

BOND LENGTHS IN ORGANOMETALLIC COMPOUNDS

This table summarizes the average values of interatomic distances of representative metal–ligand bonds. Sigma bonds between *d*- and *f*-block metals and the elements C, N, O, P, S, and As are included. The values are extracted from a much larger list in Reference 1. The tabulated values are the unweighted means of reported measurements on compounds in each category. If four or more measurements are available, the standard deviation is given in parentheses. All values are in Ångstrom units (10^{-10} m).

The first part of the table covers metal-carbon bonds in different ligand categories, while the second part covers metal bonds to

other elements. R stands for any alkyl group; Me for a CH_3 group; C_6R_5 indicates an aryl group; and $\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{R}$ an acyl group. Metals are listed in atomic number order.

Reference

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M	M-CH ₃	M-CH ₂ R	M-CR=CR ₂	M-C ₆ R ₅	M-C(=O)R
Ti		2.167	2.215(0.042)	2.148	
V				2.114(0.012)	
Cr	2.168		2.035(0.009)	2.075(0.019)	
Mn	2.095(0.030)	2.176(0.024)	2.007	2.064(0.021)	2.044
Fe	2.074	2.091(0.030)	1.991(0.039)	2.031(0.062)	1.997(0.033)
Co	2.014(0.023)	2.039(0.032)	1.934(0.019)	1.974	1.990
Ni	2.029	1.964	1.892(0.017)	1.917(0.038)	1.850(0.059)
Cu				2.020	
Zn		1.964			
Zr	2.292(0.049)		2.257		
Nb	2.336	1.319			
Mo	2.254(0.065)	2.250(0.061)	2.204(0.049)	2.193(0.054)	2.109
Ru	2.179(0.045)	2.036(0.010)	2.063	2.092(0.057)	2.091
Rh	2.092(0.027)	2.100	2.040(0.054)	2.011(0.026)	1.995(0.031)
Pd		2.028	2.000(0.024)	1.981(0.032)	1.982(0.029)
Hf	2.275(0.049)		2.205		
Ta	2.217(0.035)	2.225(0.056)		2.199(0.073)	
W	2.189(0.039)	2.175	2.224		
Re	2.173(0.051)	2.290		2.027	2.190(0.027)
Os		2.221	2.052	2.090(0.032)	2.161
Ir	2.175		2.071(0.044)	2.070(0.038)	2.019
Pt	2.083(0.045)	2.062(0.031)	2.024(0.037)	2.049(0.046)	1.991(0.025)
Au	2.066(0.045)		2.042	2.059(0.024)	
Hg	2.072(0.026)	2.125		2.086(0.040)	
Th	2.567				

M	M-NH ₃	M-OH ₂	M-PMe ₃	M-SR	M-AsR ₃
Ti		2.066(0.052)		2.369	2.686
V		2.129(0.131)	2.510(0.010)	2.378(0.007)	
Cr	2.069(0.008)	1.997(0.070)	2.389(0.069)	2.362	2.460(0.040)
Mn		2.189(0.040)	2.455(0.164)	2.366(0.054)	2.400(0.013)
Fe		2.085(0.066)	2.246(0.042)	2.271(0.028)	2.352(0.043)
Co	1.965(0.021)	2.085(0.064)	2.217(0.043)	2.254(0.025)	2.323(0.021)
Ni	2.074(0.093)	2.079(0.038)	2.204(0.031)	2.187(0.007)	2.333(0.035)
Cu	1.987(0.017)	2.186(0.215)			2.367(0.016)
Zn	2.044	2.090(0.061)		2.295	
Y		2.398(0.068)			
Zr			2.692		
Nb		2.248(0.137)			2.741(0.008)
Mo	2.217	2.201(0.094)	2.462(0.046)	2.401(0.050)	2.582(0.036)
Ru	2.126(0.024)	2.074(0.051)	2.307(0.050)		2.446(0.031)
Rh	2.114(0.018)	2.190(0.096)	2.266(0.036)		2.416(0.039)
Pd	2.032	2.200	2.287(0.018)		2.386(0.052)
Ag		2.350			
Cd		2.318(0.065)		2.444	
La		2.556(0.062)			
Ce		2.565(0.063)			
Pr		2.518(0.038)			
Nd		2.533(0.058)			
Sm		2.459(0.050)			
Eu		2.441(0.055)			
Gd		2.443(0.074)			
Tb		2.455			
Dy		2.409(0.074)			
Ho		2.407(0.069)			
Er		2.404(0.083)			
Yb		2.353(0.066)			
Lu		2.404(0.116)			
Ta			2.589(0.044)		
W		2.115(0.065)	2.485(0.039)		
Re	2.253	2.199(0.091)	2.369(0.065)		2.575(0.006)
Os	2.136	2.166	2.328(0.029)		
Ir	2.050(0.021)		2.323(0.028)	2.461	
Pt			2.295(0.036)	2.320(0.015)	2.366(0.058)
Au		2.157		2.293	
Hg		2.690(0.083)		2.402(0.065)	
Th		2.483(0.032)			
U		2.455(0.047)			