



**November 29, 2010** — Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences Senior Vice President Dale C. Smith, PhD (right), addresses staff of the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute (AFRRRI). The cake-cutting event was held to mark the past accomplishments of and the future for the more than 200 federal civilian, contractor and military staff members at AFRRRI. The Institute's Director, Army COL Mark A. Melanson, introduced Dr. Smith during one of the several events celebrating AFRRRI's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As shown in the background photograph, this event observed the November 29, 1960, groundbreaking for construction of a 14,905-square foot laboratory building and a 2,500-square foot animal facility. Today, as part of the University, AFRRRI encompasses more than 420,000 square feet and is undergoing renovations to upgrade infrastructure and to create state-of-the-art laboratories.

