Polar Capital: Interim Results

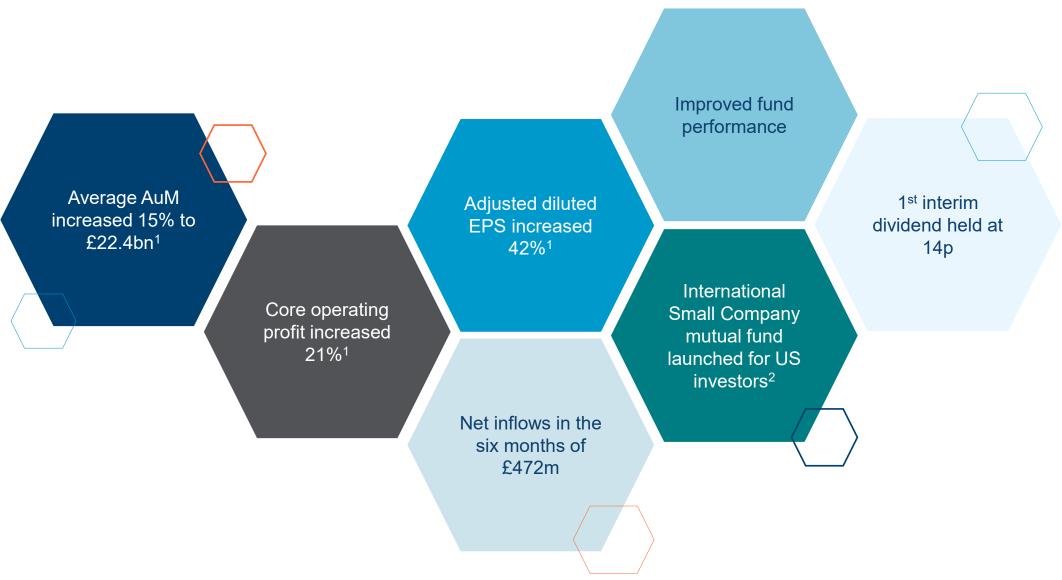
September 2024





Overview And Highlights





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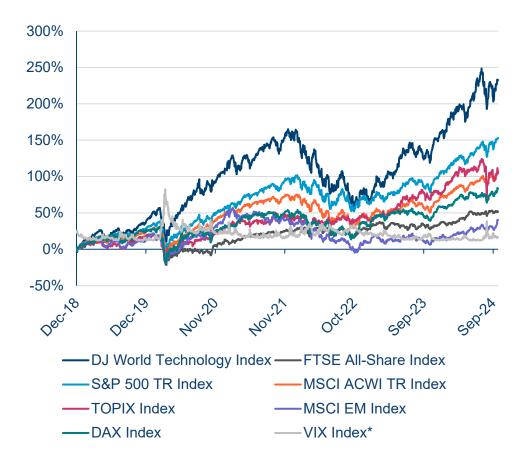




Market Perspective

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Global indices vs volatility



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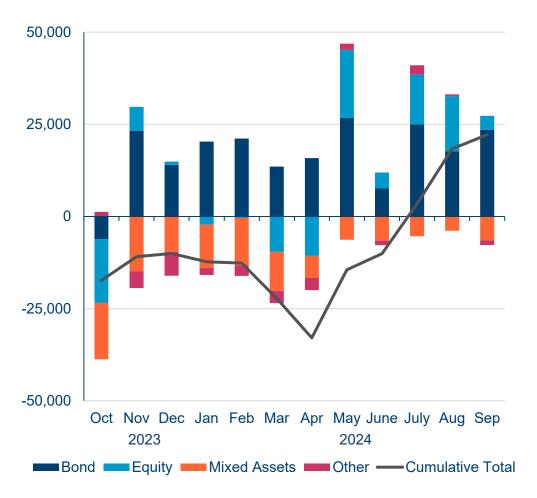
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- The period ended on a strong note for both equity and bond markets
- Inflation has moderated. Interest rate cuts by central banks have started and may continue into 2025
- Equity and bond volatility fell sharply after the US election
- The gold price is benefitting from geopolitical tensions and from demand for jewellery in India and China
- Gold has outperformed a rising US equity market this year
- The Republican election win has led to a rally in the US equity market but left US bond yields higher

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Net sales of funds across Europe (€m)



Source: Broadridge Fund File and Fund Radar, 30 September 2024. Data excludes funds of funds, money market funds and ETFs (unless stated). All opinions and estimates constitute the best judgment of Polar Capital as of the date hereof, but are subject to change without notice, and do not necessarily represent the views of Polar Capital. Some information contained herein has been obtained from third party sources and has not been independently verified by Polar Capital. Neither Polar Capital nor any other party involved makes any express or implied warranties or representations.

- Pan-European industry fund sales reached €125bn in the six months to 30 September 2024, although flows declined month-over-month in Q3
- Fixed income led inflows with €116bn over the period
- Equity flows totalled €44bn, driven mainly by passive strategies as active strategies saw net outflows
 - Greater use of passives over active equity funds prompted by market volatility, as investors favour swift tactical allocations and low-cost exposure to Mag-7 stocks
- In the UK, investor caution remains high amid economic uncertainty and potential impacts from Labour's first budget
 - Year-to-date, outflows from equity and fixed-income reached £23bn
 - UK equity strategies remain firmly out of favour, with £4.7bn outflows in Q3, adding to a cumulative £72bn since 2021

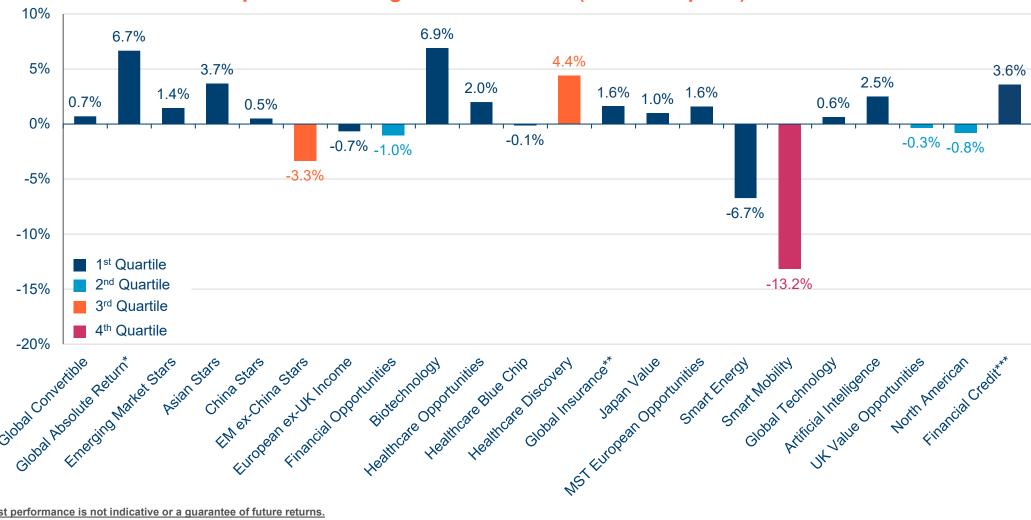




UCITS Performance



Relative annualised fund performance against benchmark (since inception)



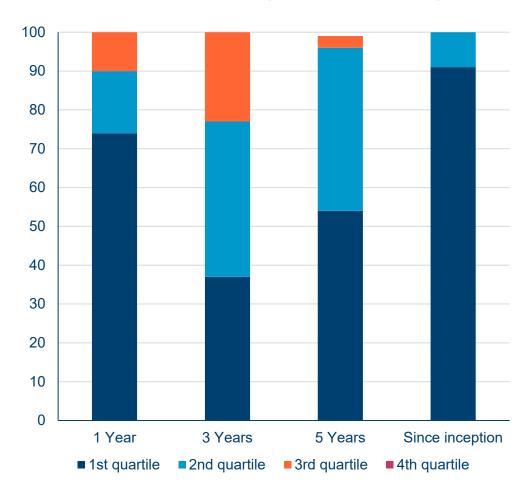
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Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2024, Lipper quartile rankings unless otherwise stated, as at 30 September 2024. UCITS performance illustrative of Polar Capital Funds plc Irish UCITS and Melchior Selected Trust European Opportunities Luxembourg SICAV fund. Geometric performance shown for all periods greater than 1yr. *The Global Absolute Return Fund does not have a benchmark, therefore figures shown reflect absolute performance. **Lipper performance is not dated since inception of the Fund (19 October 1998), but from when Polar Capital assumed responsibility for the Fund on 31 May 2011. ***Financial Credit; 29 December 2023. name, objective and policy changed. All data is based on the Fund's base currency. Some information contained herein has been obtained from third party sources and has not been independently verified by Polar Capital. Neither Polar Capital nor any other party involved makes any express or implied warranties or representations. Fund inception dates can be found on our website polarcapital.co.uk or by contacting investor relations@polarcapital.co.uk, EM Healthcare and European Small Cap not included due to insufficient historical data.

Performance



% of UCITS funds AuM by quartile ranking



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Strong UCITS fund performance against Lipper peer groups

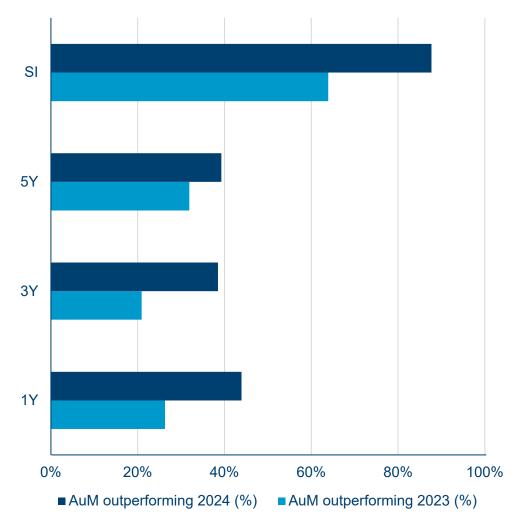
% of UCITS AuM in the top two quartiles:

September 2024	September 2023			
90% Over one year	73% Over one year			
77% Over three years	48% Over three years			
97% Over five years	84% Over five years			
99% Since inception	93% Since inception			

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Performance Against Benchmarks

% of UCITS AuM that have outperformed benchmark 30 Sept 2023 vs 30 Sept 2024



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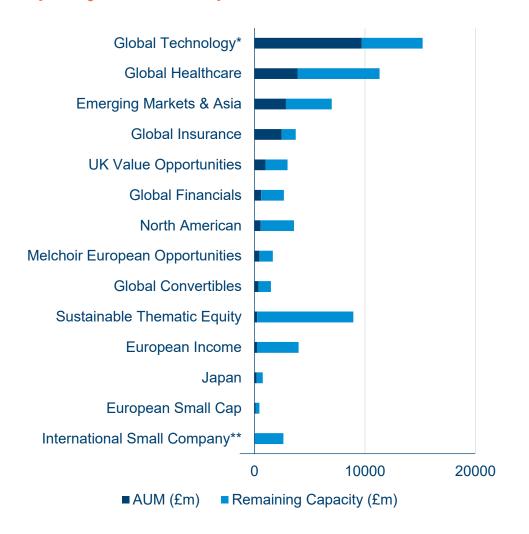
- % AuM outperforming benchmark over 1 year, 3 years, 5 years and since inception has improved over the year
- 88% of AuM outperforming benchmark since inception compared to 64% as of 30 September 2023
- 44% of AuM outperforming benchmark over 1 year compared to 26% as of 30 September 2023
- The concentration of names in the key indices has made it a challenge for active managers to outperform benchmarks

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Capacity

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Capacity as at 30 September 2024



- Total remaining capacity is £42bn
- Remaining capacity in Funds that received net inflows in the six months to 30 September 2024 is:

Total capacity across all strategies is £64bn

- Emerging Markets & Asia : £4.1bn
- Global Healthcare: £7.4bn
- Global Insurance: £1.3bn
- Japan: £543m

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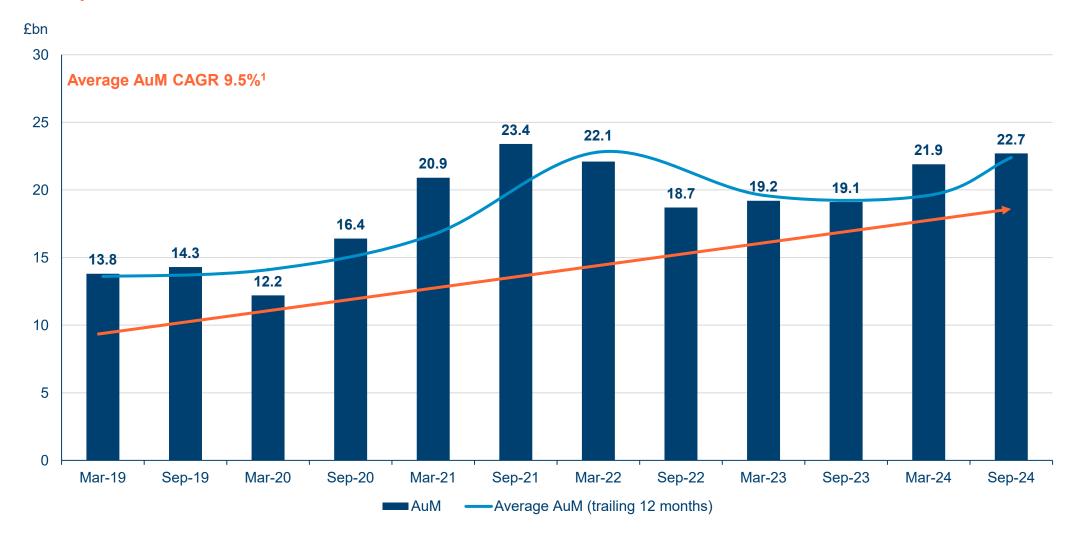




AuM



30 September 2024



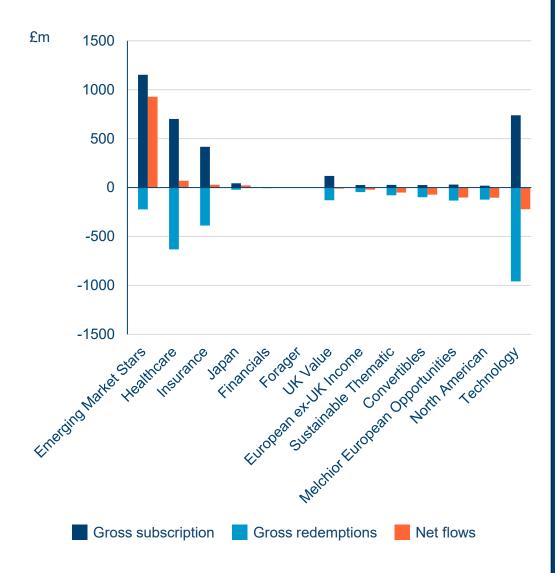
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Gross and Net Flows Per Strategy

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Six months to 30 September 2024



- Most strategies had gross inflows in the period
- While the regional strategies suffered the most from gross outflows, UK Value had sizeable gross inflows but insufficient to offset gross outflows
- Technology saw strong gross inflows although this was not enough to offset the redemptions; net outflows have, however, moderated
- Net inflows dominated by Emerging Markets and Asia
- Healthcare, Global Insurance and the Japan Value Funds had net inflows in the period
- September and October outflows were elevated due to client positioning and uncertainty ahead of the Autumn Budget and the US election

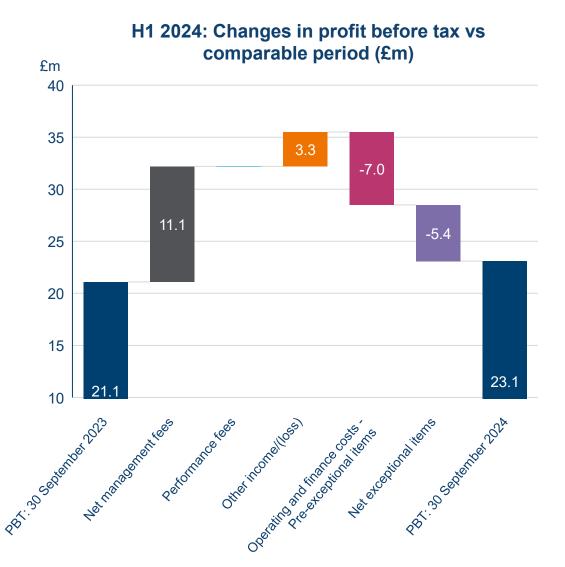




Financial Highlights



6 months to 6 months to Change 30 Sep-24 30 Sep-23 **AuM** and Revenue Average AUM (£bn) £22.4bn £19.4bn 15% Net management fees (£m) 15% £87.6m £76.5m Net management fee yield 79 bp -1 bp 78 bp Profitability and other income (£m) Core operating profit¹ £27.3m £22.5m 21% Core operating profit margin 31% 29% 2pp Performance fee profit1 Other income/(loss) £2.8m -£0.5m Earnings per share and dividend (pence) 42% Adjusted diluted total EPS² 17.2p 24.5p Dividend per share 14.0p 14.0p



Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2024. 1. Refer to slide 32 for reconciliation to reported results. 2. Adjusted for IFRS costs of preference shares included in share based payments, deferred remuneration costs and exceptional items.

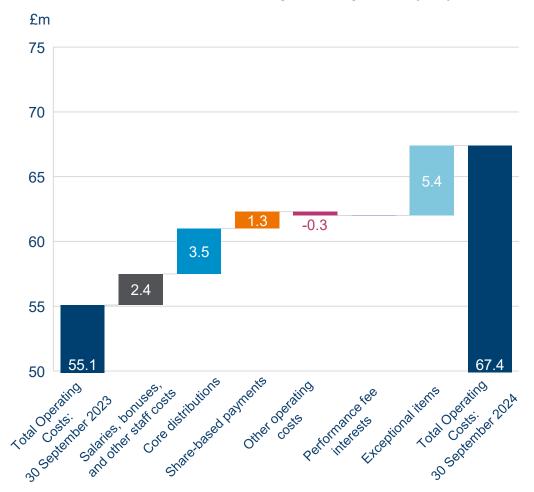
Operating Costs



Managing cost base sensibly over the long term

	6 months to 30 Sep-24 £m	6 months to 30 Sep-23 £m	
Salaries, bonuses and other staff costs ¹	19.7	17.3	
Core distributions ¹	24.4	20.9	
Share-based payments ²	2.8	1.5	
Performance fee interests	-	-	
Staff compensation costs	46.9	39.7	
Other operating costs	14.4	14.7	
Exceptional items	6.0	0.6	
Total operating costs	67.3	55.0	
Finance costs	0.1	0.1	
Total operating and finance costs	67.4	55.1	

H1 2024: Changes in total operating and finance cost vs comparable period (£m)



^{1.} Including share awards under deferment plan of £0.7m (2023: £0.9m)

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

Other Operating Costs And Exceptional Items



Other operating costs	6 months to Sep-24 £m	6 months to Sep-23 £m
IT	3.8	3.5
Rent and rates	2.5	2.2
Professional fees	1.1	1.2
Research and corporate access	2.0	2.1
Travel and entertainment	1.2	1.4
Other	3.8	4.3
Other operating costs	14.4	14.7

Exceptional items	6 months to Sep-24 £m	6 months to Sep-23 £m
Recorded in operating costs		
Impairment of goodwill	5.4	-
Amortisation of intangibles - Dalton	0.6	0.6
Net exceptional items recorded in the consolidated financial statements	£6.0 m	£0.6 m

- Modest decrease in other operating costs compared to HY24
- Run rate for the full year expected to be fairly consistent with the interim period
- Exceptional items for the period include an impairment charge of £5.4m against goodwill arising from the Dalton acquisition

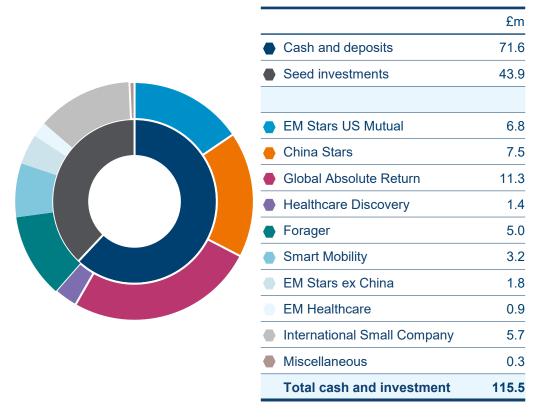
Cash And Seed Investments



Strong balance sheet

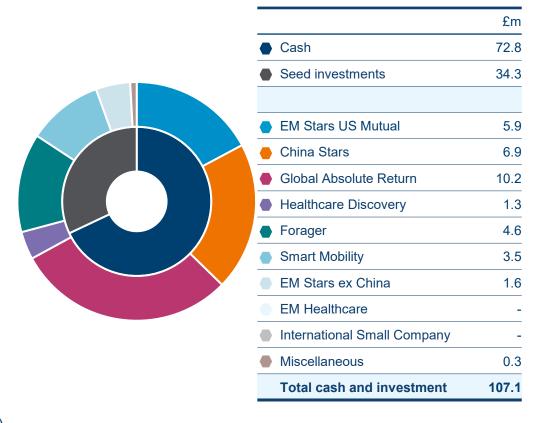
30 Sep 2024

Total cash and seed investments of £115.5m



30 Sep 2023

Total cash and seed investments of £107.1m



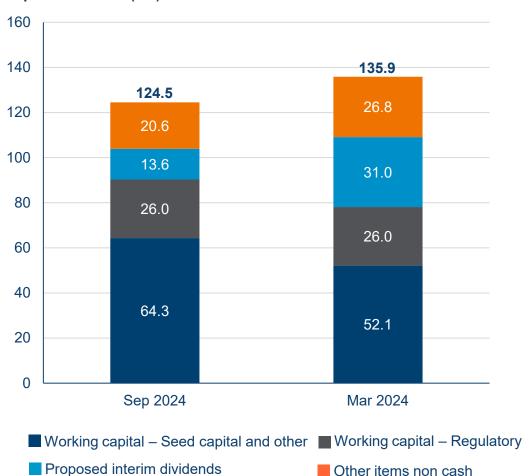
- Strategic seeding programme supporting nine funds (2023: seven funds)
- Forager investment redeemed post period end upon fund liquidation and closure

Group Capital

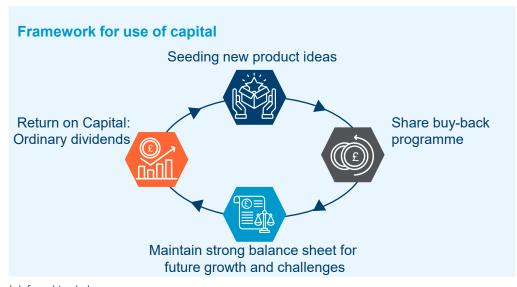


Strong balance sheet

Capital allocation (£m)



Regulatory Capital	30 Sep-24 £m	31 Mar-24 £m	
Shareholders funds	124.5	135.9	
Less: Regulatory deductions¹	-20.6	-26.8	
Capital after regulatory deductions	103.9	109.1	
Less: dividend provision	-13.6	-31.0	
Regulatory capital	90.3 -26.0	78.1 -26.0	
Surplus capital	64.3	52.1	

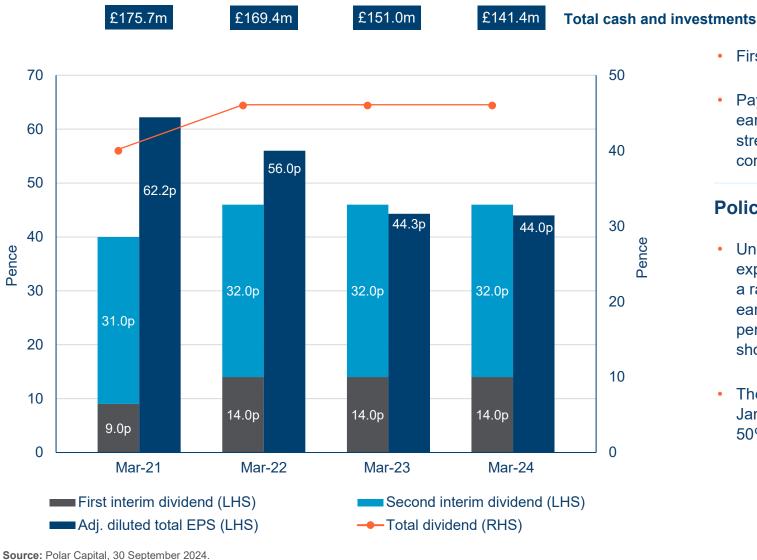


Source: Polar Capital as at 30 September 2024. 1. Regulatory deductions include goodwill, intangible assets and deferred tax balances.

Dividend Policy

Mar-21





Mar-23

Mar-24

Mar-22

- First interim dividend maintained at 14p
- Payout ratio of 68% of adjusted core earnings per share recognising the strength of the balance sheet and confidence in the business

Policy

- Under normal circumstances, the Group expect to pay a total annual dividend within a range of 55%-85% of adjusted total earnings, dependent on the quantum of performance fee profits in the year and the short-term trading conditions of the Group
- The first interim dividend paid each January is, under normal circumstances, 50% of the first half's core earnings





Growth With Diversification – Product Development



A measured and focussed approach to product growth with pipeline of new ideas

Product launches Melchior European Absolute Return¹ Melchior Global **Emerging Market** Equity¹ Stars European Small Cap **China Stars** Melchior European EM Ex-China Fund **Emerging Markets** Asian Stars EM Stars (US 40 Act) Opportunities¹ (UCITS and US Healthcare Global Absolute Healthcare Discovery Smart Energy International Small 40 Act) Phaeacian¹ Smart Mobility Return EM Stars (US DST) Financial Credit² Company³ 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 £9.3bn £12.0bn £13.8bn £12.2bn £20.9bn £22.1bn £19.2bn £22.7bn AuM AuM AuM AuM **AuM AuM** AuM AuM Global Alpha European Income UK Absolute Return Asian China Mercury Melchior European Global Emerging Fund Opportunities Melchior Global European Forager⁴ **Product closure** Markets Growth **Emerging Markets** Absolute Return Equity International Income Phaeacian Alpha

Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2024. Financial year closing AuM. 1. Acquisition of Phaeacian and Dalton. 2. Financial Credit: 29 December 2023, name, objective and policy changed. 3. Polar Capital International Small Company Fund was launched on 30 September 2024. US mutual fund, for US investors only. 4. European Forager Fund closed 1 October 2024.

Emerging Markets & Asia Team

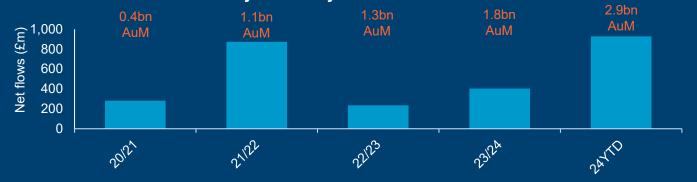


Strong demand witnessed. Now third largest team by AUM

Performance: Fund vs benchmark (%)1



EM and Asia Team: Net flows by financial year²



Highlights and Ratings

- Team AUM: £2,854.1m
- Fundamentally-driven analysis and stock selection
- ESG-based analysis incorporated as part of the investment process
- Concentrated portfolio: manager prefers typically 50-55 stocks³



Analyst-Driven 100%

Data Coverage 100%

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Source: 1. Polar Capital, 30 September 2024. Representative of the USD Institutional Accumulation Share Class. Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets Net Total Return Index (US\$) The Fund was launched on 29 June 2018. Performance is shown Net of Fees. Totals may not sum due to rounding. 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. 2. Includes segregated mandates. 3. Typical range 45-65 stocks. © 2024 Morningstar, Inc. All Rights Reserved. Rating representative of the US\$ I Acc Share Class, as at 05/07/2024. The information contained herein: (1) is proprietary to Morningstar; (2) may not be copied or distributed; and (3) Emerging Market Stars strategy is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. This rating is 100% Analyst Driven and based on Data Coverage of 100%. For more detailed information about Morningstar's Medalist Rating, including its methodology, please go to: https://shareholders.morningstar.com/investor-relations/governance/Compliance--Disclosure/default.aspx. For disclosure and detailed information about this fund please request the full Morningstar Managed Investment Report from investor-relations@polarcapitalfunds.com.

Polar Capital Global Small Company Team



Dan Boston

Head of Global Small Company team



MBA, Yale School of Management Research Assistant for Robert Shiller BS in Accountancy, BYU

- New US-domiciled International Small Company Fund launched on 30 September 2024
- Team led by Dan Boston who joined in September 2024
- Previously, he was Managing Director, Senior Portfolio Manager and Team Leader at Brown Capital, leading the International Small Company investment team
- At the time of his departure from Brown Capital, he was managing \$3.5bn in the International Small Company Strategy



Maxine Mazan, CFA

Researcher

9+ years industry experience

MA in International Relations, Edinburgh University MSc in Applied Neuroscience, King's College London MPhil Management, Cambridge University

- Maxine joined Polar Capital in September 2024 as a Researcher in the Global Small Company team
- She joined from JO Hambro Capital Management where she spent three years as an Investment Analyst
- Prior to this, from 2014 she worked at Federated Hermes, latterly as an investment analyst with the Hermes Impact Opportunities team

Lydia Yuan, CFA

Researcher

5+ years industry experience

BA in Economics, University of Chicago

Important Information at the end of this presentation.

- Lydia joined Polar Capital in October 2024 as a Researcher in the Global Small company team
- She joined from Oppenheimer where she was an Equity Research Associate, specializing in the global industry sector
- Prior to this, she spent nearly four years as an Equity Research Associate, working as a generalist across multiple sectors including industrials, healthcare and consumer, at Harding Loevner

Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2024. Polar Capital International Small Company Fund was launched on 30 September 2024. US mutual fund, for US investors only.





Summary And Outlook



£23.9bn AuM as at 8 November is higher than average AuM over the six months to 30 September

International
Small Company
launch an
important
milestone for our
'growth with
diversification'
strategy

Strong pipeline for potential inflows with increasing investor interest

Low visibility on outflows remains a headwind for the industry

Strong balance sheet continues to underpin the 14p dividend which is covered at the interim stage

Fund performance has improved The outlook is constructive.
With the US election and UK budget behind us, investors face fewer uncertainties

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Current Investment Strategies





Global Technology

- Established: 2001
- Typical number of positions: 50-110
- Team size: 11
- Years' experience: 140+

AuM: £9.7bn

- Technology Trust
- Global Technology (UCITS)
- Artificial Intelligence (UCITS)



Global Healthcare

- Established: 2007
- Typical number of positions: 25-80
- Team size: 8
- Years' experience: 140+

AuM: £3.9bn

- Global Healthcare Trust
- Healthcare Opportunities (UCITS)
- Biotechnology (UCITS)
- Healthcare Blue Chip (UCITS)
- Healthcare Discovery (UCITS)
- EM Healthcare (UCITS)



Global Financials

- Established: 2010
- Typical number of positions: 35-150
- Team size: 5
- Years' experience: 95+

AuM: £607m

- Global Financials Trust
- Financial Opportunities (UCITS)
- Financial Credit (UCITS)



Global Convertible

- Established: 2010
- Typical number of positions: 60-100
- Team size: 4
- Years' experience: 85+



- Global Convertible (UCITS)
- Global Absolute Return Fund (UCITS)



North America

- Established: 2011
- Typical number of positions: 40-60
- Team size: 3
- Years' experience: 65+

AuM: £563m

North American (UCITS)



Global Insurance

- Established: 2010
- Typical number of positions: 30-35
- Team size: 2
- Years' experience: 40+

AuM: £2.5bn

Global Insurance (UCITS)



Japan

- Established: 2001
- Typical number of positions: 45-55
- Team size: 2
- Years' experience: 35+

AuM: £203m

Japan Value (UCITS)



European Income

- Established: 2014
- Typical number of positions: 25-50
- Team size: 3
- Years' experience: 30+

AuM: £228m

European ex UK Income (UCITS)

Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2024. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Team AuM includes segregated mandates.

Current Investment Strategies





Emerging Market & Asia

- Established: 2018
- Typical number of positions: 40-70
- Team size: 6
- Years' experience: 90+

AuM: £2.9bn

- Emerging Market Stars (UCITS)
- China Stars (UCITS)
- Asian Stars (UCITS)
- Emerging Market ex-China Stars (UCITS)
- Emerging Market Stars (40 Act)
- Emerging Market ex-China Stars (40 Act)
- Emerging Market Stars (DST)



UK Value

- Established: 2017
- Typical number of positions: 30-100
- Team size: 2
- Years' experience: 35+



 UK Value Opportunities (UCITS)



Sustainable Thematic Equity

- Established: 2021
- Typical number of positions: 40-80
- Team size: 5
- Years' experience: 90+

AuM: £244m

- Smart Energy (UCITS)
- Smart Mobility (UCITS)



Melchior European Opportunities

- Established: 2010
- Typical number of positions: 50-80
- Team size: 3
- Years' experience: 45+

AuM: £450m

 European Opportunities (LUX SICAV)



European Long/Short¹

- Established: 2003
- Typical number of positions: 60-90
- Team size: 2
- Years' experience: 35+

AuM: £104m

- European Forager (Cayman Fund)
- European Small Cap (ICAV)



International Small Company²

- Established: 2024
- Typical number of positions: 40-65
- Team size: 2
- Years' experience: 25+

AuM: £7m

 International Small Company (40 Act)

Source: Polar Capital, 30 September 2024. **1.** Polar Capital European Forager Fund was fully liquidated on 1 October 2024. **2.** Polar Capital International Small Company Fund was launched on 30 September 2024. US mutual fund, for US investors only. Totals may not sum due to rounding. Team AuM includes segregated mandates.

Lipper Figures For Long And Alternative UCITS As At 30 September 2024



	1 Year 3 Years 5 Years			5 Years	Since		
	AuM £m	Percentile	Percentile	Percentile	Inception		
Japan Value (S JPY)	203	61	11	45	15* 29/07/2016 ¹		
Healthcare Opportunities (I USD)	1513	3	6	5	7** 3/12/2007		
Healthcare Blue Chip (I USD)	197	16	4	11	20 11/09/2014		
Financial Opportunities (I USD Inc)	9	60	48	66	49 3/05/2011		
Global Insurance (I GBP)	2458	46	6	15	4 19/10/1998 ²		
Global Technology (USD)	5003	22	33	34	20** 19/10/2001		
North American (I USD)	563	56	45	53	37 15/11/2011		
Global Convertible (I USD Acc)	281	56	39	44	18 2/09/2013		
Biotechnology (I USD)	1434	12	18	7	4 1/11/2013		
European ex-UK Income (I EUR)	227	75	10	45	13 30/06/2015		
Melchior European Opportunities (I EUR Acc)	364	58	75	50	4 04/05/2010		
UK Value Opportunities (I GBP)	860	7	64	35	36 31/01/2017		
Artificial Intelligence (R USD)	680	2	34	3	3 6/10/2017		
Emerging Markets Stars (I USD)	2235	18	61	10	10 29/06/2018		
China Stars (R USD)	10	34	17	24	21 31/08/2018		
Asian Stars (R USD)	303	13	57	6	4 31/12/2018		
Global Absolute Return (I USD)	74	87	26	17	16 31/12/2018		
Healthcare Discovery (I USD)	7	72	83	n/a	53 31/01/2020		
Smart Energy (I USD)	185	49	n/a	n/a	21 30/09/2021		
Smart Mobility (I USD)	6	97	n/a	n/a	82 30/09/2021		
Emerging Market ex-China Stars (I USD)	1	50	n/a	n/a	54 30/06/23		
Financial Credit (R GBP)	27	n/a	n/a	n/a	2 29/12/2023		
Emerging Market Healthcare (S USD Acc)	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	3 31/05/2024		
% AuM in top quartile (excl hedge funds, managed accounts & trusts)	£16,641	74%	37%	39%	91%		

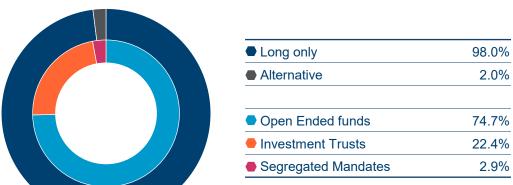
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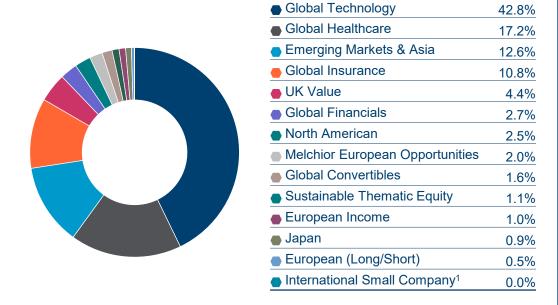
AUM Analysis



AuM split by strategy



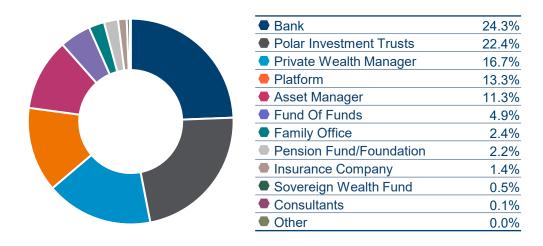
AuM split by investment team



Investor mix split by geography



Investor mix split by holding



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Reconciliation of APMs to reported results



	2024 Interim reported results (£m)	Reclassification on consolidation of seed investments (£m)	Reclassification of costs (£m)	2024 Interim Non-GAAP results (£m)	2023 Interim Non-GAAP results (£m)	
Management fees	100.6	-	-	100.6	86.9	
Commissions and fees payable	(13.0)	-	-	(13.0)	(10.4)	
	87.6	-	-	87.6	76.5	Net management fees
Total operating costs	(67.3)	0.1	31.4	(35.8)	(33.0)	
Finance costs	(0.1)	-	-	(0.1)	(0.1)	
			(24.4)	(24.4)	(20.9)	Core distributions
	20.2	0.1	7.0	27.3	22.5	Core operating profits
Performance fees	-	-	-	-	-	
Performance fee interests	-	-	-	-	-	Performance fee interests
						Performance fee profits
Other income	2.9	(0.1)	-	2.8	(0.5)	
Exceptional items	-	-	(6.0)	(6.0)	(0.6)	
Share based payments on preference shares	-	-	(1.0)	(1.0)	(0.3)	
Profit for the period before tax	23.1	-	-	23.1	21.1	

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