

Mancuso 4th overall in GS standings

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LENZERHEIDE, Switzerland -- Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley) skied into eighth place Sunday during the World Cup giant slalom final, finalizing her fourth place overall finish in the Audi FIS World Cup standings for the second year in a row.



Julia Mancuso

Sunday capped a historic season for the Best in the World U.S. Ski Team with 18-year-old teammate Mikaela Shiffrin (Eagle-Vail, Colo.) climbing to the fifth overall position and taking the globe for slalom. Lindsey Vonn (Vail) won a record 17th globe for downhill and finished eighth overall despite her season-ending injury in Schladming. Slovenian Tina Maze won the giant slalom race Sunday.

Next the team returns home for the Nature Valley U.S. Alpine Championships at Squaw Valley.

Shiffrin became the first U.S. slalom World Cup champion since Tamara McKinney in 1983-84.

She made history as the fourth youngest woman to win a globe and the sixth youngest woman to win any World Cup title. She was also the third non-European woman to ever win the slalom crystal globe after McKinney and then Betsy Clifford in

1970-71.