Supplementary figure 1 (Fig S1)



Fig S1 ELISA Validation (A) A compiled standard curve (n=6 from 3 different days) with variability. (B) Intraday and interday variability of a single sample conditioned medium (48h) of differentiated THP-1 cells. (C) Standard curves from ELISA with different concentration of the detecting antibody $(0.1\mu g/ml \text{ and } 0.4\mu g/ml)$. (D) Estimates of sTREM2-concentration in the same samples with two sample dilutions in these two ELISAs.

Supplementary figure 2 (Fig S2)



Fig S2 Freeze-thaw cycles Initial freeze-thaw cycles did not significantly affect sTREM2 levels. Two CSF samples were subjected to freeze-thaw cycles and sTREM2 levels were determined with sTREM2 ELISA. Data represent mean and standard deviation. Reduction in the sTREM2 level was analyzed by One-way ANOVA / Tukey's Multiple Comparison Test, * indicates significant reduction in sTREM2 level as compared to initial concentration (p=0.001).



Supplementary figure 3 (Fig S3)

Fig. S3 ¹⁸**F-Flutemetamol-amyloid-PET imaging and cerebrospinal fluid Aβ42 level.** The results of ¹⁸F-Flutemetamol-amyloid- positron emission tomography (PET) imaging (¹⁸Flumetamol-PET) and CSF analyses of Aβ42 in 19 non-demented patients attending the Memory Clinic at Akershus University

Hospital. All patients with PET-scans interpreted as negative for brain amyloid, had CSF A β 42 above 600 pg/ml (dotted line), while all with PET-scans interpreted as positive for brain amyloid had CSF A β 42 below 600pg/ml. The only exception was one patient with CSF-A β 42 935 pg/ml and a PET-scan read as marginally positive. Based on this, employing CSF A β 42 > 700pg/ml as a cut-off would probably exclude most cases with substantial cerebral amyloid pathology.





Fig S4. Relationship between CSF sTREM2 and Aβ38, Aβ40 and Aβ42 Meso Scale Discovery analyses Relationship between cerebrospinal fluid sTREM2- and levels of (A) Aβ38, (B) Aβ40 and (C) Aβ42 measured with MSD Multi-Spot Assay System (Meso Scale Discovery) in a selection of controls in the Norwegian cohort with high CSF Aβ42 (>700 pg/ml; n=31). Supplementary figure 5 (Fig S5)



Fig S5. Relationship between Aβ-measures with MSD Multi-Spot Assay System (Meso Scale Discovery) and Aβ42 Innotest ELISA (A) Relationship between Aβ42-Innotest ELISA and Aβ42-MSD, (B) Aβ40-MSD and Aβ38-MSD, (C) Aβ42-MSD and Aβ38-MSD, (D) Aβ42-MSD and Aβ40-MSD in a selection of in the Norwegian cohort (n=38).

Supplementary figure 6 (Fig S6)



Fig S6. Relationship between CSF levels of sTREM2 and neurodegenerative markers in the Swedish **cohort.** Relationship between CSF sTREM2 levels and levels of (A) Aβ42, (B) T-tau and (C) P-tau in CSF among all subjects in the Swedish cohort.

Supplementary figure 7 (Fig S7)



Fig S7. Relationship between cerebrospinal fluid soluble TREM2, age and Aβ38/Aβ40

Relationship between the CSF sTREM2 and age and (A) A β 38, (B) A β 40 among subjects with CSF level of A β 42 >700pg/ml in the Norwegian cohort.

Supplementary Table 1 (Table S1)

| | Correlations between Aβ peptides (n=38) | | | | | | |
|----------|---|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | | |
| | Αβ42 | Αβ38 | Αβ40 | Αβ42 | | | |
| | Innotest | (MSD) | (MSD | (MSD) | | | |
| Αβ42 | | r=0.59 | r=0.58 | r=0.88 | | | |
| Innotest | | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Αβ38 | r=0.59 | | r=0.96 | r=0.74 | | | |
| (MSD) | p<0.001 | | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Αβ40 | r=0.58 | r=0.96 | | r=0.74 | | | |
| (MSD) | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | | p<0.001 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Αβ42 | r=0.88 | r=0.74 | r=0.74 | | | | |
| (MSD) | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | p<0.001 | | | | |

Correlations between different Aß peptide assays

Correlations are presented as Spearman Rho as not all data were normally distributed.

Supplementary Table 2 (Table S2)

Multiple linear regresion with CSF sTREM2

| | All controls | | Aβ42 (Innotest)>700pg/ml | |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 2nd explanatory | Age | 2nd explanatory | Age | 2nd explanatory |
| variable | | variable | | variable |
| Aβ42 (n=50/46) | β1= 0.12 | β2= 0.003 | β1= 0.12 | β2= 0.003 |
| Innotest | p<0.001 | p=0.01 | p<0.001 | p=0.01 |
| Aβ38 (n=32/31) | β1= 0.07 | β2= 0.001 | β1= 0.08 | β2= 0.001 |
| (MSD) | p=0.02 | p=0.01 | p=0.02 | p=0.01 |
| Aβ40 (n=32/31) | β1= 0.07 | β2= 0.0005 | β1= 0.07 | β2= 0.0005 |
| (MSD) | p=0.03 | p=0.01 | p=0.02 | p=0.01 |
| Aβ42 (n=32/31) | β1= 0.08 | β2=0.003 | β1= 0.09 | β2= 0.004 |
| (MSD) | p=0.01 | p =0.03 | p=0.008 | p=0.02 |
| P-tau (n=50/46) | β1= 0.09 | β2= 0.04 | β1= 0.11 | β2= 0.04 |
| | p=0.007 | p=0.02 | p=0.003 | p =0.02 |
| T-tau (n=50/46) | β1= 0.11 | β2= 0.003 | β1= 0.12 | β2= 0.003 |
| | p=0.002 | p=0.11 | p=0.001 | p=0.14 |

Aβ42 Innotest, P-tau and T-tau analyses: All controls n=50, Aβ42 (Innotest)>700pg/ml; n=46 Aβ38 (MSD), Aβ40 (MSD), Aβ42 (MSD) analyses: All controls n=32, Aβ42 (Innotest)>700pg/ml; n=31