

## Unicorn Investment Funds

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## Basis of Accounting

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis, as modified by revaluation of investments and in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for the Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association (IA) in May 2014.

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2019.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

### **Certification of the Interim Report by the Authorised Corporate Director**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("the COLL Sourcebook") and the Statement of Recommended Practice issued by the IA.

**Philip John**

**Chris Hutchinson**

Directors

Unicorn Asset Management Ltd.

22 May 2020

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn UK Growth Fund aims to achieve long term capital growth through investment in a portfolio of UK Companies. UK Companies are defined as those which are incorporated or domiciled in the UK or have a significant part of their operations in the UK.

The Sub-fund may also invest in smaller companies including companies quoted on the AIM stock exchange. AIM is the London Stock Exchange's international market for smaller, growing companies.

The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities and deposits and cash.

The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund invests for the long term and there is no guarantee that any particular return will be achieved, over any period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

For the six month period ending 31 March 2020, the Fund's B Income shares produced a total return of -25.6%, which compares to the UK All Companies sector average total return of -22.8%.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

During the period under review, the coronavirus spread around the world from China at significant speed. In an effort to contain the spread of the virus in the UK, the government followed the approach taken by the leaders of most European countries and imposed a lockdown on the population, which effectively paralysed a huge part of the economy. Similar measures have been introduced in the United States, which inevitably places further pressure on the global economy.

The UK Government and the Bank of England have worked to provide fiscal and monetary support in a coordinated effort to mitigate the worst of the immediate economic impact on the population. Although obviously hugely expensive, the aim of the lockdown has been to save lives and to prevent the NHS from becoming overwhelmed. Meanwhile, the government is hoping that ongoing financial support will enable people and businesses to recover economically, once the lockdown is over. It is possible that these actions will position the UK economy relatively well for future recovery. Regardless of how resilient the UK economy proves to be, there can be little doubt that the government's unprecedented package of measures will have far reaching economic consequences.

Equity markets have fallen heavily since the virus emerged and spread throughout Europe and the United States. The Sub-fund's total return of -25.6% over the six month period is directly correlated to these significant and broad-based declines. Investors became dramatically more risk averse as the economic implications of the global response to the virus started to become apparent. Although some investee companies fared better than others, all but nine of the portfolio holdings recorded a negative total return in the six months to the end of March 2020. The loss of capital value, albeit largely unrealised at this time, is clearly very painful for investors.

Prior to the introduction of government imposed virus control measures, the portfolio had performed well. In the four month period to the end of January 2020, the Sub-fund had registered a total return of 17.4%, which was comfortably ahead of the benchmark return of 0.5% over the same period and better than almost all of its peer group in the All Companies sector. The sharp falls in equity markets experienced during February and March severely impacted the portfolio however, with almost all investee companies posting negative total returns during the last two months of the period under review.

Relative performance was particularly affected by the Sub-fund's exposure to small and mid-cap companies, which typically lost more value than larger quoted companies. In addition, a significant exposure to the Travel & Leisure sector, which accounted for 16.5% of the portfolio at the end of January, meant that underperformance relative to the benchmark was inevitable during the final two months of the period under review. The weighting in Travel & Leisure stocks cost the Sub-fund 11.5% in total return terms over the full six month period. The sector itself was, of course one of the worst hit in the wake of the government's lockdown measures. The biggest detractors from Sub-fund performance during the period were; Cineworld, Gym Group and City Pub, all of which were forced to completely shut down for an unknown period of time.

### Investment Manager's Report

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Cineworld and Gym Group were assessed as being particularly vulnerable to an extended period of lockdown, in terms of either revenue generation and/or balance sheet risk, and were disposed of in their entirety. On a relative basis, the Manager's continuing policy of avoiding exposure to the Oil & Gas and Mining sectors provided some counter-balance to the negative contribution delivered by the Travel & Leisure sector.

During periods of volatility and uncertainty, maintaining a clear focus on company fundamentals becomes even more important. The Manager's longstanding preference for market leading, cash generative businesses with strong balance sheets ought to place the Sub-fund in a relatively strong position. Nevertheless, difficult decisions have been taken in order to de-risk the portfolio. Businesses that have been assessed as being particularly vulnerable in terms of revenue generation and balance sheet risk have been disposed. Ten positions were exited in full during the six months under review. The majority of these disposals had geared balance sheets, and many were sensitive to reduced levels of demand during an unknown period of lockdown. In addition to the well-publicised trading challenges that many companies currently face, there are also a number of possible longer term implications for investee companies that have also influenced the Manager's decision making. As a result of decisive action, the number of companies in the portfolio that carry debt on their balance sheets has significantly reduced, as has the Sub-fund's exposure to the Travel & Leisure sector, which accounted for only 5% of the Sub-fund's net assets at the end of March.

Two new stocks were introduced to the portfolio in March; Sainsbury (J) and EMIS.

Sainsbury's has responded well to recent challenges and ought to be a beneficiary from the closure of restaurants and pubs as the UK population are compelled to eat at home.

EMIS is a provider of mission critical software solutions to the healthcare sector. High levels of recurring revenue combined with a significant net cash position on its balance sheet should enable the business to deliver a resilient financial performance throughout this extended period of uncertainty.

The extent of the recent market sell-off has hopefully provided an attractive entry point for these two new holdings, relative to their average historic valuation multiples.

It is important to highlight the more defensive exposures within the portfolio. As at 31 March 2020, the two largest positions in the portfolio were developers of computer games, namely; Frontier Developments and Codemasters, both of which have been long term holdings in the Sub-fund. Given their online sales channels and a workforce of developers who can continue to produce content regardless of wider shutdowns, these businesses ought to prove resilient. Other large positions within the portfolio include; Iomart, a provider of cloud-based IT services, Telecom Plus, a utilities provider and Restore, a storage company for business customers. Each of these businesses should benefit from a high degree of recurring revenues that are essentially non-discretionary in nature.

The Sub-fund entered the second half of its financial year with 35 holdings and an unusually high cash weighting, which amounted to 18% of total portfolio value. This deliberately risk averse approach, combined with a considerable number of relatively defensive portfolio holdings, ought to provide resilience during this volatile period. Importantly, the increased cash position will provide the flexibility to quickly deploy capital in high quality companies at attractive valuations, once the current crisis appears close to reaching its worst.

As previously noted, the Sub-fund entered this unprecedented period with a portfolio composed of relatively well-financed companies that address resilient end markets. Actions taken by the Manager during the period under review have been designed to reduce risk, while simultaneously increasing levels of cash. Cumulatively, these actions should help position the Sub-fund to deliver relative outperformance during the second half of the financial year.

On a positive note, volatility tends to produce irrational pricing, which often creates investment opportunity. For this reason, cash balances in the Sub-fund remain high, and the Manager remains alert to compelling investment opportunities.

All investors should remain mindful that this crisis will not last forever. Evidence that the virus outbreak is beginning to come under control, is likely to offer the best signal that sustainable stock market and economic recovery can commence.

## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Forestry &amp; Paper 2.09% (2.97%)</b>		
134,909	James Cropper*	930,872	2.09
	<b>Construction &amp; Materials 3.79% (4.86%)</b>		
2,535,000	Breedon*	1,693,380	3.79
	<b>General Industrials 3.11% (4.02%)</b>		
1,755,000	Macfarlane	1,386,450	3.11
	<b>Electronic &amp; Electrical Equipment 3.15% (1.85%)</b>		
285,869	discoverIE	1,403,617	3.15
	<b>Industrial Engineering 2.24% (1.65%)</b>		
589,286	Somero Enterprises*	1,001,786	2.24
	<b>Industrial Transportation 0.77% (2.12%)</b>		
209,771	Signature Aviation	344,759	0.77
	<b>Support Services 10.26% (8.85%)</b>		
706,000	Alpha Financial Markets Consulting*	811,900	1.82
631,871	Clipper Logistics	947,807	2.12
280,549	Keystone Law*	1,181,111	2.65
475,000	Restore*	1,638,750	3.67
		4,579,568	10.26
	<b>Household Goods &amp; Home Construction 0.91% (0.00%)</b>		
40,789	Churchill China*	407,890	0.91
	<b>Leisure Goods 9.73% (7.31%)</b>		
900,000	Codemasters*	2,115,000	4.74
180,000	Frontier Developments*	2,228,400	4.99
		4,343,400	9.73
	<b>Personal Goods 0.85% (1.12%)</b>		
950,000	Warpaint London*	380,000	0.85
	<b>Food &amp; Drug Retailers 1.04% (0.00%)</b>		
400,000	Conviviality^	–	0.00
219,529	Sainsbury (J)	461,889	1.04
		461,889	1.04
	<b>General Retailers 3.31% (2.86%)</b>		
535,000	B&M European Value Retail	1,475,530	3.31
	<b>Media 2.36% (5.97%)</b>		
54,500	4imprint	1,051,850	2.36
	<b>Travel &amp; Leisure 4.63% (15.95%)</b>		
650,000	City Pub*	429,000	0.96
600,000	Hollywood Bowl	873,000	1.96
975,758	Hostelworld	518,127	1.16
5,442,800	The Fulham Shore*	244,926	0.55
		2,065,053	4.63



## Portfolio Statement

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Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Fixed Line Telecommunications 4.02% (2.25%)</b>		
145,077	Telecom Plus	1,793,152	4.02
	<b>Banks 2.87% (2.52%)</b>		
142,500	Secure Trust Bank	1,282,500	2.87
	<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts 1.65% (1.84%)</b>		
420,000	LondonMetric Property	737,100	1.65
	<b>Financial Services 5.50% (5.07%)</b>		
345,000	Alpha FX*	1,897,500	4.25
3,658,851	Mercia Asset Management*	556,145	1.25
		2,453,645	5.50
	<b>Software &amp; Computer Services 19.30% (20.71%)</b>		
225,000	Aptitude Software	787,500	1.76
3,000,000	Eckoh*	1,470,000	3.29
15,548	EMIS*	161,699	0.36
162,568	FDM	1,201,378	2.69
49,260	First Derivatives*	1,115,739	2.50
175,000	GB*	1,016,750	2.28
652,500	Iomart*	1,761,750	3.95
663,000	NCC	1,100,580	2.47
		8,615,396	19.30
	<b>Technology Hardware &amp; Equipment 0.00% (1.06%)</b>		
	<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>36,407,837</b>	<b>81.58</b>
	<b>Net other assets</b>	<b>8,218,563</b>	<b>18.42</b>
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>44,626,400</b>	<b>100.00</b>

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 30.09.19.

^This is a delisted security and has been valued at the Manager's best assessment of its fair value.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

Total purchases for the period: £12,023,711

Total sales for the period: £14,999,189

## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	569.47	635.42	574.17	441.78
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-138.42	-50.26	75.06	145.35
Operating charges	-9.74	-9.20	-10.03	-8.62
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-148.16	-59.46	65.03	136.73
Distributions	0.00	-6.49	-3.75	-4.34
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>421.31</b>	<b>569.47</b>	<b>635.42</b>	<b>574.17</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.61	-1.03	-2.59	-2.26
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-26.02%	-9.36%	11.33%	30.95%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£2,646,690	£3,774,189	£5,291,163	£4,392,290
Closing number of shares	628,210	662,752	832,702	764,974
Operating charges	1.60%	1.61%	1.62%	1.68%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.64%	1.61%	1.62%	1.64%
Direct transaction costs	0.10%	0.18%	0.42%	0.44%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	685.35	641.94	652.77	586.27
Lowest share price	398.83	509.14	571.76	426.72

	B Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	570.44	636.54	575.19	443.25
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-140.94	-50.32	75.21	144.94
Operating charges	-5.19	-4.95	-5.43	-4.80
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-146.13	-55.27	69.78	140.14
Distributions	0.00	-10.83	-8.43	-8.20
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>424.31</b>	<b>570.44</b>	<b>636.54</b>	<b>575.19</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.61	-1.03	-2.61	-2.27
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-25.62%	-8.68%	12.13%	31.62%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£41,920,650	£55,131,665	£67,744,194	£29,000,737
Closing number of shares	9,879,832	9,664,807	10,642,541	5,041,920
Operating charges	0.85%	0.86%	0.87%	0.93%
Ongoing operating charges*	0.89%	0.86%	0.87%	0.89%
Direct transaction costs	0.10%	0.18%	0.42%	0.44%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	688.35	643.05	657.14	590.93
Lowest share price	401.68	511.04	574.94	427.84

## Comparative Tables

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### Change in net assets per share

	Overseas Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	132.20	147.53	133.37	102.84
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-32.14	-11.67	17.43	33.64
Operating charges	-2.26	-2.14	-2.33	-2.00
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-34.40	-13.81	15.10	31.64
Distributions	0.00	-1.52	-0.94	-1.11
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>97.80</b>	<b>132.20</b>	<b>147.53</b>	<b>133.37</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.14	-0.24	-0.60	-0.52
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-26.02%	-9.36%	11.32%	30.77%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£59,060	£91,547	£96,237	£58,714
Closing number of shares	60,387	69,248	65,233	44,024
Operating charges	1.60%	1.61%	1.62%	1.68%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.64%	1.61%	1.62%	1.64%
Direct transaction costs	0.10%	0.18%	0.42%	0.44%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	159.10	149.04	151.62	136.28
Lowest share price	92.58	118.21	132.82	99.19

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. The figures used within this table have been calculated by annualising the expenses incurred against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

\*The net asset value of the Sub-fund has decreased by more than 10% if compared to the average net asset values for the period. Taking the Net Asset Values for the last valuation point of the period has the effect of increasing the operating charges by 0.04%. The ACD believes this to be more representative of the charges going forward.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening net asset value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate net asset value per share complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 10:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 5 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- The level of targeted income is not guaranteed and may not be achieved.
- This Sub-fund may hold a limited number of investments. If one of these investments falls in value this can have a greater impact on the Sub-fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments.
- Smaller company shares can be riskier as they may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share prices may fluctuate more than that of larger companies.
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in a Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20 £	£	31.03.19 £
Income				
Net capital losses		(15,472,203)		(8,212,281)
Revenue	349,394		404,875	
Expenses	(285,369)		(301,154)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	64,025		103,721	
Taxation	(5,464)		(1,683)	
Net revenue after taxation		58,561		102,038
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(15,413,642)</b>		<b>(8,110,243)</b>
Distributions		842		(4,275)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(15,412,800)</b>		<b>(8,114,518)</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20 £	£	31.03.19 £
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>58,997,401</b>		<b>73,131,594</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	14,365,989		16,212,126	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(13,324,256)		(14,498,902)	
		1,041,733		1,713,224
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(15,412,800)		(8,114,518)
Unclaimed distributions		66		—
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>44,626,400</b>		<b>66,730,300</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

## Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20	£	£	30.09.19	£
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Investments			36,407,837			54,853,120
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors		484,276			624,995	
Cash and bank balances		7,853,801			4,910,900	
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>8,338,077</b>			<b>5,535,895</b>
<b>Total assets</b>			<b>44,745,914</b>			<b>60,389,015</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Investment liabilities			—			—
<b>Creditors</b>						
Distribution payable		—			(1,091,145)	
Other creditors		(119,514)			(300,469)	
<b>Total creditors</b>			<b>(119,514)</b>			<b>(1,391,614)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>			<b>(119,514)</b>			<b>(1,391,614)</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>			<b>44,626,400</b>			<b>58,997,401</b>

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn Mastertrust Fund aims to achieve long term capital growth by investing in a wide range of listed investments companies.

The investment companies themselves invest around the world. Investment companies are companies that can invest in a portfolio of assets. Their shares are listed on a stock exchange, in the same way as a normal company. The Sub-fund will choose investment companies which the Manager believes have good potential to grow and which are attractively priced

The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities, deposits, cash and near cash and units of eligible collective investment schemes. The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund invests for the long term and there is no guarantee that any particular return will be achieved, over any period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

The Sub-fund has issued A Income, B Income and Overseas Income shares.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

For the six month period ending 31 March 2020, Unicorn Mastertrust's B Income shares produced a return of -21.8%. Over the same period the overall UK equity market fell by 22.5% and the average return achieved by Investment Companies was -13.5% (source: Financial Express Bid to Bid, Total Returns). The Sub-fund was invested in 60 companies at the period end.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

The period under review featured unprecedented volatility in all financial markets. With the benefit of hindsight, the uncertainties surrounding the December 2019 UK Election and the seemingly endless Brexit saga proved to be a mere sideshow when compared to the emergence of COVID-19. Against this challenging backdrop Mastertrust's investments in smaller companies trusts and Listed Private Equity funds performed in the time honoured fashion seen in sharp equity market corrections. Falling Net Asset Values accompanied by widening discounts meant that the most painful losses were attributable to these two areas. The most significant share price falls among our smaller company trust holdings were Crystal Amber Fund (-68.3%), Gabelli Value Plus+ Trust (-38.2%), Aberforth Smaller Companies Trust (-34.0%) and JPMorgan European Smaller Companies Trust (-29.9%) while those in the Listed Private Equity sector were Pantheon International (-27.6%), HarbourVest Global Private Equity Fund (-21.8%), Riverstone Energy (-75.4%) and Schroder UK Public Private Trust (-52.4%). Suffice to say that positive performance contributions were few and far between with the only meaningful gains coming from The Biotech Growth Trust (+16.6%) and BH Global (+8.7%).

Activity within the portfolio featured the acquisition of additional shares in a range of existing holdings including Fidelity European Values, Baillie Gifford Japan Trust, Invesco Asia Trust, Strategic Equity Capital, Baillie Gifford UK Growth Fund, Law Debenture and ICG Enterprise Trust. The position in Fidelity Asian Values was sold and a new holding was established in Allied Minds.

Although performance in both absolute and relative terms over the period under review has been disappointing, there is no intention to change the strategy as the Manager continues to believe in the long term attractions of investment companies in general and those investing in specialist areas in particular. With regard to our investments in smaller companies trusts we believe that underlying portfolios typically represent sound fundamental value relative to large capitalisation companies. For our Listed Private Equity funds, which we consider to be more soundly structured than during the Global Financial Crisis, we believe that the widening of discounts more than adequately accounts for valuation write-downs in the medium term.

We will continue to seek to take advantage of pricing anomalies in good quality investment companies with a view towards delivering long term capital growth from a globally diversified portfolio. In the short term, there is every likelihood that volatility will continue to characterise equity markets as there is clearly a huge amount of uncertainty regarding the future course of the global economy. The fiscal measures employed to address the COVID-19 emergency will have lasting effects which are likely to lead to a sustained period of financial repression with negative real interest rates for the foreseeable future. Despite many challenges we anticipate that the discount ratings of our underlying investments, which were particularly wide at the end of the period covered by this report, will move back towards their established levels.

## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Equity Investment Instruments 90.07% (93.51%)</b>			
400,000	Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund	174,800	0.22
790,000	Aberdeen New Dawn Investment Trust	1,619,500	2.07
184,500	Aberforth Smaller Companies Trust	1,516,590	1.94
563,700	Acorn Income Fund^^	1,296,510	1.66
271,344	Apax Global Alpha	309,332	0.40
643,000	Artemis Alpha Trust	1,504,620	1.93
174,934	Asia Dragon Trust	600,024	0.77
887,419	Atlantis Japan Growth Fund	1,517,486	1.94
293,100	AVI Global Trust	1,626,705	2.08
2,000,000	AVI Japan Opportunity Trust	1,860,000	2.38
117,000	Baillie Gifford Japan Trust	733,590	0.94
1,185,000	Baillie Gifford UK Growth Fund	1,747,875	2.24
170,531	Better Capital	56,275	0.07
117,939	BH Global	1,975,478	2.53
307,000	BlackRock Throgmorton Trust	1,418,340	1.82
590,400	BlackRock World Mining Trust	1,591,128	2.04
78,925	Caledonia Investment	1,921,824	2.46
81,500	Candover Investments	2,038	0.00
535,000	CQS Natural Resources Growth & Income	283,550	0.36
1,075,000	CQS New City High Yield Fund	437,525	0.56
1,850,000	Crystal Amber Fund*	1,073,000	1.37
366,500	Edinburgh Investment Trust	1,590,610	2.04
282,000	F&C Investment Trust	1,604,580	2.05
783,800	Fidelity European Values	1,693,008	2.17
570,000	Fidelity Special Values	972,420	1.25
1,535,000	Gabelli Value Plus+ Trust	1,228,000	1.57
292,626	Genesis Emerging Markets Fund	1,726,493	2.21
217,528	Gresham House Strategic*	1,914,246	2.45
976,000	Hansa Investment Company	1,288,320	1.65
156,500	HarbourVest Global Private Equity Fund	2,162,830	2.77
251,168	Henderson Smaller Companies Investment Trust	1,682,826	2.15
168,100	Herald Investment Trust	1,849,100	2.37
237,700	ICG Enterprise Trust	1,554,558	1.99
712,100	Invesco Asia Trust	1,630,709	2.09
173,500	JPMorgan Emerging Markets Investment Trust	1,408,820	1.81
578,845	JPMorgan European Smaller Companies Trust	1,452,901	1.86
690,000	Keystone Investment Trust	1,442,100	1.85
382,300	Law Debenture	1,773,872	2.27
63,439	LMS Capital	16,114	0.02
500,000	Marwyn Value Investors	365,000	0.47
525,000	Montanaro UK Smaller Companies Investment Trust	525,000	0.67
86,591	New Star Investment Trust	84,859	0.11
74,500	North Atlantic Smaller Companies Investment Trust	1,840,150	2.36
91,000	Pantheon International	1,528,800	1.96
1,610,000	Polar Capital Global Financials Trust	1,577,800	2.02
46,011	RENN Universal Growth Investment Trust^	—	0.00



## Portfolio Statement

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Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Equity Investment Instruments (continued)</b>			
25,000	RIT Capital Partners	451,000	0.58
141,940	Riverstone Energy	207,232	0.27
320,000	Schroder Asian Total Return Investment Trust	963,200	1.23
5,750,000	Schroder UK Public Private Trust	1,207,500	1.55
300,000	Seneca Global Income & Growth Trust	361,500	0.46
600,000	Standard Life Private Equity Trust	1,470,000	1.88
814,434	Strategic Equity Capital	1,457,837	1.87
379,300	The Alliance Trust	2,427,520	3.11
246,280	The Biotech Growth Trust	1,970,240	2.52
160,000	The Independent Investment Trust	563,200	0.72
180,000	The Monks Investment Trust	1,452,600	1.86
514,100	TR Property Investment Trust	1,627,127	2.08
		70,338,262	90.07
<b>Financial Services 3.44% (2.38%)</b>			
3,000,000	Allied Minds	772,500	0.99
1,000,000	Oakley Capital Investments	1,910,000	2.45
		2,682,500	3.44
<b>Investment assets</b>		<b>73,020,762</b>	<b>93.51</b>
<b>Net other assets</b>		<b>5,069,945</b>	<b>6.49</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>78,090,707</b>	<b>100.00</b>

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 30.09.19.

^This is a delisted security and have been valued at the Manager's best assessment of their fair value.

^^Represents investment into a related party of the Manager.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

Total purchases for the period: £6,238,474

Total sales for the period: £985,592

## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	513.05	521.27	489.93	411.83
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-105.33	1.30	39.51	86.64
Operating charges	-8.14	-8.06	-8.17	-7.35
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-113.47	-6.76	31.34	79.29
Distributions	0.00	-1.46	0.00	-1.19
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>399.58</b>	<b>513.05</b>	<b>521.27</b>	<b>489.93</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.15	-0.56	-0.87	-0.50
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-22.12%	-1.30%	6.40%	19.25%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£2,794,177	£4,005,278	£5,220,199	£4,776,681
Closing number of shares	699,278	780,678	1,001,434	974,971
Operating charges	1.58%	1.58%	1.59%	1.60%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.60%	1.58%	1.57%	1.60%
Direct transaction costs	0.03%	0.11%	0.17%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	564.66	534.21	529.67	496.39
Lowest share price	350.28	473.24	492.28	411.97

	B Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	459.76	467.15	438.57	368.65
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-96.10	1.16	35.58	77.56
Operating charges	-3.84	-3.82	-3.88	-3.51
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-99.94	-2.66	31.50	74.05
Distributions	0.00	-4.73	-2.92	-4.13
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>359.82</b>	<b>459.76</b>	<b>467.15</b>	<b>438.57</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.14	-0.50	-0.79	-0.45
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-21.74%	-0.57%	7.18%	20.09%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£75,152,929	£89,899,421	£80,217,883	£50,090,128
Closing number of shares	20,886,428	19,553,364	17,171,884	11,421,364
Operating charges	0.83%	0.83%	0.84%	0.85%
Ongoing operating charges*	0.85%	0.83%	0.82%	0.85%
Direct transaction costs	0.03%	0.11%	0.17%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	507.09	481.54	477.07	447.17
Lowest share price	315.55	424.94	440.97	369.07

## Comparative Tables

continued

### Change in net assets per share

	Overseas Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	150.83	153.22	143.99	121.03
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-30.97	0.38	11.63	25.48
Operating charges	-2.39	-2.37	-2.40	-2.16
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-33.36	-1.99	9.23	23.32
Distributions	0.00	-0.40	0.00	-0.36
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>117.47</b>	<b>150.83</b>	<b>153.22</b>	<b>143.99</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.05	-0.16	-0.26	-0.15
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-22.12%	-1.30%	6.41%	19.27%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£143,601	£184,280	£325,221	£105,472
Closing number of shares	122,244	122,179	212,258	73,247
Operating charges	1.58%	1.58%	1.59%	1.60%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.60%	1.58%	1.57%	1.60%
Direct transaction costs	0.03%	0.11%	0.17%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	166.00	157.02	155.69	145.90
Lowest share price	102.98	139.10	144.71	121.08

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. The figures used within this table have been calculated by annualising the expenses incurred against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

\*The net asset value of the Sub-fund has decreased by more than 10% if compared to the average net asset values for the period. Taking the Net Asset Values for the last valuation point of the period has the effect of increasing the operating charges by 0.02%. The ACD believes this to be more representative of the charges going forward.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening net asset value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate net asset value per share complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 10:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase.
- The price of investment trusts may not reflect the value of the assets they hold. This can result in wide price changes of the investment trust shares.
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in an Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital losses		(22,454,281)		(2,586,495)
Revenue	1,049,123		816,072	
Expenses	(413,860)		(378,670)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	635,263		437,402	
Taxation	—		—	
Net revenue after taxation		635,263		437,402
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(21,819,018)</b>		<b>(2,149,093)</b>
Distributions		29,011		10,034
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(21,790,007)</b>		<b>(2,139,059)</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>94,088,979</b>		<b>85,763,303</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	20,042,083		16,114,406	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(14,250,348)		(8,770,339)	
		5,791,735		7,344,067
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(21,790,007)		(2,139,059)
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>78,090,707</b>		<b>90,968,311</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to Shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

## Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		30.09.19	
	£	£	£	£
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Investments		73,020,762		90,222,042
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Debtors	851,099		366,021	
Cash and bank balances	4,394,491		4,709,798	
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>5,245,590</b>		<b>5,075,819</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>78,266,352</b>		<b>95,297,861</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Investment liabilities		—		—
<b>Creditors</b>				
Distribution payable	—		(936,563)	
Other creditors	(175,645)		(272,319)	
<b>Total creditors</b>		<b>(175,645)</b>		<b>(1,208,882)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>(175,645)</b>		<b>(1,208,882)</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>78,090,707</b>		<b>94,088,979</b>

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn UK Smaller Companies Fund aims to achieve long term capital growth by investing primarily in UK companies included within the UK Numis Smaller Companies plus AIM Index. For this purpose, UK companies are defined as those which are incorporated or domiciled in the UK, or have a significant part of their operations in the UK. The Index covers the bottom tenth by value of the main UK equity market plus AIM stocks that meet the same size limit.

The Sub-fund invests for the long term and there is no guarantee that any particular return will be achieved, over any period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

The investment approach is to identify individual companies for investment and therefore the portfolio may not be representative of the index.

AIM is the London Stock Exchange's International Market for smaller growing companies.

The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities and deposits and cash. The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

For the six month period ended 31 March 2020, the Unicorn UK Smaller Companies Fund's B Income shares generated a total return of -23.8%. This performance compares with a total return from the benchmark Numis Smaller Companies Index (Ex IT) plus AIM, of -24.2% over the same period.

As at 31 March 2020, the Sub-fund held investments in 42 companies.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

During the period under review, the coronavirus spread around the world from China at significant speed. In an effort to contain the spread of the virus in the UK, the government followed the approach taken by the leaders of most European countries and imposed a lockdown on the population, which effectively paralysed a huge part of the economy. Similar measures have been introduced in the United States, which inevitably places further pressure on the global economy.

The UK Government and the Bank of England have worked to provide fiscal and monetary support in a coordinated effort to mitigate the worst of the immediate economic impact on the population. Although obviously hugely expensive, the aim of the lockdown has been to save lives and to prevent the NHS from becoming overwhelmed. Meanwhile, the government is hoping that ongoing financial support will enable people and businesses to recover economically, once the lockdown is over. It is possible that these actions will position the UK economy relatively well for future recovery. Regardless of how resilient the UK economy proves to be, there can be little doubt that the government's unprecedented package of measures will have far reaching economic consequences.

Equity markets have fallen heavily since the virus emerged and spread throughout Europe and the United States. The Sub-fund's total return of -23.8% over the six month period is directly correlated to these significant and broad-based declines. Investors became dramatically more risk averse as the economic implications of the global response to the virus started to become apparent. Although some investee companies fared better than others, all but nine of the portfolio holdings recorded a negative total return in the six month period to 31 March 2020. The loss of capital value, albeit largely unrealised at this time, is clearly very painful for investors.

During such an exceptionally volatile and uncertain period, a number of steps have been taken to de-risk the portfolio. The Sub-fund entered the period under review with a portfolio of investee companies that generally carried low levels of debt on their balance sheets.

### Investment Manager's Report

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The Sub-fund's longstanding approach of investing in well-financed, cash generative companies with robust business models meant that performance was relatively strong during the first five months of the period under review. Over this period, one company was disposed of on valuation grounds; Marshalls, while two holdings were introduced; Mercia Asset Management, an asset management business and The Fulham Shore, a restaurant group. The month of March was unusually challenging however and the events that unfolded triggered a re-appraisal of all investee companies in the Sub-fund. As a consequence of this review, two businesses; Card Factory and Gym Group, were assessed as being particularly vulnerable to an extended period of lockdown, in terms of either revenue generation and/or balance sheet risk, and were disposed of in their entirety. One new investment was made in the volatile market conditions experienced during March; EMIS Group. EMIS is a provider of software and systems to health service providers. At the height of the market sell-off, EMIS saw its share price fall by c.30%, despite its potential for delivering resilient earnings due to high levels of recurring revenues.

Clearly, many of our remaining investee companies continue to experience disruption to their normal trading patterns, however the Manager is confident that the management teams of these businesses have taken the necessary and appropriate actions that will help ensure their long term survival.

The recent actions taken in disposing of and selectively reducing exposure to certain holdings has successfully increased the Sub-fund's cash weighting. Cash balances amounted to 11% of total assets at the period end, well in excess of the usual 2-4% range. This deliberately risk averse approach, combined with a considerable number of relatively defensive portfolio holdings, ought to provide resilience during this volatile period. Importantly, the increased cash position will provide the flexibility to quickly deploy capital in high quality companies at attractive valuations, once the current crisis appears close to reaching its worst.

All investors should remain mindful that this crisis will not last forever. Evidence that the virus outbreak is beginning to come under control, is likely to offer the best signal that sustainable stock market and economic recovery can commence.



## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Oil &amp; Equipment, Services &amp; Distribution 2.75% (2.43%)</b>		
1,060,000	Tekmar*	954,000	2.75
	<b>Forestry &amp; Paper 1.63% (2.47%)</b>		
82,091	James Cropper*	566,428	1.63
	<b>Construction &amp; Materials 6.69% (7.00%)</b>		
505,556	Alumasc*	328,611	0.95
1,750,000	Breedon*	1,169,000	3.37
750,000	Epwin*	442,500	1.27
249,273	Tyman	383,382	1.10
		2,323,493	6.69
	<b>Aerospace &amp; Defence 2.98% (3.26%)</b>		
45,000	Avon Rubber	1,035,000	2.98
	<b>General Industrials 1.04% (2.15%)</b>		
850,000	Coats	360,740	1.04
	<b>Electronic &amp; Electrical Equipment 2.62% (2.43%)</b>		
185,000	discoverIE	908,350	2.62
	<b>Industrial Engineering 18.42% (20.01%)</b>		
70,000	Bodycote	394,800	1.14
310,000	Castings	905,200	2.61
80,000	Goodwin	1,520,000	4.38
70,000	Porvair	352,800	1.02
2,440,000	Severfield	1,483,520	4.27
751,786	Somero Enterprises*	1,278,036	3.68
500,000	Trifast	460,000	1.32
		6,394,356	18.42
	<b>Industrial Transportation 5.47% (6.66%)</b>		
465,000	Braemar Shipping Services	446,400	1.29
90,000	Ocean Wilsons	585,000	1.68
343,968	Wincanton	866,799	2.50
		1,898,199	5.47
	<b>Support Services 3.88% (4.37%)</b>		
406,202	Clipper Logistics	609,303	1.76
180,000	Ricardo	736,200	2.12
		1,345,503	3.88
	<b>Automobiles &amp; Parts 0.36% (0.82%)</b>		
1,769,806	Autins*	123,886	0.36
	<b>Leisure Goods 10.29% (8.50%)</b>		
650,000	Codemasters*	1,527,500	4.40
165,000	Frontier Developments*	2,042,700	5.89
		3,570,200	10.29

## Portfolio Statement

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Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Personal Goods 1.01% (1.11%)</b>		
880,000	Warpaint London*	352,000	1.01
	<b>Food &amp; Drug Retailers 0.00% (0.00%)</b>		
600,000	Conviviality Retail^	—	0.00
	<b>General Retailers 1.87% (4.27%)</b>		
1,800,000	Topps Tiles	649,800	1.87
	<b>Media 2.64% (4.85%)</b>		
47,500	4imprint	916,750	2.64
	<b>Travel &amp; Leisure 4.70% (8.82%)</b>		
300,000	City Pub*	198,000	0.57
300,000	Domino's Pizza	849,000	2.45
731,818	Hostelworld	388,595	1.12
4,317,200	The Fulham Shore*	194,274	0.56
		1,629,869	4.70
	<b>Banks 3.77% (3.58%)</b>		
145,500	Secure Trust Bank	1,309,500	3.77
	<b>Financial Services 12.92% (11.39%)</b>		
280,000	Alpha FX*	1,540,000	4.44
59,522	Arbuthnot Banking*	431,535	1.24
2,898,097	Mercia Asset Management*	440,511	1.27
400,000	Numis*	840,000	2.42
150,000	Polar Capital*	577,500	1.66
380,000	River & Mercantile	655,500	1.89
		4,485,046	12.92
	<b>Software &amp; Computer Services 5.22% (4.79%)</b>		
11,994	EMIS*	124,738	0.36
60,000	FDM	443,400	1.28
20,000	First Derivatives*	453,000	1.31
475,000	NCC	788,500	2.27
		1,809,638	5.22
	<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>30,632,758</b>	<b>88.26</b>
	<b>Net other assets</b>	<b>4,074,637</b>	<b>11.74</b>
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>34,707,395</b>	<b>100.00</b>

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 30.09.19.

^This is a delisted security and has been valued at the Manager's best assessment of its fair value.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	525.37	550.83	549.84	443.63
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-117.77	-7.24	17.24	120.85
Operating charges	-9.16	-8.69	-9.16	-8.12
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-126.93	-15.93	8.08	112.73
Distributions	0.00	-9.53	-7.09	-6.52
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>398.44</b>	<b>525.37</b>	<b>550.83</b>	<b>549.84</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.51	-0.86	-1.15	-1.72
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.16%	-2.89%	1.47%	25.41%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£2,798,409	£3,885,497	£4,788,970	£5,381,587
Closing number of shares	702,337	739,577	869,410	978,758
Operating charges	1.61%	1.62%	1.59%	1.61%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.62%	1.62%	1.59%	1.61%
Direct transaction costs	0.09%	0.16%	0.20%	0.34%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	638.64	583.17	607.62	567.07
Lowest share price	379.86	477.70	554.46	420.34

	B Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	512.81	537.67	536.70	433.03
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-117.00	-7.08	16.84	117.96
Operating charges	-4.79	-4.57	-4.74	-4.24
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-121.79	-11.65	12.10	113.72
Distributions	0.00	-13.21	-11.13	-10.05
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>391.02</b>	<b>512.81</b>	<b>537.67</b>	<b>536.70</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.50	-0.84	-1.13	-1.68
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-23.75%	-2.17%	2.25%	26.26%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£31,889,298	£39,369,654	£49,830,008	£46,600,233
Closing number of shares	8,155,475	7,677,275	9,267,733	8,682,715
Operating charges	0.86%	0.87%	0.84%	0.86%
Ongoing operating charges*	0.87%	0.87%	0.84%	0.86%
Direct transaction costs	0.09%	0.16%	0.20%	0.34%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	624.70	571.67	595.80	556.95
Lowest share price	372.77	467.19	541.87	410.64

## Comparative Tables

continued

### Change in net assets per share

	Overseas Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	124.86	130.92	130.69	105.45
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-27.98	-1.74	4.09	28.73
Operating charges	-2.18	-2.06	-2.18	-1.93
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-30.16	-3.80	1.91	26.80
Distributions	0.00	-2.26	-1.68	-1.56
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>94.70</b>	<b>124.86</b>	<b>130.92</b>	<b>130.69</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.12	-0.20	-0.27	-0.41
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.16%	-2.90%	1.46%	25.41%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£19,688	£25,747	£77,799	£147,537
Closing number of shares	20,791	20,620	59,425	112,895
Operating charges	1.61%	1.62%	1.59%	1.61%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.62%	1.62%	1.59%	1.61%
Direct transaction costs	0.09%	0.16%	0.20%	0.34%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	151.78	138.60	144.42	134.79
Lowest share price	90.28	113.54	131.78	99.90

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. The figures used within this table have been calculated by annualising the expenses incurred against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

\*The net asset value of the Sub-fund has decreased by more than 10% if compared to the average net asset values for the period. Taking an average of the daily Net Asset Values for the last month of the period has the effect of increasing the operating charges by 0.01%. The ACD believes this to be more representative of the charges going forward.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening net asset value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate net asset value per share complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 10:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Smaller company shares, including AIM companies, can be riskier as they may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share prices may fluctuate more than that of a larger company.
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in an Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital losses		(11,544,307)		(1,894,831)
Revenue	347,354		421,583	
Expenses	(228,843)		(228,847)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	118,511		192,736	
Taxation	(3,658)		(113)	
Net revenue after taxation		114,853		192,623
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(11,429,454)</b>		<b>(1,702,208)</b>
Distributions		12,096		(11,198)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(11,417,358)</b>		<b>(1,713,406)</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>43,280,898</b>		<b>54,696,777</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	13,715,089		5,968,805	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(10,871,234)		(8,723,396)	
		2,843,855		(2,754,591)
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(11,417,358)		(1,713,406)
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>34,707,395</b>		<b>50,228,780</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to Shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

## Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20	£	£	30.09.19	£
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Investments			30,632,758			42,808,990
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors		265,918			245,931	
Cash and bank balances		4,281,444			1,499,255	
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>4,547,362</b>			<b>1,745,186</b>
<b>Total assets</b>			<b>35,180,120</b>			<b>44,554,176</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Investment liabilities			—			—
<b>Creditors</b>						
Distribution payable		—			(1,085,424)	
Other creditors		(472,725)			(187,854)	
<b>Total creditors</b>			<b>(472,725)</b>			<b>(1,273,278)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>			<b>(472,725)</b>			<b>(1,273,278)</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>			<b>34,707,395</b>			<b>43,280,898</b>

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn UK Income Fund aims to achieve an historic yield in excess of 110% of the FTSE All Share yield, over a three year period, by investing in mainly in UK companies. For this purpose, UK companies are defined as those which are incorporated or domiciled in the UK, or have a significant part of their operations in the UK. The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities, deposits and cash.

The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund mainly invests in UK companies which are quoted companies with a bias towards small and medium sized companies. Some of the companies in which the Sub-fund invests may be quoted on AIM. AIM is the London Stock Exchange's international market for smaller, growing companies.

There is no guarantee that the target return will be achieved over a three year, or any other period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

The Unicorn UK Income Fund B accumulation shares delivered a total return of -24.1% during the six month period ended 31 March 2020, which resulted in modest underperformance when compared with the average total return of -23.0% generated by the UK Equity Income peer group. Given the long-standing bias of the portfolio towards smaller quoted companies, it is worth noting that the Sub-fund broadly matched the performance of the Numis Smaller Companies Index (Ex-IT), which generated a total return of -24.13% over the same period.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

During the period under review, the coronavirus spread around the world from China at significant speed. In an effort to contain the spread of the virus in the UK, the government followed the approach taken by the leaders of most European countries and imposed a lockdown on the population, which effectively paralysed a huge part of the economy. Similar measures have been introduced in the United States, which inevitably places further pressure on the global economy.

The UK Government and the Bank of England have worked to provide fiscal and monetary support in a coordinated effort to mitigate the worst of the immediate economic impact on the population. Although obviously hugely expensive, the aim of the lockdown has been to save lives and to prevent the NHS from becoming overwhelmed. Meanwhile, the government is hoping that ongoing financial support will enable people and businesses to recover economically, once the lockdown is over. It is possible that these actions will position the UK economy relatively well for future recovery. Regardless of how resilient the UK economy proves to be, there can be little doubt that the government's unprecedented package of measures will have far reaching economic consequences.

Equity markets have fallen heavily since the virus emerged and spread throughout Europe and the United States. The Sub-fund's total return of -24.1% over the six month period is directly correlated to these significant and broad-based declines. Investors became dramatically more risk averse as the economic implications of the global response to the virus started to become apparent. Although some investee companies fared better than others, all but four of the portfolio holdings recorded a negative total return in the six month period to 31 March 2020. The loss of capital value, albeit largely unrealised at this time, is clearly very painful for investors.

During such an exceptionally volatile and uncertain period, a number of steps have been taken to de-risk the portfolio. The Sub-fund entered the period under review with a portfolio of investee companies that generally carried low levels of debt on their balance sheets. However, businesses that have been assessed as being particularly vulnerable to an extended period of lockdown, in terms of either revenue generation and/or balance sheet risk, have been disposed.

Clearly, many of our remaining investee companies continue to experience disruption to their normal trading patterns, however the Manager is confident that the management teams of these businesses have taken the necessary and appropriate actions that will help ensure their long term survival.



### Investment Manager's Report

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In the first five months of the period under review, portfolio activity was low with only two additions (B&M European Value and Henry Boot) and one disposal (Greene King, following a successful bid approach). Portfolio activity increased in March, as five positions were exited and one new holding was introduced.

The positions exited in full included a long standing holding in Cineworld. At the time of writing, Cineworld's entire cinema estate remains closed and, as a result, the business is unable to generate any revenues. In addition, following an aggressive acquisition led expansion strategy, Cineworld had accumulated an uncomfortably high level of debt on its balance sheet. Other positions exited in full were; Card Factory, which has also closed all of its shops; ITV, which is enjoying strong viewing figures, but suffering from disruption to production and lower advertising spend; Melrose, which has been suffering from rapidly deteriorating end markets and whose management team has recently been forced to completely withdraw a previously announced dividend payment and, finally; Smurfit Kappa, one of the few companies in the portfolio that had been carrying a ratio of Net Debt to Earnings that was in excess of 2x.

The one new addition to the Sub-fund was Sainsbury (J), the supermarket chain and owner of Argos. Sainsbury's appears to have responded well to the challenges posed by the virus outbreak and ought to be a beneficiary from the nationwide closure of restaurants and pubs, which therefore requires families to eat at home.

All but four of the Sub-fund's investee companies generated negative total returns in the period under review, with the most significant impact being felt by businesses operating in consumer facing sectors. On a relative basis, the Manager's continuing policy of avoiding exposure to the Oil & Gas and Mining sectors helped provide some counter-balance to the negative contribution delivered by the Travel & Leisure sector.

The Sub-fund entered the second half of its financial year with 39 holdings and an unusually high cash weighting, which amounted to 17% of total portfolio value. This deliberately risk averse approach, combined with a considerable number of relatively defensive portfolio holdings, ought to provide resilience during this volatile period. Importantly, the increased cash position will provide the flexibility to quickly deploy capital in high quality companies at attractive valuations, once the current crisis appears close to reaching its worst.

Unfortunately, the outlook for dividends remains uncertain given the unprecedented level of dividend cuts already experienced across the UK stock market. It is not currently possible to predict what the full year impact of lower dividend income will be on the Sub-fund, however it is clear that dividend payments received in the second half of the financial year will be significantly lower than previously anticipated.

As previously noted, the Sub-fund entered this unprecedented period with a portfolio composed of relatively well-financed companies that address resilient end markets. Actions taken by the Manager during the period under review have been designed to reduce risk, while simultaneously increasing levels of cash. Cumulatively, these actions should help position the Sub-fund to deliver relative outperformance during the second half of the financial year.

On a positive note, volatility tends to produce irrational pricing, which in turn often creates investment opportunity. For this reason, cash balances in the Sub-fund remain high, and the Manager remains alert to compelling investment opportunities.

All investors should remain mindful that this crisis will not last forever. Evidence that the virus outbreak is beginning to come under control, is likely to offer the best signal that sustainable stock market and economic recovery can commence.

## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Construction &amp; Materials 6.45% (10.07%)</b>			
7,000,000	Epwin*	4,130,000	0.85
2,800,000	James Halstead*	13,412,000	2.76
1,600,000	Marshalls	9,360,000	1.92
2,909,192	Tyman	4,474,337	0.92
		31,376,337	6.45
<b>General Industrials 1.49% (2.57%)</b>			
2,250,000	Vesuvius	7,249,500	1.49
<b>Electronic &amp; Electrical Equipment 2.31% (1.43%)</b>			
2,288,478	discoverIE	11,236,427	2.31
<b>Industrial Engineering 8.67% (7.72%)</b>			
1,350,000	Bodycote	7,614,000	1.57
2,150,000	Castings	6,278,000	1.29
1,600,000	Hill & Smith	15,280,000	3.14
13,500,000	Severfield	8,208,000	1.69
2,800,000	Somero Enterprises*	4,760,000	0.98
		42,140,000	8.67
<b>Industrial Transportation 4.10% (6.90%)</b>			
5,073,474	Signature Aviation	8,338,255	1.72
4,593,171	Wincanton	11,574,791	2.38
		19,913,046	4.10
<b>Support Services 3.15% (5.02%)</b>			
4,242,562	Clipper Logistics	6,363,843	1.31
5,700,000	Gateley*	6,555,000	1.35
7,029,866	RPS	2,404,214	0.49
		15,323,057	3.15
<b>Food &amp; Drug Retailers 0.87% (0.00%)</b>			
7,000,000	Conviviality^	—	—
2,000,000	Sainsbury (J)	4,208,000	0.87
		4,208,000	0.87
<b>General Retailers 2.38% (1.64%)</b>			
4,200,000	B&M European Value Retail	11,583,600	2.38
<b>Media 1.79% (5.23%)</b>			
450,000	4imprint	8,685,000	1.79
<b>Travel &amp; Leisure 1.85% (10.12%)</b>			
4,500,772	Hollywood Bowl	6,548,623	1.35
4,586,061	Hostelworld	2,435,198	0.50
		8,983,821	1.85

## Portfolio Statement

continued

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Fixed Line Telecommunications 4.96% (3.34%)</b>		
1,950,000	Telecom Plus	24,102,000	4.96
	<b>Banks 1.70% (1.86%)</b>		
920,000	Secure Trust Bank	8,280,000	1.70
	<b>Non-life Insurance 5.06% (2.28%)</b>		
8,489,731	Sabre Insurance	24,620,220	5.06
	<b>Life Insurance 6.12% (4.17%)</b>		
4,750,000	Phoenix	29,758,750	6.12
	<b>Real Estate Investment &amp; Services 2.92% (1.03%)</b>		
5,250,000	Boot (Henry)	10,237,500	2.10
2,280,000	Palace Capital	3,978,600	0.82
		14,216,100	2.92
	<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts 11.64% (11.05%)</b>		
12,875,000	LondonMetric Property	22,595,625	4.65
13,250,000	Primary Health Properties	21,253,000	4.37
15,627,706	Regional REIT	12,767,836	2.62
		56,616,461	11.64
	<b>Financial Services 12.54% (12.02%)</b>		
359,437	Alpha FX*	1,976,904	0.41
9,100,000	Appreciate*	2,912,000	0.60
5,750,000	Brewin Dolphin	12,592,500	2.59
5,200,000	Numis*	10,920,000	2.24
3,900,000	Polar Capital*	15,015,000	3.09
4,200,000	River & Mercantile	7,245,000	1.49
9,440,664	XPS Pensions	10,290,324	2.12
		60,951,728	12.54
	<b>Software &amp; Computer Services 4.76% (4.52%)</b>		
1,786,456	FDM	13,201,910	2.71
6,000,000	NCC	9,960,000	2.05
		23,161,910	4.76
	<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>402,405,957</b>	<b>82.76</b>
	<b>Net other assets</b>	<b>83,802,146</b>	<b>17.24</b>
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>486,208,103</b>	<b>100.00</b>

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^This is a delisted security and has been valued at the Manager's best assessment of its fair value.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

Total purchases for the period: £127,478,196

Total sales for the period: £119,998,931

## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	231.77	235.96	258.62	224.43
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-52.21	10.35	-8.55	47.86
Operating charges	-3.73	-3.62	-3.94	-3.77
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-55.94	6.73	-12.49	44.09
Distributions	-2.59	-10.92	-10.17	-9.90
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>173.24</b>	<b>231.77</b>	<b>235.96</b>	<b>258.62</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.31	-0.51	-0.38	-0.39
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.14%	2.85%	-4.83%	19.65%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£20,584,009	£28,281,948	£39,012,215	£48,559,181
Closing number of shares	11,882,017	12,202,541	16,533,728	18,776,330
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.55%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	266.76	250.16	266.33	267.32
Lowest share price	157.03	211.48	235.71	215.63

	A Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	307.14	298.38	313.83	261.70
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-70.02	13.40	-10.60	56.59
Operating charges	-4.96	-4.64	-4.85	-4.46
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-74.98	8.76	-15.45	52.13
Distributions	-3.43	-14.03	-12.53	-11.72
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	3.43	14.03	12.53	11.72
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>232.16</b>	<b>307.14</b>	<b>298.38</b>	<b>313.83</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.41	-0.65	-0.47	-0.46
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.41%	2.94%	-4.92%	19.92%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£4,647,373	£6,280,960	£8,026,574	£10,899,582
Closing number of shares	2,001,790	2,044,996	2,690,050	3,473,060
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.55%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	354.39	320.62	325.67	316.12
Lowest share price	209.54	267.40	288.42	251.45

## Comparative Tables

continued

### Change in net assets per share

	B Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	253.46	256.10	278.59	239.95
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-58.34	11.31	-9.27	51.36
Operating charges	-2.12	-2.05	-2.21	-2.08
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-60.46	9.26	-11.48	49.28
Distributions	-2.83	-11.90	-11.01	-10.64
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>190.17</b>	<b>253.46</b>	<b>256.10</b>	<b>278.59</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.34	-0.56	-0.41	-0.42
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-23.85%	3.62%	-4.12%	20.54%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£205,910,863	£256,185,108	£260,319,754	£353,710,832
Closing number of shares	108,279,055	101,073,339	101,647,294	126,962,899
Operating charges	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%	0.80%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	292.27	272.70	287.32	287.24
Lowest share price	172.33	229.91	254.83	230.74

	B Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	335.71	323.70	337.91	279.66
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-78.18	14.63	-11.49	60.72
Operating charges	-2.82	-2.62	-2.72	-2.47
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-81.00	12.01	-14.21	58.25
Distributions	-3.76	-15.29	-13.55	-12.58
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	3.76	-15.29	13.55	12.58
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>254.71</b>	<b>335.71</b>	<b>323.70</b>	<b>337.91</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.45	-0.71	-0.50	-0.49
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.13%	3.71%	-4.21%	20.83%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£251,197,371	£317,275,880	£234,604,872	£213,948,450
Closing number of shares	98,620,116	94,508,656	72,477,039	63,316,056
Operating charges	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%	0.80%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	388.10	349.33	351.39	339.51
Lowest share price	229.83	290.56	311.65	268.93

## Comparative Tables

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### Change in net assets per share

	Overseas Income			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	96.22	97.96	107.36	93.17
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-21.68	4.29	-3.54	19.87
Operating charges	-1.55	-1.50	-1.64	-1.57
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-23.23	2.79	-5.18	18.30
Distributions	-1.07	-4.53	-4.22	-4.11
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>71.92</b>	<b>96.22</b>	<b>97.96</b>	<b>107.36</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.13	-0.21	-0.16	-0.16
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.14%	2.86%	-4.82%	19.64%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£3,003,978	£3,715,615	£4,072,743	£4,705,729
Closing number of shares	4,176,820	3,861,559	4,157,688	4,383,003
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.55%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	110.75	103.85	110.57	110.98
Lowest share price	65.19	87.80	97.85	89.52

	Overseas Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	122.88	119.37	125.55	104.69
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-28.02	5.37	-4.24	22.64
Operating charges	-1.98	-1.86	-1.94	-1.78
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-30.00	3.51	-6.18	20.86
Distributions	-1.37	-5.61	-5.01	-4.69
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.37	5.61	5.01	4.69
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>92.88</b>	<b>122.88</b>	<b>119.37</b>	<b>125.55</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.17	-0.26	-0.19	-0.18
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-24.41%	2.94%	-4.92%	19.93%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£864,509	£1,262,446	£1,512,444	£2,724,952
Closing number of shares	930,741	1,027,360	1,267,010	2,170,362
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.55%
Direct transaction costs	0.13%	0.22%	0.15%	0.16%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	141.79	128.27	130.29	126.47
Lowest share price	83.83	106.98	115.39	100.59

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. The figures used within this table have been calculated by annualising the expenses incurred against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening net asset value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate net asset value per share complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 10:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. During the period under review the category changed from 5 to 4, this is due to the price volatility of the Sub-fund. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Smaller company shares, including AIM companies, can be riskier as they may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share prices may fluctuate more than that of a larger company.
- The level of targeted income is not guaranteed and may not be achieved.
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in an Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20 £	£	31.03.19 £
Income				
Net capital (losses)/gains		(162,753,175)		9,506,292
Revenue	7,652,551		7,694,750	
Expenses	(2,757,093)		(2,376,077)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	4,895,458		5,318,673	
Taxation	(29,634)		(522)	
Net revenue after taxation		4,865,824		5,318,151
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(157,887,351)</b>		<b>14,824,443</b>
Distributions		(6,817,747)		(7,291,328)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(164,705,098)</b>		<b>7,533,115</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20 £	£	31.03.19 £
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>613,001,957</b>		<b>547,548,602</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	158,927,901		132,424,300	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(124,701,244)		(113,894,324)	
		34,226,657		18,529,976
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(164,705,098)		7,533,115
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		3,684,289		3,582,070
Unclaimed distributions		298		—
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>486,208,103</b>		<b>577,193,763</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to Shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.



## Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20	£	£	30.09.19	£
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Investments		402,405,957			557,676,357	
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors	4,990,560			4,223,140		
Cash and bank balances	83,656,545			56,649,177		
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>88,647,105</b>			<b>60,872,317</b>	
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>491,053,062</b>			<b>618,548,674</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Investment liabilities		—			—	
<b>Creditors</b>						
Distribution payable	(994,681)			(3,921,827)		
Other creditors	(3,850,278)			(1,624,890)		
<b>Total creditors</b>		<b>(4,844,959)</b>			<b>(5,546,717)</b>	
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>(4,844,959)</b>			<b>(5,546,717)</b>	
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>486,208,103</b>			<b>613,001,957</b>	

## Distribution Tables

for the period ended 31 March 2020

### Income Share Distributions

Share class	Distribution	Shares	Net revenue p	Equalisation p	Distribution payable 2020 p	Distribution paid 2019 p
A	First interim	Group 1	1.8334	–	1.8334	1.7466
		Group 2	0.7096	1.1238	1.8334	1.7466
	Second interim	Group 1	0.7517	–	0.7517	1.2792
		Group 2	0.0765	0.6752	0.7517	1.2792
B	First interim	Group 1	2.0067	–	2.0067	1.8965
		Group 2	0.8518	1.1549	2.0067	1.8965
	Second interim	Group 1	0.8241	–	0.8241	1.3924
		Group 2	0.0859	0.7382	0.8241	1.3924
Overseas	First interim	Group 1	0.7612	–	0.7612	0.7247
		Group 2	0.3130	0.4482	0.7612	0.7247
	Second interim	Group 1	0.3121	–	0.3121	0.5310
		Group 2	–	0.3121	0.3121	0.5310

### Accumulation Share Distributions

Share class	Distribution	Shares	Net revenue p	Equalisation p	Amount reinvested 2020 p	Amount reinvested 2019 p
A	First interim	Group 1	2.4302	–	2.4302	2.2059
		Group 2	0.2945	2.1357	2.4302	2.2059
	Second interim	Group 1	1.0030	–	1.0030	1.6321
		Group 2	0.1689	0.8341	1.0030	1.6321
B	First interim	Group 1	2.6580	–	2.6580	2.3934
		Group 2	1.4067	1.2513	2.6580	2.3934
	Second interim	Group 1	1.0991	–	1.0991	1.7740
		Group 2	0.0607	1.0384	1.0991	1.7740
Overseas	First interim	Group 1	0.9722	–	0.9722	0.8839
		Group 2	0.9722	–	0.9722	0.8839
	Second interim	Group 1	0.4014	–	0.4014	0.6523
		Group 2	0.4014	–	0.4014	0.6523

First interim period: 01.10.19 - 31.12.19

Second interim period: 01.01.20 - 31.03.20

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period

Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

### Equalisation

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn Outstanding British Companies Fund aims to achieve a rate of return that is superior to that of the FTSE All Share (Ex Investment Trusts) Index, over the long-term, where long-term is defined as being not less than five years, investing in a collection of outstanding British companies, with the least amount of economic, as distinct, from market price risk. British companies are defined as those which are incorporated or domiciled in the UK or have a significant part of their operations in the UK. Outstanding companies are defined as those whose economics and risks are well understood, whose revenues, earnings and cash flows are predictable to a reasonable degree of certainty, which sell products and services into growing markets, which have market leadership positions and lasting competitive strength, which generate high average and incremental returns on invested capital, which convert a high proportion of their earnings into free, distributable cash, which can show a consistent track record of operating performance, which are run by decent, experienced individuals, who manage their businesses with the goal of maximising owner-value, which operate with low core debt, which are not predominantly acquisition-led, and which produce clean, intelligible financial statements.

The Sub-fund may also invest in smaller companies, including companies quoted on AIM. AIM is the London Stock Exchange's international market for smaller, growing companies.

The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities and deposits and cash.

The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund may have a concentrated portfolio.

The Sub-fund invests for the long term and there is no guarantee that any particular return will be achieved, over any period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

For the six month period ended 31 March 2020, the Outstanding British Companies Fund's B Accumulation shares recorded a total return of -15.1%, which compares to the IA UK All Companies sector average total return of -22.8% over the same period. As at 31 March 2020, the Fund held investments in 28 companies.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

During the period under review, the coronavirus spread around the world from China at significant speed. In an effort to contain the spread of the virus in the UK, the government followed the approach taken by the leaders of most European countries and imposed a lockdown on the population, which effectively paralysed a huge part of the economy. Similar measures have been introduced in the United States, which inevitably places further pressure on the global economy.

The UK Government and the Bank of England have worked to provide fiscal and monetary support in a coordinated effort to mitigate the worst of the immediate economic impact on the population. Although obviously hugely expensive, the aim of the lockdown has been to save lives and to prevent the NHS becoming overwhelmed. Meanwhile, the government is hoping that ongoing financial support will enable people and businesses to recover economically, once the lockdown is over. It is possible that these actions will position the UK economy relatively well for future recovery. Regardless of how resilient the UK economy proves to be, there can be little doubt that the government's unprecedented package of measures will have far reaching consequences.

Equity markets have fallen heavily since the virus emerged and spread throughout Europe and the United States. The Sub-fund's negative total return over the six month period can be directly attributed to these significant and broad-based declines in stock markets. While some investee companies fared better than others, all but six of the portfolio holdings recorded a negative total return in the six months to the end of March 2020. The loss of capital value, albeit largely unrealised at this time, is clearly very painful for investors, but some comfort can be drawn from the relative defensiveness of the portfolio as a whole, compared to the broader UK equity market. The Manager's long-standing strategy to invest in high quality companies, that are cash generative, have robust balance sheets and strong market positions stood the Fund in good stead as the world entered this unprecedented period of economic turmoil and stock market turbulence. Nonetheless, each of the portfolio's

### Investment Manager's Report

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holdings has been re-assessed for risk, with the focus being on resilience of revenues and balance sheet strength. As a consequence of this review, holdings in Babcock International and Johnson Matthey have been disposed outright, while other holdings have been reduced in size.

The Sub-fund's strong relative performance has been partly due to these actions, which has also resulted in an elevated cash weighting. The cash position was deliberately increased during the period under review. This prudent approach has been adopted in order to maximise flexibility and responsiveness once the Manager believes equity markets may be close to reaching the bottom. High levels of cash will enable us to quickly deploy capital in high quality companies at historically attractive valuations, thereby potentially enhancing returns over the longer-term.

In terms of stock specifics, the three largest detractors over the six month period under review were City Pub, Fisher (James) & Sons and Shaftesbury, costing -2.5%, -1.5% and -1.3% respectively in overall Sub-fund performance.

City Pub Group's value fell dramatically in March as a result of the forced closure of all pubs across the UK. While the length of the lockdown remains uncertain, City Pub's management team took decisive action to reduce operating costs and strengthen the company's balance sheet through an equity raise, placing the business in a stronger position to recover shareholder value once its pubs are allowed to reopen.

Fisher (James) & Sons was exposed to the collapse in the price of oil. Additionally, a weaker than expected performance in the company's Marine Support business further diminished profit forecasts for the current year. In spite of these short-term headwinds, the business remains robust with modest levels of debt. Management also acted prudently to suspend dividend payments in order to further boost the company's cash reserves.

Shaftesbury, the owner of a property portfolio in London's West End, was badly affected by the sudden imposition of social distancing measures, which resulted in the enforced closure of restaurants, bars and shops. Shaftesbury is endeavouring to support its tenants in the immediate term through measures such as rent deferral, in order that their tenants may be in a stronger financial position when trading recommences. Shaftesbury's management team has taken steps to preserve liquidity in the company, which remains asset backed and reasonably well-financed. Despite an extremely uncertain short-term outlook, the intrinsic value of Shaftesbury's property portfolio remains substantial.

As noted earlier, a small number of stocks registered a positive total return over the six months ended 31 March 2020. The three largest contributors to Sub-fund performance were; Tristel, Primary Health Properties and Integrafin which contributed +1.3%, +0.6% and +0.4% respectively to the Sub-fund's total return.

Tristel reported strong interim results and is also potentially a beneficiary of the COVID-19 outbreak, given that demand for its unique and effective infection control products may increase.

Primary Health Properties develops healthcare facilities and is a beneficiary of long term, government backed rental income, which provides the business with defensive qualities.

Integrafin, is a provider of an investment platform called Transact. Although Integrafin is clearly not immune from the overall downturn in stock markets, it is nonetheless seeing increased levels of transactional activity during this period of heightened volatility.

In relative performance terms, the Sub-fund significantly outperformed its benchmark index over the six month period under review. A meaningful proportion of this outperformance was attributable to having a zero weighting in the Housebuilding, Oil & Gas, Mining and High Street Banking sectors; all of which suffered disproportionately large falls. The Sub-fund also benefitted from having relatively modest exposure to the Retail, Travel and Leisure sectors; the sole investment in these areas being City Pub Group. Clearly, these sectors have been among the worst affected by the restrictions on human movement.

The Sub-fund's greater exposure to Support Services, Industrial Transportation and Chemicals sectors has been unhelpful however. Investee companies that operate in these areas have detracted from overall performance due to their sensitivity to global economic growth.

In addition to the two disposals previously discussed, one other position was exited; a long standing investment in Murgitroyd, which was acquired by a private equity firm. The Murgitroyd family who had retained a meaningful stake in their business decided to sell the company, in its entirety, for estate planning purposes. While it was disappointing to lose a high quality business from the portfolio, a capital profit of over £0.7m was realised on the book cost of this investment.

### **Investment Manager's Report**

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The Sub-fund entered this unprecedented period with a portfolio of well financed, conservatively managed businesses that address resilient and growing end-markets. Action taken to exit more vulnerable holdings should serve to position the portfolio even more defensively. Notwithstanding these carefully targeted changes, the Manager has avoided making a 'knee-jerk' reaction to managing the portfolio during this peculiar period, preferring instead to stick to Unicorn's philosophy of investing for the long-term.

All investors should remain mindful that this crisis will not last forever. As and when the virus appears to be coming under a form of control, the Manager intends to be ready to react. Evidence that the virus is under control, is likely to offer the best signal that economic recovery can commence.

The strategy of the Sub-fund remains unchanged. The objective is to deliver superior, long-term total returns through investment in a concentrated portfolio of high quality companies. The Manager continues to focus on identifying businesses that demonstrate leadership in niche and growing market sectors, have strong barriers to entry and can sustain high returns on capital employed. The Manager believes that a fund composed of investments in such businesses offers investors defensive resilience during periods of stock market weakness, while providing the potential for strong capital growth over the medium to long term.

## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
	<b>Chemicals 3.19% (6.45%)</b>		
170,000	Victrex	3,349,000	3.19
	<b>Construction &amp; Materials 3.40% (2.95%)</b>		
745,000	James Halstead*	3,568,550	3.40
	<b>Aerospace &amp; Defense 0.00% (2.77%)</b>		
	<b>Electronic &amp; Electrical Equipment 4.62% (3.42%)</b>		
236,000	Gooch & Housego*	2,006,000	1.91
90,000	Renishaw	2,847,600	2.71
		4,853,600	4.62
	<b>Industrial Engineering 3.09% (3.78%)</b>		
40,000	Spirax-Sarco Engineering	3,248,000	3.09
	<b>Industrial Transportation 2.99% (3.74%)</b>		
250,000	Fisher (James) & Sons	3,145,000	2.99
	<b>Support Services 11.62% (15.41%)</b>		
1,000,000	Keystone Law*	4,210,000	4.01
1,100,000	Mears	1,446,500	1.38
800,000	RWS*	3,660,000	3.48
450,000	VP	2,889,000	2.75
		12,205,500	11.62
	<b>Beverages 3.69% (3.37%)</b>		
150,000	Diageo	3,877,500	3.69
	<b>Tobacco 3.70% (3.52%)</b>		
141,000	British American Tobacco	3,887,370	3.70
	<b>Health Care Equipment &amp; Services 12.79% (10.50%)</b>		
1,700,000	Advanced Medical Solutions*	4,216,000	4.01
267,000	Smith & Nephew	3,827,445	3.64
1,300,000	Tristel*	5,395,000	5.14
		13,438,445	12.79
	<b>Pharmaceuticals &amp; Biotechnology 8.12% (8.01%)</b>		
300,000	Abcam*	3,429,000	3.26
432,882	Anpario*	1,341,934	1.28
160,000	Dechra Pharmaceuticals	3,760,000	3.58
		8,530,934	8.12
	<b>Media 0.47% (0.56%)</b>		
1,400,000	ULS Technology*	490,000	0.47
	<b>Travel &amp; Leisure 1.45% (3.55%)</b>		
2,311,000	City Pub*	1,525,260	1.45

## Portfolio Statement

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Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts 7.59% (7.36%)</b>			
2,736,000	Primary Health Properties	4,388,544	4.18
581,000	Shaftesbury	3,584,770	3.41
		<b>7,973,314</b>	<b>7.59</b>
<b>Financial Services 13.08% (13.27%)</b>			
425,000	Arbuthnot Banking*	3,081,250	2.93
1,959	Arbuthnot Banking Non-Voting Shares	21,549	0.02
1,493,000	Curtis Banks*	3,135,300	2.99
900,000	Integrafin	3,915,000	3.73
568,500	Mattioli Woods*	3,581,550	3.41
		<b>13,734,649</b>	<b>13.08</b>
<b>Software &amp; Computer Services 7.12% (6.48%)</b>			
602,000	Sage	3,562,636	3.39
669,000	Tracsis*	3,913,650	3.73
		<b>7,476,286</b>	<b>7.12</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		<b>91,303,408</b>	<b>86.92</b>
<b>Net other assets</b>		<b>13,741,208</b>	<b>13.08</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>105,044,616</b>	<b>100.00</b>

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 30.09.19.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

Total purchases for the period: £12,130,634

Total sales for the period: £10,268,181

## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	304.15	325.17	292.07	275.58
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-42.01	-16.20	37.99	20.98
Operating charges	-4.91	-4.82	-4.89	-4.49
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-46.92	-21.02	33.10	16.49
Distributions	0.00	-1.89	-0.31	-2.29
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.00	1.89	0.31	2.29
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>257.23</b>	<b>304.15</b>	<b>325.17</b>	<b>292.07</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.12	-0.67	-0.37	-0.31
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-15.43%	-6.46%	11.33%	5.98%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£7,802,209	£8,739,599	£9,199,256	£8,310,595
Closing number of shares	3,033,211	2,873,425	2,829,021	2,845,452
Operating charges	1.57%	1.59%	1.59%	1.60%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.60%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.22%	0.12%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	338.58	327.82	330.22	295.48
Lowest share price	236.46	274.86	289.59	261.46

	B Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	326.62	346.62	309.14	289.61
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-46.40	-17.28	40.23	22.04
Operating charges	-2.76	-2.72	-2.75	-2.51
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-49.16	-20.00	37.48	19.53
Distributions	0.00	-4.43	-2.76	-4.61
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.00	4.43	2.76	4.61
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>277.46</b>	<b>326.62</b>	<b>346.62</b>	<b>309.14</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.13	-0.71	-0.39	-0.33
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-15.05%	-5.77%	12.12%	6.74%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£97,205,546	£106,635,724	£58,778,046	£42,588,945
Closing number of shares	35,033,708	32,648,344	16,957,574	13,776,713
Operating charges	0.82%	0.84%	0.84%	0.85%
Ongoing operating charges*	0.84%	0.84%	0.84%	0.85%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.22%	0.12%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	364.25	349.41	351.43	312.11
Lowest share price	255.09	293.57	307.35	275.13



## Comparative Tables

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### Change in net assets per share

	Overseas Accumulation			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	130.17	139.17	125.01	118.03
Return before operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-17.99	-6.94	16.25	8.90
Operating charges	-2.10	-2.06	-2.09	-1.92
Return after operating charges <sup>^</sup>	-20.09	-9.00	14.16	6.98
Distributions	0.00	-0.82	-0.13	-0.97
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.00	0.82	0.13	0.97
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>110.08</b>	<b>130.17</b>	<b>139.17</b>	<b>125.01</b>
<sup>^</sup> After direct transaction costs of	-0.05	-0.29	-0.16	-0.13
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-15.43%	-6.47%	11.33%	5.91%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£36,861	£28,729	£30,717	£27,590
Closing number of shares	33,484	22,071	22,071	22,071
Operating charges	1.57%	1.59%	1.59%	1.60%
Ongoing operating charges*	1.59%	1.59%	1.59%	1.60%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.22%	0.12%	0.11%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	144.90	140.30	141.34	126.47
Lowest share price	101.19	117.64	123.95	111.98

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. The figures used within these tables have been calculated by annualising the expenses incurred against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

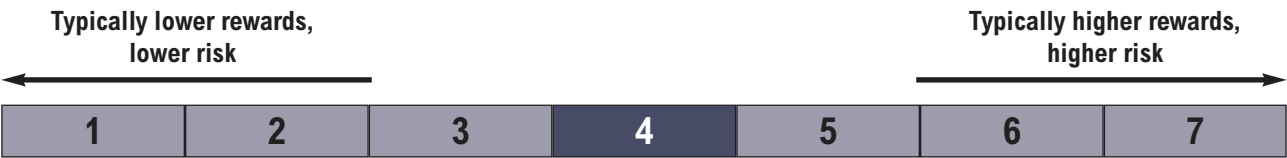
\*The net asset value of the Sub-fund has decreased by more than 10% if compared to the average net asset values for the period. Taking the Net Asset Values for the last valuation point of the period has the effect of increasing the operating charges by 0.02%. The ACD believes this to be more representative of the charges going forward.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening net asset value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate net asset value per share complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 10:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting period.

**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- The Sub-fund may hold a limited number of investments. If one of these investment falls in value this can have a greater impact on the Sub-fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments.
- Smaller company shares, including AIM companies, can be riskier as they may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share prices may fluctuate more than that of a larger company
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in an Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital losses		(20,355,708)		(4,823,088)
Revenue	1,407,192		847,264	
Expenses	(561,807)		(349,304)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	845,385		497,960	
Taxation	—		—	
Net revenue after taxation		845,385		497,960
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(19,510,323)</b>		<b>(4,325,128)</b>
Distributions		17,559		159,956
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(19,492,764)</b>		<b>(4,165,172)</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>115,404,052</b>		<b>68,008,019</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	38,068,337		45,099,011	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(28,935,009)		(5,320,108)	
		9,133,328		39,778,903
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(19,492,764)		(4,165,172)
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>105,044,616</b>		<b>103,621,750</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to Shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

## Unicorn Investment Funds - Outstanding British Companies Fund

### Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20	£	£	30.09.19	£
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Investments			91,303,408			109,795,914
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors		1,094,766			573,155	
Cash and bank balances		12,920,978			5,322,694	
<b>Total current assets</b>			<b>14,015,744</b>			<b>5,895,849</b>
<b>Total assets</b>			<b>105,319,152</b>			<b>115,691,763</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Investment liabilities			—			—
<b>Creditors</b>						
Other creditors		(274,536)			(287,711)	
<b>Total creditors</b>			<b>(274,536)</b>			<b>(287,711)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>			<b>(274,536)</b>			<b>(287,711)</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>			<b>105,044,616</b>			<b>115,404,052</b>

### Investment Objective and Policy

The Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund aims to achieve an historic yield in excess of 110% of the FTSE All Share yield, over a 3 year period, by investing primarily in UK companies which meet the ACD's ethical guidelines. For this purpose, UK companies are defined as those which are incorporated or domiciled in the UK, or have a significant part of their operations in the UK.

Selection of such ethical equities will be undertaken on the basis of thorough company analysis, with ethical and socially responsible criteria reviewed at the point of investment and quarterly thereafter.

The Sub-fund may also invest, at its discretion, in other transferable securities, deposits and cash. The Sub-fund may also enter into certain derivative and forward transactions for hedging purposes.

The Sub-fund mainly invests in UK quoted companies with a bias towards small and medium sized companies. Some of the companies may be quoted on AIM. AIM is the London Stock Exchange's international market for smaller, growing companies.

There is no guarantee that the target return will be achieved over a 3 year, or any other period, and investors should note that their capital is always at risk.

### Investment Manager's Report

for the period ended 31 March 2020

The Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund B accumulation shares delivered a total return of -23.2% during the six month period ended 31 March 2020, which was identical to the average total return of -23.0% generated by the UK Equity Income peer group. Given the long-standing bias of the portfolio towards smaller quoted companies, it is worth noting that the Sub-fund outperformed the Numis Smaller Companies Index (Ex-IT), which generated a total return of -24.2% over the same period.

Understandably, the focus of this report is on the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

Given the unprecedented and rapidly changing circumstances, investors should read this report in the context of the date upon which it was written; namely 7 April 2020.

During the period under review, the coronavirus spread around the world from China at significant speed. In an effort to contain the spread of the virus in the UK, the government followed the approach taken by the leaders of most European countries and imposed a lockdown on the population, which effectively paralysed a huge part of the economy. Similar measures have been introduced in the United States, which inevitably places further pressure on the global economy.

The UK Government and the Bank of England have worked to provide fiscal and monetary support in a coordinated effort to mitigate the worst of the immediate economic impact on the population. Although obviously hugely expensive, the aim of the lockdown has been to save lives and to prevent the NHS from becoming overwhelmed. Meanwhile, the government is hoping that ongoing financial support will enable people and businesses to recover economically, once the lockdown is over. It is possible that these actions will position the UK economy relatively well for future recovery. Regardless of how resilient the UK economy proves to be, there can be little doubt that the government's unprecedented package of measures will have far reaching economic consequences.

Equity markets have fallen heavily since the virus emerged and spread throughout Europe and the United States. The Sub-fund's total return of -23.2% over the six month period is directly correlated to these significant and broad-based declines. Investors became dramatically more risk averse as the economic implications of the global response to the virus started to become apparent. Although some investee companies fared better than others, all but three of the portfolio holdings recorded a negative total return in the six month period to 31 March 2020. The loss of capital value, albeit largely unrealised at this time, is clearly very painful for investors.

During such an exceptionally volatile and uncertain period, a number of steps have been taken to de-risk the portfolio. The Sub-fund entered the period under review with a portfolio of investee companies that generally carried low levels of debt on their balance sheets. However, businesses that have been assessed as being particularly vulnerable to an extended period of lockdown, in terms of either revenue generation and/or balance sheet risk, have been disposed.

### Investment Manager's Report

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Clearly, many of our remaining investee companies continue to experience disruption to their normal trading patterns, however the Manager is confident that the management teams of these businesses have taken the necessary and appropriate actions that will help ensure their long term survival.

The Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund is an ethically screened version of the Unicorn UK Income Fund. As such, its universe of stocks is sourced directly from the UK Income Fund and an external service is then used to screen out companies that generate their income from prohibited sectors or those businesses that provoke environmental, social or governance concerns. In addition to these screens, which are performed by MSCI, there is an additional internal assessment undertaken by Unicorn Asset Management. This screening process reduces the number of holdings from 39 in the UK Income Fund to 33 in the UK Ethical Income Fund (as at 31 March 2020) – with two stocks having been excluded by the MSCI process and four as a result of internal assessment. Unsurprisingly, the correlation of the Unicorn Ethical Income Fund with the Unicorn UK Income Fund remains high.

In the first five months of the period under review, portfolio activity was low with only two additions (B&M European Value Retail and Boot (Henry)). Portfolio activity increased in March as we exited three positions. The positions exited in full included a long standing holding in Cineworld. At the time of writing, Cineworld's entire cinema estate remains closed and, as a result, the business is unable to generate any revenues. In addition, following an aggressive, acquisition led expansion strategy, Cineworld had accumulated an uncomfortably high level of debt on its balance sheet. Other positions exited in full were; Card Factory, which has also been forced to close all of its shops and Smurfit Kappa, one of the few companies in the portfolio that had been carrying a ratio of Net Debt to Earnings that was in excess of 2x.

All but three of the Sub-fund's investee companies generated negative total returns in the period under review, with the most significant impact being felt by businesses operating in consumer facing sectors. On a relative basis, the Manager's continuing policy of avoiding exposure to the Oil & Gas and Mining sectors helped provide some counter-balance to the negative contribution delivered by the Travel & Leisure sector.

The Sub-fund entered the second half of its financial year with 33 holdings and an unusually high cash weighting, which amounted to 18% of total portfolio value. This deliberately risk averse approach, combined with a considerable number of relatively defensive portfolio holdings, ought to provide resilience during this volatile period. Importantly, the increased cash position will provide the flexibility to quickly deploy capital in high quality companies at attractive valuations, once the current crisis appears close to reaching its worst.

Unfortunately, the outlook for dividends remains uncertain given the unprecedented level of dividend cuts already experienced across the UK stock market. It is not currently possible to predict what the full year impact of lower dividend income will be on the Sub-fund, however it is clear that dividend payments received in the second half of the financial year will be significantly lower than previously anticipated.

As previously noted, the Sub-fund entered this unprecedented period with a portfolio composed of relatively well-financed companies that address resilient end markets. Actions taken by the Manager during the period under review have been designed to reduce risk, while simultaneously increasing levels of cash. Cumulatively, these actions should help position the Sub-fund to deliver relative outperformance during the second half of the financial year.

On a positive note, volatility tends to produce irrational pricing, which in turn often creates investment opportunity. For this reason, cash balances in the Sub-fund remain high, and the Manager remains alert to compelling investment opportunities.

All investors should remain mindful that this crisis will not last forever. Evidence that the virus outbreak is beginning to come under control, is likely to offer the best signal that sustainable stock market and economic recovery can commence.

## Portfolio Statement

as at 31 March 2020

Holding	Security	Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Construction &amp; Materials 7.67% (10.53%)</b>			
1,200,000	Epwin*	708,000	2.17
170,000	James Halstead*	814,300	2.49
100,000	Marshalls	585,000	1.79
259,057	Tyman	398,430	1.22
		2,505,730	7.67
<b>General Industrials 2.22% (3.30%)</b>			
225,000	Vesuvius	724,950	2.22
<b>Industrial Engineering 9.54% (8.41%)</b>			
225,000	Castings	657,000	2.01
102,000	Hill & Smith	974,100	2.98
1,100,000	Severfield	668,800	2.05
480,000	Somero Enterprises*	816,000	2.50
		3,115,900	9.54
<b>Industrial Transportation 2.78% (2.27%)</b>			
359,988	Wincanton	907,170	2.78
<b>Support Services 2.57% (5.26%)</b>			
565,000	Gateley*	649,750	1.99
549,208	RPS	187,829	0.58
		837,579	2.57
<b>General Retailers 2.53% (1.88%)</b>			
300,000	B&M European Value Retail	827,400	2.53
<b>Media 1.48% (3.27%)</b>			
25,000	4imprint	482,500	1.48
<b>Travel &amp; Leisure 0.95% (6.54%)</b>			
585,454	Hostelworld	310,876	0.95
<b>Fixed Line Telecommunications 4.63% (3.54%)</b>			
122,223	Telecom Plus	1,510,676	4.63
<b>Banks 3.34% (3.06%)</b>			
121,000	Secure Trust Bank	1,089,000	3.34
<b>Non-life Insurance 5.00% (2.91%)</b>			
563,126	Sabre Insurance	1,633,065	5.00
<b>Life Insurance 5.60% (3.87%)</b>			
292,000	Phoenix	1,829,380	5.60
<b>Real Estate Investment &amp; Services 3.84% (2.68%)</b>			
330,000	Boot (Henry)	643,500	1.97
350,000	Palace Capital	610,750	1.87
		1,254,250	3.84

## Portfolio Statement

continued

		Market value £	% of total net assets 2020
<b>Holding</b>	<b>Security</b>		
	<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts 9.57% (10.39%)</b>		
600,000	LondonMetric Property	1,053,000	3.23
770,000	Primary Health Properties	1,235,080	3.78
1,022,078	Regional REIT	835,038	2.56
		<b>3,123,118</b>	<b>9.57</b>
	<b>Financial Services 15.12% (15.69%)</b>		
28,369	Alpha FX*	156,030	0.48
2,000,000	Appreciate*	640,000	1.96
400,000	Brewin Dolphin	876,000	2.68
461,000	Numis*	968,100	2.96
188,900	Polar Capital*	727,265	2.23
370,000	River & Mercantile	638,250	1.96
855,000	Xafinity	931,950	2.85
		<b>4,937,595</b>	<b>15.12</b>
	<b>Software &amp; Computer Services 4.52% (5.31%)</b>		
98,639	FDM	728,942	2.23
450,000	NCC	747,000	2.29
		<b>1,475,942</b>	<b>4.52</b>
	<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>26,565,131</b>	<b>81.36</b>
	<b>Net other assets</b>	<b>6,086,239</b>	<b>18.64</b>
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>32,651,370</b>	<b>100.00</b>

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 30.09.19.

At the period end the Sub-fund did not hold any shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the Unicorn Investment Funds.

\*Quoted on AIM.

Total purchases for the period: £15,466,569

Total sales for the period: £4,348,038



## Comparative Tables

### Change in net assets per share

	A Income†			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	101.81	107.01	113.69	100.20
Return before operating charges^	-21.98	1.67	-0.26	19.94
Operating charges	-1.65	-1.65	-1.75	-1.70
Return after operating charges^	-23.63	0.02	-2.01	18.24
Distributions	-1.14	-5.22	-4.67	-4.75
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>77.04</b>	<b>101.81</b>	<b>107.01</b>	<b>113.69</b>
^After direct transaction costs of	-0.25	-0.43	-0.41	-0.95
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-23.21%	0.02%	-1.77%	18.20%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£39,778	£43,605	£29,337	£29,616
Closing number of shares	51,630	42,830	27,414	26,048
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.24%	0.40%	0.36%	0.87%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	117.50	114.10	116.64	119.18
Lowest share price	71.22	97.72	107.44	96.70

	A Accumulation†			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	117.05	117.02	119.16	100.62
Return before operating charges^	-25.61	1.86	-0.28	20.27
Operating charges	-1.90	-1.83	-1.86	-1.73
Return after operating charges^	-27.51	0.03	-2.14	18.54
Distributions	-1.31	-5.81	-4.97	-4.85
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.31	5.81	4.97	4.85
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>89.54</b>	<b>117.05</b>	<b>117.02</b>	<b>119.16</b>
^After direct transaction costs of	-0.29	-0.47	-0.44	-0.96
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-23.50%	0.03%	-1.80%	18.43%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£66,205	£75,926	£30,480	£30,904
Closing number of shares	73,942	64,866	26,046	25,934
Operating charges	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.24%	0.40%	0.36%	0.87%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	135.50	126.53	123.33	121.67
Lowest share price	82.40	106.84	113.69	97.20

†The Investment Manager rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges in order for them not to exceed 1.56% of the average net asset value of the Sub-fund.

## Comparative Tables

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### Change in net assets per share

	B Income†			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	101.41	105.80	111.55	97.60
Return before operating charges^	-22.39	1.66	-0.23	19.44
Operating charges	-0.85	-0.85	-0.90	-0.86
Return after operating charges^	-23.24	0.81	-1.13	18.58
Distributions	-1.14	-5.20	-4.62	-4.63
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>77.03</b>	<b>101.41</b>	<b>105.80</b>	<b>111.55</b>
^After direct transaction costs of	-0.25	-0.42	-0.40	-0.93
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-22.92%	0.77%	-1.01%	19.04%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£14,361,732	£13,770,818	£5,776,694	£2,943,419
Closing number of shares	18,644,300	13,579,722	5,460,121	2,638,555
Operating charges	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.24%	0.40%	0.36%	0.87%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	117.26	113.34	114.48	116.65
Lowest share price	71.19	96.76	105.70	94.25

	B Accumulation†			
	31.03.20 p	30.09.19 p	30.09.18 p	30.09.17 p
<b>Opening net asset value per share</b>	119.53	118.69	119.94	100.52
Return before operating charges^	-26.68	1.81	-0.27	20.32
Operating charges	-1.01	-0.97	-0.98	-0.90
Return after operating charges^	-27.69	0.84	-1.25	19.42
Distributions	-1.34	-5.91	-5.04	-4.86
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.34	5.91	5.04	4.86
<b>Closing net asset value per share</b>	<b>91.84</b>	<b>119.53</b>	<b>118.69</b>	<b>119.94</b>
^After direct transaction costs of	-0.30	-0.48	-0.44	-0.97
<b>Performance</b>				
Return after charges	-23.17%	0.71%	-1.04%	19.32%
<b>Other information</b>				
Closing net asset value	£18,183,655	£15,506,851	£12,251,942	£7,166,321
Closing number of shares	19,800,083	12,973,067	10,322,777	5,974,788
Operating charges	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.24%	0.40%	0.36%	0.87%
<b>Prices</b>				
Highest share price	138.82	128.93	124.74	122.16
Lowest share price	84.49	108.53	114.74	97.21

†The Investment Manager rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges in order for them not to exceed 0.81% of the average net asset value of the Sub-fund.

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**Comparative Tables**

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**Risk and reward profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked at 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- The level of targeted income is not guaranteed and may not be achieved.
- This Sub-fund may hold a limited number of investments. If one of these investments falls in value this can have a greater impact on the Sub-fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments.
- Smaller company shares, including AIM companies, can be riskier as they may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share prices may fluctuate more than that of larger companies.
- For further risk information please see the prospectus.

**Risk warning**

An investment in a Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## Statement of Total Return

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital (losses)/gains		(10,696,555)		500,647
Revenue	381,714		274,991	
Expenses	(139,822)		(71,466)	
Interest payable and similar charges	—		—	
Net revenue before taxation	241,892		203,525	
Taxation	(2,481)		(176)	
Net revenue after taxation		239,411		203,349
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>(10,457,144)</b>		<b>703,996</b>
Distributions		(356,356)		(263,206)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities</b>		<b>(10,813,500)</b>		<b>440,790</b>

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the period ended 31 March 2020

	31.03.20		31.03.19	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>29,397,200</b>		<b>18,088,453</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	20,904,844		6,142,565	
Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(7,056,506)		(3,632,549)	
		13,848,338		2,510,016
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of Total Return above)		(10,813,500)		440,790
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		219,332		163,398
<b>Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>32,651,370</b>		<b>21,202,657</b>

The opening net assets attributable to Shareholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to Shareholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

## Balance Sheet

as at 31 March 2020

	£	31.03.20	£	£	30.09.19	£
<b>ASSETS</b>						
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Investments		26,565,131			26,138,190	
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors	2,381,751			350,193		
Cash and bank balances	3,953,373			3,206,571		
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>6,335,124</b>			<b>3,556,764</b>	
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>32,900,255</b>			<b>29,694,954</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Investment liabilities		—			—	
<b>Creditors</b>						
Distribution payable	(63,304)			(218,196)		
Other creditors	(185,581)			(79,558)		
<b>Total creditors</b>		<b>(248,885)</b>			<b>(297,754)</b>	
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>(248,885)</b>			<b>(297,754)</b>	
<b>Net assets attributable to Shareholders</b>		<b>32,651,370</b>			<b>29,397,200</b>	

## Distribution Tables

for the period ended 31 March 2020

### Income Share Distributions

Share class	Distribution	Shares	Net revenue p	Equalisation p	Distribution payable 2020 p	Distribution paid 2019 p
A	First interim	Group 1	0.7995	–	0.7995	0.7983
		Group 2	0.7305	0.0690	0.7995	0.7983
	Second interim	Group 1	0.3385	–	0.3385	0.6644
		Group 2	–	0.3385	0.3385	0.6644
B	First interim	Group 1	0.8000	–	0.8000	0.7927
		Group 2	0.4016	0.3984	0.8000	0.7927
	Second interim	Group 1	0.3386	–	0.3386	0.6689
		Group 2	0.0754	0.2632	0.3386	0.6689

### Accumulation Share Distributions

Share class	Distribution	Shares	Net revenue p	Equalisation p	Amount reinvested 2020 p	Amount reinvested 2019 p
A	First interim	Group 1	0.9179	–	0.9179	0.8729
		Group 2	0.8202	0.0977	0.9179	0.8729
	Second interim	Group 1	0.3919	–	0.3919	0.7329
		Group 2	0.0263	0.3656	0.3919	0.7329
B	First interim	Group 1	0.9415	–	0.9415	0.8850
		Group 2	0.5106	0.4309	0.9415	0.8850
	Second interim	Group 1	0.4022	–	0.4022	0.7443
		Group 2	0.0172	0.3850	0.4022	0.7443

First interim period: 01.10.19 - 31.12.19

Second interim period: 01.01.20 - 31.03.20

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period

Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

### Equalisation

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

## General Information

### Authorised Status

Unicorn Investment Funds (the “Company”) is structured as an Investment Company with Variable Capital (“ICVC”), under regulation 12 (Authorisation) of the OEIC Regulations (Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1228)).

The Company does not intend to have an interest in immovable property.

The Company is authorised and regulated in the UK by the Financial Conduct Authority (“FCA”) as a UCITS Retail Scheme and “Umbrella Company” under the COLL Sourcebook.

The Company was incorporated in England and Wales on 21 December 2001 under registration number IC000143. The Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company.

The Company currently has 6 Sub-funds, which are detailed below:

- Unicorn UK Growth Fund
- Unicorn Mastertrust Fund
- Unicorn UK Smaller Companies Fund
- Unicorn UK Income Fund
- Unicorn Outstanding British Companies Fund
- Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund

### Head Office

First Floor Office, Preacher’s Court, The Charterhouse, Charterhouse Square, London EC1M 6AU.

### Address for Service

The Head Office is the address in the United Kingdom for service on the Company of notices or other documents required or authorised to be served on it.

### Base Currency

The base currency of the Company is Pounds Sterling.

### Share Capital

The minimum share capital of the Company is £1 and the maximum is £100,000,000,000. Shares in the Company have no par value. The share capital of the Company at all times equals the sum of the net asset values of each of the Sub-funds.

### Classes of Shares

The Instrument of Incorporation allows each Sub-fund to issue different classes of shares in respect of any Sub-fund.

The Sub-funds currently have the following classes of shares available for investment:

Sub-fund	Share class					
	A		B		Overseas	
	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Unicorn UK Growth Fund	✓	–	✓	–	✓	–
Unicorn Mastertrust Fund	✓	–	✓	–	✓	–
Unicorn UK Smaller Companies Fund	✓	–	✓	–	✓	–
Unicorn UK Income Fund	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Unicorn Outstanding British Companies Fund	–	✓	–	✓	–	✓
Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund	✓	✓	✓	✓	–	–

The Company may issue both Income and Accumulation Shares.

Holders of Income shares are entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such shares in respect of each annual accounting period in the currency of the relevant share class.

Holders of Accumulation shares are not entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such shares, but that revenue is retained and accumulated for the benefit of shareholders and is reflected in the price of shares.

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### Valuation Point

The scheme property of the Company and each Sub-fund will normally be valued at 10:00 on each dealing day for the purpose of calculating the price at which shares in the Company may be issued, sold, repurchased or redeemed.

For the purpose of the pricing of units, a business day is defined as a day on which the dealing office of the ACD is open for the buying and selling of shares. The ACD may at any time during a business day carry out an additional valuation of the property of the Company or any Sub-fund if the ACD considers it desirable to do so, with the Depositary's approval.

### Buying, Redeeming and Switching of Shares

The ACD will accept orders for the purchase, sale and switching of shares on normal business days between 08:30 and 16:30. Instructions to buy or sell shares may either be in writing to:

Maitland Institutional Services Ltd  
Hamilton Centre, Rodney Way, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 3BY  
Or by telephone to:  
0345 026 4287

The ACD has the right to establish facilities for recording telephone calls made or received on this telephone line.

A contract note giving details of the shares purchased will be issued no later than the next business day after the business day on which an application to purchase shares is received and instrumented by the ACD. Certificates will not be issued in respect of shares. Ownership of shares will be evidenced by an entry on the register of shareholders.

### Pricing Basis

There is a single price for buying, selling and switching shares in a Sub-fund which represents the Net Asset Value of the Sub-fund concerned. The share price is calculated on a forward pricing basis, that is at the next Valuation Point after the purchase or redemption is deemed to be accepted by the ACD.

The prices of shares are published daily on the Investment Association website at [www.fundlistings.com](http://www.fundlistings.com) and on the Financial Times website at [www.ft.com](http://www.ft.com). Neither the ACD nor the Company can be held responsible for any errors in the publication of the prices. The shares in the Company will be issued and redeemed on a forward pricing basis which means that the price will not necessarily be the same as the published price.

### Other Information

The Instrument of Incorporation, Prospectus, Key Investor Information Document and the most recent interim and annual reports may be inspected at the office of the ACD which is also the Head Office of the Company, of which copies may be obtained free of charge upon application. They are also available from the website of the ACD, the details are given in the directory of this report.

Shareholders who have complaints about the operation of the Company should in the first instance contact the ACD. In the event that a Shareholder finds the response unsatisfactory they may make their complaint direct to the Financial Ombudsman Service at Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR.

### Post Balance Sheet Events

The tables below denotes the movement in the Net Asset Value since the period end, calculated with reference to the daily published single prices.

Sub-fund	31.03.20 p	20.05.20 p	% Movement
<b>Unicorn UK Growth Fund</b>			
A Income	423.90	480.92	13.45
B Income	426.90	484.47	13.49
Overseas Income	98.40	111.64	13.45
<b>Unicorn Mastertrust Fund</b>			
A Income	401.62	445.43	10.91
B Income	361.64	401.29	10.96
Overseas Income	118.07	130.95	10.91



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### Post Balance Sheet Events (continued)

Sub-fund	31.03.20 p	20.05.20 p	% Movement
<b>Unicorn UK Smaller Companies Fund</b>			
A Income	401.71	461.11	14.79
B Income	394.19	452.61	14.82
Overseas Income	95.47	109.59	14.79
<b>Unicorn UK Income Fund</b>			
A Income	173.66	184.64*	6.32
A Accumulation	231.72	246.43	6.35
B Income	190.62	202.88*	6.43
B Accumulation	254.22	270.65	6.46
Overseas Income	72.09	76.65*	6.32
Overseas Accumulation	92.71	98.59	6.35
<b>Unicorn Outstanding British Companies Fund</b>			
A Accumulation	257.23	280.48	9.04
B Accumulation	277.46	302.72	9.10
Overseas Accumulation	110.09	120.03	9.04
<b>Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund</b>			
A Income	77.92	82.34*	5.67
A Accumulation	90.16	95.29	5.69
B Income	77.90	82.40*	5.78
B Accumulation	92.45	97.82	5.80

\* adjusted for income distribution for comparison purposes

### ACD Statement Regarding COVID-19

Notwithstanding the challenges arising from the impact of the COVID-19 virus, the ACD continues to operate, administer and price the Sub-funds in accordance with FCA regulatory requirements and in accordance with relevant accounting standards. At the time of writing, investment markets are experiencing high levels of daily volatility and it is likely that this volatility will continue for the foreseeable future.

The ACD will continue to monitor fund liquidity and market volatility to ensure the Sub-fund are managed in the best interests of shareholders and to ensure that the Sub-funds remains a going concern. Where appropriate the ACD will value assets on a "fair value" basis in accordance with the Regulations.

As stated in the Prospectus, the Sub-funds should be considered as a long-term investment and the ACD emphasises the importance for investors to seek professional advice when considering their investment in the Sub-funds.

### Changes to Investment Objectives and Policies

Changes to the investment objectives and policies for Unicorn Outstanding British Companies, Unicorn UK Income Fund and Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund, will be effective 15th June 2020.

### Risk Warning

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