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Women's High Jump

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best: 2.06 Ariane Friedrich Berlin 14 Jun 09

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	MELFORT Melanie FRA (Née Skotnik) ... 2003 German Champion, her transfer to France approved by the IAAF from March 6, 2005 ... French indoor record holder 5 World Youth 99; 5 WJC 2000; 5 under-23 ECH 2003; dnfq WIC 2004; 3 ECP 2005/2007 (2006-6); 2 Mediterranean Games 2005; =5 EIC 2007; =7 WCH 2007 (20050-dnfq); dnfq OLY 2008. 1 German 2003 & French 2007/2008/2009. She has double nationality (mother-French, father-German), she opted to compete for France in 2004 ... coach/husband-Jimmy Melfort ... 1.82 tall In 2009: 1 Haguenau; 1 Reims; 1 Forbach; 2 Strasbourg; 2 Tomblaine; 6 Lille; 2 Metz; 8 Rome Golden League; 1 Reims; 6 London; 1 French; 5 Monaco; 9 WCH	26y	293d	1982	1.93	1.96 -07
2,	SHKOLINA Svetlana RUS 2007 European Under-23 Champion ... 2 WJC 2004; 1 EJC 2005; 4 WSG 2005/2007; 1 under-23 ECH 2007; 4 ECP 2008; 14 OLY 2008; 4 EIC 2009; 4 ETCh 2009; 6 WCH 2009. 1 Russian under-23 2007 ... 1.87 tall In 2009: 3 Russian indoor; 4 EIC; 5 Doha; 3 Rabat; 2 European Clubs Cup; 4 Strasbourg; 1 Russia Challenge; 2 Ostrava; 4 ETCh; 5 Oslo Golden League; 4 Rome Golden League; 3 Russian; 8 Monaco; 6 WCH	23y	172d	1986	1.98	1.98 -08/09
3,	HOWARD Chaunte USA 2005 World silver ... 2 WCH 2005 (2007=7=); 8 WIC 2006; 6 OLY 2008 (2004-dnfq). 1 US junior 2003; 1 NCAA 2004 (2005-2); 1 NCAA indoor 2005; 1 US 2006/2008/2009. Graduate of Economics from Georgia Institute of Technology ... she is a trained dancer, taking classes in tap, ballet, jazz & hip-hop ... husband Mario Lowe is a 16m triple jumper, their daughter Jasmine born July 30, 2007 ... coach-Nat Page ... 1.75 tall In 2009: 1 Lake Buena Vista; 1 Auburn; 3 Mt. SAC Relays; 1 Drake Relays; 1 Athens GA; 1 Georgia Tech Invitational; 2 Rabat; 2 Toronto; 1 US Champs; 2 Oslo Golden League; 3 Rome Golden League; 4 Athens; 6 Paris Golden League; =7 WCH	25y	228d	1984	1.98	2.01 -06
4,	DI MARTINO Antonietta ITA Shared 2007 world silver ... 1.69 tall, so she has the world women's "differential" high jump best of 34cm 5 WIC 2006 (2008-dnfq); 10 ECH 2006; 2 EIC 2007; =2 WCH 2007 (2001-12, 2009-4); 2 ECP 2008 (2001-3=, 2002-7=, 2005-5); =10 OLY 2008; 3 ETCh 2009; 1 Mediterranean Games 2009. 1 Italian 2000/2001/2006/2007/2008 (1 indoors 2003/2006/2007) ... coach-Davide Sessa In 2009: 1 Italian indoor; 1 Turin; 3 ETCh; 1 Mediterranean Games; 1 Rome Golden League; 3 Paris Golden League; 4 WCH	31y	88d	1978	2.00	2.03 -07
5,	BEITIA Ruth ESP (Pronounced BAY-tee-a) ... Spanish record holder indoors & out ... medals at the last three European Indoor Championships ... 12x Spanish Champion (5 out & 7 in) dnfq WJC 96; 9 EJC 97; 8 WJC 98; 1 under-23 ECH 2001; =6 WCP 2002; 2 EIC 2005/2009 (2007-3); 2 ECP 2006 (2004-6); 9 ECH 2006 (2002-11); 4 WIC 2008 (2001-7, 2003-5=, 2004-dnfq); =7 OLY 2008 (2004-dnfq); 2 ETCh 2009; 5 WCH 2009 (2003-11=, 2005-dnfq, 2007-6). 1 Spanish 2003/2006/2007/2008/2009 (1 indoor 2002/2003/2005/2006/2007/2008/2009) ... coach-Ramón Torralbo ... student of Physical Therapy at the University of Santander ... youngest of five children, all of whom have tried athletics ... 1.92 tall In 2009: 1 Spanish indoor; 2 EIC; 1 Valencia; 3 Doha; 1 Rabat; 1 European Clubs Cup; 1 Valencia; 1 Lugano; 4 Berlin Golden League; 2 ETCh; 3 Oslo Golden League; 1 Madrid; 1 Zaragoza; 2 London; 1 Spanish; 5 WCH	30y	149d	1979	2.01	2.02 -07
6,	CHICHEROVA Anna RUS World silvers in 2007 & 2009 .. 2008 Olympic bronze ... 1 World Youth 99; 4 WJC 2000; 2 EJC 2001; 2 WIC 2004 (2003-3); 1 EIC 2005 (2007 -5=); 1 WSG 2005 (2001-8=); 3 ECP 2006; 7 ECH 2006; 3 OLY 2008 (2004-6); 2 WCH 2009 (2003-6, 2005-4, 2007-2=). 1 Russian indoor 2005/2007 & outdoors 2007/2008/2009 ... born-Yerevan (Armenia) ... coaches-Yevgeniy Zagoruiko/Vladimir Chicherov (father)... 1.80 tall In 2009: 1 Zhukovskiy; 2 Paris Golden League; 1 Russian; 3 Monaco; 2 WCH	27y	37d	1982	2.02	2.04 -08
7,	FRIEDRICH Ariane GER 2009 European Indoor Champion ... HJ pb: 2.06 -08. 1 EJC 2003; 3 under-20 ECH 2005; 3 under-23 ECH 2006; dnfq EIC 2007; 2 WSG 2007; =8 WIC 2008; 1 ECP 2008 (2004-3, 2005-7, 2007-4=); =7 OLY 2008; 1 ETCh 2009; 3 WCH 2009. 1 German 2004/2007/2008/2009 ... partner is Polish international sprinter Lukasz Wojt ... coach-Günter Eisinger ... 1.79 tall She always jumps wearing sunglasses "I can't really see well when I have no sunglasses" In 2009: 1 German indoor; 1 Weinheim indoor; 1 EIC; 1 German Univeristies; 1 Baunatal; 1 Berlin Golden League (German record 2.06, close attempt at 2.09); 1 ETCh; 1 Bühl; 1 German; 1 World Student Games; 2 Monaco; 1 Wattenscheid; 3 WCH	25y	230d	1984	2.06	2.06 -08
8,	VLASIC Blanka CRO Twice World Champion ... 2008 Olympic silver but with the highest ever non-winning mark, 2.05 8 World Youth 99; 1 WJC 2000; 7 EJC 2001; 1 Mediterranean Games 2001; 1 WJC 2002; 1 under-23 ECH 2003; 4 ECH 2006 (2002-5=); 4 EIC 2007 (2002-dnfq, 2009-5=); 1 WCH 2007/2009 (2001-6, 2003-7, 2005-dnfq); 1 WIC 2008 (2003-4, 2004-3, 2006-2); 2 OLY 2008 (2000- dnfq, 2004-11). Coached by her father Josjo (whose best HJ was 2.03) and Bojan Marinovic (pb 2.12) ... she was named Blanka after the city of Casablanca, the venue of her father's victory in the Mediterranean Games Decathlon of 1983 ... three younger brothers, the youngest being Nikola who is a footballing prodigy ... 1.93 tall In 2009: =5 EIC; 1 Doha; 1 Split; 1 Thessaloníki; 2 Berlin Golden League; 1 Ostrava; 1 ETCh 2nd League; 1 Oslo Golden League; 2 Rome Golden League; 1 Paris Golden League; 1 London; 1 Monaco; 1 WCH (2.04, her 78th contest at two metres or higher)	25y	293d	1983	2.05	2.07 -07