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[4] Francisco Cerundolo (ARG) vs [WC] Matej Dodig (CRO) First Meeting

Francesco Cerundolo | Age: 25 | World No. 37 | Career-High No. 19 | 2024: 18-20 (Rio SF) | Umag: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 100 and achieved new career-high ranking 11 times in 2022, then reached career-high No. 19 in June 2023 soon after reaching 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 Roland Garros (d. No. 8 Fritz in 3R).

- > Moved into Top 25 in July 2022 after defeating No. 5 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour title in Bastad and No. 8 Rublev en route to Hamburg SF a week later.
- > Captured 2nd ATP Tour title at 2023 Eastbourne to become the first Argentine grass court ATP Tour champion since Javier Frana in 1995.
- > As World No. 103 at 2022 Miami, became lowest-ranked semi-finalist in 37-year tournament history and 1st player to reach SF in his ATP Masters 1000 main draw debut since Janowicz at 2012 Paris.
- > Father, Alejandro, also played pro tennis; younger brother, Juan Manuel, won 2021 Cordoba title; sister, Constanza, played for Argentine field hockey team that won gold medal at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Cerundolo seeks 20th ATP Tour QF (9-10), 16th on clay (7-8), and 4th in 2024. He earned 15 of 18 wins this season on clay, highlighted by runs to Rio de Janeiro SF and ATP Masters 1000 Madrid QF (d. No. 5 Zverev in 4R).

Matej Dodig | Age: 19 | World No. 310 | Career-High No. 308 | 2024: 1-0 (Umag 2R) | Umag: 1-0 (2024 2R)

- > Earned first ranking points in March 2023 and broke into Top 500 in November 2023 and Top 400 in April 2024, reaching career-high No. 308 in July 2024.
- > Made his ATP Tour debut at 2024 Umag as a WC and earned first win against Couacaud in 1R.
- > Owns a 11-8 Challenger record, highlighted by semi-final runs at 2024 Split and 2024 Zagreb.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 148 Albot at 2024 Bratislava CH.
- > Boasts 78-30 ITF record (5-1 in finals), including titles at M15 Monastir and M15 Rovinj this season.
- > Peaked at a career-high ITF world junior ranking of No. 30 in January 2023.

NOTE: Dodig made his ATP Tour debut in 1R and earned his first ATP Tour win against qualifier Couacaud. He seeks biggest win of career in first match vs. Top 100 player and aims to keep Croatian presence in Umag QFs in back-to-back years after fellow teenager Prizmic reached QF last year (I. to Popyrin).

[Q] Marco Trungelliti (ARG) vs [2] Lorenzo Musetti (ITA) First Meeting

Marco Trungelliti | Age: 34 | World No. 136 | Career-High No. 112 | 2024: 4-2 (Barcelona 3R) | Umag: 5-4 (2018 SF)

- > Broke into Top 200 in 2012 and achieved career-high No. 112 after reaching 2019 Sao Paulo QF.
- > Qualified and advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2018 Umag.
- > Also qualified 8 times at Grand Slams, including 2016 Roland Garros, where he earned biggest win of career over No. 10 Cilic in 1R.
- > Drove 10 hours from Barcelona to Paris with his grandmother Daphne after receiving LL spot at 2018 Roland Garros, then defeated Tomic in 1R.
- > Owns 224-190 Challenger record (3-11 in finals), including wins over former or future Top-10 players Alcaraz, Massu, Medvedev, Pouille, Robredo and Schwartzman and titles at 2018 Barletta, 2019 Florence and 2024 Kigali-2.

NOTE: In Umag, Trungelliti earned 1st ATP Tour win of career in 2012 (d. Lorenzi in 1R as Q) and reached 1st of 2 career ATP Tour QFs in 2018 (l. to Cecchinato in SF). He is 1-2 vs. Top 20 (d. No. 10 Cilic at 2016 Roland Garros).



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Lorenzo Musetti | Age: 22 | World No. 17 | Career-High No. 15 | 2024: 23-18 (Queen's Final) | Umag: 1-1 (2022 2R) > Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in January 2023 and achieved career-high No. 15 in June after earning personal-best 34 wins during 2022 season.

- > Defeated 19-year-old Alcaraz in 2022 Hamburg final at age 20, marking youngest ATP Tour final since 2005 Bastad (19-year-old Nadal d. 19-year-old Berdych).
- > At 2023 Monte-Carlo, earned 1st 6-0 6-0 victory at an ATP Masters 1000 event since 2016 over Nardi in 2R before upsetting No. 1 Djokovic in 3R for biggest win of career to reach 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 2nd ATP title at 2022 Naples, defeating countryman and United Cup teammate Berrettini in final on home soil.
- > Advanced to 2021 Roland Garros 4R (I. to No. 1 Djokovic from 2 sets up) and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF (d. No. 4 Ruud in 3R).
- > Reached 2018 US Open boys' singles final, won 2019 Australian Open boys' singles title and defeated Wawrinka at 2020 Rome to become 1st player born in 2002 to win an ATP Tour match.

NOTE: Musetti plays in his first match since reaching his first Grand Slam semi-final at Wimbledon earlier this month (I. to Djokovic). He seeks 26th tour-level QF, 12th on clay, and first on the surface since 2023 Hamburg (I. to Djere).

[5] Luciano Darderi (ITA) vs Jakub Mensik (CZE)

First Meeting

Luciano Darderi | Age: 22 | World No. 33 (Career-High) | 2024: 22-13 (Cordoba Title) | Umag: 1-0 (2024 2R) > Former Top 10 junior started 2024 season as No. 128, then broke into Top 100 in February and Top 50 in May, reaching career-high No. 33 in July.

- > Captured his 1st ATP Tour title in Cordoba in the third final between two qualifiers since the ATP Tour was established in 1990 (d. Bagnis) in his third ATP Tour event of career.
- > Also advanced to ATP Tour SFs at 2024 Houston and 2024 Lyon & QF at 2024 Santiago and 2024 Hamburg.
- > Owns an 86-58 Challenger record (3-2 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Todi, 2023 Lima-2 and 2024 Perugia.
- > Peaked at No. 8 in junior rankings in February 2020 after earning 3 singles and 3 doubles titles to start the season.
- > Born in Argentina, started playing tennis at age 4 with his father Luciano Enrique, a former tennis player and current coach.

NOTE: Darderi seeks 6th ATP Tour QF of career, all on clay and this season. He is 14-2 on clay courts vs. players ranked outside the Top 50 with losses to No. 51 Tabilo at Santiago and No. 52 Navone at Bucharest.

Jakub Mensik | Age: 18 | World No. 81 | Career-High No. 65 | 2024: 13-10 (Doha Final) | Umag: 1-0 (2024 2R) > Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in February 2024 after reaching 1st QF, SF and final in Doha and earned career-high No. 65 in May.

- > Also in Doha, defeated former champions Murray, Monfils and No. 5 Andrey Rublev for biggest win of career to become the youngest Czech ATP Tour finalist and first in an ATP Tour final born in 2005 or later.
- > In tour-level debut, reached 3R at 2023 US Open as Q, becoming the youngest player to reach Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2004 Aus. Open and youngest at US Open since Santoro in 1990, then I. to Fritz on his 18th birthday.
- > Qualified for 2nd tour-level event at 2024 Australian Open, defeating former-Top 10 player Shapovalov in 1R.
- > Owns a 30-21 Challenger record, winning 1st title at 2023 Prague-2 in May as No. 333-ranked WC.
- > Went 85-28 on ITF Juniors circuit, highlighted by reaching 2022 Australian Open boys' singles final.

NOTE: Mensik seeks 3rd ATP Tour QF (1-1) after reaching his first on hard courts at 2024 Doha (I. to Khachanov in final) and his 2nd on grass at 2024 Mallorca (I. to Tabilo). At 18 years and 10 months, he aims to become youngest man since Auger-Aliassime in 2019 to reach ATP Tour QFs on all three surfaces.

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Lorenzo Sonego (ITA) vs Alexandre Muller (FRA)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

17 Italy F9 (Italy) Clay R32 Lorenzo Sonego 6-2 7-5
23 Vienna Q (Austria) Hard Q2 Alexandre Muller 1-6 6-3 6-4

Flavio Cobolli (ITA) vs Dusan Lajovic (SRB)

First Meeting

Fabio Fognini (ITA) vs [LL] Chun-Hsin Tseng (TPE)

First Meeting