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TEN ZWIFT ACADEMY ROAD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

FINALISTS WILL TRAVEL TO DENIA, SPAIN, FOR THEIR TOUGHEST CHALLENGE YET

Zwift, the global online fitness platform, has today announced the 10 finalists in the 2022 Zwift Academy Road program. Five women and five men will now progress to the Zwift Academy Road Finals in Denia, Spain, where they will compete for a contract on the professional cycling teams CANYON//SRAM (Women) and Alpecin-Deceuninck (Men).

More than 96,000 cyclists participated in this year's Zwift Academy Road. For most participants, this year's four-week program was an opportunity to improve from their baseline fitness and identify their cycling phenotype. The program included eight mandatory workouts and one optional ride. For some participants, Zwift Academy presented a unique opportunity to attempt to join a pro cycling team. Riders who self-identified that they wanted to participate in the "Pro Contender" program completed additional workouts, and were evaluated as potential pro cyclists. Out of thousands, these ten riders rose to the top and have been selected as finalists.

The five finalists competing for a spot with CANYON//SRAM are:

Alice Morrice, Great Britain

Chiara Doni, Italy

Elena Wu-Lang, United States

Liz Van Houeling, United States

Nele Laing, Germany

The Five finalists competing for a contract with Alpecin-Deceuninck are:

Cooper Sayers, Australia

Jasper Paridaens, Belgium

Luca Vergallito, Italy

Lucas Hoffman, Australia

Will Lowden, Great Britain





Zwift Academy Road Finals will be held at Syncrosfera, a health and performance center in Denia, Spain. The finals, held in mid-November, will see all ten finalists complete some training tasks as a group, while others will be performed with their prospective teams. Team riders and staff from CANYON//SRAM and Alpecin-Deceuninck will be present at finals to evaluate the finalists and assist in selecting the two winners. Zwift Academy and coaches from the teams will be on site to analyze all performance data from their Zwift and outdoor efforts at finals, as well as some off-bike challenges.

The finals will be broadcast by GCN, with five films being released starting on Dec. 13 and winners will be announced on Dec. 17.

To learn more about the finalists and to see how you can stay up to date with the latest Zwift Academy news, head over to [zwift.com/academy](https://www.zwift.com/academy).

ABOUT ZWIFT

Zwift is the fitness company born from gaming. We're dedicated fitness enthusiasts, experienced video game developers, and disruptive thinkers. Play is in our DNA and we know fun fuels results.

Zwift utilizes massively multiplayer online gaming technology to create rich, 3D worlds ripe for exploration. Join thousands of cyclists and runners in immersive playgrounds like London, New York, and Paris as well as our very own Watopia.

Our app connects wirelessly to exercise equipment: bike trainers, treadmills, and more, so your real world effort powers your avatar in the game.

From friendly races to social rides and structured training programs, Zwift unites a diverse community in pursuit of a more fun, immersive and social fitness experience.

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