

# **Polar Capital Funds plc Biotechnology Fund**



GBP Class | Dist | ISIN: IE00B42P0H75

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#### **NAV** per Share

GBP Class I Dist £32.07

#### **Fund Details**

**Fund Size** £1,499.0 m

**Base Currency** USD

Denominations USD/GBP/EUR

**Fund Structure UCITS Domicile** Ireland

Listing **Euronext Dublin** Launch Date 31 October 2013 **Investment Manager Polar Capital LLP** 

SFDR Classification Article 8

#### **Fund Manager**



**David Pinniger** Lead Fund Manager David has managed the fund since launch, he joined Polar Capital in 2013 and has 22 years of industry experience.

### **Fund Profile**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to preserve capital and achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing throughout the biotechnology ecosystem, across geographies and market capitalisations.

- Team of eight sector specialists
- The team has 180+ years of combined industry experience
- Typically 40-60 positions
- No benchmark or tracking error constraints
- Fundamentally-driven analysis and stock selection

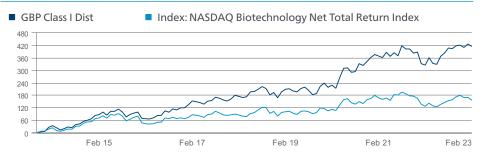
#### **Fund Ratings**



Ratings are not a recommendation. Please see below for further information.

### Share Class Performance

#### Performance Since Launch (%)



		3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since Launch		
	1m						Cum.	Ann.	
GBP Class I Dist	-2.08	-1.08	1.07	21.29	56.74	87.65	414.77	19.19	
Index	-4.86	-7.57	-3.78	13.68	21.80	39.70	157.98	10.69	

#### **Discrete Annual Performance (%)**

12 months to	28.02.23	28.02.22	26.02.21	28.02.20	28.02.19
GBP Class I Dist	21.29	-9.33	42.52	6.51	12.40
Index	13.68	-15.22	26.37	5.74	8.47

#### Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Performance for the GBP Class I. The class launched on 31 October 2013. Performance data is shown in GBP. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in GBP. Source: Bloomberg.

If this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency.

Performance data takes account of fees paid by the fund but does not take account of any commissions or costs you may pay to third parties when subscribing for or redeeming shares or any taxes or securities account charges that you may pay on your investment in the fund. Such charges will reduce the performance of your investment. A 5% subscription fee can be charged at the Investment Managers discretion.

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## Portfolio Exposure

As at 28 February 2023

### **Top 10 Positions** (%)

Vertex Pharmaceuticals	6.0
Regeneron Pharmaceuticals	5.6
Seagen	4.5
Incyte Corp	4.1
Xenon Pharmaceuticals	3.8
Sanofi	3.7
AstraZeneca	3.6
Celldex Therapeutics	3.3
Alnylam Pharmaceuticals	3.2
Zealand Pharma A/S	3.1
Total	40.9

### Total Number of Positions 53

Active Share	66.55%
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### **Market Capitalisation Exposure** (%)

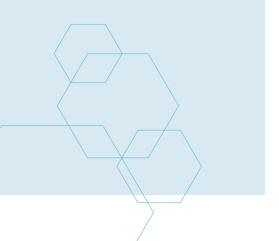
Large Cap (>US\$5bn)	45.2
Mid Cap (US\$1 - 5bn)	34.0
Small Cap ( <us\$1 bn)<="" td=""><td>15.8</td></us\$1>	15.8
Cash	5.0

#### **Sector Exposure** (%)

Biotechnology	69.1				
Pharmaceuticals	20.5				
Life Sciences Tools & Services	4.5				
Healthcare Technology	0.9				
Cash	5.0				
		0	25	50	7

#### **Geographic Exposure** (%)

United States	60.0			
Denmark	7.4			
France	5.6			
United Kingdom	5.4			
Canada	5.3			
Netherlands	3.3			
Germany	2.4			
Ireland	2.2			
Sweden	1.7			
Belgium	1.7			
Cash	5.0			
		25	50	



Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.



#### **Risks**

- Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee the Fund will achieve its objective. Investors should make sure their attitude towards risk is aligned with the risk profile of the Fund.
- Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you might get back less than you originally invested.
- The value of a fund's assets may be affected by uncertainties such as international political developments, market sentiment,
- economic conditions, changes in government policies, restrictions on foreign investment and currency repatriation, currency fluctuations and other developments in the laws and regulations of countries in which investment may be made. Please see the Fund's Prospectus for details of all risks.
- The Fund may enter into a derivative contract. The Fund's use of derivatives carries the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions, such as failure amongst market participants.
- The use of derivatives will result in the Fund being leveraged (where market exposure and the potential for loss exceeds the amount the Fund has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will magnify losses. The Fund makes extensive use of derivatives.
- If the currency of the share class is different from the local currency in the country in which you reside, the figures shown in this document may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.

### Glossary

#### **Active Share**

Active Share is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a fund that differ from the benchmark index.

#### **Alpha**

The excess return on an investment in the fund compared to the benchmark.

#### **Annual Fee**

A charge made each year to cover the expenses associated with running the fund. Although it is expressed in annual percentage figures it is usually split into 12 monthly amounts and taken from the fund monthly.

#### **Base Currency**

The currency in which the net asset value of each portfolio is calculated.

#### **Discrete Annual Performance**

Discrete performance is calculated between two fixed specific time and static dates.

#### **Geographic Exposure**

The geographical location in which the holdings of the Fund are listed. Exposure represents the relative risk particular to the percentage of investment in that particular geographic location.

#### **Hedged Class**

A share class which is denominated in a currency other than the base currency of the portfolio. The investment manager employs techniques and instruments to protect against fluctuations between the class and the base currency of the portfolio.

#### **Market Capitalisation Exposure**

The percentage of the fund's assets that are invested in companies having market capitalisation of a particular size.

#### **NAV** per Share

Is an expression for net asset value that represents a fund's value per share. It is calculated by dividing the total net asset value of the fund or company by the number of shares outstanding.

#### **Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)**

This is a figure representing all annual charges and other payments taken from the fund.

#### **Share Class**

Share class is a designation applied to a share in a fund. Different share classes within the same fund will confer different rights on their owners.



### **Share Class Information**

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	Share Class	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	Investment	OCF <sup>†</sup>	Perf. Fee <sup>††</sup>
	USD R Dist	POLBTRU ID	IE00B3XLHR60	B3XLHR6	-	1.62%	10%
	GBP R Dist	POLBTRS ID	IE00B3XDCF51	B3XDCF5	-	1.62%	10%
	EUR R Dist	POLBTRE ID	IE00B3VXGD32	B3VXGD3	-	1.62%	10%
	USD I Dist	POLBTIU ID	IE00B42Z4531	B42Z453	USD 1m	1.12%	10%
	GBP I Dist	POLBTIS ID	IE00B42P0H75	B42P0H7	USD 1m	1.12%	10%
	GBP I Dist Hdg	PCPBIHG ID	IE00BFX4HX56	BFX4HX5	-	1.12%	10%
	EUR I Dist	POLBTIE ID	IE00B3WVRB16	B3WVRB1	USD 1m	1.12%	10%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup>**Performance Fee** 10% of outperformance of NASDAQ Biotechnology Net TR Index.