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***Koenig receives Nominata Award.

DALLAS--James Irvin Koenig, fifth year student in physiology in the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas, has been presented the Nominata Award for 1981. Koenig was honored for his work on "the regulation of anterior pituitary secretion of prolactin, growth hormone and thyroid-stimulating hormones by opiates, neuropeptides and neurotransmitters." He is the third graduate student to be so honored.

The Nominata Award is the sole honor awarded for outstanding work by the graduate school. The award, established by the Graduate Student Organization to provide recognition for academic excellence and research achievement, consists of a \$200 cash prize and a \$100 gift certificate from Majors Scientific Bookstore. The Scholarship and Awards Committee of the graduate school, which is composed of faculty and student representatives, selects the annual recipient. Dr. James Stull, associate dean, chairs the committee.

Applicants for the award are judged on both academic and research performance. Koenig has a 3.65 GPA with 167 hours completed. He was awarded a predoctoral fellowship supported by NIH training Grant HD-07062 and was a student presenter in the 1979 Sigma Xi Graduate Student Research Forum. In addition, he is contributor on numerous research papers.

"Jim has demonstrated academic excellence and research achievement" and "serves as an example to other members of the health science community," said Dr. Peter Fawcett, chairman of the Graduate Program in Physiology, in making the presentation.

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