

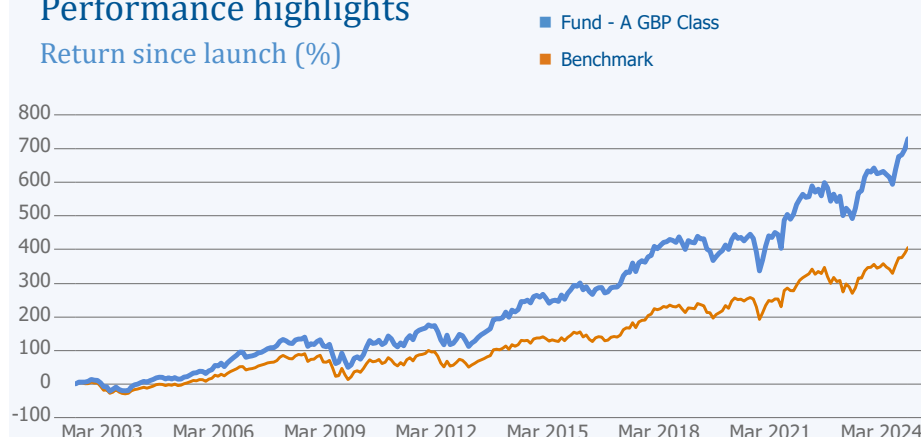
# JOHCM Continental European Fund

## Fund overview

- The Fund aims to generate long-term capital growth through active management of a portfolio of European (excluding UK) equities
- Senior Fund Manager Paul Wild employs a pragmatic investment process that combines top-down economic and sector views with bottom-up stock picking
- A core investment style with a focus on European large and mid-cap stocks
- SFDR classification: Article 8. Please click [here](#) for further details
- Benchmark: MSCI Europe ex UK 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*
A GBP Class	3.88	6.81	13.58	30.87	67.01	128.35	729.37	9.90
Benchmark	3.42	6.38	13.12	28.53	59.30	113.89	405.45	7.50
Quartile**	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	-

## Discrete 12 month performance to end of March

	03.24	03.23	03.22	03.21	03.20	03.19	03.18	03.17	03.16	03.15
A GBP Class	13.58	9.89	4.86	45.30	-12.18	-0.67	4.60	23.88	-1.84	8.23

### 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.

\*Annualised since launch. \*\*Refers to the fund's ranking in a peer group of funds made up from all funds classified as Europe ex UK, by either the Investment Association (IA) or Lipper Global. Funds included may be domiciled in the UK, Ireland, or Luxembourg.

NAV of Share Class A in GBP, net income reinvested, net of fees. The A GBP Class was launched on 7 May 2003. During the period 5 November 2001 to 7 May 2003 the performance record is based on the pre-existing share class that had a higher management fee. \*\*\*Benchmark: MSCI Europe ex UK NR Index (12pm adjusted). During the period 7 May 2003 to 31 December 2012 the Fund was benchmarked against the FTSE Eurofirst 300 TR Index. For the period 1 January 2013 to present the Fund is benchmarked against the MSCI Europe ex UK NR Index (12pm adjusted). Performance of other share classes may vary and is available on request.

Share class: A GBP Class

ISIN: IE0033009121

## Fund details

Fund size	GBP 560.39m
Launch date	5 November 2001
Benchmark***	MSCI Europe ex UK NR Index (12pm adjusted)
No. of holdings	38
Domicile	Ireland
Fund structure	UCITS
Tax status	UK reporting status
Denominations	GBP, EUR, USD
Valuation point	12pm Dublin time
SFDR	Article 8

## Fund managers



**Paul Wild**  
Senior Fund Manager  
Paul has managed the Fund since 2010. He joined JOHCM in 2003 and has 26 years of industry experience.



**Justin MacGregor**  
Senior Analyst  
Justin has worked on the Fund since 2021. He joined JOHCM in 2015 and has 17 years of industry experience.

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## Portfolio analysis (%)

Data as at 31 March 2024

## Top 10 holdings

	Absolute	Relative
Novo-Nordisk	7.6	2.7
ASML	6.3	1.7
AXA	5.6	4.8
CRH	5.4	5.4
Ryanair	5.1	5.1
Veolia	4.8	4.5
AstraZeneca	4.8	4.8
Santander	4.0	3.1
Heineken	4.0	3.7
Airbus	3.3	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.9</b>	

## Sector breakdown

	Absolute	Relative
Information Technology	13.6	3.6
Communication Services	6.0	2.9
Industrials	20.1	2.8
Real Estate	2.8	1.9
Utilities	4.8	1.0
Consumer Staples	9.6	0.6
Health Care	15.8	-0.3
Materials	5.4	-0.6
Energy	0.0	-3.2
Financials	12.9	-5.5
Consumer Discretionary	6.4	-5.9
Cash	2.6	2.6

## Country breakdown

	Absolute	Relative
France	28.9	4.9
Germany	14.3	-2.9
Netherlands	11.0	1.0
Ireland	10.5	9.8
Denmark	10.4	3.2
Sweden	9.3	3.2
Spain	7.0	1.7
Switzerland	4.4	-14.1
Italy	1.6	-3.9
Other	0.0	-5.7
Cash	2.6	2.6

## Market cap breakdown

	Absolute	Relative
Large (>EUR 5bn)	91.5	-8.1
Mid (EUR <5bn)	5.2	4.8
Small (EUR <2bn)	0.8	0.8
Cash	2.6	2.6

## Attribution &amp; contribution (%)

## Stock attribution

Top contributors	Relative return
Santander	0.32
SPIE	0.25
Airbus	0.17
Inditex	0.15
Novo-Nordisk	0.13
<b>Top detractors</b>	
Siemens	-0.23
Soitec	-0.17
Sopra Steria	-0.17
Aixtron	-0.17
BBVA	-0.12

## Sector attribution\*

	Relative return
Consumer Discretionary	0.43
Health Care	0.36
Industrials	0.28
Consumer Staples	0.14
Financials	0.03
Real Estate	0.03
Utilities	0.03
Energy	-0.10
Communication Services	-0.10
Materials	-0.21
Information Technology	-0.51

\*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. Other includes: Austria, Belgium, Finland, Norway and Portugal.



## Fund manager's commentary

- March saw strong performance in European equities, led by real estate, financials, and materials, with the ECB hinting at a potential interest rate cut in June
- The Swiss National Bank cut rates by 25bps to 1.5%, causing further weakness in the Swiss franc
- The fund outperformed in March, driven by strong stock picking, offset by underweights in energy and financials, with Santander and Airbus showing strong performance

March was another strong month for European equities, cementing five months of sequential positive returns against a backdrop of a slight decline in bond yields. Performance was led by real estate, financials and materials; more defensive sectors and technology lagged over the period. The European Central Bank (ECB) hinted that it would wait until June before making the first interest rate cut and emphasised the importance of the wage data to the decision. Staff forecasts saw a decline in inflation expectations this year to 2.3% and GDP to 0.6%, while inflation was expected to be at 2% and 1.9% in the following two years. Headline inflation in February was 2.6% year-on-year, while core inflation was 3.1%. The Swiss National Bank unexpectedly cut rates by 25bps to 1.5%, leading to further weakness in the Swiss franc. Consumer confidence data increased as expected in March, highlighting the benefits of real wage growth. IFO business climate data rebounded 2.1 points to 87.8, principally driven by the 3.1-point improvement in the expectations component. Oil rose by 5% over the month to reach \$87 Brent.

The fund slightly outperformed in March, driven by strong stock picking and somewhat offset by allocation headwinds from the underweights in energy and financials. Within the latter, we saw a strong performance from Santander, where a severe valuation disconnect remains trading below tangible book value versus a forecast ROTE exceeding 14% this year and next. Airbus has continued to perform well, with a natural strength in orders benefitting from Boeing's woes and a production outlook of significant compound growth over the coming years. There were no particularly significant negatives at the stock level, and Siemens slightly retraced after highlighting that its Digital Industries division outlook remains weak in the near term.

Performance over 1 month	%
Fund - A GBP Class	3.88
Benchmark	3.42

## Statistics

	Annualised since launch
Active share* (%)	73.07
Fund volatility (%)	17.21
Benchmark volatility (%)	17.12
Alpha	1.93
R squared	0.95
Correlation	0.98
Tracking error (%)	3.74
Information ratio	0.50
Sharpe ratio	0.57

Data calculated weekly.

During the period 7 May 2003 to 31 December 2012 the Fund was benchmarked against the FTSE Eurofirst 300 TR Index. For the period 1 January 2013 to present the Fund is benchmarked against the MSCI Europe ex UK NR Index (12pm adjusted).

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## Country registration

	A GBP	A GBP H	B GBP	A EUR	B EUR	A USD H	B USD H	Y GBP	Y GBP H	<b>Regulatory documents</b>
Austria	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	
France	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	English language KIIDs can be found on our website at <a href="http://www.johcm.com">www.johcm.com</a>
Germany	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	
Ireland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jersey	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Luxembourg	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	
Malta	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	Foreign language versions are available on request by calling +44 (0) 20 7747 5646
Netherlands	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	
Singapore	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Spain	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sweden	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	
Switzerland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
UK	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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*
A GBP Class	IE0033009121	3300912	JHCMUSI ID	A0BLYM	Up to 5%	0.75%	0.83%	£1,000
A GBP H Class	IE00BSJCJ493	BSJCJ49	JHCEAGH ID	A12FYF	Up to 5%	0.75%	0.83%	£1,000
B GBP Class	IE0031005436	3100543	JHCMUER ID	768893	Up to 5%	1.25%	1.33%	£1,000
Y GBP Class	IE00B993PD05	B993PD0	JHCEYIG ID	A14SKJ	Up to 5%	0.625%	0.70%	£50,000,000
Y GBP H Class	IE00BSJCJ501	BSJCJ50	JHCEYGH ID	-	Up to 5%	0.625%	0.70%	£50,000,000

**Performance fee:** A performance fee of 15% is payable on the excess if the NAV outperforms the Index Adjusted NAV (as defined in the Fund supplement) on an annual basis. The calculation is performed daily. Any underperformance is carried forward.

Ongoing Charge is as at 31 March 2024.

\*Other currency equivalents apply.

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