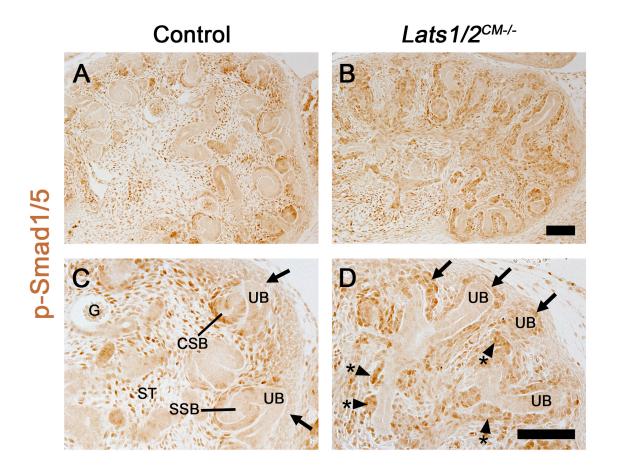


Supplemental figure 1: Lats1 and Lats2 deletion induces loss of epithelial characteristics

(A-H) β-catenin, Laminin, NCAM and Crumbs3 staining in control and $Lats1/2^{CM-/-}$ E14.5 kidneys. Co-staining with NCAM (in control) and GFP antibody (in $Lats1/2^{CM-/-}$ mTmG) mark NP-derived cells. Note the reduced β-catenin and NCAM staining in medullary accumulated interstitial cells of $Lats1/2^{CM-/-}$ kidneys (boxes in B' and F'). Also, no Crumbs3 staining could be found in NP-derived cells in $Lats1/2^{CM-/-}$ kidneys consistent with the absence of tubulogenesis. Scale bars represent 50 μm.



Supplemental figure 2: Increase p-Smad1/5 staining in *Lats1/2^{CM-/-}* kidneys

(A-D) Staining at E14.5 revealed increase nuclear phospho-Smad1/5 in both NPCs (arrows) and derived cells (arrowheads) in $Lats1/2^{CM-/-}$ compared to NPCs and early nephrons (CSB, SSB) in controls. Scale bars represent 100 μ m.