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HOROLOGICAL HAIRSPRING MADE OF A NB-HF ALLOY

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Abstract (en)
[origin: CN111913380A] A method for manufacturing a balance spring intended to equip a balance of a horological movement, including a step of producing a blank made of a niobium and hafnium alloy including between 5 and 60wt %, preferably between 5 and 30 wt %, and more preferably between 8 and 12 wt % hafnium, a step of annealing and cooling the blank, at least one step of deforming the annealed blank in order to form a wire. The method includes, before the deformation step, a step of depositing, on the blank, a layer of a ductile material chosen from the group consisting of copper, nickel, cupronickel, cupro-manganese, gold, silver, nickel-phosphorus Ni-P and nickel-boron Ni-B, in order to facilitate the wire shaping operation. The invention further relates to a balance spring which is produced by the manufacturing method.

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