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## **Results Presentation**

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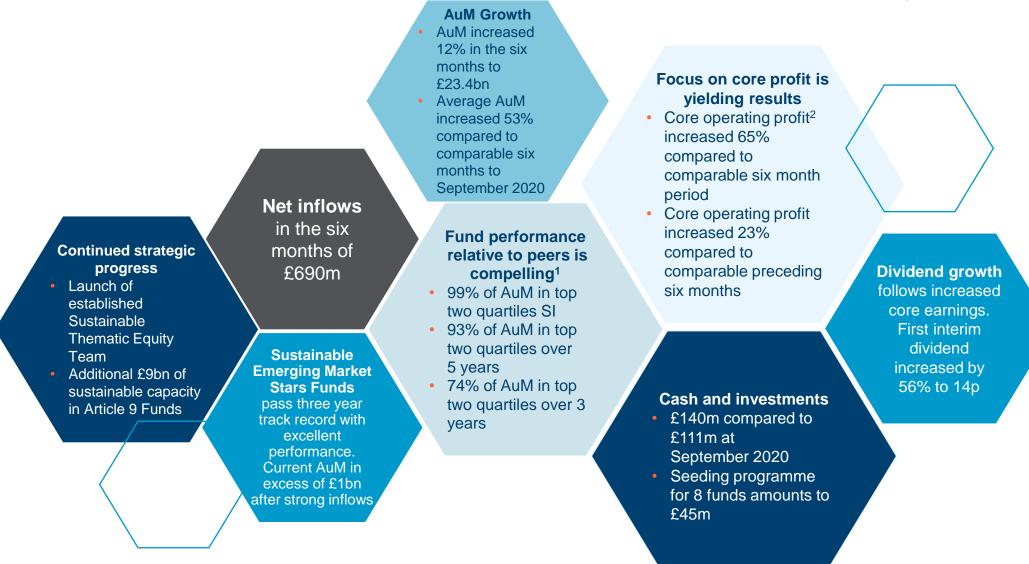
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# **Overview & Highlights**





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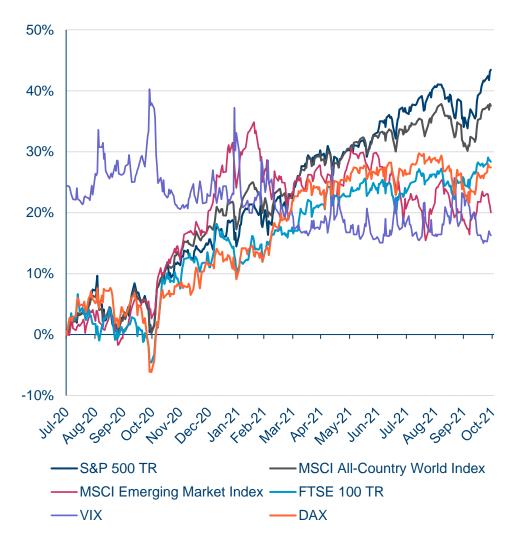




# **Market Perspective**



## **Global indices vs volatility**



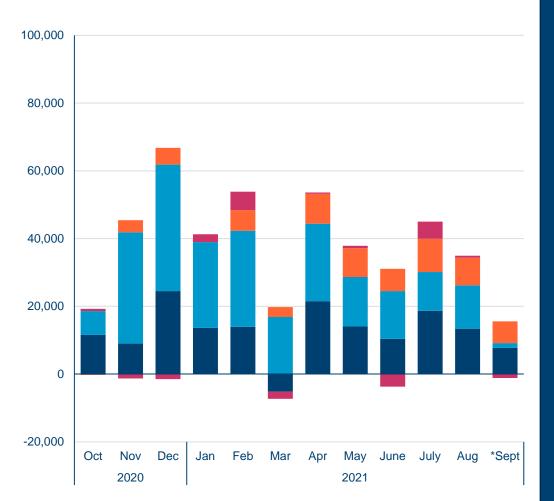
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- Another change in investment environment and market leadership in the period
- Growth outperformed value, with Technology as one of the best performers
- Extensive media coverage of supply chain problems and labour shortages
- Talk of higher inflation widespread
- Central banks are signalling the commencement of removal of policy support
- There remains pent-up consumer demand

# **Market Perspective**



## Net sales of funds across Europe (€m)



#### ■Bond ■Equity ■Mixed Assets ■Other

**Source:** Broadridge Fund File and Fund Radar, as at 30 September 2021. \*September data is estimated. Data excludes funds of funds, money market funds and ETFs (unless stated).

- Pan Europe net inflows every month into equities since April 2020, although declining equity flows since the summer
- Active equities sales greater than passive
- General caution in equity valuations and increased cash levels in client portfolios
- Active equity sales dominated by sustainable strategies, which have recently outsold technology equities



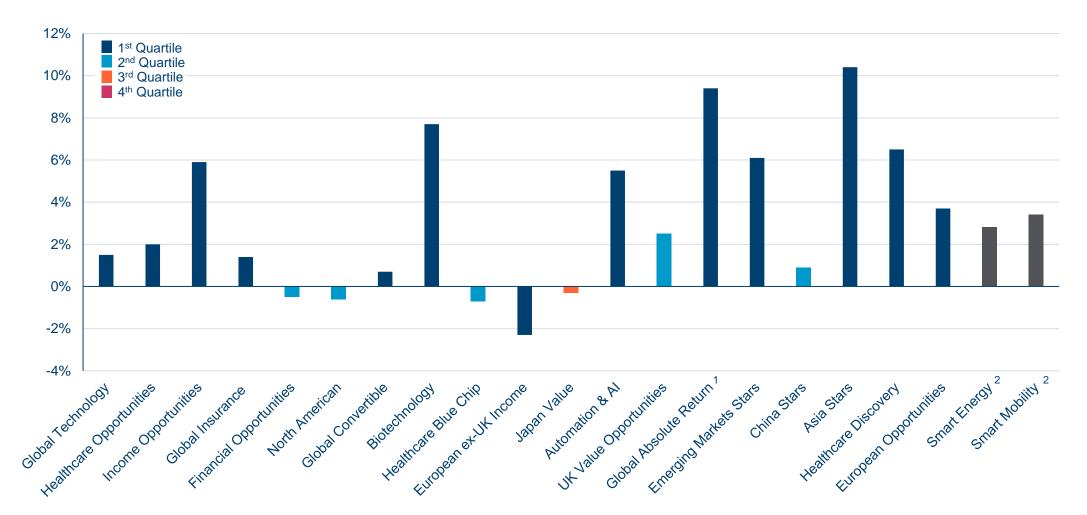




# **UCITS Performance**



## Annualised fund performance against benchmark (since inception)

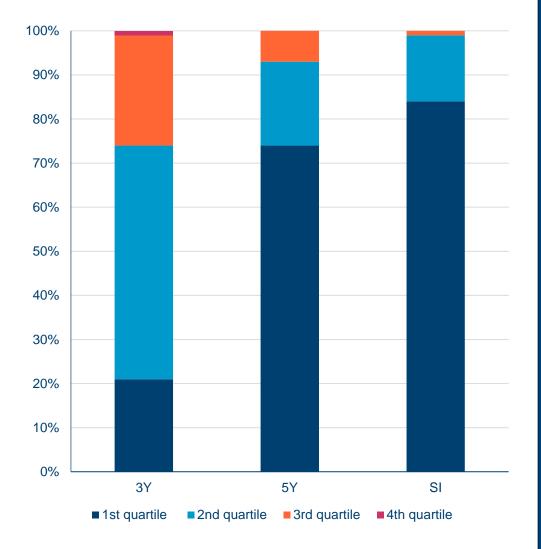


**Source**: Polar Capital, 29 October 2021, Lipper quartile rankings as at 29 October 2021. UCITS performance illustrative of Polar Capital Funds plc Irish UCITS and Melchior Selected Trust European Opportunities Luxembourg SICAV fund. Geometric performance shown for funds launched before 29 October 2020. **Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future returns.** 1. The Global Absolute Return Fund does not have a benchmark. Figures shown reflect absolute performance. Funds ordered according to launch date. All data is based on the Fund's base currency. 2. The Polar Capital Smart Energy & Polar Capital Smart Mobility Funds launched on 30 September 2021, Lipper data is not available yet. Performance data for these funds is not shown on an annualised basis.

# Performance



## % of UCITS funds AuM by quartile ranking

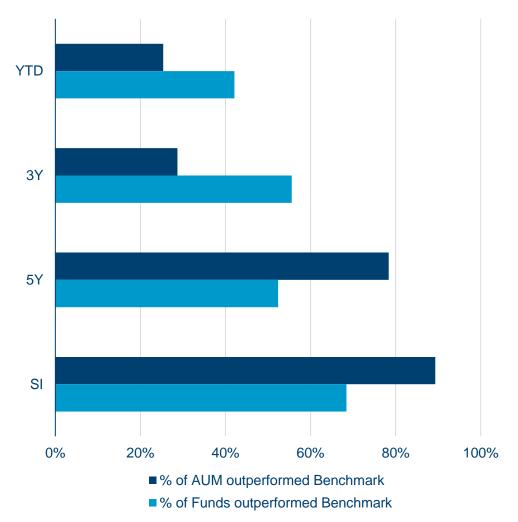


- Over three years 74% of AuM and 66% of funds are in the top two quartiles
- Over five years 93% of AuM and 72% of funds are in the top two quartiles
- Since inception, 99% of AuM and 91% of funds are in the top quartile

**Source:** Lipper, 29 October 2021. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future results.

# **Performance Against Benchmarks**

## % of UCITS AuM & funds that have outperformed benchmark to 29 October 2021



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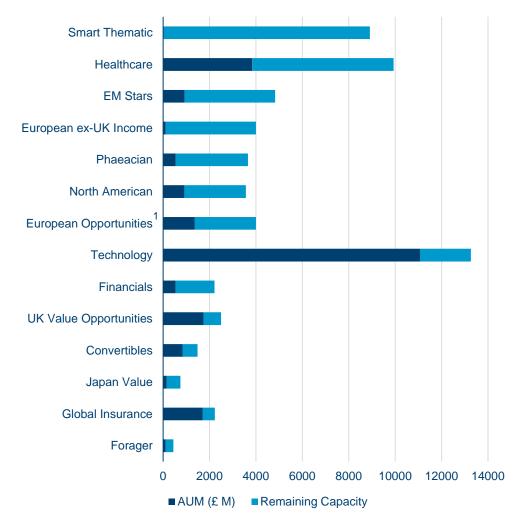
- Q1 & Q2 of 2021 have been challenging for our larger strategies including Technology, Healthcare and Global Insurance
- Technology funds are defensively positioned and underweight in mega cap tech stocks which has resulted in under performance YTD. Absolute performance is positive
- Q3 has seen an improvement in performance relative to benchmark
- Sustainable EM Stars funds are performing well ahead of benchmark and have avoided the China equity sell-off



# Capacity



## Capacity as at 29 October 2021



**Source:** Polar Capital, as at 29 October 2021. **1.** Includes MST European Opportunities, MST Absolute Return & MST Global Equities. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future results.

- Total capacity is £61bn, with remaining capacity £38bn
- Largest current capacity is provided by the Sustainable Thematic Equity funds; Smart Energy and Smart Mobility
- Technology UCITS fund is soft-closed
- UK Value Opportunities UCITS fund is soft-closed
- Biotechnology UCITS fund is soft-closed

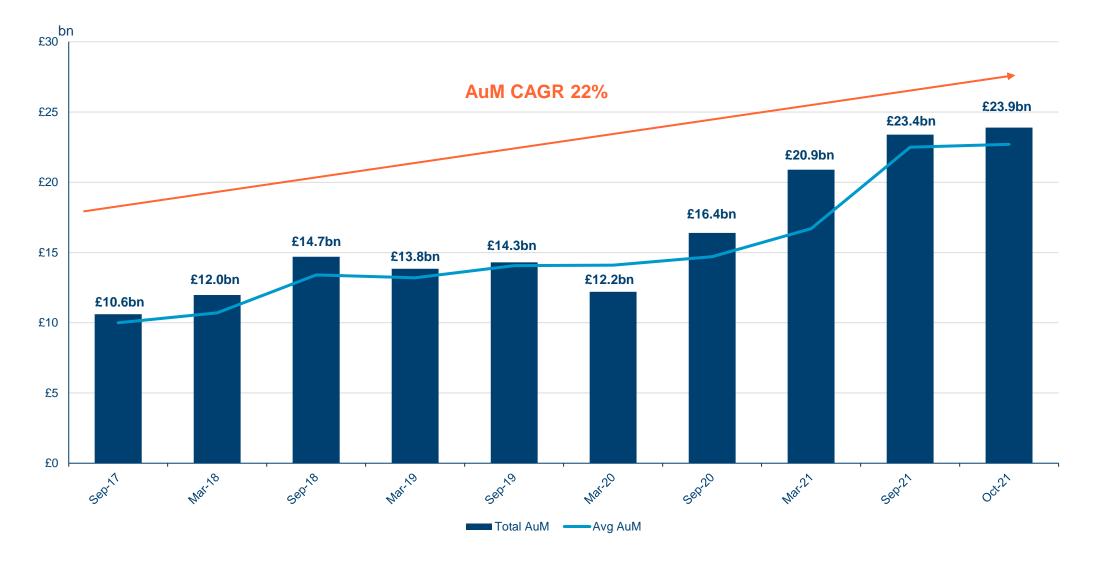




AuM



## 29 October 2021

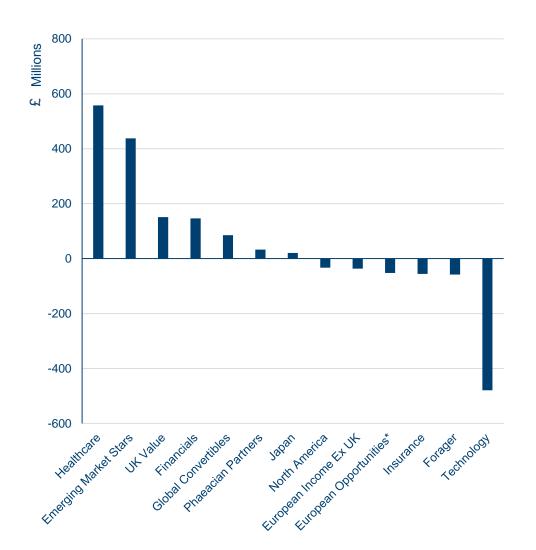


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# **Net Flows by Strategy**



## Six months to 30 September 2021



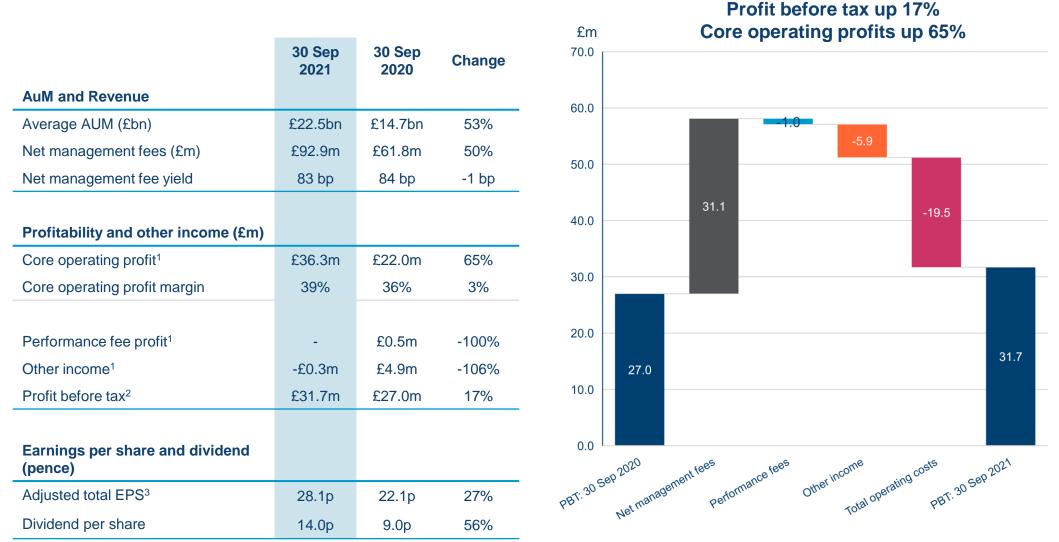
- Majority of fund strategies had net inflows
- Largest inflows were into segregated mandates
- Segregated mandate inflows amounted to £596m
- Investment Trusts net share issuances of £136m
- Healthcare inflows were into segregated mandates
- Emerging Market Stars dominated inflows and the flow momentum continues
- Technology net outflows resulted from soft closure in 2020, client asset allocation decisions and profit-taking by investors as the technology sector has continued to perform well in absolute terms

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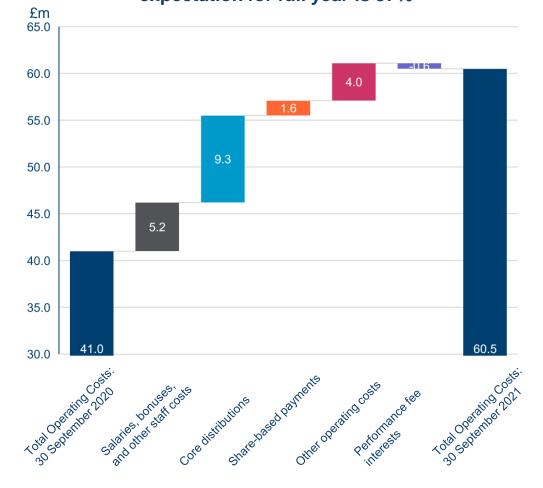


Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021. 1. Refer to RNS (APM page) for reconciliation to reported results. 2. IFRS Figure. 3. Adjusted for IFRS costs of preference shares included in share based payments, deferred remuneration costs and exceptional items.



|  | 30 Sep<br>2021<br>£m | 30 Sep<br>2020<br>£m | Change |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Salaries, bonuses and other staff costs <sup>1</sup> | 17.7                 | 12.5                 | 42%    |
| Core distributions <sup>1</sup>                      | 25.4                 | 16.1                 | 58%    |
| Share-based payments <sup>2</sup>                    | 3.5                  | 1.9                  | 84%    |
| Performance fee interests                            | -                    | 0.6                  | -100%  |
| Staff compensation costs                             | 46.6                 | 31.1                 |        |
| Other operating costs <sup>3</sup>                   | 13.9                 | 9.9                  | 40%    |
| Total operating costs                                | 60.5                 | 41.0                 |        |

### Compensation costs up due to addition of new teams Core operating margin 39% at 30 Sep 21 – expectation for full year is 37%



Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021.

1. Including share awards under deferment plan of £0.5m (2020: £0.3m)

2. Share-based payments on preference shares, Group share awards and LTIPs

3. Inclusive of exceptional items of £3.2m



|                               | 30 Sep<br>2021<br>£m | 30 Sep<br>2020<br>£m |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| IT                            | 3.5                  | 3.2                  |
| Rent and rates                | 1.4                  | 1.4                  |
| Professional fees             | 1.0                  | 0.8                  |
| Research and Corporate access | 1.8                  | 1.8                  |
| Insurance & regulation        | 0.3                  | 0.3                  |
| Travel & entertainment        | 0.3                  | 0.3                  |
| Staff recruitment             | 0.1                  | -                    |
| Irrecoverable VAT             | 0.7                  | 0.7                  |
| Sponsorship/ PR               | 0.5                  | 0.3                  |
| Other                         | 1.1                  | 1.1                  |
|                               | 10.7                 | 9.9                  |
| Exceptional costs             | 3.2                  | -                    |
| Other operating costs         | 13.9                 | 9.9                  |

- Other operating costs before exceptional items up marginally
- Termination and reorganisation costs of £6.2m were anticipated at the time the Dalton acquisition was announced.
- A total amount of £4.7m has been incurred so far with an estimated £0.5m of costs remaining to be incurred in FY22.

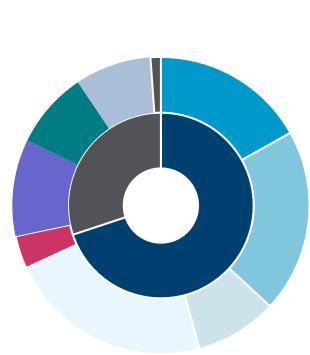
| Exceptional costs (£m)               | Sep 21 |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Charged to operating costs           |        |
| Termination and reorganisation costs | 2.3    |
| Amortisation of intangibles          | 0.9    |
|                                      | 3.2    |
| Charged to other income              |        |
| FV charge on deferred consideration  | 0.7    |
|                                      | 3.9    |

Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021.

# **Cash and Seed Investments**

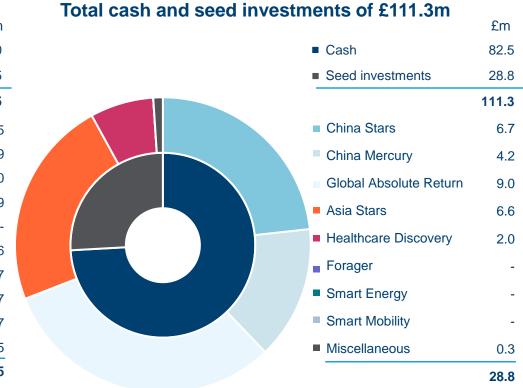
30 Sep 2021





| ents of £140.5m        |   |
|------------------------|---|
|                        | £m  |
| Cash <sup>1</sup>      | 96.0  |
| Seed investments       | 44.5  |
|                        | 140.5   |
| EM Stars US Mutual     | 7.5   |
| China Stars            | 8.9   |
| China Mercury          | 4.0   |
| Global Absolute Return | 9.9   |
| Asia Stars             | -   |
| Healthcare Discovery   | 1.6   |
| Forager                | 4.7   |
| Smart Energy           | 3.7   |
| Smart Mobility         | 3.7   |
| Miscellaneous          | 0.5   |
|                        | 44.5  |
|                        | <ul> <li>Seed investments</li> <li>EM Stars US Mutual</li> <li>China Stars</li> <li>China Mercury</li> <li>Global Absolute Return</li> <li>Asia Stars</li> <li>Healthcare Discovery</li> <li>Forager</li> <li>Smart Energy</li> <li>Smart Mobility</li> </ul> |

## 30 Sep 2020

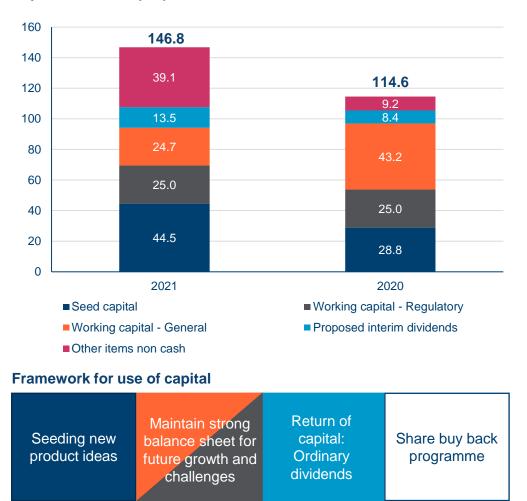


- Strategic seeding programme supporting eight funds (2020: five funds)
- Asia Stars redeemed during the period

Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021. 1. On balance sheet cash at 30 Sep 2021 includes £7.4m invested into the two Smart funds on 30 Sep 2021.

# **Group Capital**





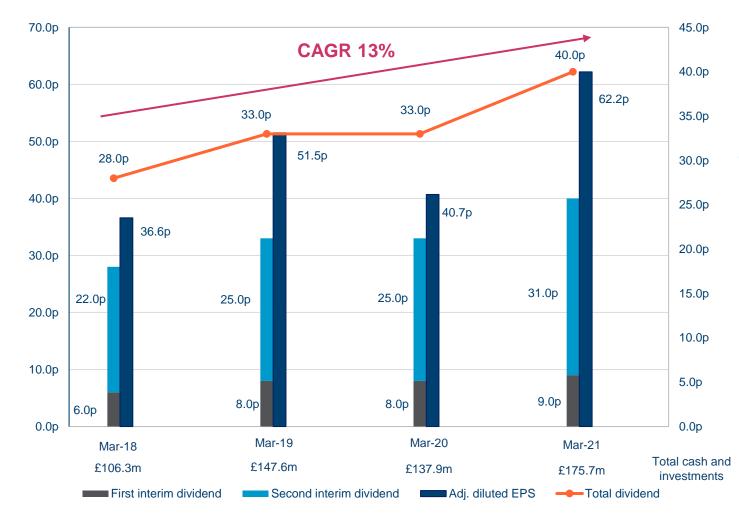
### **Capital allocation (£m)**

| Regulatory Capital                      | 30 Sep<br>2021<br>£m | 30 Sep<br>2020<br>£m |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Shareholder funds                       | 146.8                | 114.6                |
| Less: deferred tax and capital reserves | -12.4                | -9.2                 |
| Less: Goodwill and intangible assets    | -26.7                | -                    |
|   | 107.7                | 105.4                |
| Less: dividend provision                | -13.5                | -8.4                 |
|   | 94.2                 | 97.0                 |
| Regulatory capital                      | -25.0                | -25.0                |
| Surplus capital                         | 69.2                 | 72.0                 |

Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021.

# **Dividend Policy**





- First interim dividend of 14p up 56%
- Adjusted diluted core EPS at 30 September 2021 up 56% to 28.2p
- Over three years to 31 March 2021 the total dividend has grown at a CAGR of 13%

## Policy

- The policy in respect of the first interim dividend paid each January is that half of the first half's core earnings are paid out
- Under normal circumstances the Group would expect to pay a total annual dividend within a range of 55% to 85% of adjusted total earnings, with the exact quantum being dependent on the scale of performance fee profits in any given year but also on the short-term trading conditions of the Group

Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2021.





# **Strategy Update – Growth with Diversification**



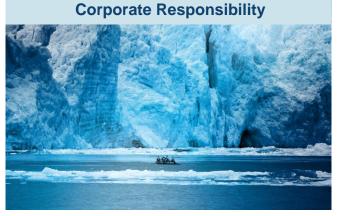
## **Sustainability**

**Responsible Investing** 



- We have significantly increased central resource to support the investment teams who are now supported by Head of Sustainability with his dedicated team, a Sustainability Committee, CIO, CRO, and the Risk team
- ESG and climate-related risk oversight has been enhanced and integrated into central risk management framework
- Six of our funds are classified as Article 8 under the EU SFDR, with a pipeline of funds aiming to reclassify as Article 8 and the launch of the Smart Energy and Smart Mobility Funds under the Polar Capital Sustainable Thematic Team provide us with two Article 9 funds
- We are a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investing (UNPRI) and a lead collaborator in Climate Action 100+ engagement.

Source: Polar Capital.



- Conducted corporate Scope 1 and 2 and material scope 3 carbon footprint baselining exercise (excluding portfolio investment)
- Working to align climate activities and reporting with the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) recommendations
- Formalised our partnership with a school to establish the Polar Capital Aspire Scheme (PCAS) providing university bursaries for two students each year and provided laptops to Year 12 students at the school
- Progress with partner charity 'Heal' in raising awareness of the biodiversity emergency

Our People



- We have joined the Diversity Project initiative that aims to accelerate progress towards an inclusive culture within our industry, with members of staff participating at various levels and within relevant workstreams
- We have had a successful first year of Investment20/20 trainees working at Polar Capital. This is an industry-lead recruitment programme focused on widening access to diverse talent
- We have also continued our membership and work with #includedAWM promoting diversity and inclusion in the Wealth and Asset Management industry

## Strategy Update – Growth with Diversification

## POLAR CAPITAL

## **Sustainable Thematic Team**

### **Polar Capital Smart Energy Fund**



Exposure to companies at the forefront of the energy transition
Long-term

performance record

### Polar Capital Smart Mobility Fund



 Global portfolio of stocks exposed to the decarbonisation and automation of transport.
 Multi-decade investment

theme

- Sustainable Thematic Equity team of four, led by Thiemo Lang and supported by a Product Specialist, joined in September
- Two funds launched, Smart Energy and Smart Mobility
- Prior to Polar Capital, Thiemo successfully managed a sustainable energy strategy for 14 years building an enviable performance record
- Sustainability factors are fully integrated with both funds qualifying as Article 9 under SFDR
- Demand for the strategies is evident given they were previously running over €5bn
- A strong fit with our stated growth strategy of adding differentiated and specialist products managed by credible and compelling investment teams
- Additional capacity of £9bn added to Polar Capital's fund range
- Initial client interest very encouraging

Source: Polar Capital.

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# **Strategy Update – Growth with Diversification**



## Significant growth potential in North America, Europe and Asia, including Japan and Australia

#### **North America**

Size of market: \$48.6tr

- 4 Salespeople
- Institutional and wholesale
- High capacity in key products; International Value, EM and Smart Energy

#### Europe

Size of market: \$25.7tr

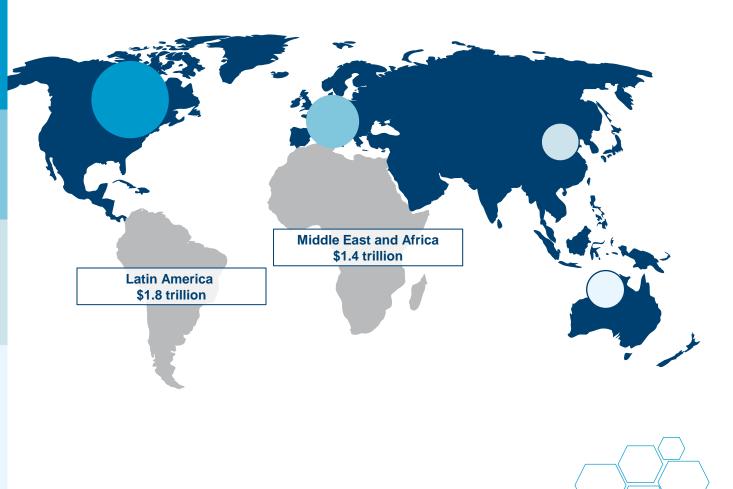
- 13 Salespeople
- 8 core markets, inc. UK
- Significant capacity across multiple products

### Asia (ex Japan and Australia) Size of market: \$14.0tr

- 1 salesperson
- Wholesale focus in Hong Kong and Singapore
- Primary focus on growth biased funds

### Japan and Australia Size of market: \$8.5tr

- 1 salesperson
- Significant opportunities in institutional channel, inc. Australian Supers (first mandate won in 2020) and Japanese domestic banks



Source: Polar Capital; Data source: BCG global asset management market-sizing database 2021; BCG global asset management benchmarking database 2021.



| Strong balance<br>sheet to support<br>growth in<br>seeding | Continued<br>focus on<br>performance<br>and capacity.<br>Total capacity<br>over £61bn<br>with £38bn<br>remaining<br>capacity              | A focus on growing<br>core earnings<br>provides greater<br>predictability of<br>dividends.<br>Core profit           | Highly<br>differentiated<br>actively<br>managed<br>strategies to<br>meet investors<br>demand               | Increased<br>diversification of<br>funds. Growth in                   |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| programme,<br>dividend growth<br>and share<br>buy-backs    | Sustainable<br>Emerging<br>Market Stars<br>strategies and<br>other Article 8<br>and 9 funds<br>performing well<br>and gaining<br>traction | increased by 65%<br>compared to prior<br>comparable period.<br>First interim<br>dividend increased<br>by 56% to 14p | Increased<br>diversification<br>of regional<br>distribution<br>provides<br>further growth<br>opportunities | AuM of nascent<br>teams and funds<br>is driving overall<br>AuM growth |

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# **Thank You**









# **Current Investment Strategies**



| TechnologyAuM: £11.7bnEstablished: 2001• Technology TrustTypical number of positions: 50-140 • Global Technology (UCITS)Team size: 10• Automation & Artificial<br>Intelligence (UCITS)Years' experience: 160+        | JapanAuM: £157mEstablished: 2001• Japan Value (UCITS)Typical number of positions: 45-55• Team size: 2Years' experience: 30+• Years' experience: 30+   |
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| European Long/ShortAuM: £109mEstablished: 2003• European Forager<br>(Cayman Fund)Typical number of positions: 80-120• Cayman Fund)Team size: 3<br>Years' experience: 40+• Years' experience: 40+                     | HealthcareAuM: £3.8bnEstablished: 2007• Global Healthcare TrustTypical number of positions: 25-80• Healthcare Opportunities (UCITS)Team size: 8• Biotechnology (UCITS)Years' experience: 170+• Healthcare Discovery (UCITS) |
| FinancialsAuM: £539mEstablished: 2010• Income Opportunities (UCITS)Typical number of positions: 35-150• Financial Opportunities (UCITS)Team size: 5• Global Financials TrustYears' experience: 95+• Financials Trust | ConvertiblesAuM: £834mEstablished: 2010• Global Convertible (UCITS)Typical number of positions: 40-80• Global Absolute Return Fund<br>(UCITS)Team size: 5Years' experience: 115+  |
| North AmericaAuM: £918mEstablished: 2011• North American (UCITS)Typical number of positions: 40-60•Team size: 4•Years' experience: 70+   | Global InsuranceAuM: £1.7bnEstablished: 1998• Global Insurance (UCITS)Typical number of positions: 30-35Team size: 2Years' experience: 35+• Statemark   |

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# **Current Investment Strategies**



| European ex UK Income<br>Established: 2014<br>Typical number of positions: 25-50<br>Team size: 3<br>Years' experience: 25+   | AuM: £110m<br>• European ex UK Income (UCITS)   | UK Value<br>Established: 2017 • U<br>Typical number of positions: 30-100<br>Team size: 2<br>Years' experience: 30+ | <b>AuM: £1.7bn</b><br>K Value Opportunities (UCITS)             |
|--|---|--|---|
| Emerging Markets Stars<br>Established: 2018<br>Typical number of positions: 30-90<br>Team size: 5<br>Years' experience: 65+  | AuM: £933m<br>Emerging Markets Stars (UCITS)<br>China Stars (UCITS)<br>China Mercury (Cayman fund)<br>Asia Stars (UCITS)<br>Emerging Markets Stars (40 Act) |  | AuM: £544m<br>ccent International Value<br>Global Value         |
| European Opportunities<br>Established: 2021<br>Typical number of positions: 50-80<br>Team size: 9<br>Years' experience: 170+ | AuM: £1.4bn<br>European Opportunities<br>(LUX SICAV)<br>European Long/Short<br>(LUX SICAV)<br>Global Equity (LUX SICAV)                                     |  | <b>AuM: £9m</b><br>nart Energy (UCITS)<br>nart Mobility (UCITS) |

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# Lipper Figures for Long and Alternative UCITS – as at 30 Sept 2021



|   | AuM £m   | 1 Year<br>Percentile | 3 Years<br>Percentile | 5 Years<br>Percentile | Since<br>Inception            |
|---|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Japan Value (S JPY)   | 159      | 40                   | 88                    | 67                    | <b>70</b><br>31/10/2012       |
| Healthcare Opportunities (I USD)                                | 1,567    | 13                   | 42                    | 14                    | 4**<br>3/12/2007              |
| Healthcare Blue Chip (I USD)                                    | 80       | 22                   | 36                    | 34                    | 31<br>11/9/2014               |
| Financial Opportunities (I USD Inc)                             | 14       | 36                   | 47                    | 50                    | 41<br>3/5/2011                |
| ncome Opportunities (I GBP)                                     | 58       | 1                    | 20                    | 7                     | 6<br>15/10/2009               |
| Global Insurance (I GBP)  | 1,691    | 84                   | 50                    | 57                    | 25***<br>19/10/1998           |
| Global Technology (I USD)                                       | 6,570    | 85                   | 35                    | 14                    | 14**<br>19/10/2001            |
| North American (I USD)  | 868      | 11                   | 69                    | 57                    | 34<br>15/11/2011              |
| Global Convertible (I USD Acc)                                  | 794      | 39                   | 44                    | 31                    | 11<br>2/9/2013                |
| Biotechnology (I USD)   | 1,282    | 18                   | 7                     | 4                     | 4<br>1/11/2013                |
| European ex-UK Income (I EUR)                                   | 120      | 61                   | 51                    | 42                    | 18<br>30/06/2015              |
| Aelchior European Opportunities (I1 EUR)                        | 956      | 19                   | 22                    | 13                    | 4<br>04/05/2010               |
| Aelchior Global Equity (F7 GBP Acc)                             | 5        | 16                   | 16                    | 16                    | 6<br>02/08/2010               |
| Aelchior European Absolute Return (I1 EUR)                      | 5        | 96                   | 75                    | 83                    | 65<br>02/02/2010              |
| JK Value Opportunities (I GBP)                                  | 1,574    | 16                   | 30                    | N/A                   | 26<br>31/01/2017              |
| Automation & AI (I USD)   | 533      | 42                   | 4                     | N/A                   | 4<br>6/10/2017                |
| merging Markets Stars (R USD)                                   | 730      | 58                   | 3                     | N/A                   | 4<br>29/6/18                  |
| China Stars (R USD)   | 11       | 65                   | 28                    | N/A                   | 28<br>31/08/2018              |
| sian Stars (I USD)  | 109      | 40                   | N/A                   | N/A                   | 31/08/2018<br>3<br>31/12/2018 |
| Global Absolute Return (I USD)                                  | 42       | 45                   | N/A                   | N/A                   | 19<br>31/12/2018              |
| lealthcare Discovery (I USD)                                    | 53       | 8                    | N/A                   | N/A                   | 5<br>31/01/2020               |
| AuM in top quartile (excl hedge funds, managed counts & trusts) | £17,221m | 37%                  | 21%                   | 74%                   | <b>84%</b>                    |

Source: Lipper, 30 Sept 2021. Totals may not sum due to rounding. \* JPY Share Class \*\* USD Share Class \*\*\* B GBP Acc Share Class. Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future results.

# **Alternative Strategies**



## As at 30 September 2021

|                       |                |        | Annualised returns |         |           |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------|--------------------|---------|-----------|
| Strategies            | Inception date | YTD    | 3 years            | 5 years | Inception |
| Forager (AX EUR)      | 1 August 2003  | 14.65% | 5.13%              | 5.81%   | 7.87%     |
| China Mercury (S USD) | 1 August 2018  | -5.22% | 2.88%              | -       | 2.22%     |

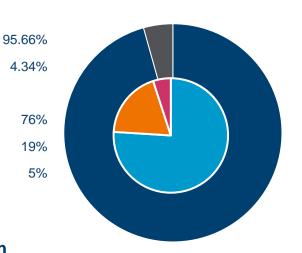
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# **AuM Analysis**



### AuM by strategy

- Long only
- Alternative
- Open Ended Funds
- Investment Trusts
- Segregated Mandates

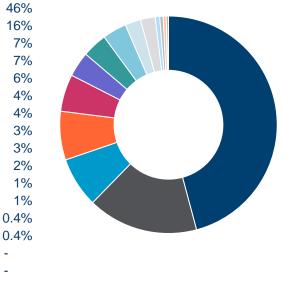


### AuM by investment team

- Global Technology Global Healthcare
- UK Value
- Global Insurance
- Melchior European Opportunities
- North American
- Emerging Markets & Asia
- Global Convertibles
- Phaeacian
- Global Financials
- Japan
- European Income
- European (Long/Short)
- Melchior European Absolute Return 0.4%

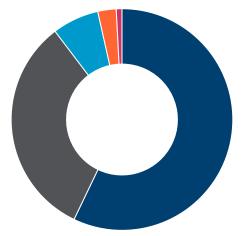
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- Sustainable Thematic Equity\*
- Melchior Global Equity\*\*



### Investor mix by geography

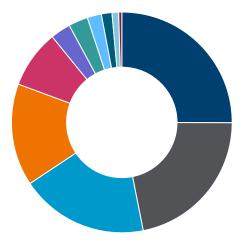
| ■ UK   | 57.13% |
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| Europe | 32.55% |
| Asia   | 6.81%  |
| USA    | 2.69%  |
| Other  | 0.83%  |



## Investor mix by holdings

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| Bank                    | 25.05% |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Platform                | 21.84% |
| Polar Investment Trusts | 18.77% |
| Private Wealth Manager  | 14.98% |
| Asset Manager           | 8.50%  |
| Fund Of Funds           | 2.96%  |
| Pension Fund/Foundation | 2.84%  |
| Other                   | 2.08%  |
| Insurance Company       | 1.55%  |
| Family Office           | 0.97%  |
| Consultants             | 0.46%  |



Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2021. Totals may not sum due to rounding. \*AuM as at 30 September was £5m. \*\* AuM as at 30 September 2021 comprised of seed capital of £7m.



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