

VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies Fund

Monthly Fact Sheet – November 2019



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investment managers

Key Facts		
Launch Date: 29.08.17	Fund Size: £67m	
Price at 29.11.19 (12:00)	Accumulation 131.5289p	Income 126.1324p
Sedol ISIN	BF6X212 GB00BF6X2124	BF6X223 GB00BF6X2231
Annual Management Fee	0.75%	
Ongoing Charges	0.89%	
Minimum Investment	£1,000	
Dilution Levy: (effective 1 December 2019)	Purchases: 1.46% Redemptions: 1.14%	
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 circa 1 in 10 companies of the available universe
❖ Active Share 90%
❖ Bottom up driven with an asset allocation overview

Monthly Manager Commentary

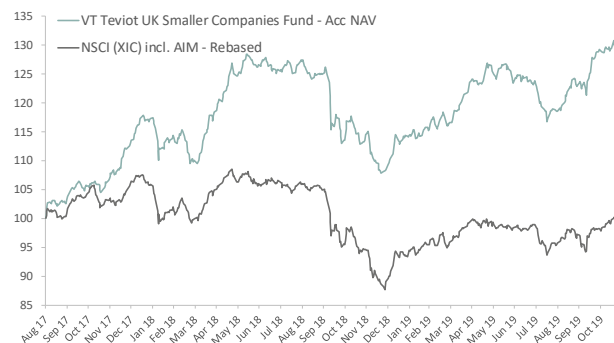
In the two months prior to November, the Fund benefitted from the rotation back into value stocks and increased corporate activity in some of the smaller holdings. However, both size and style exposure were against us in November. Opinion polls pointed to a majority for the Conservative party with the potential to relieve some of the uncertainties and risks that have been overhanging markets. This served to squeeze many of the popular names in the mid-250 and there is considerable volatility. The disparity in performance between large and small constituents through 2019 is a defining feature of the year. Liquidity is the hot topic in an illiquid asset class but, at some point, attention will shift to the opportunities left behind.

The largest contributor to returns was Ricardo. This technology rich company has been overlooked and the prospects are underpinned by demand for environmentally friendly engineering solutions. Dart Group was another strong contributor over the month. Results confirmed progress despite a challenging summer. Looking forward, the demise of Thomas Cook could lead to a much firmer market in 2020.

Following strong performance in October, Future succumbed to profit taking after director share sales. Its results and current trading continue to be positive. Bonhill reduced forecasts in a year where the integration of acquisitions has proved more problematic than anticipated. Cost reductions should help underpin recovery in 2020.

Haynes Publishing released an announcement indicating it was seeking a buyer for the company. This £65m market cap company has been listed for 40 years and has built a unique library of digital content. Sadly, another great company seems set to de-list.

Performance



Returns (%)	1 m	3 m	6 m	YTD	12 m	Since Launch
The Fund	+2.0%	+10.9%	+5.3%	+20.3%	+14.7%	+31.5%
NSCI (XIC) incl. AIM	+4.2%	+6.5%	+3.1%	+13.9%	+8.0%	+2.0%

Yearly Discrete Returns (%) - To End Q3		2019	2018
The Fund		-1.3%	+20.4%
NSCI (XIC) incl. AIM		-7.3%	+3.0%



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
<p>Details of how to invest in the VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies Fund are available from our website: www.teviotpartners.com</p> <p>Application forms and other supporting documents are also available at: www.valu-trac.com/teviot +44 (0)1343 880344</p>
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Top 10 Holdings as at 29/11/19		
Holding	Sector	% of Portfolio
1. CareTech Holdings	Specialist Care Services	2.6
2. Future	Digital Media	2.6
3. Renewi	Waste Services	2.5
4. Studio Retail Group	Online Retail	2.5
5. Drax Group	Electricity Provider	2.4
6. Countryside Properties	Housebuilding	2.4
7. Ricardo	Business Consultancy	2.4
8. Mothercare	Global Retail Franchise	2.4
9. Eurocell	Building Materials	2.2
10. Rank Group	Gaming	2.2
Total		24.2

Market Cap Breakdown		
	% of Portfolio	No. of Stocks
Above £1bn	12.1	6
£500m - £1bn	12.4	9
£250m - £500m	27.7	22
£100m - £250m	26.7	19
Below £100m	19.6	22
Cash	1.5	
Total	100.0	78

Listing	%
Main	63.0
Aim	35.5
Cash	1.5

Fund Managers		
	<p>Andy Bamford Andy has a 26-year track record of investing in UK smaller companies, running large and prestigious mandates.</p> <p>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.</p>	
		<p>Barney Randle Barney has a 24-year career working for a variety of investment banks including Merrill Lynch, JP Morgan and latterly Arden Partners.</p> <p>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.</p>

Important Information / Risk Warnings
<p>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.</p> <p>This document is provided for general information purposes only and should not be interpreted as investment advice. It is not a personal recommendation and it should not be regarded as a solicitation or an offer to buy or sell any securities or instruments mentioned in it. We recommend retail investors seek the services of a Financial Adviser. Full details of the VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies Fund (the "Fund"), including risk warnings are published in the Key Investor Information document and Prospectus all available from www.valu-trac.com/teviot. The Fund is subject to normal stock market fluctuations and other risks inherent in such investments.</p> <p>The information contained in this document has been obtained from sources that Teviot Partners LLP ("TP") considers to be reliable. However, TP cannot guarantee the accuracy or completeness of the information provided, and therefore no investment decision should be based solely on this data. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. This document is issued by TP, authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), registration number 766508.</p> <p>Valu-Trac Administration Services are the Authorised Corporate Director of this fund. * Valu-Trac Administration Services is a trading name of Valu-Trac Investment Management Limited. Registered in England No. 2428648. Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), registration number 145168.</p>