

# Montanaro European Smaller Companies Trust

31 March 2021

## Fund Objective

To achieve capital growth by investing principally in Continental European quoted smaller companies. The Company's benchmark index is the MSCI Europe SmallCap (ex UK) Index (in sterling terms).

## Performance

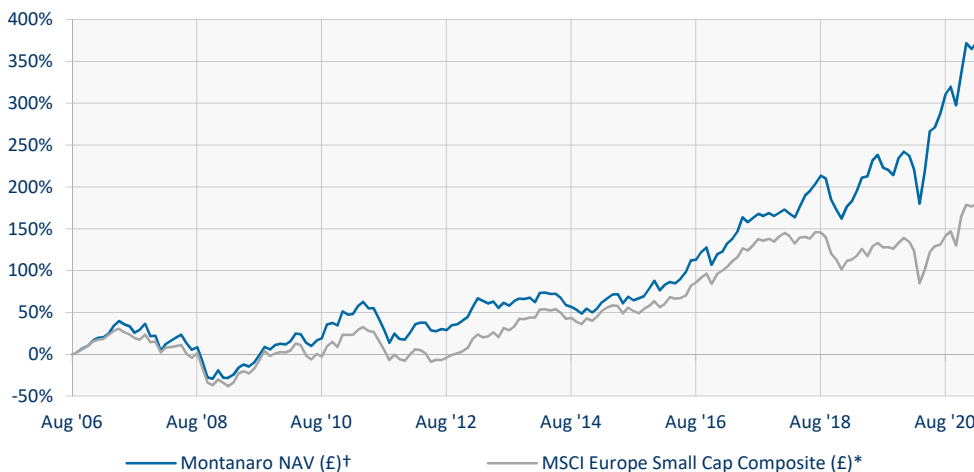
### Rolling Returns (£)

	YTD	1M	3M	6M	12M	3Y	5Y	10Y	Launch
Trust (Price)	-2.6%	-2.1%	-2.6%	14.8%	83.0%	101.3%	198.1%	244.8%	404.4%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	-1.5%	-1.8%	-1.5%	10.8%	66.1%	76.5%	149.6%	195.3%	364.9%
Benchmark <sup>*</sup>	3.4%	3.0%	3.4%	16.7%	55.6%	23.9%	70.9%	122.9%	187.7%

### Annual Returns (£) [Financial Year End - 31 March]

	FYTD	19/20	18/19	17/18	16/17	15/16	14/15	13/14	12/13
Trust (Price)	83.0%	-1.1%	11.3%	15.1%	28.7%	4.9%	-4.6%	4.0%	28.2%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	66.1%	-5.3%	12.2%	10.7%	27.7%	11.4%	-3.7%	6.0%	18.7%
Benchmark <sup>*</sup>	55.6%	-15.1%	-6.3%	9.9%	25.5%	7.8%	1.5%	28.2%	14.7%

## Cumulative Performance Since Inception



Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg. NAV to NAV, fully diluted.

\* Effective June 1st 2009 the index used in this factsheet for comparison purposes is the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index ex-UK (Capital Return). The performance history prior to June 1st 2009 was the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index (Capital Return).

† NAV excludes income.

## Key Information

Fund Launch	August 2006
Legal Status	UK Investment Trust
Listing	London Stock Exchange
Dividend Dates	January and July/August
Price	1610p
NAV <sup>†</sup>	1589.05p
Discount	1%

## Fund Facts

Fund Manager	George Cooke
Backup Fund Manager	Stefan Fischerfeier
Benchmark	MSCI Europe SmallCap xUK
Net Assets	£276 million
Gross Assets	£283 million
No. of Holdings	55
Median Mkt Cap	£2,215 million
Gearing	2.4%

## ESG

Carbon Intensity	33.1
Water Intensity	n/a
Waste Intensity	n/a
Fund ESG Score*	6.2

\*The Fund ESG Score is the weighted average of Montanaro's proprietary company ESG Checklist scores (0-10; 10 is best).

## Risk & Reward Profile



These numbers rate how the Fund may perform and the risk of losing some or all of your investment. In general the potential for higher returns also implies a higher level of risk. However, the lowest category (1) does not mean a risk free investment.

This risk rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the fund. The risk rating of the fund may change over time.

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**Top 10 Holdings**

Fortnox	4.5%
Sartorius Stedim Biotech	4.2%
MIPS	3.7%
NCAB Group	3.6%
Thule Group	3.3%
Esker	3.3%
Atoss	2.9%
Avanza Bank	2.7%
IMCD	2.5%
Gruppo Mutuonline	2.4%
	<b>33.2%</b>

**Risk Analysis**

	Fund	Index
Jensen's Alpha (annual)	14.1%	
Beta	0.92	1.00
Standard Deviation	19.6%	19.2%
Sharpe Ratio	1.08	0.4
Tracking Error	8.5%	
Information Ratio	1.77	
Active Share	91.5%	

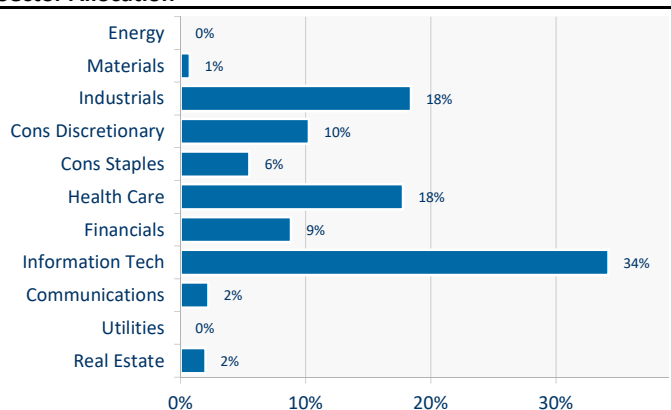
Note: risk statistics over three years

**Portfolio Analysis**

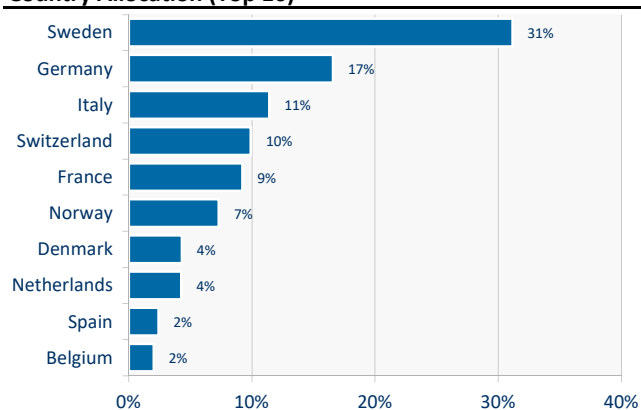
Price / Earnings 21F	37.1
EPS Growth 21F	18.5%
Dividend Yield 21F	1.3%
Dividend Growth 21F	16.8%
Return on Equity 21F	16.1%
EV/EBITDA 21F	28.7
EBIT Margin 21F	20.7%
Net Debt/Equity 21F	1.9%

Source: Factset consensus estimates

**Sector Allocation**



**Country Allocation (Top 10)**



**Share Information**

Currency	Ticker	ISIN	SEDOL	Launch	Price	NAV	Discount	Ongoing Charge	Annual AMC	Perf Fee	Hurdle	SRRI
Sterling	MTE LN	GB0004543517	0454351	04/09/2006	1610p	1589.05p	1%	1.2%*	0.90%	N/A	N/A	5

\*The costs of buying and selling investments are excluded, as are interest costs, taxation, non-recurring costs and the costs of buying back or issuing Ordinary shares.



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