

- d⁰ Metal, so cannot occur by OA, then RE
- σ-Bond Metathesis discovered in 1987 by John Bercaw at Caltech

$$L_{x}M - R + H - R' \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} R \\ L_{x}M \\ R' \end{bmatrix}^{+} \longrightarrow L_{x}M - R' + H - R$$

- Very common for metals without an accessible oxidation state 2 units higher
- Order of reactivity (greater reactivity with higher s-character in R–H bond):
 M–H + H–H >> M–Alkyl + H–H >>
 M–Alkyl + RC≡CH > M–Alkyl + R₂C=CRH > M–Alkyl + R₃C–H

SIGMA-BOND METATHESIS



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