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MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE MEN
2022/23 QUARTER-FINALS

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I INTRODUCTION TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

Dear handball friends,

It is a great honour for me to welcome supporters, players, officials and partners to the quarter-finals of the Machineseeker EHF Champions League for the 2022/23 season. The EHF and EHF Marketing are delighted to have seen action on court worthy of Machineseeker's first season as the title sponsor of the competition, and thanks to the support of our partners we are sure that the EHF Champions League will remain the leading indoor sports competition in Europe.

The group phase was exhilarating, then the play-off round did not let us down! We witnessed two national derbies, beginning with the all-Hungarian clash between two great rivals; Telekom Veszprém and OTP Bank - PICK Szeged, in which Veszprém were victorious. GOG have advanced to the quarter-finals for the first time having edged out fellow Danes Aalborg Håndbold over two pulsating legs, while Orlen Wisla Plock will also be making their maiden appearance in the last eight having beaten HBC Nantes in a shoot-out! THW Kiel will be a more familiar face at this stage after their commanding first leg over C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti. Congratulations to the four teams who progressed from the play-offs.

This means, naturally, that we are now only one round away from the flagship event of the club handball season, the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2023 in Cologne. Anticipation may be growing for the LANXESS arena on 17/18 June, but first we have four quarter-finals, in which this season's top four teams will book their tickets to Cologne. The first legs will be played on 10 and 11 May, with the second legs on 17 and 18 May. The Machineseeker EHF Champions League continues with the format that we introduced before the start of the 2019/20 season; the top two clubs in each of the two groups of eight qualified directly for the two-legged quarter-finals. The four teams joining them were victorious in the two-legged play-off round which featured the teams who ranked third to sixth in their respective groups.

GOG's reward for beating Aalborg Håndbold is a meeting with Barça, who became the first team to defend the title in 2022, and are therefore seeking their third title in a row this season. Orlen Wisla Plock will face SC Magdeburg, meaning we are guaranteed a new name and a new set of fans entering the LANXESS arena. THW Kiel and Paris Saint-Germain Handball are regulars in Cologne, but only one will be making it there this time, while the other quarter-final sees a repeat of the 2016 final between Industria Kielce and Telekom Veszprém. We have six different nations represented in the quarter-finals, as the Machineseeker EHF Champions League once again shows the importance and strength of handball across the continent.

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SEASON 2022/23



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2022/23 SEASON

Playing system and dates

| <p>Group Phase <i>Draw required</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>A</p> <p>A1* A2* A3 A4 A5 A6</p> <p>☒ ☒</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>B</p> <p>B1* B2* B3 B4 B5 B6</p> <p>☒ ☒</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>8</p> </div> </div> <p>* Top two places of Groups A and B proceed directly to the Quarter-finals.</p> | <p>Play-offs <i>No draw required</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M1 B6 v A3</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M2 A6 v B3</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M3 B5 v A4</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M4 A5 v B4</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>4</p> </div> </div> | <p>Quarter-finals <i>No draw required</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M4 v A1</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M3 v B1</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M2 v A2</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>M1 v B2</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>4</p> </div> </div> | <p>TRUCKSCOUT24 EHF FINAL4 <i>Draw required</i></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>SEMI-FINALS</p> <p>☐ v ☐</p> <p>☐ v ☐</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>3rd PLACE MATCH</p> <p>☐ v ☐</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>FINAL</p> <p>☐ v ☐</p> </div> </div> | <p>17-18 June 2023</p> |
|---|--|---|--|------------------------|
| <p>R1: 14-15/9/22 R2: 21-22/9/22 R3: 28-29/9/22 R4: 5-6/10/22 R5: 26-27/10/22 R6: 2-3/11/22 R7: 23-24/11/22</p> <p>R8: 30/11-1/12/22 R9: 7-8/12/22 R10: 14-15/12/22 R11: 8-9/2/23 R12: 15-16/2/23 R13: 22-23/2/23 R14: 1-2/3/23</p> | <p>1st leg – 22-23 March 2023 2nd leg – 29-30 March 2023</p> | <p>1st leg – 10-11 May 2023 2nd leg – 17-18 May 2023</p> | | |

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FACTS AND FIGURES: ALL THE NUMBERS YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE THE START OF THE QUARTER-FINALS

On 11 and 18 May the four participants of the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 in Cologne will be confirmed in the quarter-finals of the Machineseeker EHF Champions League. After the completion of the play-offs, two quarter-final debutants and four former Champions League winners are among those eight teams. As THW Kiel and defending champions Barça both look forward to their 22nd quarter-finals, here are all the facts and figures you need to know before the crucial knock-out stage on the way to Cologne.

0 goals was the closest gap after 120 minutes of a play-off pairing: Orlen Wisla Plock needed the penalty shoot-out to eliminate HBC Nantes after two draws (32:32, 25:25). It was the first penalty shoot-out in an EHF Champions League Men knock-out stage since Chekhovskie Medvedi eliminated Montpellier in the 2009/10 quarter-finals

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quarter-final pairing is a Champions League final re-match: Kielce vs Veszprém. In 2016, Kielce won their only trophy so far in a penalty shoot-out against Veszprém

1 team – Telekom Veszprém HC – won both play-off matches against their domestic rivals OTP Bank-Pick Szeged

2 countries are represented by two teams in the quarter-finals: Germany with Kiel and Magdeburg, and Poland with Kielce and Plock

2 play-off matches ended with a margin of 10 or more goals (Szeged vs Veszprém, 23:36, and Bucuresti vs Kiel, 28:41)

2 players still in competition are in the race for their individual fifth EHF Champions League titles: Barça's Aitor Ariño and Gonzalo Perez de Vargas

2 quarter-final debutants are still part of the competition: GOG and Plock. Both played the EHF European League last season

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former EHF Champions League top scorers are still part of the competition: Alex Dujšhebaev (Industria Kielce, 99 goals in 2018/19); Nikola Karabatic (now Paris Saint-Germain, scored 89 for Kiel in 2006/07); and Aleix Gómez (104 goals for Barça in 2021/22). Filip Jicha (top scorer in 2008/09 and 2009/10) is Kiel's coach and Momir Ilic (2013/14, 2014/15) is Veszprém's coach

3 former or current IHF World Handball Players of the Year are part of the eight squads still in competition: Nikola Karabatic (PSG/2007, 2014, 2016), Domagoj Duvnjak (Kiel/2013) and Niklas Landin (Kiel/2019, 2021). Besides, two coaches were previously IHF Players of the Year: Talant Dujšhebaev (Kielce) and Filip Jicha (Kiel).

3 - for the third consecutive time Kiel and Paris lock horns in the quarter-finals. In 2021, Paris proceeded, while Kiel progressed last year. The successful side had the home right in the second leg both times

4 coaches of the eight teams still in competition have won the EHF CL as coaches: Carlos Ortega (Barça, with Barça), Talant Dujšhebaev (Kielce, with Ciudad Real and Kielce), Filip Jicha (Kiel, with Kiel) and Raul Gonzalez (PSG, with Vardar)

4 former or current EHF CL winners representing 16 trophies are still part of the knock-out stage: Barcelona (10), Kiel (four), Magdeburg and Kielce (one each)

4 times in 13 years, the defending champions made it to Cologne: Barça (2012 and 2022), Kiel (2013) and Vardar (2018). Last year, Barça became the first team ever to defend their trophy at Cologne

4 people won the EHF CL as both players and coaches: Talant Dujšhebaev, Roberto Parrondo, Filip Jicha and Carlos Ortega. Dujšhebaev won the competition in 1994 playing for Santander and 2006, 2008 and 2009 as Ciudad Real coach,

before steering Kielce to their first trophy in 2016. Parrondo was a player in the successful Ciudad Real squad in 2008 and 2010, then led Vardar to the trophy in 2019. Jicha won the trophy as a player in 2010 and 2012 and as a coach in 2020 (all with THW Kiel) and is the only person to win as player and as a coach at Cologne. Ortega, who won six times as a player for Barça, also coached the record winners to the 2022 trophy

5 coaches of the eight teams still part of the competition have won the EHF Champions League as players: Momir Ilic (coach at Veszprém) and Filip Jicha (coach of Kiel) won the trophy together in 2010 and 2012 with Kiel; Carlos Ortega (Barça) won the trophy six times with Barça; Talant Dujshabaev won with Santander; and Bennet Wiegert (SC Magdeburg) with Magdeburg

5 teams which were part of the 2021/22 quarter-finals are back: eventual EHF FINAL4 2022 participants Barça, Kielce, Veszprém and Kiel, plus PSG

5 teams – again Barça, Kielce, Veszprém, Kiel and PSG – have been part of previous editions of the EHF FINAL4 in Cologne

6 countries are represented by the previous 29 EHF CL champions: Spain (16 titles), Germany (seven), France (two), North Macedonia (two), Poland and Slovenia (one each)

6 different nations are represented by the eight clubs still in competition: Germany (two), Poland (two), France, Hungary, Denmark and Spain

8 of 13 winners of the previous EHF FINAL4 are still part of the competition: Barça (four), Kiel (three), Kielce (one), Hamburg, Flensburg, Montpellier and Vardar (two) are missing

10 times (1995-2000, 2011, 2015, 2021, 2022) Barça have won the EHF CL to be the record winner. In addition, they won the forerunner competition, the IHF Champions Cup, once

12 matches – eight quarter-final duels and four matches at the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 in Cologne – are still ahead to confirm the winner of the 30th anniversary season of the EHF CL

13 goals was the biggest margin in the play-offs, when Veszprém won 36:23 at Szeged and when Kiel won 41:28 at Bucharest

16 goals was the biggest margin since the start of the group phase, when Barça won 46:30 at Elverum

18 goals (11 plus seven) were scored by Veszprém's wing Gasper Marguc against Szeged to be the top scorer of the play-offs ahead of GOG duo Simon Pytlick and Lukas Jørgensen (both 16 goals)

20 years ago, in 2002/03, Magdeburg played their last EHF Champions League quarter-final

22 - Kiel and Barça qualified for a Champions League quarter-final for the 22nd time for both teams. For Veszprém, it is quarter-final 21

23 unbeaten CL matches in a row (21 victories, two draws) is the current series of defending champions Barça – their last defeat was 27:29 on 22 November 2021 at Kielce

68 times, 60 or more goals were scored in the group phase (64) and the play-offs (four)

71 goals in the match Veszprém vs Szeged (38:31) was the highest score in a single play-off match, ahead of 69 goals at Dinamo vs Kiel (28:41)

78 goals was the highest score since the start of the group phase, when Nantes won 42:36 at Elverum, ahead of 77 goals in the matches Kielce vs Kiel (40:37), PSG vs GOG (41:36) and Magdeburg vs Porto (41:36)

82 matches (74 in the group phase, all eight play-offs) were attended by 3,000 or more fans

92 goals each were scored by GOG players Emil Madsen and Simon Pytlick to top the scorer list so far ahead of Alexs Vlah (Celje/88)

280 victories in 360 EHF Champions League matches (as well as 23 draws and 61 defeats) were taken by Barcelona so far to top the all-time Champions League table

499 goals were scored in the eight play-off matches, an average of 62.38 goals per match

7,507 goals were scored since the start of the group phase – including the new group phase record of 7,008 goals.

42,246 fans saw the eight play-off matches, an average of 5,280 fans per match



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Play-offs

Quarter-finals

Play-offs



THW KIEL VS PARIS SAINT–GERMAIN HANDBALL



First leg: Wednesday 10 May, 20:45 CEST

Second leg: Wednesday 17 May, 20:45 CEST



- Kiel had to go through the play-offs to book their quarter-finals ticket, where they defeated Dinamo Bucuresti (72:60 on aggregate)
- before that, THW finished fourth in group B, having won six games, lost five and drawn three times
- last season, Kiel finished third of the EHF Champions League, having lost to Barça in the semi-final. The Zebras have won the competition four times already, the last one in 2020
- the quarter-final match will be the last in the Champions League at the Wunderino Arena for major THW Kiel players Miha Zarabec, Niklas Landin and Sander Sagosen
- Kiel's best scorers, Harald Reinkind and Niclas Ekberg, netted 58 since the start of the season
- THW will welcome their first French player since 2016 next season, as national goalkeeper Vincent Gérard signed a contract starting next July
- this season is the third in a row where Kiel and Paris play against each other. So far, each time qualified once for the EHF FINAL4, Paris in 2021 (63:59 on aggregate) and Kiel in 2022 (63:62 on aggregate)
- Paris qualified directly for the quarter-finals by finishing first in group A
- they played twice against a German club in the Champions League this season, and enjoyed mixed results : a win away and a loss at home against SC Magdeburg
- three Paris players have scored 70 goals or more this season (Syprzak, Prandi, Kristopans)
- Paris will still be without Nikola Karabatic, as the left-back is out until the end of the season with a phlebitis
- PSG are currently on top of the French league and could well win their eighth title in a row

PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS IN THE EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITIONS

THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball 9-2-6 (506:504) 20:14

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|------------|--|---------------|
| 14.12.2003 | THW Kiel vs Paris Handball, EHF Cup – Last 16 | 34:27 (19:12) |
| 21.12.2003 | Paris Handball vs THW Kiel, EHF Cup – Last 16 | 30:32 (14:19) |
| 04.12.2005 | Paris Handball vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Last 16 | 21:28 (11:13) |
| 10.12.2005 | THW Kiel vs Paris Handball, EHF Champions League – Last 16 | 44:28 (22:12) |
| 16.11.2014 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 25:27 (13:12) |
| 22.11.2014 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 33:29 (14:15) |
| 12.11.2015 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 26:30 (10:16) |
| 21.11.2015 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 37:30 (18:12) |
| 29.05.2016 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF FINAL4 – Place 3/4 | 29:27 (15:11) |
| 25.09.2016 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 28:27 (15:15) |
| 12.03.2017 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 42:24 (22:10) |
| 17.09.2017 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 22:25 (10:12) |
| 04.03.2018 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 29:29 (16:11) |
| 12.05.2021 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final | 31:29 (14:15) |
| 19.05.2021 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final | 34:28 (16:15) |
| 11.05.2022 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final | 30:30 (14:16) |
| 19.05.2022 | THW Kiel vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball, EHF Champions League – Quarter-final | 33:32 (17:19) |

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
Goalkeeper shirt: black

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: black
Goalkeeper shirt: red



Playing hall

Wunderino-Arena-Kiel
Europaplatz 1
24103 Kiel
Germany
Capacity: 10,285

THW KIEL



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

vs Elverum Handball W36:26 (17:13)
@ RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko L38:36 (17:14)
vs OTP Bank-Pick Szeged W34:29 (15:14)
@ Industria Kielce L40:37 (19:19)
@ HBC Nantes L38:30 (20:15)
vs Aalborg Håndbold D36:36 (17:16)
vs Barça D30:30 (14:18)
@ Barça L26:24 (13:13)
@ Aalborg Håndbold W26:30 (14:16)
vs HBC Nantes W37:33 (20:18)
vs Industria Kielce W32:29 (22:13)
@ OTP Bank-Pick Szeged L36:33 (14:17)
vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko W39:27 (17:15)
@ Elverum Handball D26:26 (11:12)

PLAY-OFFS

@ CS Dinamo Bucuresti W28:41 (11:19)
vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti L31:32 (16:17)

TOP SCORERS

Harald Reinkind (NOR) **58**
Niclas Ekberg (SWE) **58**
Eric Johansson (SWE) **48**
Nikola Bilyk (AUT) **47**
Patrick Wienczek (GER) **45**

GROUP B FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Barça | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 484 : 404 | 80 | 27 |
| 2. Industria Kielce | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 465 : 427 | 38 | 22 |
| 3. HBC Nantes | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 478 : 451 | 27 | 15 |
| 4. THW Kiel | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 460 : 440 | 20 | 15 |
| 5. Aalborg Håndbold | 14 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 445 : 438 | 7 | 13 |
| 6. Pick Szeged | 14 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 426 : 452 | -26 | 11 |
| 7. RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | 14 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 412 : 475 | -63 | 6 |
| 8. Elverum Handball | 14 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 398 : 481 | -83 | 3 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 25
Winners (4): 2006/07, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2019/20
Final (4): 1999/2000, 2007/08, 2008/09, 2013/14
Semi-finals (6): 1996/97, 2000/01, 2012/13, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2021/22
Quarter-finals (8): 1998/99, 2002/03, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2010/11, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2020/21
Group Phase (2): 1994/95, 1995/96

Other

EHF Cup: Winners 1997/98, 2001/02, 2003/04, 2018/19
Champions Trophy: Winners 2006/07; Runners-up: 2000/01, 2001/02, 2003/04, 2007/08

German league: 22 titles (1957, 1962-63, 1994-96, 1998-2000, 2002, 2005-10, 2012-15, 2020-21)

German cup: 12 titles (1998-2000, 2007-09, 2011-13, 2017, 2019, 2022)



17 **MATCHES**
Longest unbeaten run

50 **GOALS**
Most goals

81 **GOALS**
Most goals both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 26:50 (13:24) v Banik OKD Karvina CZE (a), 22.10.2006 |
| Biggest defeat | 42:24 (22:10) v Paris SG Handball FRA (a), 12.03.2017 |
| Longest winning run | 11 matches (02.10.2014 – 22.03.2015) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 17 matches (22.10.2011 – 11.10.2012) |
| Longest losing run | 3 matches (07.02.1996 – 19.03.1996) |
| | 3 matches (30.05.2015 – 17.09.2015) |
| | 3 matches (30.04.2016 – 29.05.2016) |
| | 3 matches (29.04.2017 – 24.09.2017) |
| | 3 matches (19.11.2020 – 02.12.2020) |
| Longest run without win | 5 matches (15.02.2017 – 22.03.2017) |
| | 5 matches (06.10.2022 – 30.11.2022) |
| Most goals | 50 v Banik OKD Karvina CZE 26:50W (a), 22.10.2006 |
| Most goals opponent | 44 v FC Barcelona ESP 44:37L (a), 13.04.2008 |
| Most goals both teams | 81 v FC Barcelona ESP 44:37L (a), 13.04.2008 |
| Fewest goals | 13 v Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO 22:13L (a), 25.03.2000 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 15 v SKA Minsk BLR 15:27W (a), 10.11.1996 |
| | 15 v SKA Minsk BLR 21:15W (h), 12.01.1997 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 35 v Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO 22:13L (a), 25.03.2000 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HISTORY

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1994/95 THW Kiel GER | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 137:136 | +1 | 6:6 | 2nd Gr. B | |
| 1995/96 THW Kiel GER | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 151:148 | +3 | 6:6 | 2nd Gr. A | |
| 1996/97 THW Kiel GER | 10 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 247:211 | +36 | 13:7 | Semi-final | |
| 1998/99 THW Kiel GER | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 229:199 | +30 | 14:2 | Quarter-final | |
| 1999/00 THW Kiel GER | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 319:283 | +36 | 15:9 | Runner-up | |
| 2000/01 THW Kiel GER | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 279:255 | +24 | 11:9 | Semi-final | |
| 2002/03 THW Kiel GER | 8 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 234:211 | +23 | 9:7 | Quarter-final | |
| 2004/05 THW Kiel GER | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 336:274 | +62 | 16:4 | Quarter-final | |
| 2005/06 THW Kiel GER | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 346:293 | +53 | 16:4 | Quarter-final | |
| 2006/07 THW Kiel GER | 14 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 517:420 | +97 | 23:5 | Winner | |
| 2007/08 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 13 | 0 | 3 | 533:462 | +71 | 26:6 | Runner-up | |
| 2008/09 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 548:461 | +87 | 25:7 | Runner-up | |
| 2009/10 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 534:444 | +90 | 29:3 | Winner | |
| 2010/11 THW Kiel GER | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 456:393 | +63 | 20:8 | Quarter-final | |
| 2011/12 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 496:414 | +82 | 27:5 | Winner | |
| 2012/13 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 11 | 0 | 5 | 518:457 | +61 | 22:10 | Fourth Place | |
| 2013/14 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 491:427 | +64 | 27:5 | Runner-up | |
| 2014/15 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 12 | 0 | 4 | 498:421 | +77 | 24:8 | Fourth Place | |
| 2015/16 THW Kiel GER | 20 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 579:567 | +12 | 21:19 | Fourth Place | |
| 2016/17 THW Kiel GER | 18 | 7 | 2 | 9 | 449:474 | -25 | 16:20 | Quarter-final | |
| 2017/18 THW Kiel GER | 18 | 9 | 2 | 7 | 478:467 | +11 | 20:16 | Quarter-final | |
| 2019/20 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 11 | 2 | 3 | 506:461 | +45 | 24:8 | Winner | |
| 2020/21 THW Kiel GER | 18 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 519:497 | +22 | 22:14 | Quarter-final | |
| 2021/22 THW Kiel GER | 18 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 557:526 | +31 | 26:10 | Third Place | |
| 2022/23 THW Kiel GER | 16 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 532:500 | +32 | 17:15 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 344 | 224 | 27 | 93 | 10489:9401 | +1108 | 475:213 | | |



Filip Jicha
Coach

 @filda39

- took over as head coach in 2019 after one season as assistant, becoming only the third THW head coach since 1993 – after Noka Serdarcusic (1993-2008) and Alfred Gislason (2008-19)
- led Kiel to the domestic title in his first season and was awarded best Bundesliga coach of 2019/20
- as a player, he was part of the golden generation in 2007-15
- twice CL top scorer, he ended his career in Barcelona in 2017
- first in handball to win the EHF FINAL4 as a player (2010, 2012) and a coach (2020), and third after Talant Dujshabaev and Roberto Parrondo to win the CL as a player and a coach

EC trophies: CL 2010, 2012; EHF Cup 2006 (as player); CL 2020 (as coach)

Arrivals during the season:

Yannick Fraatz (GER)
Luca Alexander Schwormstede (GER)
Malte Voigt (GER)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|------|----------------|-----------------|------|-------------|---------------|------------------|--------|--------|
| C 1 | Niklas | Landin Jacobsen | DEN | Goalkeeper | 19/12/1988 | Søborg, DEN | 201 | 105 |
| 3 | Sven | Ehrig | GER | Right Wing | 26/06/2000 | Kiel, GER | 197 | 94 |
| C 4 | Domagoj | Duvnjak | CRO | Centre Back | 01/06/1988 | Dakovo, CRO | 198 | 104 |
| 5 | Sander | Sagosen | NOR | Centre Back | 14/09/1995 | Trondheim, NOR | 195 | 103 |
| 6 | Harald | Reinkind | NOR | Right Back | 17/08/1992 | Tønsberg, NOR | 197 | 106 |
| 8 | Ben Connor | Battermann | GER | Left Back | 28/03/2004 | Lemgo, GER | 195 | 93 |
| 7 | Magnus | Landin Jacobsen | DEN | Left Wing | 20/08/1995 | Helsingør, DEN | 197 | 96 |
| 11 | Petter | Øverby | NOR | Line Player | 26/03/1992 | Kongsvinger, NOR | 200 | 110 |
| 12 | Philip Hartwig | Saggau | GER | Goalkeeper | 05/01/2002 | Kiel, GER | 190 | 99 |
| 13 | Steffen | Weinhold | GER | Right Back | 19/07/1986 | Fürth, GER | 191 | 103 |
| 16 | Tomas | Mrkva | CZE | Goalkeeper | 20/01/1989 | Havirov, CZE | 201 | 110 |
| C 17 | Patrick | Wienczek | GER | Line Player | 22/03/1989 | Duisburg, GER | 200 | 113 |
| 18 | Niclas | Ekberg | SWE | Right Wing | 23/12/1988 | Ystad, SWE | 191 | 92 |
| 19 | Henri | Pabst | GER | Right Back | 09/02/2004 | Hamburg, GER | 190 | 88 |
| 20 | Yanick | Fraatz | GER | Right Wing | 12/08/1999 | Köln, GER | 185 | 81 |
| 21 | Eric | Johansson | SWE | Left Back | 28/06/2000 | Eskilstuna, SWE | 197 | 100 |
| 23 | Rune | Dahmke | GER | Left Wing | 10/04/1993 | Kiel, GER | 189 | 85 |
| 24 | Miha | Zarabec | SLO | Centre Back | 12/10/1991 | Novo Mesto, SLO | 178 | 79 |
| 27 | Malte | Voigt | GER | Left Wing | 17/01/1993 | Husum, GER | 191 | 93 |
| 31 | Luca Alexander | Schwormstede | GER | Left Back | 11/0/2002 | Itzehoe, GER | 202 | 95 |
| 49 | Karl | Wallinius | SWE | Left Back | 14/01/1999 | Lund, SWE | 199 | 103 |
| 53 | Nikola | Bilyk | AUT | Left Back | 28/11/1996 | Tunis, TUN | 198 | 102 |
| 61 | Hendrik | Pekeler | GER | Line Player | 02/07/1991 | Itzehoe, GER | 203 | 104 |

* THW Kiel use a three-man captaincy



Niklas Landin

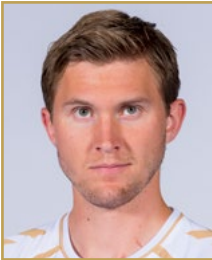
@niklaslandin

Goalkeeper

- arrived in Kiel in summer of 2015 after three seasons with Rhein-Neckar Löwen; 2022/23 is his last season in Germany before going back to Denmark (Aalborg)
- won his first Bundesliga title in 2019/20
- captain of world-title winning Danish national team, has been named IHF World Player of the Year 2019 and again in 2021
- one of six players in handball history to win Olympics, WCh, EURO, and CL titles

EC trophies: CL 2020; EHF Cup 2013, 2019

OG: G 2016, S 2020; WCh: G 2019, 2021, 2023, S 2011, 2013; EURO: G 2012, S 2014, B 2022



Magnus Landin

@magnuslandin

Left wing

- younger brother of goalkeeper Niklas Landin; joined THW and his brother at the start of the 2018/19 season
- tall wing (197 cm), who had debut in Danish national team at age 20; has played at three EHF EURO events (2018-20-22)
- previously played for KFUM Kobenhavn and KIF Kolding Kobenhavn

EC trophies: CL 2020, EHF Cup 2019

OG: S 2020; WCh: G 2019, 2021, 2023; EURO: B 2022



Sander Sagosen

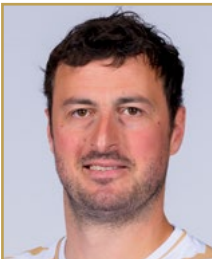
@sandersagosen

Left back

- joined Kiel in 2020 after three seasons with PSG; will move to Kolstad (NOR) in summer 2023
- started career at Haslum in Norway, developed into world star at Aalborg in Denmark
- part of All-star Team at numerous WCh and EHF EURO events and broke record for most goals scored (65) at an EHF EURO, in 2020
- leader of a new generation of Norwegian players, who have won three international medals since 2017
- ruled out from May to November 2022 after a foot injury, therefore missed the EHF FINAL4 2022

EC trophies: CL 2020

EURO: B 2020; WCh: S 2017, S 2019



Domagoj Duvnjak

@domagojduvnjak88

Centre back

- Croatian international, playing for Kiel since 2014/15, after five seasons at Hamburg
- one of three THW team captains, alongside Niklas Landin and Patrick Wiencsek
- IHF World Player of the Year 2013 and MVP of EHF EURO 2020, All-star Team member at EHF EURO 2014 and WCh 2013 and 2017
- has more than 200 caps for Croatia and over 1,200 goals in the Bundesliga

EC trophies: CL 2013, 2020, EHF Cup 2019

OG: B 2012; WCh: S 2009, B 2013; EURO: S 2010, 2020, B 2012, 2016



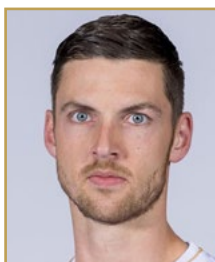
Patrick Wiencek

@patrickwiencek

Line player

- the boss of the THW defence and one of the three team captains
- joined THW in 2012, previously played for Essen and Gummersbach
- named German handball player of the year in 2019
- missed Germany's golden EHF EURO 2016 due to a knee injury
- forms line player quartet in national team with Hendrik Pekeler, Jannik Kohlbacher and Johannes Golla

EC trophies: CL 2020; EHF Cup 2019; CWC 2011
OG: B 2016



Hendrik Pekeler

@hendrikpekeler

Line player

- first played for THW in 2008/09, later joined Bergischer HC and TBV Lemgo
- had breakthrough as successor of Bjarte Myrhol at Rhein-Neckar Löwen
- returned to Kiel in 2018 as two-time German champion and EHF EURO champion
- awarded best defender of EHF EURO 2020 and MVP of the EHF FINAL4 2020
- tore his Achilles tendon in the 2021/22 quarter-final against Paris, was ruled out for the EHF FINAL4 2022 and returned in November 2022

EC trophies: CL 2010, 2020; EHF Cup 2019
EURO: G 2016; OG: B 2016



Harald Reinkind

@haraldreinkind

Right back

- Norwegian back, who arrived in Germany in 2014 from FyllingenBergen
- first played for Rhein-Neckar Löwen until he joined Kiel in 2018, sharing right-back position with Steffen Weinhold
- three-time German champion, with Löwen (2016, 2017) and Kiel (2020)
- Norwegian international since 2011, won WCh 2019 silver and EHF EURO 2020 bronze

EC trophies: CL 2020; EHF Cup 2019
WCh: S 2017; EURO: B 2020



Niclas Ekberg

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Right wing

- joined Kiel after 2012 Olympics, where he was silver medallist and top scorer; previously played for AG København and started his career at Ystad
- MVP of EHF Cup Finals 2019 and Kiel's best scorer that EHF Cup season
- CL top scorer with 85 goals and All-star right wing in Kiel's golden 2019/20 season
- Swedish international, part of the team that won the EHF EURO 2022; played in all EHF EURO tournaments since 2012, apart from 2020
- became Kiel's all-time top scorer during 2021/22 season, overtaking Filip Jicha

EC trophies: CL 2020; EHF Cup 2019
OG: S 2012; EURO: G 2022

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white/grey
Player short: white/grey
GK shirt: orange

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: green



Playing hall

Stade Pierre de Coubertin
82, Avenue Georges Lafont
75016 Paris
France
Capacity: 3,500

PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN HANDBALL



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| @ Telekom Veszprém HC | L36:34 (17:17) |
| vs Orlen Wisła Płock | W37:33 (18:16) |
| @ SC Magdeburg | W22:29 (10:18) |
| vs HC PPD Zagreb | W40:31 (22:14) |
| @ C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti | W29:36 (16:22) |
| vs FC Porto | W32:30 (17:15) |
| vs GOG | W41:36 (16:16) |
| @ GOG | W35:40 (19:22) |
| @ FC Porto | W33:35 (17:16) |
| vs SC Magdeburg | L33:37 (19:15) |
| @ HC PPD Zagreb | W30:33 (14:17) |
| vs C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti | W33:26 (17:14) |
| @ Orlen Wisła Płock | W26:32 (14:15) |
| vs Telekom Veszprém HC | W37:35 (19:24) |

PLAY-OFFS

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TOP SCORERS

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Kamil Syprzak (POL) | 82 |
| Elohim Prandi (FRA) | 70 |
| Dainis Kristopans (LAT) | 68 |
| Ferran Sole Sala (ESP) | 55 |
| Luc Steins (NED) | 50 |

GROUP A FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|------------|----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Paris Saint-Germain Handball | 14 | 120 | 2 | 492 | 439 | 53 | 24 |
| 2. SC Magdeburg | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 453 | : 419 | 34 20 |
| 3. Telekom Veszprém HC | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 449 | : 429 | 20 18 |
| 4. GOG | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 459 | : 454 | 5 15 |
| 5. C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 416 | : 429 | -13 13 |
| 6. Orlen Wisła Płock | 14 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 374 | : 412 | -38 9 |
| 7. HC PPD Zagreb | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 390 | : 420 | -30 8 |
| 8. FC Porto | 14 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 407 | : 438 | -31 5 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 11

Final (1): 2016/17

Semi-finals (4): 2015/16, 2017/18, 2019/20, 2020/21

Quarter-finals (4): 2013/14, 2014/15, 2018/19, 2021/22

Last 16 (1): 2005/06

Other

EHF Cup: Quarter-finals 2006/07, Last 16 2003/04

French league: 9 titles (2013, 2015-22)

French cup: 6 titles (2007, 2014-15, 2018, 2021, 2022)

League Cup: 3 titles (2017, 2018, 2019)

Supercup: 4 titles (2014, 2015, 2016, 2019)



9 **MATCHES**
Longest
winning run

44 **GOALS**
Most goals

79 **GOALS**
Most goals
both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 42:24 (22:10) v THW Kiel GER (h), 12.03.2017 |
| Biggest defeat | 44:28 (22:12) v THW Kiel GER (a), 10.12.2005 |
| Longest winning run | 9 matches (08.10.2017 – 17.02.2018) 9 matches (27.05.2018 – 14.11.2018) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 10 matches (11.02.2017 – 03.06.2017) |
| Longest losing run | 4 matches (23.11.1996 – 18.01.1997) |
| Longest run without win | 4 matches (23.11.1996 – 18.01.1997) |
| Most goals | 44 v Elverum Handball NOR 29:44W (a), 02.03.2021 |
| Most goals opponent | 44 v THW Kiel GER 44:28L (a), 10.12.2005 |
| Most goals both teams | 79 v Telekom Veszprém HUN 39:40L (h), 10.03.2022 |
| Fewest goals | 20 v Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 20:26L (h), 11.01.1997 20 v Caja Cantabria Santander ESP 26:20L (a), 18.01.1997 20 v MVM Veszprém HUN 28:20L (a), 28.11.2015 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 18 v HC Banik Karvina CZE 21:18W (h), 09.10.2005 18 v RK Celje Pivovarna L. SLO 27:18W (h), 13.10.2019 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 39 v HC Banik Karvina CZE 21:18W (h), 09.10.2005 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE STATS

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|----------------|-----|---------------|
| 1994/95 1996/97 PSG Asnières FRA | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 131:161 | -30 | 2:10 | | 4th Gr. D |
| 2005/06 Paris Handball FRA | 8 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 212:229 | -17 | 9:7 | | Last 16 |
| 2013/14 PSG Handball FRA | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 429:402 | +27 | 15:13 | | 1/4-finals |
| 2014/15 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 14 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 395:367 | +28 | 17:11 | | 1/4-finals |
| 2015/16 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 557:496 | +61 | 29:7 | | Third Place |
| 2016/17 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 20 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 622:543 | +79 | 32:8 | | Runner-up |
| 2017/18 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 550:498 | +52 | 29:7 | | Third Place |
| 2018/19 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 16 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 514:445 | +69 | 28:4 | | 1/4-finals |
| 2019/20 Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA | 16 | 12 | 0 | 4 | 507:452 | +55 | 24:8 | | Third place |
| 2020/21 Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA | 20 | 13 | 1 | 6 | 583:496 | +87 | 27:13 | | Third place |
| 2021/22 Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA | 18 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 581:519 | +62 | 22:14 | | Quarter-final |
| 2022/23 Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA | 14 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 492:439 | +53 | 24:4 | | Quarter-final |
| Total: | 182 | 123 | 12 | 47 | 5573:5047 | +526 | 258:106 | | |



Raul Gonzalez Gutierrez

Coach

- former stalwart of BM Valladolid and a member of the Spanish national team
- started his coaching career at Atletico Madrid and Ciudad Real, working in a team with Talant Dujshbaev
- moved to Vardar in 2013/14, won the CL in 2017, and joined PSG in the summer of 2018
- also coached the Macedonian national team between 2017 and 2019 as successor of Lino Cervar
- voted best coach in the CL 2016/17 All-star Team

EC trophies: CL 2017

Arrivals during the season:

Petar Nenadic (Telekom Veszprém HC)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Stanis | Soullier | FRA | Goalkeeper | 20/02/2004 | Grenoble, FRA | 196 | 74 |
| 3 | Valentin | Bzdynga | FRA | Right Wing | 19/07/2002 | LambreslezDouai, FRA | 184 | 71 |
| 4 | Baptiste | Clay | FRA | Centre Back | 14/08/2002 | Amiens, FRA | 191 | 85 |
| 6 | Luc | Steins | NED | Centre Back | 22/03/1995 | Voerendaal, NED | 173 | 72 |
| 7 | Sadou | N'Tanzi | FRA | Centre Back | 07/01/2000 | Longjumeau, FRA | 183 | 80 |
| 8 | Noa | Narcisse | FRA | Left Back | 25/01/2004 | Chambéry, FRA | 183 | 90 |
| 9 | Adama | Keita | FRA | Left Wing | 05/06/1997 | Paris, FRA | 185 | 81 |
| 10 | Dainis | Kristopans | LAT | Right Back | 27/09/1990 | Ludza, LAT | 215 | 135 |
| 12 | Andreas | Palicka | SWE | Goalkeeper | 10/07/1986 | Nöbbelöv, SWE | 189 | 90 |
| 14 | Ferran | Sole Sala | ESP | Right Wing | 25/08/1992 | Sant Quirze, ESP | 192 | 88 |
| 15 | Henrik | Toft Hansen | DEN | Line Player | 18/12/1986 | Skive, DEN | 200 | 102 |
| 16 | Jannik | Green | DEN | Goalkeeper | 29/09/1988 | Lemvig, DEN | 195 | 94 |
| 19 | David | Balaguer | ESP | Right Wing | 17/08/1991 | Barcelona, ESP | 185 | 91 |
| 20 | Mathieu | Grebille | FRA | Left Wing | 06/10/1991 | Paris, FRA | 198 | 94 |
| 21 | Kamil | Syprzak | POL | Line Player | 23/07/1991 | Plock, POL | 207 | 127 |
| C 22 | Luka | Karabatic | FRA | Line Player | 19/04/1988 | Strasbourg, FRA | 202 | 90 |
| 23 | Dominik | Mathe | HUN | Right Back | 01/04/1999 | Nyiregyhaza, HUN | 201 | 108 |
| 26 | Louis | Perreux | FRA | Centre Back | 28/04/2002 | Lyon, FRA | 179 | 72 |
| 27 | Tony | Mendy | FRA | Right Back | 10/12/2002 | Brou-sur-Chant., FRA | 195 | 82 |
| 28 | Yoann | Gibelin | FRA | Left Back | 26/11/1999 | Créteil, FRA | 198 | 99 |
| 33 | Victor | Crenn | FRA | Right Back | 17/02/2003 | NogentsurMame, FRA | 197 | 95 |
| 44 | Nikola | Karabatic | FRA | Centre Back | 11/04/1984 | Nis, SRB | 196 | 104 |
| 45 | Leo | Villain | FRA | Goalkeeper | 06/11/2002 | Les Abimes, FRA | 204 | 83 |
| 47 | Wallem-Konrad | Peleka | FRA | Left Back | 18/01/2002 | Stains, FRA | 196 | 83 |
| 71 | Elohim | Prandi | FRA | Left Back | 24/08/1998 | Istres, FRA | 193 | 96 |
| 90 | Léo | Plantin | FRA | Left Wing | 01/05/2003 | Toulouse, FRA | 186 | 75 |
| 97 | Gautier | Loredon | FRA | Line Player | 15/10/2002 | Le Lamentin, FRA | 200 | 103 |



Andreas Palicka

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Goalkeeper

- veteran goalkeeper was a corner stone of the Sweden title run at the EHF EURO 2022
- elected best goalkeeper of the WCh 2021
- spent most of his career in the German Bundesliga, with THW Kiel (2008-2015) and Rhein-Neckar Löwen (2016-2022)
- signed for two seasons with Paris Saint-Germain before the 2022/23 season
- best known for his crazy style, full of jumping and throwing legs around

EC trophies: CL 2010, 2012
 EURO: G 2022, S 2018; WCh: S 2021



Mathieu Grébillé

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Left wing

- played for Montpellier throughout his career before joining PSG in summer of 2020
- former back court player who turned winger after shoulder injury in 2017, a year after tearing ligaments in his knee
- found his way back to the national team and won bronze at WCh 2019
- has passion for tattoos and drawings, sharing them on his social media channels

EURO: G 2014, WCh: G 2015, S 2023, B 2019; OG: S 2016



Elohim Prandi

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Left back

- son of Raoul Prandi and Mezuela Servier, two high-level handball players; his mother is former captain of France national team
- joined PSG from Nimes in the summer of 2020, having signed a three-year contract
- very successful youth international, winning gold at U18 EURO in 2016 and at both U19 and U21 World Championships

WCh: S 2023



Luc Steins

@luc_steins

Centre back

- joined PSG in November 2020 as a replacement for injured Nikola Karabatic, but instantly made an impact
- arrived in France in 2016, first played for Massy in the second league, before joining Tremblay, then Toulouse
- at 173 cm, is one of the shortest players in the CL
- All-star centre back of the EHF EURO 2022 and the key factor for Netherlands' successful tournament
- his older brother Ivo is also a regular fixture in the Dutch national team



Luka Karabatic

@lukakarabatic

Line player

- began in Montpellier, moved to Aix, then joined PSG in 2015
- PSG is the third club where he plays alongside his brother, Nikola
- was a national-level tennis player until the age of 19 when he chose handball
- EHF EURO 2022 was his fourth ECh, having debuted in 2014 but missed 2020

EURO: G 2014, B 2018; OG: G 2020, S 2016; WCh: G 2015, G 2017, S 2023, B 2019



Kamil Syprzak

@kamil_syprzak

Line player

- moved from Plock to Barça in 2015 and after four seasons transferred to PSG, where he extended his contract in 2022
- scored a personal best 86 goals in the CL 2021/22, when he started shooting seven-meters throws
- at 31, the most experienced and the tallest (207 cm) player in the team
- was ruled out from the WCh 2021 in Egypt with Covid-19

WCh: B 2015



Dainis Kristopans

@dainiskristopans

Right back

- joined PSG in summer of 2020 after playing for Vardar and Füchse Berlin in 2019/20
- born in small Latvian town, Ludza, he started his career at local club Latgols
- spent nearly six years at Tatran Presov, winning Slovakian domestic league five times
- won his first CL title in 2019 with Vardar, moved to Berlin half a year later

EC trophies: CL 2019



Ferran Solé

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Right wing

- joined PSG in summer of 2020, his third French club after Granollers and Toulouse
- at age 28 he made his CL debut in 2020/21 season
- part of Spanish national team that won EHF EURO titles in 2018 and 2020
- named best right wing of EHF EURO 2018 and WCh 2019
- top scorer of EHF Cup 2015/16, with 70 goals for Granollers

OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2018, 2020, S 2022; WCh: B 2021, 2023

GOG VS BARÇA



First leg: Thursday 11 May, 20:45 CEST

Second leg: Thursday 18 May, 20:45 CEST



- the last time both sides clashed was in the 2008/09 season, when Barça won both duels clearly (35:29, 36:27)
- like in the 2022 finals of the Danish league, GOG eliminated Aalborg Handbold in the Champions League play-offs
- this season will be the first ever quarter-finals participation for GOG
- before that, GOG finished fourth in group A, beating powerhouses such as Veszprem and Magdeburg along the way
- they currently have the two best CL scorers in their squad: Emil Madsen and Simon Pytlick, both on 92 goals
- GOG was Mikkel Hansen's first professional club, before he moved to Barça in 2008

- it is Barça's 22nd participation in a Champions League quarter-final; the last time, Barça missed a EHF FINAL4 was in 2018, since then, they even made it to every final
- Barça have not lost any CL match since November 2021, the outcome is 21 victories (including the 2022 final) and 2 draws
- the Spanish side topped its group with 13 wins and one draw, in Kiel
- best Barça scorer is Dika Mem with 74 strikes
- Barça have one Danish player in their squad, goalkeeper Emil Hansen, who played for Skjern, before he went abroad to Nantes and then Barcelona
- Barça are on top of the Spanish league with 26 wins in the same number of matches, while GOG also top their main round group in the Danish league

PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS IN THE EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITIONS

GOG vs Barça 1-1-8 (240:296) 3:17

| | | |
|------------|---|---------------|
| 10.01.1993 | FC Barcelona vs GOG Gudme, Champions Cup – Quarter-final | 27:13 (14:5) |
| 17.01.1993 | GOG Gudme vs FC Barcelona, Champions Cup – Quarter-final | 21:22 (9:12) |
| 16.04.1995 | GOG Gudme vs FC Barcelona, Cup Winners' Cup – Final | 24:31 (13:16) |
| 22.04.1995 | FC Barcelona vs GOG Gudme, Cup Winners' Cup – Final | 26:22 (10:12) |
| 24.01.1996 | FC Barcelona vs GOG Gudme, EHF Champions League – Group B | 35:23 (17:8) |
| 14.02.1996 | GOG Gudme vs FC Barcelona, EHF Champions League – Group B | 22:22 (16:10) |
| 10.02.2008 | GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme vs FC Barcelona, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 4 | 35:33 (14:19) |
| 08.03.2008 | FC Barcelona vs GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 4 | 29:24 (16:11) |
| 22.02.2009 | FC Barcelona Borges vs GOG Svendborg TGI, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 4 | 36:27 (17:14) |
| 08.03.2009 | GOG Svendborg TGI vs FC Barcelona Borges, EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 4 | 29:35 (17:18) |

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: yellow
Player short: red
GK shirt: green/white/red

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: white/red/green



Playing hall

Jyske Bank Arena
Orbaekvej 350
5220 Odense
Denmark
Capacity: 4,000

GOG



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| @ HC PPD Zagreb | W27:31 (12:18) |
| vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti | D38:38 (21:20) |
| @ Orlen Wisla Plock | L31:27 (17:14) |
| vs Telekom Veszprém HC | L30:31 (14:16) |
| @ FC Porto | W26:33 (10:15) |
| vs SC Magdeburg | W33:32 (13:16) |
| @ PSG Handball | L41:36 (16:16) |
| vs PSG Handball | L35:40 (19:22) |
| @ SC Magdeburg | L36:34 (21:18) |
| vs FC Porto | W34:33 (15:13) |
| @ Telekom Veszprém HC | W36:37 (21:19) |
| vs Orlen Wisla Plock | W31:24 (18:11) |
| @ CS Dinamo Bucuresti | L30:27 (14:13) |
| vs HC PPD Zagreb | W33:29 (20:12) |

PLAY-OFFS

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|---------------------|----------------|
| @ Aalborg Handbold | L30:28 (16:12) |
| vs Aalborg Handbold | W32:24 (15:11) |

TOP SCORERS

| | |
|-----------------------|----|
| Emil Madsen (DEN) | 92 |
| Simon Pytlick (DEN) | 92 |
| Lukas Jørgensen (DEN) | 77 |
| Jerry Tolbring (SWE) | 71 |
| Morten Olsen (DEN) | 69 |

GROUP A FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|------------------|----------|-----------|
| 1. Paris Saint-Germain Handball | 14 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 492 : 439 | 53 | 24 |
| 2. SC Magdeburg | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 453 : 419 | 34 | 20 |
| 3. Telekom Veszprém HC | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 449 : 429 | 20 | 18 |
| 4. GOG | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 459 : 454 | 5 | 15 |
| 5. C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 416 : 429 | -13 | 13 |
| 6. Orlen Wisla Plock | 14 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 374 : 412 | -38 | 9 |
| 7. HC PPD Zagreb | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 390 : 420 | -30 | 8 |
| 8. FC Porto | 14 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 407 : 438 | -31 | 5 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 9

Main Round (2): 2007/08, 2008/09

Last 16 (2): 2004/05, 2006/07

Group Matches (4): 1995/96, 1996/97, 1998/99, 2000/01, 2019/20

Other

EHF European League: Quarter-finals 2020/21

EHF Cup: Quarter-finals 1999/00, 2001/02, 2005/06

Cup Winners' Cup: Runners-up 1995/96, Quarter-finals 1993/94, 1997/98

Danish league: 8 titles (1992, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2004, 2007, 2022)

Danish cup: 10 titles (1990, 1991, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2019)



4 **MATCHES**
Longest unbeaten run

45 **GOALS**
Most goals

77 **GOALS**
Most goals both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 36:17 (16:8) v Brestskiy HC Meshkovo BLR (h), 09.10.2004 |
| Biggest defeat | 29:45 (18:24) v BM Ciudad Real ESP (h), 04.12.2004 |
| Longest winning run | 4 matches (09.10.2004 – 30.10.2004) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 4 matches (09.10.2004 – 30.10.2004) |
| | 4 matches (10.11.2007 – 10.02.2008) |
| Longest losing run | 6 matches (16.11.2008 – 08.03.2009) |
| Longest run without win | 6 matches (14.02.1996 – 24.11.1996) |
| | 6 matches (16.11.2008 – 08.03.2009) |
| Most goals | 45 v HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 45:32W (h), 15.10.2006 |
| Most goals opponent | 45 v BM Ciudad Real ESP 29:45L (h), 04.12.2004 |
| Most goals both teams | 77 v HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 45:32W (h), 15.10.2006 |
| | 77 vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA 41:36L (a), 23.11.2022 |
| Fewest goals | 18 v Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 18:22L (h), 24.11.1996 |
| | 18 v Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 29:18L (a), 18.01.1997 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 17 v Brestskiy HC Meshkovo BLR 36:17W (h), 09.10.2004 |
| | 17 v CS HCM Constanta ROU 33:17W (h), 22.10.2006 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 40 v Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 18:22L (h), 24.11.1996 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HISTORY

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 1995/96 GOG Gudme DEN | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 136:159 | -23 | 4:8 | 4th Gr. B | |
| 1996/97 GOG Gudme DEN | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 133:155 | -22 | 2:10 | 3rd Gr. D | |
| 1998/99 GOG Gudme DEN | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 160:180 | -20 | 4:8 | 3rd Gr. C | |
| 2000/01 GOG Gudme DEN | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 165:158 | +7 | 6:6 | 3rd Gr. C | |
| 2004/05 GOG Gudme DEN | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 238:230 | +8 | 8:8 | Last 16 | |
| 2006/07 GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme DEN | 8 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 261:244 | +17 | 6:10 | Last 16 | |
| 2007/08 GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme DEN | 12 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 380:365 | +15 | 15:9 | 2nd MR Gr. 4 | |
| 2008/09 GOG Svendborg TGI DEN | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 292:324 | -32 | 6:14 | 4th MR Gr. 4 | |
| 2019/20 GOG DEN | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 310:319 | -9 | 9:11 | 3rd Gr. D | |
| 2022/23 GOG DEN | 16 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 519:508 | +11 | 17:15 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 88 | 35 | 7 | 46 | 2594:2642 | -48 | 77:99 | | |



Nicolej Krickau
Coach

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- Danish former centre back, who ended his playing career in 2007 due to injury after just three seasons with Skanderborg Håndbold, his first professional club
- started working as a youth coach at Skanderborg, took over the senior team in 2013, before joining GOG four years later
- replaced Jakob Larsen as head coach in the summer of 2017
- known for his ability to develop young players; has taken GOG back to the top of Danish handball

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------|------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Atal | Lakanval | DEN | Goalkeeper | 14/01/2003 | Svendborg, DEN | 194 | 119 |
| C 2 | Simon Bogetoft | Pytlick | DEN | Left Back | 11/12/2000 | Svendborg, DEN | 193 | 98 |
| 3 | Nicolai Nygaard | Pedersen | DEN | Left Back | 15/02/1994 | Hillerød, DEN | 198 | 100 |
| 6 | Henrik | Jakobsen | NOR | Line Player | 16/12/1992 | Lørenskog, NOR | 196 | 115 |
| 7 | Christoffer Sundsgaard | Dreyer | DEN | Centre Back | 16/03/2002 | Svendborg, DEN | 196 | 98 |
| 9 | Jerry | Tollbring | SWE | Left Wing | 13/09/1995 | Rimbo, SWE | 182 | 80 |
| 11 | Emil Wernsdorf | Madsen | DEN | Right Back | 01/01/2001 | Svendborg, DEN | 194 | 99 |
| 12 | Matthias René Rex | Dorgelo | DEN | Goalkeeper | 31/10/2002 | Odense, DEN | 200 | 100 |
| 14 | Lukas Lindhard | Jørgensen | DEN | Line Player | 31/03/1999 | Lejre, DEN | 194 | 109 |
| 15 | Lauritz Reinholdt | Legér | DEN | Centre Back | 14/01/2000 | Maribo, DEN | 193 | 86 |
| 16 | Tobias | Thulin | SWE | Goalkeeper | 05/07/1995 | Gøteborg, SWE | 198 | 100 |
| 19 | Oskar Vind | Rasmussen | DEN | Right Wing | 08/08/2000 | Roskilde, DEN | 190 | 78 |
| 21 | Kasper Emil | Kildelund | DEN | Right Wing | 11/05/1994 | Svendborg, DEN | 184 | 83 |
| 22 | Anders | Zachariassen | DEN | Line Player | 04/09/1991 | Sonderborg, DEN | 192 | 110 |
| 23 | Joachim Lyng | Als | DEN | Left Wing | 07/04/2003 | Copenhagen, DEN | 200 | 100 |
| 26 | Viktor | Gaini | FAR | Line Player | 31/07/2002 | | | |
| 27 | Lasse | Vilhelmsen | DEN | Right Back | 26/04/2005 | Svendborg, DEN | 191 | 92 |
| 28 | Emil Oxenvad | Tonnesen | DEN | Right Back | 25/01/2005 | Esbjerg, DEN | 189 | 88 |
| 29 | Hjalte | Lykke | DEN | Right Back | 05/10/2004 | Aarhus, DEN | 178 | 72 |
| 33 | Nejc | Cehte | SLO | Right Back | 04/09/1992 | Brezice, SLO | 196 | 100 |
| 34 | Morten | Olsen | DEN | Centre Back | 11/10/1984 | Lejre, DEN | 184 | 95 |
| 35 | Aksel Kaj | Larsen | DEN | Centre Back | 21/12/2005 | Svendborg, DEN | 199 | 87 |
| 36 | Mikkel Kjær | Møller | DEN | Left Wing | 09/11/1993 | Svendborg, DEN | 179 | 80 |
| 37 | Nicolas | Nielsen | DEN | Centre Back | 02/01/2003 | Rødovre, DEN | 190 | 81 |
| 38 | Nikolaj | Haagen | DEN | Left Back | 06/11/2003 | | | |
| 43 | Emil La Cour | Andersen | DEN | Left Wing | 13/02/2001 | | | |
| C 77 | Frederik Kiehn | Clausen | DEN | Left Back | 29/06/1995 | Svendborg, DEN | 197 | 102 |



Tobias Thulin

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Goalkeeper

- joined GOG in summer 2022
- this will be his first appearance in the CL
- began senior career at Redbergslids IK in his native Sweden, before spending two years at Magdeburg and one at TVB 1898 Stuttgart
- part of the Swedish squad which won the EHF EURO 2022

EC trophies: EL 2021

EURO: G 2022



Jerry Tollbring

 @tollbring

Left wing

- moved to GOG in the summer of 2021 from Rhein-Neckar Löwen
- won three domestic championships at IFK Kristianstad in Sweden
- member of the WCh 2017 All-star team
- was part of the Swedish national side that earned a silver medal at EHF EURO 2018

EURO: S 2018



Simon Pytlick

 @simonpytlickk

Left back

- has only ever played for GOG, starting his senior career at the club in 2018
- son of former handball coach and Olympic champion Jan Pytlick
- won the Danish league in 2022 and the Danish Cup in 2019
- although just 21, previously played in the CL in 2019/20, scoring 10 goals that season
- made Danish national team debut in 2021

WCh: G 2023



Lauritz Reinholdt Léger

Centre back

- one of a talented young generation hoping to make a splash for GOG
- joined the club in summer 2022 from TMS Ringsted
- has a contract until 2025
- this is his first season in the CL



Morten Olsen

Centre back

- one of few players in the GOG squad that are at the end of their careers
- still has one of the best shots from the floor
- started his career in GOG and since 2020 he is back in “his” club
- has won four gold medals with the Danish national team

OG: G 2016, S 2020; WCh: G 2019, 2021



Lukas Jørgensen

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Line player

- stepped into the spotlight this season after Anders Zachariassen suffered a bad knee injury in October
- started professional handball in GOG before moving to Aarhus for two seasons and coming back to GOG in 2021
- alongside teammate Simon Pytlick has already signed a contract with Flensburg for 2023/24
- made his first Denmark national team appearance in 2023 and won the WCh a few weeks later

WCh: G 2023



Emil Madsen

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Right back

- although still only 21, playing his fourth season in GOG’s senior team
- began his junior career at the club
- scored 69 times for GOG in the 2021/22 EL season
- joint top scorer of GOG together with Simon Pytlick after the 2022/23 CL play-offs with 92 goals
- won the EHF EURO Cup 2023 with the national team of Denmark



Oskar Vind Rasmussen

 @oskarvind

Right wing

- his first experience with the international handball on the senior level in the 2022/23 CL season
- born and bred in Roskilde where he played until 2019, in his last season both for the junior and the senior team
- after three years with Ringsted, made his move to GOG in the summer of 2022
- made a debut in the national team of Denmark in the successful EHF EURO Cup 2024 campaign
- awarded the best right wing of the Danish league in 2021/22

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: gold
Player short: gold
GK shirt: blue or yellow

Dark

Player shirt: blue and red
Player short: blue
GK shirt: green or black



Playing hall

Palau Blaugrana
Av. Aristides Maillol, s/n
08028 Barcelona
Spain
Capacity: 7,585

BARÇA



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| @ Pick Szeged | W28:35 (15:14) |
| vs Lomza Industria Kielce | W32:28 (18:13) |
| vs RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | W38:30 (19:15) |
| @ Elverum Handball | W30:46 (15:23) |
| @ Aalborg Håndbold | W33:39 (19:19) |
| vs HBC Nantes | W34:29 (16:17) |
| @THW Kiel | D30:30 (14:18) |
| vs THW Kiel | W26:24 (13:13) |
| vs Aalborg Håndbold | W32:26 (15:16) |
| @ HBC Nantes | W33:37 (16:22) |
| vs Elverum Handball | W40:30 (19:12) |
| @ RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | W27:28 (15:12) |
| vs Pick Szeged | W35:25 (20:10) |
| @ Lomza Industria Kielce | W31:32 (12:13) |

PLAY-OFFS

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TOP SCORERS

| | |
|--------------------------|----|
| Dika Mem (FRA) | 74 |
| Ludovic Fabregas (FRA) | 58 |
| Timothey N'guessan (FRA) | 53 |
| Aleix Gomez (ESP) | 50 |
| Hampus Wanne (SWE) | 47 |

GROUP B FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Barça | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 484 : 404 | 80 | 27 |
| 2. Industria Kielce | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 465 : 427 | 38 | 22 |
| 3. HBC Nantes | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 478 : 451 | 27 | 15 |
| 4. THW Kiel | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 460 : 440 | 20 | 15 |
| 5. Aalborg Håndbold | 14 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 445 : 438 | 7 | 13 |
| 6. Pick Szeged | 14 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 426 : 452 | -26 | 11 |
| 7. RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | 14 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 412 : 475 | -63 | 6 |
| 8. Elverum Handball | 14 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 398 : 481 | -83 | 3 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 26
 Winners (10): 1995/96, 1996/97, 1997/98, 1998/99, 1999/00, 2004/05, 2010/11, 2014/15, 2020/21, 2021/22
 Final (4): 2000/01, 2009/10, 2012/13, 2019/20
 Semi-finals (4): 2007/08, 2013/14, 2016/17, 2018/19
 Quarter-finals (4): 2005/06, 2006/07, 2011/12, 2015/16
 Last 16 (2): 2003/04, 2017/18
 Main Round (1): 2008/09

Other

EHF Cup: Winners 2002/03, Runners-up 2001/02
Cup Winners' Cup: Winners 1993/94, 1994/95
IHF European Champions Cup: 1990/91
IHF Super Globe: 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018

Spanish league: 30 titles (1969, 1973, 1980, 1982, 1986, 1988-92, 1996-2000, 2003, 2006, 2011-23)

Spanish cup: 27 titles (1969, 1972-73, 1983-85, 1988, 1990, 1993-94, 1997-98, 2000, 2004, 2007, 2009-10, 2014-2023)



22 MATCHES
Longest
winning run

46 GOALS
Most goals

82 GOALS
Most goals
both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 17:43 (9:21) v HC Bosna Sarajevo BIH (a), 19.11.2011 |
| Biggest defeat | 31:21 (13:10) v SG Flensburg-H. GER (a), 23.02.2007 41:31 (20:15) v THW Kiel GER (a), 06.04.2008 |
| Longest winning run | 22 matches (21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 22 matches (21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020) |
| Longest losing run | 2 matches (nine times) |
| Longest run without win | 3 matches (30.05.2010 – 03.10.2010) 3 matches (03.06.2017 – 17.09.2017) 3 matches (28.10.2021 – 24.11.2021) |
| Most goals | 46 v KIF Kolding DEN 46:36W (h), 17.10.2009 |
| Most goals opponent | 41 v THW Kiel GER 41:31L (a), 06.04.2008 41 v SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 39:41L (a), 31.05.2014 |
| Most goals both teams | 82 v KIF Kolding DEN 46:36W (h), 17.10.2009 |
| Fewest goals | 21 v ABC Braga POR 21:21D (a), 09.11.1997 21 v SC Pick Szeged HUN 22:21L (a), 23.10.2004 21 v Portland San Antonio ESP 25:21L (a), 25.02.2006 21 v SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 31:21L (a), 23.02.2007 21 v Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 22:21L (a), 20.09.2015 11 v Aalborg Handball DEN 11:31W (a), 15.03.2015 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 11 v Aalborg Handball DEN 11:31W (a), 15.03.2015 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 38 v Elgorriaga Bidasoa ESP 23:15W (h), 20.04.1996 38 v Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD 12:26W (a), 06.11.2004 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE STATS

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1995/96 FC Barcelona ESP | 8 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 213:173 | +40 | 12:4 | Winner | |
| 1996/97 FC Barcelona ESP | 12 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 358:264 | +94 | 21:3 | Winner | |
| 1997/98 FC Barcelona ESP | 12 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 358:284 | +74 | 19:5 | Winner | |
| 1998/99 FC Barcelona ESP | 12 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 357:289 | +68 | 19:5 | Winner | |
| 1999/00 FC Barcelona ESP | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 345:271 | +74 | 20:4 | Winner | |
| 2000/01 FC Barcelona ESP | 12 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 316:281 | +35 | 18:6 | Runner-up | |
| 2003/04 FC Barcelona ESP | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 262:212 | +50 | 11:5 | Last 16 | |
| 2004/05 FC Barcelona Cifec ESP | 14 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 400:360 | +40 | 16:12 | Winner | |
| 2005/06 FC Barcelona-Cifec ESP | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 293:244 | +49 | 18:2 | Quarter-final | |
| 2006/07 FC Barcelona-Cifec ESP | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 314:263 | +51 | 16:4 | Quarter-final | |
| 2007/08 FC Barcelona ESP | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 475:407 | +68 | 22:6 | Semi-final | |
| 2008/09 FC Barcelona Borges ESP | 10 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 307:275 | +32 | 12:8 | 3rd MR Gr. 4 | |
| 2009/10 FC Barcelona Borges ESP | 16 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 545:461 | +84 | 27:5 | Runner-up | |
| 2010/11 FC Barcelona Borges ESP | 16 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 501:451 | +50 | 23:9 | Winner | |
| 2011/12 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 459:357 | +102 | 22:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2012/13 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP | 16 | 13 | 0 | 3 | 488:404 | +84 | 26:6 | Runner-up | |
| 2013/14 FC Barcelona ESP | 16 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 535:426 | +109 | 25:7 | Third Place | |
| 2014/15 FC Barcelona ESP | 16 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 527:408 | +119 | 29:3 | Winner | |
| 2015/16 FC Barcelona Lassa ESP | 16 | 12 | 1 | 3 | 480:431 | +49 | 25:7 | Quarter-final | |
| 2016/17 FC Barcelona Lassa ESP | 18 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 517:460 | +57 | 27:9 | Fourth Place | |
| 2017/18 FC Barcelona Lassa ESP | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 463:433 | +30 | 22:10 | Last 16 | |
| 2018/19 Barça Lassa ESP | 18 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 614:506 | +108 | 30:6 | Third Place | |
| 2019/20 Barça ESP | 16 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 550:445 | +105 | 28:4 | Runner-Up | |
| 2020/21 Barça ESP | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 721:562 | +159 | 40:0 | Winner | |
| 2021/22 Barça ESP | 18 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 551:487 | +64 | 28:8 | Winner | |
| 2022/23 Barça ESP | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 484:404 | +80 | 27:1 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 364 | 280 | 23 | 61 | 11533:9558 | +1875 | 583:145 | | |



Antonio Carlos Ortega

Coach

- former Spanish international, taking over at Barça in 2021 from the legendary Xavi Pascual
- successfully defended the CL trophy with Barça in 2021/22 for his first international trophy as a coach
- in his playing career as a right back and wing, Ortega won the CL six times in his 11 years with Barça
- scored more than 500 goals for the Spanish national team
- started his coaching career in Antequera in 2005; later worked at Veszprém (HUN), Kolding (DEN), and Hannover (GER)

EC trophies: 1996-2000, 2005 (as player), 2022 (as coach); CWC 1995; EHF Cup 2003

OG: B 2000; EURO: S 1998, B 2000 (all as player)

Arrivals during the season:

Djordje Cikusa Jilicic (ESP)
Pol Valera Rovira (ESP)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|------------|----------------|-----------------|------|-------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|--------|
| C 1 | Gonzalo | Perez de Vargas | ESP | Goalkeeper | 10/01/1991 | Toledo, ESP | 188 | 88 |
| 3 | Aleksandar | Cenic | SRB | Right Back | 11/01/2003 | Leskovac, SRB | 200 | 93 |
| 6 | Pol | Valera Rovira | ESP | Centre Back | 19/08/1998 | La Garriga, ESP | 179 | 87 |
| 9 | Jonathan | Carlsbogard | SWE | Left Back | 19/04/1995 | Gothenburg, SWE | 195 | 96 |
| 10 | Dika | Mem | FRA | Right Back | 31/08/1997 | Paris, FRA | 194 | 104 |
| 11 | Djordje | Cikusa Jilicic | ESP | Right Back | 08/12/2005 | Bordils, Girona, ESP | 191 | 83 |
| 12 | Emil | Nielsen | DEN | Goalkeeper | 10/03/1997 | Aarhus, DEN | 191 | 125 |
| 13 | Aitor | Ariño | ESP | Left Wing | 05/10/1992 | Penarth, WAL | 184 | 82 |
| 15 | Hampus | Wanne | SWE | Left Wing | 10/12/1993 | Gothenburg, SWE | 185 | 84 |
| 18 | Blaz | Janc | SLO | Right Wing | 20/11/1996 | Brezice, SLO | 185 | 85 |
| 19 | Timothey | N'guessan | FRA | Left Back | 18/09/1992 | Massy, FRA | 195 | 108 |
| 20 | Aleix | Gómez | ESP | Right Wing | 07/05/1997 | Sabadell, ESP | 183 | 81 |
| 21 | Bruno | Reguart | ESP | Centre Back | 25/05/2003 | Barcelona, ESP | 187 | 81 |
| 22 | Thiagus | Petrus | BRA | Line Player | 25/01/1989 | Juiz de Fora, BRA | 199 | 108 |
| 23 | Martí | Soler | ESP | Left Wing | 28/04/2003 | Barcelona, ESP | 195 | 89 |
| 25 | Luka | Cindric | CRO | Centre Back | 05/07/1993 | Ogulin, CRO | 181 | 91 |
| 33 | Artur | Parera | ESP | Line Player | 28/08/2002 | Barcelona, ESP | 192 | 93 |
| 35 | Domen | Makuc | SLO | Centre Back | 01/07/2000 | Postojna, SLO | 188 | 89 |
| 36 | Roberto | Domenech | ESP | Goalkeeper | 23/06/2002 | Alicante, ESP | 186 | 98 |
| 37 | Haniel Vincius | Langaro Inoue | BRA | Left Back | 07/03/1995 | Umarama, BRA | 196 | 98 |
| 66 | Melvyn | Richardson | FRA | Right Back | 31/01/1997 | Marseille, FRA | 190 | 90 |
| 72 | Ludovic | Fabregas | FRA | Line Player | 01/07/1996 | Perpignan, FRA | 197 | 102 |
| 77 | Pablo | Urdangarin | ESP | Right Wing | 06/12/2000 | Barcelona, ESP | 195 | 84 |
| 82 | Luis | Frade | POR | Line Player | 11/09/1998 | Rio Tinto, POR | 193 | 121 |



Gonzalo Perez de Vargas

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Goalkeeper

- formed in Barcelona; returned to the club in 2014 after stints with Granollers and Toulouse focused on gaining experience
- won his fourth CL title in 2021/22 season; was the CL 2016/17 All-star goalkeeper
- represented Spain in all age categories; forms duo with Veszprém's Rodrigo Corrales
- medallist at five consecutive EHF EUROs, starting in 2014

EC trophies: CL 2011, 2015, 2021, 2022
OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2018, 2020, S 2022, 2016, B 2014; WCh: B 2021, 2023



Hampus Wanne

@hampusw

Left wing

- helped Sweden win EHF EURO silver in 2018 and gold in 2022, but missed the 2020 tournament
- best left wing of the WCh 2021 and of the 2022 EHF Champions League
- born in 1993, he joined Flensburg in 2013, aged only 20
- moved to Barça in the summer of 2022, after playing for nine seasons in Flensburg
- in a relationship with Swedish national player Daniela Gustin

EC trophies: CL 2014
EURO: S 2018, G 2022; WCh: S 2021



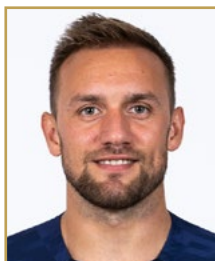
Timothy N'guessan

@timoute19

Left back

- French international, who arrived at Barça in the summer of 2016 from his only previous club: Chambéry in France
- scored 41 goals for Barça on their way to the CL title in 2021/22
- struggled with injuries and missed EHF EURO 2020, but got back his best in the following seasons, winning Olympic gold with France and the CL twice with Barça

CL: 2021, 2022
OG: G 2020, S 2016; EURO: B 2018; WCh: G 2017, B 2019



Luka Cindric

@luka_cindric25

Centre back

- joined Barça in the summer of 2019, arriving after one season with Kielce
- won CL with Vardar in 2017, scoring last-second winner in semi-final against Barça
- won two more CL trophies with Barça, in 2021 and 2022, and was voted CL All-star centre back in 2020/21
- voted EHF Player of the Year in 2017, and best Croatian player in 2017 and 2018
- key member of the Croatian national team

EC trophies: CL 2017, 2021, 2022
EURO: S 2020, B 2016



Ludovic Fabregas

@chiki_lf27

Line player

- joined Barça after winning CL in 2018 with Montpellier, scoring six goals in the final, and lifted the trophy again with the Spanish side in 2021
- CL All-star line player in 2016/17 and 2020/21, and best young player in 2018/19
- was youth world champion in mountain biking before turning to handball only at age 15

EC trophies: CL 2018, 2021, 2022
OG: G 2020, S 2016; WCh: G 2017, S 2023, B 2019



Dika Mem

@dikamem

Right back

- French international, who joined from French club Tremblay in 2016 at age 19
- contributed massively to Barça's back-to-back CL title wins, scoring 93 goals in CL 2020/21 and 100 in CL 2021/22 season
- CL All-star right back in 2017/18 and again in 2020/21 and 2021/22
- won one Olympic, three WCh medals and EHF EURO bronze with France

EC trophies: CL 2021, 2022
OG: G 2020; EURO: B 2018; WCh: G 2017, S 2023, B 2019



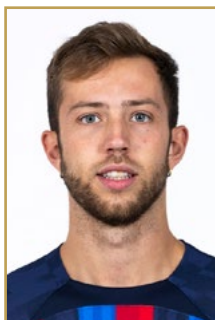
Melvyn Richardson

@Melvyn_richardson

Right back

- French international, who joined Barça in 2021 from Montpellier HB
- son of Jackson Richardson, who won CL in 2001 with Portland San Antonio — 17 years before Melvyn would repeat the feat with Montpellier
- played for the first time with the French national team in June 2017; won gold at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and a WCh bronze in 2019

EC trophies: CL 2018, 2022
OG: G 2020; WCh: S 2023, B 2019



Aleix Goméz

@aleixgomez11

Right wing

- came through club's youth ranks as a young talent since 2009, developed into an established asset on the Barça wing
- became CL top scorer in 2021/22 after netting 22 times at the EHF FINAL4 2022 and raising his season tally to 104
- also played key role in Barça's CL triumph in 2020/21, scoring 92 goals that season
- had previously been sharing right wing position with club icon Victor Tomas, who retired in 2020
- made CL All-star Team in 2019/20 as best young player, and in 2020/21 and 2021/22 as right wing

EC trophies: CL 2021, 2022
OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2020, S 2022; WCh: B 2021

ORLEN WISLA PLOCK VS SC MAGDEBURG



First leg: Wednesday 10 May, 18:45 CEST

Second leg: Wednesday 17 May, 18:45 CEST



- both teams duelled in the semi-final of the European League 2020/21 season, when Magdeburg beat Plock at Mannheim and finally won their last international trophy
- Plock have their quarter-final debut ahead, as Magdeburg play their fourth quarter-final and the first since 2004
- Plock's Tin Lucin has scored 76 goals this season, just one more than Kristjansson
- Plock eliminated HBC Nantes in the play-offs - and needed the first penalty shoot-out in a knock-out match (before the EHF FINAL4 at Cologne) since 2010
- before that, Plock has finished six in group A, qualifying after a win in Porto in the last round
- during the season, Plock substituted goalkeepers, as Kristian Pilipovic signed to Schaffhausen while Ignacio Biosca travelled the other way around
- Magdeburg have skipped the play-offs after finishing second in group B
- SCM have won three different EHF competitions by now: Champions League (2002), EHF Cup (1999, 2001, 2007) and European League (2021), while Plock's best outcome were two EHF finals in 2021 and 2022, but twice missed the finals
- Magdeburg have to replace two of their best players since the start of the season: EHF EURO 2022 top scorer Omar Ingi Magnusson and 2023 World Champion Magnus Saugstrup due to long-term injuries
- the German side signed Montenegrin right-back Vladan Lipovina and Swedish lineplayer Oscar Bergendahl as substitutes
- SCM's best scorer in the Champions League, Gisli Kristjansson, netted 75 goals
- Piotr Chrapkowski is the only Polish player in the Magdeburg squad

PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS IN THE EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITIONS

Orlen Wisla Plock vs SC Magdeburg 1-0-4 (142:158) 2:8

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| 16.11.2002 | Sportclub Magdeburg vs Wisla Plock SSA, EHF Champions League – Group A | 40:32 (17:11) |
| 30.11.2002 | Wisla Plock SSA vs Sportclub Magdeburg, EHF Champions League – Group A | 29:31 (16:12) |
| 22.05.2021 | SC Magdeburg vs Orlen Wisla Plock, EHF European League – EHF Finals – Semi-final | 30:29 (13:15) |
| 06.10.2022 | SC Magdeburg vs Orlen Wisla Plock, Machineseecker EHF Champions League – Group A | 33:27 (17:16) |
| 09.02.2023 | Orlen Wisla Plock vs SC Magdeburg, Machineseecker EHF Champions League – Group A | 25:24 (14:10) |

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: blue
GK shirt: navy blue

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: red



Playing hall

ORLEN Arena

Pl. Celebry Papięskiej 1
09-400 Płock
Poland
Capacity: 5,467

ORLEN WISLA PLOCK



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| @ FC Porto | W27:23 (14:10) |
| @ PSG Handball | L37:33 (18:16) |
| vs GOG | W31:27 (17:14) |
| @ SC Magdeburg | L33:27 (17:16) |
| @ HC PPD Zagreb | D26:26 (14:15) |
| vs Telekom Veszprém HC | L26:30 (14:15) |
| @ CS Dinamo Bucuresti | L32:27 (15:14) |
| vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti | L26:28 (12:12) |
| @ Telekom Veszprém HC | L32:22 (17:9) |
| vs HC PPD Zagreb | L26:30 (13:14) |
| vs SC Magdeburg | W25:24 (14:10) |
| @ GOG | L31:24 (18:11) |
| vs PSG Handball | L26:32 (14:15) |
| @ FC Porto | W27:28 (13:15) |

PLAY-OFFS

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|---------------|--------------------------|
| vs HBC Nantes | D32:32 (14:18) |
| @ HBC Nantes | W29:30a7m (25:25, 14:11) |

TOP SCORERS

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Tin Lucin (CRO) | 76 |
| Sergei Mark Kosorotov (RUS) | 54 |
| Lovro Mihic (CRO) | 52 |
| Abel Serdio Guntín (ESP) | 49 |
| Gonzalo Pérez Arce (ESP) | 46 |

GROUP A FINAL STANDINGS

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| 7. HC PPD Zagreb | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 390 | : 420 | -30 | 8 |
| 8. FC Porto | 14 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 407 | : 438 | -31 | 5 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 15
Last 16 (5): 2011/12, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2018/19
Group Phase (3): 2016/17, 2017/18, 2019/20
Group Matches (5): 2002/03, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2008/09
Qualification (1): 2012/13

Other

EHF European League: 3rd place 2021/22, 4th place 2020/21
EHF Cup: Quarter-final 1993/94
Cup Winners' Cup: Quarter-final 1996/97

Polish league: 7 titles (1995, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2011)
Polish cup: 11 titles (1992, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2022)



6 **MATCHES**
Longest unbeaten run

42 **GOALS**
Most goals

72 **GOALS**
Most goals both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 42:26 (19:11) v Crvena Zvezda Beograd SCG (h), 13.11.2004 34:18 (16:10) v Riihimäen Cocks FIN (h), 26.09.2018 |
| Biggest defeat | 35:18 (19:4) v KIF Kolding Elite A/S DEN (a), 07.10.2006 34:17 (15:7) v HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb CRO (a), 12.10.2008 |
| Longest winning run | 5 matches (29.11.2014 – 14.03.2015) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 6 matches (23.11.2014 – 14.03.2015) |
| Longest losing run | 6 matches (05.10.2008 – 20.11.2008) 6 matches (25.02.2017 – 01.10.2017) |
| Longest run without win | 13 matches (25.11.2015 – 19.10.2016) |
| Most goals | 42 v Crvena Zvezda Beograd SCG 42:26W (h), 13.11.2004 |
| Most goals opponent | 40 v Sportclub Magdeburg GER 40:32L (a), 16.11.2002 |
| Most goals both teams | 72 v Sportclub Magdeburg GER 40:32L (a), 16.11.2002 |
| Fewest goals | 13 v Chambéry Savoie HB FRA 21:13L (a), 15.10.2006 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 18 v Riihimäen Cocks FIN 34:18W (h), 26.09.2018 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 34 v Chambéry Savoie HB FRA 21:13L (a), 15.10.2006 |


I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HISTORY

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 2002/03 Wisła Płock SSA POL | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 167:195 | -28 | 2:10 | 3rd Gr. A | |
| 2004/05 Wisła Płock SSA POL | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 159:177 | -18 | 2:10 | 4th Gr. D | |
| 2005/06 Wisła Płock SSA POL | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 155:182 | -27 | 4:8 | 3rd Gr. E | |
| 2006/07 Wisła Płock SA POL | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 141:170 | -29 | 4:8 | 3rd Gr. C | |
| 2008/09 Wisła Płock SA POL | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 122:188 | -66 | 0:12 | 4th Gr. H | |
| 2011/12 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 12 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 321:332 | -11 | 9:15 | Last 16 | |
| 2013/14 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 12 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 335:341 | -6 | 10:14 | Last 16 | |
| 2014/15 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 340:337 | +3 | 15:9 | Last 16 | |
| 2015/16 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 16 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 426:452 | -26 | 9:23 | Last 16 | |
| 2016/17 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 367:401 | -34 | 8:20 | 7th Gr. A | |
| 2017/18 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 14 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 380:408 | -28 | 7:21 | 7th Gr. A | |
| 2018/19 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 14 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 363:341 | +22 | 16:12 | Last 16 | |
| 2019/20 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 318:309 | +9 | 13:11 | Last 16* | |
| 2022/23 Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 16 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 374:412 | -37 | 12:20 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 152 | 48 | 12 | 90 | 4030:4306 | -276 | 111:193 | | |

* Last 16 and Quarter-finals cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic



Xavier Sabate
Coach

 @xavi_sabate

- Spanish coach who has been leading Plock since July 2018, a few months after Piotr Przybecki had left the club
- steered Plock to the EHF Finals two seasons in a row
- experienced coach who worked at Veszprém from 2015-17
- led the Hungarian team to the CL 2016 final, where they lost to Kielce in a penalty shoot-out
- was voted coach of the CL 2015/16 All-star Team
- great eye for detail, engaging in all aspects of coaching including tactical analysis and team building

Arrivals during the season:

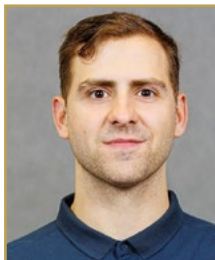
Ignacio Biosca Garcia (ESP)

Departures during the season:

Kristian Pilipovic (CRO)
Daniel Sarmiento (ESP)
Uros Mitrovic (SRB)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | Kristian | Pilipovic | AUT | Goalkeeper | 10/12/1994 | Dakovo, CRO | 191 | 103 |
| 1 | Ignacio | Biosca Garcia | ESP | Goalkeeper | 17/07/1995 | Barcelona, ESP | 193 | 90 |
| C 3 | Michał | Daszek | POL | Right Back | 27/06/1992 | Tczew, POL | 182 | 87 |
| 6 | Tin | Lucin | CRO | Left Back | 16/08/1999 | Rijeka, CRO | 196 | 98 |
| 7 | Tomas | Piroch | CZE | Right Back | 12/05/2000 | Pilzno, CZE | 187 | 90 |
| 8 | Oliwier | Kaminski | POL | Right Back | 24/04/2004 | Plock, POL | 192 | 82 |
| 9 | Kosuke | Yasuhira | JPN | Centre Back | 29/06/2000 | Takaoka, JPN | 173 | 70 |
| 11 | Marcel | Sroczyk | POL | Left Wing | 17/05/1998 | Lubin, POL | 184 | 78 |
| 13 | Uros | Mitrovic | SRB | Right Back | 13/09/2004 | Vrbas, BIH | 199 | 96 |
| 17 | Abel | Serdio Guntin | ESP | Line Player | 16/04/1994 | Aviles, ESP | 196 | 115 |
| 19 | Leon | Šušnja | CRO | Line Player | 05/08/1993 | Siroki Brijeg, BIH | 204 | 116 |
| 20 | Krystian | Witkowski | POL | Goalkeeper | 01/12/1999 | Mielec, POL | 200 | 103 |
| 22 | Daniel | Sarmiento | ESP | Centre Back | 25/08/1983 | Las Palmas, ESP | 186 | 86 |
| 23 | Filip | Michalowicz | POL | Right Wing | 05/06/2003 | Glogów, POL | 197 | 78 |
| 24 | Gergő | Fazekas | HUN | Centre Back | 31/10/2003 | Budapest, HUN | 191 | 90 |
| 25 | Krzysztof | Komarzewski | POL | Right Wing | 18/09/1998 | Gdansk, POL | 188 | 85 |
| 26 | Przemysław | Krajewski | POL | Left Wing | 20/01/1987 | Chiechánów, POL | 184 | 85 |
| 29 | Gonzalo | Pérez Arce | ESP | Right Wing | 20/07/1998 | Leon, ESP | 175 | 70 |
| 30 | Mirsad | Terzic | BIH | Left Back | 12/07/1983 | Priboj, SRB | 196 | 110 |
| 55 | Niko | Mindugia Elizaga | ESP | Centre Back | 19/07/1988 | San Sebastian, ESP | 182 | 85 |
| 33 | Dawid | Dawydzik | POL | Line Player | 07/12/1994 | Zary, POL | 200 | 119 |
| 34 | Lovro | Mihic | CRO | Left Wing | 25/08/1994 | Zagreb, CRO | 181 | 81 |
| 75 | Marcel | Jastrzebski | POL | Goalkeeper | 14/03/2003 | Lubin, POL | 196 | 92 |
| 89 | Dmitry | Zhitnikov | RUS | Centre Back | 20/11/1989 | Olomunec, CZE | 197 | 100 |
| 99 | Sergei Mark | Kosorotov | RUS | Left Back | 16/06/1999 | Moscow, RUS | 200 | 95 |

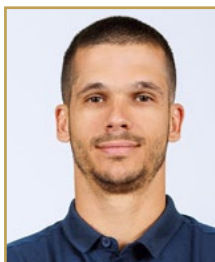


Ignacio Biosca

@nachobiosca

Goalkeeper

- joined Płock just before the 2022/23 play-offs as a late entry from Kadetten Schaffhausen, where he spent three years
- came through ranks of FC Barcelona, but played also for Ademar León between 2014 and 2019
- won the bronze medal with the Spanish national team at the 2018 Mediterranean Games
- made crucial stops in the penalty shootout of the 2022/23 CL play-offs vs Nantes



Lovro Mihic

Left wing

- started handball at a young age, spent his youth in PPD Zagreb
- Wisła Płock is only the second club in his career, coming from Zagreb in 2016
- got invited to Croatia national team in 2015, later participated at the 2017 WCH
- his wife Tarra was also a handball player

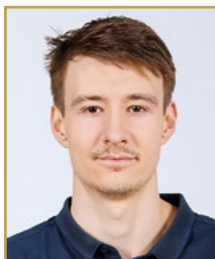


Tin Lucin

@tin_lucin

Left back

- Rijeka-born, started his career at Kozala
- also played for Zamet and PPD Zagreb in Croatia, later for Ademar León before joining Wisła Płock in 2021
- was part of youth national team and plays for Croatia national team
- his younger brother Fran is a handball goalkeeper

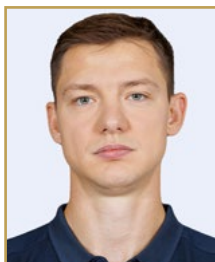


Sergei Mark Kosorotov

@sergey_mark

Left back

- joined Wisła Płock in the summer of 2021 from Chekhovskie Medvedi
- one of the biggest talents of Russian handball and a national team regular
- wears number 99 because 1999 is his year of birth
- unusually for Russia has two first names but is usually called just Sergei
- his father was a famous judoka, while his mother played handball at Luch Moscow



Dmitry Zhitnikov

Centre back

- Russian international, joined Wisła Płock in 2021
- in his second stint with the Polish club, previously played there 2015-2017
- started handball in Krasnodar, where his first coach was his father, at the local school
- a talented young player, invited to Chekhov at age 16; played five seasons in the reserve team before his breakthrough



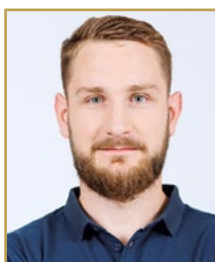
Abel Serdio

@abelserdio

Line player

- Spanish international, started his career at Gijón
- came to Wisła Płock in 2020 on a loan from Barcelona
- also played for Valladolid
- 1994-born line player made his national team debut in 2018
- his European breakthrough was in 2019/20 with Barça in the CL

WCh: B 2023



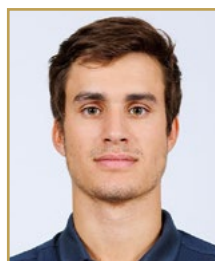
Michał Daszek

@michaldaszek

Right back

- arrived at Płock from MMTS Kwidzyn in 2014, a year after he had made his debut in the Polish national team
- versatile player who can also play at centre back and right back
- was best wing and MVP of the Polish league in 2018/19
- won bronze with Poland at WCh 2015 and played at Olympics the following year

WCh: B 2015



Gonzalo Perez Arce

@gonzalopez_19

Right wing

- born in Leon, started his handball career in Ademar where he made A team debut in 2014/15 season
- joined Wisła in summer 2022 on a two-year contract
- also a keen football player as a kid, but chose handball at the age of 14
- his brother Rodrigo is also a handball player, at JS Cherbourg
- had national team debut in 2019, also played for Spanish youth team

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Kit colours**Light**

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
Goalkeeper shirt: yellow

Dark

Player shirt: green
Player short: black
Goalkeeper shirt: red or
green

**Playing hall**

Getec Arena Magdeburg
Berliner Chaussee 32
39114 Magdeburg
Germany
Capacity: 7,800

SC MAGDEBURG

**ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS****GROUP PHASE**

@ C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti W28:30 (16:16)
vs HC PPD Zagreb W35:25 (17:12)
vs PSG Handball L22:29 (10:18)
vs Orlen Wisla Plock W33:27 (17:16)
@ Telekom Veszprém HC D35:35 (16:16)
@ GOG L33:32 (13:16)
vs FC Porto W41:36 (22:17)
@ FC Porto D31:31 (12:16)
vs GOG W36:34 (21:18)
@ PSG Handball W33:37 (19:15)
@ Orlen Wisla Plock L25:24 (14:10)
vs Telekom Veszprém HC W32:25 (16:15)
@ HC PPD Zagreb W25:31 (14:16)
vs C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti W34:33 (19:17)

PLAY-OFFS

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TOP SCORERS

| | |
|--------------------------|----|
| Gisli Kristjansson (ISL) | 75 |
| Omar Magnusson (ISL) | 61 |
| Kay Smits (NED) | 58 |
| Lukas Mertens (GER) | 42 |
| Tim Hornke (GER) | 41 |

GROUP A FINAL STANDINGS

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|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Paris Saint-Germain Handball | 14 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 492 : 439 | 53 | 24 |
| 2. SC Magdeburg | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 453 : 419 | 34 | 20 |
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| 8. FC Porto | 14 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 407 : 438 | -31 | 5 |

Past achievements**EHF Champions League**

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 5
Winners (1): 2001/02
Semi-final (1): 2003/04
Quarter-final (1): 2002/03
Last 16 (1): 2005/06

Other

EHF European League: Winners 2020/21, Runners-up 2021/22
EHF Cup: Winners 1998/99, 2000/01, 2006/07
EHF Champions Trophy: Winners 2000/01, 2001/02

German league: 12 titles (1970, 1977, 1980, 1981-85, 1988, 1991 (GDR); 2001, 2022)
German cup: 7 titles (1970, 1977, 1978, 1984, 1990 (GDR); 1996, 2016)



6 **MATCHES**
Longest unbeaten run

41 **GOALS**
Most goals

77 **GOALS**
Most goals both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 33:19 (17:6) v Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD (h), 17.11.2001 38:24 (18:11) v Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD (h), 23.11.2003 |
| Biggest defeat | 38:25 (16:9) v FC Barcelona ESP (a), 29.11.2003 |
| Longest winning run | 5 matches (12.10.2003 – 23.11.2003) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 6 matches (08.03.2003 – 23.11.2003) |
| Longest losing run | 3 matches (12.11.2005 - 10.12.2005) |
| Longest run without win | 3 matches (15.12.2002 – 08.03.2003) 3 matches (12.11.2005 - 10.12.2005) |
| Most goals | 41 v FC Porto POR 41:36W (h), 24.11.2022 |
| Most goals opponent | 38 v FC Barcelona ESP 38:25L (a), 29.11.2003 |
| Most goals both teams | 77 v FC Porto POR 41:36W (h), 24.11.2022 |
| Fewest goals | 20 v Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 24:20L (a), 25.11.2001 20 v SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 30:20L (a), 13.03.2004 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 17 v Panellinios AC Athens GRE 17:29W (a), 09.11.2002 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 44 v Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 24:20L (a), 25.11.2001 44 v Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 23:21L (a), 21.04.2002 |


I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE STATS

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|-------|
| 2001/02 Sportclub Magdeburg GER | 12 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 327:289 | +38 | 16:8 | Winner | |
| 2002/03 Sportclub Magdeburg GER | 8 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 235:226 | +9 | 9:7 | Quarter-finals | |
| 2003/04 SC Magdeburg GER | 12 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 366:340 | +26 | 18:6 | Semi-final | |
| 2005/06 SC Magdeburg GER | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 238:222 | +16 | 8:8 | Last 16 | |
| 2022/23 SC Magdeburg GER | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 453:419 | +34 | 20:8 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 54 | 33 | 5 | 16 | 1619:1496 | +123 | 71:37 | | |



Bennet Wiegert

Coach

 @bennetwiegert

- former German international on the left wing, who played for Magdeburg from 1998-2013, except for three seasons
- won the CL with the club as a player in 2002
- won the inaugural EHF European League as a coach in 2021, and finished runner-up the following year
- replaced Ger Sveinsson as head coach of Magdeburg in December 2015; previously worked as director of the club's youth academy
- his father, Ingolf, won Olympic gold as a player in 1980 and later was also Magdeburg coach

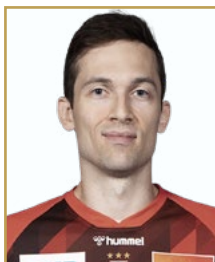
EC trophies: CL 2002 (as player); EL 2021 (as coach)

Arrivals during the season:

Oscar Bergendahl (SWE)
Vladan Lipovina (MNE)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|-------------|----------------|------------------|------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Mike | Jensen | DEN | Goalkeeper | 26/02/1995 | Maribo, DEN | 207 | 115 |
| 2 | Lucas | Meister | SUI | Line Player | 16/08/1996 | Muttentz, SUI | 197 | 100 |
| 3 | Piotr | Chrapkowski | POL | Left Back | 24/03/1988 | Kartuzy, POL | 203 | 104 |
| 5 | Vladan | Lipovina | MNE | Right Back | 07/03/1993 | Cetinje, MNE | 198 | 98 |
| 6 | Matthias | Musche | GER | Left Wing | 18/07/1992 | Magdeburg, GER | 187 | 92 |
| 7 | Elias | Ruddat | GER | Left Wing | 12/12/2002 | Magdeburg, GER | 190 | 85 |
| 9 | Tim | Kloor | GER | Right Wing | 22/01/2002 | Schwerin, GER | 188 | 83 |
| 10 | Gisli Thorgeir | Kristjansson | ISL | Centre Back | 30/03/1999 | Reykjavik, ISL | 191 | 95 |
| 11 | Daniel | Pettersson | SWE | Right Wing | 06/05/1992 | Eskitstuna, SWE | 179 | 78 |
| 14 | Ómar Ingi | Magnusson | ISL | Right Back | 12/03/1997 | Selfoss, ISL | 186 | 90 |
| 16 | Niclas | Behrendt | GER | Goalkeeper | 10/01/2022 | Lüneburg, GER | 192 | 85 |
| 17 | Hornke | Tim | GER | Right Wing | 04/08/1990 | Hannover, GER | 188 | 84 |
| 20 | Philipp | Weber | GER | Left Back | 15/09/1992 | Schönebeck, GER | 194 | 91 |
| 22 | Lukas | Mertens | GER | Left Wing | 22/03/1996 | Wilhelmshaven, GER | 182 | 85 |
| 23 | Magnus | Saugstrup Jensen | DEN | Line Player | 12/07/1996 | Aalborg, DEN | 195 | 105 |
| C 24 | Christian | O'Sullivan | NOR | Centre Back | 22/08/1991 | Oslo, NOR | 190 | 95 |
| 25 | Marko | Bezjak | SLO | Centre Beck | 26/06/1986 | Ptuj, SLO | 184 | 88 |
| 31 | Kay | Smits | NED | Right Back | 31/03/1997 | Geleen, NED | 186 | 89 |
| 34 | Michael | Damgaard Nielsen | DEN | Left Back | 18/03/1990 | Rødby, DEN | 192 | 91 |
| 54 | Oscar | Bergendahl | SWE | Line player | 08/03/1995 | Kungsbacka, SWE | 192 | 109 |
| 80 | Nikola | Portner | SUI | Goalkeeper | 19/11/1993 | Lyon, FRA | 194 | 90 |
| 95 | Moritz | Preuss | GER | Line Player | 22/02/1995 | Dachau, GER | 194 | 117 |



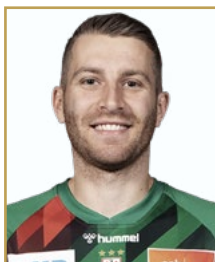
Nikola Portner

 @nikola_portner

Goalkeeper

- signed for Magdeburg in summer 2022 together with his Swiss national teammate Lukas Meister
- Magdeburg is his sixth club in his career, after Grauholz, Bern Muri, Kadetten Schaffhausen, Montpellier, and Chambéry
- played the CL for six seasons with both Montpellier and Schaffhausen, winning in 2018 with Montpellier
- awarded best goalkeeper of the French league in the season 2021/22

EC trophies: CL 2018



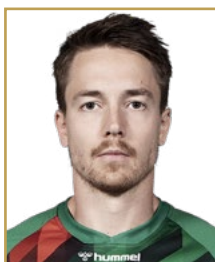
Lukas Mertens

 @lukasmertens22

Left wing

- regular in the German national team since 2021, played his first major tournament at the EHF EURO 2022
- thanks to his high-speed counter attacks his nickname is “Speedy”
- started his career at his home club Wilhelmshaven, joined SCM in 2017
- silver medallist and All-star Team left wing at the M20 EHF EURO in Denmark in 2018
- studies sports science at the Magdeburg University

EC trophies: EL 2021



Michael Damgaard

 @dgaard34

Left back

- together with Ómar Ingi Magnusson joint top scorer for SCM in the 2020/21 EL group phase
- joined Magdeburg in 2015 from TTH Holstebro in his native Denmark
- started professional career at GOG before moving to Holstebro in 2010
- was Magdeburg’s best scorer in the last EHF Cup 2019/20 season
- his older brother, Allan, is also a professional handball player, for Holstebro

EC trophies: EL 2021
OG: G 2016; WCh: G 2019



Christian O’Sullivan

 @christianosullivan24

Centre back

- team captain of Magdeburg and key player for Norwegian national team
- arrived from Swedish side IFK Kristianstad in 2016 at SCM, has meanwhile extended his contract until 2024
- his motto for handball is: “I want to make my teammates better”
- son of a British handball international, he was asked to become captain of the GB team for 2012 London Olympics but he did not want to change citizenship

EC trophies: EL 2021
EURO: B 2020; WCh: S 2017, 2019



Marko Bezjak

@25bezo

centre back

- Slovenian international who arrived in Magdeburg from Velenje in 2013
- won Slovenian league title three times and gained CL experience with Velenje
- shares playmaker position with captain Christian O'Sullivan and Gisli Kristjansson
- came back even stronger from a long-term injury break after a shoulder surgery

EC trophies: EL 2021
WCh: B 2017



Oscar Bergendahl

@oscarbergendahl

Line player

- joined Magdeburg as a late entry in the 2022/23 season from TVB Stuttgart
- named best defender of the EHF EURO 2022 in Hungary and Slovakia
- made it to the German bundesliga after impressive performance at the EHF EURO 2022
- raised by the youth club of Aranäs, after playing for four years for Alingsås he spend another four seasons with GOG in Denmark

EURO: G 2022; WCh: S 2021



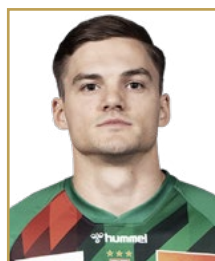
Gisli Kristjansson

@gisli thorgeir

Centre back

- started his professional career at FH Hafnarfjörður in 2015
- also played football before and become a bronze medallist at the 2014 Summer Youth Olympics with Iceland
- son of a former player of VfL Gummersbach Kristján Arason and Katrín Gunnarsdóttir, Icelandic politician
- joined Magdeburg after two seasons with THW Kiel in the summer of 2020

EC trophies: EL 2021



Kay Smits

@kay_smits

Right back

- arrived at Magdeburg in 2020, after playing for Wilhelmshaven (GER) and Holstebro (DEN)
- at first was only on loan to replace injured Albin Lagergren in 2020, then became an integral SCM player
- one of the Dutch stars and their top scorer at the EHF EURO 2022, by scoring 45 goals in only five games, before being ruled out by covid
- his sister Inger just won the EL with her club SG BBM Bietigheim and was world champion in 2019, his father Gino is coach of the German U17 women's team

TELEKOM VESZPRÉM HC VS BARLINEK INDUSTRIA KIELCE



First leg: Thursday 11 May, 18:45 CET

Second leg: Thursday 18 May, 18:45 CEST



- Veszprém and Kielce played 17 times against each other in the EHF Champions League since 2003, as the Hungarian side won 11 games and Kielce 5
- the last time both teams played against each other was in the semi-final last season, when Kielce defeated Veszprem 37:35
- Veszprém booked their quarter-finals ticket through the play-offs, where they beat fellow Hungarian side Szeged (74:56 on aggregate)
- in the group phase, the Hungarian side finished third in group A, behind Paris Saint-Germain and SC Magdeburg
- Veszprém's best scorer, Rasmus Lauge Schmidt, netted 78 times this season already
- French right-back Nédim Rémili started the season in Kielce before moving to Veszprém in February. He will be joined next season by two fellow French players, Hugo Descat and Ludovic Fabregas, who are part of the five new players who will join the club next season
- Kielce have not played a Champions League since the group phase, as the Polish team progressed straight to the quarter-finals after finishing second in group B
- Kielce's second best performance in the Champions League dates back to last season, when the club lost in the EHF FINAL4 final against Barça after a penalty shoot-out
- however, Kielce beat Veszprém in the penalty shoot-out as well at the 2016 EHF FINAL4, when they lifted the most coveted trophy
- the Polish side came out victorious of its last two confrontations with a Hungarian team in the Champions, beating Szeged twice this season
- Kielce's Arkadiusz Moryto is currently the Champions League's fourth best scorer, with 84 goals

PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS IN THE EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITIONS

Telekom Veszprém HC vs Industria Kielce 11-1-5 (546:507) 23:11

| | | |
|------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 18.10.2003 | Fotex KC Veszprém vs KS 'Vive' Kielce, EHF Champions League – Group G | 31:24 (21:12) |
| 15.11.2003 | KS 'Vive' Kielce vs Fotex KC Veszprém, EHF Champions League – Group G | 30:41 (19:19) |
| 17.10.2009 | MKB Veszprém KC vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, EHF Champions League – Group B | 33:26 (16:11) |
| 06.03.2010 | KS Vive Targi Kielce vs MKB Veszprém KC, EHF Champions League – Group B | 29:32 (14:14) |
| 02.10.2011 | KS Vive Targi Kielce vs MKB Veszprém KC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 25:29 (10:17) |
| 11.02.2012 | MKB Veszprém KC vs KS Vive Targi Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 21:24 (13:12) |
| 29.05.2016 | KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs MVM Veszprém, VELUX EHF FINAL4 – Final | 39:38 a7m (13:17, 29:29, 35:35) |
| 15.10.2017 | PGE Vive Kielce vs Telekom Veszprém HC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 32:32 (16:15) |
| 02.12.2017 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs PGE Vive Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 31:26 (15:15) |
| 15.09.2018 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs PGE Vive Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 29:27 (14:13) |
| 02.03.2019 | PGE Vive Kielce vs Telekom Veszprém HC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 35:36 (21:18) |
| 01.06.2019 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs PGE Vive Kielce, VELUX EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final | 33:30 (13:13) |
| 02.11.2019 | PGE VIVE Kielce vs Telekom Veszprém HC, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 34:33 (17:17) |
| 23.11.2019 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs PGE VIVE Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B | 28:24 (13:15) |
| 23.09.2021 | Lomza Vive Kielce vs Telekom Veszprém HC, EHF Champions League – Group B | 32:29 (17:12) |
| 03.03.2022 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs Lomza Vive Kielce, EHF Champions League – Group B | 35:33 (18:16) |
| 18.06.2022 | Telekom Veszprém HC vs Lomza Vive Kielce, EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final | 35:37 (18:16) |

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
Player short: white
GK shirt: black

Dark

Player shirt: red
Player short: red
GK shirt: yellow



Playing hall

Veszprém Arena
Külső Kádártai út
8200 Veszprém
Hungary
Capacity: 5,096

TELEKOM VESZPRÉM HC



ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| vs PSG Handball | W36:34 (17:17) |
| @ FC Porto | W28:25 (12:16) |
| vs SC Magdeburg | D35:35 (16:16) |
| @ GOG | W30:31 (14:16) |
| vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti | W33:30 (15:17) |
| @ Orlen Wisla Plock | W26:30 (14:15) |
| @ HC PPD Zagreb | L29:26 (12:14) |
| vs HC PPD Zagreb | W32:28 (16:15) |
| vs Orlen Wisla Plock | W32:22 (17:9) |
| @ CS Dinamo Bucuresti | D31:31 (13:16) |
| vs GOG | L36:37 (21:19) |
| @ SC Magdeburg | L32:25 (16:15) |
| vs FC Porto | W32:30 (15:14) |
| @ PSG Handball | L37:35 (19:24) |

PLAY-OFFS

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| @ OTP Bank - Pick Szeged | W23:36 (7:20) |
| vs OTP Bank - Pick Szeged | W38:33 (17:16) |

TOP SCORERS

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Rasmus Lauge Schmidt (DEN) | 65 |
| Petar Nenadic (SRB) | 60 |
| Andreas Nilsson (SWE) | 44 |
| Yehia Elderaa (EGY) | 41 |
| Dragan Pechmalbec (SRB) | 37 |

GROUP A FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----|----|---|----|-----------|-----|----|
| 1. Paris Saint-Germain Handball | 14 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 492 : 439 | 53 | 24 |
| 2. SC Magdeburg | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 453 : 419 | 34 | 20 |
| 3. Telekom Veszprém HC | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 449 : 429 | 20 | 18 |
| 4. GOG | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 459 : 454 | 5 | 15 |
| 5. C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti | 14 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 416 : 429 | -13 | 13 |
| 6. Orlen Wisla Plock | 14 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 374 : 412 | -38 | 9 |
| 7. HC PPD Zagreb | 14 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 390 : 420 | -30 | 8 |
| 8. FC Porto | 14 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 407 : 438 | -31 | 5 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 28
Final (4): 2001/02, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2018/19
Semi-finals (6): 2002/03, 2005/06, 2013/14, 2016/17, 2019/20, 2021/22
Quarter-finals (10): 1997/98, 1998/99, 1999/00, 2003/04, 2004/05, 2006/07, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2012/13, 2020/21
Last 16 (4): 1993/94, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2017/18
Group Phase (3): 1994/95, 1995/96, 2007/08

Other

Cup Winners' Cup: Winners 2008, Finalists 1997
SEHA-league: 5 titles (2015, 2016, 2020, 2021, 2022)

Hungarian league: 26 titles (1985-86, 1992-1995, 1997-99, 2001-06, 2008-17, 2019)
Hungarian Cup: 29 titles (1984, 1988-1992, 1994-1996, 1998-2000, 2002-05, 2007, 2009-18, 2021, 2022)



12 MATCHES
Longest
winning run

47 GOALS
Most goals

79 GOALS
Most goals
both teams

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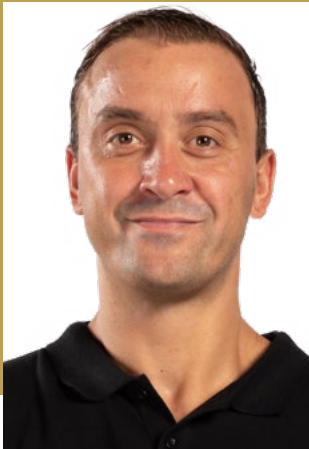
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| Biggest win | 38:17 (18:9) v HC Granitas Kaunas LTU (h), 06.11.2004 |
| Biggest defeat | 30:18 (16:8) v Badel Zagreb CRO (a), 24.01.1995 |
| Longest winning run | 12 matches (17.11.2018 – 01.06.2019) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 12 matches (17.11.2018 – 01.06.2019) |
| Longest losing run | 4 matches (28.12.2020 – 09.02.2021) |
| Longest run without win | 4 matches (09.01.1999 – 31.10.1999) |
| | 4 matches (28.12.2020 – 09.02.2021) |
| Most goals | 47 v C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti ROU 47:32W (h), 02.12.2021 |
| Most goals opponent | 39 v THW Kiel GER 39:32L (a), 01.03.2007 |
| | 39 v KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL 39:38La7m (a), 29.05.16 |
| | 39 v Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA 39:40W (a), 10.03.2022 |
| Most goals both teams | 79 v C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti ROU 47:32W (h), 02.12.2021 |
| | 79 v Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA 39:40W (a), 10.03.2022 |
| Fewest goals | 15 v TEKA Santander ESP 25:15L (a), 15.03.1995 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 13 v SO Chambéry FRA 29:13W (h), 18.11.2001 |
| | 13 v Panellinios AC Athens GRE 19:13W (h), 17.11.2002 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 32 v Panellinios AC Athens GRE 19:13W (h), 17.11.2002 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HISTORY

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------|
| 1994/95 Fotex Veszprems HUN | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 131:147 | -16 | 6:6 | 3rd Gr. A | |
| 1995/96 Fotex Veszprems HUN | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 147:144 | +3 | 6:6 | 3rd Gr. A | |
| 1997/98 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 228:204 | +24 | 11:5 | Quarter-final | |
| 1998/99 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 200:188 | +12 | 7:9 | Quarter-final | |
| 1999/00 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 203:202 | +1 | 8:8 | Quarter-final | |
| 2001/02 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 12 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 310:267 | +43 | 18:6 | Runner-up | |
| 2002/03 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 10 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 276:238 | +38 | 16:4 | Semi-final | |
| 2003/04 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 306:276 | +30 | 14:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2004/05 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 317:259 | +58 | 14:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2005/06 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 12 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 373:318 | +55 | 18:6 | Semi-final | |
| 2006/07 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 338:288 | +50 | 14:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2007/08 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 184:171 | +13 | 6:6 | 3rd Gr. F | |
| 2008/09 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 12 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 351:320 | +31 | 16:8 | Quarter-final | |
| 2009/10 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 419:368 | +51 | 22:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2010/11 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 12 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 373:338 | +35 | 18:6 | Last 16 | |
| 2011/12 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 12 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 321:322 | -1 | 14:10 | Last 16 | |
| 2012/13 MKB Veszprém KC HUN | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 410:348 | +62 | 22:6 | Quarter-final | |
| 2013/14 MKB-MVM Veszprém HUN | 16 | 11 | 1 | 4 | 477:410 | +67 | 23:9 | Fourth Place | |
| 2014/15 MKB-MVM Veszprém HUN | 16 | 13 | 1 | 2 | 480:423 | +57 | 27:5 | Runner-up | |
| 2015/16 MVM Veszprém HUN | 20 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 600:539 | +61 | 32:8 | Runner-up | |
| 2016/17 Telekom Veszprém HUN | 20 | 13 | 2 | 5 | 549:511 | +38 | 28:12 | Third Place | |
| 2017/18 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 16 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 466:439 | +27 | 20:12 | Last 16 | |
| 2018/19 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 20 | 15 | 0 | 5 | 589:543 | +46 | 30:10 | Runner-up | |
| 2019/20 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 16 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 509:453 | +56 | 20:12 | Fourth Place | |
| 2020/21 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 18 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 583:511 | +72 | 26:10 | Quarter-final | |
| 2021/22 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 18 | 10 | 2 | 6 | 581:542 | +39 | 22:14 | Fourth Place | |
| 2022/23 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 523:485 | +38 | 22:10 | Play-offs | |
| Total: | 348 | 230 | 20 | 98 | 10314:9328 | +986 | 480:216 | | |

TELEKOM VESZPRÉM

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Momir Ilic
Coach

 @ilic_momir

- former Serbian international, who took over from David Davis at the helm of Veszprém in summer of 2021
- ended his playing career in 2019 after spending the last six seasons at Veszprém; previously played for Kiel and Gummersbach in Germany, and Velenje in Slovenia
- won CL two times with Kiel, in 2010 and 2012
- played 11 years for the national team and helped Serbia win silver at their home EHF EURO in 2012
- joined the management of Veszprém following his retirement as a player, before getting his first opportunity as head coach

EC trophies: CL 2010, 2012
EURO: S 2012 (all as player)

Arrivals during the season:

Nedim Remili (FRA)
Tas Szabó (ROU)
Krisztian Istvan Mikler (HUN)

Departures during the season:

Blaz Blagotinsek (SLO)
Petar Nenadic (SRB)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|-------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| 5 | Yahia Khaled | Fathy Omar | EGY | Right Back | 09/09/1997 | Giza, EGY | 197 | 103 |
| 12 | Rodrigo | Corrales Rodal | ESP | Goalkeeper | 24/01/1991 | Cangas, ESP | 200 | 104 |
| 13 | Petar | Nenadic | SRB | Left Back | 28/06/1986 | Belgrade, SRB | 198 | 96 |
| 16 | Vladimir | Cupara | SRB | Goalkeeper | 19/02/1994 | Belgrade, SRB | 199 | 116 |
| 18 | Andreas | Nilsson | SWE | Line Player | 12/04/1990 | Trelleborg, SWE | 198 | 120 |
| 21 | Bjarki Mar | Elisson | ISL | Left Wing | 16/05/1990 | Reykjavik, ISL | 190 | 94 |
| 23 | Patrik | Ligetvári | HUN | Left Back | 13/02/1996 | Várpalota, HUN | 203 | 115 |
| 24 | Gasper | Marguc | SLO | Right Wing | 20/08/1990 | Celje, SLO | 180 | 87 |
| C 25 | Rasmus | Lauge Schmidt | DEN | Left Back | 20/06/1991 | Randers, DEN | 195 | 102 |
| 26 | Manuel | Strlek | CRO | Left Wing | 01/12/1988 | Zagreb, CRO | 185 | 86 |
| 27 | Péter | Lukács | HUN | Centre Back | 30/07/2002 | Budapest, HUN | 190 | 79 |
| 29 | Nedim | Remili | FRA | Right Back | 18/07/1995 | Creteil, FRA | 196 | 100 |
| 35 | Kentin | Mahé | FRA | Centre Back | 22/05/1991 | Paris, FRA | 186 | 86 |
| 39 | YehiaMohamed | Elderaa | EGY | Centre Back | 17/07/1995 | Cairo, EGY | 190 | 100 |
| 43 | Zoran | Ilic | HUN | Right Back | 02/01/2002 | Zenta, SRB | 197 | 100 |
| 46 | Dragan | Pechmalbec | SRB | Line Player | 05/01/1996 | Cahors, FRA | 194 | 102 |
| 52 | Tas | Szabo | ROU | Right Back | 03/02/2002 | SfantuGheorghe,ROU | 196 | 95 |
| 55 | Mikita | Vailupau | BLR | Right Wing | 30/07/1995 | Vitebsk, BLR | 187 | 92 |
| 61 | Krisztián Istvan | Mikler | HUN | Goalkeeper | 05/12/2002 | Budapest, HUN | 192 | 80 |
| 88 | Adrián | Sipos | HUN | Line Player | 08/03/1990 | Szombathely, HUN | 198 | 106 |



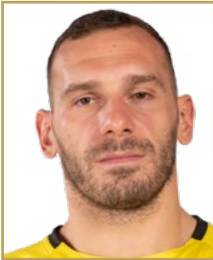
Rodrigo Corrales

 @rodrigo016

Goalkeeper

- joined Veszprém in 2020 after three seasons with PSG in France
- came through youth ranks of Barça and first joined the A team in 2009, gaining his first CL experience in November 2011
- in 2014, he moved to Wisła Płock, which was coached by then Spanish national team coach Manolo Cadenas and he made his debut for Spain the same year

OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2018, 2020, S 2022; WCh: B 2021, 2023

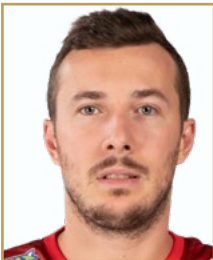


Vladimir Cupara

 @cupara16

Goalkeeper

- came to Veszprém in 2019 from Kielce, where he spent one season after a three-year stint at Ademar León
- debuted for Serbia national team in 2016; played his third EHF EURO in 2022
- started professional career at boyhood club Red Star Belgrade
- loves to express his emotions on the court and share them with the fans



Manuel Strlek

Left wing

- Croatian wing, who had CL debut with Zagreb at age 18
- played for Kielce for six seasons, and won the CL with them in 2016, before moving to Veszprém in the summer of 2018
- voted CL 2019/20 All-star left wing, after scoring 42 times that season
- made debut in Croatian national team in 2010, at EHF EURO 2010 in Austria

EC trophies: CL 2016
OG: B 2012; WCh: B 2013; EURO: S 2010, B 2012, 2016



Mikita Vailupau

 @mikitavailupau

Right wing

- arrived from Belarusian champions and CL quarter-finalists Meshkov Brest in 2022
- started his career at SKA Minsk, joined Brest in 2019
- was second best overall scorer of the EHF EURO 2020 with 47 goals, only topped by Sander Sagosen. Also best Belarusian scorer at the 2021 WCh with 35 goals
- second-best scorer of the 2020/21 CL season below Valero Rivera (Nantes) and top scorer of the SEHA League 2019/20
- hobby is painting and drawing pictures in the style of abstract expressionism



Rasmus Lauge Schmidt

@rasmuslauge25

Left back

- joined Veszprém in summer of 2019 after six seasons in Germany, arriving in Hungary as Olympic and world champion
- one of the few players who have played at both THW Kiel and SG Flensburg-Handewitt
- often plays as a centre back as well as left back, especially in the national team
- made debut for Denmark in 2010, but did not become a regular starter until Thomas Mogensen ended his national team career after EHF EURO 2014
- an intelligent and inventive playmaker with a good shot and fine skills for breaking through the defence

OG: G 2016; WCh: G 2019, 2023, S 2011, 2013; EURO: G 2012, B 2022



Kentin Mahe

@kentinmahe35

Centre back

- joined Veszprém in 2018 after spells with Flensburg, Hamburg, Gummersbach and Dormagen, where he was coached by his father Pascal
- scored 65 goals in CL 2021/22 season, his personal best, and was named in the 2021 CL All-star Team
- lost all three EC finals he played in: CL 2018/19 with Veszprém, EHF Cup 2014/15 with Hamburg, and CWC 2011/12 with Gummersbach
- MVP of EHF Cup Finals 2015; M20 EURO 2010 MVP and top scorer (49 goals)

EURO: B 2018; OG: G 2020, S 2016; WCh: G 2015, 2017, S 2023, B 2019



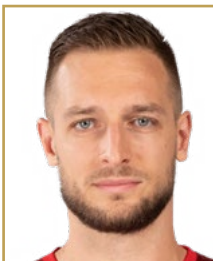
Nedim Remili

@nedim_remili

Right back

- arrived at Veszprém in February 2023 from Industria Kielce, where he had played since summer 2022 to replace long-term injured Egyptian Yahia Omar
- previously played six years for Paris Saint-Germain and was six times French champion
- All-star Team right back at the 2017 and 2023 WCh and the Tokyo 2020 OG, where he was best French scorer
- his father Kamel was also a professional handball player

EURO: B 2018; OG: G 2020; WCh: G 2017, S 2023, B 2019



Gasper Marguc

@gaspermarguc

Right wing

- came to Veszprém in 2014 from Celje, where he had played since 2009
- had his best CL season for Veszprém in 2021/22, scoring 88 goals
- once scored 18 goals from 18 attempts for Celje in two matches against THW Kiel's legendary goalkeeper Thierry Omeyer
- took part in WCh in 2013 when Slovenia placed fourth, and in 2017 when they won bronze

WCh: B 2017



B2



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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: yellow
Player short: blue
GK shirt: blue

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: green



Playing hall

Hala Legionów
ul. Laszka Drogosza 2
15-116 Kielce
Poland
Capacity: 4,200

BARLINEK INDUSTRIA KIELCE

ROAD TO THE QUARTER-FINALS

GROUP PHASE

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| vs HBC Nantes | W40:33 (23:18) |
| @Barça | L32:28 (18:13) |
| @Aalborg Håndbold | W28:30 (15:17) |
| vs THW Kiel | W40:37 (19:19) |
| @RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | W30:33 (16:17) |
| vs Pick Szeged | W37:30 (22:14) |
| vs Elverum Handball | W37:33 (21:17) |
| @Elverum Handball | W26:27 (13:14) |
| @Pick Szeged | W28:31 (13:16) |
| vs RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | W36:28 (18:15) |
| @THW Kiel | L32:29 (22:13) |
| vs Aalborg Håndbold | W33:28 (15:15) |
| @HBC Nantes | W30:33 (14:17) |
| vs Barça | L31:32 (12:13) |

PLAY-OFFS

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TOP SCORERS

| | |
|------------------------|----|
| Arkadiusz Moryto (POL) | 84 |
| Szymon SICKO (POL) | 57 |
| Alex Dujšhebaev (ESP) | 46 |
| Artsem Karalek (BLR) | 45 |
| Nicolas Tournat (FRA) | 40 |

GROUP B FINAL STANDINGS

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. Barça | 14 | 13 | 1 | 0 | 484 : 404 | 80 | 27 |
| 2. Industria Kielce | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 465 : 427 | 38 | 22 |
| 3. HBC Nantes | 14 | 7 | 1 | 6 | 478 : 451 | 27 | 15 |
| 4. THW Kiel | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 460 : 440 | 20 | 15 |
| 5. Aalborg Håndbold | 14 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 445 : 438 | 7 | 13 |
| 6. Pick Szeged | 14 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 426 : 452 | -26 | 11 |
| 7. RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | 14 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 412 : 475 | -63 | 6 |
| 8. Elverum Handball | 14 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 398 : 481 | -83 | 3 |

Past achievements

EHF Champions League

Participations (including 2022/23 season): 20

Winners (1): 2015/16

Runners-up (1): 2021/22

Semi-finals (3): 2012/13, 2014/15, 2018/19

Quarter-finals (1): 2017/18

Play-offs (1): 2020/21

Last 16 (7): 1993/94, 1994/95, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2013/14, 2016/17, 2019/20*

Last 32 (2): 1996/97, 1998/99

Group Matches (3): 1999/2000, 2003/04, 2010/11

* 2019/20 Last 16 cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic

Other

EHF Cup: Quarter-finals 1997/98, 2005/06

Cup Winners' Cup: Quarter-finals 1995/96

Polish league: 19 titles (1993-94, 1996, 1998-99, 2003, 2009-10, 2012-22)

Polish cup: 17 titles (1985, 2000, 2003-04, 2006, 2009-19, 2021)



18 **MATCHES**
Longest
unbeaten run

41 **GOALS**
Most goals

78 **GOALS**
Most goals
both teams

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE CLUB RECORDS

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Biggest win | 41:17 (21:8) v Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER (h), 24.03.2018 |
| Biggest defeat | 30:41 (19:19) v Fotex KC Veszprém HUN (h), 15.11.2003 37:26 (19:10) v PSG Handball FRA (a), 23.02.2021 |
| Longest winning run | 11 matches (25.09.2014 – 15.03.2015) |
| Longest unbeaten run | 18 matches (15.11.2015 – 15.10.2016) |
| Longest losing run | 5 matches (13.02.2010 – 27.03.2010) 5 matches (19.02.2011 – 09.10.2011) |
| Longest run without win | 6 matches (26.09.2010 – 27.11.2010) |
| Most goals | 41 v Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 41:17W (h), 24.03.2018 |
| Most goals opponent | 42 v Barça Lassa ESP 36:42L (h), 24.11.2018 |
| Most goals both teams | 78 v Barça Lassa ESP 36:42L (h), 24.11.2018 |
| Fewest goals | 21 v HC Bosna BH Gas BIH 25:21L (a), 27.02.2010 21 v HC Metalurg MKD 21:20W (h), 24.11.2012 |
| Fewest goals opponent | 17 v Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 41:17W (h), 24.03.2018 |
| Fewest goals both teams | 41 v HC Metalurg MKD 21:20W (h), 24.11.2012 |

I EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE STATS

| | MP | W | T | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS | Stage |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1999/00 KS Iskra-Lider Market POL | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 173:186 | -13 | 6:6 | 3rd Gr. B | |
| 2003/04 KS 'Vive' Kielce POL | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 159:177 | -18 | 5:7 | 3rd Gr. G | |
| 2009/10 KS Vive Targi Kielce POL | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 345:344 | +1 | 11:13 | Last 16 | |
| 2010/11 KS Vive Targi Kielce POL | 10 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 276:300 | -24 | 4:16 | 6th Gr. A | |
| 2011/12 KS Vive Targi Kielce POL | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 345:336 | +9 | 13:11 | Last 16 | |
| 2012/13 KS Vive Targi Kielce POL | 16 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 469:400 | +69 | 28:4 | Third Place | |
| 2013/14 KS Vive Targi Kielce POL | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 362:331 | +31 | 15:9 | Last 16 | |
| 2014/15 KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL | 16 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 483:439 | +44 | 28:4 | Third Place | |
| 2015/16 KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL | 20 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 614:577 | +37 | 32:8 | Winner | |
| 2016/17 KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL | 16 | 9 | 0 | 7 | 469:451 | +18 | 18:14 | Last 16 | |
| 2017/18 PGE Vive Kielce POL | 18 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 555:524 | +31 | 19:17 | Quarter-final | |
| 2018/19 PGE Vive Kielce POL | 20 | 9 | 1 | 10 | 631:624 | +7 | 19:21 | Fourth Place | |
| 2019/20 PGE VIVE Kielce POL | 14 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 421:389 | +32 | 18:10 | Last 16* | |
| 2020/21 Lomza Vive Kielce POL | 16 | 10 | 1 | 5 | 498:472 | +26 | 21:11 | Play-offs | |
| 2021/22 Lomza Vive Kielce POL | 18 | 13 | 0 | 5 | 582:537 | +45 | 26:10 | Runner-up | |
| 2022/23 Barlinek Industria Kielce POL | 14 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 465:427 | +38 | 22:6 | Quarter-finals | |
| Total: | 226 | 134 | 17 | 75 | 6847:6514 | +333 | 285:167 | | |

* Last 16 and Quarter-finals cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic



Talant Dujshebaev

Coach

- first person in men's handball to win the CL as a player (once, in 1994) and as a coach (four times)
- won many trophies during his playing career with three different national teams: CIS, Russia, and Spain
- voted IHF World Player of the Year twice, in 1994 and 1996
- enjoying successful coaching career spanning well over a decade, which saw him win the CL four times
- father of Alex and Daniel, who both play in Kielce as backs

EC trophies: CL 1994 (player), 2006, 2008, 2009, 2016 (coach); EHF Cup 1993; CWC 2002, 2003
OG: G 1992, B 1996, 2000; WCh: G 1993; EURO: S 1996, 1998, B 2000

Arrivals during the season:

Nikodem Blazejewski (POL)

Departures during the season:

Nedim Remili (FRA)

I TEAM ROSTER

| No. | First name | Surname | Nat. | Position | Date of birth | Place of birth | Height | Weight |
|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | Mateusz | Kornecki | POL | Goalkeeper | 05/06/1994 | Skarzysko-Kamienna, POL | 193 | 91 |
| 4 | Miguel Sanchez-Migallon | Naranjo | ESP | Left Wing | 08/02/1995 | Ciudad Real, ESP | 200 | 99 |
| 5 | Michał | Olejniczak | POL | Left Back | 31/01/2001 | Gorzów, POL | 195 | 97 |
| 6 | Szymon | Wiaderny | POL | Left Wing | 25/05/2003 | Kielce, POL | 189 | 79 |
| 7 | Benoit | Kounkoud | FRA | Right Wing | 19/02/1997 | Le Chesnay, FRA | 190 | 92 |
| 9 | Szymon | Sicko | POL | Line Player | 20/08/1997 | Dabrowa Białostocka, POL | 200 | 100 |
| C 10 | Alex | Dujšhebaev | ESP | Right Back | 17/12/1992 | Santander, ESP | 188 | 94 |
| 11 | Nicolas | Tournat | FRA | Line Player | 05/04/1994 | Niort, FRA | 200 | 113 |
| 12 | Nikodem | Blazejewski | POL | Goalkeeper | 27/02/2004 | Kielce, POL | 195 | 78 |
| 18 | Igor | Karacic | CRO | Centre Back | 02/11/1988 | Mostar, BIH | 191 | 90 |
| 23 | Arkadiusz | Moryto | POL | Right Wing | 31/08/1997 | Kraków, POL | 182 | 84 |
| 24 | Daniel | Dujšhebaev | ESP | Left Back | 04/07/1997 | Santander, ESP | 197 | 106 |
| 25 | Haukur | Thrastarson | ISL | Centre Back | 14/04/2001 | Sveitarfélagid, ISL | 193 | 91 |
| 27 | Cezary | Surgiel | POL | Left Wing | 18/09/2002 | Kielce, POL | 188 | 79 |
| 29 | Nedim | Remili | FRA | Right Back | 18/07/1995 | Créteil, FRA | 196 | 100 |
| 30 | Elliot | Stenmalm | SWE | Left Back | 04/05/200 | Skogslyckan, SWE | 200 | 110 |
| 33 | Andreas | Wolff | GER | Goalkeeper | 03/03/1991 | Euskirchen, GER | 198 | 117 |
| 33 | Paweł | Paczkowski | POL | Right Back | 14/06/1993 | Swiecie, POL | 195 | 98 |
| 41 | Damian | Domagala | POL | Back | 30/12/2002 | Zawiecie, POL | 196 | 94 |
| 48 | Tomasz | Gebala | POL | Left Back | 23/11/1995 | Gdynia, POL | 212 | 124 |
| 50 | Artsem | Karalek | BLR | Line Player | 20/02/1996 | Grodno, BLR | 197 | 110 |
| 99 | Dylan | Nahi | FRA | Left Wing | 30/11/1999 | Paris, FRA | 192 | 103 |



Andreas Wolff

 @andi_jo_wo

Goalkeeper

- joined Kielce as his first foreign club in summer of 2019, arriving from THW Kiel
- started his career at Wetzlar before moving to Kiel in 2016
- named German handball player of the year in 2015 and 2016
- excelled during Germany's golden EHF EURO 2016 in Poland with over 50% save rate in final against Spain, was named All-star goalkeeper of the event
- besides playing handball, he studies international management

EC trophies: EHF Cup 2019
EURO: G 2016; OG: B 2016



Dylan Nahi

 @dylan_nahi99

Left wing

- joined Kielce in summer of 2021 from PSG, following his breakthrough season in the CL – scoring 67 goals for the French club and making the CL All-star Team
- third-best scorer for Kielce, with 73 goals, in his first CL season with the Polish side
- made debut in PSG's senior team at age 15 in August 2015; became youngest player ever at EHF FINAL4 – in 2017, when he was 17 years and 185 days old

WCh: S 2023



Szymon Sicko

 @szymon_sicko

Left back

- Polish international, signed by Kielce in 2017; played on loan for Hüttenberg (GER) and Zabrze (POL) before returning to Kielce in 2020
- scored 53 times for Kielce in CL 2021/22 season, his personal best in the CL
- a classical shooter, the successor of legendary left back Karol Bielecki
- Poland's second-best scorer at EHF EURO 2022, with 31 goals



Igor Karacic

 @igorkaracicc

Centre back

- joined Kielce in summer of 2019, replacing fellow Croatian national team player Luka Cindric, after winning CL for second time with Vardar
- speedy and tough player, excelling in one-on-one situations but prefers giving assists over scoring himself
- born in Mostar, he plays for Croatian national team but brother Ivan plays for Bosnia and Herzegovina
- awarded MVP of EHF FINAL4 2019 and All-star centre back of EHF EURO 2020

EC trophies: CL 2017, 2019
EURO: S 2020, B 2016



Artsem Karalek

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Line player

- joined Kielce in 2018 and has become a leading player through the years; awarded MVP of the EHF FINAL4 2022
- born in Grodno, started career at local side Kronon, moved to SKA Minsk in 2014
- joined Saint-Raphaël Var in France in 2016 and reached EHF Cup final in 2017/18
- developed from the country's biggest young talent into an experienced key player for Belarusian handball
- made his debut in Belarusian national team at age 17



Nicolas Tournat

 @nicolas_tournat

Line player

- arrived from HBC Nantes in summer of 2020 as successor of Julien Aguinagalde
- played (and lost) three European finals with Nantes: EHF Cup 2013, 2016; CL 2018
- was awarded best line player of French league in three straight years (2018-20)
- scored 850 goals for Nantes in six years (2014-20)

OG: G 2020; EURO: B 2018; WCh: S 2023



Alex Dujšhebaev

 @alexdujshebaev

Right back

- son of coach Talant Dujšhebaev, joined Kielce at start of 2017/18 season and became CL top scorer the next season
- had four-year stay in Vardar, winning first CL trophy in club's history in 2017
- usually plays right back but sometimes used in the middle
- important player for Spain, helped team win back-to-back EHF EURO titles in 2018 and 2020

EC trophies: CL 2017

OG: B 2020; EURO: G 2018, 2020, S 2016; WCh: B 2021, 2023



Arkadiusz Moryto

 @arekmoryto

Right wing

- arrived at Kielce from Zagłębie Lubin in 2018, after becoming youngest top scorer of Polish league in 2017/18, was top scorer again in 2018/19 and 2019/20
- was Kielce's leading scorer in CL 2021/22 season with 79 goals, his personal best in the CL
- his role model was Ivan Cupic, who he replaced at Kielce in 2018
- has been part of Polish national team since WCh 2017; was top scorer of the team at the EHF EURO 2022 with 46 goals

I IMPORTANT REGULATIONS – NO AWAY GOALS RULE

Away goals not among the criteria to decide the ranking anymore

All matches shall be played in accordance with the IHF's current Rules of the Game. Variations on a technical level are possible. All matches shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes with a half-time break of 15 minutes.

The matches shall be scored as follows:

- a) win = 2 points
- b) draw = 1 point
- c) loss = 0 points

Teams' rankings are obtained by adding up the number of points won.

QUARTER-FINAL MATCHES

If, after completion of the two matches, both clubs have won the same number of points (no extra time will be played), the teams' standings shall be determined by the following criteria:

- a) goal difference
- b) penalty throws

RULES FOR EXECUTION OF PENALTY THROWS

Only players (incl. goalkeepers) who are listed on the match report and are not suspended or disqualified at the end of the playing time are entitled to participate at the penalty throws.

Prior to the penalty throws, each team shall name five players by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws.

- The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the Game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may perform as goalkeepers.
- The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.
- If the scores are equal after the first round of penalty throws, it shall be continued until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again, five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).
- In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.
- Serious infractions committed during penalty throws shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be supplementary named.
- While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing court.
- If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.



HISTORY AND FUTURE

I CURRENT TOP SCORERS



92 goals

Simon Pytlick
GOG

| | Player | Club | Gls |
|----|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| 1 | Simon Pytlick (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 92 |
| | Emil Madsen (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 92 |
| 3 | Aleks Vlah (SLO) | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško (SLO) | 88 |
| 4 | Arkadiusz Moryto (POL) | Industria Kielce (POL) | 84 |
| 5 | Kamil Syprzak (POL) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 82 |
| 6 | Timur Dibirov (RUS) | HC PPD Zagreb (CRO) | 79 |
| 7 | Rasmus Lauge Schmidt (DEN) | Telekom Veszprém HC (HUN) | 78 |
| 8 | Lukas Jørgensen (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 77 |
| | Valero Rivera (ESP) | HBC Nantes (FRA) | 77 |
| 10 | Tin Lucin (CRO) | Orlen Wisla Plock (POL) | 76 |
| 11 | Gisli Kristjansson (ISL) | SC Magdeburg (GER) | 75 |
| 12 | Dika Mem (FRA) | Barça (ESP) | 74 |
| 13 | Andrii Akimenko (UKR) | CS Dinamo Bucuresti (ROU) | 72 |
| 14 | Jerry Tollbring (SWE) | GOG (DEN) | 71 |
| 15 | Elohim Prandi (FRA) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 70 |
| 16 | Morten Olsen (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 69 |
| 17 | Dainis Kristopans (LAT) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 68 |
| 18 | Sebastian Barthold (NOR) | Aalborg Håndbold (DEN) | 67 |
| 19 | Ante Kuduk (ROU) | CS Dinamo Bucuresti (ROU) | 64 |
| 20 | Ómar Magnússon (ISL) | SC Magdeburg (GER) | 61 |
| 21 | Petar Nenadic (SRB) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 60 |
| | Alexandre Cavalcanti (POR) | HBC Nantes (FRA) | 60 |
| | Tobias Grøndahl (NOR) | Elverum Handball (NOR) | 60 |

I PAST WINNERS

| Year | Club | Nation |
|-------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 2022 | Barça | ESP |
| 2021 | Barça | ESP |
| 2020 | THW Kiel | GER |
| 2019 | HC Vardar | MKD |
| 2018 | Montpellier HB | FRA |
| 2017 | HC Vardar | MKD |
| 2016 | Vive Tauron Kielce | POL |
| 2015 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 2014 | SG Flensburg-Handewitt | GER |
| 2013 | HSV Hamburg | GER |
| 2012 | THW Kiel | GER |
| 2011 | FC Barcelona Borges | ESP |
| 2010 | THW Kiel | GER |
| 2009 | BM Ciudad Real | ESP |
| 2008 | BM Ciudad Real | ESP |
| 2007 | THW Kiel | GER |
| 2006 | BM Ciudad Real | ESP |
| 2005 | FC Barcelona-Cifec | ESP |
| 2004 | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško | SLO |
| 2003 | Montpellier HB | FRA |
| 2002 | SC Magdeburg | GER |
| 2001 | Portland San Antonio | ESP |
| 2000 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 1999 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 1998 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 1997 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 1996 | FC Barcelona | ESP |
| 1995 | Elgorriaga Bidasoa | ESP |
| 1994 | TEKA Santander | ESP |

I ALL-TIME CLUB STANDINGS 1993–2023

| TR | Name of the club | MP | W | D | L | GF:FA | GD | P | NP | % |
|-----------|---|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1 | Barça ESP | 364 | 280 | 23 | 61 | 11433:9558 | +1875 | 583:145 | (26) | 80,08% |
| 2 | Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 348 | 230 | 20 | 98 | 10314:9328 | +986 | 480:216 | (27) | 68,97% |
| 3 | THW Kiel GER | 344 | 224 | 27 | 93 | 10489:9401 | +1088 | 475:213 | (25) | 69,04% |
| 4 | SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER | 252 | 146 | 21 | 85 | 7250:6828 | +422 | 313:191 | (17) | 62,10% |
| 5 | Montpellier HB FRA | 250 | 136 | 19 | 95 | 7184:6878 | +306 | 291:209 | (21) | 58,20% |
| 6 | HC PPD Zagreb CRO | 330 | 127 | 35 | 168 | 8544:8781 | -237 | 289:371 | (29) | 43,79% |
| 7 | Barlinek Industria Kielce POL | 226 | 134 | 17 | 75 | 6847:6514 | +333 | 285:167 | (16) | 63,05% |
| 8 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA | 182 | 123 | 12 | 47 | 5573:5047 | +526 | 258:106 | (12) | 70,88% |
| 9 | OTP Bank – PICK Szeged HUN | 248 | 117 | 21 | 110 | 6892:6876 | +16 | 255:241 | (20) | 51,41% |
| 10 | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO | 274 | 120 | 15 | 139 | 7737:7728 | +9 | 255:293 | (24) | 46,53% |
| 11 | BM Atletico Madrid ESP | 144 | 111 | 5 | 28 | 4502:3803 | +699 | 227:61 | (10) | 78,82% |
| 12 | HC Vardar 1961 MKD | 188 | 83 | 21 | 84 | 5144:5241 | -97 | 187:189 | (15) | 49,73% |
| 13 | Chekhovskie medvedi RUS | 176 | 75 | 18 | 83 | 5250:5200 | +50 | 168:184 | (18) | 47,73% |
| 14 | Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER | 134 | 72 | 17 | 45 | 3971:3774 | +197 | 161:107 | (9) | 60,08% |
| 15 | HSV Hamburg GER | 98 | 68 | 9 | 21 | 3088:2670 | +418 | 145:51 | (7) | 73,98% |
| 16 | Portland San Antonio ESP | 100 | 64 | 6 | 30 | 2929:2594 | +335 | 134:66 | (9) | 67,00% |
| 17 | Abanca Ademar Leon ESP | 122 | 61 | 8 | 53 | 3440:3386 | +54 | 130:114 | (12) | 53,28% |
| 18 | KIF Kolding Kobenhavn DEN | 118 | 54 | 9 | 55 | 3330:3361 | -31 | 117:119 | (12) | 49,58% |
| 19 | Orlen Wisła Płock POL | 152 | 49 | 13 | 90 | 4030:4306 | -276 | 111:193 | (14) | 36,51% |
| 20 | HC Motor UKR | 120 | 48 | 11 | 61 | 3394:3511 | -117 | 107:133 | (9) | 44,58% |
| 21 | Aalborg Håndbold DEN | 114 | 46 | 8 | 60 | 3281:3387 | -106 | 100:128 | (8) | 43,86% |
| 22 | HBC Nantes FRA | 88 | 42 | 14 | 32 | 2649:2534 | +115 | 98:78 | (5) | 55,68% |
| 23 | HC Meshkov Brest BLR | 142 | 40 | 14 | 88 | 3842:4134 | -292 | 94:190 | (12) | 33,10% |
| 24 | GOG DEN | 88 | 35 | 7 | 46 | 2594:2642 | -48 | 77:99 | (10) | 43,75% |
| 25 | HC Metalurg MKD | 102 | 35 | 6 | 61 | 2516:2718 | -202 | 76:128 | (10) | 37,26% |
| 26 | SC Magdeburg GER | 54 | 33 | 5 | 16 | 1619:1496 | +123 | 71:37 | (5) | 65,74% |
| 28 | CS Dinamo Bucuresti ROU | 80 | 31 | 8 | 41 | 2311:2431 | -120 | 70:90 | (7) | 43,75% |
| 30 | FC Porto POR | 80 | 27 | 10 | 43 | 2192:2281 | -89 | 64:96 | (6) | 40,00% |
| 32 | Elverum Handball NOR | 100 | 24 | 10 | 66 | 2767:3088 | -321 | 58:142 | (8) | 29,00% |

I ALL-TIME STATS 1993–2020

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HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen
Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25) 14.11.2009

Biggest wins

- 29 ZTR Zaporozhye UKR @ AS Conversano 2003 ITA 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- 26 Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- 26 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP @ HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 17:43 (9:21), 19.11.2011

26

Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE
46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009

Biggest home wins

- 25 FC Barcelona ESP vs Hapoel Rishon Le Zion ISR 42:17 (18:10), 15.11.1997
- 25 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 43:18 (23:8), 09.02.2012

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HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball
NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009

Biggest away wins

- 29 ZTR Zaporozhye UKR @ AS Conversano 2003 ITA 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- 26 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP @ HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 17:43 (9:21), 19.11.2011

18

RK Zagreb CRO vs Pelister Bitola MKD
37:13 (23:5), 16.10.2005

Biggest lead at half-time

- 17 Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- 15 KIF Kolding Elite A/S DEN vs Wisla Plock SA POL 35:18 (19:4), 07.10.2006
- 15 MKB Veszprém KC HUN vs HC Bosna BH Gas BIH 35:18 (22:7), 14.11.2009
- 15 HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- 15 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 43:18 (23:8), 09.02.2012

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THW Kiel GER @ HC Banik OKD Karvina
CZE 26:50 (13:24), 22.10.2006

Most goals

- 48 HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- 47 THW Kiel GER vs CS HCM Constanta ROU 47:31 (24:18), 12.11.2006
- 47 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN v C.S. Dinamo Bucuresti ROU 47:32W (h), 02.12.2021

82

FC Barcelona Borges ESP vs KIF Kolding
DEN 46:36 (23:19), 17.10.2009

Most goals both teams

- 81 FC Barcelona ESP vs THW Kiel GER 44:37 (19:20), 13.04.2008
- 80 FC Barcelona ESP vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 39:41 (17:18, 32:32, 36:36), 31.05.2014 (after penalty throws)

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Aalborg Handball DEN vs FC Barcelona
ESP 11:31 (5:16), 15.03.2015

Fewest goals

- 12 AS Conversano 2003 ITA vs ZTR Zaporozhye UKR 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- 12 Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD vs FC Barcelona ESP 12:26 (8:15), 06.11.2004

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SG Wallau-Massenheim GER vs UHK West
Wien AUT 17:15 (7:6), 20.03.1994

Fewest goals both teams

- 32 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN vs Panellinios AC Athens GRE 19:13 (9:7), 17.11.2002
- 33 Panellinios AC Athens GRE vs Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 16:17 (8:9), 30.11.2002

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KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL @ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR 27:28 (19:10), 18.02.2015

Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to win a game

- 7 HC Vardar MKD @ Barça Lassa ESP 27:29 (16:9), 01.06.2019
- 6 FC Porto Sofarma POR vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR 27:25 (9:15), 14.09.2019

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FC Barcelona ESP @ GOG Gudme DEN 22:22 (16:10), 14.02.1996

Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to draw a game

- 6 HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb CRO vs HC Vardar PRO – Skopje MKD 28:28 (10:16), 07.10.2007
- 6 Pevafersa Valladolid ESP vs Pick Szeged HUN 35:35 (13:19), 27.02.2010
- 6 Naturhouse La Rioja ESP vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 32:32 (13:19), 19.10.2013
- 6 Orlen Wisła Płock POL @ THW Kiel GER 24:24 (15:9), 03.12.2016
- 6 Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER vs FC Barcelona Lassa ESP 31:31 (12:18), 17.09.2017
- 6 HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR vs HC Metalurg MKD 28:28 (12:18), 08.10.2017

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Kolding KIF DEN vs RK Partizan Belgrad SCG – 2nd half 42:26 (16:13), 12.10.

Most goals in one half

- 26 Montpellier HB FRA vs AS Conversano 2003 ITA – 2nd half 44:25 (18:14), 10.10.2004
- 26 MKB Veszprém KC HUN vs MSK SIRS Povazska Bystrica SVK – 2nd half 46:26 (20:14), 07.10.2006
- 26 GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme DEN vs HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE – 2nd half 45:32 (19:15), 15.10.2006
- 26 THW Kiel GER @ HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE – 2nd half 26:50 (13:24), 22.10.2006

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PGE Vive Kielce POL vs Barça Lassa ESP – 2nd half 36:42 (15:18), 24.11.2018

Most goals in one half both teams

- 45 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA vs GOG DEN – 2nd half 41:36 (16:16), 23.11.2022
- 44 Sportclub Magdeburg GER vs Wisła Płock SSA POL – 2nd half 40:32 (17:11), 16.11.2002
- 43 GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme DEN vs HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE – 2nd half 45:32 (19:15), 15.10.2006
- 43 Hammarby IF HB SWE vs THW Kiel GER – 1st half 36:40 (22:21), 08.11.2007
- 43 RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO vs THW Kiel GER – 2nd half 38:36 (17:14), 21.09.2022

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HC Metalurg MKD @ THW Kiel GER – 1st half 35:16 (17:3), 15.02.2015

Fewest goals in one half

- 4 Kolding IF DEN @ TEKA Santander ESP – 1st half 28:16 (16:4), 25.01.1995
- 4 Granitas Kaunas LTU vs ABC Braga POR – 1st half 16:22 (4:12), 10.11.1996
- 4 Schachtjor Donetsk UKR @ ABC Braga POR – 1st half 21:15 (11:4), 16.11.1996
- 4 Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD vs FC Barcelona ESP – 2nd half 12:26 (8:15), 06.11.2004
- 4 Wisła Płock SA POL @ KIF Kolding Elite A/S DEN – 1st half 35:18 (19:4), 07.10.2006
- 4 RK Gorenje Velenje SLO vs Pick Szeged HUN – 1st half 17:29 (4:14), 03.10.2007
- 4 HC Vardar MKD vs THW Kiel GER – 1st half 20:31 (4:16), 12.10.2019
- 4 FC Porto POR @ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA – 1st half 33:19 (18:4), 18.11.2021

13

SG Wallau-Massenheim vs UHK West Wien AUT – 1st half 17:15 (7:6), 20.03.1994

Fewest goals in one half both teams

- 14 Riihimäen Cocks FIN vs Abanca Ademar Leon ESP – 2nd half 19:19, (13:11), 12.09.2018
- 15 ABC Braga POR vs Schachtjor Donetsk UKR – 1st half 21:15 (11:4), 16.11.1996
- 15 Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO vs Fotex KC Veszprém HUN – 2nd half 19:18 (14:8), 09.01.1999
- 15 Skjern Handball DEN vs ZTR Zaporozhye UKR – 2nd half 16:20 (9:12), 13.11.1999
- 15 Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO vs THW Kiel GER – 1st half 22:13 (8:7), 25.03.2000
- 15 RK Zagreb CRO vs Sandefjord TIF NOR – 1st half 22:15 (10:5), 12.10.2003
- 15 Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD vs FC Barcelona ESP – 2nd half 12:26 (8:15), 06.11.2004
- 15 Pick Szeged HUN vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO – 1st half 20:19 (8:7), 08.03.2008
- 15 HC Metalurg MKD vs Elverum Handball NOR – 1st half 18:17 (8:7), 24.09.2016

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Barça
(21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020)

Longest winning run

- 20** BM Ciudad Real (23.10.2005 – 24.02.2007)
- 13** BM Ciudad Real (31.05.2009 – 03.04.2010)
- 12** FC Barcelona Intersport (24.04.2011 – 12.02.2012)
- 12** Telekom Veszprém HC (17.11.2018 – 01.06.2019)

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Barça
(02.12.2021 – 02.03.2023)

Longest unbeaten run

- 22** Barça (21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020)
- 20** BM Ciudad Real (23.10.2005 – 24.02.2007)
- 18** KS Vive Tauron Kielce (15.11.2015 – 15.10.2016)
- 17** THW Kiel (22.10.2011 – 11.10.2012)
- 16** FC Barcelona (24.01.1996 – 16.03.1997)

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HC PPD Zagreb
(01.03.2020 – 04.03.2021)

Longest losing run

- 12** AS Conversano 2003 (11.10.2003 – 13.11.2004)
- 12** MSK SIRS Povazska Bystrica (12.10.2003 – 11.11.2006)
- 12** HC 'Granitas-Karys' (01.10.2005 – 22.11.2008)
- 12** RK Partizan (01.10.2011 – 07.10.2012)

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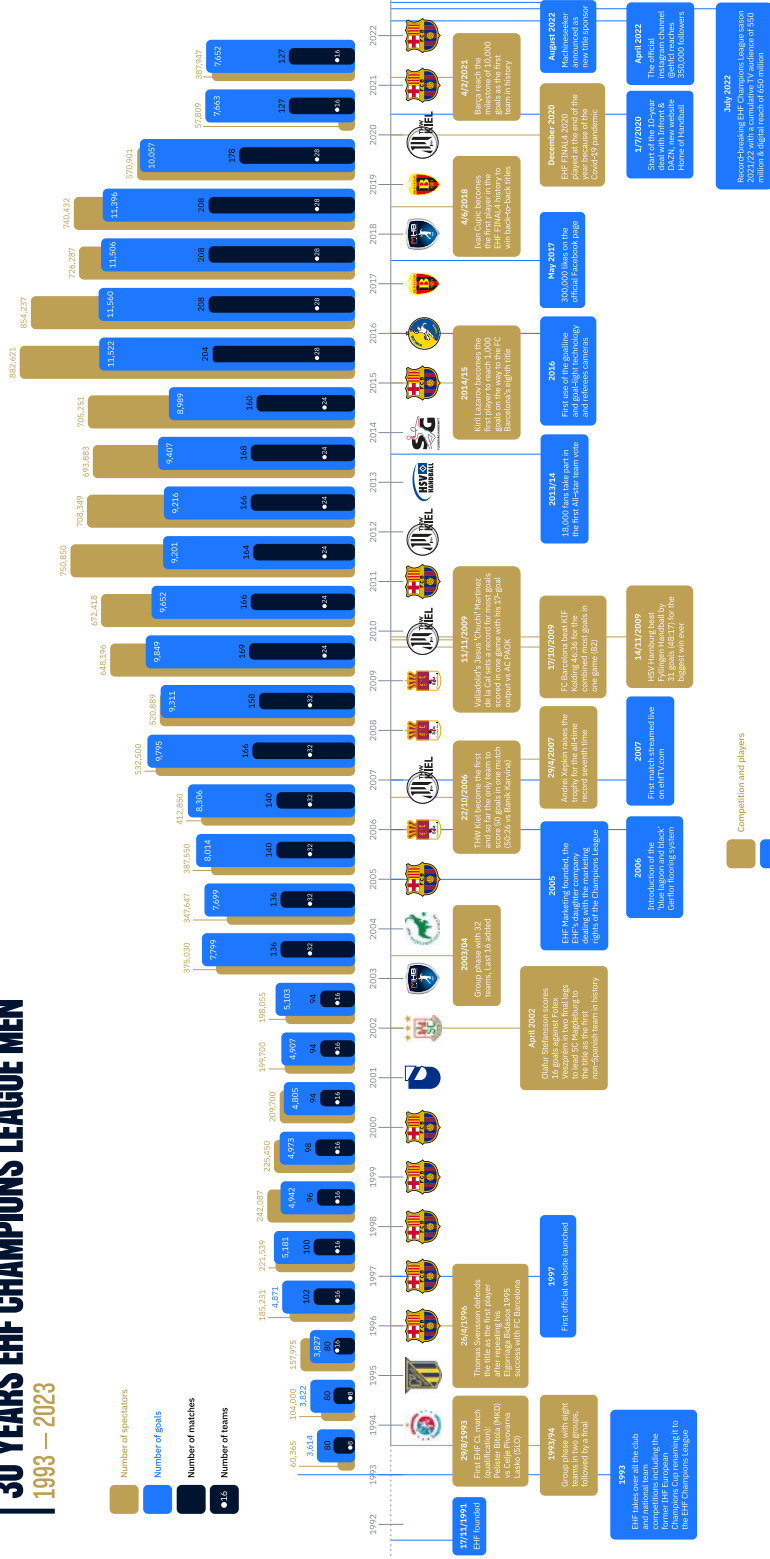
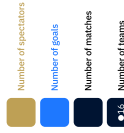
Wacker Thun
(21.09.2013 – 29.11.2018)

Longest run without a win

- 16** TATRAN Presov (16.11.2008 – 10.10.2015)
- 15** HC PPD Zagreb (01.03.2020 – 04.03.2021)
- 15** Elverum Handball (17.11.2021 – 26.10.2022)
- 15** FC Porto (16.02.2022 – 14.12.2022)

30 YEARS EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE MEN

1993 — 2023



1993 EHF launches the club and national team competitions including the Champions Cup (renaming it to the EHF Champions League)

1993/94 Group phase with eight teams in two groups (national 6) & 1st

1993/94 First EHF Cup match between Borussia Dortmund and FC Barcelona (national 6) & 1st

1997 First official website launched

2000/04 Group phase with 32 teams (national 6) & 1st

2005 EHF Marketing founded the EHF's daughter company EHF Marketing, taking over the rights of the Champions League

2006 Club teams introduced blue lapel and black Berlin flooring system

2007 EHF's first stadium one on a TV screen

2007 FC Barcelona named the EHF Champions League

2007/06 Andrej Nikolic names the trophy for the all-time record for a game (5:2 vs Bank Sarajvo)

22/10/2006 EHF World Record in a match score 40 goals in one match (5:2 vs Bank Sarajvo)

11/11/2009 We had a 3-point Olympic record scored in one game with the 17-goal output vs AC Plock

17/10/2009 FC Barcelona beat VfL Wolfsburg 4-2 in the first all-star team vote one game (82)

2013/14 18,000 fans take part in the first all-star team vote

2014/15 First use of the goal-line and goal-technology and referee camera

4/6/2018 First Cup becomes EHF-FINAL4 history to win back-to-back titles

4/7/2021 Barça reach the 1000th goal as the first team in history

December 2020 EHF-FINAL4 2020 played at the end of the Covid-19 pandemic

August 2022 Matchweek announced as the first ever this sponsor

April 2022 The first ever Instagram channel (@ehf) creates 250,000 followers

1/7/2020 The first ever website about with 3,000 & 100,000 followers

July 2022 Record-breaking EHF Champions League season 2022/23 with a cumulative TV audience of 500 million & eight years of Guinness

Competition and players
marketing, TV, media, organisation

ON THE ROAD TO COLOGNE

The TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 is the culmination of the European handball season. The two-day event sees the best four men's teams in Europe playing to decide the ultimate winner of the Machineseecker EHF Champions League Men. The 2023 edition will take place on 17/18 June in Cologne, which hosts the event for the 14th straight time and will continue to do so until 2026.

On the eve of the 2022 semi-finals it was confirmed that Cologne's LANXESS arena will host the highlight of European club handball until 2026.

The success story between the EHF FINAL4 Men, the LANXESS arena and the City of Cologne started in 2010 when the first event was held in front of a capacity crowd of 19,750 spectators. The decision to create a new format for the final phase of the EHF Champions League was seen as crucial for the growth of handball across Europe. The aim was to create a flagship event, one that could compete on the international sports market and make the Europe's leading club competition even more attractive to fans, partners and sponsors. The success of all previous editions up to date showed that this format has been the right strategy. It has set new standards in organisation and entertainment; it is not just four games played over two days but an event that combines outstanding sports and unique entertainment.

After two years of pandemic with the EHF FINAL4 being played behind almost closed doors in 2020 and in front of only 1,000 fans in 2021, the

13th edition in 2022 followed in the footsteps of previous events with a sold-out arena and 19,750 spectators witnessing Barça's 37:35 victory after penalty shoot-out in the final against Lomza Vive Kielce from Poland, making the Spanish side the first to successfully defend the title since the inaugural EHF FINAL4 was played in 2010.

Ticket sales for the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2023 which will take place on 17/18 June 2023 are ongoing. Furthermore, fans that are looking for an exclusive VIP experience, have the opportunity to join the EHF Champions Club. Members come to enjoy special benefits throughout the season and can experience the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2023 from their exclusive VIP Courtside seats.

[More information on ticketing can be found online on eurohandball.com.](https://eurohandball.com)

MEDIA ACCREDITATION

The accreditation procedure of media representatives for the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2023 has started in March and will be closed on 2 June 2023.



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