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Australian cyclist receives two year sanction for use of anabolic steroids

The Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) today acknowledged the decision of Cycling Australia (CA) to impose a two year ban on Australian cyclist Hilton McMurdo for a doping violation.

Mr McMurdo tested positive for the synthetic anabolic steroid testosterone in an in-competition sample collected at the Cycling National Roads Series 'Tour de Perth' event held in Western Australia on 26 May 2007.

"This doping offence was detected as a direct result of ASADA's expanded application of sophisticated isotope ratio mass spectrometer (IRMS) technology to detect synthetic testosterone," ASADA Chairman Richard Ings said.

Mr McMurdo, who waived his right to a hearing, had all results between 26 May and November 18, 2007 disqualified including his 3000 metre individual pursuit gold medal won at the 2007 UCI World Track Cycling Masters Championships.

The sanction, which was backdated to the day the athlete last competed means Mr McMurdo will not be eligible to compete until Midnight 18 November 2009.

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