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Marc Marquez also wins the grand prix of Germany

Marquez Wins GermanGP

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GDN - Marc Marquez perfectly mastered a tactical race to take a stellar ninth straight win at the Sachsenring, after starting from pole position.

The reigning World Champion saved his tyres while following Danilo Petrucci and Jorge Lorenzo

in the early phases, took the lead on lap 13 when he decided it was time to try and pull a gap and "in the latter stages of the race, when tyre consumption increased" managed his advantage.

Looking strictly at the numbers, today Marc took a second consecutive win from pole, his fifth victory this season, his 40th MotoGP success, and his 66th across three classes, extending his Championship lead over Valentino Rossi to 46 points with 10 races remaining. In addition, his ninth win at Sachsenring came after nine consecutive poles here, and in his 99th MotoGP race, at the season's ninth round.

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