acyloins

α-Hydroxy ketones, RCH(OH)C(=O)R. So named from the fact that they are formally derived from reductive coupling of carboxylic acyl groups.

See also: ketones

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PAC, 1995, 67, 1307 (Glossary of class names of organic compounds and reactivity intermediates based on structure (IUPAC Recommendations 1995)) on page 1312