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**AAAI announces newly-elected Fellows**

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**Menlo Park, CA – July 22, 2007.** Each year a small number of distinguished AI researchers are elected AAAI Fellows by the membership of AAAI for their unusual distinction in the profession and for their sustained contributions to the field for a decade or more.

The following individuals join an elite cadre of many of the most outstanding individuals in the AI field. (For a complete list of AI Fellows please see <http://www.aaai.org/Awards/fellows-list.php>.)

**Pierre F. Baldi** (University of California, Irvine) for significant contributions to statistical machine learning and the development of widely used algorithms/architectures to solve problems in the life sciences.

**Adnan Y. Darwiche** (University of California, Los Angeles) for significant contributions to the development and application of both probabilistic and logical methods in automated reasoning.

**Hector A. Geffner** (ICREA and Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain) for significant contributions to the fields of planning, reasoning, and knowledge representation.

**Carla P. Gomes** (Cornell University) for significant contributions to constraint reasoning and the integration of techniques from artificial intelligence, constraint programming, and operations research.

**Russell Greiner** (University of Alberta, Canada) for significant contributions to the theory of statistical machine learning and its applications in bioinformatics and medical informatics.

**Stephen F. Smith** (Carnegie Mellon University) for significant contributions to heuristic and mixed-initiative scheduling, constraint-based search, and the development of scalable AI systems.

**Milind Tambe** (University of Southern California) for significant contributions to theory and software infrastructure for multi-agent systems and pioneering applications in teamwork systems.

An official dinner and ceremony will be held in their honor during AAAI-07 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

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### **About AAAI**

Founded in 1979, the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (formerly the American Association for Artificial Intelligence) ([www.aaai.org](http://www.aaai.org)) is a nonprofit scientific membership society devoted to advancing the science and practice of AI. Its mission is to: (1) advance the scientific understanding of the mechanisms underlying intelligent thought and behavior, (2) facilitate their embodiment in machines, (3) serve as an information resource for research planners and the general public concerning trends in AI, and (4) offer training for the current and coming generations of AI researchers and practitioners. The Association has sponsored the annual AAAI/IAAI conferences, highly regarded in the AI field, since 1980 and 1989 respectively.