## Organic Chemistry c3444y 3rd Hour Exam

Monday, April 8, 2002 Prof. Leighton

**Answer Key** 

 $H_3O^+$ 

1. Provide detailed mechanisms for the following transformations:

CO<sub>2</sub>Me

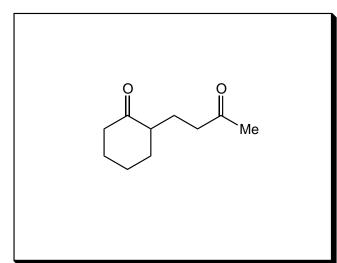
$$\bigcap_{\mathsf{R} \quad \mathsf{NH}_2}$$

2. Predict the major product of the following reactions:

a. (9 pts)

HO CH<sub>3</sub>

Me O Me



3. a. (10 pts) Provide a mechanism for the following reaction. (As always, do not be intimidated by an unfamiliar reaction. Just focus on what bonds are being made, and what bonds are being broken.)

b. (10 pts) Rank the three compounds shown below from lowest frequency to highest frequency for the C=O stretch in the IR spectra. PLEASE CLEARLY WRITE ONE LETTER IN EACH BOX.

4. a. (10 pts) Provide a mechanism for the following transformation.

b. (10 pts) Provide a detailed mechanistic explanation for the following reactions:

This is a straightforward decarboxylation, which proceeds as shown through the enol.

In this case, formation of the enol is not possible, so decarboxylation cannot occur.

5. (15 pts) Predict the product AND provide a detailed mechanism for its formation.