



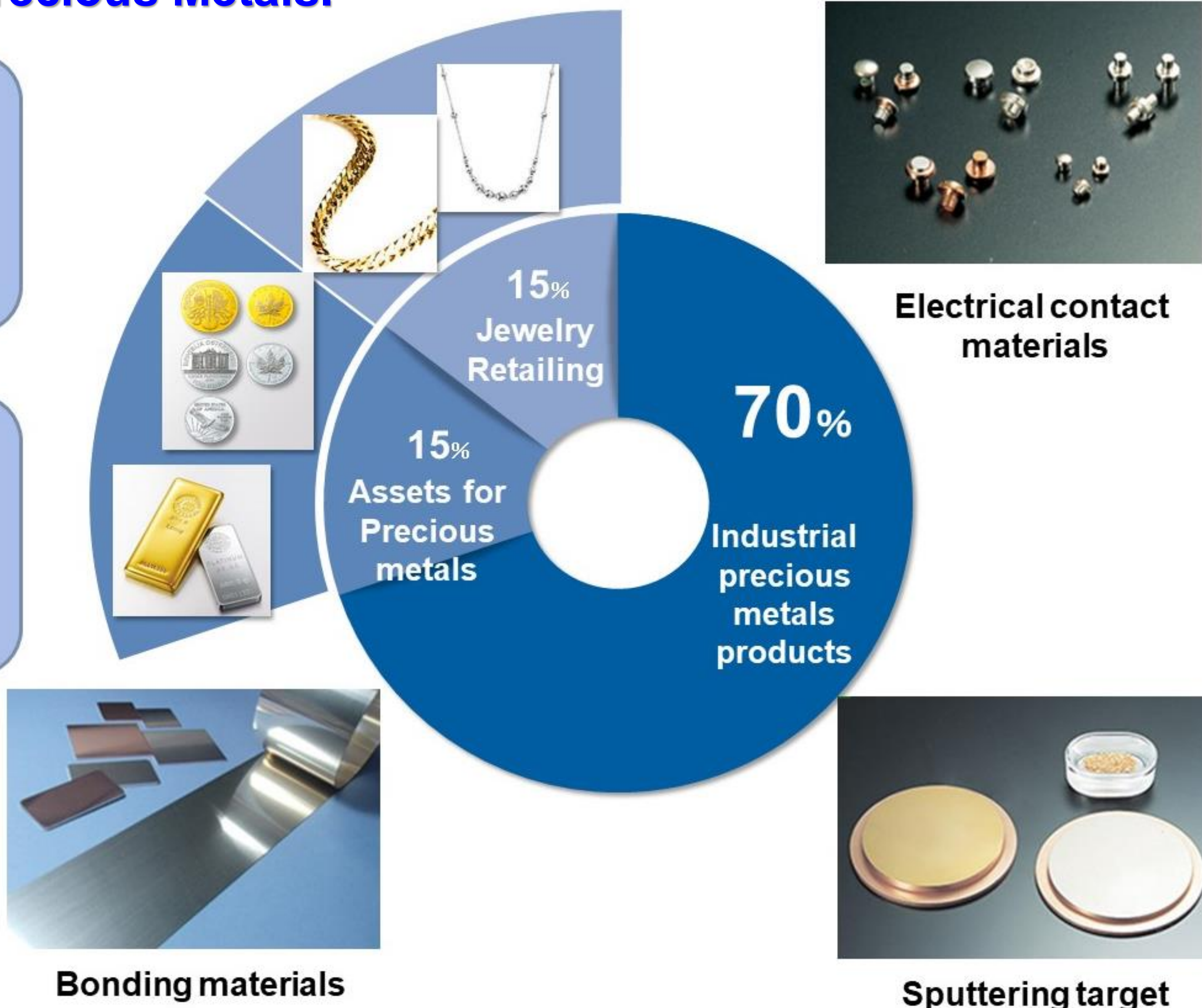
Introduction of precious metal alloy for Probe-pins materials and mechanical properties of Cu-Ag alloy that product name called TK-101.

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About TANAKA Precious Metals.

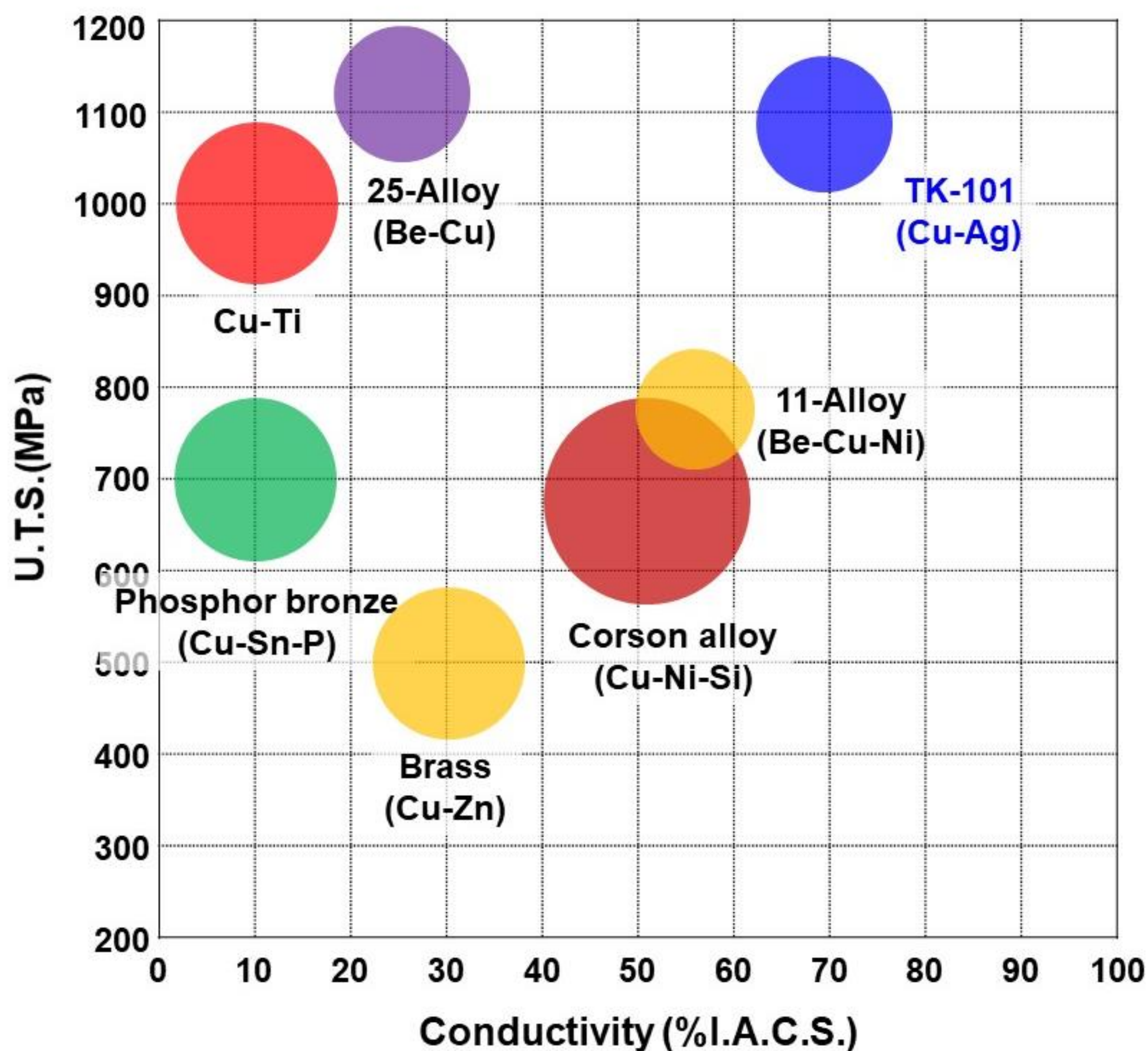
1885
Started Money Exchange business as "Tanaka Shoten" in Tokyo

2022
680 Billion JPY
Net sales (consolidated)
5,355
Employees (consolidated)



Introduction / Probe material requirements for copper alloys

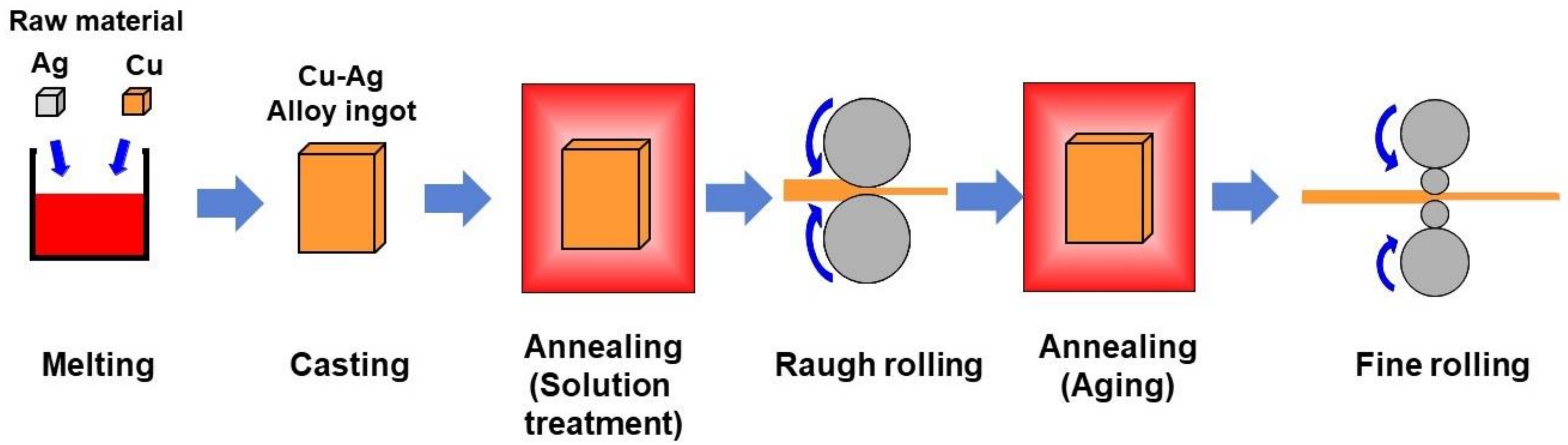
- High Electrical Conductivity
- High Ductility
- High Hardness (Long life)
- High Strength (Long life)



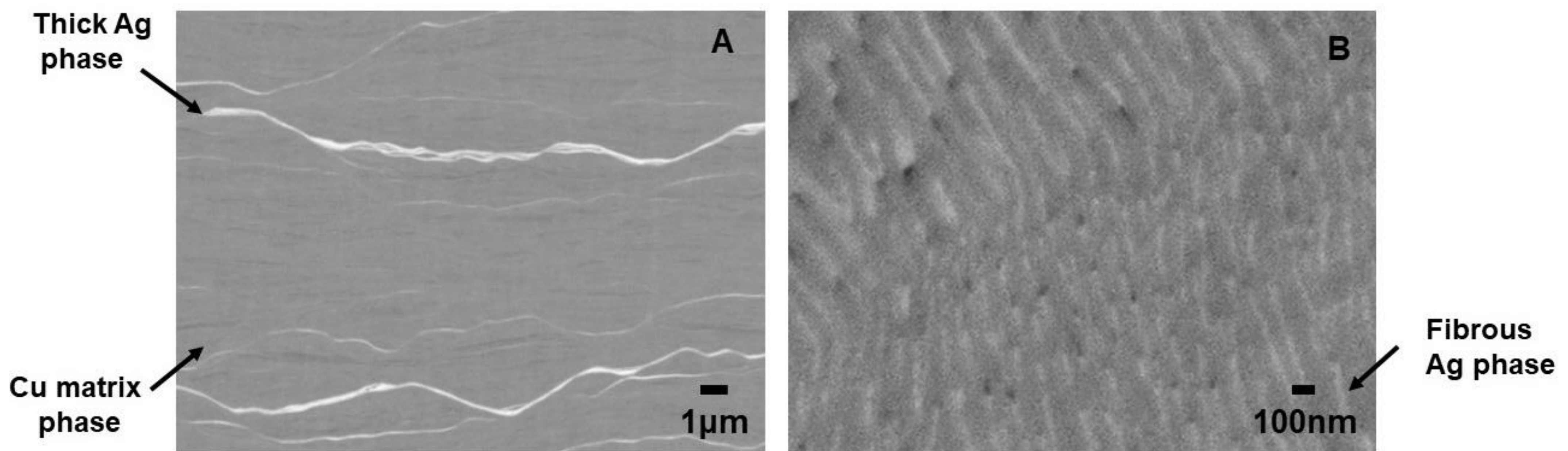
Appearance of TK-101 sheet.

Graph-1. Relation between conductivity and tensile strength on Cu alloy matrix.

Material process flow

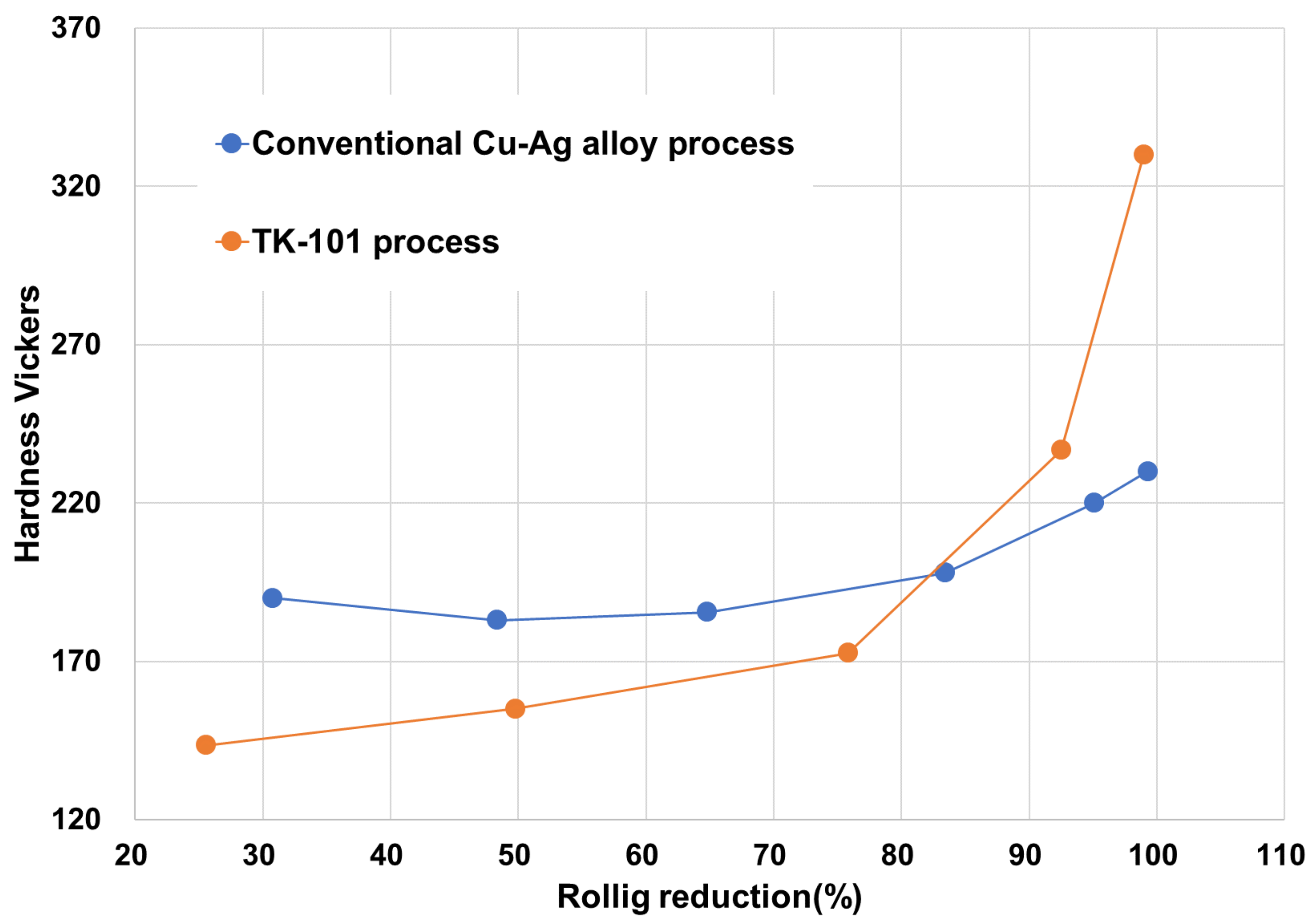


Features-1. Microstructure



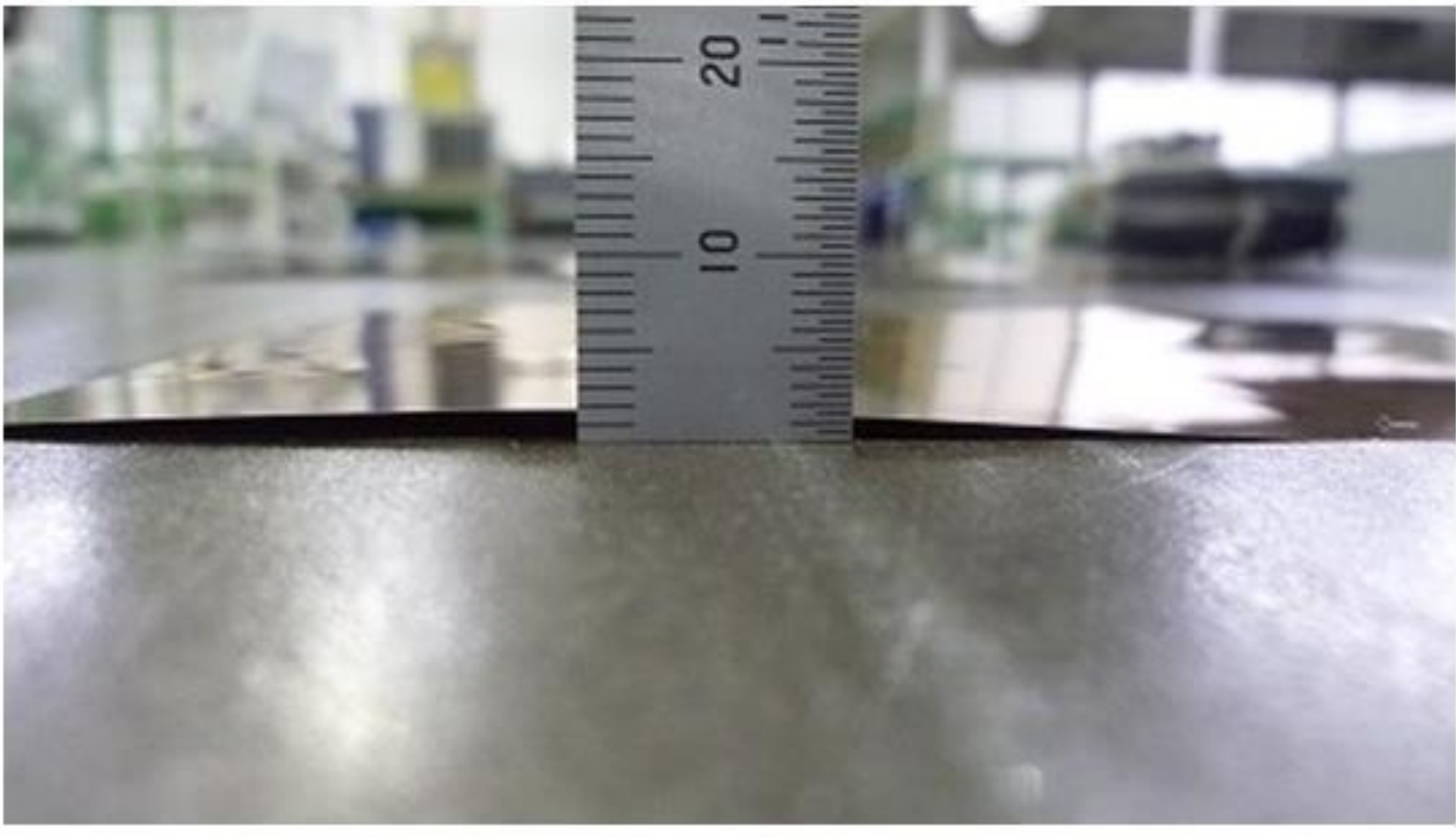
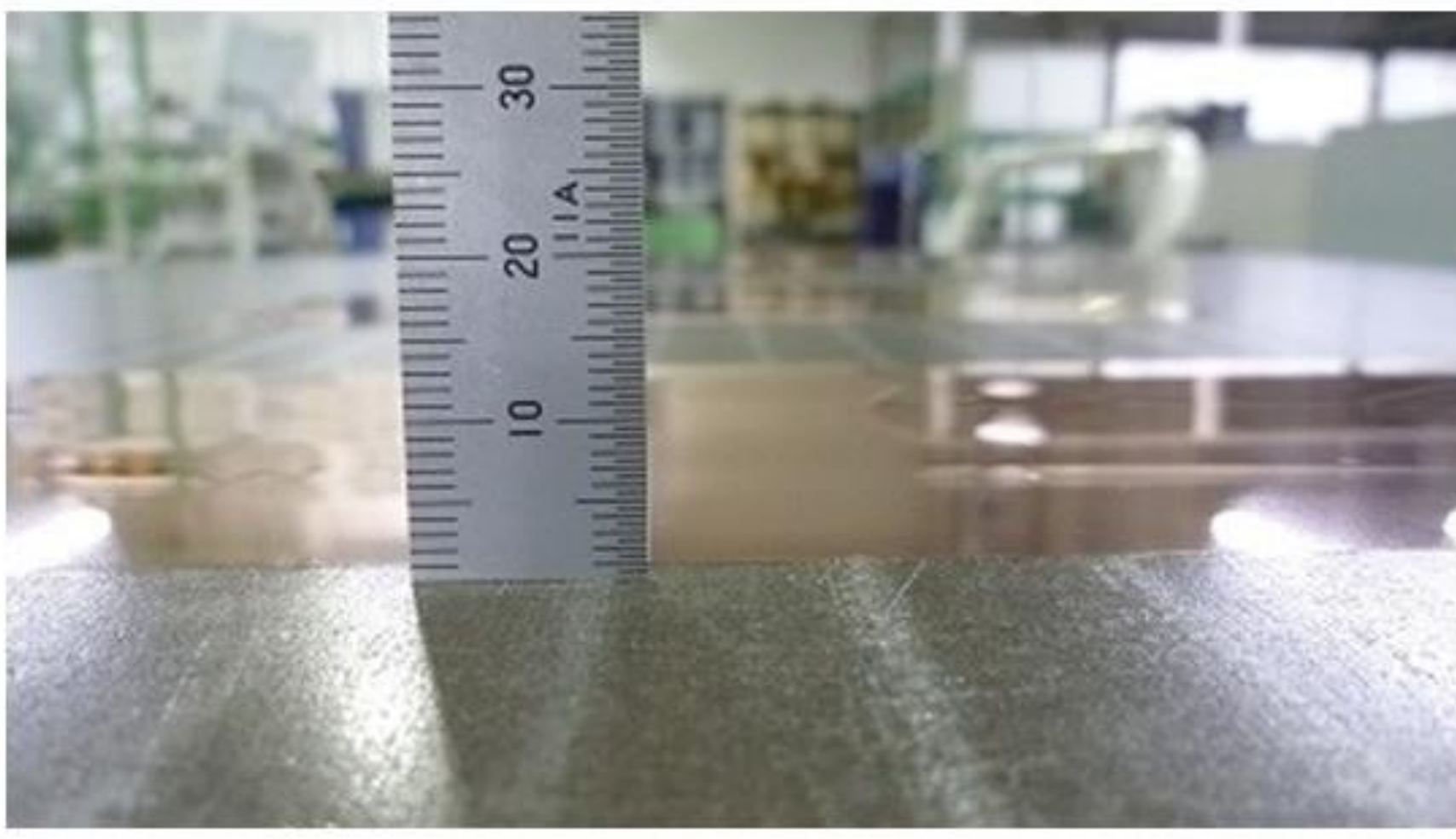
SEM image. Microstructure of As-rolled TK-101. (A: Overall image B: Enlarged image of matrix phase)

Features-2. Mechanical properties



Graph-2. Relation between rolling reduction and hardness.

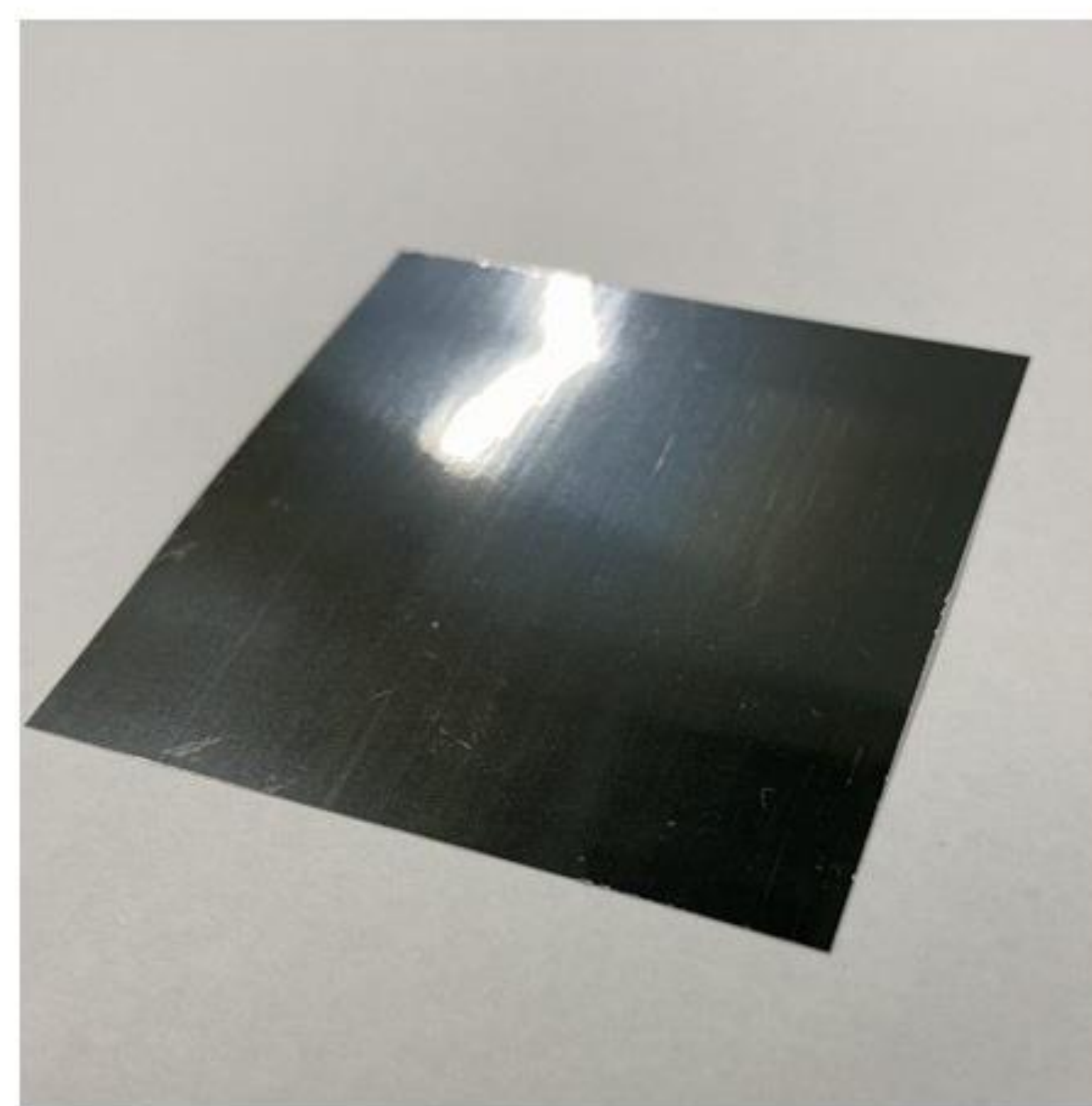
Recent challenges / Request for flatness

	Conventional material	Improved material
Appearance		
Flatness (mm/Length)	2~3	0.1~0.2
U.T.S. (MPa)	1,100	750
Conductivity (%I.A.C.S)	65	70

Topics / Sheet of TK-FS (Pd-based alloy)



Picture-1. TK-FS wire reported in 2023.



Picture-2. Newly developed TK-FS sheet.

Conclusion

- TK-101 is a material that has both high conductivity and strength.
- The properties are improved by fibrous Ag phases of different sizes.
- The properties of TK-101 is significantly affected by processing work hardening.
- Improvement of flatness causes the problem of reduction in strength.
The next challenge of the development is to achieve both flatness and strength.

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