

Oksana Masters Claims Podium Spot in PyeongChang

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PYEONGCHANG, South Korea – Team USA and Team Toyota athlete Oksana Masters won her second medal in the Paralympic Winter Games PyeongChang 2018 on Sunday, March 11.

Masters claimed a bronze medal in the women's sitting 12km cross-country event, finishing 49 seconds behind first place.

"I'm just so happy to be on the podium," Masters said. "I was a little worried on the long distance considering I haven't done intensity in three weeks. It definitely is a very painful, rude awakening to how painful the sport is. I'm happy to be on the podium."

This is Master's fifth Paralympic Medal as she has also captured a silver medal in PyeongChang and previously captured silver and bronze medals in Sochi and a bronze medal in London. Masters was born with birth defects, including legs with no weight-bearing bones, as a direct cause of the nuclear accident at Chernobyl in Ukraine and had both legs amputated above the knee.

She is scheduled to compete next in the women's 10km biathlon on Tuesday, March 13.