

Ballon d'Or hat trick

Argentinian star Lionel Messi has been voted FIFA World Player of the Year by his peers, winning the title for the third consecutive year



Born: June 24, 1987,
Rosario, Argentina

Position: Barcelona
and Argentina forward

HONOURS

La Liga wins with Barcelona	5
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Spanish Cup with Barcelona	1
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Champions League	3
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UEFA Super Cup	2
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FIFA Club World Cup	2
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First top scorer in Champions League
for three seasons in succession

Passed milestone of **200** goals for
Barca in November 2011