



# **Montanaro UK Smaller Companies Investment Trust**

# 31 May 2022

### **Fund Objective**

Capital growth by investing in quoted UK smaller companies and to outperform its Benchmark, the Numis Smaller Companies Index (ex-IC).

The Trust will invest primarily in quoted UK smaller companies with a market capitalisation smaller than the largest constituent of the Numis Smaller Companies Index at the time of initial investment.

The Trust pays a quarterly dividend equivalent to 1% of NAV (roughly 4% p.a).

#### Performance

Rolling Returns (	E)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	12M	3Y	5Y	10Y	Launch
Trust (Price)	-34.2%	-10.0%	-11.2%	-30.5%	-28.8%	8.9%	13.2%	88.5%	570.8%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	-24.1%	-1.4%	-5.5%	-20.6%	-18.2%	6.7%	6.7%	73.8%	635.6%
Benchmark*†	-11.3%	-0.1%	-1.5%	-6.9%	-9.5%	17.3%	11.3%	120.4%	206.1%

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

`	FYTD	20/21	19/20	18/19	17/18	16/17	15/16	14/15	13/14
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Trust (Price)	-12.7%	50.0%	-0.3%	-3.1%	9.8%	10.6%	-0.4%	-8.4%	15.7%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	-5.7%	35.8%	-8.4%	-2.9%	7.5%	10.7%	1.1%	-4.0%	11.2%
Benchmark*†	-1.8%	65.6%	-25.9%	-3.2%	2.3%	15.4%	1.4%	-3.2%	22.7%

#### **Key Information**

Fund Launch	March 1995
Legal Status	UK Investment Trust
Listing	London Stock Exchange
<b>Dividend Dates</b>	May, Aug, Nov & Feb

 Price
 108p

 NAV<sup>†</sup>
 126.51p

 Discount
 -15%

#### **Fund Facts**

Fund Manager	Charles Montanaro				
Backup Fund Manager	Guido Dacie-Lombardo				
Benchmark*†	Numis Smaller Companies Index (ex-IC)				
Net Assets	£212 million				
Gross Assets	£212 million				
No.of Holdings	44				
Median Mkt Cap	£721 million				
Gearing	0.0%				
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#### **ESG**

Carbon Intensity	40.5
Water Intensity	n/a
Waste Intensity	n/a
Fund ESG Score*	6.1

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

### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception**



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

## 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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<sup>\*</sup> Composite benchmark. Effective April 1st 2013 the index used in this factsheet for comparison purposes is the Numis Smaller Companies Index (ex-IC).

<sup>†</sup> Effective November 1st 2018 the performance of the Fund and Benchmark is Total Return. Prior to this the performance is Capital Return.

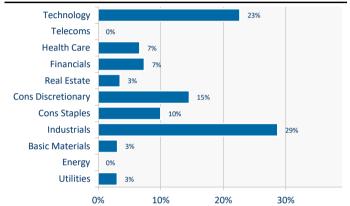
Top 10 Holdings	
4Imprint	3.8%
Marshalls	3.8%
Tracsis	3.7%
Kainos	3.6%
discoverIE	3.5%
Big Yellow	3.5%
NCC	3.3%
Clarkson	3.3%
Ideagen	3.3%
Treatt	3.1%
	34.8%

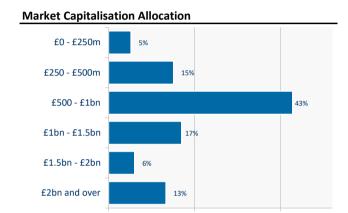
Risk Analysis		
	Fund	Index
Jensen's Alpha (annual)	-2.4%	
Beta	0.82	1.00
Standard Deviation	20.9%	22.5%
Sharpe Ratio	0.09	0.23
Tracking Error	10.7%	
Information Ratio	-0.34	
Active Share	90.2%	
Information Ratio	-0.34	

Note: risk statistics over three years

Portfolio Analysis	
Price / Earnings 23F	18.5
EPS Growth 23F	9.0%
Dividend Yield 23F (NAV)	2.3%
Dividend Growth 23F	7.3%
Return on Equity 23F	17.8%
EV/EBITDA 23F	13.6
EBIT Margin 23F	19.6%
Net Debt/Equity 23F	-7.8%
Source: Factset consensus estimates	

## **Sector Allocation**





20%

40%

0%

# **Share Information**

Currency	Ticker	ISIN	SEDOL	Launch	Price	NAV	Discount	Ongoing Charge	Annual AMC	Perf Fee	High Water Mark	SRRI
Sterling	MTU LN	GB00BZ1H9L86	BZ1H9L8	31/03/1995	108p	126.51p	-15%	0.81%*	0.50%	N/A	N/A	5

<sup>\*</sup>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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