

FUND OVERVIEW



Fund Manager(s)	Sebastien Beguelin, George Crowdy, Mike Fox
Fund Size	£313.13m
Domicile	United Kingdom
ISA	Eligible
Benchmark Index	MSCI ACWI
Investment Association Sector	IA Global
Currency	GBP
Initial Charge	0.0%
Fund Management Fee (FMF):	M Acc: 0.72%

Share Class M (Accumulation)

25.02.20
£100,000
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167.80]
0.48%

ROYAL LONDON GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE EQUITY

29.02.24

Overview

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve capital growth over the medium term, which should be considered as a period of 3-5 years, by predominantly investing globally in the shares of companies listed on stock exchanges that are deemed to make a positive contribution to society. Investments in the Fund will adhere to the Investment Manager's ethical and sustainable investment policy. The Fund's performance target is to outperform, after the deduction of charges, the MSCI All Countries World Net Total Return Index GBP (the "Index") by 2.5% p.a. over rolling 3-year periods.

Year-on-year performance

	31.12.22 to 31.12.23	31.12.21 to 31.12.22	31.12.20 to 31.12.21	31.12.19 to 31.12.20	31.12.18 to 31.12.19
Share Class M (Accumulation)	21.7%	-15.7%	22.0%	-	-
Cumulative Performance	(as at 29.02	.24)			
	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
Share Class M (Accumulation)	11.7%	11.9%	20.4%	33.3%	-

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IA Sector Average	9.8%	10.1%	12.9%	22.8%	61.7%
MSCI ACWI	10.0%	11.9%	17.9%	34.6%	73.3%
Quartile Ranking	2	2	1	2	-

Performance Chart



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them is not guaranteed and may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

Source: RLAM and FE fundinfo as at 29.02.24. Fund performance is shown on a mid to mid price basis, net of fees and gross of taxes, with gross income reinvested unless otherwise stated. Benchmark performance is shown gross of fees and taxes.

Fund Manager(s

George Crowdy

Co-manager Fund Manager tenure: 25.02.20



Mike Fox Co-manager Fund Manager tenure: 25.02.20





Sebastien Beguelin Co-manager Fund Manager tenure: 01.04.21

Yield Definitions

The historic yield reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. Reported yields reflect RLAM's current perception of market conventions around timing of bond cash flows.

Fund Commentary

Globally, February was a good month for risk assets with the Nasdaq in the US and the Nikkei in Japan both hitting all-time highs. The positive impact from significant investment in generative artificial intelligence has continued to influence stock markets and lead to some large gains from companies with direct exposure to the theme. The expectation for interest rate cuts, which was high at the start of the year, has now been pushed out as the rate of inflation remains sticky, with reductions now shifted towards the end of the year. The MSCI All Countries World Index rose 5% in sterling terms, with technology, industrial and consumer discretionary names performing the best, whilst defensive sectors like staples and utilities lagged. While 2023 had begun with fears of a global recession, with a very large number of companies reporting their full year financial results for 2023, the outcome has largely been better than feared. General evidence is that corporate balance sheets are healthy, with a range of quality businesses reporting attractive growth in profits and cash generation.

During February the fund underperformed the MSCI ACWI and ranked in the third quartile relative to its peer group.

The fund's top contributors to performance in February came from a number of industrial and infrastructure focused businesses, including Schneider Electric and Comfort Systems, which are enablers of electrification of buildings and industry. Semiconductor giant TSMC was also strong, as was building products distributor Ferguson. Key detractors included Adobe, as investors assessed potential threats to its business model from AI-driven competition, while agricultural equipment manufacturer Agco lagged, led by near-term concerns around its South American division.

The fund continued to build its stakes in precision bicycle components manufacturer Shimano, along with water products distributor Core & Main, and Hologic, a healthcare company with a focus on diagnostics, medical imaging and surgical products. There were no notable reductions or sales during the month.

The views and opinions expressed herein are those of the manager at the time and are subject to change without notice.

Sector Breakdown

	Fund
Industrials	24.3%
Information Technology	24.3%
Health Care	15.7%
Financials	14.0%
Consumer Discretionary	11.1%
Consumer Staples	3.5%
Utilities	2.3%
Communication Services	2.2%
Real Estate	1.6%
Materials	0.9%

Geographical Breakdown

	Fund
United States	58.3%
United Kingdom	15.4%
France	5.3%
Netherlands	4.5%
Taiwan	3.0%
India	2.6%
Canada	2.3%
Denmark	2.2%
Japan	2.0%
Other	4.4%

Top 10 Holdings as at 29.02.24

	Fund
Microsoft Corporation	4.4%
Schneider Electric SE	3.5%
Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation	3.3%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	3.2%
Texas Instruments Incorporated	3.1%
Visa Inc. Class A	3.0%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Sponsored ADR	2.9%
ASML Holding NV	2.8%
AstraZeneca PLC	2.6%
HDFC Bank Limited Sponsored ADR	2.6%
Total	31.4%
No of Holdings	44

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ESG Terms and Definition

ESG Integration: The systematic and explicit inclusion of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into investment analysis and investment decisions.

Promotes Environmental or Social Factors: An ESG Fund promotes, among other characteristics, environmental or social characteristics, or a combination of those characteristics, provided that the companies in which the investments are made follow good governance practices.

Sustainable Fund Objective: A product that has sustainable investment or a reduction in carbon emissions as its objective.

Exclusions: Explicitly prohibits investing in a particular company, sector, business activity, country or region.

ESG Metrics Explanation

Carbon Footprint: Exposure to high emitters in the portfolio, expressed in tCO2e/\$M invested. Financed emissions (explained above) are divided by the portfolio value, the same approach for listed companies and private issuers is applied in this metric.

Financed Emissions: The emissions from activities in the real economy that are financed through lending and investment portfolios, expressed in tCO2e. Emissions are attributed to a portfolio based on the portion of the company's value the portfolio holds, and using different accounting values for public and private corporates. We provide financed emissions for scope 1 and 2 emissions.

Weighted Average Carbon Intensity:

Portfolio's exposure to carbon-intensive companies, expressed in tCO2e / \$M revenue. Scope 1 and scope 2 GHG emissions are divided by companies revenues, then multiplied based on portfolio weights (the current value of the investment relative to the current portfolio value). The WACI is calculated as a weighted average sum of the holdings with carbon intensity coverage.

ESG Characteristics Rationale

The Fund focuses on the sustainability of the products and services of the companies it invests in, as well as their standards of environmental, social, governance ("ESG") management, alongside financial analysis. The investment approach is fundamentally based on positive screening; identifying companies that are making a positive contribution towards a cleaner, healthier, safer and more inclusive society, through assessing both what a company does and how it does it, and through active engagement to encourage continual improvement. The fund will not invest in companies that undertake business activities deemed to be detrimental to society. Further details of the Funds Sustainable Investment process can be found in the ethical and sustainable investment policy at www.rlam.com

ESG Characteristics

	Yes	No
ESG Integration	~	
Promotes Environmental or Social Characteristics		~
Sustainable Fund Objective	~	
Additional Exclusions*	~	

*RLAM has a controversial weapons exclusion across all investments

Our Fund Restrictions

	Adult Entertainment	~
Y	Alcohol	~
*	Animal Welfare	~
	Armaments	~
đ	Controversial Weapons	~
B	Fossil Fuels	~
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	High Environmental Impact	~
21	Human Rights Issues	~
\$	Nuclear Power	~
*	Nuclear Weapons	~
	Tobacco	~

Details of avoidance and/or exclusion criteria: https://www.rlam.com/globalassets/media/literature/policies/rlam-ethical-and-sustainable-investment-policy.pdf

ESG Metrics*			
	Portfolio	Benchmark	Difference
Carbon Footprint	12.2	49.9	-46.4%
Carbon Footprint Coverage	100.0%	98.1%	
Financed Emissions	4,341.55		
Financed Emissions Coverage	100.0%		
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity	44.8	112.6	-59.4%
Weighted Average Carbon Intensity Coverage	100.0%	98.2%	

*data as at 31/12/2023

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Fund Stewardship Activity*



*Data as at 31st December 2023 for the calendar year 2023. Data includes activity led by the Investment Manager and Responsible Investment teams.

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Key Concepts to Understand

Derivative: A financial instrument whose price is dependent upon or derived from one or more underlying asset.

Efficient Portfolio Management: A list of approved investment techniques, including the use of derivatives, used to protect against excessive risk, reduce cost or generate extra income or growth. **Equities Securities:** that represent an ownership interest in a company.

Environmental, social and governance: A list of predefined criteria that determines how a company operates in terms of sustainability and overall corporate governance.

Fund Risks

Investment Risk: The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount invested.

Concentration risk: The price of Funds that invest in a reduced number of holdings, sectors, or geographical areas may be more heavily affected by events that influence the stockmarket and therefore more volatile.

EPM Techniques: The Fund may engage in EPM techniques including holdings of derivative instruments. Whilst intended to reduce risk, the use of these instruments may expose the Fund to increased price volatility.

Exchange Rate Risk: Investing in assets denominated in a currency other than the base currency of the Fund means the value of the investment can be affected by changes in exchange rates.

Liquidity Risk: In difficult market conditions the value of certain fund investments may be difficult to value and harder to sell, or sell at a fair price, resulting in unpredictable falls in the value of your holding. **Emerging Markets Risk:** Investing in Emerging Markets may provide the potential for greater rewards but carries greater risk due to the possibility of high volatility, low liquidity, currency fluctuations, the adverse effect of social, political and economic instability, weak supervisory structures and accounting standards.

Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

Fund Restrictions Definitions

Adult Entertainment: Companies which own or produce adult entertainment services, or engage in the distribution or sale of adult entertainment services.

Alcohol: Companies which have involvement in brewing, distillation or sale of alcoholic drinks. **Animal Welfare:** Companies that conduct animal testing (other than for purposes of human or animal health and/or where it is required by law or regulation).

Armaments: Companies who manufacture armaments or nuclear weapons or associated products. **Controversial Weapons:** Weapons which have an indiscriminate and disproportional impact on civilians or weapons that are illegal and prohibited by international conventions and treaties.

Fossil Fuels: Companies involved in the exploration, extraction or refining of oil, or gas, or coal, plus any activity relating to thermal coal.

Gambling: Companies who promote irresponsible gambling which includes betting shops, casinos or amusement arcades.

High Environmental Impact: Companies which have a high environmental impact, and which have 'no evidence' of appropriate environmental management systems.

Human Rights Risks: Companies with a strategic presence operating in countries of concern and which have 'no evidence' of policies or systems to manage human rights risks.

Nuclear Power: Companies who generate energy from Nuclear Power.

Nuclear Weapons: Companies that manufacture, nuclear; or are involved in the production of

intended-use parts, whole weapons systems, or exclusive delivery platforms.

Tobacco: Companies which are growing, processing or selling tobacco products.