



**>>Entry Name: 6-Formyl-2,3-dihydroxybenzoic acid**

**Synonym(s):** 5,6-Dihydroxyphthalaldehydic acid. 3,6,7-Trihydroxy-1(3*H*)-isobenzofuranone. 3,6,7-Trihydroxyphthalide

**CAS Registry Number:** 22231-81-8

Structure by analogy with 2-Formyl-3,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid, [FPL70-Z](#)

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

**Molecular Weight:** 182.132

**Accurate Mass:** 182.021525

**Percentage Composition:** C 52.76%; H 3.32%; O 43.92%

**>>Derivative:** Di-Me ether

**Synonym(s):** 6-Formyl-2,3-dimethoxybenzoic acid, 9Cl. 5,6-Dimethoxyphthalaldehydic acid, 8Cl. 3-Hydroxy-6,7-dimethoxy-1(3*H*)-isobenzofuranone. 3-Hydroxy-6,7-dimethoxyphthalide. Opianic acid

**CAS Registry Number:** 519-05-1

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

**Molecular Weight:** 210.186

**Accurate Mass:** 210.052825

**Percentage Composition:** C 57.14%; H 4.80%; O 38.06%

**Physical Description:** Needles (H<sub>2</sub>O)

**Melting Point:** Mp 150°

**pKa Value:** p*K*<sub>a</sub> 3.06 (25°)

**Other Data:** Exists in equilib. between cyclic lactol (isobenzofuranone) and open-chain forms. Lactol form predominates in some solvs.

**Rare Chemicals Library:** S51890-5

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