

# PFS DOWNING ACTIVE MANAGEMENT FUND

**MONTHLY UPDATE – JULY 2014** 

### About the Fund

PFS Downing Active Management Fund ("the Fund") seeks to achieve capital growth by investing in a concentrated portfolio of between 25-30 UK smaller companies (typically those with market capitalisations between £20 million and £150 million). The Fund seeks to generate capital growth from a portfolio consisting of companies within the Numis Smaller Companies Indices whilst retaining a strong focus on capital preservation. The Fund aims to outperform returns from other UK small-cap equity funds by selecting investments that the Investment Manager believes are undervalued by the market.

### Investment approach

The focused approach of the Fund allows the Manager to concentrate on a highly diligent process which is more akin to private equity diligence than that typically deployed by many small company investors. Diligence is focused on identifying companies with sustainable competitive advantages, run by competent and aligned managers at an entry price that provides investors with a defined margin of safety. The Fund is long term focused and is not distracted by the short term fluctuations and updatility market. volatility of the equity market. An Investment Committee, comprising an independent chairman and senior individuals from within Downing, sits on a regular basis to monitor adherence to the Fund objectives and investment approach.

### Lead Fund Manager

### Judith MacKenzie

Judith is a Partner at Downing and joined in 2009. Previously she was a partner at Acuity Capital managing AIM-quoted VCT and IHT investments and the CF Acuity RAM Fund (the predecessor to this Fund). Prior to Acuity, Judith spent seven years as a senior investment manager with Aberdeen Asset Management Growth Capital, as co-Manager of the five Aberdeen VCTs, investing in both public and private companies. Judith has held various non-executive and advisory roles in Scottish Government and private companies, and is a Fellow of the Securities Institute.

### KEY FACTS as at 1st July 2014

### Structure

London listed Open Ended Investment Company (OEIC), established as a "UCITS scheme" being compliant with FCA rules

#### Incorporation date & date of transfer to Downing and change of ACD

September 2008 / February 2011

### **Fund Size**

(A, B and C Share Class combined) £9.277m

### **Share Price** Class A 141.02p Class B 150.26p Class C 100.42b

No. of Holdings 28

**Dividends** Accumulation only

### Liquidity

Daily pricing and daily dealing

### Minimum initial Investment

## A Accumulation - £1,000 B Accumulation - £1,000,000

C Accumulation - £1,000

C Share class monthly savings plan available. Monthly contributions of £100 can be made via standing order on the 1st of each month.

### **Fund Charges**

Initial charge: A, B & C Accumulation – 5%

Management charge A Accumulation – 1.75% per annum B Accumulation – 1.00% per annum C Accumulation – 1.50% per annum Performance charge

There are performance fees on the C Share Class only. For further information please refer to the Key Investor Information Document. The Fund may also pay fees and charges related to administration, custody and other reasonable expenses.

#### ISIN codes:

A Accumulation GB00B2403D34 B Accumulation GB00B2403R79 C Accumulation GB00B7SB5C00

### Performance (%) as at 1 July 2014\*



\*Class B shares <sup>1</sup>Since transfer of Investment Manager and ACD in February 2011 Source: Downing LLP

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Top 5 portfolio holdings <sup>2</sup>	% of Fund
Sprue Aegis Inland Homes Science in Sport Tracsis	7.47 6.22 6.14 5.78
Office2Office	4.93

<sup>2</sup>Data as at 1 July 2014. Source: Downing LLF

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### How to apply:

Through Downing: Tel: 020 7630 3319 Visit www.downing.co.uk to access the Application Form.

### Platforms hosting the Fund

A J Bell Ascentric Hargreaves Lansdown James Hay

Novia Financial Nucleus Financial SEI Investments Transact

Tel: 0845 305 4215

**Through Phoenix Fund Services:** 

Email: downing@phoenixfundservices.com

Risk Warnings

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