# Bellevue Asia Pacific Healthcare<sup>(LUX)</sup>

## **MARCH 2024**

# Factsheet

Investment Company with Variable Capital (SICAV) according to Luxembourg Laws – UCITS Marketing document - For retail/non-qualfied investors: AT, CH, DE, ES, IT, LU, PT, and professional investors: HK, SG (res)

#### **Investment** focus

The fund's aim is to achieve capital growth in the long term. The Bellevue Asia Pacific Healthcare fund actively invests in healthcare stocks of companies that have their registered office or carry out the majority of their economic activity in the healthcare markets of the Asia-Pacific region. Its investment universe consists of generics producers, pharma and biotechnology companies, medical technology and services firms. Experienced sector specialists focus on profitable companies that have a well-established product portfolio. Investments are made based on fundamental research analysis. Stock selection is exclusively bottom up, independent of benchmark weightings. The fund takes ESG factors into consideration while implementing the aforementioned investment objectives.

## Indexed performance since launch



### **Cumulative & annualised performance** Cumulative

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	1M	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD	1Y	ЗY	5Y
B CHF	-1.3%	2.7%	-10.6%	-42.4%	-17.3%	n.a.	8.5%	-10.6%	-16.8%	-3.7%
BM	-0.4%	4.4%	-7.5%	-32.7%	-7.2%	n.a.	15.9%	-7.5%	-12.4%	-1.5%
MSCI AP	4.9%	12.9%	10.3%	-10.7%	12.7%	n.a.	27.2%	10.3%	-3.7%	2.4%

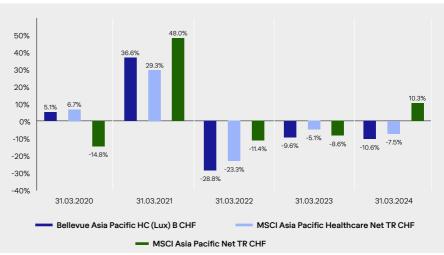
1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	ITD
-10.6%	-16.8%	-3.7%	n.a.	1.2%
-7.5%	-12.4%	-1.5%	n.a.	2.2%
10.3%	-3.7%	2.4%	n.a.	3.5%

Annualised

#### Annual performance

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
B CHF	20.6%	31.8%	-10.7%	-22.8%	-16.1%	2.7%
вм	27.9%	21.8%	-13.4%	-16.3%	-12.2%	4.4%
MSCI AP	17.4%	9.6%	1.4%	-16.2%	1.4%	12.9%

#### **Rolling 12-month-performance**



Source: Bellevue Asset Management, 31.03.2024; all figures in CHF %, total return / BVI-methodology

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and can be misleading. As the fund is denominated in a currency that may differ than an investor's base currency, changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on prices and incomes. Performance is shown net of fees and expenses for the relevant share class over the reference period. All performance figures reflect the reinvestment of dividends and do not take into account the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of shares, if any. Individual costs are not taken into account and would have a negative impact on the performance. With an investment amount of CHF 1,000 over an investment period of five years, the investment result in the first year would be reduced by the front-end load of up to CHF 50 (5%) as well as by additional individual custody charges. In subsequent years, the investment result would also be reduced by the individual custody account costs incurred. The reference benchmark of this class is used for performance comparison purposes only (dividend reinvested). No benchmark is directly identical to a fund, thus the performance of a benchmark is not a reliable indicator of future performance of the fund to which it is compared. There can be no assurance that a return will be achieved or that a substantial loss of capital will not be incurred.

### **Fund facts**

NAV	135.65
Volume	CHF 133.7 mn
NAV-calculation	Daily "Forward Pricing"
Cut off time	09:00 CET
Distribution policy	Accumulating
Investment manager	Bellevue Asset Management AG
Custodian	CACEIS Investor Services Bank, Luxembourg
Launch date	28.04.2017
Fiscal year end	30.06
Benchmark MS	SCI Asia Pacific Healthcare Net TR
ISIN code	LU1587985141
Valor	36225572
Bloomberg	BEAAPBC LX
WKN	A2DPA6
Management fee	1.60%
Performance fee	10% above Benchmark*
Subscription fee	up to 5%
Min. investment	n.a.
Legal entity	Luxembourg UCITS V SICAV
Countries of distribut	ion AT, CH, DE, ES, HK, IT, LU, PT, SG
EU SFDR 2019/2088	Article 8
Key figures	
Beta	0.85
Correlation	0.83
Volatility	17.8%
Tracking Error	10.29
Active Share	44.12
Sharpe Ratio	-0.93
Information Ratio	-0.28
Jensen's Alpha	-4.61

#### **Top 10 positions**

Daiichi Sankyo	7.9%
Ноуа	6.8%
Legend Biotech	6.0%
Otsuka	5.9%
CSL	5.1%
Samsung Biologics	4.6%
Terumo	4.3%
Takeda	4.1%
Celltrion	3.3%
Innovent Biologics	3.3%
Total top 10 positions	51.2%
Total positions	41

#### Sector breakdown

Pharma	24.5%
Biotechnology	19.4%
Medtech	17.8%
Services	16.7%
Generics/Spec.Pharma	14.4%
Others	2.3%
Cash	5.0%

#### Geographic breakdown

Japan		39.7%
China		22.5%
South Korea		11.6%
India		10.8%
Australia		6.6%
Thailand		2.8%
New Zealand	l	1.0%
Cash		5.0%

#### Market cap breakdown

1 - 2 bn	I	1.5%
2 - 5 bn		6.1%
5 - 15 bn		32.3%
15 - 20 bn		5.2%
>20 bn		49.9%
Others		5.0%

#### Market review

The MSCI World Index gained 3.3% in USD during the past month. Investors are still watching US data on inflation and the economy very closely. Any sign of weakness on these fronts immediately raises hopes that the interest rate cycle will indeed be reversed in June. This explains the continued positive sentiment on Wall Street. Even the renewed rise in bond yields and stubbornly high inflation have not been able to stymie the market advance. The Swiss National Bank surprised investors in March when it lowered its key interest rate after a series of rate hikes. The Swiss franc's significant appreciation had a substantial deflationary impact, which enabled the SNB to cut its rates, a move that also led to a substantial weakening of the Swiss franc. Meanwhile the Bank of Japan raised its key interest rate for the first time in almost two decades, ending its negative interest rate policy. Equities in the Asia-Pacific region gained 2.5% in March. However, healthcare stocks in the region were weak and closed almost 3% lower mom.

Proposed legislation known as the Biosecure Act currently moving through the US House of Representatives (and a similar bill in the Senate) that is said to address national security concerns has led to significant volatility in Chinese CRO/CDMO stocks, especially for the three Wuxi companies (Apptec, Biologics and XDC). It is still unclear to what extent Chinese suppliers would be locked out of the US market. The act might only affect contracts that are funded by US taxpayer money. But it could also apply to every contract that US companies have with certain Chinese biotech companies. The extreme scenario would be if it applied to every Chinese biotech project beyond China's borders. What can be said with certainty is that the draft legislation marks the start of a prolonged political process. A grandfather clause for existing contracts and the timelines for technology transfer restrictions could lessen the impact of the proposed legislation to a certain degree. We have retained only a small position in Wuxi Biologics and have closed the position in Wuxi Apptec.

The Chinese cancer care hospital chain Hygeia released its results for the second half of fiscal 2023. Sales rose 39% year-on-year and net profit increased by 19%, thanks in large part to acquisition activity. Management also said business during the first few months of the new fiscal year had been very pleasing with sales growth holding steady at around 40%, fueled for the most part by an improvement in capacity utilization rates at recently acquired hospitals. Hygeia also gave a much more positive outlook for the full year 2024 than it did as recently as late last year. The company's shares jumped after the results announcement. We have invested about 2% of the fund's assets in Hygeia.

New positions were opened in Fisher Paykel and Hansoh during the past month and existing positions in Samsung Biologics, Olympus and Legend were increased. The position in Wuxi Apptec was closed and positions in Wuxi Biologics, Asahi Intecc and Chugai were reduced.

#### **Positioning & outlook**

Asia is the most dynamic growth region in the world and it accounts for more than half of the world's population. Asian emerging markets are forecast to account for more than 50% of global GDP by 2050. As household incomes rise, the economic growth model of Asian countries will shift from manufacturing to the services sector. A growing middle class fuels demand for modern medicine. Healthcare ranks increasingly high on their wish list. Billions are being invested in infrastructure, technology and research to modernize the healthcare systems in emerging market countries. This is giving a greater swath of the population access to better healthcare. Meanwhile rapid population aging is also stoking demand for healthcare. In 30 years' time there will be 400 to 500 million people over 60 in China alone, and they will have a growing need for modern health services and medicines.

Japan, which has been referred to as "the world's demographic laboratory", has championed cutting-edge innovation for decades. The Land of the Rising Sun boasts technology leadership in numerous fields, ranging from therapeutic antibody technology, immunotherapy and robotics to digitalization, diagnostics and medical imaging systems. The fund offers defensive access to Asian emerging markets as well as exciting investment opportunities in technology leaders throughout the entire region. It invests in the entire healthcare system value chain, from generic drug producers and biotechnology companies to medical device manufacturers and digital health specialists.

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#### Risk and return profile acc. to SRI

The Fund's objective is to generate an attractive return over a long-term horizon. It is therefore particularly suited to investors with an investment horizon of at least 5 years who want to diversify their portfolio with selective exposure to the healthcare sector in Asia and who are willing to accept the risks typically associated with stocks in this sector.

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We have classified this product as risk class 4 on a scale of 1 to 7, where 4 corresponds to a medium risk class. The risk of potential losses from future performance is classified as medium. In the event of very adverse market conditions, it is possible that the ability to execute your redemption request may be impaired. The calculation of the risk and earnings profile is based on simulated/historical data, which cannot be used as a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The classification of the fund may change in future and does not constitute a guarantee. Even a fund classed in category 1 does not constitute a completely risk-free investment. There can be no guarantee that a return will be achieved or that a substantial loss of capital will not be incurred. The overall risk exposure may have a strong impact on any return achieved by the fund or subfund. For further information please refer to the fund prospectus or PRIIP-KID.

#### Liquidity risk

The fund may invest some of its assets in financial instruments that may in certain circumstances reach a relatively low level of liquidity, which can have an impact on the fund's liquidity.

#### Risk arising from the use of derivatives

The fund may conclude derivatives transactions. This increases opportunities, but also involves an increased risk of loss.

#### **Currency risks**

The fund may invest in assets denominated in a foreign currency. Changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on prices and incomes.

#### Operational risks and custody risks

The fund is subject to risks due to operational or human errors, which can arise at the investment company, the custodian bank, a custodian or other third parties.

#### **Benefits**

- Access to defensive growth Asia's emerging countries are facing aging populations and changing lifestyles.
- An interesting combination of investments in Asian emerging markets and Japanese cutting-edge technology.
- Broad spread across different sectors and company sizes in the Asia-Pacific healthcare industry.
- Attractive valuations compared with the projected medium to long-term growth.
- Bellevue Healthcare Team topperforming pioneer in the management of healthcare portfolios in emerging markets.

#### Inherent risks

- The fund actively invests in equities. Equities are subject to price fluctuations and so are also exposed to the risk of price losses.
- Investing in emerging markets entails the additional risk of political and social instability.
- The fund invests in foreign currencies, which means a corresponding degree of currency risk against the reference currency.
- The fund may invest in China A equities. This entails the risk of supervisory changes, volume caps and operating restrictions which may lead to a higher counterparty risk.
- The fund may invest a proportion of its assets in financial instruments that might under certain circumstances have a relatively low level of liquidity, which can in turn affect the fund's liquidity.

You can find a detailed presentation of the risks faced by this fund in the "Special Investment Risks" section of the sales prospectus.

#### Management Team



Portfolio Manager since inception of the fund

#### Sustainability Profile - ESG

EU SFDR 2019/2088 product category:



Portfolio Manager of the fund since 2018



**Dr. Cyrill Zimmermann** Portfolio Manager since inception of the fund

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Controversial weapons (	$\bigcirc$					
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MSCI ESG Rating (AAA - CCC):				А	Coverage:	94%

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Based on portfolio data as per 31.03.2024; – ESG data base on MSCI ESG Research and are for information purposes only; compliance with global norms according to the principles of UN Global Compact (UNGC), UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights (HR) and standards of International Labor Organisation (ILO); no involvement in controversial weapons; norms-based exclusions based on annual revenue thresholds; ESG Integration: Sustainability risks are considered while performing stock research and portfolio construction; Stewardship: Engagement in an active and constructive dialogue with company representatives on ESG aspects as well as exercising voting rights at general meetings of shareholders.MSCI ESG Rating ranges from "leaders" (AAA-AA), "average" (A, BBB, BB) to "laggards" (B, CCC). The  $CO_2$ -intensity expresses MSCI ESG Research's estimate of GHG emissions measured in tons of  $CO_2$  per USD 1 million sales; for further information c.f. www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-at-portfolio-level.

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