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Women's Trial World Championship
2nd round.



Laia Sanz, world sub champion.

Douglas (United Kingdom), 28.09.2007. - Laia Sanz (Montesa-HRC Cota 4RT) did not achieve what could have been her eighth women's world trial championship title. A failure of the Montesa rider in the first lap of the track, during the second and last scoring event, held this Friday in the Isle of Man, stopped her from breaking her seven-title tie with Dougie Lampkin and Jordi Tarrés, two icons in the sport. Laia Sanz finished the championship with the same number of points as Iris Krämer, but the tie break formula, which favours the winner of the last event, gave the final victory to the German rider.



Laia Sanz: *"I'm very disappointed, because like in previous seasons, I had aimed to win the World Championship. I'm also sorry for the team, to which I could have given a new triumph to add to those obtained by my colleague Toni Bou in the outdoor and indoor trials championships and the manufacturer's title of Montesa. It just happened, which has made me be cautious and not take anything for granted. In one zone I managed to keep my balance, but the front wheel of the bike went over the limit and I added five points penalty, which is impossible to recover from in such a difficult event. If, to ensure my balance, I'd put my foot on the ground, the result could possibly have been different and now we'd be celebrating the victory. But that's part of the sport and from now on I'll just have to look forward and think positively about regaining the title next year"*.

Laia Sanz achieved the first of her seven world championships in 2000. This season she won the first event, held in Kramolin (Czech Republic) but the cancellation of the second of the three planned events (Spa-Francorchamps, September 22nd) made the final a matter of heads or tails.

* Standing 2n round		* World Championship	
1. Iris Krämer (Scorpa)	5 (2+3)	1. Iris Krämer (Scorpa)	37 points
2. Laia Sanz (Montesa)	6 (5+1)	2. Laia Sanz (Montesa)	37 "
3. Rebecca Cook (Gas Gas)	8 (3+5)	3. Rebecca Cook (Gas Gas)	30 "
4. Donna Fox (Sherco)	13 (10+3)	4. Donna Fox (Sherco)	26 "
5. Maria Conway (Beta)	21 (12+9)	5. Maria Conway (Beta)	21 "

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