

# UK SMALLER COMPANIES FUND

**A Acc** ISIN GB0007447286

## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide capital growth over the long term (5 years or more).

For the fund's investment policy, refer to the Additional fund information on page 3.

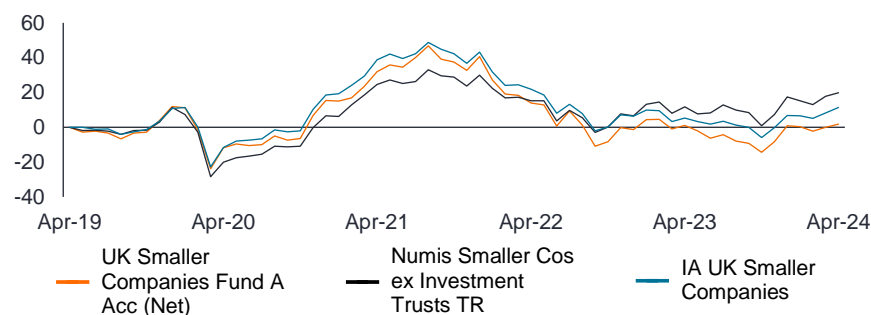
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## Performance (%)

Returns	Cumulative				Annualised			
	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since inception (31/01/83)
A Acc (Net)	1.84	1.35	0.84	0.72	-8.29	0.34	5.00	8.86
Index	1.74	4.04	1.98	7.15	-1.29	3.68	5.02	—
Peer Group	2.93	4.46	4.26	5.80	-7.06	2.18	5.44	10.22

## Cumulative growth - GBP

30 Apr 2019 — 30 Apr 2024



## 12 month rolling

	Mar 2023- Mar 2024	Mar 2022- Mar 2023	Mar 2021- Mar 2022	Mar 2020- Mar 2021	Mar 2019- Mar 2020
A Acc (Net)	0.90	-16.35	-4.11	62.02	-18.08
Index	9.00	-7.91	-1.08	65.59	-25.91
Peer Group	4.78	-16.96	-3.84	67.40	-18.22

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## Fund details

<b>Inception date</b>	20 January 1983
<b>Total net assets</b>	220.12m
<b>Asset class</b>	Equities
<b>Domicile</b>	United Kingdom
<b>Structure</b>	OEIC
<b>Base currency</b>	GBP
<b>Index</b>	Numis Smaller Companies ex Investment Companies Index
<b>Peer group</b>	IA UK Smaller Companies Equity

For benchmark/usage description, refer to Additional fund information on page 3.

## Share class information

<b>Inception date</b>	31 January 1983
<b>Distribution type</b>	Accumulation Net
<b>Distribution frequency</b>	Annual
<b>Historic yield</b>	1.40%
<b>Currency</b>	GBP
<b>Minimum initial investment</b>	1,000

The Historic Yield does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

## Portfolio management

<b>Neil Hermon</b>	Manager since 2002
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## Characteristics

Number of holdings: Equity issues	98
Weighted average market cap	1.03bn
Price-to-book ratio	1.49
Price-to-earnings ratio	11.12

## Risk statistics (3 years)

	Fund	Index
Beta	1.13	—
Standard deviation	18.97	16.08
Sharpe ratio	-0.56	-0.24

## Top holdings (%)

	Fund
Paragon Banking Group	3.20
Bellway	3.00
Oxford Instruments	2.68
Balfour Beatty	2.63
Ascential	2.58
Mitchells & Butlers	2.57
Vesuvius	2.46
OSB Group	2.33
Impax Asset Management Group	1.81
Gamma Communications	1.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>25.06</b>

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## Market capitalisation of equity holdings (%)

	Fund	Index
£1bn-5bn	55.74	52.37
<£1bn	43.66	46.50

## Top sectors (%)

	Fund	Index
Industrials	36.72	22.60
Consumer Discretionary	19.98	17.56
Financials	16.46	20.64
Technology	11.91	7.33
Real Estate	5.12	8.25
Energy	3.24	4.09
Telecommunications	2.56	3.60
Basic Materials	2.31	7.09
Health Care	1.11	3.66
Cash and Derivatives	0.60	—

## Top countries (%)

	Fund	Index
United Kingdom	99.40	96.10

## Codes

ISIN	GB0007447286
Bloomberg	HETRUKI
SEDOL	0744728
WKN	797074
Valoren	1126981

## Fees & charges (%)

Annual management charge (AMC)	1.50
Ongoing charge (OCF)	1.73

All ongoing charges stated are as per latest published report and accounts.

Fund charges will impact the value of your investment. In particular, the ongoing charges applicable to each fund will dilute investment performance, particularly over time. For further explanation of charges please visit our Fund Charges page at [www.janushenderson.com](http://www.janushenderson.com).

Under some circumstances initial charges may apply. Please refer to the Prospectus for more details.

## Additional fund information

Tax assumptions and reliefs depend upon an investor's particular circumstances and may be subject to change. From 18 March 2021, the Janus Henderson UK & Irish Smaller Companies Fund merged into the Janus Henderson UK Smaller Companies Fund. Fund size at 12pm on last business day of month. Please note: due to rounding the figures in the holdings breakdowns may not add up to 100%. Performance for the share class is calculated at 12pm and performance of the index is calculated as at close of business. Note that any differences among portfolio securities currencies, share class currencies and costs to be paid or represented in currencies other than your home currency will expose you to currency risk. Costs and returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations. Investment into the fund will acquire units/shares of the fund itself and not the underlying assets owned by the fund. Cash balances and exposures are based on settled and unsettled trades as at the reporting date. The Numis Smaller Companies Excluding Investment Companies Index is a measure of the combined performance of smaller companies (the bottom 10%) listed on the London Stock Exchange excluding investment companies. It provides a useful comparison against which the Fund's performance can be assessed over time.

The Investment Association (IA) groups funds with similar geographic and/or investment remit into sectors. The Fund's ranking within the sector (as calculated by a number of data providers) can be a useful performance comparison against other funds with similar aims.

### Investment policy

The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in shares (also known as equities) of smaller companies, in any industry, in the UK. Companies will be incorporated, headquartered, or deriving significant revenue from, the UK. The Fund may also invest in other assets including cash and other shares. The Investment Manager may use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the Numis Smaller Companies ex Investment Companies Index, which is broadly representative of the companies in which it may invest, as this can provide a useful comparator for assessing the Fund's performance. The Investment Manager has discretion to choose investments for the Fund with weightings different to the index or not in the index. As an additional means of assessing the performance of the Fund, the IA UK Smaller Companies sector average, which is based on a peer group of broadly similar funds, may also provide a useful comparator.

### Investment strategy

The Investment Manager believes that investing in companies is about the future and taking a long term view. The investment process is grounded both in fundamental analysis, which aims to gain a clear understanding of individual companies and their markets, and in a strong valuation discipline. The universe of potential investments is reduced in stages using broad-based screening and ranking of companies, detailed profiling, meetings with management and the detailed analysis of financial data. These companies will typically operate in markets that the Investment Manager believes to offer sustainably high levels of growth at a reasonable price. The Fund has a well-diversified portfolio and normally avoids very small 'micro cap' companies due to the more difficult nature of buying and selling shares in these companies.

### Fund specific risks

The Fund follows a growth investment style that creates a bias towards certain types of companies. This may result in the Fund significantly underperforming or outperforming the wider market. The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which the Fund trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations, or as a result of failure or delay in operational processes or the failure of a third party provider. Shares/Units can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result. Shares of small and mid-size companies can be more volatile than shares of larger companies, and at times it may be difficult to value or to sell shares at desired times and prices, increasing the risk of losses. If a Fund has a high exposure to a particular country or geographical region it carries a higher level of risk than a Fund which is more broadly diversified. The Fund may use derivatives with the aim of reducing risk or managing the portfolio more efficiently. However this introduces other risks, in particular, that a derivative counterparty may not meet its contractual obligations. Securities within the Fund could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price, especially in extreme market conditions when asset prices may be falling, increasing the risk of investment losses.

### Source for fund ratings/awards

Overall Morningstar Rating™ is shown for Janus Henderson share classes achieving a rating of 4 or 5.

## Glossary

### Beta

Beta measures how a fund or security moves in relationship to the overall market. A market has a beta of 1. If the fund/security's beta is more than 1, it moves more than the market, while a beta lower than 1 means it moves to a lesser extent than the market. A negative beta could mean the fund/security moves in the opposite direction to the market.

### Historic Yield

The Historic Yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown.

### Price-to-book (P/B) ratio

A financial ratio used to value a company's shares. It is calculated by dividing a company's market value (share price) by the book value of its equity (value of the company's assets on its balance sheet). A P/B value <1 can indicate a potentially undervalued company or a declining business. The higher the P/B ratio, the higher the premium the market is willing to pay for the company above the book (balance sheet) value of its assets.

### Price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio

A popular ratio used to value a company's shares, compared to other stocks, or a benchmark index. It is calculated by dividing the current share price by its earnings per share.

### Sharpe ratio

This measures a portfolio's risk-adjusted performance. A high Sharpe ratio indicates a better risk-adjusted return. The ratio is designed to measure how far a portfolio's return can be attributed to fund manager skill as opposed to excessive risk taking.

### Standard deviation

A statistic that measures the variation or dispersion of a set of values/data. A low standard deviation shows the values tend to be close to the mean while a high standard deviation indicates the values are more spread out. In terms of valuing investments, standard deviation can provide a gauge of the historical volatility of an investment.

### Weighted average market cap

The average market capitalisation of a holding, weighted by the size of that position in a portfolio or index.

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