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**Detailed Mechanism** Provide a <u>detailed mechanism</u> [i.e., *explicitly* show (using curly arrows) *EVERY* intermediate, formal charge (where relevant), equilibrium, and bond-making and -breaking step] to account for the following transformations:

a) The ozonolysis of diene 1 in the absence of methanol to give the cyclic peroxide 2.

**b**) The conversion of imide 3 into the  $\beta$ -ketolactam 4 upon exposure to more than one equivalent of TMSOTf and triethylamine. This is a variant of an acid-catalyzed Dieckmann cyclization.

c. The conversion of furan **5** to enone **6** using *m*CPBA.

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## Other questions:

1. The reaction of mCPBA with the cyclohexene 7 forms epoxide 8a. The same cyclohexene 7 forms epoxide 8b upon subjection to NBS followed by potassium carbonate. Explain this observation.

2. The Evans asymmetric aldol reaction utilizes an oxazolidinone as a chiral auxiliary that contains a stereocenter to obtain high diastereoselectivity in an aldol addition reaction. Deduce the configuration of the starred stereogenic carbon atoms in compound 10 following the reaction of the oxazolidinone 9. Draw the fully elaborated, six-membered transition state structure on the template below.

- 3. Reaxys search questions
- a) How many substances in the Reaxys Database have an oxetane ring fused to a 6-membered carbocycle?
- **b)** How many bicyclic compounds (i.e. exactly 2 rings) are there on the Reaxys Database? *Hint:* Specify "no additional ring closures" to limit the search appropriately.
- c) The conversion of acetone to a 3-methyl-butenoate in a single step? How many of these examples use a phosphonate ester?