

# **EF Brompton Global Growth Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



**Gill Lakin** Fund manager

## Fund manager's commentary

America's economy continued to perform well. Core inflation accelerated to 2.4% in July, significantly higher than the Federal Reserve's 2% target and the highest level in almost a decade. Strong jobs growth and 3.9% unemployment encouraged investors to think the Fed would raise interest rates in September. US stocks rose 4.21%, outperforming the 1.76% gain for global equities in sterling. The EF Brompton Global Growth Fund benefited from its purchase of the iShares Core S&P 500 exchange-traded fund (ETF) in July and from its Fundsmith Equity holding, which outperformed global equities, rising 3.09%. Investment in both funds increased in August following partial sales of RobecoSAM Smart Materials and Schroder European. The SPDR S&P US Financials ETF lagged, rising 2.27%, but the iShares Treasury Bond 1-3 Years ETF benefited from the dollar's 0.92% rise against sterling, returning 1.36%. Trade concerns and dollar-strength spurred capital flight from emerging markets. The US and Mexico agreed to overhaul Nafta but tariff negotiations with China remained unresolved. Equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets fell 0.08% and 1.78% respectively in sterling. Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity outperformed, rising 0.42%, but Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity lagged, falling 2.66%. The Bank of England raised interest rates in light of above-target inflation and near-full employment. UK government bonds rose 0.15% but UK equities fell 3.30% on Brexit fears. All three UK equity holdings outperformed, with Aberforth UK Smaller Companies, up 1.20%, doing best. The EF Brompton Global Growth Fund gained 0.32%† in August while the sector gained 0.27%.

Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 31 August 2018. † B Acc shares

# Investment objective

To achieve long-term capital growth

# **Key facts**

 Fund size
 £16.6 million

 Launch date
 24 January 2014

 Launch price
 100p

 IA sector
 Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares

 Base currency
 Sterling

 Valuation point
 Noon

#### B Shares (Retail)

 Price at 31/8/18
 138.81p

 Minimum investment
 £1,000

 Minimum top-up
 £500

 Minimum regular savings
 £100

 Investment management fee
 0.75%

 Initial charge
 2%

 Total expense ratio
 1.85%

# I Shares (Institutional)

 Price at 31/8/18
 137.00p

 Minimum investment
 £100,000

 Minimum top-up
 £10,000

 Investment management fee
 1%

 Total expense ratio
 2.10%

ACD admin charge 0.25% Ex-dividend date 1 August Income distribution date 30 September **OEIC** sub-fund Structure Year end 31 July B SEDOL code **BG6LVX8** B ISIN code GB00BG6LVX82 I SEDOL code **BG6LVY9** GB00BG6LVY99 I ISIN code

## Portfolio breakdown \*

#### UK fixed income

M&G UK Inflation Linked Corporate Bond

### Global fixed income

iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years Royal London Short Duration Global High Yield Bond

#### Alternative

Man GLG UK Absolute Value Smith & Williamson Enterprise F&C Real Estate Equity Long/Short Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged) Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative

## UK equity

Schroder Recovery
Liontrust Special Situations
Aberforth UK Small Companies

#### Europe ex-UK equity

Schroder European Fidelity Germany JP Morgan European Smaller Companies Threadneedle European Smaller Companies

#### US equity

SPDR S&P US Financials iShares Core S&P 500

#### Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity GLG Japan CoreAlpha

#### Pacific ex-Japan equity

Hermes Asia ex Japan Equity

# Emerging market equity

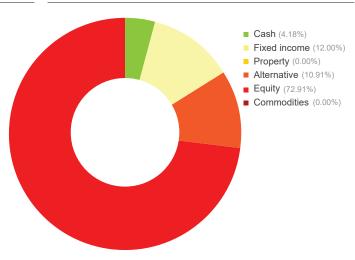
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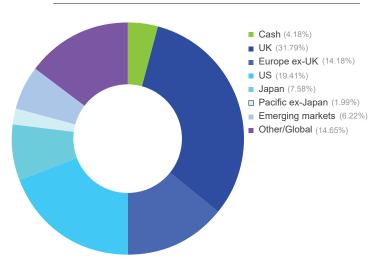
# Global equity

RobecoSAM Smart Materials Fundsmith Equity

# **Asset allocation**



# **Geographic allocation**



# Please see overleaf for performance and other important information

<sup>\*</sup> excluding cash and cash funds



### **Investment policy**

The Fund will invest mainly in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes (which include limited partnerships) and may also include transferable securities (including investment trusts and similar instruments), money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that equity funds will typically make up the most significant part of the Fund's assets, with the aim of achieving the Fund's objective. However, investments will not be confined to any particular sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets. The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management.

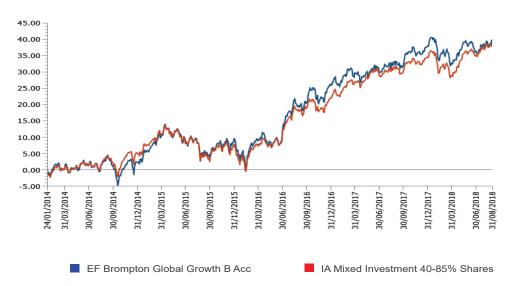
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### **Performance**

Percentage growth, 24 January 2014 to 31 August 2018

EF Brompton Global Growth B Acc v IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares since launch



Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested Past performance is not an indicator of future performance

Discrete period performance (%)	Year to 31 Aug 2018	Year to 31 Aug 2017	Year to 31 Aug 2016	Year to 31 Aug 2015
EF Brompton Global Growth B Acc	4.71	10.53	14.13	2.10
IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares	4.92	10.90	12.90	1.45
Quartile ranking	3	3	2	2

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 August 2018	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Growth B Acc	0.32	0.82	1.42	4.71	38.81
IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares	0.27	1.61	4.03	4.92	37.77
Quartile ranking	2	3	4	2	2

Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested 1st quartile means the fund is ranked in the top 25% of funds in its sector

# Important information

For full details of the fund and its risks please refer to the prospectus or Key Investor Information and Supplementary Information Document, which can be found on the Brompton Asset Management website, www.bromptonam.com. The value of assets and income generated from them may fall as well as rise. Investors may not get a steady income flow and, on disposal, may not receive all their capital back.

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