

Supplementary Figure I. A) Dose curve of fibronectin deposition in response to oxLDL. n=3. B) HAECs were treated with oxLDL (100 ug/ml) or TGF β (10 ng/ml) for the indicated times. Cells were lyzed in DOC-containing buffer, followed by blotting for fibronectin. Representative Western blots are shown (n=3). C/D) HAECs were treated with either TGF β (B) or oxLDL (C) for the indicated times, followed by analysis of Smad2/3 activity. Representative Western blots are shown (n=3). E) α 5 WT and KO MAECs were treated with TGF β (10 ng/ml) for 24 hours, followed by fibronectin extraction. Immunocytochemistry was performed to visualize fibronectin= 3.



Supplementary Figure II. A) HAECs were treated with oxLDL or TGF β for 3 hrs, followed mRNA analysis by using quantitative real-time polymerase chain reaction for several EndMT markers including Vim, SM22, MYH11, Leio, and Notch3. n=3. B) HAECs were treated with oxLDL, followed by fixation and immunostaing for SMA, CD31 (endothelial marker), and phalloidin. Representative images are shown (n=3). C) HAECs were plated on BM and treated with oxLDL for the indicated times, followed by mRNA analysis for fibronectin. n=3. Values are means±SE. *P<0.05 compared with no treatment condition.



SupplementaryFigureIII.Representativeimagesofnon-immuneimmunoglobulincontrolsusingeithersecondaryantibodyonlyorrabbitIgGandsecondaryantibody.



Supplementary Figure IV. A) Sections of aortic arch from iEC-Ctrl and iEC- α 5 KO mice were stained for the leak of plasma protein fibrinogen into the vessel wall. Representative images are shown (n=5). B) HAECs were transfected with α 5 siRNA and plated on biotinylated gelatin coated slides overnight, followed by exposure to oscillatory shear stress for 18 hours. Subsequently, streptavidin-Alexa647 was added to the cells to visualize permeable areas, and cells were immunostained with Alexa488-phalloidin to visualize cell structure. Representative images are shown (n=4). Values are means±SE. *P<0.05, **P<0.01, ***P<0.001 compared with the control. ##P<0.01 compared with α 5 siRNA.

Supplemental Figure 4



Supplementary Figure V. Representative images of fibronectin staining of aortic arch sections from iEC-Ctrl and iEC- α 5 KO, iEC- α v KO, and iEC- α 5/- α v double knockout DKO mice. n=5-6 of each group.



Supplementary Figure VI. Plasma from iEC-Control and iEC- α 5 KO mice were analyzed for total cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL cholesterol, and LDL cholesterol. No significant differences were identified.



Western blot for fibronectin in FBS before and after passage through a gelatin sepharose column to deplete fibronectin.



Supplementary Figure VIII. HAECs were transfected with FN siRNA and treated with oxLDL for 6 hrs. Surface expression of α 5 was analyzed using FACS.