

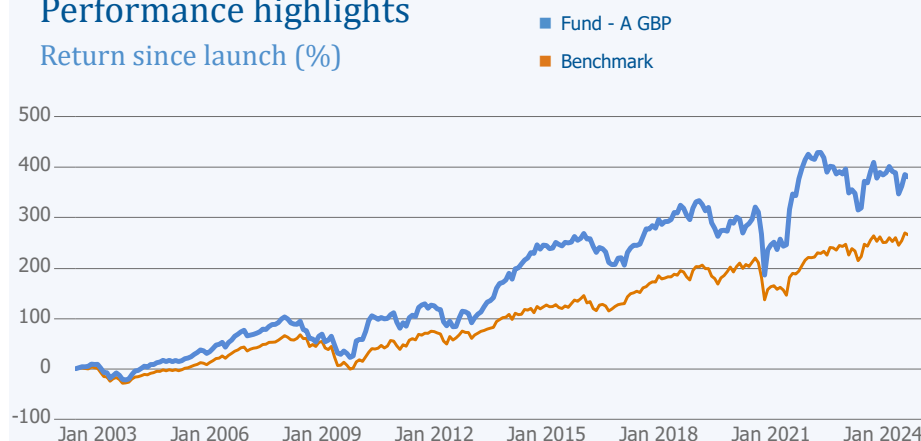
JOHCM UK Growth Fund

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*
A GBP	-0.91	7.62	-2.18	8.43	28.56	46.21	380.79	7.31
Benchmark	-0.99	6.04	2.95	27.05	30.53	73.24	265.76	6.00
Quartile**	2	3	4	3	2	3	1	-

Discrete 12 month performance to end of January

	01.24	01.23	01.22	01.21	01.20	01.19	01.18	01.17	01.16	01.15
A GBP	-2.18	-1.82	12.89	7.94	9.85	-10.62	10.86	21.45	-11.51	6.79

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 A in GBP, net income reinvested, net of fees. The A GBP Class was launched on 7 May 2003. During the period 6 November 2001 to 7 May 2003 the performance record is based on the pre-existing share class that had a higher management fee. Performance of other share classes may vary and is available on request.

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

Share class: A GBP

ISIN: IE0033009345

Fund details

Fund size	GBP 158.47m
Strategy size	GBP 163.65m
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 31 January 2024

Active positions

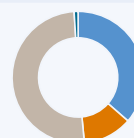
Top 10	Relative
Rank	3.6
Gooch & Housego	3.5
First Derivatives	3.5
Kooth	3.4
Funding Circle Holdings	3.2
PureTech Health	2.7
FairFX	2.6
Standard Chartered	2.5
Aquis Exchange	2.5
Associated British Foods	2.5
Bottom 10	Relative
Unilever	-3.2
AstraZeneca	-3.1
Shell	-2.9
HSBC	-2.8
Diageo	-2.8
GSK	-2.8
RELX	-2.7
Rio Tinto	-2.6
British American Tobacco	-2.3
Glencore	-2.3

Sector breakdown

	Absolute	Relative
Technology	27.2	25.8
Industrials	14.4	2.6
Telecommunications	2.2	1.0
Energy	10.8	0.0
Financials	20.8	-2.6
Real Estate	0.0	-2.7
Utilities	0.0	-3.6
Consumer Discretionary	8.4	-4.1
Health Care	7.2	-4.1
Basic Materials	2.6	-4.4
Consumer Staples	5.4	-9.1
Cash	1.0	1.0

Market cap breakdown

	Absolute
FTSE 100	36.4
FTSE 250	12.1
FTSE Small	50.5
Cash	1.0



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

Attribution & contribution (%)

Stock attribution

Top contributors	Relative return
ALFA	0.46
First Derivatives	0.37
Gooch & Housego	0.31
Science in Sport	0.30
Glencore	0.24
Top detractors	
Funding Circle Holdings	-0.90
Standard Chartered	-0.24
GSK	-0.24
Flutter Entertainment	-0.20
CMO	-0.18

Sector attribution*

	Relative return
Technology	1.52
Basic Materials	0.36
Energy	0.15
Real Estate	0.04
Consumer Staples	0.03
Utilities	0.03
Telecommunications	-0.13
Industrials	-0.15
Health Care	-0.20
Consumer Discretionary	-0.59
Financials	-0.87

*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

- Despite early profit-taking, global markets showed resilience with tech-heavy US leading, while the UK market saw increased volumes and positive trends, hinting at a potential turnaround.
- UK Growth fundamentals improved in January, with most portfolio constituents reporting positive trading updates
- Positive contributors included Gooch and Housego, FD Technologies, and others trading at significant discounts

Despite a very early bout of profit taking after a strong finish to 2023 to kick off the new year, markets have been broadly very resilient with clear pockets of positive momentum. The rates euphoria of late last year has been replaced by a more pragmatic, scaled back view of cuts. This led to a modest rebound in global defensives over the month, even with or often despite some relatively poor prints in that sector, notably tobacco and consumer staples. Other trends, though, have continued where they left off, with the tech-heavy US continuing to power ahead, underpinned by an avalanche of AI-driven spend, particularly in data centre and semiconductor capex, as well as a significant pick-up in biotech M&A. Japan, the new global allocators' favourite, continues unabated, with the UK languishing at the rear.

Volumes in the UK have been noticeably picking up, and stale lines of stock are starting to clear; investors are starting to take notice of 15 months of sterling stability and imminent political stability, particularly when elections elsewhere have less certain outcomes. Interestingly, stake-building is starting to emerge (two JOHCM UK Growth stocks, for example, FD Technologies and Gresham, have seen US investors, including an activist, appear on their registers) while results and trading updates generally have been very encouraging, and M&A continues at highly elevated levels. Markets have a highly frustrating habit of taking longer than you think to get to the right place and then moving there suddenly at an alarming pace once momentum finally builds. The straws in the wind of the market internals suggest that it may be closer to happening than it looks.

January was a very encouraging month. At the time of writing, more than 60% of the portfolio by active capital has already reported trading updates, results, or strategic news. The message is overwhelmingly positive, with the vast majority comfortably in line with the investment thesis and an appreciable number trading ahead, with just one, CMO Group, slightly behind, and that was largely known information and where larger, more liquid peers have already rallied as the market anticipates a broader recovery in the year ahead. Recall that, for most of the portfolio, given the prevailing valuations, trading just in line with the base case represents a significant upside potential, so this is unequivocally good news as constituents continue to build material value underneath their equity prices, increasing both their margin of safety and their ultimate upside trajectory.

The main detractor was bizarrely Funding Circle, which, in our opinion, continues to face headwinds from the fund manager musical chairs that we continue to see in our industry. This asset now trades at a large discount to its unrestricted net cash and an even bigger one to net assets. Yet, it is a fintech platform business with multiple growth opportunities, a rich and valuable data set and which is investing proactively (and successfully) in multiple new areas of opportunity, validated by its recently being awarded the potential first new licence by the SBA in the US in 40 years (and the first by a fintech) in addition to winning US Fintech of the year. Meanwhile, among principal contributors were Gooch and Housego and FD Technologies, two 'AI enablers' in the Fund that trade on massive discounts to comparable global peers. Great progress was also announced at 1Spatial, Alfa Financial Software, Alphawave, Accesso, Gresham, Trufin, Just Group and Vistry, whilst Smartspace saw an additional trade buyer enter the mix, stretching the premium for control of this asset to 169% and counting, potentially the highest premium in UK Growth's twenty plus year history. The triple-digit mispricing we refer to are not just numbers on a spreadsheet but are being validated by cold, hard cash and the portfolio has many more.

Performance over 1 month	%
Fund - A GBP	-0.91
Benchmark	-0.99

Statistics

	Annualised since launch
Active share* (%)	79.65
Fund volatility (%)	17.07
Benchmark volatility (%)	16.79
Alpha	1.79
R squared	0.84
Correlation	0.92
Tracking error (%)	6.80
Information ratio	0.19
Sharpe ratio	0.33

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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	A GBP	B GBP
Austria	✓	✓
France	✓	✓
Germany	✓	✓
Ireland	✓	✓
Jersey	✓	✓
Luxembourg	✓	✓
Netherlands	✓	✓
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*
A GBP	IE0033009345	3300934	JHCMUKI ID	A0BKXR	Up to 5%	0.75%	0.83%	£1,000
B GBP Class	IE0031005543	3100554	JHCMUKG ID	A0BKXQ	Up to 5%	1.25%	1.33%	£1,000

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 December 2023.

*Other currency equivalents apply.

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