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## Spanish Moto 2 rider Luis Salom died in training for the GP of Catalonia

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**USPA NEWS** - The Spanish Moto 2 rider Luis Salom, the Kalex team, died Friday after suffering a serious accident during free practice for the Grand Prix of Catalunya. He was 24 years old and a promising future in the world of motorcycling.

The second practice session of the Grand Prix of Catalunya at the Circuit de Barcelona was played when Luis Salom fell with the moto at the exit of Turn 12, receiving a very strong blow to the head. Immediately came the emergency services and the Balearic pilot was taken to a Barcelona hospital by ambulance, although the medical helicopter serving in the World Championship had landed on the circuit. Luis Salom was taken "in very serious condition," according to the medical report, while the organization of the World Championship reported that "following the incident in the free practice at the Circuit de Barcelona, has died."

Free practice were suspended immediately. The news spread like wildfire around the circuit and shocked the pilots, mechanics and others who attended the preparatory session of the Grand Prix. Born in the Balearic Islands, Luis Salom was 24 and a promising future in the world of motorcycling. Samples of sympathy occurred in social networks and pleasant, the president of the Balearic Federation of Motorcycling, Pedro Mas, said the news of the death of the young pilot fell "like a bucket of cold water."

The federal official said "we know that motorcycling is a high-risk sport, but you never expect news like this. We are devastated." On the pilot, Pedro Mas stressed that "it was a dear boy, polite, always willing to help the younger ones. Just not yet digest this tragic event," he said. Meanwhile, the acting president of the Spanish Government, Mariano Rajoy, published a tweet in which he was "saddened by the news reaching us from Montmelo. My sympathy and affection for the family of Luis Salom, his entire team and the Spanish sport."

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