

VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies Fund

Monthly Fact Sheet – August 2019



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Key Facts		
Launch Date: 29.08.17	Fund Size: £60m	
Price at 30.08.19 (12:00)	Accumulation 118.5933p	Income 113.7274
Sedol ISIN	BF6X212 GB00BF6X2124	BF6X223 GB00BF6X2231
Annual Management Fee	0.75%	
Ongoing Charges	0.89%	
Minimum Investment	£1,000	
Dilution Levy: (effective 1 September 2019)	Purchases: 1.47% Redemptions: 1.15%	
Dilution levy is updated monthly. For more information visit www.teviotpartners.com		

Summary Investment Objective
The objective of the fund is to achieve a total return (of growth and income, after fees) greater than the Numis Smaller Companies Index (including AIM but excluding Investment Companies).

Fund Attributes
❖ A value investment style
❖ Small unit size of investment confers a significant advantage in an illiquid asset class
❖ Broad and diverse investment universe
❖ Invest in less than 1 in 11 companies of the available universe
❖ Active Share 91%
❖ Bottom up driven with an asset allocation overview

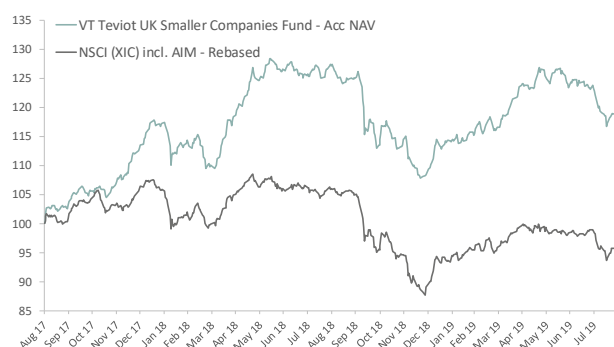
Monthly Manager Commentary

Deepening political uncertainty and weakening economic data have made for a difficult summer period in the UK small company market. The smaller constituents of the index have underperformed in August as they have done over the prior two months. This may reflect heightened concern about liquidity, greater risk aversion or generally thin volumes while investors wait for a clearer sense of direction. This has been the principal headwind to performance of the Fund in the short term.

The largest contributors to performance were both relatively recent additions to the portfolio. Avon Rubber's share price responded to the announcement of an accretive and strategically astute acquisition. Investors took a more positive view of Scapa as it began to recover from its recent fall from grace. We believe the company to be undervalued and strategically attractive.

Company updates typically reflect current uncertainties but the two weakest contributors to returns over the month are companies where the investment case is undiminished and where patience should be rewarded. Studio Retail was the largest detractor but the latest update suggests it remains in growth with healthy prospects. Mothercare has commented on a tougher retail environment but management is committed to addressing the drag of the UK business and exposing the profitable global franchise business.

Performance



Returns (%)	1 m	3 m	6 m	YTD	12 m	Since Launch
The Fund	-3.5%	-5.1%	+2.7%	+8.4%	-6.9%	+18.6%
NSCI (XIC) incl. AIM	-2.7%	-3.2%	+0.3%	+6.9%	-9.6%	-4.3%

Yearly Discrete Returns (%) - To End Q2 2019

The Fund	-2.5%
NSCI (XIC) incl. AIM	-7.2%

Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Fund launched on 29 August 2017. Fund performance is illustrated by the Accumulation Share Class NAV. Discrete performance is updated on a calendar quarter basis and reflects all available discrete periods since launch.

How to Invest

Details of how to invest in the VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies Fund are available from our website: www.teviotpartners.com

Application forms and other supporting documents are also available at: www.valu-trac.com/teviot
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Top 10 Holdings as at 30/08/19

Holding	Sector	% of Portfolio
1. Studio Retail Group	Online Retail	3.0
2. CareTech Holdings	Specialist Care Services	2.8
3. Future	Digital Media	2.7
4. Renewi	Waste Services	2.6
5. Countryside Properties	Housebuilding	2.6
6. Mothercare	Global Retail Franchise	2.6
7. Drax Group	Electricity Provider	2.6
8. Eurocell	Building Materials	2.4
9. Vitec Group	Specialist Engineering	2.3
10. IG Design Group	Giftware Manufacturer & Designer	2.2
Total		25.8


Market Cap Breakdown

	% of Portfolio	No. of Stocks
Above £1bn	5.8	3
£500m - £1bn	17.5	11
£250m - £500m	27.1	17
£100m - £250m	25.7	18
Below £100m	21.6	22
Cash	2.3	
Total	100.0	71

Listing


Listing	%
Main	64.6
Aim	33.1
Cash	2.3

Fund Managers



Andy Bamford
Andy has a 26-year track record of investing in UK smaller companies, running large and prestigious mandates.

He is a trained accountant who worked with General Accident and Edinburgh Fund Managers before joining Aberforth Partners in 2001 where he became a partner. Aberforth is a respected value investor and Andy had a successful 15-year career with the firm. Passionate about investing in small companies, Andy set up Teviot Partners in November 2016.



Barney Randle
Barney has a 24-year career working for a variety of investment banks including Merrill Lynch, JP Morgan and latterly Arden Partners.

He has always specialised in UK smaller companies and enjoys a strong reputation for original and rigorous investment analysis. His non-consensual and value orientated approach was well received by some of the largest and most successful investors in the asset class.

Important Information / Risk Warnings

This fund invests in smaller companies and carries a higher degree of risk than funds investing in larger companies. The shares of smaller companies may be less liquid and their performance more volatile over shorter time periods. The fund can also invest in smaller companies listed on the Alternative Investment Market (AIM) which also carry the risk described above.

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