

ABSTRACT

The present invention provides an iridium alloy suitable for a wire rod for probe pins, with zirconium as an additive element contained as an
5 essential element and with aluminum and/or copper further added. In this iridium alloy, the additive concentration of zirconium is 100 to 500 ppm and the total additive concentration of aluminum and copper is 10 to 500 ppm. The present invention will be able to meet such requirements placed on a material for probe pins as that further miniaturization thereof would be
10 demanded in the future and that use environment thereof becomes severe.