Panel 1

Fluorchrome	Antigen	Clone	Provider	
BUV 737	CD4	SK3	BD Biosciences	
BUV 395	CD38	HB7	BD Biosciences	
BV785	TIM-3	F38-2E2	Biolegend	
BV711	HLA-DR	L243	Biolegend	
BV650	CCR7	G043H7	Biolegend	
BV605	TIGIT	A15153G	Biolegend	
BV510	CD45RO	UCHL1	Biolegend	
BV421	LAG-3	11C3C65	Biolegend	
PerCp-Cy5.5	CD8	RPA-T8	Biolegend	
FITC	CD27	M-T271	BD Biosciences	
PE-Cy7	CD69	FN50	Biolegend	
PE-Dazzle	PD1	EH12.2H7	Biolegend	
PE	BTLA	J168-540	BD Biosciences	
APC-Cy7	L/D		ThermoFisher	
	CD14	63D3	Biolegend	
	CD19	HIB19	Biolegend	
AF700	CD3	UCHT1	Biolegend	

Panel 2

Fluorchrome	Antigen	Clone	Provider
BUV 737	CD4	SK3	BD Biosciences
BUV 395	CD226	DX11	BD Biosciences
BV785	CD127	A019D5	Biolegend
BV711	T-bet	4B10	Biolegend
BV650	CCR7	G043H7	Biolegend
BV605	TIGIT	A15153G	Biolegend
BV510	CD45RO	UCHL1	Biolegend
BV421	PD1	EH12.2H7	Biolegend
PerCp-Cy5.5	CD8	RPA-T8	Biolegend
FITC	CD27	M-T271	BD Biosciences
PE-Cy7	LAG-3	3DS223H	eBioscience
PE-Dazzle	Eomes	WD1928	Invitrogen
APC-Cy7	L/D		ThermoFisher
	CD14	63D3	Biolegend
	CD19	HIB19	Biolegend
AF700	CD3	UCHT1	Biolegend

Supplementary Figure 1. Overview of fluorochrome-conjugated antibodies for flow cytometry.

Identifier	Panel 1	Panel 2	Mild	Severe	Follow-Up
C1		Х			
C2	Х	Х	Х		
C3	Х	Х			
C4	Х			Х	Х
C5	Х	Х		Х	
C6	Х	Х	Х		
C7	X	Х			
C8	X	х	Х		
C9		Х	Х		
C10	Х	Х		Х	
C11	X	Х	Х		
C12	Х	Х		Х	Х
C13	Х				
C14	X	Х			
C15	Х	Х	Х		
C16	Х	Х			
C17	Х				
C18	Х			Х	
C19	Х				
C20	x	Х			Х
M1	Х	Х			
M2	Х	Х			
M3		Х			
M4	X	Х			
M5		Х			
M6		X			
M7	X	X			
M8	X	X			
M9		X			
M10	X	Х			

C1-C20: COVID-19 cohort M1-M10: Malaria cohort

Supplementary Figure 2. Overview of processed samples and panels used for analysis.



Supplementary Figure 3. Representative dot plots of PBMC showing the gating strategy for T cells. (A) Lymphocytes were first identified by a low forward scatter (FSC) and low side scatter (SSC) gate. (B) Doublets were excluded by a forward scatter height (FSC-H) and forward scatter area (FSC-A) gate. (C) Only live cells were included. (D) Only CD3⁺ cells were included. (E) CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells were identified. (F) Naïve and memory subsets were identified using CD45RO and CCR7.



Supplementary Figure 4. Frequency of co-stimulatory and co-inhibitory receptors on naïve and memory subsets. Frequency of CD226 (A), PD1 (B), MFI of PD1 (C) and frequency of TIGIT (D) on naïve, central memory (CM), transitional memory (TM), effector memory (EM) and terminal effector memory (EMRA) CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells in COVID-19 and malaria patients and healthy donors. P values were calculated by Mann-Whitney test. P-values smaller than 0.05 were considered significant, where *, **, *** and **** indicate p-values between 0.01 to 0.05, 0.001 to 0.01, 0.0001 to 0.001 and <0.0001 respectively.



Supplementary Figure 5. Frequency of CD127 on bulk CD8⁺ T cells and CD8⁺ T cells co-expressing inhibitory receptors. (A) Frequency of CD127 on CD8⁺ T cells in COVID-19 and malaria patients as well as healthy donors. (B) Frequency of CD127 on PD1⁻LAG-3⁻ and PD1⁺LAG-3⁺ CD8⁺ T cells in COVID-19 and malaria patients. P values were calculated by Wilcoxon test for paired analyses and Mann-Whitney test for unpaired analyses. P-values smaller than 0.05 were considered significant, where *, **, *** and **** indicate p-values between 0.01 to 0.05, 0.001 to 0.01, 0.0001 to 0.001 and <0.0001 respectively.



Supplementary Figure 6. Frequency of co-stimulatory and co-inhibitory receptors on CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells in mild and severe COVID-19 patients. (A) Frequencies of CD69⁺, HLA-DR⁺CD38⁺, CD226⁺, PD1⁺, TIGIT⁺ and BTLA⁺ CD8⁺ and CD4⁺ T cells in mild and severe COVID-19 patients. P values were calculated by Mann-Whitney test. P-values smaller than 0.05 were considered significant, where *, **, *** and **** indicate p-values between 0.01 to 0.05, 0.001 to 0.01, 0.0001 to 0.001 and <0.0001 respectively.