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**Multiband behavior signature in Hf<sub>0.97</sub>V<sub>0.03</sub>B<sub>2</sub> superconductor compound** SERGIO RENOSTO, ORLANDO CIGARROA, Departamento de Materiais/EEL - Universidade de São Paulo, P.O. Box 116, Lorena - SP, Brasil, TED GRANT, Departament of Physics and Astronomy, University of California at Irvine, 92697, Irvine - CA, USA, CARLOS A. MOREIRA DOS SANTOS, Departamento de Materiais/EEL - Universidade de São Paulo, P.O. Box 116, Lorena - SP, Brasil, J. ALBINO AGUIAR, Departamento de Física, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Recife - PE, Brasil, ZACHARY FISK, Departament of Physics and Astronomy, University of California at Irvine, 92697, Irvine - CA, USA, A. JEFFERSON MACHADO, Departamento de Materiais/EEL - Universidade de São Paulo, P.O. Box 116, Lorena - SP, Brasil — Isostructural MgB<sub>2</sub> compounds which crystallizes in AlB<sub>2</sub> prototype structure have been received much attention due to its potential for exhibit multiband behavior. Although there are many MB<sub>2</sub> compounds (M – refractory metal) superconductivity it is too hard of find in the MB<sub>2</sub> compounds. However, previous studies have been shown that Zr<sub>1-x</sub>V<sub>x</sub>B<sub>2</sub> exhibit superconducting behavior with signature of multiband. Within this context, in this work, we are showing preliminary results of the partial substitution of Hf for V in the Hf<sub>1-x</sub>V<sub>x</sub>B<sub>2</sub> with bulk superconductivity. Hall effect, magnetization, specific heat and resistivity measurements strongly suggest that this new compound represents a new example of multiband behavior.

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