



Samsung Hockey World Cup - Women
Sunday 8 October
14:30

Argentina 5

Spain 0

- 70'** FULL TIME: ARG win the bronze medal with a five-goal thrashing of ESP. ESP only have themselves to blame after an indisciplined performance. They were too loose in defence which gave ARG more than enough space to work in
- 69'** The ARG supporters are in full voice in the final two minutes as their team cruises to the bronze medal
- 68'** Great double reflex save from LOPEZ de EGUILAZ as ARG pepper her goal with shots
- 67'** AYMAR's first flick is saved and her rebound attempt hit over the crossbar
- 67'** Yellow card Nuria CAMON. Yet more indiscipline from a ESP player with CAMON receiving a yellow card for dissent
- 66'** ARG PC. MALDA forced into a deliberate clearance over the backline as the ball rolled towards goal
- 64'** The variation is rolled to SANCHEZ on the left but her shot is too high and ARG win possession
- 63'** ESP PC. ESP win a PC after finding the foot of an ARG defender just inside the circle on the right
- 61'** The deflection attempt to the right post from BURKHART to Rosaria LUCHETTI just evades her stick as she dives full stretch towards goal
- 60'** ARG PC. Silly play from Julia MENENDEZ to concede a PC. She played the ball deliberately with a raised stick above her head inside the circle
- 60'** ARG appear hungry for more goals
- 57'** ESP have played with a defensive mindset throughout the tournament but decided to attack today. This was always going to be a very dangerous tactic against ARG with the space provided punished in full
- 56'** GK substitution for ESP - onto the pitch comes Maria LOPEZ de EGUILAZ in the place of ROSA
- 55'** Yellow card Carla REBECCHI for a crude tackle as ESP counter attacked
- 55'** Yet another chance for ARG with AYMAR hitting into the pads of the ESP GK from close range
- ** Goal: Alejandra GULLA (ARG) ****
- 53'** ARG Goal. Another deflection goal with GULLA flashing the ball high into the left corner following a free hit from the top of the circle. A brilliant finish with the ball nestled in the back of the net before the ESP GK had time to react
- ** Goal: Luciana AYMAR (ARG) ****
- 51'** ARG Goal. ESP can't clear their circle and the ball falls to RUSSO who fires towards goal where AYMAR gets a feint deflection
- 49'** MARGALOT's flick rolls along the ground and is blocked by the ESP GK. ESP clear

- 49'** Green card Esther TERMENS for breaking the goal line before the ball is in play
- 49'** ARG PC. AYMAR does it all herself for ARG and wins a PC after a heavy tackle near the top of the circle
- 46'** ROMAGOSA's shot is deflected over the cross bar by a ESP stick
- 46'** ESP PC. ESP apply the pressure and win possession and another PC
- 45'** ROMAGOSA's shot is blocked and cleared by ARG after a tussle close to goal
- 44'** ESP PC
- 44'** A near miss for ESP with first COMERMA and then MALDA having their shots denied
- 44'** Esther TERMENS makes a good reverse stick trap in mid circle which releases ESP on the counter attack
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- 43'** ARG PC. Good vision and pass from AYMAR combined with a nice trap from HERNANDEZ eventually results in an ARG PC
- 41'** The crowd as well appears to be less vocal than the first half although they are still quick to remind the umpires of their allegiances
- 40'** Almost unbelievably considering the first half, five minutes have elapsed without either team entering their scoring circle
- 37'** The second half has started at a sedate level
- 37'** ROMAGOSA back on the pitch for ESP
- 36'** Second half underway
- 35'** HALF TIME: ARG lead by a large margin in a match that has been unpredictable and threatening to spiral out of control. All players looked over-excited in the opening half which took away from their concentration and ability to remain composed
- 35'** Play stopped again following an injury to Gemma BERNAD
- 35'** ARG find space down the right but AYMAR's shot from an acute angle slides wide after she was fed the ball by Marina RUSSO
- 34'** Play has slowed with ARG content to work the ball around the back again in the lead up to half time
- 32'** A loose pass out of defence gives ESP more possession to attack with but a pass into the circle just evades the diving effort of Raquel HUERTAS near the right post
- 30'** ARG back on top with AYMAR slicing through the ESP midfield and off loading to the left. However a pass across the circle can't be met by any ARG striker and ESP escape a dangerous moment
- 29'** AYMAR's hit is too high and ESP win possession
- 29'** Yellow card Maria ROMAGOSA for dissent towards the umpire following the PC decision
- 29'** ARG PC. GULLA wins a PC after being obstructed inside the circle
- 28'** The midfield defence of both teams is very weak with play travels from circle to circle with ease
- 27'** CAMON's hit clatters into the pads of ARG GK Mariela ANTONISKA and ARG clear to the sideline
- 26'** ESP PC. A missed trap and tackle by ARG gives Gloria COMERMA free entry into the circle from the right and her pass across hits a foot
- 25'** ARG again take play close to goal but the ESP defence handle the danger close to their goal

- 25' A free flowing attack by ARG is wasted by Soledad GARCIA's poor cross from the left
- 24' ARG are giving ESP too many chances with possession in attack as turnover after turnover is returned deep into their half
- 23' ESP have wasted a number of attacking opportunities by blasting the ball into the circle seemingly without a plan
- 22' Since ARG's third goal, play has mostly been on tested in ARG territory.
- 21' ARG are now starting to build their play by passing around the back to find a gap through the ESP midfield defence
- 20' Pilar SANCHEZ's shot is blocked and then her rebound attempt is also saved. Mercedes MARGALOT is injured after trying to block the second shot but she seems ok and has taken her place at right defender after being very slow to rise to her feet
- 20' ESP PC. A free hit into the circle deflects high off an ARG defender and into the face of Ayelen STEPNIK. Play stopped while she receives attention
- 19' Green card Nuria CAMON for more niggling play from a ESP player
- 19' There is absolutely no composure being shown by either teams. It makes for an exciting match but not a high quality one. Turnovers abound is tempers between the players continuing to rise
- 18' Green card Gloria COMERMA after she becomes entangled with BURKHART after a free hit is awarded to ARG
- 16' Little pattern to the play with both teams attacking in a free-wheeling contest
- 15' A poor push out from ESP with ARG winning the loose ball. Both teams guilty of poor execution on PCs
- 15' Repeat PC. The shot/pass from ROMAGOSA strikes the ARG GK and rises into danger
- 15' ESP PC. ARG unable to clear the ball and ESP have a chance from the set piece
- 15' Danger for ARG with Rocio YBARRA dribbling into the circle unchallenged
- ** Goal: Maria DeLa Paz HERNANDEZ (ARG) ****
- 13' ARG Goal. Maria DeLa Paz HERNANDEZ scores her second goal by lifting the ball high into the net from the left post
- 12' Repeat PC. Another missed trap by ARG at the top of the circle but they recover again to win an third PC
- 11' Repeat PC. A mis-trap at the top of the circle is recovered and sent to Claudia BURKHART whose reverse stick is saved but lifts high of the ESP GK
- 11' ARG PC. ARG receive a PC after a ball into the circle hits the foot of a ESP defender
- 10' An exciting, open match in the opening 10 minutes
- 9' Poor turnover by ARG allows Montserrat CRUZ to run at the defence and inside the circle. Shouts for a PC are turned down and ARG receive possession
- ** Goal: Magdalena AICEGA (ARG) ****
- 6' ARG Goal. Magdalena AICEGA scores a brilliant counter attacking goal with AYMAR the provider for the ARG captain standing on the right post. Play travelled down the left before AYMAR received possession inside the circle, propped, and then sent a pass to AICEGA who was perfectly positioned on the right post
- 6' The hit from the top of the circle is well stopped by Alejandra GULLA near the right post
- 6' ESP PC. ESP win a PC after a run along the backline finds the foot of an ARG defender

5' There is a lot of feeling between these teams with players involved in off the ball tussles

4' A ball into the ARG circle is cleared by Lucian AYMAR and ARG take ball into the midfield

4' ESP come back and attack with consistent pressure on the ARG circle

**** Goal: Maria De La Paz HERNANDEZ (ARG) ****

2' ARG Goal. Maria De La Paz HERNANDEZ is awarded the goal after adjudication by the video umpire. The goal was scored when HERNANDEZ got a stick to a free hit from the left in mid-circle on the left. The ball bounced towards goal with ESP GK Maria Jesus ROSA making a horrible mess of the attempted stop

2' The video umpire is called to decide whether a deflection that rolled into goal was touched by an ARG attacker

2' An early circle entry by ARG is cleared by Maria ROMAGOSA

1' Match underway

0' Welcome to the bronze medal playoff at the Samsung Hockey World Cup between ARG and ESP. ESP have never won a medal at the World Cup while ARG have five in their collection. Another large crowd is in attendance to support the two Spanish-speaking teams in the tournament

0' The umpires for this match are Julie ASHTON-LUCY (AUS) and Marelize de KLERK (RSA).