

S5 Table. Estimates of phylogenetic signal (lambda) for each of the ecological and cultural predictors, averaged across 100 replicates from the posterior distribution of language trees.

Ecological Variables	Log likelihood	Log likelihood	Lambda	p value
	without Lambda	with lambda		
Abs. Latitude	-261.841	-209.945	0.998	0.000
Age	-52.433	-46.658	0.706	0.000
Dust	-490.270	-414.329	1.000	0.000
Log(Area)	-120.525	-112.034	0.776	0.000
Log(Elevation)	-51.120	-46.372	0.676	0.001
Log(Isolation)	-74.410	-74.206	0.119	0.509
Log(Rainfall)	-14.187	-4.741	0.407	0.000
Makatea	38.328	42.399	0.584	0.002
Tephra = 2	6.104	62.962	1.000	0.000
Tephra = 3	-53.437	29.206	1.000	0.000

Cultural Variables	Log likelihood	Log likelihood	Lambda	p value
	without Lambda	with lambda		
Wet	-54.737	-42.479	0.871	0.000
Tree	-42.835	-0.319	1.000	0.000
Dry	-53.848	-43.248	0.835	0.000
Elite	-49.617	3.031	1.000	0.000
Individual	-45.505	-4.985	1.000	0.000