



GBP Class I Acc | ISIN: IE00BG43Q647

NAV per Share

GBP Class I Acc £7.30

Fund Details

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Fund Size | £7.8 m |
| Base Currency | USD |
| Denominations | USD/GBP/EUR |
| Fund Structure | UCITS |
| Domicile | Ireland |
| Launch Date | 31 August 2018 |
| Investment Manager | Polar Capital LLP |
| SFDR Classification | Article 8 |

Fund Managers



Jerry Wu

Fund Manager

Jerry has managed the fund since launch, he joined Polar Capital in 2018 and has 13 years of industry experience.



Jorry Nøddekær

Fund Manager

Jorry has managed the fund since launch, he joined Polar Capital in 2018 and has 24 years of industry experience.



Andy Chen

Head of China Research

Andy joined Polar Capital in 2018, he has been Head of Research for the Fund since launch and has 15 years of industry experience.

Fund Profile

Investment Objective

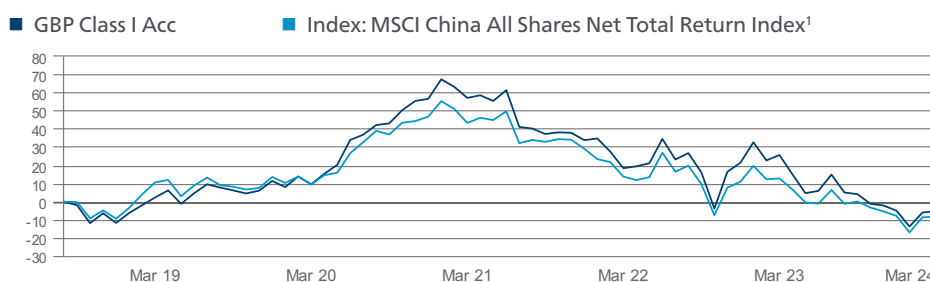
The Fund's investment objective is to achieve long term capital growth. The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in a broad range of shares from companies in The Peoples' Republic of China, Hong Kong and Taiwan (known as 'Greater China'), or from companies which generate a significant amount of their business from Greater China.

Key Facts

- Team of dedicated sector specialists
- The team has 85+ years of combined industry experience
- Fundamentally-driven analysis and stock selection
- Typically 40-60 positions

Share Class Performance

Performance Since Launch (%)



| | 1m | 3m | YTD | 1yr | 3yrs | 5yrs | Since Launch | |
|-----------------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|-------|
| GBP Class I Acc | 0.83 | -0.27 | -0.27 | -24.59 | -39.67 | -7.36 | -5.19 | -0.95 |
| Index | 0.41 | -0.45 | -0.45 | -18.63 | -35.63 | -16.58 | -7.71 | -1.43 |

Discrete Annual Performance (%)

| 12 months to | 28.03.24 | 31.03.23 | 31.03.22 | 31.03.21 | 31.03.20 |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| GBP Class I Acc | -24.59 | 6.14 | -24.63 | 43.36 | 7.11 |
| Index | -18.63 | -0.36 | -20.60 | 31.02 | -1.09 |

Calendar Year Performance (%)

| | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| GBP Class I Acc | -21.71 | -9.31 | -14.51 | 40.56 | 26.18 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Index | -16.49 | -14.03 | -12.05 | 29.19 | 25.33 | - | - | - | - | - |

Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Performance for the GBP Class I Acc. The class launched on 31 August 2018. Performance data is shown in GBP. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in GBP. Source: Bloomberg. If this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency. Performance data takes account of fees paid by the fund but does not take account of any commissions or costs you may pay to third parties when subscribing for or redeeming shares or any taxes or securities account charges that you may pay on your investment in the fund. Such charges will reduce the performance of your investment. A 5% subscription fee can be charged at the Investment Managers discretion.

1. The benchmark changed on 31 October 2019 to MSCI China All Shares Net Total Return Index. Prior to 31 October 2019 the Fund's benchmark was MSCI All China Net Total Return Index. The benchmark shown is a composite of these two indices.

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Portfolio Exposure

As at 28 March 2024

Top 10 Positions (%)

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Tencent | 10.0 |
| Alibaba Group Holding | 5.3 |
| China Construction Bank | 4.9 |
| China Merchants Bank | 4.6 |
| H World Group | 4.1 |
| TSMC | 3.9 |
| Pinduoduo | 3.6 |
| Meituan Dianping | 3.4 |
| Shenzhen Inovance Technology Co | 3.3 |
| Anta Sports Products | 3.0 |
| Total | 46.1 |

Total Number of Positions 51

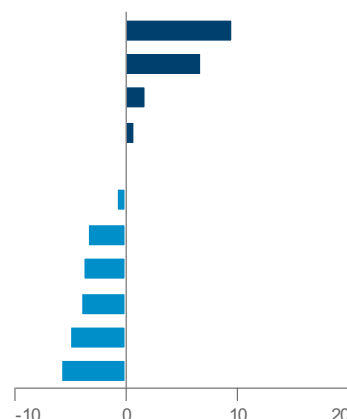
Active Share 68.60%

Market Capitalisation Exposure (%)

| | |
|----------------------------|------|
| Large Cap (>US\$10 bn) | 71.1 |
| Mid Cap (US\$1 bn - 10 bn) | 21.5 |
| Small Cap (<US\$1 bn) | 3.3 |
| Cash | 4.2 |

Sector Exposure - Top Overweights & Underweights Relative to Index (%)

| | Fund | Relative |
|------------------------|------|----------|
| Consumer Discretionary | 30.5 | 9.6 |
| Industrials | 15.8 | 6.7 |
| Information Technology | 11.6 | 1.7 |
| Health Care | 6.7 | 0.8 |
| Real Estate | 1.8 | -0.1 |
| Communication Services | 11.7 | -0.8 |
| Utilities | 0.0 | -3.3 |
| Energy | 0.0 | -3.9 |
| Financials | 13.6 | -4.0 |
| Materials | 1.2 | -5.1 |
| Consumer Staples | 3.0 | -5.8 |



The column headed "Fund" refers to the percentage of the Fund's assets invested in each sector. The column headed "Relative" refers to the extent to which the Fund is overweight or underweight in each sector compared (relative) to the index.

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.

Share Class Information

| Share Class | Bloomberg | ISIN | SEDOL | Minimum Investment | OCF [†] | Ann. Fee | Perf. Fee ^{††} |
|-------------|------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| GBP I Acc | PCCSTIG ID | IE00BG43Q647 | BG43Q64 | - | 0.93% | 0.75% | 10% |
| USD I Acc | PCHSTIU ID | IE00BG43Q423 | BG43Q42 | - | 0.93% | 0.75% | 10% |
| EUR I Acc | PCCSTIE ID | IE00BG43Q530 | BG43Q53 | - | 0.93% | 0.75% | 10% |
| EUR R Acc | PCCSTRE ID | IE00BG43Q209 | BG43Q20 | - | 1.43% | 1.25% | 10% |
| GBP R Acc | PCCSTRG ID | IE00BG43Q316 | BG43Q31 | - | 1.43% | 1.25% | 10% |
| USD R Acc | PCCSTRU ID | IE00BG43Q191 | BG43Q19 | - | 1.43% | 1.25% | 10% |
| EUR S Acc | PCCSTSE ID | IE00BG43Q860 | BG43Q86 | USD 5m | 0.56% | 0.38% | 10% |
| GBP S Acc | PCCSTSG ID | IE00BG43Q977 | BG43Q97 | USD 5m | 0.56% | 0.38% | 10% |
| USD S Acc | PCCSTSU ID | IE00BG43Q753 | BG43Q75 | USD 5m | 0.56% | 0.38% | 10% |

[†]Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet. The Ongoing Charges Figure is based upon the expenses incurred by the Fund for the previous 12 month period. The OCF incorporates the Annual Fee charged by the Fund.

^{††}Performance Fee 10% of outperformance of MSCI China All Shares Net Total Return USD Index.

Fund Managers' Comments

"Clear any room in your mind of old perspective, and new perceptions will rush in."

-- Dee Hock, founder and ex-CEO of Visa

Quarterly market review

During the first quarter of 2024, the MSCI China All Shares Net Total Return Index declined by 1.4% and the Fund (USD I Acc Share Class) dropped 1.2% (both in dollar terms). It was a rollercoaster ride and, after a January of doom and gloom, the market found its footing and rebounded in February after more positive and forceful policy signalling and actions.

Rising sense of urgency

The first step in healing is the admission and acceptance of having a problem. What has been particularly encouraging since late January was China's top leadership being more forthcoming in discussing economic challenges and the accompanying sense of urgency to tackle them. The most noteworthy element is their charm offensive to repair private and foreign business confidence – top leaders at every local and central level are mobilised to meet, charm and reassure the business community that they are welcome, culminating in President Xi's very well received gathering with US business dignitaries.

Portfolio review

The top contributors to the Fund's relative performance during the quarter were TSMC, Midea Group and H World Group. Some of the biggest detractors were Silergy, Dadi Early-Childhood Education and Hongfa Technology.

TSMC, the global leader in cutting-edge semiconductor manufacturing, is a key enabler of the AI revolution. As the growth of AI continues to accelerate, the visibility of TSMC's medium to long-term growth prospects improve significantly.

Midea Group, a leading Chinese industrial conglomerate with its roots in making high quality home appliances, performed well after the government announced a home appliances upgrade program aimed to boost consumption. The company's steady cashflow and strong shareholder return policy were underappreciated by the market.

H World Group, a hotel group with a portfolio of strong brands across different price points, rebounded after strong travelling statistics and operating metrics proved critics wrong. We continue to subscribe to the thesis that the post-Covid consolidation in the hotel industry will accelerate, benefiting the large players with strong execution, brands and technology capabilities.

Silergy, an analogue semiconductor designer, fell as its earnings disappointed. Rising competition from international peers is putting short-term margin pressure on the business however, as semiconductor demand improves in the coming quarters, we believe the pricing pressure will abate.

Dadi Early-Childhood Education, a kindergarten brand owner and consulting service provider, had a tough quarter. Falling enrolment is hurting kindergarten operators' profits, hence a reduced appetite for paying premium consulting services. Given the challenging backdrop and the stock's low liquidity profile, there are better opportunities to deploy the capital. We exited the position.

Hongfa Technology, a global leader in electric relays enjoying high growth in its usage in electric vehicles (EVs), performed poorly as investors worry about the slowing growth in EVs in 2024 after a very strong 2023. While EVs are important to its growth story, the bulk of its revenue is still from traditional electrical goods like home

appliances where we expect to see a decent rebound after a painful destocking cycle last year.

Portfolio activity

During Q1, we had one notable exit and one new position. We exited our investment in Dadi Early-Childhood Education, as there are better opportunities elsewhere with better liquidity profiles. We initiated a position in Advanced Micro-Fabrication Equipment, a domestic leader in semiconductor wafer fab equipment, as China accelerates its efforts to localise its semiconductor supply chain.

Positioning and outlook

There are early signs of economic recovery, albeit slow. In addition, policymakers are finally talking and doing the right things with a higher sense of urgency. In our view, we have seen the bottom in Chinese equities, however the timing and the amount of upside going forward depends mainly on the pace of further economic recovery and the level of policy loosening and stimulus.

At the investment level, three themes stand out: consumption recovery, the emergence of Chinese multinationals and advanced manufacturing. After a protracted period of underperformance, many of China's most competitive, highly innovative and well managed business franchises are trading at compelling valuations, many of which are emerging as truly global and successful multinationals. We are constructive on these high-quality structural growth companies.

Thank you for keeping your eyes on the horizon.

Jerry Wu and Jorjy Nøddekær

5 April 2024

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