

# Discovery Small Cap Growth Fund

Inst: EGRYX | Admin: EGWDX | A: EGWAX | C: EGWCX | R6: EGWRX

### Asset class: U.S. Equity

#### THE FUND

The Allspring Discovery Small Cap Growth Fund seeks capital appreciation by investing primarily in small-capitalization companies with catalysts for underappreciated, long-term growth.

#### **FUND STRATEGY**

- Identifies companies on the "right side of change" using a non-formulaic approach to idea generation.
- Develops bottom-up fundamental "Edge" through all-cap "Surround the Company" research.
- Assesses each holding for Attractive Risk and Return to avoid excessive valuations.
- Maintains valuation targets as part of a strong sell discipline and risk management process.
- Constructs portfolios to balance risk across Core Holdings, Developing Situations, and Valuation Opportunities.

#### **FUND MANAGERS**

Name	Yrs experience	
Michael Smith, CFA	27	
Christopher Warner, CFA	22	

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Expense ratios (%)	Gross	Net
Institutional Shares	1.18	0.90
Administrator Shares	1.43	1.15
Class A Shares	1.50	1.22
Class C Shares	2.25	1.97
Class R6 Shares	1.08	0.80

## Competitive advantages

- "Right Side of Change": The Discovery Small Cap Growth Fund offers the power of long-term compounding through investing in businesses on the right side of change. The team believes that innovative companies with superior fundamentals are frequently mispriced in equity markets. As a result, the long-term growth prospects of such companies are commonly misperceived. Through intensive fundamental research, this mispricing is the key inefficiency that the team seeks to exploit through its investment process.
- Portfolio Construction: The investment team adheres to a portfolio construction process that strives
  to provide a consistent performance profile in diverse market environments. This is achieved by
  allocations to three categories of companies: "Core Growth" holdings, "Developing Situations",
  and "Valuation Opportunities". This approach allows for diversification of secular and idiosyncratic
  growth holdings based on underlying company fundamentals.

Sector allocation (%) <sup>1</sup>		
Sector anocation (70)	Fund	Russell 2000® Growth Index <sup>2</sup>
Industrials	31	20
Information technology	23	24
Health care	20	21
Consumer discretionary	6	11
Financials	5	6
Communication services	4	2
Consumer staples	3	4
Materials	3	4
Real estate	3	2
Energy	1	5
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Sector allocation is subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. Percent total may not add to 100% due to rounding.

### **Annual Returns**

		Annualized			
3 Month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
5.95	5.95	11.50	-8.65	6.23	7.69
5.92	5.92	11.23	-8.82	6.26	7.61
5.82	5.82	11.07	-8.96	5.88	7.32
-0.24	-0.24	4.67	-10.73	4.64	6.69
5.61	5.61	10.25	-9.65	5.10	6.70
4.61	4.61	9.25	-9.65	5.10	6.70
5.99	5.99	11.59	-8.57	6.31	7.73
7.58	7.58	20.35	-2.68	7.38	7.89
8.42	8.42	19.11	-1.53	8.91	8.84
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Figures quoted represent past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and do not reflect taxes that a shareholder may pay on an investment in a fund. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted and assumes the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Current month-end performance is available at the funds' website, allspringglobal.com. Administrator, Institutional and R6 Class shares are sold without a front-end sales charge or contingent deferred sales charge. For Class A, the maximum front-end sales charge is 5.75%. For Class C, the maximum contingent deferred sales charge is 1.00%. Performance shown without sales charges would be lower if sales charges were reflected. Performance including sales charge assumes the sales charge for the corresponding time period.

The manager has contractually committed through 7-31-2024, to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to cap the fund's total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers at 1.22%(A), 1.97%(C), 1.15%(Admin), 0.90%(I) and 0.80% (R6). Brokerage commissions, stamp duty fees, interest, taxes, acquired fund fees and expenses (if any), and extraordinary expenses are excluded from the expense cap. Prior to or after the commitment expiration date, the cap may be increased or the commitment to maintain the cap may be terminated only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Without this cap, the fund's returns would have been lower. The expense ratio paid by an investor is the net expense ratio (the total annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers) as stated in the prospectus.

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Performance and volatility measures	
(3 year)*	Fund (INST class shares)
Alpha	-5.92%
Beta	1.01
Sharpe Ratio	-0.48
Standard Deviation	23.57%
R-Squared	90%
Information Ratio	-0.80
Top holdings (%)	Percent
Casella Waste Systems, Inc. Cla	ss A 2.99
Applied Industrial Technologies	, Inc. 2.63
Tetra Tech, Inc.	2.59
HealthEquity Inc	2.36
CCC Intelligent Solutions Holdin	ngs Inc 2.08
Morningstar, Inc.	2.06
Novanta Inc	2.02
SiteOne Landscape Supply, Inc.	2.00
AAON, Inc.	1.98
Vertiv Holdings Co. Class A	1.98

Portfolio holdings are subject to change and may have changed since the date specified. The holdings listed should not be considered recommendations to purchase or sell a particular security.

Fund characteristics		Fund	Russell 2000® Growth Index <sup>2</sup>		
P/E (Excluding negative EF	PS)	34.08x	23.22x		
P/B		4.49x	4.68x		
Median market cap (\$B)		6.49	1.30		
5 Year earnings growth (hi	storic)	21.12%	18.84%		
Portfolio turnover		47.71%			
Number of holdings		75	1,064		
Fund information					
Advisor: Allspring Funds N	Management, LLC				
Sub-Advisor: Allspring Glo	obal Investments, LLC				
Fund inception date: 04/1	5/1985				
Distribution frequency: A	nnually				
Fiscal year-end: March 31					
Fund assets (\$M): 89.16					
Morningstar category: Sn	nall Growth				
Share class information	Class inception date	NAV	YTD high-low NAV	Class assets (\$M)	
Institutional Shares	11/19/1997	\$16.39	\$16.39/\$14.75	\$15.01	
Administrator Shares	7/30/2010	\$15.75	\$15.75/\$14.18	\$0.27	
Class A Shares	6/5/1995	\$12.54	\$12.54/\$11.29	\$70.02	
Class C Shares	7/30/2010	\$9.79	\$9.79/\$8.83	\$0.30	
Class R6 Shares	5/29/2020	\$16.46	\$16.46/\$14.81	\$3.57	

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. Stock values fluctuate in response to the activities of individual companies and general market and economic conditions. Smaller company stocks tend to be more volatile and less liquid than those of larger companies. Consult the fund's prospectus for additional information on these and other risks.

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