

Lightweight men's double sculls (LM2x)

Match-up: Mads Rasmussen & Rasmus Quist (DEN) vs. Fintan McCarthy & Paul O'Donovan (IRL)

In men's lightweight rowing, the Danish have always been a force to be reckoned with. Mads Rasmussen and Rasmus Quist won Olympic bronze in 2008. But that was not enough. They kept at it for another Olympic cycle and in the race of a lifetime, they sprinted through the home-favoured British to take gold in 2012.

Rasmussen and Quist will go up against the new hot-shot double of Fintan McCarthy and Paul O'Donovan from Ireland. The O'Donovan brothers became famous at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio when they won the first medal ever for Ireland in rowing. But the brothers were separated in 2019 when another speedy rower came out of the woodwork. Fintan McCarthy was matched up with Paul and together they raced to 2019 World Championship victory.

The Irish are known for their fast sprints, but if they lined up against the Danish top sprinting speed, who would come out on top?