



PRESS RELEASE

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Badoer earns maiden F3 victory in Monte Carlo



Brando Badoer launched off the line and into the lead and didn't look back, taking his first FIA Formula 3 victory for Rodin Motorsport.

The Italian beat pole-sitter Théophile Nael off the line and on the run to Turn 1, with the Frenchman having to settle for second place at the chequered flag. Freddie Slater completed the podium for TRIDENT.

AS IT HAPPENED

Nael was immediately passed by Badoer while Slater took to the

escape road at the opening corner and filtered in behind the top two up the hill, with the remainder of the top five staying as they were on the grid.

Van Amersfoort Racing's Bruno del Pino was able to make up a place, getting ahead of MP Motorsport's Alessandro Giusti for P6 at Turn 1, but for the Frenchman's teammate, his race was over soon after. Tuukka Taponen found the barriers at the penultimate corner after an attempted pass by Maciej Gladysz left the Finn nowhere to go. That incident brought out the Safety Car on Lap 2.

With the MP cleared, racing resumed going onto Lap 5, with Badoer able to gap Nael comfortably, with the Frenchman under attack from Slater on the run to Turn 3. By Lap 10, Badoer had escaped out of DRS range to the Campos driver behind, while Slater, Ugo Ugochukwu and Ernesto Rivera remained within a second of the car ahead.

Drivers inside the top 10 began to back off on some laps in order to generate enough space to attempt a fastest lap for the additional point. Slater was very happy with the balance of his TRIDENT, praising the car over team radio. Lap 18 and Badoer looked unflappable out front, now two seconds clear of the field.

Further back in the pack, Nandhavud Bhirombhakdi was coming under serious pressure from Enzo Deligny in the fight for P15. The Thai driver had to defend into Turn 1 on Lap 21, and later missed the Turn 10-11 chicane, skipping across the run-off as the Frenchman behind turned the screw.

Nael spent the final five laps closing the gap to the leader back down to under a second, but the Rodin driver would not be denied, earning his first win in the Championship around the Principality. Slater completed the podium behind Nael while Ugochukwu and Rivera ensured all three Campos' were in the top five.

Bruno del Pino finished sixth for Van Amersfoort, followed by Giusti in

P7, Pedro Clerot in eighth, Sprint Race winner Gerrard Xie in P9 and Noah Stromsted completing the points in 10th.

KEY QUOTE – Brando Badoer, Rodin Motorsport

“I was studying the start all evening with the guys yesterday and I executed it perfectly. I jumped to P1 at Turn 1 and then led the 27 laps. It was a very long race, I was hoping it ended a bit earlier and it felt long in the car, but winning in Monaco is one of my dreams come true! Really happy with the team and my performance. Thanks to everyone.”

THE CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

Ugo Ugochukwu retains the lead of the Drivers' Championship going onto 43 points. Bruno del Pino is P2 on 35, just a single point ahead of Freddie Slater in third. Brando Badoer's win moves him up to P4 on 28 points, while Théophile Nael rounds out the top five drivers with 22 points.

Campos Racing extend their advantage at the top of the Teams' Standings, moving onto 75 points. Van Amersfoort Racing are P2 with 47, while Rodin Motorsport jumps TRIDENT into third place, 44 points to 43. ART Grand Prix complete the top five with 31 points.

UP NEXT

The FIA Formula 3 campaign continues next weekend in Barcelona for Round 3 of the 2026 season, from June 12-14

FIA Formula 3 - Monte Carlo - Provisional Classification - Feature Race

	DRIVER	LICENCE	TEAM
1	Brando Badoer	ITA	Rodin Motorsport
2	Theophile Nael	FRA	Campos Racing
3	Freddie Slater	GBR	TRIDENT
4	Ugo Ugochukwu	USA	Campos Racing
5	Ernesto Rivera	MEX	Campos Racing
6	Bruno Del Pino	ESP	Van Amersfoort Racing
7	Alessandro Giusti	FRA	MP Motorsport
8	Pedro Clerot	BRA	Rodin Motorsport

9	Gerrard Xie	CHN	DAMS Lucas Oil
10	Noah Stromsted	DEN	TRIDENT
11	Taito Kato	JPN	ART Grand Prix
12	Louis Sharp	NZL	PREMA Racing
13	Hiyu Yamakoshi	JPN	Van Amersfoort Racing
14	Enzo Deligny	FRA	Van Amersfoort Racing
15	Jose Garfias	MEX	PREMA Racing
16	Christian Ho	SGP	Rodin Motorsport
17	Kanato Le	JPN	ART Grand Prix
18	James Wharton	AUS	PREMA Racing
19	Mattia Colnaghi	ARG	MP Motorsport
20	Yevan David	SRI	AIX Racing
21	Fionn Mclaughlin	IRL	Hitech
22	Nandhavud Bhirombhakdi	THA	DAMS Lucas Oil
23	Jin Nakamura	JPN	Hitech
24	Maciej Gladysz	POL	ART Grand Prix
25	Matteo De Palo	ITA	TRIDENT
26	Woohyun Shin	KOR	Hitech
27	Nicola Lacorte	ITA	DAMS Lucas Oil

NOT CLASSIFIED

DNF	Fernando Barrichello	BRA	AIX Racing
DNF	Tuukka Taponen	FIN	MP Motorsport

OVERALL FASTEST LAP

	James Wharton	AUS	PREMA Racing	1:25.150(Lap 16)
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OVERALL FASTEST LAP FOR POINTS

	Freddie Slater	GBR	TRIDENT	1:25.178 (lap 18)
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About FIA Formula 3:

2019 marked the launch of the FIA Formula 3 Championship. An ambitious new project from the FIA and the former GP3 Series Organisation to form an official third rung of the Road to F1 ladder. Combining GP3 and European F3, the idea was to create a defined entry point for young and ambitious drivers to join the Formula 1 circus, and to give them the chance to take the path to join their

heroes in the main paddock. With some of the world's best racing teams on board, and the hottest junior motor racing talent from across the globe filling their race seats, Formula 3 promised to be one of the most exciting championships in motorsport.

Designed as the perfect training ground for both F2, and ultimately, F1, our young drivers must showcase their skills both in speed and in tyre management, just like they will have to do when they move up the motorsport ladder. Notable F3 alumni include 2020 Champion Oscar Piastri, F1 rookie Arvid Lindblad and of course the F1 rookie class of 2024 that included F3 Champion Gabriel Bortoleto, Oliver Bearman, Franco Colapinto and Isack Hadjar. The Championship benefits from the FIA's excellence in the scrutineering of cars and the overseeing and running of events, while FOM's (Formula One Management) unparalleled expertise in broadcasting and marketing ensures that the Championship has a truly global reach and appeal. 2026 promises to be a thrilling spectacle from start to finish.

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