2013 Hall Medal awarded to Bart de Bruyn

Bart de Bruyn's research is in finite geometry, including polar spaces, dual polar spaces, generalised polygons and near polygons. He had published about 140 papers in international journals, and was sole author for more than 90 of them. He had also authored a book on near polygons. He is a sought-after speaker at conferences and has conducted many research visits. His nominators describe him as "one of the best geometers of his generation", whose proofs of fundamental theorems about complicated objects require "deep insight and brilliant ideas".