

U.S. second in World Cup team competition

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LENZERHEIDE, Switzerland – The U.S. Ski Team, captained by Mikaela Shiffrin (Eagle-Vail), Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley), David Chodounsky (Crested Butte, Colo.) and Tim Jitloff (Reno), powered to second in the Audi FIS Alpine World Cup Finals Nations team event Friday.

Anchored by Shiffrin and Chodounsky, who won every dual on the faster blue course, the team rolled past France in the opening round and Austria in the semifinal before losing on a tie break to Switzerland in the final.

The tie break was decided by the fastest run in the final, which went to Switzerland's Reto Schmidiger with a time of 25.78, a mere 0.15 faster than Chodounsky's final run time.

Austria defeated Italy in the small final to finish third.