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|  | **MONTERREY** | SEMIFINAL  **SCCL 2021** | **CRUZ AZUL** |  |
|  | 11 AUGUST **|** 10 PM ET **|** BBVA BANCOMER STADIUM | | |  |

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| **(The data is from 2008-2009 to the present).** |

* **They met in the semifinals at the 2010/11 SCCL Monterrey advanced with an aggregate score of 3-2**

**SCCL MATCHES:**

**Monterrey 2-1 Cruz Azul** (Neri Cardozo and Sergio Santana; Adrián Cortés), first leg of the SF of 2010/11 old Estadio Tecnológico, Monterrey (16 MAR 2011).

**Cruz Azul 1-1 Monterrey** (César Villaluz; Humberto Suazo), second leg of the 2010/11 SF Estadio Azul de Ciudad de México (6 APR 2011).

**History between Monterrey and Cruz Azul in liga MX short tournaments:**

**Matches played:** 55

**Monterrey wins:** 12 (63 goals).

**Cruz Azul wins:** 27 (98 goals).

**Draws:** 16

**Home Monterrey:**

**Matches played:** 27

**Monterrey wins:** 10 (37 goals).

**Cruz Azul wins:** 7 (36 goals).

**Draws:** 10

**Last 2 matches:**

**Monterrey 1-0 Cruz Azul** (Rogelio Funes Mori), Week 16, Guardianes Tournament 2020, Estadio BBVA Bancomer (31 OCT 2020).

**Cruz Azul 1-0 Monterrey** (Roberto Alvarado), Week 11 Torneo Guardianes 2021, Estadio Azteca (13 MAR 2021).

**Last matches** **in Direct Elimination:**

**Monterrey 1-0 Cruz Azul** (Rodolfo Pizarro), first leg, Semifinals Apertura Tournament 2018, Estadio BBVA Bancomer (5 DEC 2018).

**Cruz Azul 1-0 Monterrey** (Milton Caraglio), second leg, Semifinals of the Apertura 2018 Tournament, Estadio Azteca (8 DEC 2018). Cruz Azul advanced to the Final for best position in the overall table.

**Monterrey 0-2 Cruz Azul** (Elías Hernández and Martín Cauteruccio), Estadio BBVA Bancomer (31 OCT 2018), in the Final of the Copa MX Torneo Apertura **2018.**

* **It will be** **the** 10**th** series **in** **the Semifinals between** Liga MX **teams** **in SCCL.**
* 18 matches have been played between Liga MX teams. **No match was defined on** **penalties.**
* **One match was played in Extra Time:** Club América vs. Santos Laguna, 2015/16: Club América's 1-0 goal by Ecuadorian Michael Arroyo in the 102nd minute.
* **It** will be the **45th match between Liga MX rivals in SCCL** (12 matches drawn). 100% of the matches were in the Direct Elimination Phase.

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|  | **MONTERREY** |

**6th participation in the SCCL** **(2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2016/17, 2019 and 2021).**

**SCCL record:** GP-50 W-35 T-9 L-6 (GF-106 GA-34).

They have played 68 games since 1962 (41W-17T-10L).

**The team with the most titles in the SCCL (4)** with **4 titles** 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2019). Was undefeated champion in 2010–11 and 2012–13

**The team** **with the most** **consecutive wins**: 3 (2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13).

**It is the team with the most goals scored** in **SCCL Finals** (with 12).

**Coach: Javier Aguirre (MEX),** 62 years old. With the Mexico national team, he was champion of the CONCACAF Gold Cup in 2009 and was in the FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan 2002 and South Africa 2010, the CONMEBOL Copa America 2001 and the CONCACAF Gold Cup 2002 and 2009. Champion in the 1999 Winter Tournament with Pachuca (MEX) and 3 Cups in the United Arab Emirates (UAE League Cup 2016 and President's Cup 2016 and 2017) with Al-Wahda FC (UAE). He has coached Atlante, Pachuca, Monterrey (MEX), Osasuna, Atlético de Madrid, Real Zaragoza, Espanyol, CD Leganés (ESP), Al-Wahda (UAE) and the national teams of Mexico (2001-2002 and 2009-2010), Japan (2014-2015) and Egypt (2018-2019).

SCCL record: GP-4 W-3 T-1 L-0 (83.3% efficacy). NOTE: the second leg in R16 vs. Atlético Pantoja was managed by his assistant coach Antonio Amor Fernández.

**CF Monterrey has the best winning percentage in the SCCL** **(70%) and is the team with the most wins in the KO Phase (20).**

**Top scorers** in **SCCL:**  Humberto Suazo (CHI) and Aldo De Nigris (MEX) with 16 goals each.

**Players with the most matches in SCCL:**  Aldo de Nigris (MEX) and Walter Ayoví (ECU) with 30. Neri Cardozo (ARG) with 28.

**Top scorer** **in SCCL Semifinals:** Aldo de Nigris (MEX) with 4, Rogelio Funes Mori (ARG), Dorlan Pabón (COL), Humberto Suazo (CHI) with 2.

**SCCL KO Phase Global Record:** GP-30 W-20 T-8 L-2.

**Scorers in the** SCCL **2021:**  Vincent Janssen (NED), Alfonso Alvarado (MEX) and Maximiliano Meza with 2, Ake Loba, Alfonso González, Gustavo Sánchez, Jesús Gallardo, and Miguel Layún with 1.

**Assist in SCCL 2021:**  Dorlan Pabón (COL) with 3 goal passes and Vincent Janssen (NED) with 2, Erick Gutierrez, Jonathan Gonzalez, and Alfonso Alvarado (MEX) with 1.

**Saves in SCCL 2021:** (10). Luis Cardenas (MEX) in 374 minutes (3 goals received and 2 games without conceding).

**SCCL local record:** GP-25 W-20 T-3 L-2 (GF-59 GA-16). 84% efficacy.

**Undefeated in 7** homegames **in** the **SCCL:**

**Has played 25 back-to-back series in history (since 1962):**

* 20 times they advanced.
* 5 times eliminated (3 vs. Central American clubs, 2 vs. Mexican clubs).
* 6 series of semifinals played. He advanced in 4 (67% success rate) and was eliminated in 2.

**Has never had to define a match in penalty kicks or overtime in the SCCL.**

**Record against Liga MX teams in SCCL: (9W-4T-1L).**

vs. Toluca (QF 2010/11), Cruz Azul (SF 2010/11), Morelia (QF 2011/12), Pumas (SF 2011/12), Santos (Finals 2011/12 and 2012/13) and Tigres (Final 2019). Their only loss was 2–1 vs. Santos in the 2011–12 Final (Daniel Ludueña and Oribe Peralta; Neri Cardozo).

**8th home match vs. Mexican clubs in SCCL and is** **undefeated:**  1-0 to Toluca (QF 2010/11), 2-1 vs. Cruz Azul (SF 2010/11), 4-1 vs Monarcas Morelia (QF 2011/12), 3-0 vs Pumas UNAM (SF 2011/12), 2-0 vs Santos Laguna (Final 2011/12), 4-2 vs Santos Laguna (Final 2012/13) and 1-1 vs. Tigres UANL (Final 2019).

**Rogelio Funes Mori (ARG).** He has scored 2 goals in 12 SCCL matches in 2016/17, 2019 and 2021). His 2 goals were in the Semifinals in 2019 vs. Sporting Kansas City. He has scored three goals in 15 games against Cruz Azul (Liga MX Apertura 2016, Clausura 2018 and Guardianes 2020).

**Vincent Janssen (NED).** He has 2 goals in 3 appearances. The striker tops the list with shots in SCCL 2021 with 14 (8 shots on goal: 8). He scored 1 goal against Cruz Azul (Liga MX Apertura 20193) in three games (1W-1T-1L).

**Maximiliano Meza (ARG). He has played in 10 SCCL games, Champion in 2019 and in the 2021 SCCL he has scored two goals in 70 minutes** (vs. Columbus Crew) and scored the fastest goal in the SCCL (2 '40'').

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|  | **CRUZ AZUL** |

**7th participation in SCCL** (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2020 and 2021).

**Titles: 6.** 1969, 1970, 1971, 1996, 1997 and 2013/14 (includes CONCACAF Champions' Cup).

**He has played in 3 SCCL ERA finals, champion** **in 2013/14.** In addition, Runner-up in 2008/09 and 2009/10.

**SCCL record:** GP-61 W-37 T-11 L-13 (GF-131 GA-46). 66.7% efficacy.

**Scorers in SCCL:** Javier Orozco (MEX) with 23, Emanuel Villa (ARG), 11 and Pablo Zeballos (PAR) 9.

**Players with the most matches in SCCL:** Julio César Domínguez (MEX) with 42 and Alejandro Castro (MEX) with 40.

**It is the team with the highest number of goals in SCCL** **(61), wins (37) and undefeated hurdles (30) in the CONCACAF Champions League ERA.**

**Coach: Juan Máximo Reynoso (PER), 51 years old.** As a player he was enshrined in the CONCACAF Champions' Cup in 1996 and 1997 with the Máquina Cementera. As technical director, he began his career in Peru where he won the Clausura 2007 tournament with Coronel Bolognesi, the 2009 Liga with Universitario de Deportes, the Clausura 2015 tournament, the 2015 Liga and the 2017 Summer Tournament with Melgar. As DT of Cruz Azul, he was crowned champion of the 2021 Guardianes Tournament (first Liga MX title after 23 years) and the 2021 Champion of Champions trophy. Record in SCCL: GP4 W-3 T-1 L-0 (83.3% efficacy).

**Scorers in SCCL Semifinals:** César Villaluz (in 2008/09 vs. Puerto Rico Islanders and in 2010/11 vs. Monterrey) and Adrián Cortés (in 2009/10 vs. Pumas UNAM and in 2010/11 vs. Monterrey) with 2.

**Away record in SCCL:** GP-31 W-14 T-5 L-12. 50.5% efficiency.

**Scorers in SCCL 2021:** Bryan Angulo (ECU) with 4, Walter Montoya (ARG) with 2, Elías Hernández (MEX), Alexis Gutiérrez (MEX), Yoshimar Yotún (PER), Josué Reyes (MEX), Juan Escobar (PAR) and Pablo Aguilar (PAR) with 1.

**Assist in SCCL 2021:**  Santiago Giménez (MEX) with 3.

**Saves in SCCL 2021:** (5). **Goalkeepers:**  Andrés Gudiño (MEX) with 1 (93 minutes, no goal received and 1 fence undefeated) and Jesús Corona (MEX) with 4 (186 minutes, 1 goal received and 1 match without conceding goals), Sebastián Jurado (MEX) played 91 minutes (1 did not concede goals).

**They won their only penalty shootout in the CONCACAF Champions League:** 4–2 over the Puerto Rico Islanders in the decisive shootout after equalizing 3–3 in the overall result of the series, in the semi-finals of 2008/09. **In this match, Cruz Azul played its first and only Extra Time in SCCL.**

**Has played 30 home-and-away matches (since 1962).**

* 24 times advanced.
* 6 times he was eliminated (by 1 Honduran club and 5 Mexican clubs).
* 5 semi-final series, advanced by 4 (80%) and was eliminated once, vs Monterrey, in 2010/11.

**Record vs.**  **Liga MX teams in SCCL: (7W-4T-5L).**

He has faced Pumas UNAM (QF 2008/09), Atlante (Final 2008/09), Pumas UNAM (SF 2009/10), Pachuca (Final 2009/10), Santos Laguna (QF 2010/11), vs. Monterrey (SF 2010/11), Tijuana (SF 2013/14) and Toluca (Final 2013/14).

**Away record vs.** **Liga MX teams** **in SCCL (2W-2T-4L):**

**Results;** 0-1 vs. Pumas UNAM (QF 2008/09), 0-0 vs. Atlante (Final 2008/09), 1-0 vs. Pumas UNAM (SF 2009/10), 1-0 vs. Pachuca (Final 2009/10), 1-3 vs. Santos Laguna (QF 2010/11), 2-1 vs. Monterrey (SF 2010/11), 1-0 vs. Tijuana (SF 2013/14) and 1-1 vs. Toluca (Final 2013/14).

**Bryan Angulo (ECU).** He is Cruz Azul’s top scorer in the 2021 SCCL (4) and has the best shooting efficiency percentage (57.1%) – he scored vs. Arcahaie (Knockouts), and vs. Toronto FC (back-to-back matches in quarterfinals).

**Jonathan Rodriguez (URU).** He has scored 1 goal in 3 goals in the SCCL. The Uruguayan scored 2 goals in 10 Liga MX vs. CF Monterrey games (he scored two in the Clausura 2008 as a santos laguna player).

**Walter Montoya (ARG).** He scored 2 goals in 4 games in the 2021 SCCL (he scored two in the 8-0 win vs. Arcahaie). He is the player with the most shots (11) and the most fouls received (17).