

Table S3 | **Mean, median and standard deviations of potencies, LE, LLE and LELP values for collections of oral drugs, Phase II compounds, hits and leads**

Category ⁴⁴		pPotency	LE	LLE	LELP
Oral drugs (n=302)^a	Mean	7.76	0.52	5.02	6.38
	Median	8.09	0.47	5.02	5.74
	SD	1.63	0.21	2.12	4.90
Phase II (n=210)^a	Mean	8.20	0.42	5.17	8.52
	Median	8.30	0.39	5.23	7.15
	SD	1.26	0.16	2.28	7.69
Successful lead (n=60)^b	Mean	6.44	0.39	3.78	8.82
	Median	6.39	0.36	3.43	8.25
	SD	1.57	0.16	2.71	10.50
HTS lead (n=319)^c	Mean	7.57	0.38	3.64	11.75
	Median	7.52	0.37	3.73	10.46
	SD	0.98	0.11	1.99	7.59
Fragment lead (n=95)^d	Mean	7.09	0.37	3.91	10.24
	Median	7.22	0.34	4.24	8.21
	SD	1.38	0.12	2.53	10.03
HTS hit (n=319)^c	Mean	6.18	0.35	2.51	11.98
	Median	6.14	0.34	2.42	11.13
	SD	1.02	0.12	1.83	7.51
Fragment hit (n=100)^d	Mean	4.37	0.41	2.54	5.36
	Median	4.19	0.37	2.18	4.64
	SD	1.45	0.15	2.02	4.85

Compiled in reference 44 (Tarcsey, A., Nyiri, K., Keserű, G. M. Impact of Lipophilic Efficiency on Compound Quality. *J. Med. Chem.* **55**, 1252–1260 (2012)), from cited source data. LLE and LELP are based on logP calculated using ChemAxon, version 5.3.6..⁴⁴ SD, standard deviation.

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