

Murray Calls Spanish Verdict Biggest Cover-Up In Sports History

Andy Murray has hit out at a Spanish judge who ordered destruction of evidence related to one of the biggest [doping](#) rings in history.

Britain's No 1 tennis player termed the decision as 'the biggest cover-up in sports history' and said it was a 'joke'. This was after Madrid judge Julia Santamaria ruled that the 211 blood bags from 35 people taken as part of the Operation Puerto investigation into Dr Eufemiano Fuentes could not be analyzed by anti-doping authorities but must be discarded.

Murray tweeted: 'operacion puerto case is beyond a joke... biggest cover up in sports history? why would court order blood bags to be destroyed? #coverup'.

The judge's decision was also criticized by Andy Parkinson, chief executive of UK Anti-Doping, who said we are disappointed and Dr Fuentes has admitted to having been involved in multiple prohibited doping activities, and linked with multiple unnamed athletes. Parkinson added that it therefore cannot be right that these names will remain unknown and no immediate action can be taken.

Murray, the recently crowned Wimbledon champion, won his first Wimbledon title and ended Britain's 77-year wait for a men's champion with a hard-fought victory over world number one Novak Djokovic. The 26-year-old Scot converted his fourth championship point in a dramatic final game to win 6-4 7-5 6-4 and claim his second major title. Murray, after a grueling three hours 10 minutes in searing temperatures, finally followed in the footsteps of Fred Perry's 1936 win at the All England Club.

The win is the 36th time a British man has won the Wimbledon singles title - more than any other nation and Murray is the most successful British man in terms of Grand Slam match wins with 113, ahead of Fred Perry's 106.

BBC commentator and four-time Wimbledon semi-finalist Tim Henman said he was privileged enough to go into the locker room straight after the match and [Andy Murray](#) was basically in a state of shock. Henman added Murray is such a student of the game that he can remember all of his results from the juniors, he remembers all the matches he has played, the shots he has made, but he had no recollection whatsoever about that final game today. He went on to add that it's an amazing day for Andy, an amazing day for tennis and an amazing day for British sport and Murray has to be BBC Sports Personality of the Year.

Murray's Route To The Final

First round: Bt Benjamin Becker 6-4 6-3 6-2

Second round: Bt Yen-Hsun Lu 6-3 6-3 7-5

Third round: Bt Tommy Robredo 6-2 6-4 7-5

Fourth round: Bt Mikhail Youzhny 6-4 7-6 6-1

QF: Bt Fernando Verdasco 4-6 3-6 6-1 6-4 7-5

SF: Bt Jerzy Janowicz 6-7 6-4 6-4 6-3

Final: Bt Novak Djokovic 6-4 7-5 6-4

Murray at the 2012 US Open became the first British player since 1977, and the first British man since 1936, to win a Grand Slam singles tournament, when he defeated Novak Djokovic in five sets. At the 2012 Olympic Games, Murray defeated Roger Federer in straight sets to win the gold medal in men's singles, becoming the first British champion in over 100 years and also won a silver medal in mixed doubles, playing with Laura Robson.