J O Hambro Capital Management Group

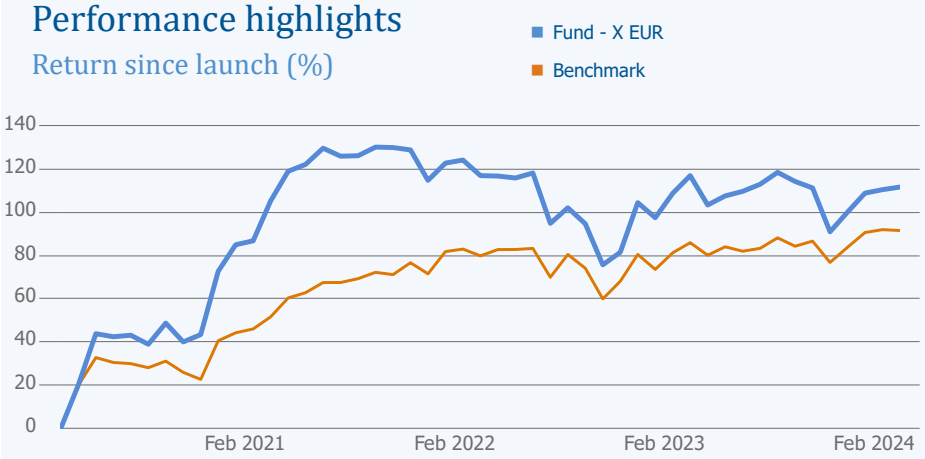
JOHCM UK Growth Fund

Fund overview

- The Fund aims to generate long-term capital growth in excess of the FTSE All-Share Total Return Index through active management
- Fund managers Mark Costar and Vishal Bhatia seek to identify mispriced or undiscovered growth stocks with a perceived high margin of safety but significant upside potential
- A stock-picking fund that invests across the market cap range, albeit with a historic bias towards small-cap stocks
- SFDR classification: Article 8. Please click here for further details
- Benchmark: FTSE All-Share Total Return Index)
- The use of the Index does not limit the investment decisions of the fund manager therefore the shareholdings of the Fund may differ significantly from those of the Index
- Please see the Prospectus/KIID/KID for further information. Please ensure you read and understand these documents before making an investment and wherever possible obtain professional advice

Performance highlights

Return since launch (%)



Return history

	1m	3m	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr	SL	Annualised*
X EUR	0.57	5.80	-2.44	3.12	-	-	111.60	20.89
Benchmark	-0.21	4.22	3.03	26.37	-	-	91.47	17.87

Discrete 12 month performance to end of February

	02.24	02.23	02.22	02.21	02.20	02.19	02.18	02.17	02.16	02.15
X EUR	-2.44	0.00	5.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.

The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency fluctuations and you may not get back the amount originally invested. For further information on risks please refer to the Fund's KIID/KID and/or the Prospectus. The Fund's investment include shares in small-cap companies and these tend to be traded less frequently and in lower volumes than larger companies making them potentially less liquid and more volatile.

NAV of Share Class X in EUR, net income reinvested, net of fees. The X EUR Class was launched on 19 March 2020. Performance of other share classes may vary and is available on request.

*Annualised since launch.

Share class: X EUR Class
ISIN: IE00BLLV8825

Fund details

Fund size	EUR 171.62m
Strategy size	EUR 188.87m
Launch date	6 November 2001
Benchmark	FTSE All-Share TR (12pm adjusted)
No. of holdings	51
Domicile	Ireland
Fund structure	UCITS
Tax status	UK reporting status
Denominations	GBP
Valuation point	12pm Dublin time
SFDR	Article 8

Total strategy assets updated quarterly and shown as at 31 December 2023.

Fund managers



Mark Costar
Senior Fund Manager
Mark has managed the Fund since launch. He joined JOHCM in 2001 and has 31 years of industry experience.



Vishal Bhatia
Senior Fund Manager
Co-manager Vishal joined JOHCM in 2007 and has managed the Fund alongside Mark since 2011. He has 19 years of industry experience.

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Portfolio analysis (%)

Data as at 29 February 2024

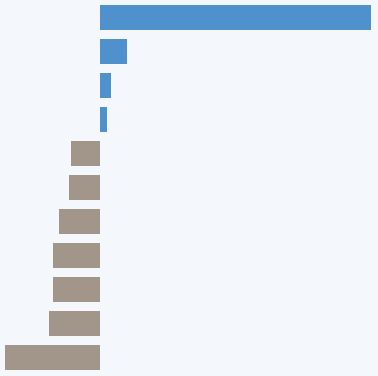
Active positions

Top 10	Relative
Kooth	3.6
Rank	3.5
Funding Circle Holdings	3.3
First Derivatives	3.0
Standard Chartered	2.8
FairFX	2.6
NCC Group	2.6
PureTech Health	2.6
Gooch & Housego	2.6
Associated British Foods	2.5

Bottom 10	Relative
Unilever	-3.2
GSK	-2.9
HSBC	-2.9
Shell	-2.9
RELX	-2.9
AstraZeneca	-2.9
Diageo	-2.9
Rio Tinto	-2.4
British American Tobacco	-2.3
Glencore	-2.0

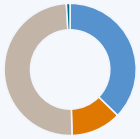
Sector breakdown

	Absolute	Relative
Technology	26.7	25.3
Industrials	14.9	2.5
Telecommunications	2.2	1.1
Energy	11.1	0.3
Real Estate	0.0	-2.5
Financials	21.0	-2.7
Utilities	0.0	-3.5
Basic Materials	2.3	-4.1
Health Care	7.0	-4.2
Consumer Discretionary	8.2	-4.5
Consumer Staples	5.6	-8.6
Cash	0.9	0.9



Market cap breakdown

	Absolute
FTSE 100	37.3
FTSE 250	12.3
FTSE Small	49.6
Cash	0.9



FTSE Small = FTSE Small Cap, FTSE Fledgling and FTSE AIM

Attribution & contribution (%)

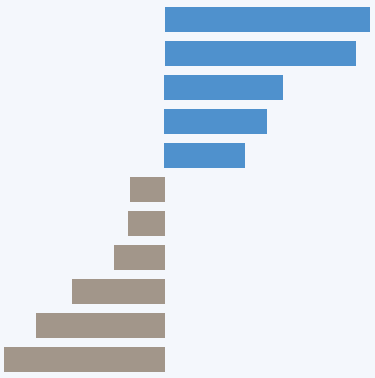
Stock attribution

Top contributors	Relative return
Renishaw	0.43
Alphawave Semi	0.34
Rolls-Royce	0.29
Standard Chartered	0.28
1Spatial	0.25

Top detractors	
Gooch & Housego	-1.02
Funding Circle Holdings	-0.27
GSK	-0.19
Ebiquity	-0.18
Severfield	-0.16

Sector attribution*

	Relative return
Basic Materials	0.33
Consumer Staples	0.31
Financials	0.19
Real Estate	0.17
Utilities	0.13
Energy	-0.05
Industrials	-0.05
Health Care	-0.08
Telecommunications	-0.15
Technology	-0.20
Consumer Discretionary	-0.25



*Excludes cash

Please note that due to rounding breakdowns may not add to 100.00%. All Attribution figures are as at end of day and are calculated on a gross basis.

Fund manager's commentary

- The market is shifting beyond large-cap dominance, with positive signs in both the US and UK, particularly in the lower market capitalization ranges
- UK companies are actively improving returns, investing, and engaging in buybacks and strategic divestments to unlock value
- Increased M&A activity, particularly from industry players, indicates growing confidence in the outlook and potential for bidding wars

February was a fascinating month for markets and one that we could potentially look back on as portending an important signal. Although Nvidia will attract lazy headlines, it is understandable given its size, significance and totemic status as the AI bellwether; beneath the surface, the internals show real evidence of change. In the US, we are seeing clear signs of broadening out, both as the Magnificent Seven starts to differentiate and fragment, but more significantly, where the vibrancy is finally distilling down to the lower market capitalisation ranges. The UK hasn't quite seen that yet, but there are clear and notable straws in the wind that it is about to do so. Domestic corporates, though, are not sitting on their hands and waiting for change to come to them; they are proactively doing something about it.

The valuation disconnect that has persisted for so long is finally being confronted. Companies are re-focusing, improving returns, and investing confidently, while hoovering up their equity at distressed multiples. For example, Barclays, which return nearly will return nearly 50% of its market capitalisation over the next three years in buybacks or distributions (a playbook most of its banking peers are also adhering to) or BP, which is stepping up its own buyback to a cadence of an incredible $3bn per quarter. Meanwhile, unleashing hidden value through sales of non-core subsidiaries at meaningful premiums is another crowd pleaser, with Marlowe PLC selling one for more than its entire market capitalisation, while ITV, Ascential and JOHCM UK Growth small holding Globaldata have also been busy in that department, and there are plenty more who could follow.

But even all this has been overshadowed by the thundering cavalry of corporate buyers coming over the hill. Last year was busy for UK incoming M&A, but a notable feature of the landscape was that 61% of transactions were by financial buyers. This year, while they haven't gone away, they have been joined by industry. This is a very important development. Trade buyers typically need disproportionate confidence in the outlook environment before moving, so their actions are an unambiguous positive indicator. But these buyers can also extract synergies and synergies can justify higher premiums and arouse rival interest for that very reason. Bidding wars can be the result, as we have seen at Wincanton, Currys and Kin & Carta, amongst many others. JOHCM UK Growth, if history is any guide, should be a significant beneficiary of this development, and it is worth remembering that the fund is currently in receipt to two live approaches. We would not be surprised to see more.

Newsflow over the month was strong, save for an unfortunate contract cancellation at Gooch and Housego (entirely beyond their control), which temporarily blurred the powerful growth trajectory but had no impact on its medium-term prospects. Recall the company is embedded in the new advanced range of ASML EUV semiconductor machines, a critical enabler of the AI revolution. That company announced a huge pick up in orders and saw some €60bn added to its market cap; G&H, which benefits from that same order book, actually went backwards on the news. It's stunning but just another live example of the dysfunctionality (and massive opportunity) littered around the UK landscape. Elsewhere, excellent results from Rolls Royce continued to push on the stock price, and we are somewhat regretting a bout of premature profit taking we succumbed to earlier in the year; there is more than enough here, despite the run, to be patient with the rest. Renishaw and Alphawave also posted confident outlooks and Standard Chartered was very pleasing. Finally, geospatial software business OneSpatial announced a key strategic contract win that could open the doors to meaningful, high-quality recurring revenue streams and hopefully, the catalyst to close the inordinately large discount to its comparable peers.

Performance over 1 month	%
Fund - X EUR	0.57
Benchmark	-0.21

Statistics

	Annualised since launch
Active share* (%)	79.51
Fund volatility (%)	19.82
Benchmark volatility (%)	20.59
Alpha	7.14
R squared	0.61
Correlation	0.78
Tracking error (%)	13.75
Information ratio	0.22
Sharpe ratio	0.97

Data calculated weekly.

*The proportion of stock holdings in a fund's composition is different from the composition found in its benchmark. The greater the difference between the composition of the fund and its benchmark, the greater the active share.

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Finland	✓
France	✓
Germany	✓
Ireland	✓
Italy	✓
Jersey	✓
Luxembourg	✓
Netherlands	✓
Norway	✓
Singapore	✓
Spain	✓
Sweden	✓
Switzerland	✓
UK	✓

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Share class details (Further details on additional share classes are available on request)

	ISIN	SEDOL	Bloomberg	WKN	Initial charge	Annual charge	Ongoing charge	Minimum investment*
X EUR	IE00BLLV8825	BLLV882	JOUKGXG ID	A2P1YM	Up to 5%	0.60%	0.68%	£100,000,000

Ongoing Charge is as at 31 December 2023. *Other currency equivalents apply.

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