PRESSING NEAR THE SIDELINE - QUICK COUNTER ATTACK

Date: 27/Nov/2012  Duration: N/A  Session: Gaining Possession in the Midfield/
Time: 0h 0m  Objective: Fast Break Attacks
Age/Level: U15 - 18+

Winning Possession in the Midfield

Description:
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The opposition right back (N0.2) is in an advanced position. When he receives the pass from No.4, Alonso applies immediate pressure on the new ball carrier. Ozil tracks the run of No.6 who moves to receive the ball inside and wins it from him gaining possession for Madrid.

Fast Break: Attacking the Weak Side of the Opposition

Description:
Ronaldo exploits the space on the left and moves into a wide position. Ozil passes the ball in front of Ronaldo for him to run onto.

Timing Runs and Exploiting Space In Behind to Score

Description:
Benzema makes a run in behind No.4 and receives the ball from Ronaldo's pass. Ozil moves into a centre forward position and shoots on goal from Benzema's cross.

Coaching Points:
ASSESSMENT
Real Madrid were the most successful team in the transition from defence to attack in 2011-12 - Mourinho's team was extremely effective on the counter attack. The aim was to move the ball to the weak side of the opposition as quickly as possible. Ronaldo's poor defensive positioning high up the pitch helped in this transition, creating a 3v3 with plenty of space to exploit.

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