



Trust Fact Sheet

Ordinary Shares

Share Price	348.00p
NAV per share	372.01p
Premium	-
Discount	-6.45%
Capital	121,270,000 shares of 25p*

*Excluding Ordinary shares held in treasury

Assets & Gearing¹

Total Gross Assets	£451.1m
Total Net Assets	£451.1m
AIC Gearing Ratio	n/a
AIC Net Cash Ratio	n/a

Fees²

Management Performance	0.75% 10.00% over performance hurdle
Ongoing Charges (incl. management fees)	0.88%

Historic Yield (%)

0.69

Dividends (pence per share)³

August 2024 (Paid)	1.20
February 2024 (Paid)	1.20
August 2023 (Paid)	1.00
February 2023 (Paid)	1.10

Fund Managers



James Douglas
Fund Manager

James has worked closely with the Trust since joining Polar Capital in 2015, becoming co-manager in August 2019 and has 25 years of healthcare experience.



Gareth Powell
Head of Healthcare

Gareth co-founded the Healthcare team in 2007, has 26 years of industry experience and has been working as co-manager on the Trust since August 2019.

Fund Ratings and Awards

ELITE RADAR
on our watchlist: FundCalibre.com



Trust Profile

Investment Objective

The Company's investment objective is to generate capital growth by investing in a global portfolio of healthcare stocks.

Investment Policy

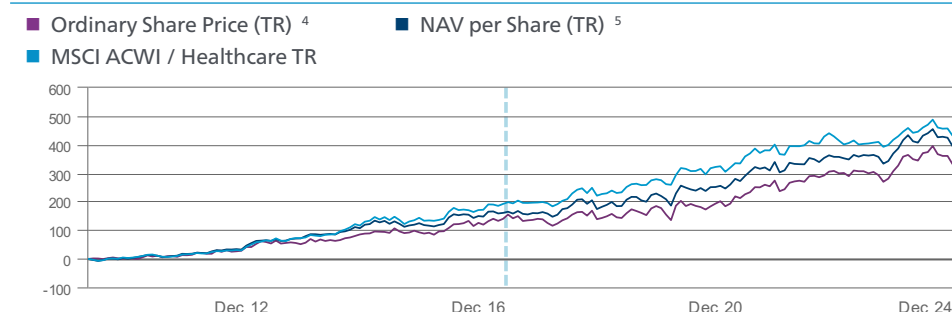
The Company seeks to achieve this objective by investing in a diversified global portfolio consisting primarily of listed equities issued by healthcare companies involved in pharmaceuticals, medical services, medical devices and biotechnology. The portfolio is expected to be diversified by factors such as geography, industry sub-sector and investment size.

Key Facts

- An investment trust seeking capital growth across the healthcare sector
- Invests across a diverse and rapidly advancing industry
- Portfolio of 25-60 stocks
- Allocation of up to 20% to small cap innovation
- High conviction and actively managed

Performance

Performance Since Launch (%)



	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	Since 20.06.17 ⁶	Since Launch
Ordinary Share Price (TR)	-6.20	-7.45	6.15	6.15	15.42	72.16	332.23
NAV per Share (TR)	-5.56	-5.84	5.59	5.59	12.70	81.36	395.31
MSCI ACWI / Healthcare TR	-4.50	-5.05	2.88	2.88	6.26	73.20	431.93

Discrete Annual Performance (%)

	Financial YTD	29.12.23	30.12.22	31.12.21	31.12.20	31.12.19
Ordinary Share Price (TR)	-7.45	6.15	-0.26	9.02	27.51	2.99
NAV (undiluted per Share)	-5.84	5.59	2.52	4.11	24.91	6.93
MSCI ACWI / Healthcare TR	-5.05	2.88	-2.26	5.68	18.59	11.32

Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Source: Bloomberg & HSBC Securities Services (UK) Limited, percentage growth, Net of Fees in GBP terms.

1. Gearing calculations are exclusive of current year revenue/loss.

2. Management fees are charged 80% to capital and 20% to revenue. Performance fees are allocated 100% to capital. The management fee is based on the lower of the Market Capitalisation and Adjusted NAV. The performance fee hurdle is equal to the relaunch NAV multiplied by the benchmark total return plus 1.5% compounded annually. Ongoing charges (OCR) are calculated at the latest published year end date, excluding any performance fees. Ongoing Charges are the total operating expenses, including management fees but excluding any performance fee, of the Company expressed as a percentage of the average daily net asset value during the year. The OCR shows the Annual percentage reduction in the net asset value as a result of the costs of running the Company. The OCR for the year to 30 September 2023 was 0.87%. The figures are current estimates and may change in the future. Please see the Annual Report and Financial Statements for further information about the calculation of fees.

3. The Company pays two dividends a year.

4. The ordinary share price has been adjusted for dividends paid in the period in GBP and reinvested at the ex-dividend date.

5. The NAV per share is adjusted to show dividends reinvested on the payment date in ordinary shares at their Net Asset Value; to remove the dilution of the exercise of the subscription rights and, to remove any effects from any issuance or repurchase of ordinary shares. This is the metric used by the Company when assessing the investment manager's performance.

6. The Company was restructured on 20 June 2017; represented by the blue dotted line on the performance graph. **Risk Warning** Your capital is at risk. You may not get back the full amount you invested. Please note the Risks and Important information at the end of this document, and the Investment Policy and full Risk Warnings set out in the Prospectus, Annual Report and/or Investor Disclosure Document.

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Portfolio Exposure

As at 31 December 2024

Top 10 Positions (%)

Eli Lilly & Co	8.3
UnitedHealth Group	7.1
Novo Nordisk A/S	5.1
AbbVie	4.8
UCB	4.4
Terumo Corp	3.8
Sanofi	3.8
Intuitive Surgical	3.6
Fresenius SE & Co KGaA	3.4
Roche	3.3

Total **47.5**
Total Number of Positions **38**
Active Share **66.95%**

Market Capitalisation Exposure (%)

Mega Cap (>US\$100bn)	36.0
Large Cap (US\$10bn - 100bn)	37.7
Mid Cap (US\$5 bn - 10 bn)	16.4
Small Cap (<US\$5 bn)	9.8
Cash	0.2

Trust Characteristics

Launch Date	15 June 2010
Year End	30 September
Results Announced	Mid December
Next AGM	February
Listed	London Stock Exchange

Benchmark

MSCI All Country World Index / Healthcare (Sterling)

Codes

Ordinary Shares

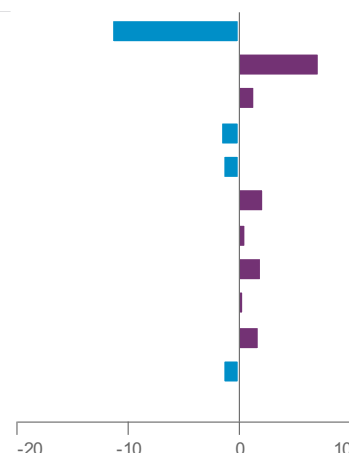
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SEDOL	B6832P1
London Stock Exchange	PCGH

Life of Company

In the absence of any prior alternative proposals, the Directors will propose a special resolution for voluntary winding up at the first AGM to be held after 1 March 2025.

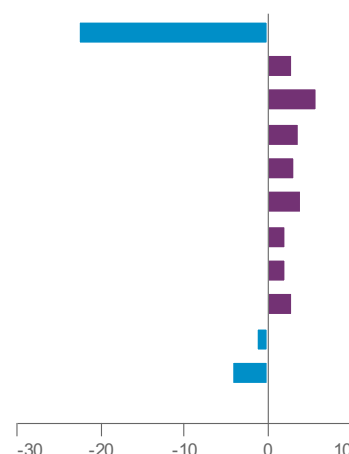
Sector Exposure (%)

	Fund	Relative
Pharmaceuticals	29.7	-11.4
Biotechnology	21.7	7.2
Healthcare Equipment	18.1	1.3
Life Sciences Tools & Services	7.5	-1.5
Managed Healthcare	7.1	-1.4
Healthcare Supplies	5.2	2.2
Healthcare Services	3.4	0.6
Healthcare Technology	2.5	1.9
Healthcare Facilities	2.0	0.4
Metal, Glass & Plastic Containers	1.9	1.9
Healthcare Distributors	0.8	-1.3
Cash	0.2	0.2



Geographic Exposure - Top Overweights & Underweights Relative to Index (%)

	Fund	Relative
United States	45.8	-22.6
Switzerland	10.3	3.0
Denmark	10.3	6.0
Japan	7.7	3.9
France	5.8	3.2
Belgium	4.4	4.0
Germany	3.4	2.2
Netherlands	3.1	2.2
Sweden	3.1	3.0
United Kingdom	2.7	-1.2
Other	3.2	-4.1
Cash	0.2	0.2



The column headed "Fund" refers to the percentage of the Fund's assets invested in each sector. The column headed "Relative" refers to the extent to which the Fund is overweight or underweight in each sector compared (relative) to the index.

The entire investment portfolio is published in the annual and half year report as well as being announced to the London Stock Exchange on a quarterly basis.

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.

Investing in the Trust and Shareholder Information

Market Purchases

The ordinary shares are listed and traded on the London Stock Exchange. Investors may purchase shares through their stockbroker, bank or other financial intermediary.

Share Dealing Services

Details of the different ways of dealing in the company's shares are given on the website. Equiniti, the company's registrars provide an internet share sale service.

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Fund Managers' Comments

Market and sector review

Historically, December's trading environment has been characterised by thin volumes and heightened volatility and this year was no exception. Equity markets struggled and finished the last month of 2024 in negative territory. The narrowness of the market which was a feature throughout the year continued in December, with information technology, communication services and consumer discretionary being the best performing sectors. Given the strength in year-to-date winners, it should be no surprise that healthcare lagged the broader market. Within healthcare, the best performing subsectors were healthcare information technology, life sciences tools and services, healthcare equipment and pharmaceuticals. Healthcare services, managed care, healthcare facilities, supplies, and distributors had a more challenging month.

There was no thesis-changing news on the macroeconomic front. Data points to a resilient US economy, with inflation abating (perhaps slower than expected) and unemployment only marginally ticking up. The Federal Reserve, which has a dual mandate of managing inflation and achieving full employment, cut the US benchmark interest rate by only 25 basis points, remaining in 'wait-and-see' mode as a hasty unwinding of the tightened monetary conditions might stoke inflation without a benefit to economic growth.

After a difficult November, healthcare continued to languish, with the moves lower driven by sector-specific dynamics. In particular, the political news flow once again pressured managed care companies. This time it was due to proposed policies aimed at increasing transparency in the pharmacy benefits manager (PBM) business model, reducing the role of PBMs in negotiating drug prices and even at eliminating the rebates PBMs receive from drug manufacturers. Additionally, there remains uncertainty around the upcoming US administration change, an administration whose views on healthcare remain opaque, leaving generalist investors unengaged with the sector. This lack of interest was perhaps even more exacerbated by a series of underwhelming or disappointing clinical trials results relative to elevated expectations in areas such as pain management, Parkinson's disease and obesity.

Fund performance

The Company's NAV returned -5.6% in December, compared to -4.5% for its benchmark, the MSCI All Country World Daily Net Total Return Health Care Index) (in sterling terms).

Positive contributors relative to the benchmark in December were Stevanato Group, UCB and Swedish Orphan Biovitrum.

There was no thesis-changing news on Stevanato Group although the company did host a plant tour in mid-December that highlighted the company's market leadership and key growth drivers, an event that was well received by those who attended. Neither UCB nor Swedish Orphan Biovitrum benefitted from positive news flow, with both appearing to benefit from increasing enthusiasm for recent launches that should provide near and medium-term top-line momentum.

Negative contributors in the period under review were Avidity Biosciences, RxSight and Novo Nordisk.

There was no company-specific news on Avidity Biosciences during December, with the stock caught up in the broader biotechnology selloff. RxSight struggled, the primary reason appearing to be a sell-side survey that highlighted increasing competition and the potential for moderating volumes in 2025. Late in the month, Novo Nordisk disclosed late-stage clinical data for key obesity asset CagriSema. While positive, with weight loss of 22.7% after 68 weeks, the results fell short of elevated market expectations which were north of 25%. The negative

reaction to the miss was exacerbated by a surprising revelation that Novo Nordisk introduced flexible dosing into the study, effectively allowing patients to titrate down to either control their side-effects or to manage the extent of their weight loss.

We added positions in Sysmex and Exact Sciences in December. Sysmex, a Japanese medical devices company, focusses on the field of haematology and is enjoying a new product cycle that could help the company deliver high single-digit top-line growth and double-digit earnings growth. There is also a sense that the new management team is very focussed on costs and margin expansion. Exact Sciences is focussed on the development and commercialisation of a non-invasive screening test for the early detection of colorectal cancer. After a difficult 2024 in the field, 2025 could see a revenue acceleration driven by a refocussed salesforce, incentives to drive preventative medicine, positive pricing and ongoing demand for the company's key screening products.

Outlook

On a relative basis, 2024 was an extremely challenging one for healthcare with the sector very much out of favour, as illustrated by ETF outflows and depressed valuations. As we look forward, however, there are plenty of reasons to be optimistic, a view based on high levels of innovation, new product cycles and ongoing demand for healthcare products and services. US political headlines may well create short-term volatility, but when there is greater clarity on the investment landscape, the market can refocus on the industry's strong fundamentals that could deliver earning growth ahead of the broader market in 2025.

James Douglas & Gareth Powell

6 January 2025

Risks

- Investors' capital is at risk and there is no guarantee the Company will achieve its objective.
- Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.
- The value of investments may go down as well as up.
- Investors might get back less than they originally invested.
- The value of an investment's assets may be affected by a variety of uncertainties such as (but not limited to): (i) international political developments; (ii) market sentiment; and (iii) economic conditions.
- The shares of the Company may trade at a discount or a premium to Net Asset Value.
- The Company may use derivatives which carry the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions.
- The Company invests in assets denominated in currencies other than the Company's base currency and changes in exchange rates may have a negative impact on the value of the Company's investments.
- The Company invests in a concentrated number of companies based in one sector. This focused strategy can lead to significant losses. The Company may be less diversified than other investment companies.
- The Company may invest in emerging markets where there is a greater risk of volatility than developed economies, for example due to political and economic uncertainties and restrictions on foreign investment. Emerging markets are typically less liquid than developed economies which may result in large price movements to the Company.

Glossary

Active Share, a measure of how actively a portfolio is managed, is the percentage of the portfolio that differs from its benchmark. It is calculated by deducting from 100 the percentage of the portfolio that overlaps with the benchmark. An active share of 100 indicates no overlap with the benchmark and an active share of zero indicates a portfolio that tracks the benchmark.

Alpha is the excess return on an investment in the Company compared to the benchmark and can be used as a measure of performance, where the benchmark is considered to represent the market's movement as a whole.

Derivates are instruments whose value is linked to another investment, or to the performance of a stock exchange or to some other variable factor, such as interest rates.

Discount is where the share price of an investment company is lower than the net asset value per share.

Discrete Performance is the percentage performance of an investment over specific, defined time periods.

Emerging markets are countries that are progressing toward becoming advanced, usually shown by some development in financial markets, the existence of some form of stock exchange and a regulatory body.

Gearing is all external borrowings of the Company and any subsidiaries.

Management Fee is the entitlement of the Investment Manager to an annual management fee. Please see the Explanation of Fee Arrangements available on the Company's

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"NAV" or "Net Asset Value" has the value of all assets of the Company less liabilities to creditors (including provisions for such liabilities) determined in accordance with the Company's accounting policies, applicable accounting standards and the Company's constitution.

Ongoing Charges are the measure of what it costs to run the Company, including the Management Fee and other operating costs; these costs are not passed on to investors in the price they pay for the shares of the Company.

Premium is where the share price of an investment company is higher than the net asset value per share.

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