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FC Zürich

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Previous meetings

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UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
25/10/2018	GS	FC Zürich - Bayer 04 Leverkusen	3-2	Zurich	Marchesano 44, Domgjoni 59, Odey 78; Bellarabi 50, 54

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
19/12/2007	GS	FC Zürich - Bayer 04 Leverkusen	0-5	Zurich	Greško 19, Bulykin 23, 57, Barnetta 50, Kiessling 80

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Bayer 04 Leverkusen	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	7	3
FC Zürich	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	3	7

Bayer 04 Leverkusen - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
28/09/2006	R1	Bayer 04 Leverkusen - FC Sion	3-1 agg: 3-1	Leverkusen	Voronin 62, Ramelow 76, Schneider 86 (P); Fernandes 75
14/09/2006	R1	FC Sion - Bayer 04 Leverkusen	0-0	Geneva	

FC Zürich - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
11/12/2014	GS	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach - FC Zürich	3-0	Monchengladbach	Herrmann 31, Hrgota 59, 64
02/10/2014	GS	FC Zürich - VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach	1-1	Zurich	Etoundi 23; Nordtveit 25

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
23/08/2011	PO	FC Zürich - FC Bayern München	0-1 agg: 0-3	Zurich	Gomez 7
17/08/2011	PO	FC Bayern München - FC Zürich	2-0	Munich	Schweinsteiger 8, Robben 72

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
21/02/2008	R3	Hamburger SV - FC Zürich	0-0 agg: 3-1	Hamburg	

UEFA Cup

14/02/2008	R3	FC Zürich - Hamburger SV	1-3	Zurich	Rochat 88; Jarolím 49, Olić 67, Trochowski 77
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European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
30/09/1981	R1	FC Zürich - Berliner FC Dynamo	3-1 agg: 3-3 ag	Zurich	Jerković 2, 22, 85; Ullrich 47
16/09/1981	R1	Berliner FC Dynamo - FC Zürich	2-0	Berlin	Schulz 53, Backs 59

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
03/10/1979	R1	1. FC Kaiserslautern - FC Zürich	5-1 agg: 8-2	Kaiserslautern	Melzer 15, 46, Kaminke 29, Wendt 54, Geye 85; Zappa 16
19/09/1979	R1	FC Zürich - 1. FC Kaiserslautern	1-3	Zurich	Zwicker 83; Neues 20 (P), Bongartz 82, Wolf 85

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
02/11/1977	R2	Eintracht Frankfurt - FC Zürich	4-3 agg: 7-3	Frankfurt am Main	Kraus 1, Grabowski 62, Stepanović 68, Krobbach 87; Risi 45 (P), 60, Torstensson 78
19/10/1977	R2	FC Zürich - Eintracht Frankfurt	0-3	Zurich	Hölzenbein 28, Wenzel 77, Grabowski 90

European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
16/03/1977	QF	1. FC Dynamo Dresden - FC Zürich	3-2 agg: 4-4 ag	Dresden	Schade 18 (P), Kreische 54, 63; Cucinotta 37, Risi 64
02/03/1977	QF	FC Zürich - 1. FC Dynamo Dresden	2-1	Zurich	Cucinotta 41, Risi 89; Kreische 77

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Bayer 04 Leverkusen	1	1	0	0	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	2	1	1	10	4
FC Zürich	9	3	1	5	7	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	16	3	2	11	17	39

Match background

The top two teams in UEFA Europa League Group A meet again at the BayArena two weeks after FC Zürich defeated Bayer Leverkusen 3-2 in Switzerland to maintain their perfect start with a third successive victory.

- A fourth win would ensure FCZ's qualification for the round of 32 as group winners, whereas a victory for Leverkusen would enable both teams to progress with two games to spare should the other Group A game between Ludogorets and AEK end in a draw.
- Before coming from 2-1 down to beat Leverkusen, the Swiss club posted two 1-0 wins – away to AEK Larnaca and at home to Ludogorets. The German club also claimed maximum points from their first two matches, 3-2 in Bulgaria and 4-2 at home to AEK.

Previous meetings

- There had been one previous meeting of the clubs prior to matchday three, Leverkusen winning 5-0 in Zurich in the final group game of the 2007/08 UEFA Cup. That remains the German club's joint biggest margin of victory in European competition as well as the Swiss side's heaviest home defeat.
- FCZ had never beaten a Bundesliga club until the win on 25 October. Although they had previously recorded two wins in 15 encounters with German opposition, both were against teams from the East German Oberliga – at home to Dynamo Dresden and Berliner FC Dynamo.
- Leverkusen were undefeated in three previous matches against Swiss opposition before that 3-2 loss on matchday three, their only other tie a 3-1 aggregate win over Sion in the first round of the 2006/07 UEFA Cup.

Form guide

Leverkusen

- Leverkusen booked direct access to the UEFA Europa League group stage by finishing fifth in last season's Bundesliga.
- This is the Rhinelanders' third UEFA Europa League group stage participation, the previous two, in 2010/11 and 2012/13, having both extended into the knockout phase, where they also competed in 2015/16 after transferring over from the UEFA Champions League. The club's two UEFA Cup group stage campaigns, in 2006/07 and 2007/08, were also successful, both ending in the quarter-finals.
- The Werkself have drawn five of their last eight European home games (W2 L1), the defeat coming against Atlético Madrid (2-4) in the 2016/17 UEFA Champions League round of 16. They are unbeaten at home in the UEFA Europa League group stage (W5 D2), conceding just three goals in the seven games, two of those to AEK on matchday two.

Zürich

- Zürich ensured a return to Europe after a year's absence by winning the Swiss Cup for the third time in five years – and tenth time in all – as they denied champions Young Boys the double with a 2-1 win in the Berne final.
- FCZ are in the UEFA Europa League group stage for the fourth time and have yet to progress to the knockout phase. They did, however, reach the round of 32 on their sole UEFA Cup group stage participation, despite that heavy home defeat to Leverkusen, in 2007/08.
- The Swiss club ended a run of seven winless European away fixtures (D2 L5) with their matchday one success in Cyprus (1-0). That is one of just two wins in FCZ's last 17 European away games (D4 L11) and the only one on their travels in ten UEFA Europa League group stage encounters.

Links and trivia

- Leverkusen defender Aleksandar Dragović was at Basel between 2011 and 2014, winning three Swiss Super League titles. He faced Zürich ten times, claiming a record of W6 D2 L2 and assisting three goals.
- A record 17 German clubs have participated in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final. With four participations, Leverkusen are now the Bundesliga's most frequent representative.
- Zürich are one of six clubs with maximum points from the opening three UEFA Europa League fixtures, the others being Salzburg (Group B), Dinamo Zagreb (D), Arsenal (E), Eintracht Frankfurt (H) and Chelsea (L).

The coaches

- A former German international striker, Heiko Herrlich began his professional playing career at Leverkusen, with whom he won the German Cup, before going on to star for Borussia Mönchengladbach and Borussia Dortmund, winning the UEFA Champions League with the latter in 1997. He took over as Leverkusen coach in June 2017 following spells with German youth selections and in lower-league football and led the Rhinelanders to a fifth-place Bundesliga finish in his debut campaign.
- A Swiss international left-back from 2000 to 2010 who won 62 caps for his country and appeared at four successive

major tournaments, Ludovic Magnin spent most of that time in Germany with Werder Bremen and Stuttgart, winning the Bundesliga with both, before ending his career back in his homeland with Zürich. It was with FCZ's youth teams that he made his first steps as a coach before graduating to the top job in February 2018 and steering the club to Swiss Cup glory three months later.

Team facts

Bayer 04 Leverkusen

Formed: 1904

Nickname: Werkself (Factory Team)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Champions League: (2002)
- UEFA Cup (1): 1988

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

German Cup: 1 (1993)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2017/18: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2016/17: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2015/16: round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

2014/15: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2013/14: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2012/13: round of 32

2011/12: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2010/11: round of 16

2009/10: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2008/09: did not take part in UEFA club competition

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

6-1: Leverkusen v Dinamo Tbilisi

13/08/97, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round first leg

5-0 twice, most recently v Baník Ostrava

11/08/04, UEFA Champions League third qualifying round first leg

- Biggest away win

1-6: Tervis Pärnu v Leverkusen

08/07/95, UEFA Intertoto Cup group stage

0-5: Zürich v Leverkusen

19/12/07, UEFA Cup group stage

- Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Leverkusen v Manchester United

27/11/13, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

7-1: Barcelona v Leverkusen

07/03/12, UEFA Champions League round of 16 second leg

UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup

- Biggest home win

5-0: Leverkusen v Kispest Honvéd

01/11/94, second round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-5: Zürich v Leverkusen (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

1-4: Leverkusen v Zenit

03/04/08, quarter-finals first leg

0-3: Leverkusen v Osasuna

05/04/07, quarter-finals first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

3-0 on three occasions, most recently v Parma

18/04/95, semi-finals second leg

FC Zürich

Formed: 1896

Nickname: Der Stadtclub (The City Club)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

• None

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 12 (2009)

Swiss Cup: 10 (2018)

Ten-year record (UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2017/18: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2016/17: group stage

2015/16: third qualifying round

2014/15: group stage

2013/14: third qualifying round

2012/13: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2011/12: group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League play-offs)

2010/11: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2009/10: UEFA Champions League group stage

2008/09: first round

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest home win

7-0: Zürich v Brotnjo

22/06/02, UEFA Intertoto Cup first round first leg

• Biggest away win

0-7: KA Akureyri v Zürich

22/09/70, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg

• Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Zürich v Bayer Leverkusen

19/12/07, UEFA Cup group stage

• Heaviest away defeat

6-0: Real Madrid v Zürich

07/05/64, European Champion Clubs' Cup semi-final second leg

UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup

• Biggest home win

4-0 twice, most recently v Anorthosis Famagusta

15/09/98, first round first leg

• Biggest away win

0-3: Sliema Wanderers v Zürich

12/08/99, qualifying round first leg

• Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Zürich v Bayer Leverkusen (see above)

• Heaviest away defeat

5-1: Kaiserslautern v Zürich

03/10/79, first round second leg

4-0: Benfica v Zürich

08/12/82, third round second leg

Squad list

Bayer 04 Leverkusen

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Lukas Hradecky	FIN	24/11/1989	28	-	3	-	8	-	3	-	11	-
24	Thorsten Kirschbaum	GER	20/04/1987	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Ramazan Özcan	AUT	28/06/1984	34	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-
Defenders													
3	Panagiotis Retsos	GRE	09/08/1998	20	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	12	-
4	Jonathan Tah	GER	11/02/1996	22	-	1	-	10	1	5	-	18	-
5	Sven Bender	GER	27/04/1989	29	-	2	-	8	-	16	-	47	-
6	Aleksandar Dragović	AUT	06/03/1991	27	-	3	-	6	1	38	1	76	2
16	Tin Jedvaj	CRO	28/11/1995	22	-	2	-	4	-	5	-	14	-
18	Wendell	BRA	20/07/1993	25	-	3	-	10	1	7	-	25	-
23	Mitchell Weiser	GER	21/04/1994	24	-	3	-	9	1	8	-	13	-
Midfielders													
7	Paulinho	BRA	15/07/2000	18	-	1	-	6	-	1	-	1	-
8	Lars Bender	GER	27/04/1989	29	*	3	-	8	1	18	-	48	1
10	Julian Brandt	GER	02/05/1996	22	-	3	1	10	1	7	1	31	2
15	Julian Baumgartlinger	AUT	02/01/1988	30	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	23	2
20	Charles Aránguiz	CHI	17/04/1989	29	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	8	-
21	Dominik Kohr	GER	31/01/1994	24	*	3	-	8	-	11	-	13	-
29	Kai Havertz	GER	11/06/1999	19	-	3	3	10	3	3	3	6	3
30	Sam Schreck	GER	29/01/1999	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Karim Bellarabi	GER	08/04/1990	28	-	2	2	5	3	8	6	30	10
Forwards													
9	Leon Bailey	JAM	09/08/1997	21	-	3	-	10	1	9	4	17	7
11	Isaac Kiese Thelin	SWE	24/06/1992	26	-	2	1	6	-	9	2	25	5
13	Lucas Alario	ITA	08/10/1992	26	-	2	2	7	-	2	2	2	2
17	Joel Pohjanpalo	FIN	13/09/1994	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	3
31	Kevin Volland	GER	30/07/1992	26	-	3	-	10	3	3	-	9	1
Coach													
-	Heiko Herrlich	GER	03/12/1971	46	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3	-

FC Zürich

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Andris Vaņins	LVA	30/04/1980	38	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	35	-
16	Novem Baumann	SUI	04/12/1995	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	Yanick Brecher	SUI	25/05/1993	25	-	3	-	13	-	3	-	5	-
38	Calvin Heim	SUI	18/09/2000	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders													
3	Andreas Maxsø	DEN	18/03/1994	24	-	3	-	7	-	3	-	3	-
4	Becir Omeragic	SUI	20/01/2002	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	Victor Pálsson	ISL	30/04/1991	27	-	2	1	10	-	2	1	2	1
12	Hakim Guenouche	FRA	30/05/2000	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	Alain Nef	SUI	06/02/1982	36	-	3	-	9	-	28	-	48	-
17	Umaru Bangura	SLE	07/10/1987	31	-	3	-	6	-	14	-	25	-
18	Pa Modou	GAM	26/12/1989	28	-	2	-	13	1	8	-	8	-
22	Kevin Rüegg	SUI	05/08/1998	20	-	3	-	12	-	3	-	3	-
31	Mirlind Kryeziu	SUI	26/01/1997	21	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-
34	Ilan Sauter	SUI	06/02/2001	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders													
7	Adrian Winter	SUI	08/07/1986	32	-	2	-	12	3	8	-	12	1
10	Antonio Marchesano	SUI	18/01/1991	27	-	2	1	10	1	4	1	4	1
14	Toni Domgjoni	SUI	04/09/1998	20	-	2	1	13	1	2	1	2	1
19	Yassin Maouche	FRA	23/07/1997	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	Maren Haile-Selassie	SUI	13/03/1999	19	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
21	Izer Aliu	SUI	15/11/1999	18	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
23	Fabian Rohner	SUI	17/08/1998	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	Marco Schönbächler	SUI	11/01/1990	28	-	1	-	4	1	19	2	27	2
29	Sangoné Sarr	SEN	07/07/1992	26	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	7	-
32	Bledian Krasniqi	SUI	17/06/2001	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	Simon Sohm	SUI	11/04/2001	17	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
68	Roberto Rodriguez	SUI	28/07/1990	28	*	2	-	6	1	14	1	16	2
70	Benjamin Kololli	KOS	15/05/1992	26	-	3	1	12	5	3	1	3	1
71	Hekuran Kryeziu	KOS	12/02/1993	25	-	3	-	12	-	3	-	8	-
77	Lavdrim Rexhepi	SUI	12/02/1998	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
94	Salim Khelifi	SUI	26/01/1994	24	-	2	-	9	1	2	-	2	-
Forwards													
15	Stephen Pius Odey	NGA	15/01/1998	20	-	3	1	12	5	3	1	3	1
99	Assan Ceesay	GAM	17/03/1994	24	-	2	-	6	1	2	-	2	-
Coach													
-	Ludovic Magnin	SUI	20/04/1979	39	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3	-

Fixtures and results

Bayer 04 Leverkusen

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result		Goalscorers
18/08/2018	Cup	1. CfR Pforzheim (A)	W	1-0	Alario 27 (P)
25/08/2018	League	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (A)	L	0-2	
01/09/2018	League	VfL Wolfsburg (H)	L	1-3	Bailey 24
15/09/2018	League	FC Bayern München (A)	L	1-3	Wendell 5 (P)
20/09/2018	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (A)	W	3-2	Havertz 38, 69, Kiese Thelin 63
23/09/2018	League	1. FSV Mainz 05 (H)	W	1-0	Havertz 62
26/09/2018	League	Fortuna Düsseldorf (A)	W	2-1	Volland 50, 60
29/09/2018	League	Borussia Dortmund (H)	L	2-4	Weiser 9, Tah 39
04/10/2018	UEL	AEK Larnaca FC (H)	W	4-2	Havertz 44, Alario 49, 88, Brandt 90+2
07/10/2018	League	SC Freiburg (A)	D	0-0	
20/10/2018	League	Hannover 96 (H)	D	2-2	L. Bender 34, Bellarabi 90+4
25/10/2018	UEL	FC Zürich (A)	L	2-3	Bellarabi 50, 54
28/10/2018	League	SV Werder Bremen (A)	W	6-2	Volland 8, Brandt 38, Bellarabi 45, Havertz 67, 77, Dragović 72
31/10/2018	Cup	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (A)	W	5-0	Brandt 5, Jedvaj 45+1, Bellarabi 67, 74, Volland 80
03/11/2018	League	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (H)	L	1-4	Bellarabi 30
08/11/2018	UEL	FC Zürich (H)			
11/11/2018	League	RB Leipzig (A)			
23/11/2018	League	VfB Stuttgart (H)			
29/11/2018	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (H)			
03/12/2018	League	1. FC Nürnberg (A)			
08/12/2018	League	FC Augsburg (H)			
13/12/2018	UEL	AEK Larnaca FC (A)			
15/12/2018	League	Eintracht Frankfurt (A)			
19/12/2018	League	FC Schalke 04 (A)			
22/12/2018	League	Hertha BSC Berlin (H)			
19/01/2019	League	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (H)			
26/01/2019	League	VfL Wolfsburg (A)			
02/02/2019	League	FC Bayern München (H)			
09/02/2019	League	1. FSV Mainz 05 (A)			
16/02/2019	League	Fortuna Düsseldorf (H)			
23/02/2019	League	Borussia Dortmund (A)			
02/03/2019	League	SC Freiburg (H)			
09/03/2019	League	Hannover 96 (A)			
16/03/2019	League	SV Werder Bremen (H)			
30/03/2019	League	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (A)			
06/04/2019	League	RB Leipzig (H)			
13/04/2019	League	VfB Stuttgart (A)			
20/04/2019	League	1. FC Nürnberg (H)			
27/04/2019	League	FC Augsburg (A)			

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04/05/2019	League	Eintracht Frankfurt (H)		
11/05/2019	League	FC Schalke 04 (H)		
18/05/2019	League	Hertha BSC Berlin (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Borussia Dortmund	10	7	3	0	30	10	24
2	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach	10	6	2	2	23	12	20
3	FC Bayern München	10	6	2	2	18	11	20
4	RB Leipzig	10	5	4	1	19	9	19
5	Eintracht Frankfurt	10	5	2	3	23	13	17
6	SV Werder Bremen	10	5	2	3	18	16	17
7	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim	10	5	1	4	22	14	16
8	Hertha BSC Berlin	10	4	4	2	15	13	16
9	FC Augsburg	10	3	4	3	18	16	13
10	SC Freiburg	10	3	4	3	14	16	13
11	VfL Wolfsburg	10	3	3	4	14	15	12
12	1. FSV Mainz 05	10	3	3	4	7	11	12
13	Bayer 04 Leverkusen	10	3	2	5	16	21	11
14	FC Schalke 04	10	3	1	6	8	12	10
15	1. FC Nürnberg	10	2	4	4	11	22	10
16	Hannover 96	10	1	3	6	12	21	6
17	Fortuna Düsseldorf	10	1	2	7	6	24	5
17	VfB Stuttgart	10	1	2	7	6	24	5

FC Zürich

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
22/07/2018	League	FC Thun (H)	W 2-1	Schönbächler 16, Winter 62
28/07/2018	League	Grasshopper Club Zürich (A)	W 2-0	Winter 47, Odey 62
05/08/2018	League	BSC Young Boys (A)	L 0-4	
12/08/2018	League	FC St Gallen (H)	D 0-0	
18/08/2018	Cup	FC Concordia Basel (A)	W 6-0	Pa Modou 14, Odey 28, 63, Marchesano 33, 88, Kololli 36
26/08/2018	League	FC Basel 1893 (H)	D 1-1	Pa Modou 76
01/09/2018	League	FC Lugano (A)	L 0-1	
15/09/2018	Cup	FC Breitenrain (A)	W 4-2	Odey 4, Kololli 23, Nef 40, Rodriguez 90+3
20/09/2018	UEL	AEK Larnaca FC (A)	W 1-0	Kololli 61 (P)
23/09/2018	League	FC Luzern (H)	W 1-0	Odey 55
27/09/2018	League	FC Sion (A)	W 2-1	Khelifi 38, Ceesay 90+1
30/09/2018	League	Neuchâtel Xamax FC (H)	D 0-0	
04/10/2018	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (H)	W 1-0	Pálsson 84
07/10/2018	League	FC Thun (A)	D 2-2	Kololli 29, 57
20/10/2018	League	BSC Young Boys (H)	D 3-3	Odey 7, Kololli 10 (P), Rodriguez 58 (P)
25/10/2018	UEL	Bayer 04 Leverkusen (H)	W 3-2	Marchesano 44, Domgjoni 59, Odey 78
28/10/2018	League	FC St Gallen (A)	L 2-3	Kololli 68, Odey 90+4
31/10/2018	Cup	FC Red Star Zurich (A)	W 3-2	Khelifi 2, Ceesay 5, 27

FC Zürich

04/11/2018	League	FC Luzern (A)	W	5-2	Domgjoni 5, Odey 27, Kololli 70, Marchesano 73, Winter 90+1
08/11/2018	UEL	Bayer 04 Leverkusen (A)			
11/11/2018	League	FC Sion (H)			
24/11/2018	League	Neuchâtel Xamax FC (A)			
29/11/2018	UEL	AEK Larnaca FC (H)			
02/12/2018	League	Grasshopper Club Zürich (H)			
09/12/2018	League	FC Basel 1893 (A)			
13/12/2018	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (A)			
16/12/2018	League	FC Lugano (H)			
02/02/2019	League	FC St Gallen (A)			
09/02/2019	League	Grasshopper Club Zürich (H)			
16/02/2019	League	BSC Young Boys (A)			
23/02/2019	League	FC Luzern (H)			
27/02/2019	Cup	SC Kriens (H)			
02/03/2019	League	FC Lugano (H)			
09/03/2019	League	FC Thun (A)			
16/03/2019	League	Neuchâtel Xamax FC (H)			
30/03/2019	League	FC Sion (A)			
03/04/2019	League	FC Basel 1893 (H)			
06/04/2019	League	Grasshopper Club Zürich (A)			
13/04/2019	League	BSC Young Boys (H)			
20/04/2019	League	FC Lugano (A)			
27/04/2019	League	FC Sion (H)			
04/05/2019	League	FC Basel 1893 (A)			
11/05/2019	League	Neuchâtel Xamax FC (A)			
15/05/2019	League	FC Thun (H)			
22/05/2019	League	FC Luzern (A)			
25/05/2019	League	FC St Gallen (H)			

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	BSC Young Boys	13	11	1	1	43	14	34
2	FC Basel 1893	13	6	5	2	26	24	23
3	FC Zürich	13	5	5	3	20	18	20
4	FC St Gallen	13	6	2	5	20	23	20
5	FC Thun	13	5	4	4	26	20	19
6	FC Lugano	13	4	4	5	21	23	16
7	FC Luzern	13	5	0	8	19	26	15
8	FC Sion	13	3	2	8	19	24	11
9	Neuchâtel Xamax FC	13	2	5	6	16	27	11
10	Grasshopper Club Zürich	13	3	2	8	14	25	11

Match-by-match lineups

Bayer 04 Leverkusen

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Group A

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FC Zürich	3	3	0	0	5	2	9
Bayer 04 Leverkusen	3	2	0	1	9	7	6
AEK Larnaca FC	3	0	1	2	3	6	1
PFC Ludogorets 1945	3	0	1	2	3	5	1

Matchday 1 (20/09/2018)

PFC Ludogorets 1945 2-3 Bayer 04 Leverkusen

Goals: 1-0 Keşerü 8, 2-0 Marcelinho 31, 2-1 Havertz 38, 2-2 Kiese Thelin 63, 2-3 Havertz 69

Bayer 04 Leverkusen: Hradecky, Tah, Dragović, Paulinho (46 Volland), L. Bender (72 Bailey), Brandt, Kiese Thelin (91 Alario), Wendell, Kohr, Weiser, Havertz

Matchday 2 (04/10/2018)

Bayer 04 Leverkusen 4-2 AEK Larnaca FC

Goals: 0-1 Tričkovski 25, 1-1 Havertz 44, 2-1 Alario 49, 3-1 Alario 88, 3-2 Raspas 90+1, 4-2 Brandt 90+2

Bayer 04 Leverkusen: Hradecky, S. Bender, Dragović, L. Bender, Bailey (46 Alario), Wendell, Kohr (83 Jedvaj), Weiser, Havertz (70 Brandt), Volland, Bellarabi

Matchday 3 (25/10/2018)

FC Zürich 3-2 Bayer 04 Leverkusen

Goals: 1-0 Marchesano 44, 1-1 Bellarabi 50, 1-2 Bellarabi 54, 2-2 Domgjoni 59, 3-2 Odey 78

Bayer 04 Leverkusen: Hradecky, S. Bender, Dragović (47 Weiser), L. Bender, Bailey (79 Brandt), Kiese Thelin (47 Volland), Jedvaj, Wendell, Kohr, Havertz, Bellarabi

Matchday 4 (08/11/2018)

Bayer 04 Leverkusen-FC Zürich

Matchday 5 (29/11/2018)

Bayer 04 Leverkusen-PFC Ludogorets 1945

Matchday 6 (13/12/2018)

AEK Larnaca FC-Bayer 04 Leverkusen

FC Zürich

UEFA Europa League - Group stage

Matchday 1 (20/09/2018)

AEK Larnaca FC 0-1 FC Zürich

Goals: 0-1 Kololli 61 (P)

FC Zürich: Brecher, Maxsø, Pálsson, Marchesano (86 Nef), Odey (75 Ceesay), Bangura, Pa Modou, Rüegg, Kololli, Kryeziu, Khelifi (92 Winter)

Matchday 2 (04/10/2018)

FC Zürich 1-0 PFC Ludogorets 1945

Goals: 1-0 Pálsson 84

FC Zürich: Brecher, Maxsø, Pálsson, Nef, Domgjoni, Odey (82 Ceesay), Bangura, Rüegg, Schönbächler (70 Rodriguez), Kololli, Kryeziu

Matchday 3 (25/10/2018)

FC Zürich 3-2 Bayer 04 Leverkusen

Goals: 1-0 Marchesano 44, 1-1 Bellarabi 50, 1-2 Bellarabi 54, 2-2 Domgjoni 59, 3-2 Odey 78

FC Zürich: Brecher, Maxsø, Winter (58 Khelifi), Marchesano (90 Nef), Domgjoni, Odey, Bangura, Pa Modou, Rüegg, Kololli (79 Rodriguez), Kryeziu

Matchday 4 (08/11/2018)

Bayer 04 Leverkusen-FC Zürich

Matchday 5 (29/11/2018)

FC Zürich-AEK Larnaca FC

Matchday 6 (13/12/2018)

PFC Ludogorets 1945-FC Zürich

Match officials

Referee	Pawel Gil (POL)
Assistant referees	Konrad Sapela (POL) , Marcin Borkowski (POL)
Additional assistant referees	Krzysztof Jakubik (POL) , Piotr Lasyk (POL)
Fourth official	Adam Kupsik (POL)
UEFA Delegate	Joël Wolff (LUX)
UEFA Referee observer	Gerard Perry (IRL)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Europa League matches	UEFA matches
Pawel Gil	28/06/1976	37	66

Pawel Gil

Referee since: 1995
First division: 2005
FIFA badge: 2009

Tournaments: 2013 UEFA European Under-21 Championship, 2011 UEFA European Under-19 Championship, 2009 UEFA European Under-17 Championship

Finals
N/A

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
18/08/2011	UEL	PO	SC Braga	BSC Young Boys	0-0	Braga
20/10/2011	UEL	GS	FC Zürich	SS Lazio	1-1	Zurich
14/03/2013	UEL	R16	FC Zenit	FC Basel 1893	1-0	St Petersburg
19/09/2013	UEL	GS	FC St Gallen	FC Kuban Krasnodar	2-0	St Gallen
28/11/2013	UEL	GS	SK Rapid Wien	FC Thun	2-1	Vienna
04/08/2016	UEL	3QR	Brøndby IF	Hertha BSC Berlin	3-1	Brondby
09/08/2018	UEL	3QR	RB Leipzig	U Craiova 1948 Club Sportiv	3-1	Leipzig

Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
09/05/2009	U17	GS-FT	Germany	England	4-0	Jena
17/09/2010	U17	QR	Switzerland	Luxembourg	1-0	Junglinster
22/09/2010	U17	QR	Scotland	Switzerland	0-0	Junglinster
18/08/2011	UEL	PO	SC Braga	BSC Young Boys	0-0	Braga
20/10/2011	UEL	GS	FC Zürich	SS Lazio	1-1	Zurich
14/03/2013	UEL	R16	FC Zenit	FC Basel 1893	1-0	St Petersburg
09/06/2013	U21	GS-FT	Germany	Spain	0-1	Netanya
19/09/2013	UEL	GS	FC St Gallen	FC Kuban Krasnodar	2-0	St Gallen

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
28/11/2013	UEL	GS	SK Rapid Wien	FC Thun	2-1	Vienna
04/08/2016	UEL	3QR	Brøndby IF	Hertha BSC Berlin	3-1	Brøndby
02/08/2017	UCL	3QR	BSC Young Boys	FC Dynamo Kyiv	2-0	Berne
09/08/2018	UEL	3QR	RB Leipzig	U Craiova 1948 Club Sportiv	3-1	Leipzig

Legend

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup
UEL: UEFA Europa League
UCUP: UEFA Cup
UCWC: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup
SCUP: UEFA Super Cup
UIC: UEFA Intertoto Cup
ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship
WC: FIFA World Cup
CONFCUP: FIFA Confederations Cup
FRIE: Friendly internationals
U21FRIE: Under-21 friendly internationals
U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship
U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship
U16: UEFA European Under-16 Championship
U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship
U18: UEFA European Under-18 Championship
WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup
WEURO: UEFA European Women's Championship

Competition stages

F: Final	GS: Group stage	(aet): After extra time	pens: Penalties
GS1: First group stage	GS2: Second group stage	No.: Number	og: Own goal
3QR: Third qualifying round	R1: First round	ag: Match decided on away goals	P: Penalty
R2: Second round	R3: Third round	Pld: Matches played	agg: Aggregate
R4: Fourth round	PR: Preliminary round	Pos.: Position	AP: Appearances
SF: Semi-finals	QF: Quarter-finals	Pts: Points	Comp.: Competition
R16: round of 16	QR: Qualifying round	R: Sent off (straight red card)	D: Drawn
R32: Round of 32	1QR: First qualifying round	Res.: Result	DoB: Date of birth
1st: first leg	2QR: Second qualifying round	sg: Match decided by silver goal	ET: Extra Time
2nd: second leg	FT: Final tournament	GF: Goals for	GA: Goals against
PO: Play-off	ELITE: Elite round	gg: Match decided by golden goal	t: Match decided by toss of a coin
Rep: Replay	3rdPO: Third-place play-off	Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)	W: Won
PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament	GS-FT: Group stage – final tournament	f: Match forfeited	Y: Booked
			L: Lost
			Nat.: Nationality
			N/A: Not applicable

Statistics

-: Denotes player substituted
*****: Denotes player sent off

+: Denotes player introduced
+/-: Denotes player introduced and substituted

Squad list

D: Disciplinary

*****: Misses next match if booked

S: Suspended

QUAL: All UEFA qualifiers

UEL: Current season total UEFA Europa League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday

UEL: Total appearances in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final only

UEFA: All-time total appearances in UEFA club competition including qualifying

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