

**PRESS RELEASE**

**PIAGGIO GROUP: ANOTHER PODIUM LOCKOUT FOR APRILIA RACING IN ASSEN**

**Following on from Le Mans, Aprilia once again dominates the entire podium**

**Ogura, Fernández (both SuperFile Trackhouse MotoGP Team), then Martín.  
A nasty crash for Bezzecchi, fortunately without serious consequences**

*Milan, 29 June 2026* - **Following the Le Mans race last May, Aprilia Racing – the racing team of the Piaggio Group (PIA.MI) – rounded off the weekend at the Assen TT Circuit with another historic result.**

After starting from pole position, Jorge Martín rode a solid race to take third, finishing up a positive weekend, enhanced by his first pole position with Aprilia Racing. This is the Spanish rider's 2nd top-class podium in Assen, his 37th MotoGP podium, and his 5th of the season. Thanks to this result, Martín is the new leader in the overall MotoGP standings with 193 points – a milestone he had not achieved since the 2024 Solidarity GP, 588 days ago.

Marco Bezzecchi, on the other hand, crashed out on turn 15 during the second lap. The Italian rider was immediately taken to the circuit's Medical Centre, where he underwent a thorough evaluation by the medical staff, including the MotoGP Medical Director, Dr. Ángel Charte. Initial clinical examinations confirmed that the rider was fully conscious and displayed normal mobility in all four limbs, with no immediate signs of major neurological or systemic complications. However, due to severe pain resulting from the high-energy impact, the medical team has elected to transfer Bezzecchi to Groningen Hospital. The Italian rider underwent CT scans and radiological examinations with no injuries found, so he is fit to be discharged and he has returned to Italy.

Honourable mention goes to the SuperFile Trackhouse MotoGP Team riders who, after the sprint race one-two, repeated the result in the long race, with Ai Ogura winning his first MotoGP race ahead of Raúl Fernández. This is a one-two which, along with Martín's third place, gives Aprilia the second podium lockout in their MotoGP history after the 2026 Le Mans race.

With Ogura's win, Aprilia also takes their first MotoGP win in Assen (their best result previously on this track was Marco Bezzecchi's second-place finish in 2025) and gives them a total of 308 FIM Motorcycle World Championship victories.

**JORGE MARTÍN**

*“First of all, I'd like to send my wishes to Marco for a lot of strength. I saw the crash and it is never nice to see a rider go down that way, especially when it's your teammate. In any case, it was a good weekend, and we earned some important points. I'm particularly happy with the step forward we have taken in terms of speed and feeling. I stayed in the lead for 16 laps of the race and that is an important sign. I gave one hundred percent from the start, and I tried to manage the tyres for the finale. Then, I tried to battle with Ai and Raúl, but I had nothing left, so I tried to take home as many points as possible.”*

**MASSIMO RIVOLA**

“Aprilia was back to shining this weekend, confirming all our competitiveness, especially on fast tracks. I'm extremely pleased for Justin Marks and SuperFile Trackhouse MotoGP Team,

who believed in our project from the very beginning. Having four Aprilias at the front of the starting grid and three on the podium is an important sign and wonderful acknowledgement of the work that everyone in Noale has done. Congratulations to Jorge for his first pole position with us and for the podium he earned despite still being at less than optimum fitness. It's a shame about Marco's mistake. On a weekend where he had shown such great speed, he should have achieved much more. However, the priority now is to recover as best he can after the bad crash. There is a clear dominator for next race at Sachsenring and we need to arrive as ready as we possibly can."

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