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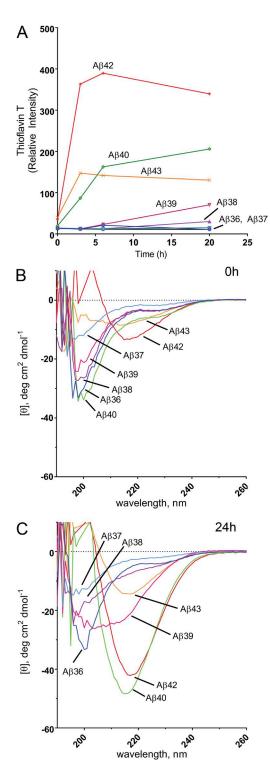


Figure S1. **Under standard aggregation conditions, short** $A\beta$ **do not form** β **-sheet structures like** $A\beta$ **42.** Monomeric $A\beta$ 36–40, $A\beta$ 42, and $A\beta$ 43 (100 μ M) were incubated in buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl, 150 mM NaCl, pH 8.0) with shaking at 37°C. (A) At the indicated times, aliquots were diluted 15-fold for measurement of Thioflavin T fluorescence. (B and C) Secondary structure of $A\beta$ 37 and $A\beta$ 42 was measured in far-UV circular dichroism (CD) spectra of monomeric peptides (before incubation; B) and aggregated peptides (after 24 h of incubation; C). Of note, an initial peptide lot of $A\beta$ 37 from Anaspec did show an increase in Thioflavin T fluorescence and a shift in CD spectra to β -sheet. We were unable to reproduce this with two additional lots of peptide and show the representative data from these two lots of peptide. Lot-to-lot variance in aggregatability of synthetic $A\beta$ is a well-documented phenomenon in the field, and can also be highly dependent on handling of the peptide before the aggregation assays.

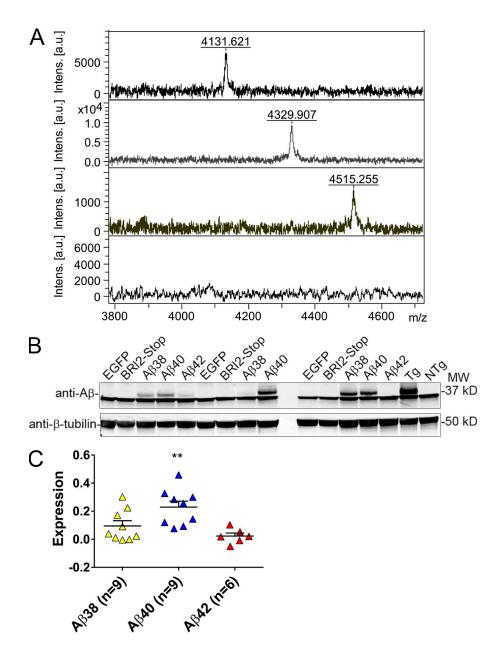


Figure S2. Aβ38, Aβ40, and Aβ42 expression in NTgCRND8 mice. (A) Immunoprecipitation/mass spectrometry spectra from 1 ml of conditioned media from transiently transfected HEK 293T cells expressing BRI2-Aβ38, BRI2-Aβ40, or BRI2-Aβ42. The m/z value of peaks representing Aβ38, Aβ40, and Aβ42 are labeled. (B) Representative anti-Aβ immunoblots of the sequentially extracted SDS lysate from 9-mo-old NTgCRND8 mice expressing Aβ38, Aβ40, BRI2-Stop, and EGFP and 6-mo-old NTgCRND8 mice expressing Aβ42. Molecular weight markers are indicated on the right. The lower panel represents blots probed with anti-β-tubulin antibody to depict loading amount. (C) Densitometric analysis of Aβ levels (37-kD band) normalized to β-tubulin. Data represents mean \pm standard error of the mean; n = 6-9 (**, $P \le 0.01$, one-way ANOVA with Dunnett's multiple comparison test).

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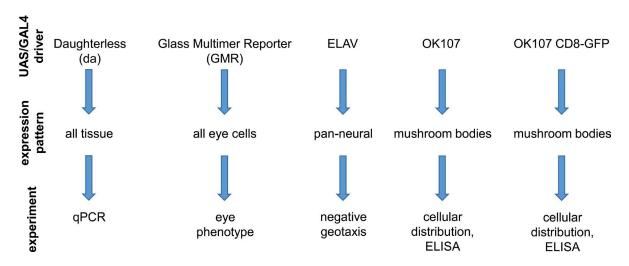


Figure S3. **Drosophila drivers used in this study.** Experimental design was based on expression pattern of A β transgenes, which were driven by the Gal4/ UAS system. The Gal4 drivers, resulting expression patterns, and experimental applications used in this study are depicted.

Table S1. Statistical analysis of A β levels from A β solubilized with RIPA, 2% SDS, and guanidine from 1– and 30–d–old flies expressing A β peptides

Comparison	RIPA-solubilized Aβ		2% SDS-solubilized $A\beta$		Guanidinium-solubilized $A\beta$	
	Day 1	Day 30	Day 1	Day 30	Day 1	Day 30
Aβ36 vs. GFP	ns	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Αβ36 vs. Αβ37	ns	ns	na	na	ns	****
Αβ36 vs. Αβ38	ns	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Αβ36 vs. Αβ39	***	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Αβ36 vs. Αβ40	***	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Αβ36 vs. Αβ42	ns	ns	na	na	****	****
Αβ36 vs. Αβ43	ns	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Aβ37 vs. GFP	*	ns	****	****	ns	****
Αβ37 vs. Αβ36	ns	ns	na	na	ns	****
Αβ37 vs. Αβ38	ns	ns	****	****	ns	***
Αβ37 vs. Αβ39	**	ns	****	***	ns	***
Αβ37 vs. Αβ40	*	ns	****	****	ns	***
Αβ37 vs. Αβ42	*	ns	***	****	****	****
Αβ37 vs. Αβ43	**	ns	na	****	ns	***
Aβ38 vs. GFP	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Αβ38 vs. Αβ36	ns	ns	na	na	ns	ns
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Αβ38 vs. Αβ37	ns ***	ns	***		ns	
Αβ38 vs. Αβ39	***	ns	**	ns	ns	ns
Αβ38 vs. Αβ40		ns	****	ns *	ns ****	ns ****
Αβ38 vs. Αβ42	ns	ns				
Αβ38 vs. Αβ43	ns ****	ns	na ****	ns	ns	ns
Aβ39 vs. GFP		ns		ns	ns	ns
Αβ39 vs. Αβ36	***	ns	na	na	ns	ns
Αβ39 vs. Αβ37	**	ns	****	***	ns	***
Αβ39 vs. Αβ38	***	ns	***	ns	ns	ns
Αβ39 vs. Αβ40	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Αβ39 vs. Αβ42	****	ns	*	ns	****	***
Αβ39 vs. Αβ43	****	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Aβ40 vs. GFP	****	ns	****	ns	ns	ns
Αβ40 vs. Αβ36	***	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Αβ40 vs. Αβ37	*	ns	****	****	ns	***
Αβ40 vs. Αβ38	***	ns	**	ns	ns	ns
Αβ40 vs. Αβ39	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns	ns
Αβ40 vs. Αβ42	****	ns	***	ns	****	****
Αβ40 vs. Αβ43	****	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Aβ42 vs. GFP	ns	ns	****	**	****	****
Aβ42 vs. Aβ36	ns	ns	na	na	****	****
Αβ42 vs. Αβ37	*	ns	***	****	****	****
Αβ42 vs. Αβ38	ns	ns	****	*	****	×××
Αβ42 vs. Αβ39	****	ns	*	ns	****	****
Αβ42 vs. Αβ40	****	ns	***	ns	****	****
Αβ42 vs. Αβ43	ns	ns	na	ns	****	****
Aβ43 vs. GFP	ns	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Αβ43 vs. Αβ36		ns	na	na	ns	ns
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Αβ43 vs. Αβ37		ns	na		ns	
Αβ43 vs. Αβ38	ns ****	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Αβ43 vs. Αβ39	****	ns	na	ns	ns	ns
Αβ43 vs. Αβ40		ns	na	ns	ns ****	ns ****
Aβ43 vs. Aβ42	ns	ns	na	ns	****	****

na, not applicable; ns, not significant (P > 0.05); *, P \leq 0.05; **, P \leq 0.01; ***, P \leq 0.001; ***, P \leq 0.0001, one-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparison test.

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Table S2. Details of Q-RT-PCR primers and probes used in study

Gene	Reference ID	Primers	Probe (5'FAM/3'quencher)	Amplicon length
Argos		Forward: 5'-CCATGACAGCGGTTACGAG-3' Reverse: 5'-TGTTGGATCCCACGTCTTC-3'	probe #131	68 nt
β-tubulin	S60740.1	Forward: 5'-CACTTCCTAACCTTTTGCTTTCC-3' Reverse: 5'-ATGCCATTGCTGTCGATG-3'	probe #14	75 nt
L32	NM_001144655	Forward: 5'-TGCATTAGTGGGACACCTTCT-3' Reverse: 5'-GTGCGCTTCTTCACGATCT-3'	probe #107	73 nt