

# U.S. Large Cap Growth Fund

## OBJECTIVES AND PROCESS

- Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
- Invests at least two-thirds of its assets in equity securities of US large-capitalisation companies.
- Seeks to identify companies with potential for capital growth, improving sales, effective management and a competitive advantage, taking a surround-the-company approach.
- The fund may invest:
  - principally in equity securities of approximately 30 to 40 large-cap companies (within the Russell 1000 Index market-cap range at the time of purchase)
  - up to 25% of total assets in equity securities of non-US issuers through ADRs, CDRs, EDRs, GDRs, IDRs and similar or US\$-denominated equities of non-US issuers
  - by using futures/derivatives for hedging or efficient portfolio management purposes

## KEY RISKS

**Market risk:** securities may decline in value due to factors affecting securities markets generally, and equity securities generally have greater price volatility than debt securities.

**Geographic concentration risk:** investments concentrated in specific geographic regions and markets may be subject to greater volatility due to economic downturns and other factors affecting the specific geographic regions.

## Calendar-year performance (%)

Past performance is not indicative of future results.

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Class A (USD) (1 Apr 2008)*	35.81	-34.39	18.09	34.76	36.91	1.88	33.76	-1.61	4.01	5.19
Russell 1000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	42.68	-29.14	27.60	38.49	36.39	-1.51	30.21	7.08	5.67	13.05

## Performance (%)

	Annualized							
	1 Month	3 Months	Year to date	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since incep.
Class A (USD) (1 Apr 2008)*	1.69	10.92	10.92	34.93	5.79	13.00	12.44	9.82
Russell 1000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	1.76	11.41	11.41	39.00	12.50	18.52	15.98	13.40

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1. Russell 1000® Growth Index. The Fund uses the Russell 1000® Index as a reference for selecting investments and the Russell 1000® Growth Index for performance comparison. The investments of the Sub-Fund may deviate significantly from the components of and their respective weightings in the benchmark. The S&P 500 Index is shown for illustrative purposes only.



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## FUND INFORMATION

**Fund managers:** Michael T. Smith, CFA; Christopher J. Warner, CFA  
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**Fund inception date:** 1 April 2008  
**Asset class:** US equity  
**Financial year-end:** 31 March  
**Fund size:** \$6.98m (USD)  
**Base currency:** USD  
**Benchmark:** Russell 1000® Growth Index<sup>1</sup>  
**Minimum investment (or equivalent value):** Class A: \$1,000 (USD)  
**Management approach:** Actively managed  
**Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:** Article 6<sup>2</sup>

## KEY STATISTICS

	Fund
Alpha	-6.01
Beta	1.00
Sharpe ratio	0.14
Standard deviation	21.48%
R-squared	0.93
Information ratio	-1.19
Upside capture	80.16%
Downside capture	103.58%
Tracking error	5.65%
Correlation coefficient	0.97
Treynor ratio	0.03

Based on the net returns calculated over a 36-month period for the share class shown in the performance table.

## GEOGRAPHIC ALLOCATION (%)

		Compared to benchmark <sup>1</sup>	
North America	95.59		-4.33
Latin America	3.41		+3.34
Europe	1.82		+1.80
Cash & equivalents	-0.83		-0.83

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: FactSet.

## Sector weights (%)

		Compared to benchmark <sup>1</sup>	
Information technology	32.63		-11.33
Consumer discretionary	17.25		+2.30
Financials	17.03		+10.62
Health care	14.84		+4.20
Communication Services	10.39		-1.66
Industrials	5.06		-0.78
Materials	2.36		+1.64
Real estate	1.27		+0.43

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: FactSet.

## Portfolio characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Weighted average market cap	US\$707.16bn	US\$1214.89bn
Weighted median market cap	US\$156.08bn	US\$613.66bn
Dividend yield	0.48%	0.71%
EPS growth (3- to 5-year forecast)	18.26%	17.22%
P/E ratio (trailing 12-month)	41.14x	34.73x
P/B ratio	8.79x	12.41x
P/S ratio	5.68x	5.29x
Number of equity holdings	37	440

Sources: FactSet and Allspring Global Investments.

## Share class information (Share class and currency availability varies by jurisdiction)

	Inception date	Distribution type	ISIN code	Bloomberg ID	NAV	Annual Mgmt Fee	Ongoing charges/TER (%)**
Class A (USD)	1 Apr 2008	Accumulating	LU0354030438	WFUSLCA LX	447.52	1.50	1.740

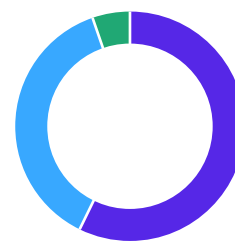
\*\*The ongoing charges/total expense ratio (TER) reflects annual total operating expenses for the class, excludes transaction costs and is expressed as a percentage of net asset value. The figure shown is from current KID. The investment manager has committed to reimburse the Sub-Fund when the ongoing charges exceed the agreed upon TER. Ongoing charges may vary over time.

## Largest holdings (%)

	Fund
Microsoft Corporation	9.48
Amazon.com, Inc.	8.14
Alphabet Inc. Class A	6.69
Visa Inc. Class A	5.23
Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.	3.03
GE Aerospace	2.87
Progressive Corporation	2.72
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	2.65
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	2.58
ServiceNow, Inc.	2.53

Based on ending weights as of month-end. Source: FactSet. The information shown is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, a recommendation to buy or sell an individual security.

## Holding market capitalisation (%)



- 57.23 - Mega cap (US\$100bn and above)
- 37.48 - Large cap (US\$25bn–US\$100bn)
- 5.29 - Medium cap (US\$5bn–US\$25bn)

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