A fleet-footed band of Pathology faculty, trainees, staff, and friends turned out on October 15 for the inaugural Winship Cancer Institute "Win the Fight 5K" road race, to raise funds for the fight against cancer. Our Department’s team, the Inadequate Specimens, put in a very strong showing at the race, placing second in fundraising among 90 teams by collecting over $7,500 to support the work of cancer researchers in Pathology and other departments. The team’s 57 members, captained by Professor and Vice Chair Dan Brat, M.D., Ph.D., were highly visible on race day, decked out in spectacular lime green T-shirts that had been designed by Donna Martin and supplied by the Department. Participants ran, walked, or strolled the 5K course, which wound through the Druid Hills neighborhood, beginning and ending at McDonough Field on the Emory Clifton campus. The day’s other events included a tot trot for young kids, pre-race aerobics, post-race massages, and lots of inspirational stories from cancer survivors. Though intended as an upbeat, community-oriented fundraiser, the race inspired dazzling displays of athleticism by many of the Inadequate Specimens, including Mary Kinsella, M.D., Stewart Neill, M.D., Kristzina Hanley, M.D., Marina Mosunjac, M.D., and Gabe Sica, M.D., Ph.D., who each ranked among the top-placed finishers, with times in the top 10 for their age groups.

Comment: Next year’s Winship 5K is scheduled for the morning of October 13, 2012, so mark your calendars and start getting in shape! For more photos of the race day, see page 4.

Pathologists Ring in the Holidays at Fernbank Museum

Continuing a bi-annual tradition that began in 2004, Pathology celebrated the holidays on December 8 with an evening gala beneath the dinosaur skeletons at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History. Joined by EML staff and other honored guests, including five lucky residency applicants who were interviewing the next day, our Department feasted, toasted, and enjoyed one another’s company in a tastefully Mesozoic setting, with Neal Raven at the piano. Thanks go out to Corey Anderson, Donna Kilcullen, and everyone else who helped, for organizing this big event. For a reminder of how much fun you had, or to see what you missed, check out the photos on page 3 and at http://www.path.emory.edu/Images/HolidayParty_2011/index.htm.

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NEW FACULTY —
Bruce R. Smoller, MD

The newly appointed Executive Vice President of the U.S.-Canadian Academy of Pathology (USCAP) has just become the newest member of our Department’s adjunct faculty. **Bruce R. Smoller, M.D.,** an expert dermatopathologist who took over the leadership of USCAP in August after seven years as Chair of Pathology at the University of Arkansas, was appointed this month as Adjunct Professor of Pathology at Emory. A graduate of Dartmouth and of the University of Cincinnati medical school, Dr Smoller completed residency in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology, including a year as Chief Resident, at Harvard’s Beth Israel Hospital, followed by a Dermatopathology fellowship at Cornell, before joining the Stanford Pathology faculty in 1990 as an Assistant Professor and Director of the Dermatopathology service. He remained at Stanford until 1997, rising to the rank of Professor, and then moved to Arkansas, where he served as Chief of Dermatopathology for more than a decade before being named Chair in 2004. He is the author of more than 250 papers and chapters, editor of nearly a dozen books, and former Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Cutaneous Pathology. Now relocated to Georgia at the helm of one of the premier academic pathology organizations in North America, Dr Smoller says he is eager to take advantage of the opportunities for resident teaching and professional interactions that a formal appointment at Emory Pathology provides. His gifts in those areas, which have earned him numerous teaching awards and lectureships throughout his career, were very much in evidence during his seminar and slide session as our Grand Rounds speaker in October, affording us a preview of the talent, good humor, and high distinction Dr Smoller brings to our Department.

## CASE REPORTS -

**Associate Professor John Roback, M.D., Ph.D.,** is senior editor of the newly released seventeenth edition of the AABB Technical Manual, the definitive reference text for blood banking and transfusion medicine practitioners nationwide. Dr Roback is the Director of our Center for Transfusion and Cellular Therapies, as well as Medical Director of the Emory University Hospital Blood Bank.

**Professor Andrew Neish, M.D.,** has become the fifth Pathology faculty member to be inducted into the School of Medicine’s exclusive Milli-Pub Club of faculty who have authored papers cited in the literature at least 1,000 times. Dr Neish, whose research today focuses on host-pathogen interactions and the microbiome of the gut, was honored for a classic 1995 paper entitled “Transcriptional regulation of endothelial-cell adhesion molecules: NF-kappa-B and cytokine-inducible enhancers” (Collins et al., FASEB J 9: 899-909) at a reception hosted by Dean Thomas Lawley and Vice Dean Ray Dingledine on September 20th for this year’s 10 inductees.

**Erratum:**

Our story in August about **DOG-1 as a marker for gastrointestinal stromal tumors** neglected to mention that first-year resident **Nazneen Fatima, M.D.,** and Professor **Cynthia Cohen, M.D.,** were co-authors of the work. Sorry.

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Pathology Holiday Party (Cont’d)—

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Winship 5K Race (Cont’d)—

“Inadequate Specimens” before and after the race.

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