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Higgs decay to a muon pair is the most promising way to probe Yukawa couplings to the second generation fermions at the LHC. Experimentally the analysis is challenging due to a small branching ratio $(2.2*10^{-4})$ and proceeds as a search for an excess at the Higgs mass in the dimuon invariant mass spectrum dominated by the irreducible Drell-Yan background. This talk presents the search with 79.8 fb-1 of data collected with the ATLAS detector at sqrt(s)=13 TeV, and prospects for the High Luminosity LHC.

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