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France's Pascal and Finland's Repo Take Downhill #6 Wins

Mickael Pascal (FRA, Be-One Team) and **Katja Repo** (FIN, Team GT) dominated a tough field of competitors - and a tough downhill track - to capture victory in round six of the **Tissot-UCI Mountain Bike World Cup** in *Leysin, Switzerland*.

With unpredictable rains and tricky course conditions ruling the day, it was never clear who would prevail on the steep mountains above Lake Geneva. But thousands of fans came out to watch the excitement, this season's first triple event held in Europe.



Mickael Pascal, FRA

Mickael Pascal (FRA, Be-One Team) won his first world cup ever two rounds ago in Colorado, and in the rain. But this week was different, as all of the top-qualifiers had the same course conditions during the finals - if anything the track got faster as time progressed. So Pascal was able to take satisfaction from his well-deserved victory today, as he qualified fourth-fastest and then held on for the win.

"I just wanted to get down the course with no crash," smiled Pascal after his run. *"All the people had the same weather though, so I'm very happy with this win."*

Rains fell in the early part of the men's final, as 80 men made their run down the slippery mountain much more slowly than during qualifying. **Marcus Klausmann** (GER, MK Racing Team) was the 22nd man to arrive at the finish, his impressive time of 4:58 fast enough to keep him in the hotseat until the 67th finalist - **David Vazquez**

Lopez (ESP, Giant) - finally unseated him. Then, with four riders remaining, Pascal overtook the hotseat.

Pascal beat this week's runner-up **Greg Minnaar** (RSA, Global Racing Team) by three seconds, as Minnaar was second-fastest in qualifying as well. *"I'm not that good a mud rider,"* said Minnaar. *"So I thought I would let loose a bit. I didn't crash, but my feet were out and I was out of control for a bit!"*

Last year's winner here, **Cedric Gracia** (FRA, Volvo-Cannondale), finished third, while **Michel Marosi** (CZE, Author RB Skoda Auto) was fourth and **Sean McCarroll** (AUS, Global Racing Team) fifth.

Top-qualifier **Nicolas Vouilloz** (FRA, Vouilloz Racing Team) crashed during his final run, but moves up to the overall lead, helped by the absence of previous leader **Fabien Barel** (FRA, Team GT) - who didn't race due to a leg injury sustained last week in Japan and drops to second overall.



Rk	Bib	UCI Code	Surname	Firstname	Team	Time	Gap
1	3	FRA19791011	PASCAL	Mickael	BE-ONE	4:41.30	
2	4	RSA19811113	MINNAAR	Greg	GLOBAL RACING	4:44.31	3.01
3	11	FRA19780323	GRACIA	Cedric	VOLVO CANNONDALE	4:51.33	10.03
4	25	CZE19780529	MAROSI	Michal	AUTHOR RB SKODA AUTO	4:51.37	10.07
5	9	AUS19771105	MCCARROLL	Sean	GLOBAL RACING	4:54.07	12.77
6	202	FRA19750118	AMOUR	Karim		4:54.10	12.8
7	67	FRA19840107	CAMELLINI	Julien		4:54.75	13.45
8	82	ESP19790210	VAZQUEZ LOPEZ	David	GIANT	4:57.73	16.43
9	33	GER19770808	KLAUSMANN	Marcus	MK RACING TEAM	4:58.92	17.62
10	17	SUI19770916	CALUORI	Claudio	TEAM TOMAC	5:00.00	18.7
11	16	GBR19700916	WARNER	Rob	GIANT TOYOTA	5:00.08	18.78
12	32	USA19740531	VOREIS	Kirt	HARO/LEE DUNGAREES	5:00.17	18.87
13	7	ESP19730828	SAIZ CASTANE	Oscar	BE-ONE	5:01.41	20.11
14	43	SUI19761023	WILDHABER	Rene		5:02.52	21.22
15	85	ITA19731110	ZANCHI	Bruno	BIKE O CLOCK	5:03.49	22.19
16	5	AUS19780301	KOVARIK	Christopher	INTENSE	5:03.88	22.58
17	34	ESP19760807	MISSE VILASECA	Pau		5:04.44	23.14
18	13	USA19700306	CARTER	Eric	MONGOOSE HYUNDAI	5:05.26	23.96
19	105	SUI19750923	STEFFEN	Andreas	SWITZERLAND	5:05.54	24.24
20	12	AUS19750623	RONNING	Michael	INTENSE	5:06.49	25.19
21	100	GER19781003	SCHNEIDER	Frank	SOCAL-NICOLAI	5:07.04	25.74
22	135	FRA19770217	BALAUD	William	FRANCE	5:07.32	26.02
23	40	GBR19721010	PONTING	Tim		5:07.51	26.21
24	54	CZE19810425	VAGNER	Adam		5:09.35	28.05
25	160	SUI19840330	SCHURTER	Mario	SWITZERLAND	5:10.16	28.86
26	199	GBR19790614	JAMESON	Duncan		5:11.63	30.33
27	190	FRA19820619	BARRE	Thomas	TAILLEFER	5:12.47	31.17
28	70	GBR19801009	BARLOW	Richard		5:12.75	31.45
29	2	FRA19760208	VOUILLOZ	Nicolas	VOUILLOZ RACING TEAM	5:13.05	31.75
30	196	CZE19780316	HYNCICA	Vlastimil		5:14.49	33.19
31	42	ESP19771229	SANCHEZ	Himar	MAXXIS-MSC	5:15.30	34
32	94	GBR19770421	MOSELEY	Ed	ANIMAL ORANGE	5:17.40	36.1
33	31	FRA19760719	LAGNEAU	Cyril	TAILLEFER BICYCLES	5:17.70	36.4
34	115	FRA19830509	ORTIZ	Nicolas	GASSOU SHOP	5:18.16	36.86
35	41	ITA19660804	HERIN	Corrado		5:18.68	37.38
36	87	SUI19780409	RYSER	Thomas	SWITZERLAND	5:19.22	37.92
37	109	SUI19810120	MERMOUD	Damien	SWITZERLAND	5:19.25	37.95
38	116	FRA19810411	STOCLET	Benoit	UCP LOUDIA	5:20.97	39.67
39	113	ESP19801004	PONS	Eduardo	MAXXIS-MSC	5:23.48	42.18
40	98	GER19831231	KUDELLA	Stefan	FIAT ROTWILD	5:23.61	42.31
41	39	GBR19700526	CARRICK-	Crawford		5:24.46	43.16

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42	206	FRA19770401	GADEN	Loic		5:27.92	46.62
43	92	ESP19820930	GUARDIA PASCUAL	Bernat	KASTLE CAIXA GALICIA	5:28.09	46.79
44	207	NZL19830330	BEAVER	Cheyne		5:30.95	49.65
45	177	GBR19840925	BEAUMONT	Mark	ROYAL RACING	5:31.01	49.71
46	144	FRA19840531	CLEMENTZ	Jerome	SCOTT PORTE DU SOLEIL	5:31.33	50.03
47	60	FRA19820124	POOMANS	Julien		5:31.43	50.13
48	141	FRA19830808	COLIN	Benoit	FRANCE	5:33.05	51.75
49	132	FRA19811216	KELLER	Philippe	TAILLEFER BICYCLES	5:34.55	53.25
50	44	GBR19741120	LONGDEN	Will	TEAM MBUK	5:35.64	54.34
51	156	FRA19721004	FICHANT	Stephane	FRANCE	5:35.82	54.52
52	131	NOR19800807	JOHNSEN	Espen	NORWAY	5:36.02	54.72
53	50	GER19760514	TSCHUGG	Guido		5:36.56	55.26
54	187	NZL19800204	PATERSON	Karl	TEAM LAHAR	5:37.29	55.99
55	103	SUI19810504	SCHWANDER	Simon	SWITZERLAND	5:37.49	56.19
56	120	ESP19810629	ECHEVARRIA	Javier	ESPANA	5:38.59	57.29
57	104	FIN19840419	LEHIKONEN	Matti	THE CYCLING UNION OF FINLAND	5:38.62	57.32
58	167	GBR19821017	THOMSON	Stuart	ROYAL RACING	5:40.55	59.25
59	51	ESP19760604	OULEGO MORENO	Ivan	MASSI	5:41.06	59.76
60	129	SUI19781121	BIERI	Andreas	SWITZERLAND	5:42.74	+1:01.44
61	122	FRA19770404	OCHIN	Olivier	FRANCE	5:46.28	+1:04.98
62	83	NED19720125	VAN DER HATERD	Wilfred	NEDERLAND	5:47.29	+1:05.99
63	147	FRA19791018	MULLER	Simeon	MUDDY FOX	5:50.45	+1:09.15
64	47	GBR19810815	JARMAN	Robert		5:56.25	+1:14.95
65	112	FRA19780418	BONHOMME	David	FRANCE	5:56.44	+1:15.14
66	59	GBR19780602	BEAUMONT	Scott		5:58.55	+1:17.25
67	99	AUT19750422	GOLLES	Michael	STEPPENWOLF	6:00.15	+1:18.85
68	201	GER19801021	GOINY	Nathaniel		6:01.66	+1:20.36
69	68	GBR19810228	CHEETHAM	Jonathan		6:03.23	+1:21.93
70	27	GBR19720201	PAGE	Nigel	INTENSE	6:04.43	+1:23.13
71	198	CRO19750120	ANTIC	Nino	B.K. RIJEKA	6:20.79	+1:39.49
72	172	SUI19750301	BRECHBUHLER	Martin	SWITZERLAND	6:24.60	+1:43.30
73	162	FRA19840912	SAUT	Vincent	FRANCE	6:53.75	+2:12.45
74	18	ESP19740930	MISSE VILASECA	Tomas	ESPANA	7:02.73	+2:21.43
75	71	NED19800318	THOLEN	Gertje	NEDERLAND	7:11.93	+2:30.63
76	48	GBR19810817	DONOGHUE	Neil		14:58.23	+ 10:16.93
	15	USA19720819	ROCKWELL	Myles	GIANT BICYCLES	DSQ	
	114	AUT19810330	HAAS	Mathias	BANK AUSTRIA NATIONALTEAM	DNF	
	150	FRA19830303	CLAUZEL	Julien	T.RACE	DNF	