Data set*	Parameters		Calibration Node [95%HPD] <sup>†</sup>			
	Clock model	Calibration	VARV P-I radiation	Alastrim/W. Africa	VARV P-I/P-II	VARV/TATV-CMLV
I. VARV	strict	isolation date <sup>‡</sup>	60 [54,66]	109 [91,127]	217 [183,253]	_
II. VARV	strict	African clade §	421 [371,476]	1093 [920,1281]	2263 [1937,2582]	_

<sup>\*</sup>VARV cSNPs matrix include 1347 SNPs sites.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>The mean and 95% HPD (highest posterior density) intervals (in years) of the posterior probability distribution for the nodes (*t* MRCA).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup>The isolation date of each isolate was used as the date in the BEAST calculation.

<sup>§</sup>The calculation was calibrated by setting prior of African VARV clade (exclude West Africa) at 250 years (South Africa smallpox historic records).