

General Information

Country:	FRA
Gender:	M
Handedness:	Left-handed
Date of birth:	1978-04-25
Profession:	Risk Manager
License:	25041978000

Further Personal Information

Family	Two children
Languages	English, French, Spanish
Higher education	Sport Management - Claude Bernard University Lyon: France

Sport Specific Information

When and where did you begin this sport?	He began fencing at age six at the Durandal a Fort de France club in Martinique.
Why this sport?	He and his brother were inspired to start fencing after watching movies with sword fighting in them. "The epee was the weapon of duels, and when I started fencing I was too young to use one, which made me want to do it even more."
Handedness	Left

General Interest

Nicknames	Titi, Jimmy, Jean-Miche (escrime-ffe.fr , 11 Jun 2008)
Hobbies	Cinema, team sports, spending time with family, travelling. (NOC Media Guide, 2016)
Most influential person in career	His brother Laurent. (franceolympique.com , 11 Jul 2011; la1ere.francetvinfo.fr , 28 Jan 2017)
Injuries	He suffered a back injury in November 2012. (escrime-ffe.fr , 16 Nov 2012)
Awards and honours	In 2010 he was named Male Athlete of the Year by the French Fencing Federation [FFE]. (laruedubac.com , 12 Dec 2010)
Famous relatives	His brother Laurent has also represented France in fencing. (Facebook page, 28 Jan 2017; SportsDeskOnline, 10 May 2009)
Other information	<p>RETIREMENT He retired from competitive fencing after competing in July 2017 at the world championships in Leipzig, Germany. (escrime-ffe.fr, 31 Jul 2017)</p> <p>FURTHER STUDIES He has a master's degree in sport organisations management from Claude Bernard University Lyon in France. (LinkedIn profile, 2016)</p>