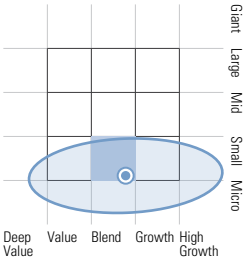
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Morningstar Analyst Rating
Silver
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Morningstar Category	Category Index	Total Assets	Current Yield %	Inception Date	Domicile/ Currency	Morningstar Rating
UK Small-Cap Equity	FTSE Small Cap Ex Invest Trust TR GBP	437.09 Mil GBP	—	01/09/10	GBR/GBP	★★★

Equity Style Map

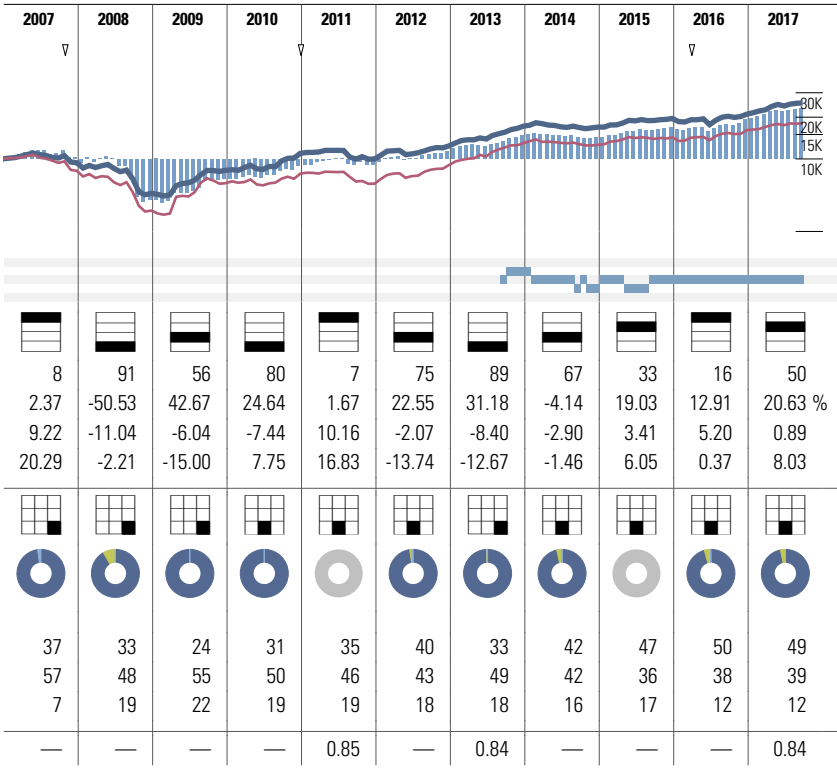


People

Mark Niznik	10/07
William Tamworth	03/16
Total Named Managers	2

Morningstar Pillars

Process	Positive
Performance	Positive
People	Positive
Parent	Positive
Price	Neutral



2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
8	91	56	80	7	75	89	67	33	16	50	Percentile Rank in Category
2.37	-50.53	42.67	24.64	1.67	22.55	31.18	-4.14	19.03	12.91	20.63 %	Total Return GBP
9.22	-11.04	-6.04	-7.44	10.16	-2.07	-8.40	-2.90	3.41	5.20	0.89	+/- Category
20.29	-2.21	-15.00	7.75	16.83	-13.74	-12.67	-1.46	6.05	0.37	8.03	+/- Index
37	33	24	31	35	40	33	42	47	50	49	Equity Supersectors: Cyclical
57	48	55	50	46	43	49	42	36	38	39	Sensitive
7	19	22	19	19	18	18	16	17	12	12	Defensive
—	—	—	—	0.85	—	0.84	—	—	—	0.84	Price TER/OGC

Performance 30/09/17

Growth of 10,000 Annualized	Value GBP	Ret %
Fund	22,878	8.00
Category	26,486	9.48
Index	18,123	5.69

▼ Full Manager Change
∇ Partial Manager Change

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Quartile Rank in Category

Process

Equity Style Box

Asset Allocation
Stock Bond Cash Other

Equity Supersectors
Cyclical
Sensitive
Defensive

Analyst View

Samuel Meakin, Analyst

Mark Niznik has demonstrated consistency in his approach over time.

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13 Apr, 2017 | This fund remains a strong offering for UK smaller companies exposure.

Mark Niznik took sole charge of the fund at the start of 2011, having previously held a comanager position alongside John Dodd. He is an experienced manager within the UK smaller companies sector, and he built strong track records at Perpetual and Standard Life before joining Artemis in 2007. In April 2015, Niznik appointed Will Tamworth as a dedicated analyst to the strategy, and we view the extra support as a positive for the strategy. Tamworth was promoted to comanager in March 2016, and the pair will debate and challenge each other before all stock decisions are taken, which has added to the rigour of the approach, in our opinion.

The approach is focused on investing in smaller companies with strong business franchises, at multiples that are not aggressive. The managers look for predictability of earnings, solid balance sheets, strong returns on capital, and growth, while paying attention to valuations, with free cash flow yield an important measure in this regard. Initial screening on such factors quickly narrows down the investment so the pair can focus their analysis on the most-appropriate ideas. Niznik has been consistent over time in terms of the types of businesses he looks for, while tilting the overall portfolio to take account of valuations.

The portfolio is typically biased toward the smaller end of the market, with an average market cap meaningfully lower than that of the category average. The portfolio is unconstrained in terms of sector weightings, and individual position sizes are decided on an absolute basis depending on the team's level of conviction, rather than being driven by index weightings.

From the start of 2011 to the end of February 2017, the fund has outperformed its Numis benchmark and the Morningstar Category average. Volatility is also lower versus those comparators over the manager's tenure, as we would expect given the reasonably conservative approach, resulting in strong risk-adjusted returns over most time periods. The experienced manager and consistent approach make this a strong UK smaller companies fund. It retains a Morningstar Analyst Rating of Silver.

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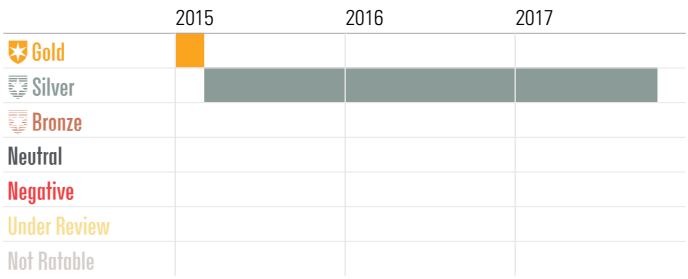
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We believe the parent organization is of utmost importance in evaluating funds. The fund's management set the tone for key elements of our evaluation, including capacity management, risk management, recruitment and retention of talent, and incentive pay. Beyond these operational areas, we prefer firms that have a culture of stewardship and put investors first to those that are too heavily weighted to salesmanship.

Process

We look for funds with a performance objective and investment process (for both security selection and portfolio construction) that is sensible, clearly defined, and repeatable. In addition, the portfolio should be constructed in a manner that is consistent with the investment process and performance objective.

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We do not believe past performance is necessarily predictive of future results, and this factor accordingly receives a relatively small weighting in our evaluation process. In particular, we strive not to anchor on short-term performance. However, we do believe that the evaluation of long-term return and risk patterns is vital to determining if a fund is delivering to our expectations.

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