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Supplemental Tables

Table S1. Quantitative RT-PCR primers

Gene	Upper Primer	Lower Primer
<i>β-actin</i>	5' CGA GGC CCA GAG CAA GAG AG 3'	5' CTC GTA GAT GGG CAC AGT GTG 3'
<i>Dll4</i>	5' CGG GTC ATC TGC AGT GAC AAC 3'	5' AGT TGA GAT CTT GGT CAC AAA ACA G 3'
<i>Hes1</i>	5' CCC AAC GCA GTG TCA CCT TC 3'	5' TAC AAA GGC GCA ATC CAA TAT G 3'
<i>Hey1</i>	5' ACG AGA ATG GAA ACT TGA GTT C 3'	5' AAC TCC GAT AGT CCA TAG CAA G 3'
<i>Hey2</i>	5' ATG AGC ATA GGA TTC CGA GAG TG 3'	5' GGC AGG AGG CAC TTC TGA AG 3'
<i>Notch1</i>	5' CTC ACC TGG TGC AGA CCC AG 3'	5' GCA CCT GTA GCT GGT GGC TG 3'
<i>Notch4</i>	5' GGT GAC ACC CCT GAT GTC AG 3'	5' AGC CTG GCA GCC AGC ATC 3'

Table S2. Antibodies

Antigen	Supplier	Catalogue #
CD31	Pharmingen	553370
DLL4	R&D Systems	AF1389
GFP	Invitrogen	A-11122
JAG1	R&D Systems	AF599
LYVE1	Abcam	ab14917
LYVE1	Ebiosciences	14-0443
PROX1	Angiobio	11-002
NOTCH1	R&D Systems	AF1057
NOTCH4	J. Kitajewski	RB2-2

Supplemental Figures

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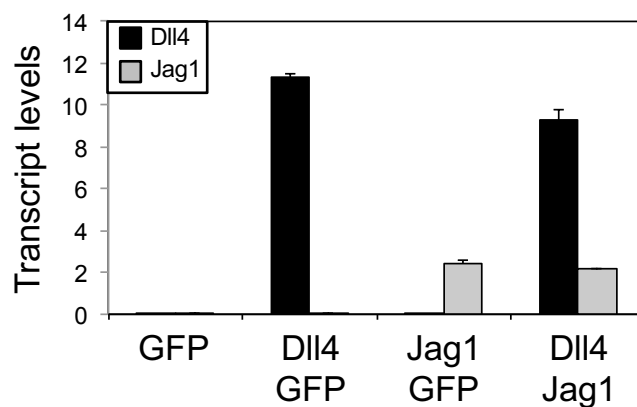


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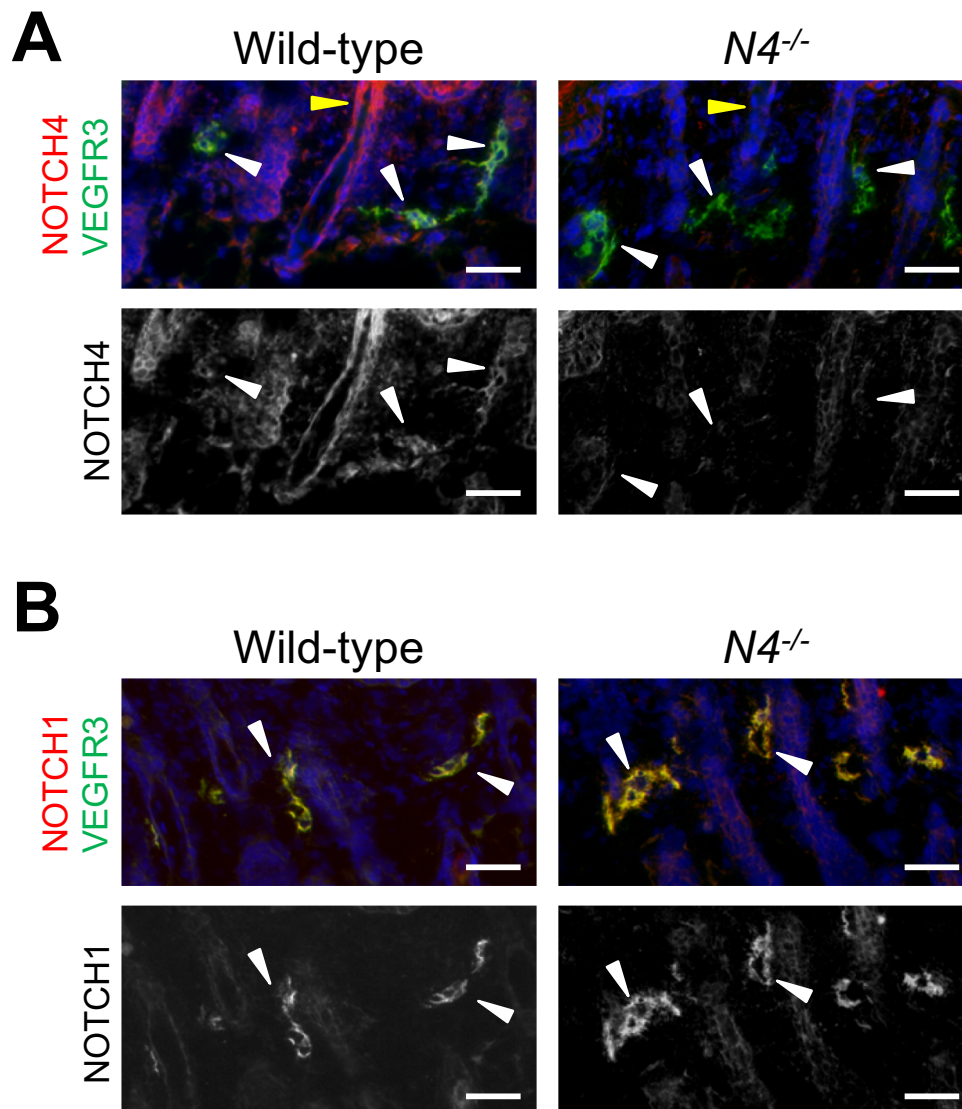


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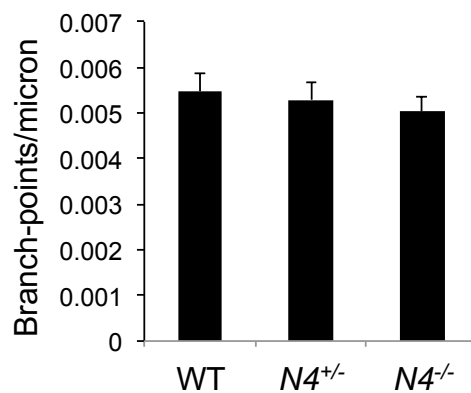


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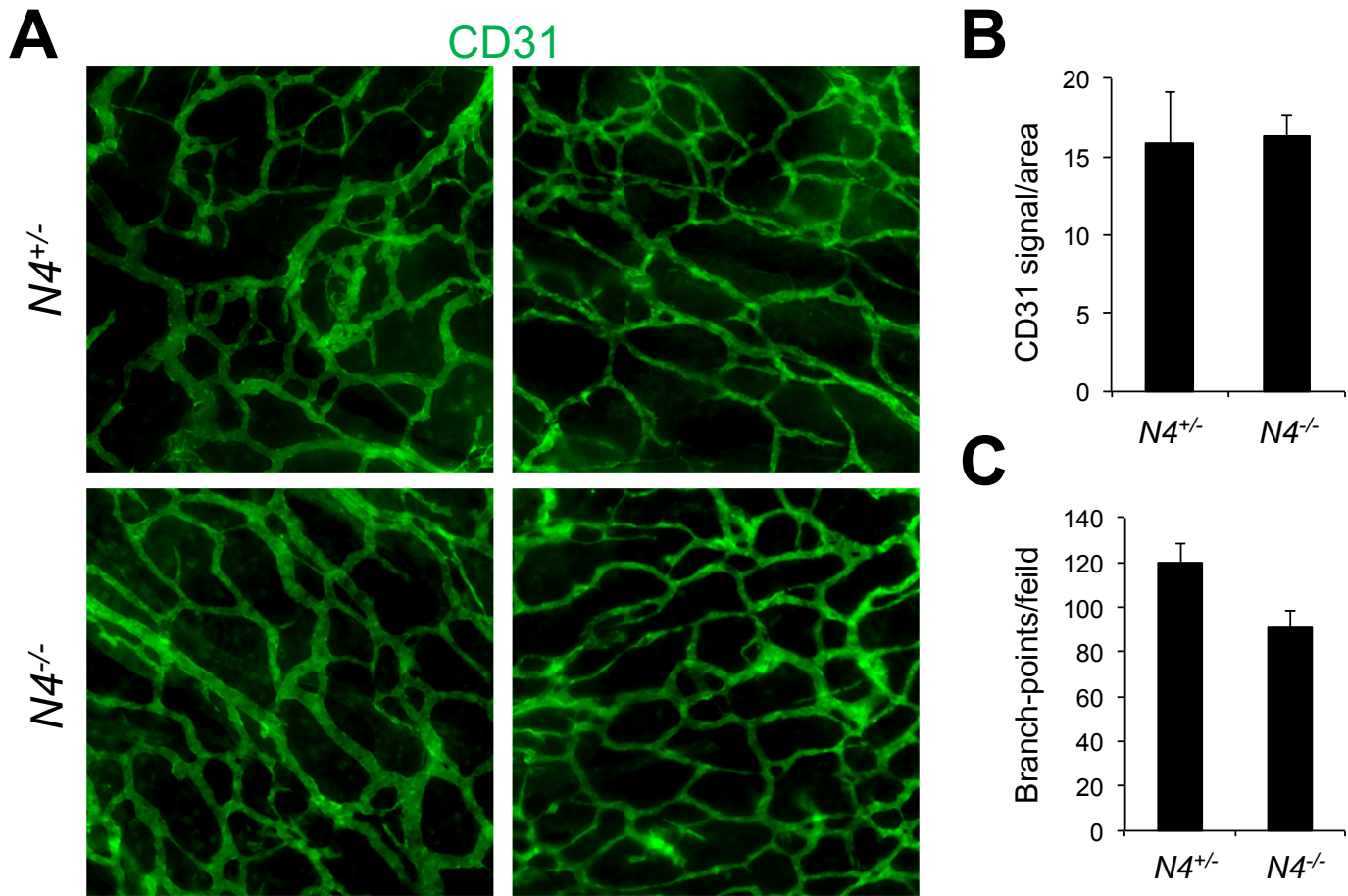


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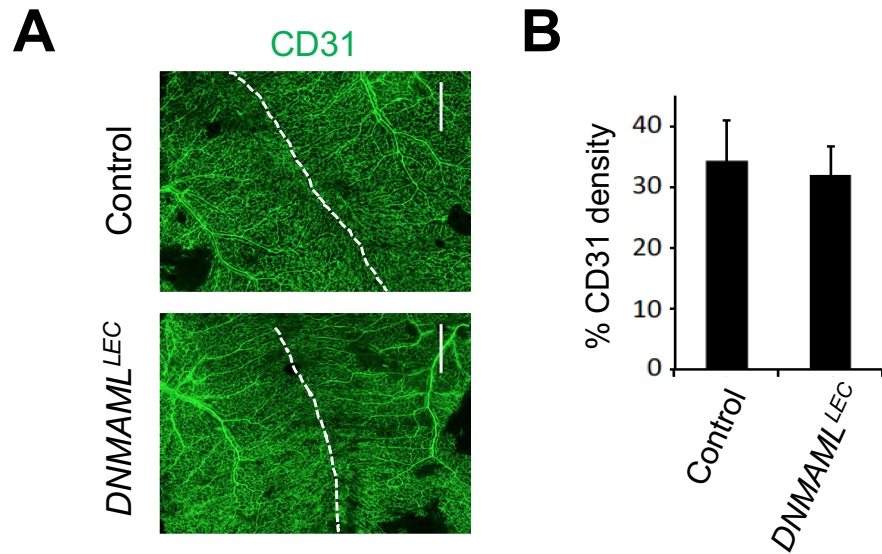


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