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Champion in Doha -2019 and Olympic bronze medalist in Tokyo-2020, the so-called "Russian" of Cuban athletics has not had a brilliant year, but in the qualifying phase of the World Cup she showed that she is in good shape, when she achieved her best qualifying throw of the year (65.32m).

That shot was third among the 12 finalists, only lower than that of the great favorite, the American queen in Tokyo-2020, Valery Allman (68.36) and the Dutch Jorinde Van Klinken (65.66 SB). Multi-Olympic and world champion Sandra Perkovic was seventh with 64.23.

On the same day, Olympic 400m finalist Roxana Gomez will look for her pass to the final in one of the three semifinals.

On Tuesday, LATIN AMERICA had a happy day, with the title of the Brazilian Alison Dos Santos in the 400m hurdles.

Dos Santos had run better than the rest of his rivals, including Olympic champion Karsten Warholm (Norway), who paid the burden of a recent injury and missed out on a medal (seventh with 48.42).

The South American clocked an impressive 46.29 sec, a record for the World Championships and for South America, and was escorted by the American Olympic runner-up in Tokyo 2020, Rei Benjamin (USA, 46.89) and his compatriot Trevor Bassit (47.39).

It was definitely not the night for Norway, as their fans could not celebrate in the 1,500 meters either when their Olympic king Jacob Ingebrigtsen (3:29.47 minutes) lacked the strength to overtake Great Britain's Jake Wightman, champion with 3:29.23.

The men's discus final left the illustrious Swedish Daniel Stahl, champion at Doha 2019 and Tokyo 2020, without a medal.

The gold went to Slovenian giganton Kristjan Ceh with an event record of 71.13 meters.

The medal distribution of the day was completed with the women's high jump, where the Australian Eleanor Patterson won in a surprising way, with a record for her geographical area of 2.02 meters, followed by the Ukrainian Yaroslava Mahuchikh, with a similar record (2.02), and the Italian Elena Vallortigara with 2.00 meters.

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