

## MEDIA RELEASE

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#### Lundgaard lunges ahead in Budapest Free Practice

#### Danish driver impresses in the opening session ahead of Piquet and Hughes

Christian Lundgaard led the way in Round 5 Free Practice, topping the timings for the first time this season, at the Hungaroring. The ART Grand Prix ace was followed by Trident's Pedro Piquet and HWA RACELAB's Jake Hughes, in a new look top three.

Giorgio Carrara - in just his second round at this level - set the standard on an overcast morning in Hungary, racing round the tight and twisty circuit in under 1 m 38s. It wasn't to last as the glistening red trio of Robert Shwartzman, Marcus Armstrong and Jehan Daruvala flexed their muscles to go 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The PREMA trio was broken up by Leonardo Pulcini, who dipped amongst them in 3rd, pushing back Daruvala, who started to freefall, as he headed to the pits, alongside teammate Shwartzman. Armstrong remained out on track and had three goes at bettering the Russian's time, finally toppling him at the third attempt, lapping at 1:33.859.

With all three drivers of the Italian squad back in the pits, Raoul Hyman and Hughes edged in front to take P1 and P2 with 11 minutes to go. However, the trio soon returned to the track and quickly handed us an all PREMA front three once more.

Again, it wouldn't last. Felipe Drugovich, Hyman, Pulcini and Piquet all leapt ahead in the final few minutes of Practice, before Lundgaard seared around the track to top the pack, with a hot time of 1:32.771.

All hung in the balance when the chequered flag was waved, as nearly the entire field had the chance to set one final lap. The shake-up ensued, as Piquet and Hughes rose to second and third, with Fewtrell climbing more than ten places to take fourth. Shwartzman and Armstrong managed to recover enough for fifth and sixth, ahead of Pulcini. Jüri Vips leapt from 24<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, while Alex Peroni and Niko Kari completed the top ten.

None could run faster than Lundgaard today though and the Danish driver claimed his first P1 position of the season. He will be hoping to maintain his early form when it counts tomorrow, as the cars hit the track at 9am for qualifying.

#### FIA Formula 3 Round 5 - Free Practice Provisional Classification

	DRIVER	TEAM	LAPTIME	LAPS
1	Christian Lundgaard	ART Grand Prix	1:32.771	16
2	Pedro Piquet	Trident	1:32.805	17
3	Jake Hughes	HWA RACELAB	1:32.902	19
4	Max Fewtrell	ART Grand Prix	1:32.916	16
5	Robert Shwartzman	PREMA Racing	1:32.971	20
6	Marcus Armstrong	PREMA Racing	1:33.017	20
7	Leonardo Pulcini	Hitech Grand Prix	1:33.091	18
8	Juri Vips	Hitech Grand Prix	1:33.178	18
9	Alex Peroni	Campos Racing	1:33.203	19
10	Niko Kari	Trident	1:33.245	18
11	Devlin DeFrancesco	Trident	1:33.291	19
12	Jehan Daruvala	PREMA Racing	1:33.302	20
13	David Beckmann	ART Grand Prix	1:33.477	16
14	Lirim Zendeli	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:33.487	21
15	Sebastian Fernandez	Campos Racing	1:33.491	19
16	Simo Laaksonen	MP Motorsport	1:33.535	19
17	Raoul Hyman	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:33.594	20
18	Logan Sargeant	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:33.677	19
19	Felipe Drugovich	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:33.778	20
20	Yuki Tsunoda	Jenzer Motorsport	1:33.822	21
21	Bent Viscaal	HWA RACELAB	1:33.848	16
22	Keyvan Andres	HWA RACELAB	1:33.876	18
23	Teppei Natori	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:34.030	18
24	Giorgio Carrara	Jenzer Motorsport	1:34.052	23
25	Liam Lawson	MP Motorsport	1:34.218	19
26	Fabio Scherer	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:34.264	20

27	Richard Verschoor	MP Motorsport	1:34.332	17
28	Ye Yifei	Hitech Grand Prix	1:34.439	19
29	Andreas Estner	Jenzer Motorsport	1:34.442	20
30	Alessio Deledda	Campos Racing	1:34.950	21



Christian Lundgaard (ART Grand Prix)



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# NATORI PENALISED AFTER FREE PRACTICE

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### JAPANESE DRIVER FAILED TO STOP AT WEIGHBRIDGE

Teppei Natori has been penalised for failing to stop at the weighbridge during this morning's practice session at the Hungaroring.

The Carlin Buzz Racing driver did not stop when instructed, and the team did not return the car to the weighbridge at the time, therefore Natori has had all his lap times prior to the infringement cancelled.

Natori completed 18 laps in during the practice session, setting a fastest time of 1:34.030. He classified P23.