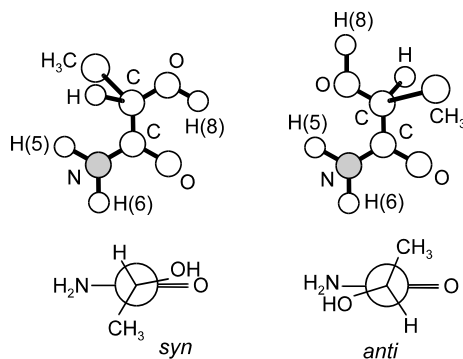


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MW $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$ **Lactamide**
2-Hydroxypropanamide C_1

Atom	$ a_s $ [Å]	$ b_s $ [Å]	$ c_s $ [Å]	$ a_s $ [Å]	$ b_s $ [Å]	$ c_s $ [Å]
	<i>syn</i>			<i>anti</i>		
H(8)	0.801	1.6948	0.313	2.2158	0.9846	0.436
H(6)	2.5972	0.746	0.136	2.1795	1.2445	0.593
H(5)	1.3413	1.7578	0.672	0.5343	1.9025	0.466

Two conformers have been assigned; both of them are stabilized by an intramolecular hydrogen bond formed between the amide group and the α -hydroxyl group. In one conformer the hydroxyl group acts as a proton donor ($\text{C}=\text{O}\cdots\text{HO}$, *syn* form), in the other one it acts as a proton acceptor ($\text{NH}\cdots\text{OH}$, *anti* form). The *anti* form is more stable than the *syn* form by 60 cm^{-1} .



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