an age constraint on the root node. Thus, the computational requirements shown in b) for a population size of 25 000 diploid individuals are identical to those reported in a) for a data-set size of 1 000 SNPs and age constraints on the root, and are included here for completeness. c) Time requirements of analyses conducted for experiment 3, in which sample sizes of 1, 2, or 4 diploid individuals per species were used. All data sets used in experiment 3 were simulated with a population size of $N = 25\,000$ diploid individuals. These data sets invariably included 1 000 SNPs and were analyzed with an age constraint on the root node. The requirements shown in c) for a sample size of 2 diploid individuals are identical to those shown in b) for a population size of $N = 25\,000$.



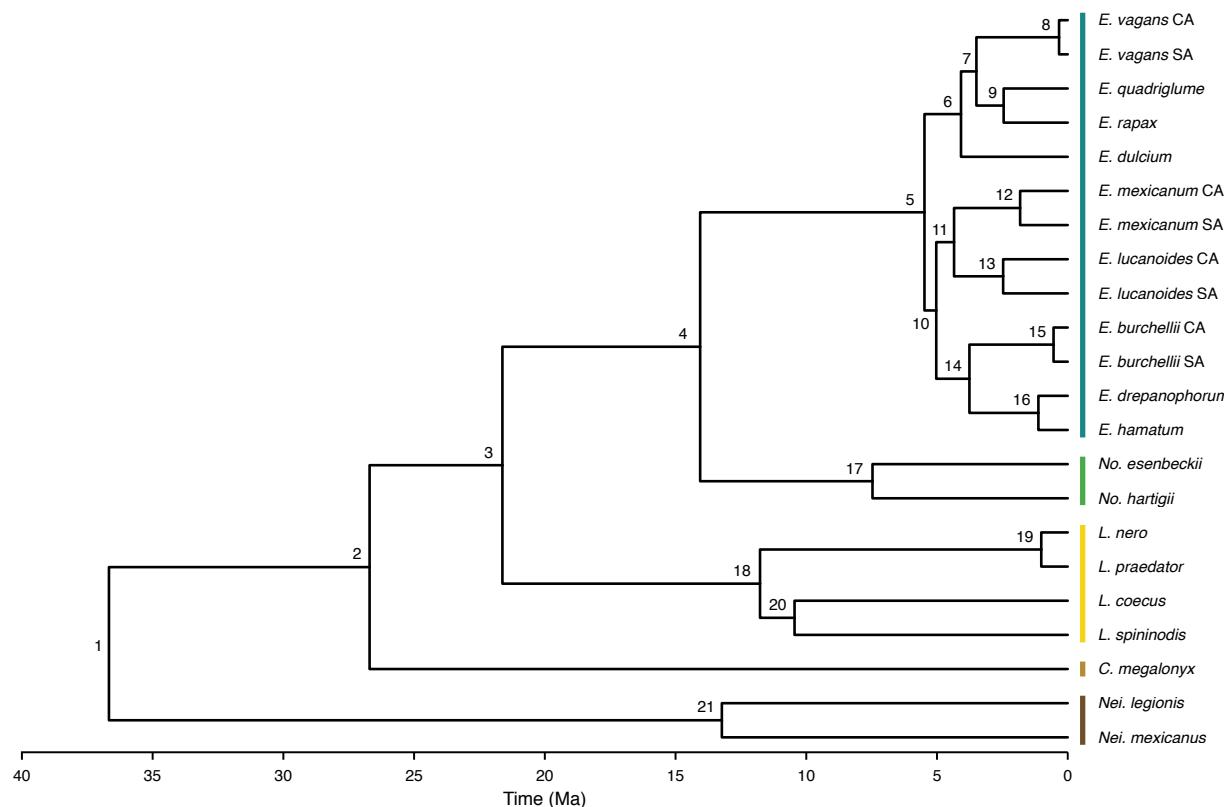
Supplementary Figure S4: Comparison of true and estimated node ages with varying sample sizes (experiment 3).

In experiment 3, we compared node-age estimates obtained with different sample sizes; per species we sampled 1, 2, or 4 diploid individuals. All results are based on 100 simulated species trees with 20 extant species, a population size of $N = 25\,000$ diploid individuals, and 1 000 SNPs analyzed per individual. Node ages were estimated with an age constraint on the root node in all analyses of experiment 3. Only unconstrained nodes are shown. The plot shown for a sample size of 2 is identical to the one in the left column of Figure 2, for results based on ascertainment-bias correction.



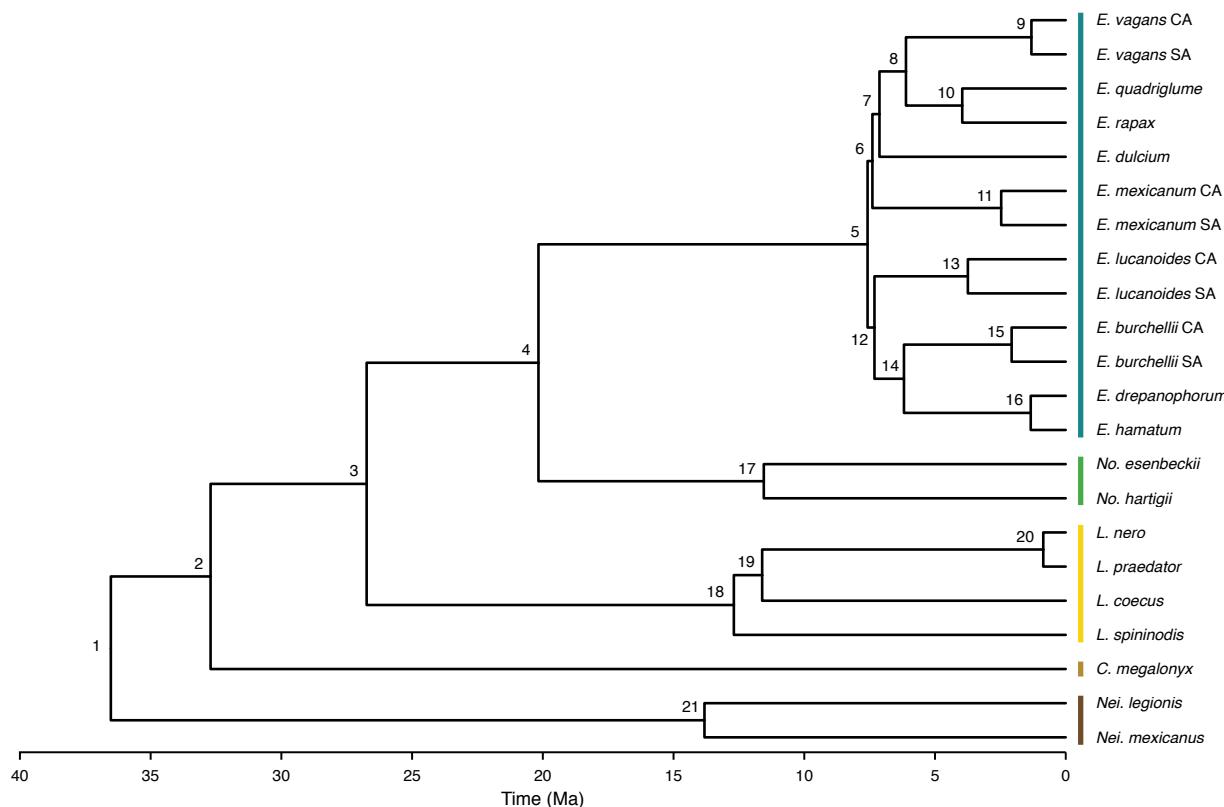
Supplementary Figure S5: Maximum-clade-credibility tree of Neotropical army ants based on the MSC model.

Node heights correspond to mean node-age estimates. Node ids are provided to allow comparison to node support and age estimates given in Supplementary Table S3. Colors indicates genera: *Eciton*, blue-green; *Nomamyrmex*, green; *Labidus*, yellow; *Cheliomyrmex*, light brown; *Neivamyrmex*, dark brown. CA, Central America; SA, South America.



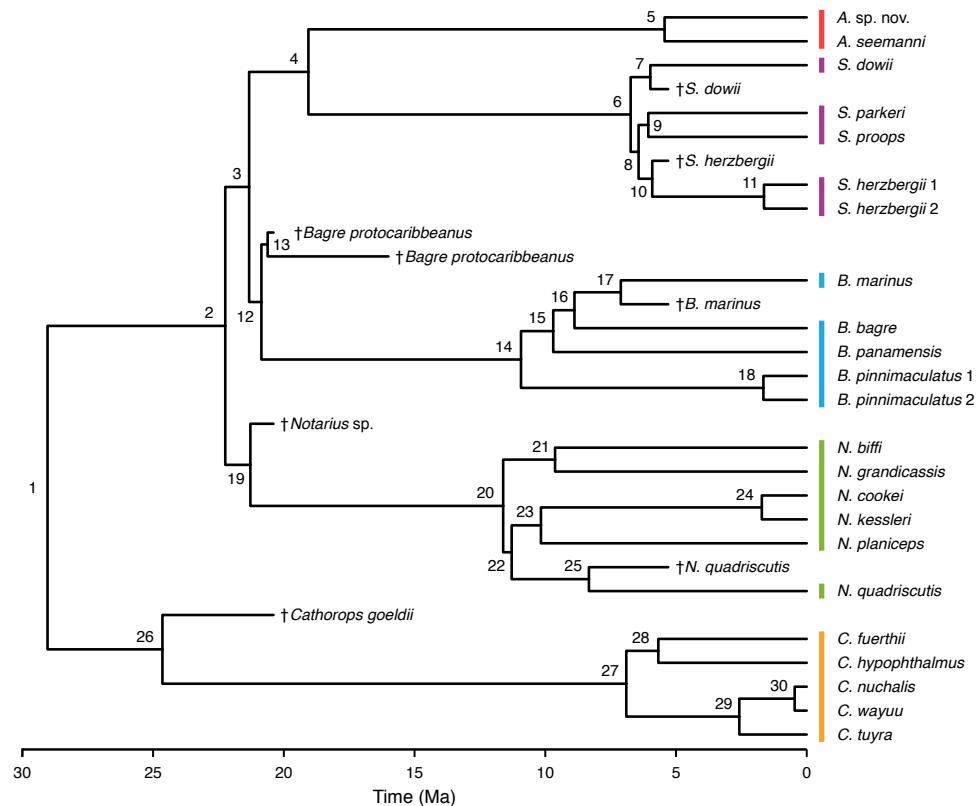
Supplementary Figure S6: Maximum-clade-credibility tree of Neotropical army ants based on concatenation.

Node heights correspond to mean node-age estimates. Node ids are provided to allow comparison to node support and age estimates given in Supplementary Table S4. Colors indicates genera as in Supplementary Figure S5: *Ectiton*, blue-green; *Nomamyrmex*, green; *Labidus*, yellow; *Cheliomyrmex*, light brown; *Neivamyrmex*, dark brown. CA, Central America; SA, South America.



Supplementary Figure S7: Maximum-clade-credibility tree of Neotropical sea catfishes based on the MSC model.

To allow the reconstruction of ancestral geographic distributions taking into account fossil localities, eight fossil taxa were added a posteriori according to their taxonomic assignment: *Cathorops goeldii* (Aguilera et al. 2013) was attached to the stem branch of the genus *Cathorops* with a tip age of 20.4 Ma, reflecting the minimum age of the Pirabas Formation from which this fossil was described. Similarly, *Notarius* sp. and *Bagre protocaribbeanus* from the same formation (Aguilera et al. 2013) were added to the stem branches of the genera *Notarius* and *Bagre*, respectively. In addition, *Bagre protocaribbeanus* from the Venezuelan Cantaure Formation was added as the sister of the older *B. protocaribbeanus* fossil from the Pirabas Formation, with a tip age of 16.0 Ma. Finally, fossil representatives of the species *Sciades dowii*, *Sciades herzbergii*, *Bagre marinus*, and *Notarius quadriscutis* were added as sister branches of these extant taxa, with a tip age corresponding to the minimum age of the Urumaco Formation, 5.3 Ma (see Supplementary Table S6). Node heights correspond to mean node-age estimates. Node ids are provided to allow comparison to node support, age estimates, and reconstructed ancestral geography given in Supplementary Table S7. Colors indicates genera as in Figure 4 and in Stange et al. (2016): *Ariopsis*, red; *Sciades*, purple; *Bagre*, blue; *Notarius*, green; *Cathorops*, orange.



3 Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table S1: Studies using SNAPP, published before November 2017.

Study	Analysis type	Groups	Individuals	Loci
Afonso Silva et al. (2017)	BFD*	2-4	20	2 163 SNPs
Ahrens et al. (2017)	phylogeny	17	97	874 SNPs
Alter et al. (2017)	phylogeny	23	53	11 459-37 826 SNPs
Anderson et al. (2017)	phylogeny	11	67	983-1 335 SNPs
Battey and Klicka (2017)	phylogeny, BFD*	4-6	40	938-7 799 SNPs
Beddows et al. (2017)	phylogeny	71	71	1 250 SNPs
Bell et al. (2015)	phylogeny	4	21	467 SNPs
Blanca et al. (2015)	phylogeny	16	16	2 313 SNPs
Boucher et al. (2016)	BFD*	1-4	90	1 449-1 665 SNPs
Bryant et al. (2012)	phylogeny	6	69	1 997 AFLP
Bryson et al. (2016)	phylogeny	9	54	312 SNPs
Burns and Tsurusaki (2016)	phylogeny	5	20	226 SNPs
Card et al. (2016)	BFD*	2-3	33	1 686 SNPs
Chan et al. (2017)	phylogeny, BFD*	2-5	117	4 744-17 123 SNPs
Chifman and Kubatko (2014)	phylogeny	10	20	1 027 026 SNPs
Clucas et al. (2016)	phylogeny	4	8	2 626-2 668 SNPs
Cooper and Uy (2017)	phylogeny	4	12	7 000 SNPs
DaCosta and Sorenson (2016)	phylogeny	10-15	10-15	2 856-3 098 SNPs
De Maio et al. (2015a)	phylogeny	4-8	4-80	3-1 000 genes
Demos et al. (2015)	phylogeny	6-7	28-31	52 580-56 194 SNPs
Dupuis et al. (2017)	phylogeny	8	8	5 704 SNPs
Foote and Morin (2016)	phylogeny	5	43	1 346 SNPs
Ford et al. (2015)	phylogeny	11	44	1 266 SNPs
Fraser et al. (2016)	BFD*	3	73	75 712 SNPs
Giarla and Esselstyn (2015)	phylogeny	9-19	19	1 170 SNPs
Gohli et al. (2014)	phylogeny	10	59	166-2 000 SNPs
Gottsch et al. (2017)	BFD*	2-6	64	468 SNPs
Gratton et al. (2016)	BFD*	4-6	46	2 039 SNPs
Hamlin and Arnold (2014)	phylogeny	6-12	43-67	560-1 140 SNPs
Harrington et al. (2017)	phylogeny	3	35	718 SNPs
Harris et al. (2017)	phylogeny	16	64	1 467 SNPs
Harvey and Brumfield (2015)	phylogeny	5-8	72	3 379 SNPs
Herrera and Shank (2016)	phylogeny, BFD*	3-24	31	1 203 SNPs
Hulsey et al. (2017)	phylogeny	34	34	13 698 SNPs
Johansson et al. (2017)	phylogeny	9	78	1 674 SNPs
Kautt et al. (2016)	phylogeny	7	28	1 290-1 772 SNPs
Kordbacheh et al. (2017)	phylogeny	62	62	10 AFLPs
Lambert et al. (2013)	phylogeny	4	138	821 AFLPs
Leaché et al. (2014)	BFD*	2-5	46	129-1 087 SNPs
Li et al. (2015)	phylogeny, BFD*	4-10	10	1 041 SNPs
Lischer et al. (2014)	phylogeny	4	15	1 552 SNPs
Lozier et al. (2016)	phylogeny	5	41	1 568 SNPs
MacGuigan et al. (2017)	phylogeny, BFD*	2-13	41-82	534-836 AFLPs
MacLeod et al. (2015)	phylogeny	12	33	6 257 SNPs
Malinsky et al. (2017)	phylogeny	12	12	48 922 SNPs

BFD*, Bayes Factor delimitation with genomic data (Leaché et al. 2014)

Supplementary Table S1 (continued):

Study	Analysis type	Groups	Individuals	Loci
Manthey et al. (2015)	phylogeny	8	41	13 421 SNPs
Manthey et al. (2016)	phylogeny	16	30	605-1 128 SNPs
Mason and Taylor (2015)	BFD*	2-4	20	35-1 587 SNPs
McCormack et al. (2015)	phylogeny	26	26	1 388 SNPs
Meier et al. (2017)	phylogeny	16	31	1 817 SNPs
Meik et al. (2015)	phylogeny	5	26	2 409 SNPs
Morin et al. (2015)	phylogeny	12	113	42 SNPs
Mrinalini et al. (2015)	BFD*	2-4	50	298 AFLPs
Nater et al. (2015)	phylogeny	4	48	16 000 SNPs
Ng et al. (2017)	phylogeny	4	18	6 650 SNPs
Nicotra et al. (2016)	phylogeny	8	23	463 SNPs
Nieto-Montes de Oca et al. (2017)	BFD*	1-4	50	401-430 SNPs
Ogilvie et al. (2016)	phylogeny	8-12	11-45	791-5 907 SNPs
Olšavská et al. (2016)	phylogeny	14	120	442 AFLPs
Oswald et al. (2016)	BFD*	2-3	13	14 285 SNPs
Papadopoulou and Knowles (2017)	phylogeny	7-13	21-39	1 155-1 896 SNPs
Paun et al. (2016)	phylogeny	26	79	1 506 SNPs
Portik et al. (2017)	phylogeny	6	25	1 520 SNPs
Potter et al. (2016)	phylogeny, BFD*	3-5	8-14	2 084 SNPs
Razkin et al. (2016)	phylogeny, BFD*	7-10	25	368-875 SNPs
Rheindt et al. (2014)	phylogeny	4-5	12	947-954 SNPs
Rittmeyer and Austin (2015)	BFD*	2-3	12	941-1 973 SNPs
Rodríguez et al. (2017)	phylogeny	6	11	3 586 SNPs
Schield et al. (2017)	phylogeny, BFD*	2-3	75	7 031 SNPs
Schmidt-Lebuhn et al. (2017)	phylogeny	8	24	500 SNPs
Sovic et al. (2016)	phylogeny, BFD*	2-5	12-15	1 099 SNPs
Stervander et al. (2016)	phylogeny	6-7	12	1 590-26 629 SNPs
Stervander et al. (2015)	phylogeny	16	16	3 421 SNPs
Stetter and Schmid (2017)	phylogeny	35	94	1 605 SNPs
Streicher et al. (2014)	phylogeny	9	39	353 SNPs
Takahashi et al. (2016)	phylogeny	10	60	390 AFLPs
Takahashi et al. (2015)	phylogeny	8	90	522 AFLPs
Tremetsberger et al. (2016)	phylogeny	4	36	207 AFLPs
Wagner et al. (2017)	BFD*	2-6	53	349 AFLPs
Winger et al. (2015)	phylogeny	6	14	1 767 SNPs
Yoder et al. (2016)	phylogeny	6	29	3 986-4 613 SNPs
Younger et al. (2017)	phylogeny	8	110	3 221-3 237 SNPs
Yuan et al. (2016)	phylogeny	6	6	2 921 SNPs
Zarza et al. (2016)	phylogeny	24	24	2 501 SNPs

BFD*, Bayes Factor delimitation with genomic data (Leaché et al. 2014)

Supplementary Table S2: Computational time requirements of SNAPP analyses (experiments 1-3). Mean values are given for the number of iterations and the time required for convergence. Ex. = Experiment.

<i>N</i>	Samples	SNPs	Calibration	Iterations conducted	Time per iteration	Iterations to convergence	Time to convergence	Ex.
25 000	2	300	root node	1 000 000	0.16 secs	254 175	11.7 hrs	1
25 000	2	1 000	root node	1 000 000	0.27 secs	309 455	23.2 hrs	1-3
25 000	2	3 000	root node	1 000 000	0.38 secs	433 035	46.3 hrs	1
25 000	2	300	young node	2 000 000-9 000 000	0.17 secs	2 056 755	94.0 hrs	1
25 000	2	1 000	young node	2 000 000-4 500 000	0.25 secs	1 030 520	72.4 hrs	1
25 000	2	3 000	young node	2 000 000-2 500 000	0.38 secs	662 430	70.2 hrs	1
100 000	2	1 000	root node	500 000-6 974 500	0.39 secs	713 225	76.3 hrs	2
400 000	2	1 000	root node	1 000 000-18 412 500	0.50 secs	1 246 675	172.4 hrs	2
25 000	1	1 000	root node	500 000-1 000 000	0.05 secs	339 285	4.5 hrs	3
25 000	4	1 000	root node	400 000-2 450 000	1.88 secs	413 025	208.7 hrs	3

Supplementary Table S3: Node support and age estimates for the species tree of Neotropical army ants based on the MSC model. Lower and upper boundaries given for age estimates describe 95% HPD intervals. Node ids correspond to those given in Supplementary Figure S5.

Node	Node support (BPP)	Age estimates (Ma)		
		Mean	Upper	Lower
1	1.00	36.67	45.76	27.66
2	1.00	26.70	34.98	19.25
3	1.00	21.62	28.27	15.27
4	1.00	14.06	18.51	9.30
5	1.00	5.48	7.52	3.52
6	0.98	4.08	5.86	2.44
7	0.79	3.49	5.10	2.05
8	1.00	0.33	0.71	0.05
9	0.99	2.45	3.73	1.28
10	0.51	5.03	6.81	3.22
11	0.78	4.35	6.13	2.71
12	1.00	1.82	3.02	0.76
13	1.00	2.47	3.88	1.22
14	1.00	3.76	5.40	2.19
15	1.00	0.54	1.12	0.13
16	1.00	1.12	1.95	0.37
17	1.00	7.47	10.61	4.54
18	1.00	11.77	15.81	7.53
19	1.00	1.01	2.02	0.16
20	0.64	10.45	14.33	6.65
21	1.00	13.23	18.02	8.71

Supplementary Table S4: Node support and age estimates for the species tree of Neotropical army ants based on concatenation. Lower and upper boundaries given for age estimates describe 95% HPD intervals. Node ids correspond to those given in Supplementary Figure S6.

Node	Node support (BPP)	Age estimates (Ma)		
		Mean	Upper	Lower
1	1.00	36.52	45.23	27.38
2	1.00	32.71	40.67	24.70
3	1.00	26.74	33.24	20.19
4	1.00	20.17	25.10	15.25
5	1.00	7.58	9.44	5.74
6	1.00	7.39	9.19	5.58
7	1.00	7.12	8.84	5.37
8	1.00	6.11	7.59	4.61
9	1.00	1.31	1.65	1.00
10	1.00	3.96	4.91	2.98
11	1.00	2.47	3.09	1.88
12	1.00	7.32	9.13	5.55
13	1.00	3.74	4.68	2.83
14	1.00	6.19	7.74	4.71
15	1.00	2.07	2.56	1.55
16	1.00	1.34	1.66	1.01
17	1.00	11.55	14.33	8.69
18	1.00	12.69	15.83	9.63
19	1.00	11.61	14.42	8.73
20	1.00	0.86	1.07	0.64
21	1.00	13.82	17.19	10.42

Supplementary Table S5: Taxa sampled for phylogenetic inference. Localities and sampling coordinates are provided for sampling sites in Panama and Venezuela.

Scientific name	Locality	Sampling coordinates	Specimen ID
<i>Ariopsis</i> sp. nov. (<i>A. jímenezi</i>)	Pearl islands / Casaya island, Panama, PA	8°34'38.6"N 79°03'03.6"W	08E4
<i>Ariopsis seemanni</i>	Rio Estero Salado, Coclé, PA	8°10'30.3"N 80°29'35.1"W	08C8
<i>Bagre bagre</i>	Lago de Maracaibo / Isla de San Carlos, Zulia, VE	10°59'55.1"N 71°36'19.8"W	05A9
<i>Bagre marinus</i>	Gulf of Venezuela, Falcon, VE	11°14'15.3"N 70°30'53.1"W	05I5
<i>Bagre panamensis</i>	Rio Estero Salado, Coclé, PA	8°10'30.3"N 80°29'35.1"W	08C1
<i>Bagre pinnimaculatus</i> 1	Rio Estero Salado, Coclé, PA	8°10'30.3"N 80°29'35.1"W	08B7
<i>Bagre pinnimaculatus</i> 2	Gulf of Panama	8°48'56.6"N 79°22'50.9"W	01B6
<i>Cathorops fuerthii</i>	Rio Parita, Herrera, PA	8°01'13.7"N 80°27'11.2"W	08D5
<i>Cathorops hypophthalmus</i>	Rio Estero Salado, Coclé, PA	8°10'30.3"N 80°29'35.1"W	08C4
<i>Cathorops nuchalis</i>	Lago de Maracaibo / Puerto Concha, Zulia, VE	9°05'46.0"N 71°42'52.0"W	01G1
<i>Cathorops tuyra</i>	Puente del Rio Chagres, Colon, PA	9°11'34.7"N 79°39'09.4"W	08G2
<i>Cathorops wayuu</i>	Lago de Maracaibo / Guarico, Zulia, VE	10°43'52.0"N 71°31'40.2"W	05C7
<i>Cathorops wayuu</i>	Lago de Maracaibo / Isla de Toas, Zulia, VE	10°57'09.5"N 71°38'49.5"W	05G8
<i>Notarius bifff</i>	Rio San Pedro, Veraguas, PA	7°50'59.2"N 81°07'04.0"W	08A9
<i>Notarius cookei</i>	Rio Santa Maria, Coclé, PA	8°06'20.3"N 80°33'16.1"W	08G9
<i>Notarius grandicassis</i>	Gulf of Venezuela, Falcon, VE	11°14'15.3"N 70°30'53.1"W	05H9
<i>Notarius kessleri</i>	Rio San Pedro, Veraguas, PA	7°50'59.2"N 81°07'04.0"W	08A7
<i>Notarius planiceps</i>	Rio Estero Salado, Coclé, PA	8°10'30.3"N 80°29'35.1"W	08C2
<i>Notarius quadrisutis</i>	Clarines, Anzoátegui, VE	10°03'46.8"N 65°11'05.2"W	03F1
<i>Notarius dowii</i>	Puerto Caimito, Panama, PA	8°52'18.9"N 79°42'33.0"W	08D9
<i>Notarius dowii</i>	Rio Santa Maria, Coclé, PA	8°06'20.3"N 80°33'16.1"W	08H1
<i>Sciades herzbergii</i> 1	Clarines, Anzoátegui, VE	10°03'46.8"N 65°11'05.2"W	03C6
<i>Sciades herzbergii</i> 2	Gulf of Venezuela, Falcon, VE	11°14'15.3"N 70°30'53.1"W	04D9
<i>Sciades parkeri</i>	Ciudad Bolívar, Bolívar, VE	8°08'51.5"N 63°32'10.7"W	06B9
<i>Sciades proops</i>	Gulf of Venezuela, Falcon, VE	11°14'15.3"N 70°30'53.1"W	05I8
<i>Sciades proops</i>	Puerto La Cruz, Anzoátegui, VE	10°12'58.6"N 64°38'39.2"W	06A9

PA, Panama; VE, Venezuela. Specimens of nominal species that are considered independent lineages in our phylogenetic analysis are marked with numbers 1,2.

Supplementary Table S6: Fossils of Neotropical sea catfishes used in phylogenetic analyses.

Species	Type	Formation	Locality	Epoch	Age (Ma)
<i>Cathorops goeldii</i> ¹	Skull		Atalaia Beach,		
	Otolith	Pirabas Fm.	Salinópolis Municipality,	Aquitianian ³	23.0-20.4 ⁴
<i>Notarius</i> sp. ²	Otolith		Para State, BR		
<i>Bagre protocaribbeanus</i> ²	Otolith	Cantaure Fm.	San José de Cocodite, VE	Burdigalian ⁵	20.4-16.0 ⁴
<i>Bagre protocaribbeanus</i> ¹	Otolith				
<i>Sciades douii</i> ⁶	Skull				
<i>Sciades herzbergii</i> ⁶	Skull	Urumaco Fm.	Urumaco, VE	Late Miocene ⁷	11.6-5.3 ⁴
<i>Bagre marinus</i> ⁶	Skull				
<i>Notarius quadriscutis</i> ^{6,8}	Skull				

BR, Brazil; VE, Venezuela.

¹Aguilera et al. (2013); ²Aguilera et al. (2014); ³Aguilera et al. (2016); ⁴Cohen et al. (2013);⁵Carrillo-Briceno et al. (2016); ⁶Aguilera and de Aguilera (2004); ⁷Aguilera and Marcenink (2012);⁸Originally described as *Aspistor quadriscutis*; however, genus *Aspistor* is here considered synonymous with *Notarius*, following Betancur-R. and Acero P. (2004).

Supplementary Table S7: Node support, age estimates, and reconstructed ancestral geography for the species tree of Neotropical sea catfishes based on the MSC model. Lower and upper boundaries given for age estimates describe 95% HPD intervals. The ancestral geography of each node was reconstructed with two approaches: stochastic mapping of discrete characters (Huelsenbeck et al. 2003), implemented in the R package ‘phytools’ (Revell 2012) and the structured coalescent implementation in the BASTA package (De Maio et al. 2015b) for BEAST (Bouckaert et al. 2014). Node ids correspond to those given in Supplementary Figure S7.

Node	Node support (BPP)	Geography (BPP)						
		Age estimates (Ma)			Stochastic mapping		BASTA	
		Mean	Upper	Lower	Caribbean	TEP	Caribbean	TEP
1	1.00	29.04	31.35	26.86	0.81	0.19	0.77	0.23
2	1.00	22.24	24.06	20.68	0.99	0.01	0.99	0.01
3	0.92	21.33	23.00	20.40	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
4	1.00	19.06	20.94	17.45	0.89	0.11	0.87	0.13
5	1.00	5.44	6.63	4.39	0.11	0.89	0.17	0.83
6	1.00	6.74	7.90	5.74	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
7	1.00	5.98	6.98	5.30	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
8	0.62	6.43	7.50	5.48	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
9	0.79	6.06	7.08	4.98	1.00	0.00	0.98	0.02
10	1.00	5.91	6.73	5.30	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
11	1.00	1.64	2.20	1.04	1.00	0.00	0.99	0.01
12	1.00	20.86	21.86	20.40	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
13	1.00	20.62	21.28	20.40	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
14	1.00	10.93	12.29	9.60	0.77	0.23	0.72	0.28
15	1.00	9.70	11.05	8.50	0.81	0.19	0.77	0.23
16	0.98	8.89	10.17	7.67	0.89	0.11	0.84	0.16
17	1.00	7.11	9.01	5.31	0.97	0.03	0.93	0.07
18	1.00	1.66	2.30	1.08	0.02	0.98	0.03	0.97
19	1.00	21.28	22.78	20.40	0.99	0.01	0.98	0.02
20	1.00	11.61	13.23	10.21	0.70	0.30	0.70	0.30
21	1.00	9.63	10.99	8.30	0.65	0.35	0.65	0.35
22	0.54	11.29	12.75	9.86	0.70	0.30	0.71	0.29
23	1.00	10.17	11.59	8.90	0.55	0.45	0.59	0.41
24	1.00	1.72	2.36	1.15	0.02	0.98	0.03	0.97
25	1.00	8.33	11.23	5.32	0.90	0.10	0.87	0.13
26	1.00	24.65	28.95	20.41	0.87	0.13	0.81	0.19
27	1.00	6.90	8.12	5.85	0.20	0.80	0.22	0.78
28	1.00	5.68	6.74	4.63	0.12	0.88	0.17	0.83
29	1.00	2.58	3.37	1.87	0.36	0.64	0.36	0.64
30	1.00	0.46	0.74	0.22	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00

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