The compound obtained by replacing the hydroxymethyl group (CH$_2$OH) in the molecule of an aldose with a carboxylic acid group is called a uronic acid.

eg:

![Diagram showing the transformation of a hydroxymethyl group into a carboxylic acid group in a molecule.]

See also aldonic acid, aldaric acid, alditol

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