

Fig. S1. Afadin is required for cell-autonomous lumen formation in nephrons. (**A-B**") E14.5 kidneys from controls (*Afadin*^{fl/} ^{fl}) and mutants (*Afadin*^{fl/fl}; *Pax3-cre*) were immunostained with markers of nephron progenitors (Six2, green) and stroma (Meis1, red). NCAM (blue) marks the condensed mesenchyme (CM) and renal vesicle (RV). Stroma (S) surrounds CM. Six2 and Meis1 localize to the CM and stroma, respectively, in both control (A-A") and mutant (B-B"). (**C-D**') Three dimensional reconstructions of confocal *z*-stacks immunostained with antibody to aPKC, an apical marker that demarcates the lumen. Controls (*Afadin*^{fl/fl}; C,D) show continuous lumens in s-shaped bodies, as do mutants with conditional deletion of *Afadin* from the renal stroma (*Afadin*^{fl/fl}; *FoxD1cre*, C'). Deletion of *Afadin* from the nephron progenitors (*Afadin*^{fl/fl}; *Six2-GFP-cre*) shows multiple small, discontinuous lumens (D', arrows indicate discrete lumens). This is similar to what was observed in *Afadin*^{fl/fl}; *Pax3-cre* mice (Fig 4L,M, compare with 4K). UBL denotes ureteric bud lumen. Results are representative of sections from two mice. (**E**) Hematoxylin and Eosin staining of P0 control (*Afadin*^{fl/-}; *Six2-GFP-cre*) has mildly reduced size (data are mean ± s.d. from normalized measurements of kidney area per body weight; kidney areas were calculated with ImageJ; *n=6 Afadin*^{fl/+} and *n=8 Afadin*^{fl/-}; *Six2-GFP-cre*; **P*<0.002, unpaired two-tailed Student's *t*-test). (**G**,**H**) Periodic acid Schiff-staining of 4-week-old control (*Afadin*^{fl/-}), heterozygous (*Afadin*^{fl/-}) and mutant (*Afadin*^{fl/-}; *Six2-GFP-cre*) kidneys. Mutants have evidence of dysplasia, glomerulosclerosis and tubule dilation compared with controls. Results are representative of four mutants and four controls. Scale bars: 10 µm in A-D'; 200 µm in E; 1 mm in G; 50 µm in H.



Fig. S2. Afadin is required for nectin segregation from aPKC during lumen formation. Immunolocalization of aPKC (green), nectin 2 (red) and NCAM (blue) during lumen initiation and expansion in control (*Afadin*^{θ/θ}, A-F) and mutant (*Afadin*^{θ/θ}; *Pax3-cre*, G-L) E14.5 kidneys. (A-C) Lumen initiation in a primitive RV shows apical accumulation of aPKC with colocalization of nectin 2 (arrow) and absence of apical NCAM. Some areas of nectin 2 basal to the apical surface are also noted (arrowheads). (**D-F**) During lumen expansion in the mature RV stage, aPKC is apical whereas nectin 2 is located basal to aPKC at apical intercellular junctions. NCAM is basal to nectin 2. (**G-I**) In mutants, evidence of lumen initiation is lacking in the PA/RV stage. aPKC is not recruited to an apical location that excludes NCAM and is not colocalized with nectin-2. (**J-L**) In the SB stage of mutants, small lumens elongate rather than widen significantly. Some aPKC and nectin 2 are recruited and colocalize at these lumens, which lack apical NCAM, but segregation of aPKC and nectin 2 does not occur (L). Scale bars: 5 µm.

Nephron	Abbreviation	Lumen stage by IF	Molecular signature by	Continuous
precursor			polarity proteins*	nephron-UB
shape/name				tubule [‡]
Pretubular	PA	No lumen	Par-3-containing membrane	No
aggregate			microdomains lacking NCAM	
			+/- F-actin recruitment	
Primitive renal	PRV	Lumen initiation,	Small focus/foci of apical Par-	No
vesicle		microlumen	3, aPKC, and F-actin	
			Basolateral NCAM	
Mature RV	MRV	Expanded, open	Apical aPKC and F-actin	No
		ovoid lumen	Apical junctional Par-3	
			Basolateral NCAM	
Extended RV	ERV	Lumen extends	Apical aPKC and F-actin	Yes
(teardrop-shaped		toward UB,	Apical junctional Par-3	
body)		discontinuous with UB	Basolateral NCAM	
		lumen		
Early S-shaped	Early SB	Lumen is	Apical aPKC and F-actin	Yes
body		continuous, connects	Apical junctional Par-3	
		with UB, proximal	Basolateral NCAM	
		region begins to fan		
		out		
Late S-shaped	Late SB	Continuous with	Apical aPKC and F-actin	Yes
body		UB, mid-distal region	Apical junctional Par-3	
		elongates, proximal	Basolateral NCAM	
		region fans out in a		
		cup shape		

Table S1. Nephron stages defined

*Apical F-actin refers to the cortical ring of F-actin located basal to aPKC. *Continuous nephron-UB tubule is defined by the absence of intervening laminin between nephron and UB.