

FC Shakhtar Donetsk v AS Roma

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Group D - Matchday 5



FC Shakhtar Donetsk have only a faint prospect of UEFA Champions League progress but for AS Roma a place in the last 16 is clearly in sight when they visit Ukraine on Matchday 5. With a five-point lead over both Olympiacos CFP and Shakhtar in Group D, second-placed Roma can guarantee their place in the first knockout round with a draw. As for Shakhtar, anything but three points will leave them out of the running.

- Luciano Spalletti's men could have completed the job of qualifying with a home win over Olympiacos on 31 October but instead had to battle back to claim a point. Captain Francesco Totti struck after 66 minutes to cancel out Júlio César's 19th-minute opener for the Greek champions.

- Shakhtar gave group leaders Valencia a scare in a 2-2 draw at the RSC Olympiyskiy Stadium on the same night. Mircea Lucescu's men took a second-minute lead through Jadson and after Fernando Morientes equalised, Fernandinho restored the hosts' lead on 28 minutes. Unfortunately for Shakhtar, Roberto Ayala's 68th-minute header denied them all three points.

Roma rampant

- Shakhtar's failure to beat Valencia meant they stayed bottom with two points, beneath Olympiacos on goal difference. They have been bottom ever since losing 4-0 at Roma on Matchday 1. Shakhtar fell apart after Taddei's 67th-minute opener for Roma, conceding further goals through Totti (76), Daniele De Rossi (79) and David Pizarro (89).

- For Shakhtar, Matchdays 2 and 3 brought a 2-2 home draw with Olympiacos and 2-0 loss at Valencia. Roma lost 2-1 at Valencia before earning a first UEFA Champions League away win in five attempts, 1-0 at Olympiacos.

- Shakhtar's only win in eleven previous games against Italian opposition was in the 1976/77 UEFA Cup third round when they beat Juventus 1-0 in Donetsk. However, it was not enough to overturn a 3-0 first-leg reverse.

Past defeats for Shakhtar

- Since beating Juventus, Shakhtar have lost four successive home games against Italian teams, including a 2-0 home defeat by FC Internazionale Milano in last season's UEFA Champions League third qualifying round.

- Roma went down 2-0 to FC Dynamo Kyiv on their only previous visit to Ukraine in the 2004/05 UEFA Champions League group stage. Giallorossi defender Traianos Dellas headed into his own net after 72 minutes before Maksim Shatskikh doubled the lead ten minutes later.

- Six players from the two squads were on the field during the Italy-Ukraine FIFA World Cup quarter-final in June - Roma's Simone Perrotta and Francesco Totti, and Shakhtar's Olexiy Bielik, Viacheslav Sviderskiy, Anatoliy Tymoschuk and Andriy Vorobey.



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Team facts

FC Shakhtar Donetsk

UEFA club competition milestones

- Shakhtar did not make their debut in European club football's premier competition until the 2000/01 season but their first season ranks as their equal best effort as they reached the group stage. There they famously defeated Arsenal FC 3-0 - a result that was not enough to secure qualification but ranks as one of the club's best.

- A 6-3 aggregate win against Club Brugge KV in the third qualifying round guaranteed a return to the group stage four years later. As before they were eliminated with two wins but they were memorable ones as Shakhtar defeated Celtic FC 3-0 and FC Barcelona 2-0.

UEFA club competition honours

- No participations recorded in a UEFA club competition final.

Ten-year record (including current season)

- Shakhtar's consecutive participations in UEFA club competitions stands at nine seasons. Excluding the 2006/07 season, their involvement has ended with a spell in the UEFA Cup, their best performance coming in 2004/05 when they reached the round of 16 stage. They qualified for this season's group stage by defeating Legia Warszawa 4-2 on aggregate in the third qualifying round.

1997/98: Did not compete in UEFA club competition

1998/99: UEFA Cup - second qualifying round

1999/00: UEFA Cup - first round

2000/01: UEFA Cup - third round (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, first group stage)

2001/02: UEFA Cup - first round (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, third qualifying round)

2002/03: UEFA Cup - first round (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, third qualifying round)

2003/04: UEFA Cup - first round (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, third qualifying round)

2004/05: UEFA Cup - round of 16 (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, group stage)

2005/06: UEFA Cup - round of 32 (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League, third qualifying round)

2006/07: UEFA Champions League - group stage

2005/06 season

Domestic record: Shakhtar won their third Ukrainian title in dramatic style as a playoff was needed to separate the defending champions and FC Dynamo Kyiv. Both ending the season with 75 points, and only one loss each from 30 games, the sides met in a one-off decider in Krivoy Rog with Shakhtar emerging 2-1 winners thanks to an extra-time winning goal from Julius Aghahowa.

European record: The Ukrainian champions were eliminated at the third qualifying round stage of the UEFA Champions League, losing 3-1 on aggregate against FC Internazionale Milano. Transferring to the UEFA Cup a crushing 6-1 victory against Debrecen VSC put Shakhtar into the group stage where they qualified in second for the loss of only one game. However a 3-2 defeat over two legs at the hands of LOSC Lille Métropole in the Round of 32 ended the run.

Key facts

- Shakhtar have played 16 games in the UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only), winning four, drawing two and losing ten. They have scored 19 goals and conceded 34.

- The Ukrainian side have played in 38 European Champion Clubs' Cup with 15 wins, seven draws, 16 losses, 56 goals scored and 58 conceded.

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• Overall, they have played 100 matches in UEFA club competition, winning 43, drawing 17 and losing 40. In that time, they have scored 146 goals while they have conceded 147 times.

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest win

1-5: FC Levadia Maardu v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

02.08.2000, 2000/01 European Champion Clubs' Cup, second qualifying round, second leg

0-4: Birkirkara FC v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

29.07.1998, 1998/99 UEFA Cup, first qualifying phase, second leg

1-5: B 1901 Nykøbing v FC Shakhtyor Donetsk

14.09.1983, 1983/84 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, first round, first leg

• Biggest home win

4-1: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Debreceni VSC

15.09.2005, 2005/06 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Celtic FC

20.10.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

4-1: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Club Brugge KV

11.08.2004, 2004/05 European Champion Clubs' Cup, third qualifying round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v FC Lugano

25.07.2001, 2001/02 European Champion Clubs' Cup, second qualifying round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Arsenal FC

07.11.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

4-1: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v FC Levadia Maardu

26.07.2000, 2000/01 European Champion Clubs' Cup, second qualifying round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v FC Zimbru Chisinau

28.08.1997, 1997/98 European Champion Clubs' Cup, qualifying phase, second leg

4-1: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Linfield FC

10.08.1995, 1995/96 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, preliminary round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtyor Donetsk v Budapesti Honvéd SE

20.10.1976, 1976/77 UEFA Cup, second round, first leg

3-0: FC Shakhtyor Donetsk v Berliner FC Dynamo

15.09.1976, 1976/77 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg

• Biggest away win

1-5: FC Levadia Maardu v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

0-4: Birkirkara FC v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

1-5: B 1901 Nykøbing v FC Shakhtyor Donetsk (see above for details)

• Heaviest defeat

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

12.09.2006, 2006/07 UEFA Champions League, group stage

4-0: AC Milan v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

24.11.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

5-1: FK Austria Wien v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

17.09.2002, 2002/03 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg

5-1: S.S. Lazio v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

25.10.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

4-0: FC Zürich v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

13.08.1998, 1998/99 UEFA Cup, second qualifying round, first leg

• Heaviest home defeat

0-3: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v S.S. Lazio

12.09.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

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- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

4-0: AC Milan v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

5-1: FK Austria Wien v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

5-1: S.S. Lazio v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

4-0: FC Zürich v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest win

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Celtic FC (see above for details)

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Arsenal FC (see above for details)

- Biggest home win

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Celtic FC (see above for details)

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Arsenal FC (see above for details)

- Biggest away win

No away victories recorded to date in the competition

- Heaviest defeat

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

4-0: AC Milan v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

5-1: S.S. Lazio v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v S.S. Lazio (see above for details)

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

4-0: AC Milan v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

5-1: S.S. Lazio v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

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AS Roma

UEFA club competition milestones

- This is Roma's 23rd season in UEFA club competition following their introduction in the 1969/70 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup at the first round stage. They have twice appeared in UEFA finals - the 1983/84 European Champion Clubs' Cup and the 1990/91 UEFA Cup.

- In the former, the Italian side were denied victory in a penalty shoot-out in their own Stadio Olimpico by Liverpool FC after the two sides drew 1-1 after 120 minutes. Seven years later, Roma met FC Internazionale Milano in the UEFA Cup final, but again ended on the losing side, 2-1 on aggregate

UEFA club competition honours

- No honours in UEFA club competition.

Ten-year record (including current season)

- Roma are making their ninth consecutive appearance in UEFA competitions and their eleventh in 12 seasons.

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1997/98: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
1998/99: UEFA Cup - quarter-finals
1999/00: UEFA Cup - fourth round
2000/01: UEFA Cup - fourth round
2001/02: UEFA Champions League - second group stage
2002/03: UEFA Champions League - second group stage
2003/04: UEFA Cup - third round
2004/05: UEFA Champions League - group stage
2005/06: UEFA Cup - round of 16
2006/07: UEFA Champions League - group stage

2005/06 season

Domestic record: Roma enjoyed a strong finish to the Serie A season and finished fifth at the end of the campaign. The subsequent Italian sporting fraud investigation saw Roma moved up to second behind FC Internazionale Milano, at the expense of Juventus, AC Milan and ACF Fiorentina. That was enough to earn them a direct entry to the UEFA Champions League group stage. They lost the Coppa Italia final 4-2 on aggregate to Inter.

European record: Roma entered the 2005/06 UEFA Cup as losing Coppa Italia finalists. They accounted for Aris Thessaloniki FC in the first round, before beating Tromsø IL, drawing with RC Strasbourg and losing against FK Crvena Zvezda. The 3-1 win on the final matchday against FC Basel 1893 took Roma through. They dispatched Club Brugge KV 4-2 on aggregate to qualify for the last 16 but then lost 2-1 in the Round of 16 to eventual finalists Middlesbrough FC.

Key facts

- To date, Roma have played 166 matches in UEFA competition. The majority of those matches have come in the UEFA Cup where Roma have played 94 times with 52 wins, 14 draws and 28 losses. In that time, the Italian side have scored 150 times with 82 goals conceded. Overall, their record reads: played 166, won 77, drawn 38, lost 51 with 231 goals scored and 154 conceded.
- The club have played 43 times in the European Champion Clubs' Cup, with 13 wins, 15 draws and 15 defeats. They have scored 47 goals and conceded 48.
- In the UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only), Roma have played 34 times with eight wins, 14 draws, 12 defeats, 33 goals scored and 41 conceded.

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest win
7-0: AS Roma v NK Gorica
28.09.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Cup, first round, second leg
- 7-0:** AS Roma v Vitória FC
16.09.1999, 1999/00 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg
- Biggest home win
7-0: AS Roma v NK Gorica (see above for details)
7-0: AS Roma v Vitória FC (see above for details)

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- Biggest away win

0-3: Valencia CF v AS Roma

26.02.2003, 2002/03 UEFA Champions League, second group stage

0-3: Hamburger SV v AS Roma

07.12.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Cup, third round, second leg

1-4: NK Gorica v AS Roma

14.09.2000, 2000/01 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg

1-4: FC Wacker Innsbruck v AS Roma

16.09.1992, 1992/93 UEFA Cup, first round, first leg

- Heaviest defeat

4-0: FC Carl Zeiss Jena v AS Roma

01.10.1980, 1980/81 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, first round, second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF

08.12.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

0-3: AS Roma v FC Dynamo Kyiv (match forfeited)

15.09.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF

17.02.2002, 2002/03 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: FC Carl Zeiss Jena v AS Roma (see above for details)

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest win

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk

12/09/2006, 2006/07 UEFA Champions League, group stage

- Biggest home win

4-0: AS Roma v FC Shakhtar Donetsk (see above for details)

- Biggest away win

0-3: Valencia CF v AS Roma (see above for details)

- Heaviest defeat

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF (see above for details)

0-3: AS Roma v FC Dynamo Kyiv (see above for details)

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF (see above for details)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF (see above for details)

0-3: AS Roma v FC Dynamo Kyiv (see above for details)

0-3: AS Roma v Real Madrid CF (see above for details)

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- Heaviest away defeat

2-0: FC Dynamo Kyiv v AS Roma

23.11.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

3-1: Bayer 04 Leverkusen v AS Roma

19.10.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

4-2: Real Madrid CF v AS Roma

28.09.2004, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, group stage

2-0: Liverpool FC v AS Roma

19.03.2002, 2001/02 UEFA Champions League, second group stage

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Match facts

Shakhtar

- The Matchday 4 game against Valencia was the 100th match for Shakhtar in UEFA competition. They have won 43 times with 40 defeats and 17 draws to their name, and by the end of the group stage they will have appeared in the same number of European Champions Clubs' Cup matches and UEFA Cup games - 40.
- Although only 25, **Tomáš Hübschman** is the most experienced man in the Shakhtar squad in the competition having made his 26th UEFA Champions League appearance against Valencia on Matchday 4. That was the defender's 51st match in UEFA club competition.
- **Igor Duljaj** made his 60th UEFA club competition appearance against Valencia in Donetsk after missing out at Mestalla while **Olexiy Bielik** and **Matuzalem** are one short of 30 matches in Europe.
- Nine Shakhtar players have appeared in the UEFA Champions League for the first time this season: **Stipe Pletikosa**, **Dmytro Shutkov**, **Bohdan Shust**, **Leonardo**, **Vyacheslav Sviderskiy**, **Fernandinho**, **Olexiy Gay**, **Elano Blumer** and **Jadson Rodriguez**, although all had previously appeared in UEFA club competition.
- **Ciprian Marica** and **Matuzalem** have both had five shots wide so far, seven fewer than Boubacar Sanogo.
- **Brandão** has committed 13 fouls, with Florent Malouda having been penalised 17 times, the most. **Fernandinho** has been pulled up for infringements on ten occasions.
- **Matuzalem** has been impeded ten times, four fewer than Ronaldinho and Shunsuke Nakamura.
- Shakhtar have committed the most fouls in this season's UEFA Champions League having been penalised 87 times.
- The Ukrainian side have also collected 16 yellow cards, the most in the competition. **Anatoliy Tymoschuk** and **Hübschman** have both been booked three times and the latter is suspended against Roma.
- Only PFC Levski Sofia and FC Dynamo Kyiv, with 13 goals each, have conceded more than Shakhtar's total of ten.
- **Emmanuel Okoduwa** turns 23 on 21 November while **Andriy Vorobey** is 28 eight days later.
- Last week, Shakhtar coach **Lucescu** and midfielder **Darijo Srna** were given three-match domestic bans following incidents in 1-0 defeat by FC Dynamo Kyiv on 6 November, in which **Dmytro Chygrynskiy** also earned a one-match suspension for his dismissal.
- Shakhtar were 3-0 winners at FC Metalurh Zaporizhya on Saturday but remain four points adrift of Ukrainian Premier League leaders Dynamo. Brazilian forward **Brandão** was the hero for Shakhtar scoring all three goals, but owed each to assists from **Fernandinho**. Brandão broke the deadlock in the 25th minute with a header before adding a second in similar fashion five minutes after the interval. He completed his hat-trick with a low shot in added time. **Lucescu** was in the stands and **Srna** missed out because of their suspensions. **Zvonimir Vukić** filled in for the injured Matuzalem, while **Elano** and **Hübschman** were rested.
- Assistant coach **Olexandr Spiridon** said: "We controlled the game well. After the first goal we gave back the initiative and Metalurh created several half-chances. After the break we scored another quick goal and the final result reflects the game. We could have scored even more as we always felt the support of Mircea Lucescu, who was in the stands right behind us."

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- It was the club's second clean sheet in a row. Shakhtar have the best goals against record in the division with just six conceded in their 15 games.
- **Brandão** has now scored six goals in eight league games this season. Five of those strikes have come in the last four matches. His other goal came on the opening day of the season in the 5-0 home defeat of FC Kryvbas Kryvyi Rih on 23 July.
- **Brandão**, who has yet to register in this season's UEFA Champions League, had not struck more than one goal in a league match since scoring twice in a 3-0 defeat of FK Kharkiv on 5 December 2005.
- **Fernandinho** is the only Shakhtar player to have featured in all of the club's first 15 league games this season.
- Missing at the weekend was **Matuzalem**, after the Brazilian tore a thigh muscle during the 1-0 defeat by Dynamo.
- The weekend victory came seven days after a 2-0 home success against FC Chornomorets Odesa but the club's championship hopes have been severely dented by that reverse at the hands of Dynamo, which came six days after the 2-2 draw against Valencia on Matchday 4 of the UEFA Champions League.
- On 11 November, Shakhtar were comfortable winners against Chornomorets. **Bielik** scored his seventh league goal of the season and **Jadson** struck before half-time to complete the scoring. It was an eventful match for Jadson as he was sent off in the second half for violent conduct. **Gay** played at right-back with Leonardo in the centre. **Bielik** and **Vorobey** started up front, with **Elano**, **Julius Aghahowa** and **Emmanuel Okoduwa** appearing as second-half substitutes.
- **Lucescu** said: "It was important for us to gain three points today. When preparing for this match, we underlined the need for a result rather than good football. After the match with Dynamo we needed to get the team back to their usual level of confidence. This is why some of the players who battled against Dynamo were left out."
- The Dynamo defeat initially allowed Shakhtar's fiercest rivals to open up a six-point lead at the summit. The only goal came in the 76th minute from Maksim Shatskikh. Lucescu had begun the game with virtually a full-strength squad, with **Marica** and **Brandão** in attack, the latter missing two good opportunities. **Chygrynskiy's** red card forced a rethink while **Matuzalem's** injury gave a chance to **Fernandinho**. **Srna's** marching orders came after the final whistle for dissent, not long after **Lucescu** was sent to the stands.
- **Lucescu** said: "It was an even match and we defended quite well until the moment Dynamo scored. Shatskikh took his goal very well. On our side, Brandão had chances but could not take them. I don't think either of the teams deserved the three points, but Dynamo won. Of course I am unhappy about how we played."
- **Srna** was back in action for Croatia on a busy night of international action last Wednesday. He played for 87 minutes as Croatia were 4-3 winners against Israel in their UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifier that allowed them to take top spot in Group E. Club-mate **Pletikosa** did not travel to Tel-Aviv because of a stomach bug.
- **Mariusz Lewandowski** played no part in Poland's 1-0 qualifying win against Belgium that kept them in contention in Group A.
- **Marica** scored the only goal of the game just before the hour as Romania defeated Spain 1-0 in a friendly in Cadiz. The goal was made in Donetsk as club colleague **Razvan Rat** supplied the assist.
- **Elano** played the whole match as Brazil were 2-1 winners against Switzerland in Basle, supplying the opening goal for Luisão.
- Midfielder **Igor Duljaj** was rested by Serbia coach Javier Clemente in the 1-1 friendly draw against Norway.

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- **Chygrynskiy** played for Ukraine's Under-21 side as they were 3-1 friendly winners against Uzbekistan.
- Romanian defender **Flavius Stoican** has returned to training after missing several months because of injury. He had been recovering in Italy and has now been given an individual fitness programme. He is not registered for Shakhtar's group-stage campaign.
- **Bielik** revealed last week that his girlfriend Galina is due to give birth to a boy before the new year, and has also said the couple are planning on marriage.

Roma

- **Christian Panucci** is the most experienced UEFA Champions League campaigner in the Roma squad having played in his 57th match in the competition at home to AEK. Only **Francesco Totti** (24 appearances), **Vincenzo Montella** (21) and **Cristian Chivu** (17) have also got into double figures although **David Pizarro** and **Simone Perrotta** could both play in their tenth games in Donetsk.
- **Montella** made his 50th UEFA club competition appearance on Matchday 2; **Totti** has played in four more games while **Panucci** has appeared in 87 European matches.
- Only seven members of the Roma squad have scored in the UEFA Champions League, with **Totti** leading the way on nine goals, two more than **Panucci**. Totti needs one more goals to take his tally in UEFA club competition to 20.
- **Doni**, **Rodrigo Defendi**, **Max Tonetto**, **Marco Cassetti**, **Taddei**, **Ricardo Faty**, **Aleandro Rosi**, **Mirko Vučinić** and **Stefano Okaka Chuka** have all made their debuts in the competition proper this season.
- **Vučinić** took his bow in the competition against AEK at the Stadio Olimpico on Matchday 4.
- **Totti's** goal against AEK on Matchday 4 took his tally for the competition this season to three goals, two fewer than top scorers Didier Drogba and Kaká.
- **Taddei** is one of eleven players who have set up two goals in the UEFA Champions League this season, with Juninho Pernambucano the leading assist provider with four.
- **Totti** has been caught offside 12 times so far, the most in the competition.
- **Totti** has also been fouled eleven times, three fewer than Ronaldinho and Shunsuke Nakamura.
- Roma's home ground, the Stadio Olimpico, will host the 2009 UEFA Champions League final.
- **Tonetto** celebrated his 32nd birthday on 18 November while **Matteo Ferrari** is 27 on 5 December.
- Roma were emphatic winners on Sunday, defeating Calcio Catania 7-0 in the Italian capital. **Panucci** began the scoring early on and Catania were reduced to ten men moments later as Giuseppe Mascara was sent off. **Perrotta** scored the second for the Giallorossi midway through the half and added another just before the break. Panucci also got his name on the scoresheet again shortly after the break before **Montella** and **Totti** completed the scoring against a Catania side that ended with nine men as Davide Baiocco was also dismissed.
- Coach **Luciano Spalletti** opted for his usual 4-2-3-1 formation for the match but was without **Tonetto** (thigh), instead fielding **Marco Cassetti** at right-back and moving **Panucci** over to the left. Spalletti also preferred **Ferrari** to **Philippe Mexes** as **Chivu's** partner in central defence.

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- **Spalletti** said: "We scored early in the game and everything became much easier for us when Catania only had ten men. That gave us space and we are very dangerous when we can run and use our pace. I'm very satisfied with our season so far and I now hope that we can seal qualification from the UEFA Champions League group stage and focus on the league for a while."
- **Panucci** was the 13th different player to score for Roma in their 12 Serie A games this season.
- The victory was Roma's fourth in succession in all competitions and extended their unbeaten run to nine matches.
- The win against Catania put Roma level with US Città di Palermo as the best attack in Serie A (26 goals), while they also have the best defence having conceded just eight times.
- The result was the first time a team had won 7-0 in Italy's top flight since Juventus defeated Ascoli Calcio 1898 by the same scoreline on 11 September 1983.
- It was Roma's biggest win since a 7-0 victory in the 2000/01 UEFA Cup against Slovenian side NK Gorica. Roma's record victory in Serie A is a 9-0 win against Cremonese US in 1929.
- Two goals by captain **Totti** gave Roma a 2-1 win at San Siro against AC Milan on 11 November. The Giallorossi forward volleyed an early opener from **Taddei**'s right-wing cross and, although Cristian Brocchi equalised, **Totti** gave Roma the win with a late header.
- "Milan caused us several problems in the first half," said coach **Spalletti**. "Then we grew in stature in the second half, especially after **Alberto Aquilani** replaced **Perrotta**, who was not in perfect condition after coming down with a virus the night before the match. **Totti** played very well, not only for the goals, but also for the way he kept the ball when he was alone in attack. **Doni** also played very well. He was calm between the posts and gave the whole team confidence."
- The victory, Roma's first away win against Milan for more than 20 years, was the club's 1,000th in Serie A.
- The victory was also Roma's fourth in five away games in Serie A this season.
- Roma coach **Spalletti** is keen to extend his contract, which expires at the end of the season, saying: "I'd certainly like to stay at Roma, there are no problems at all between me and the club. We just need to discuss the plans for the future. It doesn't really matter whether we do it now or in three months time."
- On 8 November Roma won 2-1 at Serie B side US Triestina Calcio in the first leg of the last 16 of the Coppa Italia. **Montella** scored at the end of the first half and at the beginning of the second. Lorenzo Rossetti scored for the home side in the closing stages.
- **Spalletti** rested **Totti**, **Perrotta** and **Pizarro**.
- "We played very well for most of the game and the victory is deserved," said **Spalletti**. "However, Triestina came back strongly towards the end and nearly equalised. I rested a few players and I wish I could have done the same with **Daniele De Rossi** but couldn't afford to. However, we are very satisfied with the result."
- Italian Under-21 goalkeeper **Gianluca Curci** made his first start of the season against Triestina, as did striker **Vučinić**, who has fully recovered from the knee injury he suffered in the summer.
- In the same game 19-year-old midfielder **Massimiliano Marsili** made his Roma debut, replacing **Vučinić** in the second half.

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- The victory against Triestina came four days after an important 3-1 home win against ACF Fiorentina in Serie A. The visitors took the lead early on through Tomáš Ujfaluši but Roma drew level with a long-range right foot shot by **De Rossi**. **Taddei** then scored twice in the second half to secure the points.
- **Spalletti** was particularly happy with his side's second-half showing, saying: "We are still a young team and sometimes we get caught up in what the score is. **De Rossi**'s equaliser was crucial in this sense because our attitude changed completely after his goal. We then played well and it was an almost faultless performance in the second half considering the strong opposition."
- **Aquilani** was called up to the Italian national team for the first time after being promoted from the U21 side for the friendly against Turkey. He made his debut in the 1-1 draw in Bergamo on 15 November after replacing Brocchi in the second half. "It is a dream come true," he said. "But I hope it is just the beginning."
- **De Rossi** also featured for the Azzurri, coming coming off midway through the second half while **Perrotta** was not 100 per cent fit and stayed in Rome.
- **Totti** has asked for more time before returning to the Italian national team as he is still being troubled by the ankle injury that kept him on the sidelines for the second half of last season. The Roma captain is the club's leading scorer with four goals in Serie A and three in the UEFA Champions League.
- **Mexes** was included in the France squad for last Wednesday's friendly with Greece but was forced to withdraw after suffering a thigh injury against Milan.
- **Chivu** played for almost 90 minutes as Romania defeated Spain 1-0 in a friendly game in Cadiz.
- Goalkeeper **Curci** played for Italy's U21 team in the friendly against the Czech Republic in Frosinone. The game ended 0-0.
- French midfielder **Ricardo Faty** will be sidelined for around a month with a thigh injury. The 20-year-old has appeared four times in Serie A and once in the UEFA Champions League this season.

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Competition facts

• UEFA Champions League: Group stage milestones

Olympique Lyonnais are on target for a record-breaking conclusion to their group-stage campaign in advance of their Matchday 5 trip to Real Madrid CF. They are two wins away from becoming only the fifth team – and the first since FC Barcelona in 2002/03 – to win all six games in a group stage. The first to manage it were AC Milan in the inaugural 1992/93 edition of the UEFA Champions League. Since then Paris Saint-Germain FC (1994/95) and FC Spartak Moskva (1995/96) have matched the achievement, before that Barça success in the last season before the competition was revamped into its current format.

Unwanted record

Barcelona are not having such an easy ride this time around. A draw or defeat for the title-holders at PFC Levski Sofia and a Werder Bremen victory over Chelsea FC would make the Camp Nou side the first defending champions to fail to get through a group stage since the UEFA Champions League began. (This record, like the others, includes the four seasons that featured a second group stage between 1999/00 and 2002/03.)

Clean sheets

Lyon are also going for another UEFA Champions League first. No team has negotiated a group stage without conceding a goal but Lyon, along with FC Bayern München and PFC CSKA Moskva, could yet change that having managed four clean sheets to date. In contrast FC Dynamo Kyiv and Levski Sofia have both shipped 13 goals in their first four outings this term, just six short of the record number let in by Ferencvárosi TC in the 1995/96 campaign.

Shot shy

For all their defensive solidity, CSKA have only scored two goals so far. They can take comfort from the achievement of Villarreal CF last season and AS Roma in the 2002/03 first group stage, as both clubs advanced to the next phase with just three goals to their name. Villarreal are a particularly noteworthy example, as they made it all the way to the semi-finals in their debut campaign in the competition.

Seven enough

The good news for those who have made a slow start but are still in contention is that seven sides have successfully negotiated a group with only seven points. The first to do it were Legia Warszawa in 1995/96 before Bayer 04 Leverkusen managed it in 1999/00 and Liverpool FC in 2001/02. FC Lokomotiv Moskva and Juventus both progressed with seven points in 2002/03, a feat most recently achieved by Rangers FC and Bremen last term.

Freescoring United

The record for most goals scored in a group stage was established by Manchester United FC in 1998/99 when they found the net 20 times en route to lifting the trophy. It is a mark that is unlikely to be challenged this year, with the closest contenders being Spanish rivals Real Madrid CF and Valencia CF who have ten goals each to their name.

• UEFA Champions League: Did you know?

Domestic champions: This season's competition features 16 domestic league winners from last season, but none of the eight groups comprising the 2006/07 UEFA Champions League features four champions. Only Group A features three league winners from the last campaign with England, Spain and Bulgaria represented by their champions, namely Chelsea FC, FC Barcelona and PFC Levski Sofia. The fourth club in the group, Werder Bremen, finished second in last season's Bundesliga, five points behind FC Bayern München. All of the remaining groups feature two domestic league winners with the exception of Group H, where Belgian side RSC Anderlecht are the only champions. Group rivals AEK Athens FC were runners-up in Greece, while LOSC Lille Métropole and AC Milan were classified in third place in Ligue 1 and Serie A respectively. Alongside 16 champions, there are nine runners-up and six third-placed finishers. Arsenal FC are the only club in the group stage to have finished in fourth place in their domestic league championship last season.

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Consecutive participations: This season, Manchester United FC have extended their consecutive participation in the UEFA Champions League to eleven, a record in the competition. Bayern, PSV Eindhoven, Olympiacos CFP and Real Madrid CF are making their tenth consecutive appearances, one ahead of Arsenal.

Knockout streak: In qualifying for the 2005/06 knockout phase, Real Madrid CF equalled Manchester United FC's record of nine consecutive seasons in advancing past the group stage. While United's streak came to an end last season, Madrid have featured in the knockout phase every time since the 1996/97 campaign. In those nine seasons, United won the competition once while they also advanced as far as the semi-finals twice, the quarter-finals four times and the first knockout round twice in the other eight seasons. Madrid, meanwhile, have won the competition three times in the last nine years while they advanced as far as the semi-finals twice and the quarter-finals twice. However, in the last two seasons their interest in the competition has ended at the first knockout round.

European return: Of all 32 clubs competing in this season's UEFA Champions League, only FC Spartak Moskva and FC Girondins de Bordeaux did not participate in a UEFA club competition during the 2005/06 season. Indeed, the two clubs are making their first appearance in UEFA club competition since the 2003/04 season.

Past masters: Four clubs competing in the 2006/07 UEFA Champions League were involved in the competition when it started during the 1992/93 season. AC Milan were beaten finalists (losing to Olympique de Marseille), while PSV Eindhoven, PFC CSKA Moskva and FC Porto all participated in the group stage. In addition, AEK Athens FC and FC Barcelona were knocked out in the second round, the last hurdle before the group stage.

Long road for debutants: Five clubs have advanced to the group stage from the European Champion Clubs' Cup second qualifying round including this season's two debutants, FC København and PFC Levski Sofia. They are joined by FC Spartak Moskva, FC Dynamo Kyiv and FC Steaua Bucuresti as clubs who had to play four matches to claim their place in the group stage of the competition. A debutant has not won the competition since Juventus in 1995/96, the Italian side becoming the third club to achieve this following Olympique de Marseille (1992/93, first UEFA Champions League final) and AFC Ajax (1994/95).

No qualifiers: Of the 32 clubs involved in the group stage, only AS Roma and FC Girondins de Bordeaux have yet to play a qualifying round match in order to reach the UEFA Champions League. Roma are making their fourth appearance in the competition, while Bordeaux are involved for the second time.

Pedigree: Four of the former winners of the competition since it included a group stage element from the 1992/93 season are not participating in this season's UEFA Champions League, namely Olympique de Marseille (1992/93), AFC Ajax (1994/95), Juventus (1995/96) and BV Borussia Dortmund (1996/97). The last ten winners of the competition, Real Madrid CF (three), Manchester United FC, FC Bayern München, AC Milan, FC Porto, Liverpool FC and FC Barcelona are involved in this season's group stage. Only three winners from the last ten UEFA Cup finals are not involved in this season's UEFA Champions League group stage, namely Parma FC (1998/99), Feyenoord (2001/02) and Sevilla FC (2005/06). Liverpool and Porto have won both competitions in the past decade, while the remaining UEFA Cup winners in that time are FC Internazionale Milano, Galatasaray SK, Valencia CF and PFC CSKA Moskva.

• **UEFA Champions League:** All-time records

Biggest wins

8-3: AS Monaco FC v RC Deportivo La Coruña (05.11.2003)

7-0: Juventus v Olympiacos CFP (10.12.2003)

7-2: Paris Saint-Germain FC v Rosenborg BK (24.10.2000)

7-2: Olympique Lyonnais v Werder Bremen (08.03.2005)

6-0: Olympique de Marseille v PFC CSKA Moskva (17.03.1993)

6-0: Leeds United AFC v Besiktas JK (26.09.2000)

6-0: Real Madrid CF v KRC Genk (25.09.2002)

Monaco's record victory was achieved in part thanks to the exploits of Dado Pršo, who scored four of his seven 2003/04 UEFA Champions League goals that evening against Deportivo. Only one team has scored more than five goals in an away game, Manchester United FC winning 6-2 at Brøndby IF in 1998/99.

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Most goals in a season

12: Ruud van Nistelrooy (Manchester United FC, 2002/03)

10: Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus, 1997/98)

10: Mário Jardel (FC Porto, 1999/00)

10: Rivaldo (FC Barcelona, 1999/00)

10: Raúl González (Real Madrid CF, 1999/00)

10: Ruud van Nistelrooy (Manchester United FC, 2001/02)

10: Filippo Inzaghi (AC Milan, 2002/03)

Andriy Shevchenko finished as top scorer in 2005/06 with nine goals, three behind the record mark set for one season in the competition.

Four goals in a match

Marco van Basten (**AC Milan** 4-0 IFK Göteborg, 25.11.1992)

Simone Inzaghi (**S.S. Lazio** 5-1 Olympique de Marseille, 14.03.2000)

Dado Pršo (**AS Monaco FC** 8-3 RC Deportivo La Coruña, 05.11.2003)

Ruud van Nistelrooy (**Manchester United FC** 4-1 AC Sparta Praha, 03.11.2004)

Andriy Shevchenko (Fenerbahçe SK 0-4 **AC Milan**, 23.11.2005)

Of these four-goal hauls, Dado Pršo's against Deportivo was the quickest. He scored his first goal 26 minutes into the game and his fourth just 23 minutes later.

Fastest goal in a match

20.07 secs: Gilberto (PSV Eindhoven 0-4 **Arsenal FC**, 25.09.2002)

20.12 secs: Alessandro Del Piero (Manchester United FC 3-2 **Juventus**, 01.10.1997)

21.20 secs: Clarence Seedorf (FC Schalke 04 2-2 **AC Milan**, 28.09.2005)

25.40 secs: Marek Kincl (Club Brugge KV 3-2 **SK Rapid Wien**, 02.11.2005)

28.21 secs: Mariano Bombarda (**Willem II** 3-4 AC Sparta Praha, 20.10.1999)

AC Milan's joy at Clarence Seedorf's first-minute goal against FC Schalke 04 in the 2005/06 group stage was short-lived - Søren Larsen equalised for the home side in the third minute.

Fastest hat-tricks

9 mins: Mike Newell (**Blackburn Rovers FC** 4-1 Rosenborg BK, 06.12.1995)

19 mins: Marco Simone (Rosenborg BK 1-4 **AC Milan**, 25.09.1996)

19 mins: Dado Pršo (**AS Monaco FC** 8-3 RC Deportivo La Coruña, 05.11.2003)

21 mins: Sigurd Rushfeldt (**Rosenborg BK** 3-0 Galatasaray SK, 21.10.1998)

21 mins: Simone Inzaghi (**S.S. Lazio** 5-1 Olympique de Marseille, 14.03.2000)

Rosenborg conceded 16 goals the season Mike Newell scored his rapid hat-trick, three fewer than the UEFA Champions League group stage record set by Hungarian side Ferencvárosi TC the same season.

Youngest players to score

17 years, 195 days: Peter Oforiquaye (Rosenborg BK 5-1 **Olympiacos CFP**, 01.10.1997)

17 years, 218 days: Cesc Fabregas (**Arsenal FC** 5-1 Rosenborg BK, 07.12.2004)

17 years, 241 days: Martin Klein (Panathinaikos FC 2-1 **AC Sparta Praha**, 27.02.2002)

17 years, 353 days: Karim Benzema (**Olympique Lyonnais** 2-1 Rosenborg BK, 06.12.2005)

18 years, 61 days: Sammy Kuffour (**FC Bayern München** 2-2 FC Spartak Moskva, 02.11.1994)

18 years, 70 days: Andriy Shevchenko (**FC Dynamo Kyiv** 1-4 FC Bayern München, 07.12.1994)

Peter Oforiquaye became the youngest player to score, but Celestine Babayaro is still the youngest player to appear, having begun RSC Anderlecht's game against FC Steaua Bucuresti on 23 November 1994 aged 16 years and 87 days.

• **UEFA club competition and UEFA Champions League:** All-time record appearances and goalscoring

Appearances: UEFA club competition

Note: Players listed in **bold** are still involved in this season's competitions (UEFA Champions League or UEFA Cup)

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120+

161 **Paolo Maldini** (AC Milan)
133 **Luís Figo** (Sporting Clube de Portugal, FC Barcelona, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano)
130 Frank de Boer (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona, Galatasaray SK)
128 **Oliver Kahn** (Karlsruher SC, FC Bayern München)
122 Zinédine Zidane (AS Cannes, FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Juventus, Real Madrid CF)
120 **Alessandro Costacurta** (AC Milan)

110-119

117 Giuseppe Bergomi (FC Internazionale Milano)
116 **Phillip Cocu** (BV Vitesse, PSV Eindhoven, FC Barcelona)
116 **Clarence Seedorf** (AFC Ajax, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano, AC Milan)
113 **Raúl González** (Real Madrid CF)
113 **Roberto Carlos** (FC Internazionale Milano, Real Madrid CF)
112 Stefan Reuter (1. FC Nürnberg, FC Bayern München, Juventus, BV Borussia Dortmund)
111 **David Beckham** (Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)
110 Pavel Nedvěd (AC Sparta Praha, S.S. Lazio, Juventus)

100-109

109 Amedeo Carboni (UC Sampdoria, AS Roma, Valencia CF)
108 **Vítor Baía** (FC Porto, FC Barcelona)
107 **Thierry Henry** (AS Monaco FC, Juventus, Arsenal FC)
107 **Stefan Klos** (BV Borussia Dortmund, Rangers FC)
107 **Claude Makelele** (FC Nantes Atlantique, RC Celta de Vigo, Real Madrid CF, Chelsea FC)
107 Roar Strand (Rosenborg BK)
106 Filip De Wilde (KSK Beveren, RSC Anderlecht, Sporting Clube de Portugal)
106 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)
106 Fernando Hierro (Real Madrid CF)
105 Michel Preud'homme (R. Standard de Liège, KV Mechelen, SL Benfica)
105 Alessio Tacchinardi (Juventus, Villarreal CF)
105 **Lilian Thuram** (AS Monaco FC, Parma FC, Juventus, FC Barcelona)
104 **Ryan Giggs** (Manchester United FC)
104 **Gary Neville** (Manchester United FC)
104 Gert Verheyen (RSC Anderlecht, Club Brugge KV)
103 Ciro Ferrara (SSC Napoli, Juventus)
101 **Edgar Davids** (AFC Ajax, AC Milan, Juventus, FC Internazionale Milano, Tottenham Hotspur FC)
101 Bülent Korkmaz (Galatasaray SK)
101 Manuel Sanchís (Real Madrid CF)
101 **Andriy Shevchenko** (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
100 Lothar Matthäus (VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach, FC Bayern München, FC Internazionale Milano)

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95-99

99 Bixente Lizarazu (Athletic Club Bilbao, FC Girondins de Bordeaux, FC Bayern München)

99 **Javier Zanetti** (FC Internazionale Milano)

98 **Fernando Morientes** (Real Madrid CF, AS Monaco FC, Liverpool FC, Valencia CF)

98 Angelo Peruzzi (AS Roma, Juventus, S.S. Lazio)

98 **Paul Scholes** (Manchester United FC)

98 **Edwin van der Sar** (AFC Ajax, Juventus, Fulham FC, Manchester United FC)

97 Francisco Gento (Real Madrid CF)

97 **Patrick Kluivert** (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona, Newcastle United FC, Valencia CF)

97 Karl-Heinz Rummenigge (FC Bayern München, FC Internazionale Milano, Servette FC)

96 Marc Overmars (AFC Ajax, Arsenal FC, FC Barcelona)

96 **Michael Reiziger** (AFC Ajax, AC Milan, FC Barcelona, Middlesbrough FC, PSV Eindhoven)

95 Ray Clemence (Liverpool FC, Tottenham Hotspur FC)

95 **Rui Costa** (SL Benfica, AC Fiorentina, AC Milan)

95 Gheorghe Hagi (CF Sportul Studentesc, FC Steaua Bucuresti, Real Madrid CF, FC Barcelona, Galatasaray SK)

95 Erik Hoftun (Rosenborg BK)

Appearances: UEFA Champions League

Note: This list considers group stage to final only; Players listed in **bold** are still involved in this season's competition

100+

105 **Raúl González** (Real Madrid CF)

103 **Roberto Carlos** (Real Madrid CF)

101 **David Beckham** (Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)

90-99

98 **Oliver Kahn** (FC Bayern München)

98 **Paolo Maldini** (AC Milan)

94 **Luís Figo** (FC Barcelona, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano)

94 **Gary Neville** (Manchester United FC)

80-89

88 **Ryan Giggs** (Manchester United FC)

88 **Paul Scholes** (Manchester United FC)

86 **Clarence Seedorf** (AFC Ajax, Real Madrid CF, AC Milan)

82 **Thierry Henry** (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)

82 **Andriy Shevchenko** (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)

81 Frank de Boer (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona, Galatasaray SK)

80 Zinédine Zidane (Juventus, Real Madrid CF)

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70-79

79 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)
79 **Fernando Morientes** (Real Madrid CF, AS Monaco FC, Liverpool FC, Valencia CF)
79 **Hasan Salihamidžić** (FC Bayern München)
78 **Guti** (Real Madrid CF)
78 **Iván Helguera** (Real Madrid CF)
78 Alessio Tacchinardi (Juventus, Villarreal CF)
77 **Claude Makelele** (FC Nantes Atlantique, Real Madrid CF, Chelsea FC)
77 **Michel Salgado** (Real Madrid CF)
75 **Iker Casillas** (Real Madrid CF)
74 **Phillip Cocu** (PSV Eindhoven, FC Barcelona)
74 Edgar Davids (AFC Ajax, AC Milan, Juventus, FC Internazionale Milano)
74 Robert Pirès (Olympique de Marseille, Arsenal FC)
74 **Ole Gunnar Solskjær** (Manchester United FC)
74 **Sylvain Wiltord** (FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Arsenal FC, Olympique Lyonnais)
73 **Michael Reiziger** (AFC Ajax, AC Milan, FC Barcelona, PSV Eindhoven)
72 Samuel Kuffour (FC Bayern München)
71 Roy Keane (Manchester United FC)
71 **Rivaldo** (FC Barcelona, AC Milan, Olympiacos CFP)

Others (involved in this season's competition only)

68 **Patrick Kluivert** (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona)
68 **Mehmet Scholl** (FC Bayern München)
67 **Mikaël Silvestre** (FC Internazionale Milano, Manchester United FC)
66 **Alessandro Nesta** (S.S. Lazio, AC Milan)
66 **Patrick Vieira** (Arsenal FC, Juventus, FC Internazionale Milano)
64 **Alessandro Costacurta** (AC Milan)
61 **Fredrik Ljungberg** (Arsenal FC)
61 **Carles Puyol** (FC Barcelona)
60 **Xavi Hernández** (FC Barcelona)

Goals: UEFA club competition

Note: Players listed in **bold** are still involved in this season's competitions (UEFA Champions League or UEFA Cup)

50+

62 Gerd Müller (FC Bayern München)
56 Eusébio (SL Benfica)
56 **Raúl González** (Real Madrid CF)
56 **Andriy Shevchenko** (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
55 **Filippo Inzaghi** (Parma FC, Juventus, AC Milan)
50 Alfredo Di Stéfano (Real Madrid CF)
50 **Thierry Henry** (AS Monaco FC, Juventus, Arsenal FC)
50 **Ruud van Nistelrooy** (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)

45-49

47 Carlos Santillana (Real Madrid CF)
46 Henrik Larsson (Feyenoord, Celtic FC, FC Barcelona)
45 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)
45 Jupp Heynckes (Hannover 96, VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach)

Goals: UEFA Champions League

Note: This list considers group stage to final only; Players listed in **bold** are still involved in this season's competition

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40+

54 **Raúl González** (Real Madrid CF)

46 **Ruud van Nistelrooy** (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)

43 **Andriy Shevchenko** (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan)

42 **Thierry Henry** (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)

30-39

37 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)

35 **Filippo Inzaghi** (Juventus, AC Milan)

31 **Fernando Morientes** (Real Madrid CF, AS Monaco FC, Liverpool FC, Valencia CF)

20-29

29 **Patrick Kluivert** (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona)

28 David Trezeguet (AS Monaco FC, Juventus)

27 **Roy Makaay** (RC Deportivo La Coruña, FC Bayern München)

27 **Rivaldo** (FC Barcelona, AC Milan, Olympiacos CFP)

25 Mário Jardel (FC Porto, Galatasaray SK)

24 Giovane Elber (FC Bayern München, Olympique Lyonnais)

24 **Luís Figo** (FC Barcelona, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano)

23 **Hernán Crespo** (Parma FC, S.S. Lazio, FC Internazionale Milano, Chelsea FC, AC Milan)

23 Jari Litmanen (AFC Ajax, Liverpool FC)

21 **Ryan Giggs** (Manchester United FC)

20 **Serhiy Rebrov** (FC Dynamo Kyiv)

20 **Paul Scholes** (Manchester United FC)

20 Marco Simone (AC Milan, Paris Saint-Germain FC, AS Monaco FC)

Others (involved in this season's competition only)

19 **Ole Gunnar Solskjær** (Manchester United FC)

Goals: UEFA Champions League/European Champion Clubs' Cup

Note: This list considers the all-time goalscorers list in both competitions including all qualifying round matches; Players listed in **bold** are still involved in this season's competition

50+

54 **Raúl González** (Real Madrid CF)

52 **Andriy Shevchenko** (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan)

50 **Ruud van Nistelrooy** (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)

40-49

49 Alfredo Di Stéfano (Real Madrid CF)

47 Eusébio (SL Benfica)

42 **Thierry Henry** (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)

36-39

38 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)

37 **Filippo Inzaghi** (Parma FC, Juventus, AC Milan)

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Chygrynskiy wants Roma challenge

FC Shakhtar Donetsk starlet Dmytro Chygrynskiy is used to facing stiff challenges and is unfazed by the prospect of coming up against a rampant AS Roma tonight.

Win required

The Italian club were 7-0 winners in Serie A against Calcio Catania at the weekend and began this season's UEFA Champions League campaign with a 4-0 home victory against Shakhtar on Matchday 1. In the return fixture, Chygrynskiy must help the Ukrainian outfit get the win they need to keep their qualification dream alive. With Valencia CF already qualified on ten points, Shakhtar find themselves five points adrift of second-placed Roma with two games to play.

Eager for more

It is another big night in what has been a memorable year for Chygrynskiy. After helping Shakhtar to the domestic title, he played every minute as Ukraine reached the UEFA European Under-21 Championship final and then went with the senior squad to the 2006 FIFA World Cup. He is eager for more and is desperate to get as much European experience as he can. Should Roma take at least a point this evening, then Shakhtar will at least have the consolation of a Matchday 6 showdown with Olympiacos CFP for a UEFA Cup spot.

Strong defence

For now, however, all thoughts are on the UEFA Champions League. Despite the visit of in-form Francesco Totti, Mancini and Co, the 20-year-old Chygrynskiy believes his side have what it takes to contain such attacking intent. "How to handle Totti and Mancini? This is a question not only for the defenders, but also for the coach," he said. "A lot depends on what strategy and tactics we adopt for the match. We need to stop them having the ball and play a pressing game.

Positive approach

"We should not pay too much attention to what happened on Matchday 1," he added. "In every UEFA Champions League match with exception of the game at Valencia [when Shakhtar lost 2-0 on Matchday 3] we have tried to dictate the course of play and showed good football." While he admitted that such a positive approach has not yet reaped its rewards, he believed it was only a matter of time before the tide turned. "We have a definite plan and strategy to win, regardless of our opponents," he said.

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Puskás remembered

Hungarian and European football mourned the loss of an all-time great on Friday when Ferenc Puskás died in Budapest at the age of 79 after a long illness. Puskás won league titles in his homeland with Kispest Honvéd FC and in Spain with Real Madrid CF, with whom he also lifted the European Champion Clubs' Cup, memorably scoring four goals in the 7-3 defeat of Eintracht Frankfurt in 1960. On the international stage, Puskás and his Hungary team-mates captured gold at the 1952 Olympic Games and followed that up with victories such as the 6-3 defeat of England at Wembley on 25 November 1953.

UEFA President Lennart Johansson said: "I knew about his illness and thought that I was prepared to receive the ultimate bad news. But I wasn't. Realisation that I will never see Ferenc Puskás again gives me a sense of emptiness that, I am sure, a lot of other people are experiencing. The footballer had long since become a legend. With that left foot which could be velvet or pure steel, he broke all sorts of records. He went into the annals of UEFA as the only player to have scored four goals and the only one to record two hat-tricks in European finals.

"Behind the remarkable statistics was a remarkable man. In his humble way, he would deny that he had a profound influence on the development of European football. But he did. What's more, his career and his life held a mirror to the history of our continent... Ferenc Puskás once said that he loved football more than he loved life. Sadly, his life is now over. But football will never stop loving Ferenc Puskás."

Athens design

UEFA has unveiled the new visual identity created for the 2007 UEFA Champions League final in Athens at a special ceremony in the Greek capital. The event design to be used around the UEFA Champions League final at Athens's Olympic Stadium on 23 May was revealed at the Ceremonies Hall within the City Hall in Kotzia Square on 9 November. The UEFA Champions League final has, in recent years, been given an identity of its own with a unique logo, a design concept and an overall theme. The objective is to help promote the final and enhance the prestige of one of the world's biggest sporting events.

Independent European Sports Review

European law has continued to have a major impact on sport in recent years, although the cases are less celebrated than the 1995 Bosman case that drastically altered football. One of these was the Meca-Medina case, in which judgement was handed down by the European Court of Justice in a case involving two swimmers who had failed a doping test.

In a summary article and longer background essay, published on uefa.com, UEFA's director of legal affairs Gianni Infantino looks at this case and related questions, especially in view of the findings of the newly-published Independent European Sports Review. The review supports recognition of sport's specific nature in European Union legislation, and the preservation and protection of the present European sports model, and asks if the Meca-Medina verdict is a step backwards for the European sports model and sports specificity.

FC Shakhtar Donetsk v AS Roma

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Head coach profiles

Mircea Lucescu

Date of birth: 29 July 1945

Nationality: Romanian

Playing career: FC Dinamo 1948 Bucuresti, FC Stiinta Bucuresti, FC Corvinul Hunedoara

Coaching career: FC Corvinul Hunedoara, Romania, FC Dinamo 1948 Bucuresti, Pisa Calcio, Brescia Calcio, Reggiana AC, AFC Rapid Bucuresti, FC Internazionale Milano, Galatasaray SK, Beşiktaş JK, FC Shakhtar Donetsk

Mircea Lucescu is one of the biggest personalities, and one of the greatest coaches, Romania has produced. He joined FC Dinamo 1948 Bucuresti in 1963, making his top-flight debut the following year. After spending two seasons in the second division with FC Stiinta Bucuresti Lucescu returned to Dinamo and stayed another decade, winning five championships and the Romanian Cup. Lucescu represented his country 70 times, scoring nine goals and appearing at the 1970 FIFA World Cup.

He was appointed player-coach of FC Corvinul Hunedoara in 1977 before hanging up his boots after 362 first division appearances and 78 goals. As a coach his style has involved rebuilding teams, improving players who appeared to be the finished article, and he took over as coach of Romania in 1981, becoming their technical director a year later.

In 1986, he returned to Dinamo as coach and guided them to a league title and cup win as well as the 1989/90 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup semi-finals. A workaholic who speaks six foreign languages, Lucescu then had spells in charge of Italian sides Pisa Calcio, Brescia Calcio, Reggiana AC and FC Internazionale Milano. After returning to Romania and leading AFC Rapid Bucuresti to their first title for 32 years in 1999, he moved to Turkey's Galatasaray SK, where he was a league winner and also got his hands on the UEFA Super Cup in 2000. After another title with Beşiktaş JK he took charge of FC Shakhtar Donetsk in 2004, winning the Ukrainian Premier League title in his first two seasons.

Luciano Spalletti

Date of birth: 7 March 1959

Nationality: Italian

Coaching career: Empoli FC, UC Sampdoria, Venezia Calcio, Udinese Calcio (twice), Ancona Calcio, AS Roma

A hard-working midfielder in his playing days, Luciano Spalletti has kept the same mentality since starting his coaching career in 1993/94 at his former club Empoli FC. Spalletti enjoyed immediate success with successive promotions. In his first full season at the helm, he led the side from Tuscany to Serie B before taking them to Serie A the following campaign. After a good first term in top-flight football, Spalletti left to join the more ambitious UC Sampdoria but his spell at the Luigi Ferraris stadium ended abruptly with his sacking after 28 games of the 1998/99 season. It was the beginning of a difficult period for Spalletti who had incomplete stays at Venezia Calcio, Udinese Calcio and Ancona Calcio before returning to Udinese to bring his career back on track ahead of the 2002/03 campaign.

Spalletti steered Udinese to sixth and seventh-placed finishes before writing his name into the club's history as the first coach to guide Udinese to UEFA Champions League football with a fourth place in 2004/05. That June, however, Spalletti answered a call from AS Roma, who had avoided relegation on the last day of term and had been struggling to fill the gap left by Fabio Capello. He signed a two-year contract.

After a difficult opening to 2005/06, Spalletti managed to gain the faith of the Roma squad. Without injured captain Francesco Totti, Roma set a record of consecutive Serie A wins (eleven) and came fifth before the Italian match-fixing tribunal punished Juventus, AC Milan and ACF Fiorentina. That resulted in the Giallorossi moving up to second, earning them an automatic group-stage place in the UEFA Champions League.

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Squad list

Shakhtar

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Current Season						All-time			
				UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
				Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Stipe Pletikosa	CRO	08.01.79	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	22	2
12	Dmytro Shutkov	UKR	03.04.72	2	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	24	-
35	Bohdan Shust	UKR	04.03.86	-	-	2	-	8	-	2	-	4	-
Defenders													
3	Tomáš Hübschman	CZE	04.09.81	2	-	4	-	10	-	26	-	51	1
5	Olexandr Kucher	UKR	22.10.82	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	2	-
8	Leonardo	BRA	19.03.86	-	-	1	-	10	-	1	-	1	-
13	Vyacheslav Shevchuk	UKR	13.05.79	-	-	-	-	7	-	3	-	11	-
26	Razvan Rat	ROM	26.05.81	2	-	4	-	8	-	7	-	40	-
27	Dmytro Chygrynskiy	UKR	07.11.86	-	-	2	-	5	-	3	-	5	-
32	Vyacheslav Sviderskiy	UKR	01.01.79	1	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	2	-
Midfielders													
4	Anatoliy Tymoschuk	UKR	30.03.79	2	-	3	-	14	1	13	-	54	1
6	Igor Duljaj	SCG	29.10.79	1	-	2	-	10	1	14	-	60	-
7	Fernandinho	BRA	04.05.85	2	1	3	1	15	-	3	1	14	3
9	Matuzalem	BRA	10.06.80	2	-	4	1	7	2	10	3	29	4
10	Zvonimir Vukić	SCG	19.07.79	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	-	34	6
18	Mariusz Lewandowski	POL	18.05.79	2	-	3	-	9	2	9	-	39	2
19	Olexiy Gay	UKR	06.11.82	-	-	1	-	7	1	1	-	13	-
33	Darijo Srna	CRO	01.05.82	1	-	3	-	8	-	8	-	39	1
36	Elano	BRA	14.06.81	2	1	2	-	7	5	2	-	18	6
37	Serhiy Tkachenko	UKR	10.02.79	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	15	1
38	Jadson	BRA	05.10.83	2	-	4	1	13	1	4	1	15	1
40	Olexandr Miroschnychenko	UKR	19.01.86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
41	Serhiy Shevchuk	UKR	18.06.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	Andriy Shybko	UKR	13.01.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards													
11	Andriy Vorobey	UKR	29.11.78	1	-	2	-	9	1	14	3	53	12
15	Emmanuel Okoduwa	NGA	21.11.83	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
17	Julius Aghahowa	NGA	12.02.82	1	-	4	-	8	3	9	2	36	10
20	Olexiy Bielik	UKR	15.02.81	1	-	-	-	10	7	6	1	29	3
25	Brandão	BRA	16.06.80	2	-	4	-	8	6	8	1	32	9
29	Ciprian Marica	ROM	02.10.85	2	2	4	1	11	4	9	1	29	9
Coach													
	Mircea Lucescu	ROM	29.07.45	2	-	4	-	-	-	45	-	110	-

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Squad list

Roma

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Current Season				All-time					
				UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
				Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Gianluca Curci	ITA	12.07.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
12	Pietro Pipolo	ITA	27.02.86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24	Carlo Zotti	ITA	03.09.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	7	-
27	Julio Sergio Bertagnoli	BRA	08.11.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Doni	BRA	22.10.79	-	-	4	-	12	-	4	-	6	-
Defenders													
2	Christian Panucci	ITA	12.04.73	-	-	4	-	10	2	57	7	87	10
3	Gilberto Martínez	CRC	01.10.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Philippe Mexes	FRA	30.03.82	-	-	1	-	8	1	8	-	31	-
13	Cristian Chivu	ROM	26.10.80	-	-	4	-	8	-	17	-	40	-
19	Rodrigo Defendi	BRA	17.06.86	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	-
21	Matteo Ferrari	ITA	05.12.79	-	-	4	-	9	1	7	-	29	-
22	Max Tonetto	ITA	18.11.74	-	-	4	-	9	-	4	-	9	-
31	Fabrizio Grillo	ITA	02.02.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Gianluca Freddi	ITA	29.03.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
77	Marco Cassetti	ITA	28.05.77	-	-	3	-	9	-	3	-	3	-
Midfielders													
7	David Pizarro	CHI	11.09.79	-	-	3	1	12	1	9	2	16	2
8	Alberto Aquilani	ITA	07.07.84	-	-	4	-	10	1	8	-	16	1
11	Taddei	BRA	06.03.80	-	-	3	1	9	3	3	1	13	2
14	Ricardo Faty	FRA	04.08.86	-	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	6	-
16	Daniele De Rossi	ITA	24.07.83	-	-	4	1	12	2	7	2	20	3
18	Valerio Virga	ITA	29.06.86	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
20	Simone Perrotta	ITA	17.09.77	-	-	4	1	11	3	9	1	19	2
28	Aleandro Rosi	ITA	17.05.87	-	-	1	-	7	1	1	-	4	-
34	Massimiliano Marsili	ITA	14.07.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	Simone Palermo	ITA	17.08.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Andrea Giacomini	ITA	04.04.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards													
9	Vincenzo Montella	ITA	18.06.74	-	-	2	-	8	3	21	2	50	12
10	Francesco Totti	ITA	27.09.76	-	-	4	3	12	5	24	9	54	19
23	Mirko Vučinić	SCG	01.10.83	-	-	1	-	5	-	1	-	1	-
30	Mancini	BRA	01.08.80	-	-	1	-	7	2	5	-	20	4
35	Stefano Okaka Chuka	NIG	09.08.89	-	-	1	-	4	1	1	-	4	-
Coach													
	Luciano Spalletti	ITA	07.03.59	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	23	-

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Match-by-match lineups - Group D

Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Valencia CF	4	3	1	0	10	5	10
AS Roma	4	2	1	1	7	3	7
Olympiacos CFP	4	0	2	2	5	8	2
FC Shakhtar Donetsk	4	0	2	2	4	10	2

Date	Match	Results	Venue
12.09.2006	Olympiacos v Valencia	2-4	Athens

Goals: 1-0 M Konstantinou 28, 1-1 Morientes 34, 1-2 Morientes 39, 2-2 Castillo 66, 2-3 Albiol 85, 2-4 Morientes 90

Olympiacos: Nikopolidis, Kafes, Domi, Stoltidis, Castillo, Rivaldo, P Djordjević, Żewłakow (Pantos 46), M Konstantinou, Ouaddou, Anatolakis (Júlio César 69)

Valencia: Cañizares, Miguel, Ayala, Marchena, Villa (Regueiro 81'), Morientes (Jorge López 90'), Angulo, Gavilán (Silva 72'), Albiol, Edu, Moretti

Referee: Terje Hauge (NOR)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
12.09.2006	Roma v Shakhtar	4-0	Rome

Goals: 1-0 Taddei 67, 2-0 Totti 76, 3-0 De Rossi 79, 4-0 Pizarro 89

Roma: Doni, Panucci, Aquilani (Pizarro 62), Totti (Montella 80), Taddei, Chivu, De Rossi, Perrotta, Ferrari, Tonetto, Mancini (Cassetti 87)

Shakhtar: Shutkov, Hübschman, Tymoschuk, Duljaj, Matuzalem (Gay 72'), Lewandowski, Brandão (Aghahowa 63'), Rat, Marica, Srna, Elano

Referee: Bertrand Layec (FRA)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
27.09.2006	Shakhtar v Olympiacos	2-2	Donetsk

Goals: 0-1 M Konstantinou 24, 1-1 Matuzalem 34, 1-2 Castillo 68, 2-2 Marica 70

Shakhtar: Shust, Hübschman, Tymoschuk, Fernandinho, Matuzalem, Lewandowski, Brandão (Vorobey 76), Rat, Marica (Aghahowa 89), Srna, Elano (Jadson 76)

Olympiacos: Nikopolidis, Stoltidis, Castillo, Miloš Marić, P Djordjević, Kostoulas, Georgatos, M Konstantinou (Okkas 90'), Pantos (Rivaldo 85'), Anatolakis (Patsatzoglou 46'), Júlio César

Referee: Eric Braamhaar(HOL)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
27.09.2006	Valencia v Roma	2-1	Valencia

Goals: 1-0 Angulo 13, 1-1 Totti 18, 2-1 Villa 29

Valencia: Cañizares, Miguel, Ayala, Albelda, Villa (Silva 72), Morientes (Regueiro 87), Angulo, Vicente (Gavilán 92), Albiol, Edu, Moretti

Roma: Doni, Panucci, Pizarro, Aquilani (Montella 46'), Totti, Chivu, De Rossi, Perrotta, Ferrari, Tonetto, Cassetti (Okaka Chuka 64')

Referee: Herbert Fandel (GER)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
18.10.2006	Valencia v Shakhtar	2-0	Valencia

Goals: 1-0 Villa 31, 2-0 Villa 45

Valencia: Cañizares, Miguel, Albelda, Villa (Silva 77), Morientes, Regueiro (Gavilán 64), Joaquín, Navarro, Albiol, Edu (Jorge López 53), Moretti

Shakhtar: Pletikosa, Tymoschuk, Fernandinho (Vorobey 83'), Leonardo, Matuzalem, Aghahowa (Brandão 46'), Rat, Chygrynskiy, Marica, Sviderskiy, Jadson (Hübschman 46')

Referee: Mike Riley(ENG)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
18.10.2006	Olympiacos v Roma	0-1	Athens

Goals: 0-1 Perrotta 76

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Olympiacos: Nikopolidis, Kafes (Miloš Marić 59), Stoltidis, Castillo, Rivaldo (Borja 83), P Djordjević (Okkas 70), Żewłakow, Georgatos, M Konstantinou, Anatolakis, Júlio César

Roma: Doni, Panucci, Totti, Taddei (Defendi 92'), Chivu, Faty (Aquilani 77'), De Rossi, Perrotta, Ferrari, Tonetto, Casseti (Rosi 66')

Referee: Graham Poll (ENG)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
31.10.2006	Shakhtar v Valencia	2-2	Donetsk

Goals: 1-0 Jadson 2, 1-1 Morientes 18, 2-1 Fernandinho 28, 2-2 Ayala 68

Shakhtar: Shust, Hübschman, Fernandinho (Duljaj 89), Matuzalem, Aghahowa, Lewandowski, Brandão (Marica 75), Rat, Chygrynskiy, Srna, Jadson

Valencia: Cañizares, Miguel, Ayala, Villa (Regueiro 91'), Morientes (Joaquín 77'), Angulo, Navarro (Hugo Viana 87'), Albiol, Silva, Edu, Moretti

Referee: Peter Fröjdfeldt (SWE)

Date	Match	Results	Venue
31.10.2006	Roma v Olympiacos	1-1	Rome

Goals: 0-1 Júlio César 19, 1-1 Totti 66

Roma: Doni, Panucci, Mexes, Pizarro, Aquilani (Vučinić 63), Totti, Taddei, Chivu, De Rossi, Ferrari (Perrotta 46), Tonetto

Olympiacos: Nikopolidis, Patsatzoglou (Anatolakis 65'), Domi, Stoltidis, Miloš Marić (Kafes 90'), Rivaldo, P Djordjević (Borja 86'), Żewłakow, Kostoulas, M Konstantinou, Júlio César

Referee: Olegário Benquerença(POR)

22.11.2006	Valencia v Olympiacos	-	Valencia
22.11.2006	Shakhtar v Roma	-	Donetsk
05.12.2006	Olympiacos v Shakhtar	-	Athens
05.12.2006	Roma v Valencia	-	Rome

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Bookings list - Group D

Olympiacos CFP

No	Player	Matchday						KO1		QF		SF		F
		1	2	3	4	5	6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
71	Antonios Nikopolidis				Y									
21	Grigoris Georgatos		Y											
19	Athanasios Kostoulas				Y									
11	Predrag Djordjevic				Y									
23	Michalis Konstantinou				Y									
27	Abdeslam Ouaddou	Y												
8	Milos Maric		Y											
30	Anastasios Pantos		Y											
55	Júlio César				Y									

AS Roma

No	Player	Matchday						KO1		QF		SF		F
		1	2	3	4	5	6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
10	Francesco Totti				Y									
21	Matteo Ferrari		Y											
5	Philippe Mexes	S												
22	Max Tonetto			Y										
7	David Pizarro		Y		Y	*								
16	Daniele De Rossi		Y											
8	Alberto Aquilani	Y												

FC Shakhtar Donetsk

No	Player	Matchday						KO1		QF		SF		F
		1	2	3	4	5	6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
18	Mariusz Lewandowski		Y		Y	*								
4	Anatoliy Tymoschuk	Y	Y	Y	S									
3	Tomás Hübschman	Y	Y		Y	S								
33	Darijo Srna				Y									
32	Vyacheslav Sviderskiy				R	S								
29	Ciprian Marica	Y		Y		*								
25	Brandão			Y	Y	*								
9	Matuzalem				Y									
7	Fernandinho	S												

Valencia CF

No	Player	Matchday						KO1		QF		SF		F
		1	2	3	4	5	6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
10	Miguel Ángel Angulo				Y									

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No	Player	Matchday						KO1		QF		SF		F
		1	2	3	4	5	6	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
6	David Albelda		Y	Y		*								
15	Joaquín	S	S											
4	Roberto Ayala	Y	Y			*								
22	Edu	Y												
7	David Villa				Y									

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Domestic information

FC Shakhtar Donetsk (Premier League)

	Date	Opponent	Res	Lineups
League	06.11.2006	v FC Dynamo Kyiv (A)	0-1	Shust, Srna, Lewandowski, Chygrynskiy, Hübschman, Rat, Tymoschuk, Matuzalem (Fernandinho 29), Jadson (Aghahowa 80), Marica (Elano 46), Brandão
League	11.11.2006	v FC Chornomorets Odesa (H)	2-0	Shust, Leonardo, Lewandowski, Rat, Tymoschuk, Duljaj, Fernandinho (Okoduwa 85), Gay, Jadson, Vorobey (Aghahowa 68), Bielik (Elano 77)
League	18.11.2006	v FC Metalurh Zaporizhya (A)	3-0	Shust, Gay, Chygrynskiy, Leonardo, Rat, Tymoschuk, Duljaj (Kucher 77), Fernandinho, Vukić (Vorobey 61), Brandão, Aghahowa (Bielik 71)

	Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
League	23.07.2006	v FC Kryvbas Kryvyi Rih (H)	5-0	Matuzalem 28, Elano 41, 50, Brandão 43, Marica 77
League	30.07.2006	v FC Zorya Luhansk (A)	2-0	Aghahowa 22, Marica 72
League	04.08.2006	v FC Metalist Kharkiv (H)	5-0	Marica 21, Elano 33, 38, Tymoschuk 35, Bielik 52
League	19.08.2006	v FC Metalurh Donetsk (A)	0-0	
League	27.08.2006	v FC Illychivets Mariupil (H)	3-1	Bielik 57, 59, Gay 72
League	09.09.2006	v FC Vorskla Poltava (A)	1-0	Own goal
League	17.09.2006	v SC Tavriya Simferopol (H)	3-0	Elano 43, Bielik 52, Lewandowski 67
Cup	20.09.2006	v Yavir (A)	6-1	Vukić 9, 83, Okoduwa 15, 45, Jadson 21, Brandão 50
League	23.09.2006	v FC Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk (A)	1-1	Duljaj 45
League	01.10.2006	v FC Stal Alchevsk (H)	3-1	Bielik 17, 64, Vorobey 72
League	14.10.2006	v FC Kharkiv (A)	3-0	Marica 9, Aghahowa 40, Brandão 64
League	22.10.2006	v FC Arsenal Kyiv (H)	0-1	
Cup	25.10.2006	v FC Borysfen Boryspil (A)	2-0	Tymoschuk 59, Vorobey 75
League	27.10.2006	v FC Karpaty Lviv (H)	4-1	Brandão 30, Lewandowski 63, Matuzalem 80, Aghahowa 90
League	06.11.2006	v FC Dynamo Kyiv (A)	0-1	
League	11.11.2006	v FC Chornomorets Odesa (H)	2-0	Bielik 17, Jadson 22
League	18.11.2006	v FC Metalurh Zaporizhya (A)	3-0	Brandão 24, 49, 90
League	04.03.2007	v FC Zorya Luhansk (H)		
League	11.03.2007	v FC Metalist Kharkiv (A)		
League	18.03.2007	v FC Metalurh Donetsk (H)		
League	01.04.2007	v FC Illychivets Mariupil (A)		
League	07.04.2007	v FC Vorskla Poltava (H)		
League	15.04.2007	v SC Tavriya Simferopol (A)		
League	22.04.2007	v FC Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk (H)		
League	29.04.2007	v FC Stal Alchevsk (A)		
League	06.05.2007	v FC Kharkiv (H)		
League	13.05.2007	v FC Arsenal Kyiv (A)		
League	20.05.2007	v FC Karpaty Lviv (A)		
League	26.05.2007	v FC Dynamo Kyiv (H)		
League	10.06.2007	v FC Chornomorets Odesa (A)		
League	17.06.2007	v FC Metalurh Zaporizhya (H)		

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Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Dynamo Kyiv	15	12	3	0	35	10	39
2	FC Shakhtar Donetsk	15	11	2	2	35	6	35
3	FC Metalist Kharkiv	15	7	5	3	17	13	26
4	FC Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk	15	5	8	2	13	8	23
5	SC Tavriya Simferopol	15	6	3	6	14	14	21
6	FC Arsenal Kyiv	14	5	6	3	16	16	21
7	FC Chornomorets Odesa	15	5	5	5	18	20	20
8	FC Metalurh Donetsk	15	5	5	5	13	15	20
9	FC Kryvbas Kryvyi Rih	15	4	8	3	17	18	20
10	FC Karpaty Lviv	14	5	4	5	10	14	19
11	FC Vorskla Poltava	15	4	4	7	12	16	16
12	FC Metalurh Zaporizhya	15	3	7	5	8	16	16
13	FC Illychivets Mariupil	15	3	3	9	12	20	12
14	FC Zorya Luhansk	15	2	6	7	13	23	12
15	FC Kharkiv	15	2	4	9	13	27	10
16	FC Stal Alchevsk	15	2	3	10	10	20	9

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Domestic information

AS Roma (Serie A)

	Date	Opponent	Res	Lineups
Cup	08.11.2006	v Triestina (A)	2-1	Curci, Casetti, Mexes (Chivu 46), Ferrari, Rosi, De Rossi, Aquilani, Taddei, Mancini (Virga 71), Vučinić (Marsili 60), Montella
League	11.11.2006	v AC Milan (A)	2-1	Doni, Chivu, Tonetto, Mexes (Ferrari 76), Panucci, De Rossi, Mancini (Casetti 87), Perrotta (Aquilani 61), Pizarro, Taddei, Totti
League	19.11.2006	v Calcio Catania (H)	7-0	Doni, Panucci, Ferrari, Chivu, Casetti, De Rossi (Montella 50), Pizarro, Taddei, Perrotta (Aquilani 50), Mancini (Vučinić 75), Totti

	Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
League	09.09.2006	v AS Livorno Calcio (H)	2-0	De Rossi 45, Mancini 54
League	17.09.2006	v AC Siena (A)	3-1	Taddei 47, Pizarro 70, Okaka Chuka 90
League	20.09.2006	v FC Internazionale Milano (H)	0-1	
League	24.09.2006	v Parma FC (A)	4-0	Montella 5, Perrotta 45, Rosi 54, Aquilani 90
League	01.10.2006	v Empoli FC (H)	1-0	Montella 23
League	15.10.2006	v Reggina Calcio (A)	0-1	
League	22.10.2006	v AC Chievo Verona (H)	1-1	Totti 66
League	25.10.2006	v Ascoli Calcio 1898 (H)	2-2	Totti 50, Mexes 90
League	28.10.2006	v Udinese Calcio (A)	1-0	Ferrari 66
League	05.11.2006	v ACF Fiorentina (H)	3-1	De Rossi 37, Taddei 49, 66
Cup	08.11.2006	v Triestina (A)	2-1	Montella 44, 49
League	11.11.2006	v AC Milan (A)	2-1	Totti 7, 83
League	19.11.2006	v Calcio Catania (H)	7-0	Panucci 12, 47, Mancini 19, Perrotta 24, 40, Montella 59, Totti 70
League	26.11.2006	v UC Sampdoria (A)		
League	02.12.2006	v Atalanta BC (H)		
League	10.12.2006	v S.S. Lazio (A)		
League	17.12.2006	v US Città di Palermo (H)		
League	20.12.2006	v Torino FC (A)		
League	23.12.2006	v Cagliari Calcio (H)		
League	14.01.2007	v FC Messina Peloro (A)		
League	21.01.2007	v AS Livorno Calcio (A)		
League	28.01.2007	v AC Siena (H)		
League	04.02.2007	v FC Internazionale Milano (A)		
League	11.02.2007	v Parma FC (H)		
League	18.02.2007	v Empoli FC (A)		
League	25.02.2007	v Reggina Calcio (H)		
League	28.02.2007	v AC Chievo Verona (A)		
League	04.03.2007	v Ascoli Calcio 1898 (A)		
League	11.03.2007	v Udinese Calcio (H)		
League	18.03.2007	v ACF Fiorentina (A)		
League	01.04.2007	v AC Milan (H)		
League	07.04.2007	v Calcio Catania (A)		
League	15.04.2007	v UC Sampdoria (H)		

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Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Internazionale Milano	12	9	3	0	25	13	30
2	US Città di Palermo	12	9	0	3	26	16	27
3	AS Roma	12	8	2	2	26	8	26
4	AS Livorno Calcio	12	5	4	3	13	11	19
5	Atalanta BC	12	4	5	3	19	18	17
6	Empoli FC	12	3	7	2	11	9	16
7	Udinese Calcio	12	4	4	4	13	12	16
8	AC Siena	12	4	5	3	12	13	16
9	Calcio Catania	12	4	4	4	16	24	16
10	S.S. Lazio	12	5	3	4	19	11	15
11	Cagliari Calcio	12	2	8	2	11	11	14
12	FC Messina Peloro	12	3	5	4	16	19	14
13	UC Sampdoria	12	3	4	5	17	17	13
14	Torino FC	12	2	5	5	7	16	11
15	AC Milan	12	4	4	4	11	12	8
16	Parma FC	12	2	2	8	12	25	8
17	Ascoli Calcio 1898	12	0	5	7	6	16	5
18	ACF Fiorentina	12	6	1	5	19	14	4
19	AC Chievo Verona	12	0	4	8	9	19	4
20	Reggina Calcio	12	4	3	5	12	16	0

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Match officials

Referee	Wolfgang Stark (GER)
Assistant referees	Christian Dingert (GER), Harry Ehing (GER)
Fourth official	Günter Perl (GER)
UEFA Delegate	Arno Sargsyan (ARM)

Referee

Name	Nat.	DoB	UCL	UEFA
Wolfgang Stark	GER	20.11.1969	18	40

Wolfgang Stark's ambition is to follow in the footsteps of compatriot Markus Merk and reach the top of the European refereeing tree. Hailing from Landshut in Bavaria, bank employee Stark has been a German Football Association referee since 1994. He took charge of 53 matches in the 2. Bundesliga before stepping up to the top flight in 1997. Two years later he became a FIFA official, overseeing his first international in March 2001 - a goalless draw between Azerbaijan and Moldova.

Two early career highlights came in 1999 when he was selected to travel to the FIFA U-17 World Cup in New Zealand and the UEFA European Under-18 Championship in Sweden. Stark also spent a valuable month refereeing in Japan's J-League in September 2001. Stark was a regular in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying - ending the qualification round by overseeing the France-Cyprus tie.

Stark has been in the middle for top domestic fixtures too, with Bayer 04 Leverkusen's match with FC Schalke 04 in 2004 among his personal favourites to date. Other key games he has overseen include England's FIFA World Cup qualifying win against Northern Ireland in Manchester in March 2005, and Olympique Lyonnais' 2-2 group-stage tussle with Manchester United FC in the 2004/05 UEFA Champions League. In the 2005/06 campaign, he was the man in the middle for four UEFA Champions League fixtures including the first knockout round first-leg duel between AFC Ajax and FC Internazionale Milano.

UEFA Champions League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
24.09.2002	UCL	GS1	Juventus-FC Dynamo Kyiv	5-0	Turin
18.02.2003	UCL	GS2	AS Roma-Valencia CF	0-1	Rome
18.03.2003	UCL	GS2	FC Basel 1893-Juventus	2-1	Basle
25.11.2003	UCL	GS1	FC Internazionale Milano-Arsenal FC	1-5	Milan
22.02.2006	UCL	1/8	AFC Ajax-FC Internazionale Milano	2-2	Amsterdam

UEFA Champions League Other matches

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
24.10.2001	UCL	GS1	PSV Eindhoven-FC Nantes Atlantique	0-0	Eindhoven
20.03.2002	UCL	GS2	AC Sparta Praha-FC Porto	2-0	Prague
14.08.2002	UCL	QR3	Zalaegerszegi TE-Manchester United FC	1-0	Budapest
29.10.2002	UCL	GS1	Galatasaray SK-FC Lokomotiv Moskva	1-2	Istanbul
27.08.2003	UCL	QR3	Celtic FC-MTK Budapest	1-0	Glasgow
16.09.2003	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid CF-Olympique de Marseille	4-2	Madrid
10.12.2003	UCL	GS1	AEK Athens FC-AS Monaco FC	0-0	Athens
25.08.2004	UCL	QR3	Rangers FC-PFC CSKA Moskva	1-1	Glasgow
15.09.2004	UCL	GS	Olympique Lyonnais-Manchester United FC	2-2	Lyon
03.11.2004	UCL	GS	RC Deportivo La Coruña-Liverpool FC	0-1	La Coruna
23.11.2004	UCL	GS	AC Sparta Praha-Fenerbahçe SK	0-1	Prague
23.08.2005	UCL	QR3	Liverpool FC-PFC CSKA Sofia	0-1	Liverpool
13.09.2005	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC-RSC Anderlecht	1-0	London

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Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
18.10.2005	UCL	GS	AC Sparta Praha-Arsenal FC	0-2	Prague
01.11.2005	UCL	GS	Rosenborg BK-Real Madrid CF	0-2	Trondheim
09.08.2006	UCL	QR3	Liverpool FC-Maccabi Haifa FC	2-1	Liverpool
13.09.2006	UCL	GS	Olympique Lyonnais-Real Madrid CF	2-0	Lyon
01.11.2006	UCL	GS	FC København-Manchester United FC	1-0	Copenhagen

Other matches

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
06.03.1999	U16	QR	Scotland-Spain	0-1	Ta' Qali
19.06.1999	UIC	R1	PFC Spartak Varna-K. Sint-Truidense VV	1-2	Varna
20.07.1999	U18	GS - FT	France-Greece	1-1	Norrköping
23.07.1999	U18	GS - FT	Republic of Ireland-Italy	0-2	Norrköping
12.08.1999	UCUP	QR	KR Reykjavík-Kilmarnock FC	1-0	Reykjavik
30.09.1999	UCUP	R1	Panathinaikos FC-NK Gorica	2-0	Athens
21.10.1999	UCUP	R2	Leeds United AFC-FC Lokomotiv Moskva	4-1	Leeds
02.08.2000	UIC	SF	FK Chmel Bišany-SK Sigma Olomouc	0-0	Blsany
28.09.2000	UCUP	R1	AS Roma-NK Gorica	7-0	Rome
10.10.2000	U21	QR	Slovakia-Sweden	1-1	Bratislava
26.10.2000	UCUP	R2	FC Nantes Atlantique-MTK Budapest	2-1	Nantes
24.03.2001	WC	QR	Azerbaijan-Moldova	0-0	Baku
01.08.2001	UIC	SF	Aston Villa FC-Stade Rennais FC	1-0	Birmingham
22.11.2001	UCUP	R3	AEK Athens FC-PFC Litex Lovech	3-2	Athens
28.02.2002	UCUP	R4	AC Milan-Roda JC	0-1*(3-2)	Milan
12.10.2002	EURO	QR	Sweden-Hungary	1-1	Solna
12.12.2002	UCUP	R3	Liverpool FC-BV Vitesse	1-0	Liverpool
11.06.2003	EURO	QR	England-Slovakia	2-1	Middlesbrough
06.09.2003	EURO	QR	Ukraine-Northern Ireland	0-0	Donetsk
26.02.2004	UCUP	R3	Parma FC-Gençlerbirliği SK	0-1	Parma
11.03.2004	UCUP	R4	Celtic FC-FC Barcelona	1-0	Glasgow
13.10.2004	WC	QR	Ukraine-Georgia	2-0	Lvov
20.03.2005	UCUP	1/8	Villarreal CF-FC Steaua Bucuresti	2-0	Villarreal
26.03.2005	WC	QR	England-Northern Ireland	4-0	Manchester
14.04.2005	UCUP	QF	AJ Auxerre-PFC CSKA Moskva	2-0	Auxerre
03.09.2005	WC	QR	Iceland-Croatia	1-3	Reykjavik
12.10.2005	WC	QR	France-Cyprus	4-0	Paris
09.03.2006	UCUP	1/8	LOSC Lille Métropole-Sevilla FC	1-0	Villeneuve d'Ascq
30.03.2006	UCUP	QF	AFC Rapid Bucuresti-FC Steaua Bucuresti	1-1	Bucharest
11.10.2006	EURO	QR	Poland-Portugal	2-1	Chorzow

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UEFA's most prestigious club competition was originally created as the European Champion Clubs' Cup for the 1955/56 season, before its revamping as the UEFA Champions League in 1992.

• **Locally-trained players rule:** In February 2005, UEFA announced that the 'A' list that teams submit for UEFA club competitions will continue to be limited to 25 players, and from season 2006/07, at least four places on this list will be reserved for players trained by the club's own football academy of which half can be players trained by other clubs from within the same association of the said club.

The 'B' list will also continue to exist - involving an unlimited number of Under-21 players who have been at the club for two seasons. In 2007/08, the number of locally-trained players in a squad will increase to six before rising to eight in 2008/09, with up to half of each figure allowed to be association trained.

A club-trained player is defined as a player who has been registered for a minimum of three seasons with the club between the age of 15 and 21, whereas an association-trained player is one who has been registered for at least three seasons by the club or by other clubs affiliated to the same association between the age of 15 and 21.

UEFA is concerned some clubs are not training enough of their own players, but simply taking them from elsewhere. The proposed measures have the objective of creating a better balance in domestic competitions, preventing clubs from simply 'hoarding' players in squads and creating a system whereby locally-trained players would be given a greater opportunity to play regularly in club sides - ensuring a large reservoir of talent for national teams as a consequence.

• **Financial information:** UEFA says the estimated budgeted income for the 2006/07 UEFA Champions League is €750m – higher than the 2005/06 campaign revenue which amounted to CHF943m (approx. €610m).

Under the competition regulations, 75 per cent of the total revenue received from television and commercial contracts concluded by UEFA, up to a maximum of €530m will go to the 32 clubs taking part in the group stage of Europe's premier club competition. The remaining 25 per cent is earmarked for European football and remains with UEFA to cover organisational and administrative costs, as well as for solidarity payments to associations, clubs and leagues.

It is also stipulated that participating clubs will receive 82 per cent of any revenue received from the same stream in excess of € 530m, with the remaining 18 per cent allocated to UEFA for European football. In addition, 50 per cent of the revenue received from new media contracts concluded by UEFA will also be available for distribution to the clubs, and the remaining 50 per cent will be allocated to the above-mentioned European football portion/quota.

The gross income for 2006/07 is estimated at €750m, and according to projections, will be made up of € 743.3m from TV and commercial contracts and €6.7m from new media contracts.

The fixed amount to the clubs is €276.6m. Each of the 32 clubs in the group stage will receive a starting bonus of €2m. In addition, they will receive a match bonus of €400,000 per match. Performance bonuses will amount to €600,000 for a win and €300,000 for a draw in the group stage. The 16 teams playing in the first knockout round will receive €2.2m, the eight quarter-finalists €2.5m each and the four semi-finalists €3m each. The UEFA Champions League winners will receive €7m, and the runners-up €4m.

This means that a total minimum amount of €4.4m per club is guaranteed for the group stage. A club could receive, at best, up to €22.7m, not counting the market pool share and gate receipts.

The remaining €270.4m will be distributed according to the proportional value of each TV market represented by the clubs taking part in the UEFA Champions League, and to be split among the number of teams – four, three, two or one – participating from a given association.

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• **Format:** The UEFA Champions League group stage draw in Monaco on 24 August saw the 32 teams divided into eight groups of four. Clubs from the same association could not be drawn into the same group. Each club plays one home and one away match against each other club in its group. Three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a defeat. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the group matches, the following criteria are applied to determine the rankings.

- a) higher number of points obtained in the group matches played among the teams in question;
- b) superior goal difference from the group matches played among the teams in question;
- c) higher number of goals scored away from home in the group matches played among the teams in question;
- d) superior goal difference from all group matches played;
- e) higher number of goals scored;
- f) higher number of coefficient points accumulated by the club in question as well as its association, over the previous five seasons.

The eight group-winners and eight runners-up of the group stage qualify for the first knockout round, to be played over two legs on 20 February and 7 March 2007. The clubs that finish this stage in third position in their group move into the round of 32 of the UEFA Cup. The clubs that finish this stage in fourth position in their group are eliminated from UEFA club competition for the season.

• **Deadlines:** UEFA Champions League matchday stats packs and match-by-match press kits are provided to media by uefa.com. For every matchday, a global stats pack is created and issued once matches from the previous matchday have been completed and the data verified. For every UEFA Champions League match, two press kits are issued in English: Sunday at 22:00CET with a match preview update on Monday at 22:00CET for Tuesday's matches. For Wednesday's matches, the press kit is issued on Monday at 22:00CET with the match preview update version published on Tuesday at 22:00CET. Multilingual versions of press kits, determined on a match-by-match basis, are also issued with similar deadlines.

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Legend

:: All-time statistics

The all-time record of the competing clubs in UEFA club competition.

UEFA club competitions: These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in UEFA club competitions defined as the European Champion Clubs' Cup, the UEFA Champions League, the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Super Cup (from the 1973 competition), the UEFA Intertoto Cup and the European/South American Cup. Matches in the Inter-Cities' Fairs Cup and the 1972 Super Cup are included only for information purposes as these competitions were not held under UEFA auspices.

Goals for/against: Goals totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (eg. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored from the penalty mark during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw.

:: Squad list

The eligible list of players ordered first by playing position and then numeric order.

Current season - UCLQ: Total UEFA Champions League appearances in qualifying rounds only.

Current season - UCL: Total UEFA Champions League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday.

All-time - UCL: Total appearances in the UEFA Champions League from the 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

All-time - UEFA: Total appearances in UEFA club competitions (as defined above) including all qualifying round matches. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

:: Bookings list

The current disciplinary situation in the competition.

*: Misses next match if booked

#: Suspended for at least one match

+: Provisionally suspended

R: Sent off (red card)

S: Suspended

Y: Booked (yellow card)

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

R*: Sent off (red card) in the UEFA Cup

S*: Suspended following cautions received in the UEFA Cup

Y*: Booked (yellow card) in the UEFA Cup

Y/R*: Sent off (yellow card then direct red) in the UEFA Cup

Note: The bookings list is destined for the press. It is given to the competing clubs for information purposes only and therefore has no legal value. In the event of any discrepancy, only the correspondence addressed directly to the clubs will be considered as the authoritative version.

:: Match officials

The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

UCL: Total matches officiated in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

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UEFA: Total matches officiated in UEFA club competitions including all qualifying round matches. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

:: Competitions

Club competitions

ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

UCUP: UEFA Cup • **UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

SCUP: UEFA Super Cup • **UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship • **U21:** UEFA European Under-21 Championship

WC: FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** FIFA Confederations Cup

FRIE: A International friendly matches • **U21 FRIE:** Under-21 international friendly matches

U19: UEFA European Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

U17: UEFA European Under-17 Championship • **U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship

RCUP: UEFA Regions' Cup • **MERI:** UEFA-CAF Meridian Cup

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

1/8: Eighth-finals

1/16: Sixteenth-finals

1st: First leg

2nd: Second leg

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:: Other abbreviations

AP: Appearances

Comp: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat: Nationality

N/a: Not applicable

No: Number

Pld: Matches played

Pos: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res: Result

W: Won

Y: Booked (yellow card)

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(+): Denotes player introduced

(*): Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted