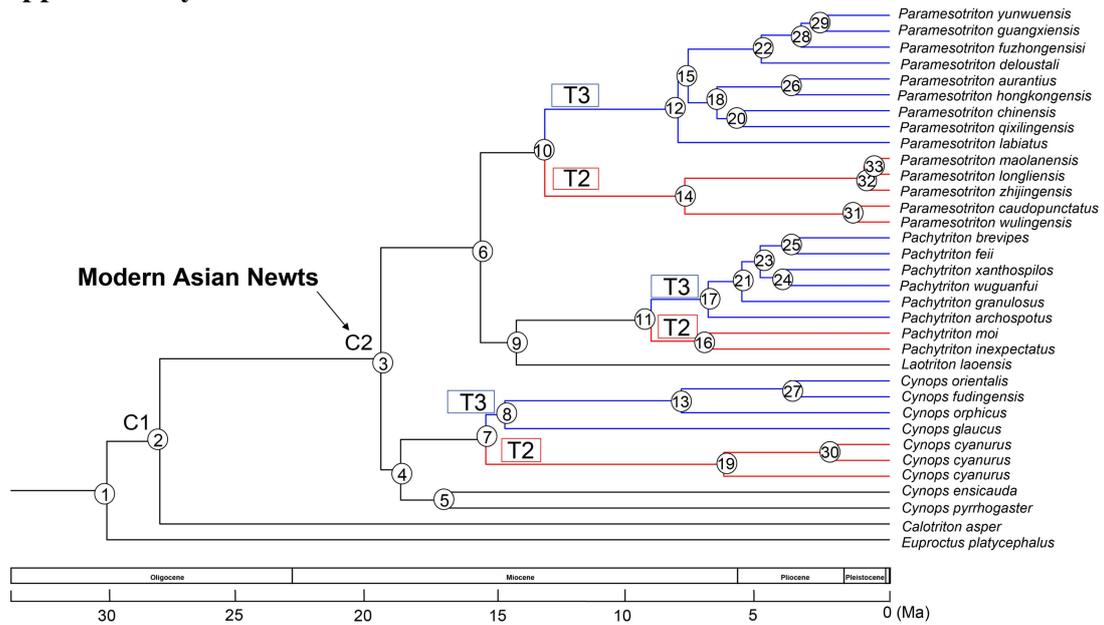
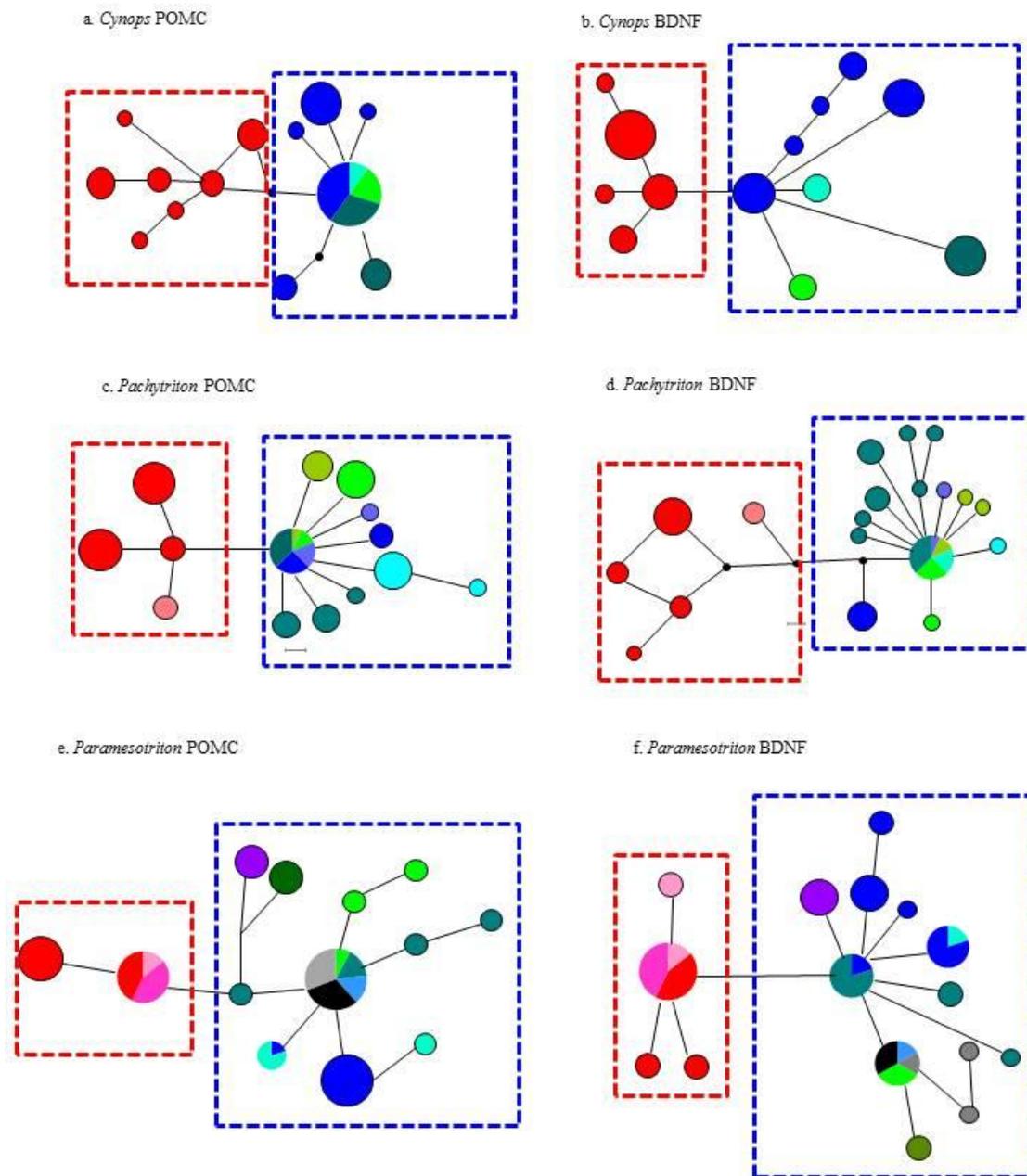


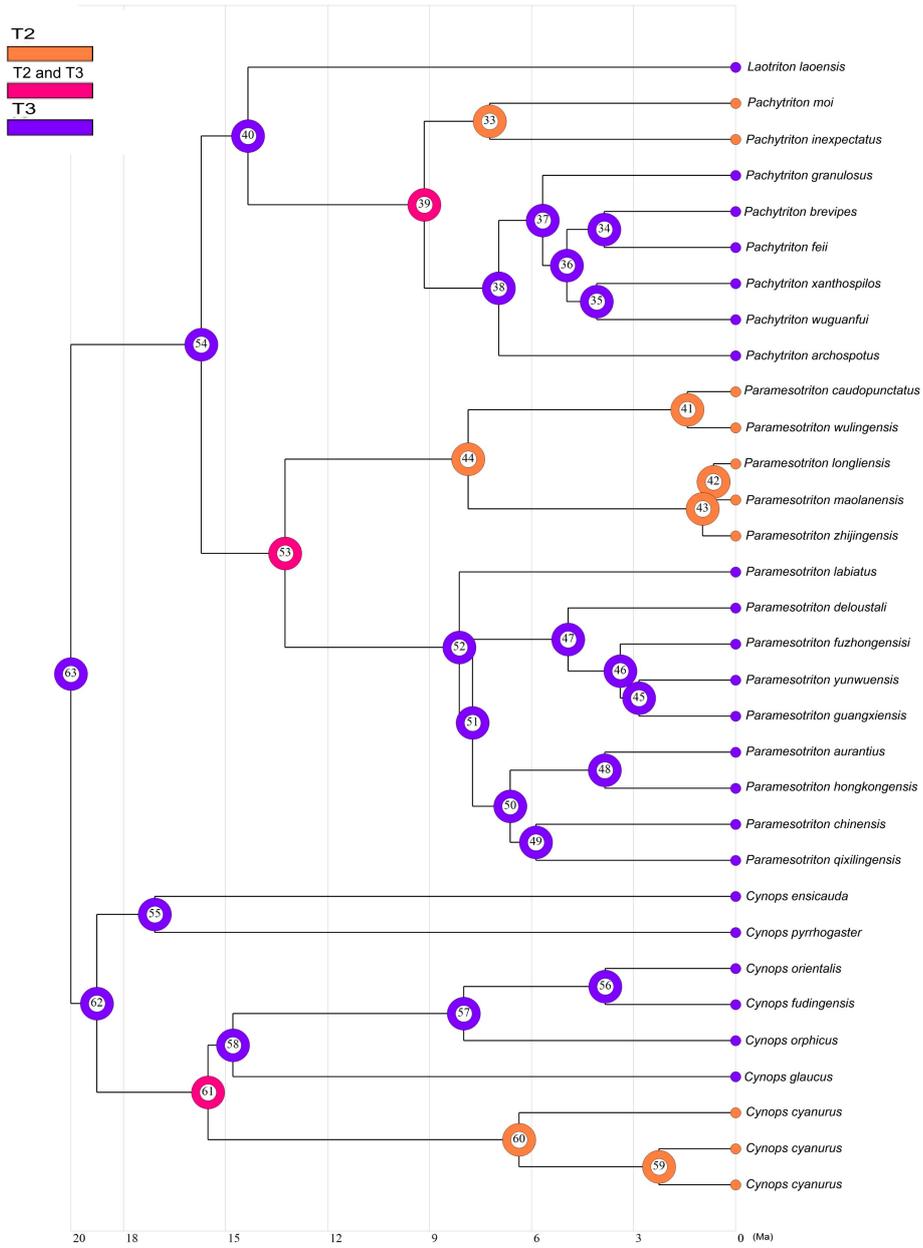
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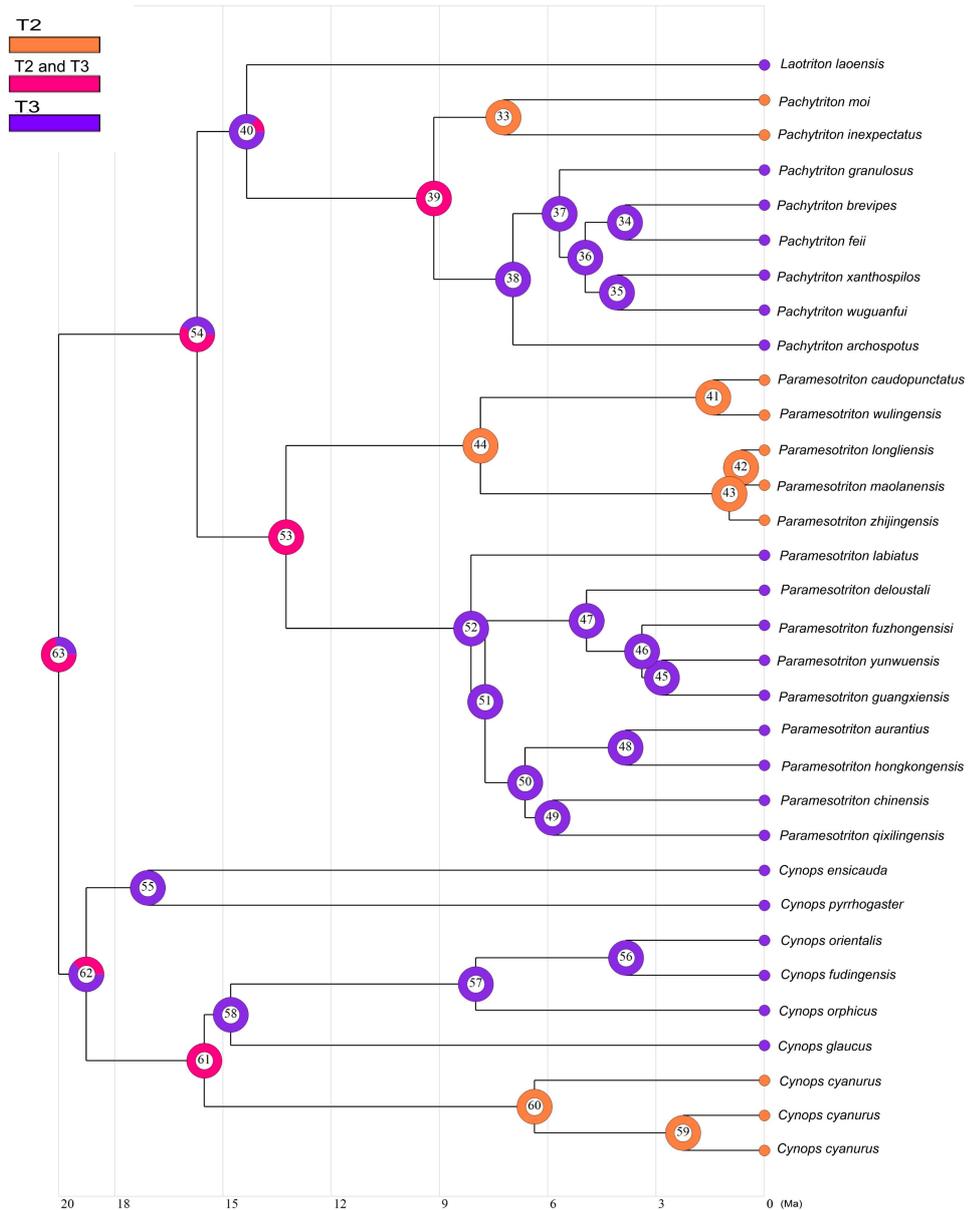


**Supplementary Figures S1** Time tree of the extant modern Asian newts derived from a BEAST analysis of a reduced data set (Supplementary Table S1). C1 and C2 indicate calibration points. Branch lengths are proportional to divergence times. Supplementary Table S2 gives dates for numbered nodes. Red branches indicate T2 and blue branches T3.

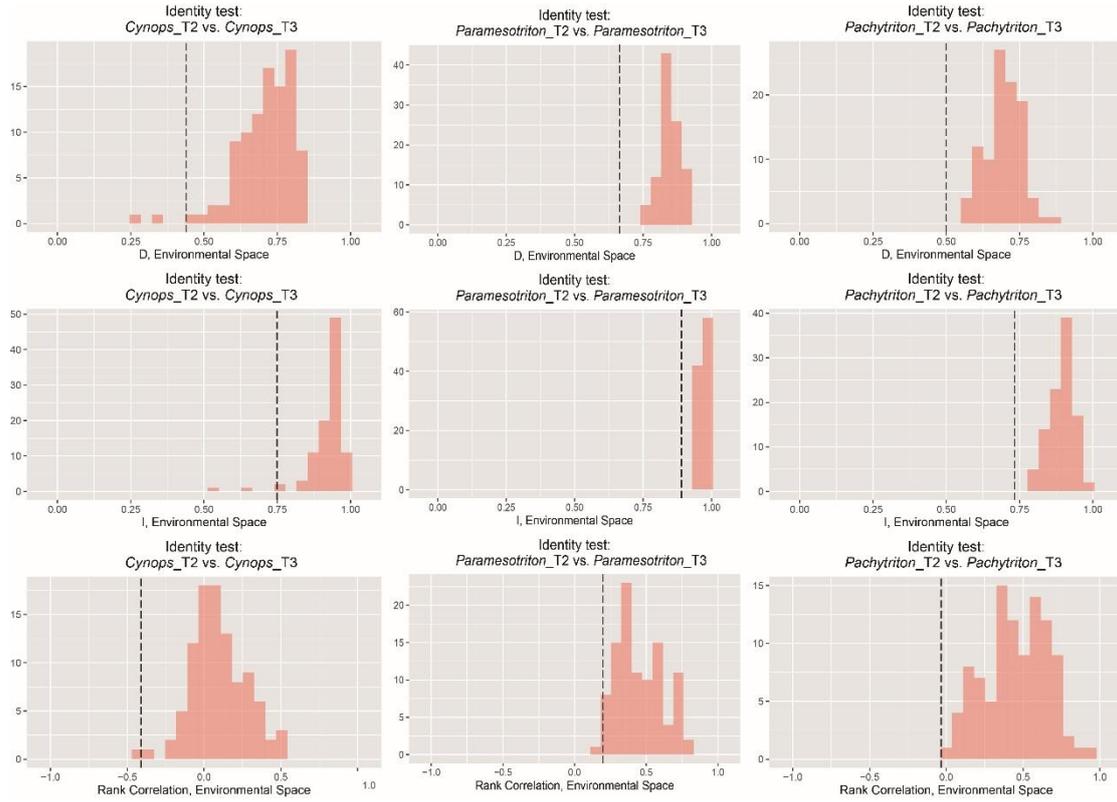


**Supplementary Figures S2** Median-joining networks of *POMC* and *BDNF* for *Cynops* (a, b), *Paramesotriton* (c, d) and *Pachytriton* (e, f). Colours of the haplotypes correspond to those in Figures 3 - 5. The red and blue dotted square represent the T2 and T3 of each genus, respectively.

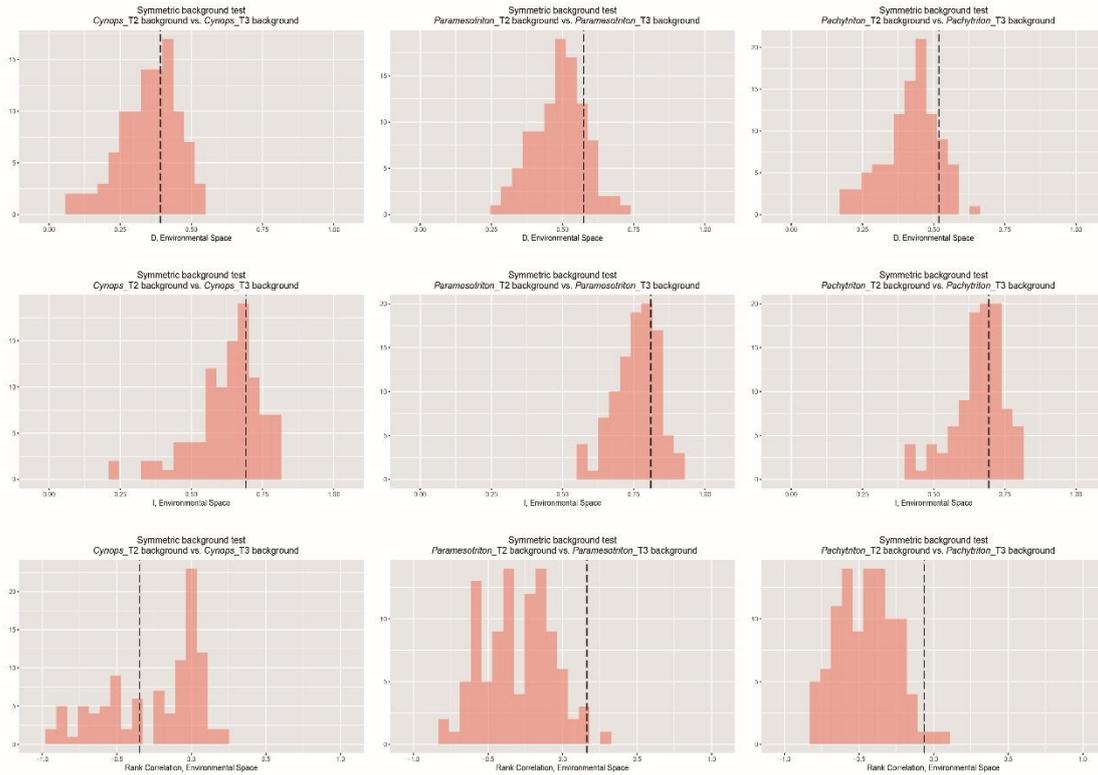




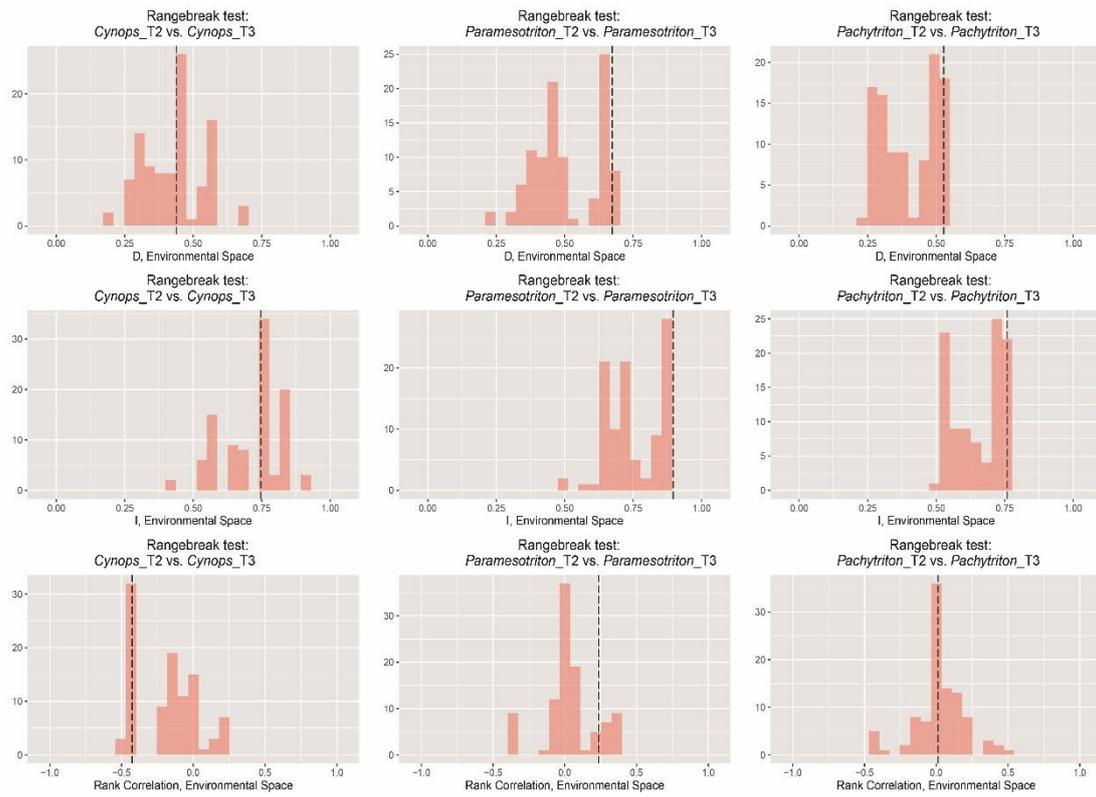
**Supplementary Figures S3** Ancestral distributions reconstructed by the Statistical dispersal – vicariance analysis (S-DIVA, A) and Bayes – Lagrange Statistical dispersal – extinction – cladogenesis (S-DEC, B) model performed in Reconstruct Ancestral State in Phylogenies (RASP) 3.2. Time tree of modern Asian newts generated by BEAST. The distribution areas of extant the modern Asian newts are marked T2 and T3 corresponds to the Terrains II and III of southern China, respectively. The green and blue circles indicate the vicariance and dispersal events obtained from the RASP analysis, respectively.



**Supplementary Figures S4** Results of the Identity tests performed with 99 replicates for each species pair in T2 and T3 using contemporary, noncorrelated bioclimate data.



**Supplementary Figures S5** Results of the Symmetric background tests performed with 99 replicates for each species pair in T2 and T3 using contemporary, noncorrelated bioclimate data.



**Supplementary Figures S6** Results of the rangebreak tests performed with 99 replicates for each species pair in T2 and T3 using contemporary, noncorrelated bioclimate data.

**Supplementary Table S1** Sampling information including location number, localities, voucher specimens, GenBank accession numbers, and identified lineages for this study. KIZ = Kunming Institute of Zoology; MVZ = Museum of Vertebrate Zoology (Berkeley, USA); GZNU = Guizhou Normal University; CIB = Chengdu Institute of Biology; FMNH = Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago; TP-MVZ and TP-MVDBW-MV are to be catalogued in the MVZ. Location numbers were indicated in Figure 1–5. Sequences used to estimates of divergence times for extant modern Asian newts are indicated by asterisk.

Genus name	Species name	Voucher	Locality	GenBank Accession No.				Source	
				ND2	cyt <i>b</i>	POMC	BDNF		
<b>Ingroup</b>									
<i>Cynops</i>	<i>cyanurus</i>	KIZ 01445	Banshan, Puer, Yunnan, China	1	ON793756	ON793714	ON793777	ON793665	this study
		KIZ 03631	Banshan, Puer, Yunnan, China	1	ON793746	ON793703	/	/	this study
		KIZ 03900	Banshan, Puer, Yunnan, China	1	ON793747	ON793704	ON793770	ON793660	this study
		KIZ 03901	Banshan, Puer, Yunnan, China	1	ON793748	ON793705	ON793771	ON793661	this study
		KIZ 021922	Zijing, Chuxiong, Yunnan, China	2	ON793749	ON793706	ON793772	ON793662	this study
		KIZ 021923	Zijing, Chuxiong, Yunnan, China	2	ON793750	ON793707	/	/	this study
		KIZ 022157	Huahongdong, Kunming, Yunnan, China	3	ON793751	ON793708	ON793773	ON793663	this study
		KIZ 022160	Gulu, Kunming, Yunnan, China	3	ON793752	ON793709	/	/	this study
		KIZ 022161	Gulu, Kunming, Yunnan, China	3	ON793753	ON793710	/	/	this study
		KIZ 02330	Shuicheng, Guizhou, China	4	/	ON793711	ON793774	ON793664	this study
	KIZ 02331	Shuicheng, Guizhou, China	4	ON793754	ON793712	ON793775	/	this study	
	KIZ 02332	Shuicheng, Guizhou, China	4	ON793755	ON793713	ON793776	/	this study	
	<i>ensicauda</i>	KIZ 09756	Japan	/	ON793700	/	/	this study	
		KIZ 09758	Japan	/	ON793702	/	/	this study	
	<i>fudingensis</i>	KIZ 012918	Zherong, Fuding, Fujian, China	10	ON793745	ON793698	ON793769	ON793659	this study
		KIZ 012214	Qingyu, Ningde, Fujian, China	9	ON793743	ON793696	/	/	this study
KIZ 012217		Qingyu, Ningde, Fujian, China	9	ON793744	ON793697	/	/	this study	
<i>glaucus</i>	KIZ 09793	Mianyang, Meizhou, Guangdong, China	5	ON793715	ON793668	ON793757	ON793666	this study	

<i>orientalis</i>	KIZ 09799	Mianyang, Meizhou, Guangdong, China	5	ON793716	ON793669	/	/	this study
	KIZ 09800	Mianyang, Meizhou, Guangdong, China	5	ON793717	ON793670	/	/	this study
	KIZ 06358	Jinhua, Zhejiang, China	11	ON793718	ON793671	ON793758	ON793650	this study
	CIB 97919	Quzhou, Zhejiang, China	14	GU301790	/	/	ON793651	Wu et al. (2010a)
	KIZ 012940	Shiliang, Tiantai, Zhejiang, China	12	ON793731	ON793684	ON793763	/	this study
	KIZ 012941	Shiliang, Tiantai, Zhejiang, China	12	ON793732	ON793685	ON793764	ON793654	this study
	KIZ 012944	Shiliang, Tiantai, Zhejiang, China	12	ON793733	ON793686	/	/	this study
	MVZ 230345	Hanzhou, Zhejiang, China	13	EU880311	EU880311	EU880311	EU880311	Zhang et al. (2008)
	CIB 97867	Wannian, Jiangxi, China	17	GU301788	/	/	/	Wu et al. (2010a)
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	KIZ 021961	Dafu, Xiuling, Anhui, China	16	/	ON793690	/	/	this study
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KIZ 021844	Shangtushi, Anhui, China	19	ON793742	ON793695	/	/	this study	
KIZ 021848	Shangtushi, Anhui, China	19	/	ON793648	ON793647	ON793649	this study	
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	KIZ 09819	Fenghuang, Shantou, Guangdong, China	6	ON793720	ON793673	ON793760	/	this study
	KIZ 09820	Fenghuang, Shantou, Guangdong, China	6	ON793721	ON793674	/	ON793652	this study
	KIZ 09821	Fenghuang, Guangdong, China	6	ON793722	ON793675	/	/	this study

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		KIZ 09844	Daiyun mountain,Dehua, Fujian, China	7	ON793726	ON793679	/	/	this study
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		KIZ 09757	Japan		/	ON793701	/	/	this study
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		TP-MVZ 03	Japan		EU880313	EU880313	EU880313	EU880313	Zhang et al. (2008)
<b><i>Laotriton</i></b>	<i>laoensis</i>	FMNH 255452			EU880328	EU880328	EU880328	EU880328	Zhang et al. (2008)
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	N/A	Jiulianshan, Qunan, Jiangxi, China	65	DQ517796	/	/	/	Weisrock et al. (2006)
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	CIB 97930	Jigongdong, Ninghua, Fujian, China	67	JX907860	JX907958	/	/	Wu et al. (2013)
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KIZ 012982	Fengshan, Xianyou, Fujian, China	71	ON793921	ON793857	ON793957	ON793801	this study
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KIZ 012985	Fengshan, Xianyou, Fujian, China	71	ON793923	ON793859	ON793959	ON793803	this study
CIB 88207	Meixian, Youxi, Fujian, China	72	GQ303620	GQ303657	/	/	Wu et al. (2010b)
CIB 88189	Meixian, Youxi, Fujian, China	72	GQ303621	GQ303658	/	/	Wu et al. (2010b)
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	CIB 95960	Longquan mountain, Longquan, Zhejiang	74	JX907845	JX907943	/	/	Wu et al. (2013)
<i>inexpectatus</i>	KIZ 08711	Dajiangyuan, Jiangyong, Hunan, China	54	ON793899	ON793834	KU375044	ON793790	this study
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	KIZ 021715	Dajiangyuan, Jiangyong, Hunan, China	54	ON793934	ON793870	/	/	this study
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	Tissue ID: 5.p.1	Leigong mountain, Leishan, Guizhou, China	27	ON793878	ON793812	/	/	this study
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		KIZ 021707	Daoxian, Hunan, China	56	ON793931	ON793867	/	/	this study
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		KIZ 021636	Rongshui, Guangxi, China	28	ON794082	ON794016	/	/	this study
		KIZ 021637	Rongshui, Guangxi, China	28	ON794083	ON794017	ON794139	ON793976	this study
	<i>chinensis</i>	KIZ 06335	Panan, Jinhua, Zhejiang, China	45	ON794119	ON794053	/	ON793988	this study
		KIZ 06304	Jinyun, Lishui, Zhejiang, China	46	ON794109	ON794043	ON794154	/	this study
		KIZ 012961	Yongjia, Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China	44	ON794101	ON794035	ON794150	ON793983	this study

	KIZ 012962	Yongjia, Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China	44	ON794102	ON794036	ON794151	ON793984	this study
	KIZ 013006	Yongjia, Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China	44	ON794105	ON794039	ON794152	ON793985	this study
	KIZ 012963	Shiqiao, Tiantai, Zhejiang, China	47	ON794103	ON794037	/	/	this study
	KIZ 012965	Shiqiao, Tiantai, Zhejiang, China	47	ON794104	ON794038	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013007	Baixi, Ningbo, Zhejiang, China	48	ON794106	ON794040	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013008	Baixi, Ningbo, Zhejiang, China	48	ON794107	ON794041	ON794153	ON793986	this study
	KIZ 013010	Baixi, Ningbo, Zhejiang, China	48	ON794108	ON794042	/	/	this study
<i>deloustali</i>	MVZ 223627	Vinh Yen District, Tam Dao, Viet Nam	30	/	ON794060	ON794160	ON793993	this study
	MVZ 223629	Vinh Yen District, Tam Dao, Viet Nam	30	FJ744600	GQ303669	/	/	Wu et al. (2010b)
<i>fuzhongensis</i>	KIZ 08568	Chaodong, Guangxi, China	29	ON794073	ON794007	ON794134	ON793971	this study
	KIZ 08572	Chaodong, Guangxi, China	29	ON794074	ON794008	ON794135	ON793972	this study
<i>guangxiensis</i>	KIZ 09285	Ningming, Guangxi, China	31	ON794071	ON794005	ON794133	ON793970	this study
	KIZ 09286	Ningming, Guangxi, China	31	ON794072	ON794006	/	/	this study
	KIZ 022189	Banba, Fangchenggang, Guangxi, China	32	ON794062	ON793996	ON794125	/	this study
	KIZ 022190	Banba, Fangchenggang, Guangxi, China	32	ON794063	ON793997	ON794126	ON793963	this study
<i>hongkongensis</i>	KIZ 09807	Datian, Enping, Guangdong, China	35	ON794091	ON794025	ON794143	ON793978	this study
	KIZ 09808	Datian, Enping, Guangdong, China	35	ON794092	ON794026	/	/	this study
	KIZ 09809	Datian, Enping, Guangdong, China	35	ON794093	ON794027	ON794144	ON793979	this study
	KIZ 09788	Zijing, Heyuan, Guangdong, China	39	ON794089	ON794023	/	/	this study
	KIZ 09789	Zijing, Heyuan, Guangdong, China	39	ON794090	ON794024	/	/	this study
	KIZ 09810	Zijing, Heyuan, Guangdong, China	39	ON794094	ON794028	/	/	this study
	KIZ 09811	Zijing, Heyuan, Guangdong, China	39	ON794095	ON794029	/	ON793980	this study
	KIZ 013526	Xiegang, Dongguan, Guangdong, China	38	ON794114	ON794048	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013530	Xiegang, Dongguan, Guangdong, China	38	ON794115	ON794049	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013508	Luohu, Shenzheng, Guangdong, China	37	ON794112	ON794046	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013510	Luohu, Shenzheng, Guangdong, China	37	ON794113	ON794047	/	/	this study

	KIZ 01576	Damao mountain, Hongkong, China	36	ON794110	ON794044	ON794155	ON793987	this study
	KIZ 01577	Damao mountain, Hongkong, China	36	ON794111	ON794045	/	/	this study
<i>labiatus</i>	KIZ 08769	Dayao mountain, Jinxiu, Guangxi, China	33	ON794077	ON794011	ON794137	ON793974	this study
	KIZ 08771	Dayao mountain, Jinxiu, Guangxi, China	33	ON794078	ON794012	ON794138	ON793975	this study
<i>longliensis</i>	KIZ 03343	Gujiao, Longli, Guizhou, China	23	ON794064	ON793998	/	/	this study
	KIZ 03344	Gujiao, Longli, Guizhou, China	23	ON794084	ON794018	ON794140	ON793977	this study
	KIZ 03345	Gujiao, Longli, Guizhou, China	23	ON794085	ON794019	/	/	this study
	Tissue ID: YPX 18250	Xianfeng, Hubei, China	22	ON794065	ON793999	ON794127	ON793964	this study
	Tissue ID: YPX 18251	Xianfeng, Hubei, China	22	ON794066	ON794000	ON794128	ON793965	this study
<i>maolanensis</i>	GZNU 2006030004	Maolan, Libo, Guizhou, China	24	JF438993	JX480887	/	/	Gu et al. (2012)
	GZNU 2006030005	Maolan, Libo, Guizhou, China	24	JF438994	JX480888	/	/	Gu et al. (2012)
<i>aurantius</i>	KIZ 012879	Zherong, Fuding, Fujian, China	10	ON794099	ON794033	ON794148	ON793981	this study
	KIZ 012883	Zherong, Fuding, Fujian, China	10	ON794100	ON794034	ON794149	ON793982	this study
	KIZ 012817	Feiluan, Ningde, Fujian, Zhejiang, China	42	ON794096	ON794030	ON794145	/	this study
	KIZ 012819	Feiluan, Ningde, Fujian, Zhejiang, China	42	ON794097	ON794031	ON794146	/	this study
	KIZ 012820	Feiluan, Ningde, Fujian, Zhejiang, China	42	ON794098	ON794032	ON794147	/	this study
	Tissue ID: YPX 6114	Longwangshan, Anji, Zhejiang, China	49	ON794061	ON793995	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013535	Dongzhen, Putian, Fujian, China	41	ON794116	ON794050	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013536	Dongzhen, Putian, Fujian, China	41	ON794117	ON794051	/	/	this study
	KIZ 013538	Dongzhen, Putian, Fujian, China	41	ON794118	ON794052	/	/	this study
	KIZ 06240	Wencheng, Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China	43	/	ON794054	ON794156	ON793992	this study

<i>qixilingensis</i>	KIZ 022289	Qixiling, Jiangxi, China	40	ON794120	ON794055	ON794157	/	this study
	KIZ 022290	Qixiling, Jiangxi, China	40	ON794121	ON794056	/	/	this study
	KIZ 022291	Qixiling, Jiangxi, China	40	ON794122	ON794057	ON794158	ON793989	this study
<i>wulingensis</i>	KIZ 21898	Jiangkou, Guizhou, China	26	ON794079	ON794013	/	/	this study
	KIZ 21899	Jiangkou, Guizhou, China	26	ON794080	ON794014	/	/	this study
	KIZ 03102	Qinghua, Youyang, Chongqing, China	25	ON794123	ON794058	ON794159	ON793994	this study
	KIZ 03104	Qinghua, Youyang, Chongqing, China	25	ON794124	ON794059	/	/	this study
	KIZ 08633	Chaodong, Guangxi, China	29	ON794075	ON794009	/	/	this study
<i>yunwuensis</i>	KIZ 08634	Chaodong, Guangxi, China	29	ON794076	ON794010	ON794136	ON793973	this study
	KIZ 09676	Luoding, Guangdong, China	34	ON794086	ON794020	ON794141	ON793990	this study
	KIZ 09677	Luoding, Guangdong, China	34	ON794087	ON794021	ON794142	ON793991	this study
	KIZ 09678	Luoding, Guangdong, China	34	ON794088	ON794022	/	/	this study
<i>zhijingensis</i>	Tissue ID: YPX 6178	Zhijing, Guizhou, China	21	ON794067	ON794001	ON794129	ON793966	this study
	Tissue ID: YPX 6179	Zhijing, Guizhou, China	21	ON794068	ON794002	ON794130	ON793967	this study
<b>Outgroup</b>								
<i>Calotriton</i>	<i>asper</i>	Vieites 01	unkown	EU880307	EU880307	/	/	Zhang et al. (2008)
<i>Euproctus</i>	<i>platycephalus</i>	DBW-MVZ 01	unkown	EU880317	EU880317	/	/	Zhang et al. (2008)

**Supplementary Table S2** Divergence time means and 95% confidence intervals calculated by BEAST. Letters for nodes are corresponding to Appendix S2 A.  
Divergence time means and 95% confidence intervals calculated by BEAST. Letters for nodes are corresponding to Appendix S4 A.

<b>Nodes</b>	<b>Mean Time (Ma)</b>	<b>95% C.I. (Ma)</b>
1	30.12	27.65-33.72
2	28.04	26.56-29.02
3	19.55	18.61-20.46
4	18.79	17.34-20.09
5	17.09	14.20-19.25
6	15.71	14.03-17.66
7	15.51	14.06-17.23
8	14.78	13.07-16.10
9	14.34	12.13-16.62
<b>10</b>	13.25	12.34-15.01
<b>11</b>	9.16	7.64-11.09
12	8.13	6.53-9.89
13	8.01	5.72-10.42
14	7.96	5.47-10.32
15	7.73	6.19-9.31
16	7.24	5.35-8.88
17	6.97	5.63-8.27
18	6.62	5.11-8.34
19	6.63	4.08-8.80
20	5.87	4.21-7.58
21	5.71	4.42-6.99
22	4.96	3.55-6.43
23	4.92	3.77-6.18
24	4.01	2.80-5.43
25	3.86	2.63-5.20
26	3.85	2.40-5.40
27	3.84	2.26-5.75
28	3.39	2.35-4.66
29	2.84	1.85-4.07
30	2.25	1.23-3.47
31	1.41	0.73-2.29
32	0.97	0.57-1.51
33	0.65	0.32-1.07

**Supplementary Table S3** Localities of modern Asian newts used for ecological niche comparison.

Genus	Group	Longitude	Latitude
<i>Cynops</i>	T2	100.9690	22.7700
		101.2900	25.7100
		102.5915	25.0400
		104.9020	26.5400
		101.5167	25.0167
		104.9578	26.5468
<i>Cynops</i>	T3	115.8000	23.6600
		116.6300	23.8600
		118.8070	25.9750
		118.0800	25.6300
		119.9400	27.2500
		120.4030	29.0500
		121.0600	29.2700
		120.1500	30.2800
		117.0560	28.6950
		117.8600	29.2540
		114.0800	31.9400
		120.1667	30.25
		116.5667	30.6333
		118.2218	25.6608
115.9927	23.6216		
116.6445	23.9560		
<i>Paramesotriton</i>	T2	110.4660	25.9190
		108.1800	26.4070
		110.4660	25.9190
		111.4800	28.6900
		110.0800	26.2400
		110.2900	27.1700
		109.1650	25.4210
		111.3330	25.4760
		107.8817	25.4817
		108.0667	26.3833
		108.1984	26.3909
109.0866	29.6221		
<i>Paramesotriton</i>	T3	112.1433	22.3779
		114.1354	22.4128
		114.1972	22.9517
		114.1984	22.5910
		115.4218	23.3250
		118.8607	25.5392

		119.3848	30.4639
		119.6664	26.5448
		119.8220	27.8624
		119.9434	27.2489
		120.2613	28.5075
		120.5024	28.9855
		120.5690	28.1995
		120.5887	28.2061
		107.1300	22.0100
		111.1660	22.6200
		110.2100	24.1200
		111.4800	24.6000
		111.1024	24.7609
		111.1930	24.6500
		119.6690	29.8090
		114.1500	22.2830
		114.1833	22.2500
		111.1698	22.6233
		111.5448	24.5792
		113.8503	23.6370
		113.9500	22.2500
		114.1890	22.2618
		114.1917	22.3396
		114.2000	22.2594
		114.2500	22.3500
		114.5681	22.5421
		119.6690	29.8090
		120.4967	29.0035
		120.5960	28.3519
		121.1669	29.7872
		110.1610	24.1150
		111.3330	25.4760
		119.9900	27.2000
		114.1700	26.7500
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<i>Pachytriton</i>	T2	110.4660	25.9190
		110.1610	24.1150
		108.1800	26.4070
		110.4660	25.9190
		111.4800	28.6900
		110.0800	26.2400
		110.2900	27.1700
		109.1650	25.4210
		111.3330	25.4760
		108.2564	26.3995

		109.9863	26.2986
		110.1950	27.1584
		110.2311	24.1062
		110.4768	25.8567
		110.4908	25.8462
<i>Pachytriton</i>	T3	111.5300	24.6400
		112.8900	24.9700
		113.6800	25.9400
		114.1000	26.5400
		116.3600	27.2200
		117.6400	27.7300
		118.2100	25.6400
		118.5800	25.5800
		118.5700	26.9100
		119.6800	26.5700
		119.8300	27.8700
		120.3800	28.2300
		119.4800	30.2600
		120.2100	28.5300
		121.0600	29.2700
		119.4300	30.4100
		117.9200	29.9100
		114.1000	25.1200
		113.1400	24.5400
		114.2440	27.4839
		114.0128	25.8852
		114.2558	24.7654
		116.1440	25.1027
		116.6180	26.2180
		117.0660	25.2520
		118.2240	26.2520
		119.2800	28.1500
		119.4300	30.3600
		111.7890	25.2150
		114.1040	25.1170
		113.0826	24.9223
		119.9400	29.1900
		114.0112	25.9016
		114.0396	25.1307
		114.1652	27.4380
		114.1917	24.7444
		114.2118	26.5919
		116.1702	25.1745
		116.3406	27.2058

116.4086	26.0348
116.6002	25.7227
116.8984	26.7752
117.1332	25.3026
117.5830	30.0670
117.6353	27.7447
117.7283	30.1119
117.8326	28.5717
118.0870	30.1207
118.1276	25.9516
118.1482	26.3004
118.1736	26.6450
118.1740	26.6450
118.2218	25.6608
118.2427	30.1424
118.6987	30.9257
118.7644	29.1539
118.8747	28.4098
119.1722	27.9064
119.4171	30.3672
119.6996	29.7063
119.7510	27.8174
119.9014	29.0898
120.2407	28.5169
120.4906	29.0125
121.0733	28.3554
121.1764	29.2679

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