

31 January 2024

Pension Fund

Clerical Medical Smaller Companies

Fund Aim

The fund invests via the HBOS Investment Fund Managers (HIFML) Smaller Companies OEIC Fund. The OEIC Fund aim is: To achieve capital growth by investing in the shares of UK smaller companies. The Fund is actively managed by the Fund Manager who chooses investments with the aim of outperforming the Numis Smaller Companies excluding Investment Trusts Index by 3% per annum on a rolling 3 year basis, before deduction of fees. At least 80% of the Fund will invest in UK smaller companies shares. The majority of these companies are those which are incorporated, or domiciled, or have a significant part of their business in the UK. The Fund will have between 40 and 90 holdings. The Fund Manager is limited in the extent to which positions can vary to those of the Index. The limits help to provide a balance between the spread of assets within the fund and risk management. They also provide a balance between the amount the Fund can vary from the Index and providing the Fund Manager with flexibility to seek to outperform the Index. As a result the Fund's performance may differ substantially from the Index.

'ESG Metrics'

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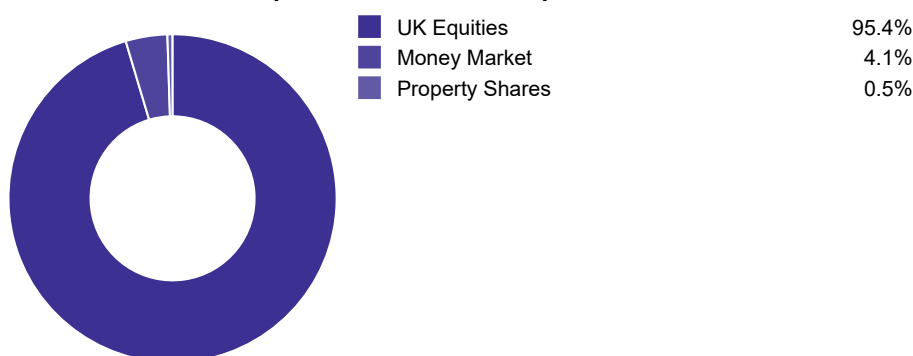
Information Statement

Clerical Medical produce Environmental, Social and Governance themed fund metrics. Selected data can be found using the ESG metric link.

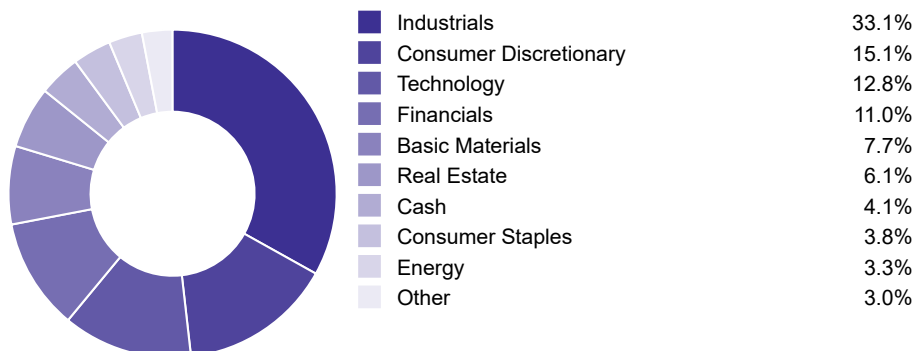
Basic Fund Information

Fund Launch Date	01/07/2000
Fund Size	£26.1m
Sector	ABI UK Smaller Companies
ISIN	GB0009211896
MEX ID	CMUKPP
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Manager Name	Iain Staples
Manager Since	01/06/2021

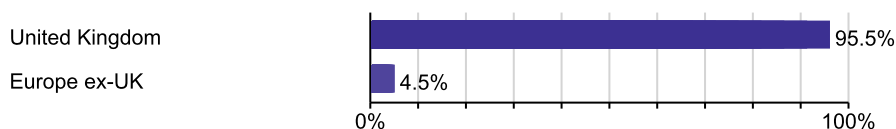
Asset Allocation (as at 29/12/2023)



Sector Breakdown (as at 29/12/2023)



Regional Breakdown (as at 29/12/2023)



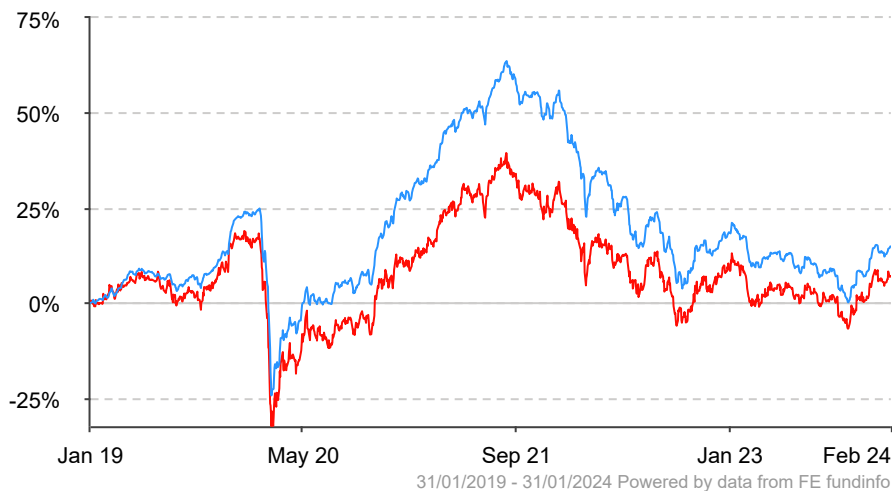
Top Ten Holdings

(as at 29/12/2023)

SCHRODER STERLING LIQUIDITY FUND X INCOME	4.4%
PARAGON BANKING GROUP PLC ORDINARY GBP1	3.5%
KELLER GROUP PLC ORDINARY 10P	3.2%
SIRIUS REAL ESTATE LIMITED ORDINARY NPV	3.1%
HILL AND SMITH PLC	2.8%
REDDE NORTHGATE PLC ORDINARY 50P	2.4%
ASHTEAD TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS PLC GBP0.05	2.3%
BABCOCK INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC ORDINARY 60P	2.2%
BYTES TECHNOLOGY GROUP PLC	2.1%
CLARKSON PLC ORDINARY 25P	2.1%
TOTAL	28.1%

The composition of asset mix and asset allocation may change at any time and exclude cash unless otherwise stated

Past Performance



■ Clerical Medical Smaller Companies Pension

■ ABI UK Smaller Companies

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investment value and income from it may fall as well as rise, as a result of market and currency movements. You may not get back the amount originally invested.

Discrete Performance

	31/12/2022 - 31/12/2023	31/12/2021 - 31/12/2022	31/12/2020 - 31/12/2021	31/12/2019 - 31/12/2020	31/12/2018 - 31/12/2019
Clerical Medical Smaller Companies	2.2%	-18.3%	17.6%	-6.3%	24.8%
ABI UK Smaller Companies	0.9%	-26.2%	21.8%	3.8%	28.5%

Information is shown as unavailable if prior to the launch of fund.

Cumulative Performance

	31/12/2023 - 31/01/2024	31/10/2023 - 31/01/2024	31/01/2023 - 31/01/2024	31/01/2021 - 31/01/2024	31/01/2019 - 31/01/2024
Clerical Medical Smaller Companies	-0.3%	12.5%	-1.4%	-1.2%	7.1%
ABI UK Smaller Companies	-0.3%	13.2%	-2.9%	-9.5%	14.9%
Quartile	2	3	1	1	4

Source: FE fundinfo as at 31/01/2024

Performance figures are in £ Sterling on a single pricing basis, with income (where applicable) reinvested net of UK tax and net of total annual fund charges. These figures do not include any initial charge or other product charge(s) that may be applicable.

Quarterly Fund Manager Review

UK equities rose over the quarter. UK small and mid-cap indices outperformed the broader market as domestically focused stocks performed very strongly. This occurred as hopes built further that interest rates may have peaked and amid a continued pick-up in overseas "inbound" bids for smaller UK companies. Some of the large internationally exposed and economically sensitive areas of the market also performed well, especially in the industrial and financial sectors. More generally, however, larger companies were held back as sterling performed strongly against a weak US dollar. UK inflation moderated more than expected over the period with the Office for National Statistics (ONS) revealing that the consumer prices index had dropped to 3.9% in November. This contributed to hopes that the Bank of England may have finished its series of interest rate hikes. Meanwhile, revised data from the ONS revealed UK GDP fell in Q3, having previously showed zero growth. Chancellor of the Exchequer Jeremy Hunt announced an Autumn Statement that contained more policy measures than many had expected. Key initiatives included the extension of the 100% capital expenditure allowance, which allows companies to deduct expenditure on plants and machinery from taxable income.

Iain Staples 31/12/2023

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Fund Rating Information

Overall Morningstar Rating -

Morningstar Medalist Rating -

FE fundinfo Crown Rating View More

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Other Information

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