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**BRAIN RESEARCH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2013
FREDERIC A. GIBBS DISCOVERY AWARD RECIPIENTS**

- **PARAGON PHARMACEUTICAL'S, JEFFREY S. ARONIN HONORED FOR PHILANTHROPIC LEADERSHIP**
- **DISCOVER FINANCIAL SERVICES HONORED FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE**

CHICAGO, IL – (November 5, 2013) The Brain Research Foundation (BRF) today announced that the 2013 recipients of the Frederic A. Gibbs Discovery Award are Jeffrey S. Aronin and Discover Financial Services.

Jeffrey S. Aronin, Founder, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of Paragon Pharmaceuticals, LLC, in addition to Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Marathon Pharmaceuticals, will receive the Philanthropic Leadership Award. The award recognizes his deep commitment to civic and philanthropic efforts. Mr. Aronin is a Director of World Business Chicago, the Museum of Science and Industry, the Commercial Club of Chicago and he is also a Henry Crown Fellow at the Aspen Institute.

“Jeff Aronin has made substantial contributions to the life sciences industry where his success has allowed him to positively impact the philanthropic community,” stated Terre A. Constantine, Ph.D., executive director of the Brain Research Foundation. “As a Foundation that has created a unique model for igniting new research paths, we commend Jeff’s accomplishments in pursuing technology and innovative solutions that bring life-enhancing therapies to patients in need.”

Discover Financial Services will receive the Discovery Award For Community Service. David Nelms, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Discover, will accept on behalf of the company. Discover supports an ambitious program of community giving that includes the You Care, We Share employee giving and volunteer programs that match both employee financial giving and personal time commitments. The company proactively engages Discover card-holders in philanthropic outreach that has benefitted many non-profits. And Discover funds a financial education program called Pathway to Financial Success that provides financial tools and resources to teachers, parents and students, but more importantly, brings financial education curriculum to thousands of classrooms across the country through grants to U.S. public high schools.

“Knowledge is power and the \$10 million commitment that Discover has made to help educate public high school students in the essential life skill of financial management is laudable,” Dr. Constantine added. “Already Discover’s program has been delivered to more than 400 schools throughout the U.S. and this is just one of several philanthropic efforts by the company.”

The Discovery Award is named for Dr. Frederic Gibbs, a neurologist who helped found the Brain Research Foundation in 1953. He was a pioneer on the use of electroencephalography (EEG) for the diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy. The awards will be given tonight, November 5, at the Brain Research Foundation Discovery Dinner.

About the Brain Research Foundation

The Brain Research Foundation (theBRF.org) supports cutting-edge neuroscience research that will lead to novel treatments and prevention of all neurological diseases in children and adults. We deliver this commitment through *research grants*, which provide initial funding for innovative projects, as well as *educational programs* for researchers and the general public.

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