

**General Information**

Country:	KOR
Gender:	M
Handedness:	Right-handed
Date of birth:	1996-09-30
License:	30091996000

**Further Personal Information**

Residence	Daejeon, KOR
Occupation	Athlete
Languages	Korean
Higher education	Physical Education - Daejeon University: Republic of Korea

**Sport Specific Information**

When and where did you begin this sport?	He first tried fencing while he was in primary school. He took up the sport competitively in 2009 at Maebong Middle School in Daejeon, Republic of Korea.
Why this sport?	He was encouraged by his older brother. His parents initially did not want him to get involved in the sport but they were persuaded to let him pursue it after coach Park Jong-Han identified his talent.
Club / Team	Daejeon Metropolitan City Hall: Republic of Korea
Name of coach	Won Woo-Young [national], KOR
Handedness	Right

**International Debut**

Year	2015
Competing for	Republic of Korea
Tournament	World Cup
Location	Padua, ITA

### General Interest

Nicknames	Monster [because of his height]. (news.chosun.com, 23 Aug 2019)
Hobbies	Gaming. (news.chosun.com, 23 Aug 2019)
Most influential person in career	His middle school coach Park Jong-Han. (news.kmib.co.kr, 23 Aug 2018)
Hero / Idol	Korean fencers Kim Jung-Hwan and Gu Bon-Gil. (stoo.asiae.co.kr, 03 Jan 2020)
Injuries	<p>He was affected by an ankle injury at the 2024 Grand Prix event in Seoul, Republic of Korea. (yna.co.kr, 06 May 2024)</p> <p>In November 2022 he underwent surgery on his right ankle after rupturing a ligament during a national training camp. He returned to competition at the 2023 World Cup event in Budapest, Hungary. (sports.khan.co.kr, 27 Mar 2023; Kim Jung-Hwan Naver blog, 22 Dec 2022)</p> <p>In March 2021 he was hospitalised in the Republic of Korea after testing positive for COVID-19. He had just returned home from winning gold in individual sabre at the 2021 World Cup event in Budapest, Hungary. He resumed training one month later. (news.sbs.co.kr, 23 Apr 2021; news.kbs.co.kr, 14 Apr 2021)</p> <p>He had surgery on the little toe of his right foot in August 2016. (segye.com, 16 Dec 2016)</p>
Sporting philosophy / motto	"If somebody says fencing, I want to be the person that immediately comes to mind." (sportschosun.com, 28 Apr 2021)
Awards and honours	<p>In February 2023 he received the Athlete of the Year Award in the competition section at the 69th Korean Sport and Olympic Committee [KSOC] Sports Awards in the Republic of Korea. (maniareport.com, 28 Feb 2023)</p> <p>In 2021 he was given the Excellent Male Fencer Award by the Korean Fencing Federation. (joongboo.com, 16 Mar 2022)</p> <p>In 2020 he was presented with the Best Athlete Award at the Coca-Cola Amateur Sports Awards in the Republic of Korea. (sportschosun.com, 28 Apr 2021)</p> <p>He was named Athlete of the Year at the 2019 Korea Sports Awards. He also received the Amateur Athlete of the Year award at the 2019 Gyeonggi Province Sports Awards in the Republic of Korea. (kyeongin.com, 19 Dec 2019; kyeonggi.com, 15 Oct 2019)</p> <p>He was named Athlete of the Year at the 2018 Daejeon Sports Awards in the Republic of Korea. (dtnews24.com, 21 Dec 2018)</p> <p>He was named the 2017 Male Fencer of the Year by the Korean Fencing Federation. (osen.mt.co.kr, 13 Dec 2017)</p>
Famous relatives	His older brother Oh Sang-Min represented the Republic of Korea in fencing at the 2014 World Junior Championships in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. (chosun.com, 30 Jul 2021; SportsDeskOnline, 06 May 2021; SBS, 29 Aug 2019; kmib.co.kr, 13 Feb 2015)