

Russian Athlete Andrianova Stripped of 2005 World Medal Over Doping

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(L to R) Ewelina Setowska of Poland, Tatyana Andrianova of Russia, Alice Schmidt of the U.S. and Marian Burnett of Guyana compete in the third heat of the 800 metres women's event at the world athletics championships in Helsinki.

Russian runner Tatyana Andrianova has been stripped of her world 800m bronze medal after the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) confirmed that she had tested positive for the banned anabolic steroid Stanozolol from a sample taken during the 2005 World Championships in Helsinki, the RIA news agency reported Saturday.

Andrianova had previously been handed a two-year suspension, from September 2015 to September 2017, with her competition results from Aug. 9, 2005, to Aug. 8, 2007 annulled, the Athletics Weekly magazine reported Sunday.

On Aug. 9, 2005, the Russian athlete took the bronze in the 800m final in Helsinki. The medal is now likely to pass to fourth-place finisher Maria Mutola of Mozambique.

On Sunday, the IAAF published a statement saying that the measures against Andrianova had

come as a result of an in-competition doping test.

“Starting in April 2015, the IAAF made a further reanalysis of Helsinki 2005 and Osaka 2007 samples using the latest technology available in the field of anti-doping and taking advantage of the new World Anti-Doping Code's provision extending from 8 to 10 years the period during which samples can be tested,” an IAAF statement read.

In late November, Russia became the first country to be banned from international track and field competition over allegations of a state-sponsored doping program.

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