

## **AAAI-91 Award for Best Written Paper**

Andrew R. Golding and Paul S. Rosenbloom  
*for*  
**Improving Rule-Based Systems  
Through Case-Based Reasoning**

This paper was judged to be exemplary in terms of its communication skills, clarity, support for its claims, and overall organization.

## **Honorable Mention Awards**

Hussein Almuallim and Thomas G. Dietterich,  
*Learning with Many Irrelevant Features*

Claire Cardie and Wendy Lehnert  
*A Cognitively Plausible Approach to Understanding Complex Syntax*

Naresh Gupta and Dana S. Nau  
*Complexity Results for Blocks-World Planning*

The awards were determined through a two-step process. All papers were judged on technical merit by the program committee. Of accepted papers, the individual area committees nominated those that demonstrated excellence in writing. A prize committee comprising program committee members from each area that nominated a paper ranked the nominated papers according to their communication skills. A cross area committee allowed us to consider whether papers were clear to readers outside the paper's area. The top ranked paper was selected for the award, with Honorable Mention going to those that followed.

## **Prize Committee**

Tom Dean, Kathy McKeown,  
Lawrence Birnbaum, Charles Dolan, Walter Hamscher, Leora Morgenstern,  
Terry Nutter, Jeffrey Schlimmer, Jeff van Baalen, and Richard Waters.