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Jacqueline French, MD, Joins the Board of the American Brain Foundation

(MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 24) – Today, the American Brain Foundation (ABF) announced that Jacqueline French, MD, has joined its board of directors.

Dr. French is Chief Medical and Innovation Officer of the national Epilepsy Foundation (Maryland); a professor in the Department of Neurology at NYU Grossman School of Medicine; and co-director of epilepsy research and epilepsy clinical trials at NYU Langone Health's Comprehensive Epilepsy Center. She is also the president of the Epilepsy Study Consortium, a nonprofit comprised of scientific investigators dedicated to the speedy delivery of new therapies to people with epilepsy.

"We're delighted to welcome Dr. French to the board," said David W. Dodick, MD, incoming ABF board chair and Professor of Neurology at Mayo Clinic's College of Medicine (Scottsdale, Ariz.) and Director of the Headache Program and Sport Neurology and Concussion Program at Mayo. "Her national and international leadership in the field of epilepsy research will help us advance our mission to bring researchers and donors together to cure brain diseases and disorders."

"I am thrilled to join the American Brain Foundation" said Dr. French. "Epilepsy affects one out of every 26 people in their lifetime. I am looking forward to joining with my colleagues to fight this and the other serious brain diseases that have such a profound impact not only on those living with the disorders, but also their families and communities."

Dr. French is one of five new, incoming, ABF board members, including James Erwin, Executive Vice President, Chicago Title Commercial (Houston); Frances Jensen, MD, FAAN, University of Pennsylvania; Cindy McCain, businesswoman and philanthropist; and Sean Sansiveri, Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs, NFL Players Association.

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