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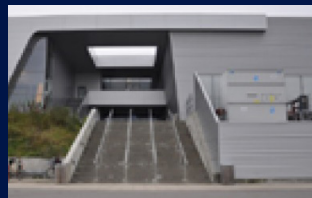
MOTW Round 7: Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes

# AALBORG HÅNDBOLD (DEN) VS HBC NANTES (FRA)

## GROUP B



Wednesday 23 November 2022, 18:45 CET



### Playing hall

**Sparekassen Danmark Arena**  
Willy Brandts Vej 31  
9220 Aalborg Ost  
Denmark  
Capacity: 5,020

## ROUND 7



### Most games vs HBC Nantes:

Mikael Aggefors, Rene Antonsen, Sebastian Barthold, Nikolaj Læsø, Mads Christiansen, Simon Gade, Benjamin Jakobsen, Andreas Holst, Magnus Saugstrup, Mark Strandgaard, Henrik Møllgaard, Lukas Sandell 2

### Most goals vs HBC Nantes:

Magnus Saugstrup 12  
Sebastian Barthold 9  
Lukas Sandell 7  
Henrik Møllgaard 6  
Nikolaj Læsø 5

- The Machineseecker EHF Champions League 2022/23 returns from a three-week break with round 7 and the MOTW between Aalborg Håndbold and HBC Nantes.

- Aalborg and Nantes previously shared a group in the 2020/21 season, both clearly winning their home match.

- That 32:24 loss in Aalborg is one of Nantes' heaviest defeats in their CL history; Nantes have lost a CL game by eight goals on two more occasions.

- Aalborg are ranked fourth in group B with seven points, after winning just one of their last four matches.

- Aalborg have lost both home matches so far this CL season – against Lomza Industria Kielce and Barça.

- Nantes are ranked one point above Aalborg in third.

- After four straight wins – including their biggest ever in the competition: 41:30 against Elverum – Nantes had their winning streak ended by Barça in round 6.

- The 34:29 defeat in Barcelona was the first match this CL season in which Nantes did not score at least 30 goals.

- Aalborg's Mikkel Hansen is third on the top scorers' list of the CL 2022/23 with 40 goals; Aymeric Minne leads for Nantes with 27 goals, but he is out with an ankle injury until 2023 and will miss this MOTW.

- Both teams reached, and lost, the final during their first appearance at the EHF FINAL4: Nantes in 2018 (against Montpellier HB); Aalborg in 2021 (against Barça).

- Nantes also took part in the EHF FINAL4 2021.

- Nantes had a Danish goalkeeper until last season: Emil Nielsen, who now plays for Barça; their new goalkeeper Víktor Hallgrímsson arrived from a Danish club: GOG.

- Hallgrímsson will meet fellow Icelandic international Aron Pálmarsson in this MOTW.

- Aalborg have players from four different countries in their squad (DEN, ISL, NOR, SWE); Nantes' squad includes 10 different nationalities (FRA, COG, CRO, ESP, GBR, ISL, POR, RUS, SLO, SWE).

- Aalborg will see two of their Swedish players leave the club at the end of the 2022/23 season: Lukas Sandell (to Telekom Veszprém HC) and Felix Claar (SC Magdeburg).

- Grégory Cojean is in his first season as head coach of Nantes; Stefan Madsen in his fifth with Aalborg.

- Last season, both teams lost in the quarter-final: Aalborg in the CL against Veszprém; Nantes in the EHF European League against Magdeburg.

- Injury report:** Aalborg: Martin Larsen (ACL), Buster Juul (knee bone bruise) – Nantes: Aymeric Minne (ankle), Ruben Marchan (finger)

### Most games vs Aalborg Håndbold:

David Balaguer, Thibaud Briet, Baptiste Damatrin-Bertrand, Cyril Dumoulin, Rock Feliho, Adrian Figueras, Kiril Lazarov, Milan Milic, Emil Nielsen, Dragan Pechmalbec, Valero Rivera 2

### Most goals vs Aalborg Håndbold:

Aymeric Minne 7  
Valero Rivera 7  
David Balaguer 6  
Thibaud Briet 6  
Baptiste Damatrin-Bertrand 6  
Mattéo Fadhuile-Crepy 5

### Domestic league

#### Herre Håndbold Ligaen

#### Last 3 games:

19/11 @ Kolding L27:25  
15/11 @ Nordsjælland W25:31  
12/11 vs Ribe-Esbjerg W29:28

#### Next game:

26/11 vs Skanderborg Aarhus

#### Standings as of 22/11:

1. Aalborg	14	464:400	25
2. GOG	14	475:432	25
3. Bjerringbro	14	417:391	20
4. Kolding	14	389:356	20
5. Skjern	14	397:368	19
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14. Midtjylland	14	358:442	0

### Domestic league

#### Liqui Moly Starligue

#### Last 3 games:

19/11 vs Istres W40:32  
13/11 @ Nîmes W29:32  
06/11 vs Créteil W38:25

#### Next game:

26/11 @ Toulouse

#### Standings as of 22/11:

1. Nantes	10	341:286	18
2. PSG	10	343:292	18
3. Montpellier	10	310:270	18
4. Cesson	9	238:228	12
5. Chambéry	10	296:290	12
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16. Sélestat	10	192:225	0



## MOST GOALS IN ONE GAME FOR AALBORG HÅNDBOLD VS HBC NANTES

Sebastian Barthold	7	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Magnus Saugstrup	6	14.10.2020	Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes	32:24
Magnus Saugstrup	6	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Lukas Sandell	5	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Nikolaj Læsø	4	14.10.2020	Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes	32:24
Mark Strandgaard	4	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29

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Valero Rivera	7	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Mattéo Fadhuile-Crepy	5	14.10.2020	Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes	32:24
Thibaud Briet	4	14.10.2020	Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes	32:24
Baptiste Damatrin	4	14.10.2020	Aalborg Håndbold vs HBC Nantes	32:24
David Balaguer	4	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Olivier Nyokas	4	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29
Rok Ovnicek	4	10.02.2021	HBC Nantes vs Aalborg Håndbold	38:29

## LAST 10 GAMES IN THE MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE



### Aalborg Håndbold: current run – winless two

02.11.2022	Kiel GER	@ THW Kiel GER	D 36:36
26.10.2022	Aalborg DEN	vs Barça ESP	L 33:39
06.10.2022	Szeged HUN	@ Pick Szeged HUN	W 29:41
28.09.2022	Aalborg DEN	vs Lomza Industria Kielce POL	L 28:30
21.09.2022	Elverum NOR	@ Elverum Handball NOR	W 25:33
15.09.2022	Aalborg DEN	vs RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO	W 36:32
18.05.2022	Aalborg DEN	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 37:35
12.05.2022	Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 36:29
09.03.2022	Aalborg DEN	vs HC PPD Zagreb CRO	W 31:25
02.03.2022	Montpellier FRA	@ Montpellier HB FRA	W 31:33



### HBC Nantes: current run – lost one

03.11.2022	Barcelona ESP	@ Barça ESP	L 34:29
27.10.2022	Nantes FRA	vs THW Kiel GER	W 38:30
05.10.2022	Celje SLO	@ RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO	W 24:35
29.09.2022	Nantes FRA	vs Elverum Handball NOR	W 41:30
22.09.2022	Nantes FRA	vs Pick Szeged HUN	W 35:30
14.09.2022	Kielce POL	@ Lomza Industria Kielce POL	L 40:33
13.06.2021	Cologne GER	vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	L 28:31
12.06.2021	Cologne GER	@ Barça ESP	L 31:26
20.05.2021	Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 32:30
13.05.2021	Nantes FRA	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 32:28

## MOTW 'PLAYER OF THE MATCH' TROPHY

The Match of the Week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing GmbH in the 2017/18 season, is awarded at all MOTWs in the Machineseker EHF Champions League 2022/23 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match.

### Awarded players in the 2022/23 season:

- Round 1: Harald Reinkind (THW Kiel)
- Round 2: Ludovic Fabregas (Barça)
- Round 3: Jannick Green (Paris Saint-Germain Handball)
- Round 4: Timothy N'guessan (Barça)
- Round 5: Tilen Strmljan (RK Celje Pivovarna Laško)
- Round 6: Rasmus Lauge (Telekom Veszprém HC)
- Round 7:



## AALBORG HÅNDBOLD PLAYERS' CAREER STATISTICS AGAINST HBC NANTES

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Mikael Aggefors	SWE	2	1	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Simon Gade	DEN	4	1	0	3	0	0,00	0	0
Nichlas Ludvigsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Magnus Andersen	DEN	1	0	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Rene Antonsen	DEN	2	1	0	1	3	1,50	2	2'
Sebastian Barthold	NOR	2	1	0	1	9	4,50	7	0
Kristian Bjørnsen	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Frederik Christoffersen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Felix Claar	SWE	1	1	0	0	2	2,00	2	0
Andreas Flodman	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mikkel Hansen	DEN	6	4	1	1	28	4,67	6 (2)	0
Mads Hoxer	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Benjamin Jakobsen	DEN	4	1	0	3	3	0,75	2	0
Buster Juul	DEN	1	1	0	0	3	3,00	3	0
Marcus Kløve	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Victor Kløve	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Victor Kristensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mikkel Ladefoged	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Martin Larsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Noah Juul Lykke	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Henrik Møllgaard	DEN	5	2	1	2	6	1,20	3 (2)	4'
Marinus Grandahl	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jesper Nielsen	SWE	5	2	1	2	13	2,60	5	4'
Aron Pálmarrsson	ISL	4	3	0	1	13	3,25	6	2'
Lukas Sandell	SWE	2	1	0	1	7	3,50	5	0
Mikkel Stouby	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Christian Termansen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Simon Gade (Team Tvis Holstebro 2015/16); Mikkel Hansen (Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2016/17, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2017/18, Paris Saint-Germain HB 2018/19, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2020/21); Benjamin Jakobsen (Skjern Handbold 2018/19); Henrik Møllgaard (Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2016/17, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2017/18); Jesper Nielsen (Füchse Berlin 2014/15, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2016/17, Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2017/18, Rhein-Neckar Löwen 2018/19 – DNP); Aron Pálmarrsson (FC Barcelona Lassa 2017/18, Barça Lassa 2018/19, Barça 2020/21).

## HBC NANTES PLAYERS' CAREER STATISTICS AGAINST AALBORG HÅNDBOLD

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Viktor Hallgrímsson	ISL	2	0	1	1	0	0,00	0	0
Andreas Hofmann	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ivan Pesic	CRO	3	1	1	1	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Mathis Beauchef	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Thibaud Briet	FRA	2	1	0	1	6	3,00	4	0
Alexandre Cavalcanti	POR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Baptiste Damatrin-Bertrand	FRA	2	1	0	1	6	3,00	4	0
Lucas De la Breteche	FRA	1	0	0	1	1	1,00	1	0
Pierre-Alexis Favril	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Enzo Handjou Tchuilieu	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jorge Maqueda	ESP	4	2	1	1	7	1,75	3	4'
Ruben Marchan	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Aymeric Minne	FRA	1	1	0	0	7	7,00	7	0
Théo Monar	FRA	1	1	0	0	1	1,00	1	2'
Salomon Nassequela	COD	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kauldi Odriozola	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Rok Ovnicek	SLO	1	1	0	0	4	4,00	4	0
Linus Persson	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ernest Pineau	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Pedro Portela	POR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Valero Rivera	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Alexander Shkurinskiy	RUS	1	1	0	0	1	1,00	1	0
Alban Simonnet	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jérémy Toto	FRA	2	1	0	1	5	2,50	5	2'
Sebastian Vellenoweth	GBR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
André Mouko	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Viktor Hallgrímsson (GOG 2021/22); Jorge Maqueda (MOL-Pick Szeged 2019/20, Telekom Veszprém HC 2020/21 – DNP, Telekom Veszprém HC 2021/22); Rok Ovnicek (RK Gorenje Velenje 2013/14 – DNP); Ivan Pesic (HC Meshkov Brest 2017/18, HC Meshkov Brest 2021/22); Alexander Shkurinskiy (HC Meshkov Brest 2017/18); Jérémy Toto (HC Vardar 1961 2021/22).

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