

Supplementary figures

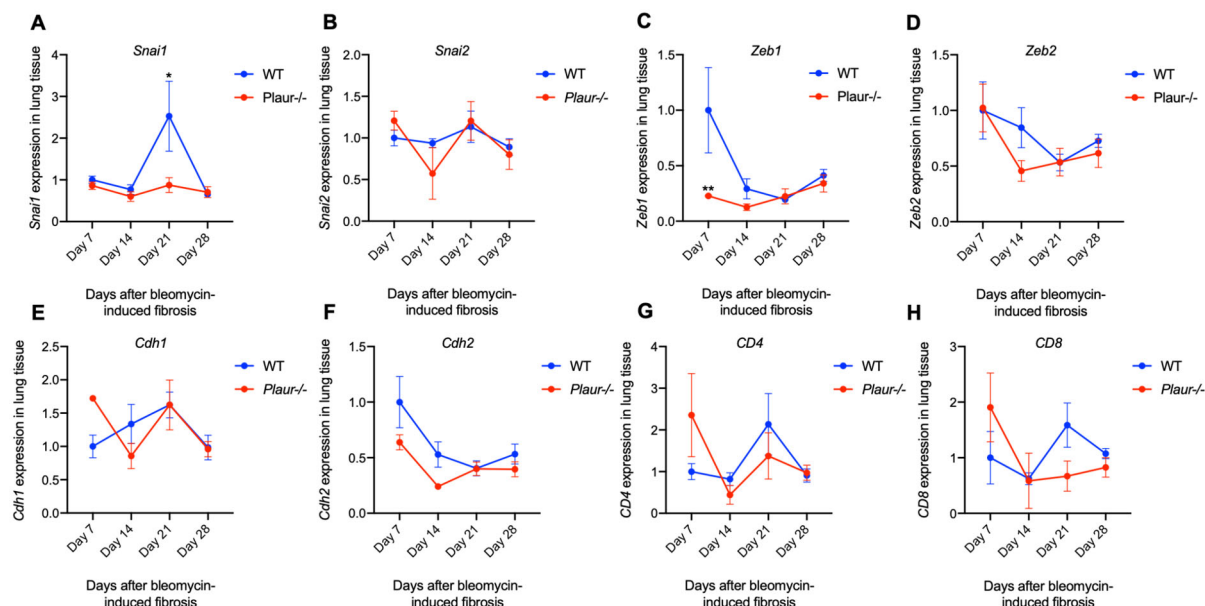


Figure S1. Expression of EMT and T lymphocyte markers in lung tissue samples of wild-type (WT) and *Plaur*-deficient (*Plaur*^{-/-}) mice after instillation with bleomycin. (A) *Snai1*, (B) *Twist2*, (C) *Zeb1*, (D) *Zeb2*, (E) *Cdh1*, (F) *Cdh2*, (G) *CD4*, (H) *CD8* mRNA expression analyzed by RT-qPCR. The mRNA level was normalized to *Rpl13a* expression as a housekeeping gene, the normalization was carried out assuming the mean level of transcript in WT cells as 1. Data are presented as the mean \pm SEM. * $p < 0.05$, 2-way ANOVA, Holm-Šidák's test.

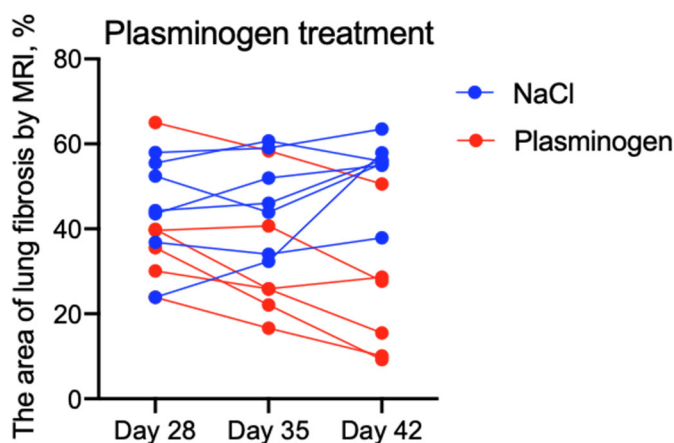


Figure S2. Individual values of the % of lung tissue with fibrosis at day 28, 35 or 42 of bleomycin intratracheal instillation in *Plaur*^{-/-} mice, treated with 1 mg plasminogen or isotonic NaCl (control) intravenously at day 21.

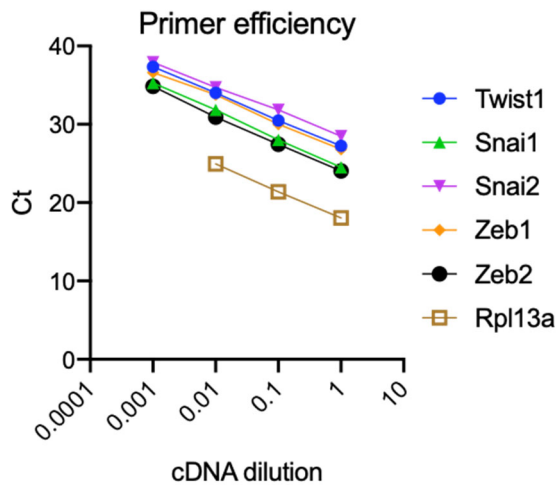


Figure S3. Analysis of primer efficiency performed by plotting the cycle threshold value (Ct) against the serial 1:10 dilution of the cDNA sample.

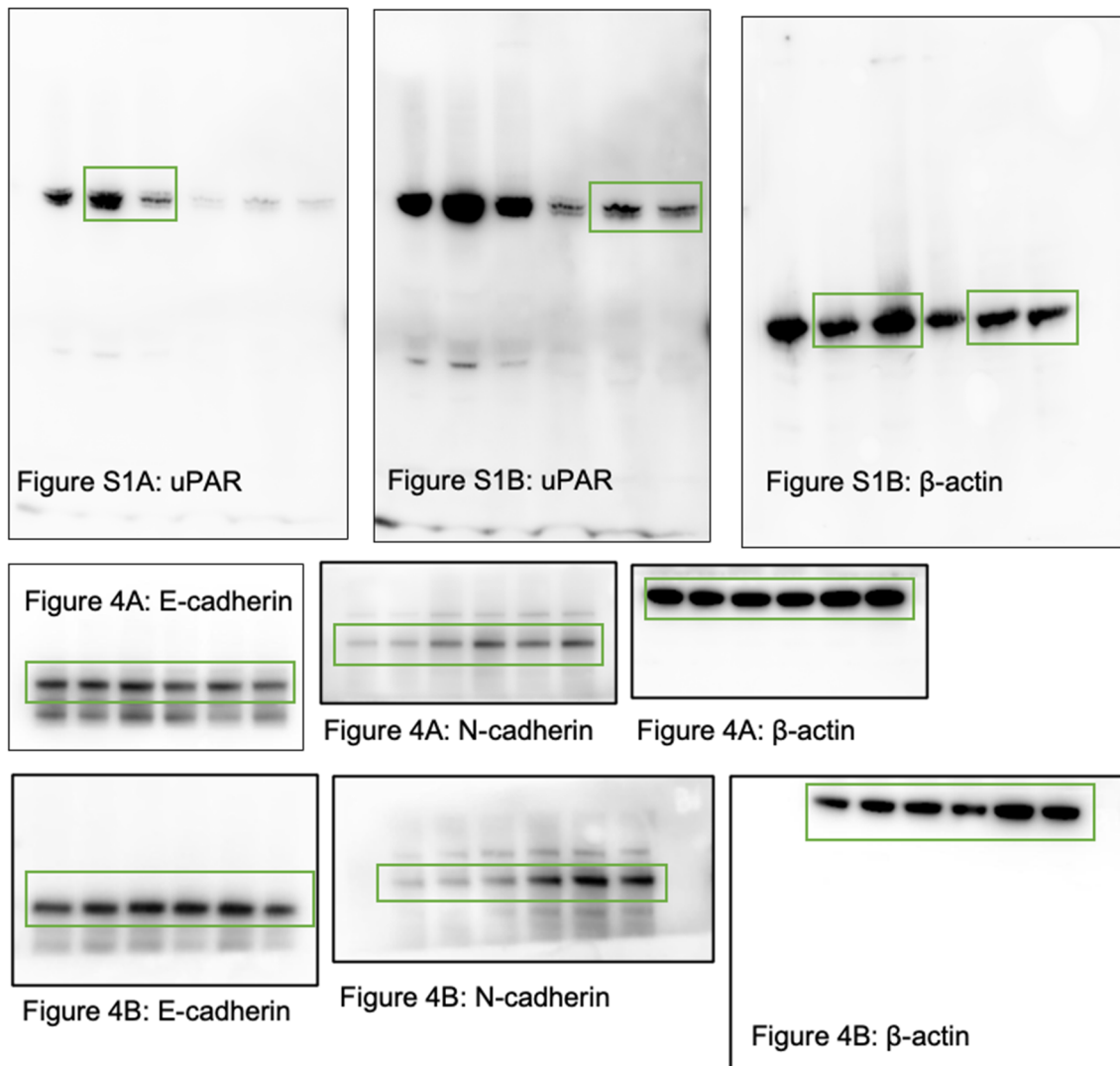


Figure S4. The original uncropped western blot images.

Supplementary tables

Table S1. *PLAU* and *PLAUR* minimal, mean, median, interquartile range, maximal expression levels in control, COVID-19 and pulmonary fibrosis lung cells.

Table S2. shRNA sequences used for cloning.

DNA oligo	Sequence (5' → 3')
<i>PLAUR</i> shRNA F	CCGGGCCGTTACCTCGAATGCATTTCTCGAGAAATGCATTGAGGTAACGGCTTTTGG
<i>PLAUR</i> shRNA R	AATTCAAAAAGCCGTTACCTCGAATGCATTTCTCGAGAAATGCATTGAGGTAACGGC
scramble shRNA F	CCGGCCTAAGGTTAAGTCGCCCTCGCTCGAGCGAGGGCGACTTAACCTTAGGTTTTTG
scramble shRNA R	AATTCAAAAACCTAAGGTTAAGTCGCCCTCGCTCGAGCGAGGGCGACTTAACCTTAGG

Table S3. The murine cDNA primers used in the study.

Primer	Sequence (5' → 3')	Primer efficiency	Reference
<i>The murine cDNA primers</i>			
<i>Acta2</i> F	CGAAACCACCTATAACAGCATCA		[78]
<i>Acta2</i> R	GCGTTCTGGAGGGGCAAT		
<i>Cdh1</i> F	CAGGTCTCCTCATGGCTTTGC		[79]
<i>Cdh1</i> R	CTTCCGAAAAGAAGGCTGTCC		
<i>Cdh2</i> F	AGCGCAGTCTTACCGAAGG		[79]
<i>Cdh2</i> R	TCGCTGCTTTCATACTGAACTTT		
<i>Ilf6</i> F	GCCCACCAAGAACGATAGTCA		
<i>Ilf6</i> R	ACTGGATGGAAGTCTCTT GC		
<i>Plau</i> F	ATGGAAATGGTGACTCTTACCGA		
<i>Plau</i> R	TGGGCATTGTAGGGTTTCTGA		
<i>Rpl13a</i> F	CCCCAGGTAAGCAAACCTTTCTG	1.95	
<i>Rpl13a</i> R	CCCCACAAGACCAAGAGAGG		

<i>Snai1</i> F	CTGCTTCGAGCCATAGAACTAAAG	1.98	
<i>Snai1</i> R	GAGGGGAACTATTGCATAGTCTGT		
<i>Snai2</i> F	CTCACCTCGGGAGCATACAGC	2.10	
<i>Snai2</i> R	TGAAGTGTCAGAGGAAGGCGGG		
<i>Twist1</i> F	CGGGTCATGGCTAACGTG	1.98	
<i>Twist1</i> R	CAGCTTGCCATCTTGGAGTC		
<i>Twist2</i> F	CGCTACAGCAAGAAATCGAGC		
<i>Twist2</i> R	GCTGAGCTTGTCAGAGGGG		
<i>Zeb1</i> F	GCTGGCAAGACAACGTGAAAG	2.00	
<i>Zeb1</i> R	GCCTCAGGATAAATGACGGC		
<i>Zeb2</i> F	CCACGCAGTGAGCATCGAA	1.90	
<i>Zeb2</i> R	CAGGTGGCAGGTCATTTTCTT		