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**IBT Graduate Students Win Awards***April 28, 1997*

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Two graduate students studying at the Institute of Biosciences and Technology have recently won awards.

Adrian Lacy has won a National Science Foundation Predoctoral Research Fellowship. The award is for three years of full stipend support plus a cost-of-education allowance. Of the 850 awards allocated by Congress, this year 44 went to biochemistry students, with engineering students receiving most of the remainder. Lacy is currently conducting research in IBT's [Center for Cancer Biology and Nutrition](#) in [Dr. James Martin's lab](#) and is enrolled in the University of Texas-Houston's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

John Jakupciak has won a Mental Retardation Scholastic Achievement Scholarship presented by the Bethesda Lutheran Homes and Services, Inc. The scholarship is offered to students of the Lutheran faith who are interested in the field of mental retardation services, based on scholastic achievement and past, current and future work with disabled persons or on related issues. Jakupciak is a graduate student in the [Center for Genome Research at IBT](#) who is conducting research on molecular processes involved in hereditary neuromuscular diseases.

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