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VELUX EHF Champions League
Season 2019/20

MATCH *OF THE* *WEEK*

Group B, Round 11
Montpellier HB (FRA)
VS
PGE VIVE Kielce (POL)

Palais des Sports René Bougnol (Montpellier, FRA)
Saturday 8 February, 17:15 CET



Montpellier HB (FRA) vs PGE VIVE Kielce (POL)

Group B



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Playing hall

Palais des Sports René Bognol
1000 Av. du Val Montferrand
34090 Montpellier, FRA
Capacity: 2,900

Round 11



Most games vs PGE VIVE Kielce:

Michael Guigou	7
Diego Simonet	7
Jure Dolenc	6
Ludovic Fabregas	6
Jean Loup Faustini	6
Vincent Gerard	6

Most goals vs PGE VIVE Kielce:

Diego Simonet	36
Jure Dolenc	24
Mathieu Grebille	19
Ludovic Fabregas	17
Valentin Porte	16

- Both sides have won the VELUX EHF FINAL4 once: Montpellier HB in 2018 after beating Nantes; PGE VIVE Kielce in 2016 by edging Veszprém in the first ever penalty shoot-out in a CL final.
- Kielce have been to the season-ending event in Cologne four times (2013, 2015, 2016, 2019), Montpellier only once (2018).
- Montpellier and Kielce have met nine times in the CL since March 2015, with the French side winning five matches (including their most recent duel in October) and the Polish side four.
- However, Montpellier have won only one of their four CL home games against Kielce so far.
- Kielce's Spanish line player Julen Aguinagalde has been part of all nine matches against Montpellier, scoring 36 goals in total.
- Montpellier's Argentine centre back Diego Simonet also scored 36 times for his club against Kielce, in seven matches.
- 12 Kielce players from seven nations (4 ESP, 2 BLR, 2 POL, 1 MNE, SLO, GER and CRO) played at EHF EURO 2020, and five Montpellier players from three nations (3 FRA, 1 SUI and CRO).
- Kielce's Spanish quartet (Dujšebaev brothers Alex and Daniel, Angel Fernandez and Julen Aguinagalde) won gold at EHF EURO 2020, and Igor Karacic won silver with Croatia.

Most games vs Montpellier HB:

Julen Aguinagalde	9
Mateusz Jachlewski	8
Michał Jurecki	8
Krzysztof Lijewski	7
Karol Bielecki	6
Manuel Strlek	6
Sławomir Szmal	6
Uros Zorman	6

Most goals vs Montpellier HB:

Julen Aguinagalde	36
Karol Bielecki	29
Michał Jurecki	27
Krzysztof Lijewski	24
Denis Buntic	15
Blaz Janc	15

Domestic league

Lidl Starligue

Last 3 games:

05/02 @ US Ivry Handball	L30:25
19/12 vs HBC Nantes	L28:29
11/12 @ Fenix Toulouse	W25:33

Next game:

12/02 vs Istres Provence Handball

Standings as of 06/02:

1. PSG Handball	13	455:358	26
2. HBC Nantes	14	425:376	22
3. USAM Nîmes	14	424:382	20
4. Montpellier HB	14	401:378	18
5. Fenix Toulouse	13	376:362	18
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14. US Créteil HB	14	365:410	5

- Another Kielce player, Slovenian right wing Blaz Janc, reached the semi-final and was part of the All-star Team, alongside Karacic.
- The MOTW will see Igor Karacic face his Croatian national teammate and goalkeeper, Marin Sego.
- Montpellier welcomed back their own continental champion in January: centre back Diego Simonet steered Argentina to their first South and Central American championship.
- In 2018 Simonet became the first, and so far only, non-European MVP of the VELUX EHF FINAL4.
- Montpellier coach Patrice Canayer has recently extended his contract for four more seasons, until 2024. Then he will have been in charge of the French team for 30 straight years.
- Canayer led Montpellier to their first CL title in 2003, while Kielce coach Talant Dujšebaev won the CL three times with Ciudad Real (2006, 2008, 2009) and once with Kielce (2016).
- Dujšebaev and Alfred Gislason (with Magdeburg in 2002 and with Kiel in 2010 and 2012) are the only coaches who have won the CL with two different clubs.
- Montpellier's squad includes players from 10 different nations (FRA, POR, ARG, GEO, ITA, TUN, CRO, SWE, SUI, LTU) while Kielce have nine (POL, ESP, CRO, SLO, TUR, GER, BLR, FRA, MNE).
- Montpellier's best scorer this CL season is Valentin Porte with 42 goals, while Blaz Janc leads with 49 goals for Kielce.

Domestic league

PGNiG Superliga

Last 3 games:

04/02 vs Orlen Wisla Plock	W29:20
01/02 @ MKS Kalisz	W22:42
29/01 @ SPR Tarnow	W19:33

Next game:

11/02 @ GKS Wybrzeze Gdansk

Standings as of 06/02:

1. PGE VIVE Kielce	20	723:476	57
2. Wisla Plock	20	583:437	57
3. Górnik Zabrze	19	540:473	45
4. Azoty-Pulawy	19	562:503	37
5. Gwardia Opole	20	534:549	31
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14. SPR Tarnow	19	458:580	11

Previous matches in European Cup competitions

Montpellier HB vs PGE VIVE Kielce 5-0-4 (252:259) 10:8

15.03.2015	Montpellier Agglomeration HB vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	25:29 (13:16)
21.03.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs Montpellier Agglomeration HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	31:33 (14:15)
26.09.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs Montpellier HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	30:23 (12:11)
28.02.2016	Montpellier HB vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	27:32 (16:17)
26.03.2017	Montpellier HB vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	33:28 (14:16)
02.04.2017	KS Vive Tauron Kielce vs Montpellier HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16	26:28 (15:11)
30.09.2018	Montpellier HB vs PGE Vive Kielce, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	26:29 (14:16)
16.02.2019	PGE Vive Kielce vs Montpellier HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	27:28 (11:14)
12.10.2019	PGE VIVE Kielce vs Montpellier HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	27:29 (12:14)

Most goals in one game for Montpellier HB vs PGE VIVE Kielce

Diego Simonet	11	21.03.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce-Montpellier Agglomeration HB	31:33
Vid Kavtichnik	8	15.03.2015	Montpellier Agglomeration HB-KS Vive Tauron Kielce	25:29
Issam Tej	8	21.03.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce-Montpellier Agglomeration HB	31:33
Jure Dolenc	8	26.03.2017	Montpellier HB-KS Vive Tauron Kielce	33:28
Diego Simonet	8	26.03.2017	Montpellier HB-KS Vive Tauron Kielce	33:28

Most goals in one game for PGE VIVE Kielce vs Montpellier HB

Alex Dujšhebaev	10	30.09.2018	Montpellier HB-PGE Vive Kielce	26:29
Denis Buntic	7	21.03.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce-Montpellier Agglomeration HB	31:33
Karol Bielecki	7	26.09.2015	KS Vive Tauron Kielce-Montpellier HB	30:23
Ivan Cupic	7	28.02.2016	Montpellier HB-KS Vive Tauron Kielce	27:32
Michal Jurecki	7	02.04.2017	KS Vive Tauron Kielce-Montpellier HB	26:28
Blaz Janc	7	12.10.2019	PGE VIVE Kielce-Montpellier HB	27:29

Details of last Montpellier HB vs PGE VIVE Kielce match on 12.10.2019 in Kielce (POL)

PGE VIVE Kielce vs Montpellier HB 27:29 (12:14)

(VELUX EHF Champions League, Group B)

Referees: Matija Gubica/Boris Milosevic (Croatia).

Suspensions: 6' – 6' (Pehlivan 2', Lijewski 2', Fernandez Perez 2' – Porte 4', Soussi 2').

Number of 7m: 8/4 – 3/2.

Attendance: 4,199.



Mateusz Kornecki
Andreas Wolff

Igor Karacic	(1)	
Alex Dujšhebaev	(1)	(6)
Doruk Pehlivan		(4)
Julen Aguinagalde	(6)	(2)
Blaz Janc	(7)	
Krzysztof Lijewski	(2)	(3)
Mariusz Jurkiewicz		
Uladzislau Kulesh	(5)	(1)
Arkadiusz Moryto	(2)	(4)
Angel Fernandez	(1)	(2)
Artsem Karalek	(2)	(1)
Romarc Guillo		(6)

Marin Segó

Kevin Bonnefoi
Nikola Portner

Kyllian Villeminot
Hugo Descat
Mathieu Grebille
Giorgi Tskhovrebadze
Julien Bos
Marco Mengon
Fredric Pettersson
Valentin Porte
Yanis Lenne
Benjamin Afgour
Mohamed Soussi



Montpellier HB vs Polish clubs 8-0-5

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2000/01	Wybrzeze Gdansk	25:23	24:20	EHF Champions League – Group B
2013/14	Orlen Wisla Plock	29:27	23:28	VELUX EHF Champions League – Wildcard qualification
2014/15	KS Vive Tauron Kielce	25:29	33:31	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2015/16	KS Vive Tauron Kielce	27:32	23:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2016/17	KS Vive Tauron Kielce	33:28	28:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2018/19	PGE Vive Kielce	26:29	28:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2019/20	PGE VIVE Kielce		29:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

PGE VIVE Kielce vs French clubs 16-0-14

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2005/06	US Creteil Handball	21:35	34:26	EHF Cup – Quarter-final
2007/08	Chambery Savoie HB	32:28	22:42	EHF Cup – Last 16
2009/10	Chambery Savoie HB	31:22	31:24	EHF Champions League – Group B
2010/11	Chambery Savoie HB	31:25	26:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2012/13	Chambery Savoie Handball	36:32	36:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C
2013/14	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral	33:23	25:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2014/15	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral	36:32	28:25	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2014/15	Montpellier Agglomeration HB	31:33	29:25	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2015/16	Montpellier HB	30:23	32:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2015/16	Paris Saint-Germain Handball		28:26	VELUX EHF FINAL4 – Semi-final
2016/17	Montpellier HB	26:28	28:33	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2017/18	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	29:30	28:33	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2017/18	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	28:34	32:35	VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2018/19	Montpellier HB	27:28	29:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2018/19	Paris Saint-Germain HB	34:24	26:35	VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2019/20	Montpellier HB	27:29		VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

Last 10 games in the VELUX EHF Champions League



Montpellier HB: current run – lost two

30.11.2019	Kiel GER	@ THW Kiel GER	L 33:32
23.11.2019	Montpellier FRA	vs FC Porto Sofarma POR	L 22:27
17.11.2019	Montpellier FRA	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 34:30
10.11.2019	Zaporozhye UKR	@ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 25:26
02.11.2019	Porto POR	@ FC Porto Sofarma POR	D 23:23
19.10.2019	Pérols FRA	vs THW Kiel GER	L 30:33
12.10.2019	Kielce POL	@ PGE VIVE Kielce POL	W 27:29
29.09.2019	Montpellier FRA	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 23:18
21.09.2019	Brest BLR	@ HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 25:27
14.09.2019	Montpellier FRA	vs HC Vardar MKD	L 31:33



PGE VIVE Kielce: current run – won one

30.11.2019	Kielce POL	vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 30:24
23.11.2019	Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 28:24
16.11.2019	Kielce POL	vs HC Vardar MKD	W 35:25
09.11.2019	Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar MKD	D 28:28
02.11.2019	Kielce POL	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 34:33
19.10.2019	Brest BLR	@ HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 27:31
12.10.2019	Kielce POL	vs Montpellier HB FRA	L 27:29
28.09.2019	Porto POR	@ FC Porto Sofarma POR	L 33:30
22.09.2019	Kielce POL	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 33:26
15.09.2019	Kiel GER	@ THW Kiel GER	D 30:30

Montpellier HB players' career statistics against PGE VIVE Kielce



Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Charles Bolzinger	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kevin Bonnefoi	FRA	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nikola Portner	SUI	7	4	0	3	0	0,00	0	0
Marin Sego	CRO	4	1	0	3	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Benjamin Afgour	FRA	6	3	0	3	6	1,00	3	12'
Julien Bos	FRA	4	3	0	1	3	0,75	3	0
Hugo Descat	FRA	1	1	0	0	4	4,00	4	0
Gilberto Duarte	POR	5	2	0	3	25	5,00	9 (2)	2'
Mathieu Grebille	FRA	5	4	0	1	19	3,80	6	0
Paul-Louis Guiraudou	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Yanis Lenne	FRA	1	1	0	0	2	2,00	2	0
Marco Mengon	ITA	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Simone Mengon	ITA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Fredric Pettersson	SWE	5	2	1	2	11	2,20	5	4'
Valentin Porte	FRA	5	4	0	1	16	3,20	4 (3)	6'
Melvyn Richardson	FRA	2	1	0	1	12	6,00	6 (2)	2'
Diego Simonet	ARG	7	4	0	3	36	5,14	11	2'
Mohamed Soussi	TUN	2	1	0	1	11	5,50	6	2'
Jonas Truchanovicus	LTU	3	3	0	0	6	2,00	3 (2)	8'
Giorgi Tskhovrebadze	GEO	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kyllian Villemint	FRA	2	1	0	1	10	5,00	6	0
Elio Zammit	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Benjamin Afgour (Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral 2013/14, Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral 2014/15); Gilberto Duarte (FC Porto/Vitalis 2009/10, FC Porto Vitalis 2013/14, Barça Lassa 2018/19); Yanis Lenne (Barça Lassa 2018/19 – DNP); Fredric Pettersson (IFK Kristianstad 2015/16); Nikola Portner (Kadetten Schaffhausen 2014/15); Marin Sego (Orlen Wisla Plock 2013/14, MOL-Pick Szeged 2016/17)

SELECT to present 'Player of the Match' trophy

The Match of the Week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing GmbH in 2017, is being awarded at all MOTWs in the VELUX EHF Champions League 2019/20 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match by alternating sponsors throughout the season. In round 11 the sponsor is SELECT and the trophy will be handed over to the awardee on behalf of SELECT by Ali Azougagh, president of Juvignac Handball Club.

Awarded players in the 2019/20 season:

- Round 1: Nikola Bilyk (THW Kiel)
- Round 2: Harald Reinkind (THW Kiel)
- Round 3: Rodrigo Corrales (PSG Handball)
- Round 4: Bence Banhidi (MOL-Pick Szeged)
- Round 5: Lukas Nilsson (THW Kiel)
- Round 6: Gilberto Duarte (Montpellier HB)
- Round 7: Vladimir Cupara (Telekom Veszprém HC)
- Round 8: Andreas Wolff (PGE VIVE Kielce)
- Round 9: Aleix Gómez (Barça)
- Round 10: Aron Palmarsson (Barça)



PGE VIVE Kielce players' career statistics against Montpellier HB



Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Mateusz Kornecki	POL	1	0	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Milosz Walach	POL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Andreas Wolff	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Julen Aguinagalde	ESP	11	5	1	5	39	3,55	6 (2)	8'
Daniel Dujšhebaev	ESP	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	2'
Alex Dujšhebaev	ESP	6	4	1	1	24	4,00	10	0
Angel Fernandez	ESP	5	2	0	3	18	3,60	7	2'
Tomasz Gebala	POL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Romarc Guillo	FRA	2	0	0	2	0	0,00	0	0
Mateusz Jachlewski	POL	8	4	0	4	14	1,75	4	4'
Blaz Janc	SLO	5	1	0	4	29	5,80	8	0
Mariusz Jurkiewicz	POL	4	1	0	3	3	0,75	2	2'
Igor Karacic	CRO	8	5	1	2	27	3,38	7	4'
Artsem Karalek	BLR	3	1	0	2	7	2,33	3	0
Uladzislau Kulesh	BLR	2	0	0	2	6	3,00	5	0
Krzysztof Lijewski	POL	7	3	0	4	24	3,43	6	4'
Arkadiusz Moryto	POL	3	1	0	2	6	2,00	3	0
Doruk Pehlivan	TUR	1	0	0	1	0	0,00	0	2'
Cezary Surgiel	POL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Branko Vujovic	MNE	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Julen Aguinagalde (Reale Ademar 2008/09); Daniel Dujšhebaev (FC Barcelona Lassa 2015/16 – DNP); Alex Dujšhebaev (HC Vardar 2014/15, HC Vardar 2015/16); Angel Fernandez (Naturhouse La Rioja 2016/17); Romarc Guillo (HBC Nantes 2017/18); Blaz Janc (RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko 2014/15); Mariusz Jurkiewicz (Orlen Wisla Plock 2013/14); Igor Karacic (HC Vardar 2014/15, HC Vardar 2015/16, HC Vardar 2017/18, HC Vardar 2018/19); Krzysztof Lijewski (HSV Hamburg 2010/11 – DNP)

