

Vonn back on podium in super G

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LAKE LOUISE, Alberta – Just a day after leading a first-ever American podium sweep, Lindsey Vonn (Vail) on Sunday was back on the winner's stand, finishing second in the season-opening Audi FIS Ski World Cup super G in Lake Louise. Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley) was sixth, while Lara Gut of Switzerland took the win and Tina Maze of Slovenia rounded out the podium.

Vonn, whose return to ski racing after a knee injury happened just on Friday, came in eighth that day before winning Saturday's downhill. Although she lamented her timing-based mistakes on the course, she said, "It was a solid day and a phenomenal weekend for me." This was Vonn's best super G finish since she won in St. Moritz in December 2012.

Mancuso had a solid run, sitting in fifth for 15 racers, until Cornelia Huetter from Austria bumped her to sixth place overall. Stacey Cook (Mammoth Mountain) and Laurene Ross (Bend, Ore.) also scored World Cup points, finishing in 23 and 24, respectively. Katie Ryan (Aspen,) finished 42, Alice McKennis (Glenwood Springs, Colo.) 43, Jackie Wiles (Aurora, Ore.) 47 and Abby Ghent (Edwards, Colo.) 52.

The women's tour now heads to Are, Sweden, a replacement site from Courchevel, France, for a giant slalom and slalom. Vonn will remain at home in Vail to train, looking ahead to the next speed races the following weekend in Val d'Isere, snow permitting.