

Table 1: Summary of constrained analyses.

| Constraint | MPTs | Tree length | Tree length increase | Templeton test |
|--|------|-------------|----------------------|----------------|
| (1) <i>Diplocynodon</i> monophyletic | 3 | 8282.499 | 100.643 | insignificant |
| (2) <i>Eocaiman</i> forced into Caimaninae | 3 | 8190.625 | 8.769 | insignificant |
| (3) <i>Eocaiman</i> forced into clade of South American caimanines | 3 | 8254.124 | 72.269 | insignificant |
| (4) Extant Jacareans (sensu Norell, 1988) monophyletic, with the following floating taxa: <i>Caiman wannlangstoni</i> , <i>Caiman brevirostris</i> , UCMP 39978, <i>Acresuchus pachytemporalis</i> , <i>Purussaurus</i> , and <i>Necrosuchus</i> | 3 | 8182.617 | 0.761 | insignificant |
| (5) Force <i>Portugalosuchus</i> out of Crocodylia, ‘thoracosauers’ float | 9 | 8829.43595 | 47.58 | insignificant |
| (6) Force “Brevirostres”, i.e. Alligatoroidea + “Crocodyloidea” | 3 | 8187.359 | 5.503 | significant |
| (7) ‘Thoracosauers’ forced out of Crocodylia. <i>Portugalosuchus</i> , planocraniids, and <i>Borealosuchus</i> float | 3 | 8373.965 | 192.110 | significant |
| (8) ‘Thoracosauers’ forced out of Gavialidae (<i>Gavialis</i> + <i>Tomistoma</i>), all non-thoracosaurine gavialoids float | 3 | 8184.082 | 2.226 | insignificant |
| (9) ‘Thoracosauers’ forced out of Crocodylia (<i>Argochampsia</i> , <i>Eogavialis</i> , <i>Portugalosuchus</i> , planocraniids, <i>Borealosuchus</i> float) | 9 | 8286.94 | 105.085 | significant |
| (10) <i>Asiatosuchus germanicus</i> , <i>Asiatosuchus depressifrons</i> , and ‘ <i>Crocodylus</i> ’ <i>affinis</i> forced out of Longirostres, <i>Jiangxisuchus</i> floats | 3 | 8188.548 | 6.692 | insignificant |
| (11) Monophyletic mekosuchinae forced outside of Longirostres, <i>Quinkana</i> , <i>Australosuchus</i> and <i>Asiatosuchus nanlingensis</i> float in Mekosuchinae and Crocodyloidea | 3 | 8198.052 | 16.196 | insignificant |
| (12) Force <i>Asiatosuchus nanlingensis</i> forced out of Mekosuchinae. <i>Australosuchus</i> and <i>Quinkana</i> float | 3 | 8202.683 | 20.827 | insignificant |
| (13) <i>Quinkana</i> and <i>Australosuchus</i> forced in Mekosuchinae, <i>Asiatosuchus nanlingensis</i> floats | 3 | 8204.086 | 22.230 | significant |
| (14) <i>Mecistops</i> forced into monophyletic Osteolaeminae | 3 | 8201.109 | 19.254 | insignificant |