## Title: Ultrasonication-based rapid amplification of $\alpha$ -synuclein aggregates in cerebrospinal fluid.

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## Fig. S1. Intracellular levels of $\alpha$ -synuclein oligomers are elevated in aggregation-induced cells by PFF seeding.

(A) Western blot analysis of the lysates of  $\alpha$ -synuclein aggregation-induced cells by PFF seeding and controls. An anti- $\alpha$ -synuclein antibody (Syn 211) was used for detection. (B) Quantitative analysis of the relative amounts of soluble  $\alpha$ -synuclein monomers/oligomers adjusted to the levels of actin in the soluble fraction. (C) Quantitative analysis of  $\alpha$ -synuclein in the insoluble fraction (n = 4). Aggregation-induced cells had higher levels of  $\alpha$ -synuclein oligomers than control cells in the soluble and insoluble fractions (p < 0.01 and p < 0.05, respectively, unpaired two-tailed t-test).

**Fig. S2.** A representative full-length blot for  $\alpha$ -synuclein of cell lysates with the primary Syn 211 antibody. S1-A. The cropped area indicated by the red box is shown in Fig. S1-A.

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RIPA <u>soluble</u> <u>insoluble</u> <u>soluble</u> <u>insoluble</u>

**Fig. S3.** A representative full-length blot for actin of cell lysates with an anti-actin clone C4 antibody. The cropped area indicated by the red box is shown in Fig. S1-A.

RIPA soluble insoluble soluble insoluble





## Fig. S4. Oligomeric activity of CSF correlates with the seeding activity of HANABI and $\alpha$ -synuclein oligomers in CSF measured by ELISA.

CSF from six patients (three PD, and three controls) were mixed, respectively, with a pre-filtered  $\alpha$ -synuclein monomer solution in 50 mM Tris-HCl and 150 mM NaCl at a v/v ratio of 1:9. Final concentration of  $\alpha$ -synuclein was 500 µg/mL. The samples were incubated with continuous shaking (600 rpm) at 37  $^{\circ}$  C, and collected at days 0, 2, and 4. The collected samples were centrifuged immediately at 13,500 rpm at 4  $^\circ\,$  C for 30 min, and the supernatants were used for the detection of oligomers by western blot analysis. The primary antibody used for western blot was a mouse anti-human  $\alpha$ synuclein oligomer-specific antibody (ASyO5; AS13 2718, Agrisera, Vännäs, Sweden) and the secondary antibody was a sheep anti-mouse peroxidase-linked antibody (NA931; GE Healthcare, Little Chalfont, UK). Oligomerization activity was calculated by the day 4/day 0 ratio of the total intensity of the bands at 33 and 55 kDa. (A) (B) Western blot analysis of the incubated  $\alpha$ -synuclein solution with CSF. The highmolecular band indicated with red boxes was analyzed to calculate the oligomerization activity of each patient. (C) (D) Dot plot of oligomerization of CSF and T1/2 and  $\alpha$ synuclein oligomers in CSF measured by ELISA. Oligomerization activity was significantly correlated with T1/2 (Pearson correlation test, r = -0.984, p < 0.001) and oligomers in CSF (Pearson correlation test, r = -0.891, p = 0.02).