

# ABSOLUTE RETURN FUND

A2 GBP ISIN LU0200083342

## Investment objective

The Fund aims to achieve a positive (absolute) return, regardless of market conditions, over any 12-month period. A positive return is not guaranteed over this or any time period and, particularly over the shorter term, the Fund may experience periods of negative returns. Consequently, your capital is at risk. Performance target: To outperform the Bank of England Base Rate, after the deduction of charges, over any 3 year period.

For the fund's investment policy, refer to the Additional fund information on page 3.

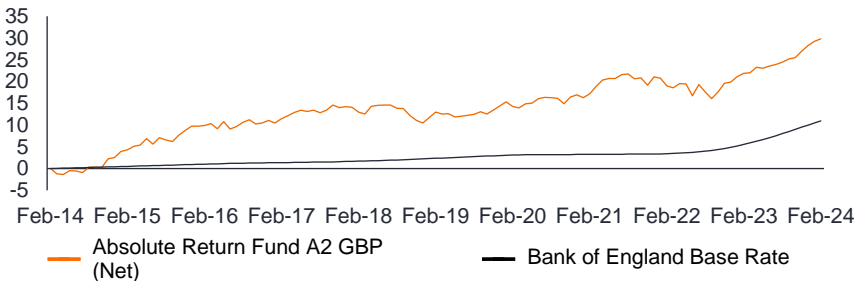
**Past performance does not predict future returns.**

## Performance (%)

Returns	Cumulative				Annualised		
	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
A2 GBP (Net)	0.43	2.23	1.22	6.52	3.48	2.82	2.64
Index	0.42	1.34	0.88	5.13	2.42	1.62	1.04

## Cumulative growth - GBP

28 Feb 2014 — 29 Feb 2024



Calendar year	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
A2 GBP (Net)	6.98	-0.98	3.53	2.23	3.55	-3.28	2.86	1.22	6.96	4.44
Index	4.86	1.49	0.11	0.23	0.75	0.60	0.29	0.40	0.50	0.50

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## Fund details

Inception date	24 March 2005
Total net assets	1.76bn
Asset class	Alternatives
Domicile	Luxembourg
Structure	SICAV
Base currency	GBP
Index	Bank of England Base Rate
Morningstar sector	Long/Short Equity - UK
SFDR category	Article 8

In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, the Fund is classified as Article 8 and promotes, among other characteristics, environmental and/or social characteristics, and invests in companies with good governance practices.

## Share class information

Inception date	24 March 2005
Distribution type	Accumulation Net
Historic yield	1.30%
Currency	GBP
Minimum initial investment	2,000

The Historic Yield does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

## Portfolio management

Ben Wallace	Manager since 2010
Luke Newman	Manager since 2010

## Characteristics

Number of holdings: Equity issues	160
Total fund exposure gross (%)	103.87
Total fund exposure net (%)	17.00

## Risk statistics (3 years)

	Fund
Standard deviation	3.44
Sharpe ratio	0.32

## Top holdings (%)

	Fund
Sherborne Investors Guernsey	1.79
Weir Group	1.19
CRH	1.16
Serco Group	1.11
Segro	1.03
Legal & General Group	1.01
Smiths Group	0.98
Ascential	0.89
Lancashire	0.82
Conduit	0.80

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## Market capitalisation of equity holdings (%)

	Gross	Net
>£20bn	60.11	10.95
£10bn-20bn	9.67	6.61
£5bn-10bn	8.71	0.58
£1bn-5bn	10.73	6.82
<£1bn	3.37	3.37
Index Derivatives	11.29	-11.29

## Sector allocation (%)

	Gross	Net
Financials	16.00	7.35
Industrials	38.29	7.06
Consumer Discretionary	4.24	2.66
Materials	14.26	2.14
Communication Services	2.48	2.05
Information Technology	2.49	2.03
Real Estate	2.04	1.63
Health Care	1.53	1.25
Energy	1.56	0.84
Utilities	2.61	0.76

## Top countries (%)

	Gross	Net
Netherlands	15.08	9.46
United Kingdom	60.44	8.39
France	2.82	2.33
Ireland	0.61	0.61
Denmark	0.58	0.58
United States	16.34	0.51
Canada	0.44	0.44
Finland	0.10	-0.10
Portugal	0.15	-0.15
Switzerland	1.73	-0.21

## Codes

ISIN	LU0200083342
Bloomberg	GARUKSA
Cusip	L41704732
SEDOL	B035DP7
WKN	A0DNFC
Valoren	1974466

## Fees & charges (%)

Annual management charge (AMC)	1.50
Performance fee description	20% of any returns that subject to a high water mark the share class achieves above the Bank of England Base Rate
Ongoing charge (OCF)	1.63

All ongoing charges stated are as per latest published report and accounts.

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Performance fees may be charged before the Fund's outperformance target is reached.

Performance fees are charged separately as a way of rewarding the investment manager for superior returns or for outperforming specified targets. A Performance Fee is accrued where the NAV outperforms the relevant Hurdle NAV (subject to a High Water Mark). For further explanation of the performance fee calculation methodology please see the relevant prospectus, available at [www.janushenderson.com](http://www.janushenderson.com).

Under some circumstances initial charges may apply. Please refer to the Prospectus for more details.

## Additional fund information

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### Investment policy

The Fund invests in shares and makes extensive use of derivatives (complex financial instruments) to take both 'long' and 'short' positions in companies the Investment Manager believes will either rise in value (long positions) or fall in value (short positions) meaning that the Fund may benefit from either scenario. The Fund will hold a significant proportion of its assets in cash and money market instruments as a result of holding derivatives and for when the Investment Manager wishes to take a defensive stance. Conversely, the Fund may also employ 'leverage' (so that the Fund can invest a greater amount than its actual value) when the Investment Manager has greater confidence in the opportunities available. Typically, at least 60% of the exposure to the long and short positions (in aggregate) will be to companies of any size, in any industry, in the UK. Companies may be incorporated or headquartered in the UK, deriving significant revenue from the UK, or listed on the London Stock Exchange. Up to 40% of the long and short exposure may be to non-UK companies. The Fund may also invest at the Investment Manager's discretion in other Transferable Securities, derivative instruments and collective investment schemes. The Investment Manager may also use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the Bank of England Base Rate as this forms the basis of the Fund's performance target and the level above which performance fees may be charged (if applicable). For currency hedged Share Classes, the central bank rate that corresponds with the relevant Share Class currency is used as the basis of the performance comparison and for calculating performance fees. The Investment Manager has complete discretion to choose investments for the Fund and is not constrained by a benchmark.

### Investment strategy

The Investment Manager blends core long term and tactical short term ideas to construct the portfolio. Ideas come from a variety of sources including proprietary research, external research and other Janus Henderson investment teams, with the intention of taking long positions in companies with unexpected earnings growth or value creation potential, and short positions in companies where earnings are priced in or where long term value is impaired.

### Fund specific risks

When the Fund, or a share/unit class, seeks to mitigate exchange rate movements of a currency relative to the base currency (hedge), the hedging strategy itself may positively or negatively impact the value of the Fund due to differences in short-term interest rates between the currencies. The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which the Fund trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations, or as a result of failure or delay in operational processes or the failure of a third party provider. Shares/Units can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result. If a Fund has a high exposure to a particular country or geographical region it carries a higher level of risk than a Fund which is more broadly diversified. The Fund may use derivatives to help achieve its investment objective. This can result in leverage (higher levels of debt), which can magnify an investment outcome. Gains or losses to the Fund may therefore be greater than the cost of the derivative. Derivatives also introduce other risks, in particular, that a derivative counterparty may not meet its contractual obligations. If the Fund holds assets in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, or you invest in a share/unit class of a different currency to the Fund (unless hedged, i.e. mitigated by taking an offsetting position in a related security), the value of your investment may be impacted by changes in exchange rates. Securities within the Fund could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price, especially in extreme market conditions when asset prices may be falling, increasing the risk of investment losses. The Fund involves a high level of buying and selling activity and as such will incur a higher level of transaction costs than a fund that trades less frequently. These transaction costs are in addition to the Fund's ongoing charges.

## Glossary

### Absolute return

The total return of a portfolio, as opposed to its relative return against a benchmark. It is measured as a gain or loss, and stated as a percentage of a portfolio's total value.

### Historic Yield

The Historic Yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown.

### Sharpe ratio

This measures a portfolio's risk-adjusted performance. A high Sharpe ratio indicates a better risk-adjusted return. The ratio is designed to measure how far a portfolio's return can be attributed to fund manager skill as opposed to excessive risk taking.

### Standard deviation

A statistic that measures the variation or dispersion of a set of values/data. A low standard deviation shows the values tend to be close to the mean while a high standard deviation indicates the values are more spread out. In terms of valuing investments, standard deviation can provide a gauge of the historical volatility of an investment.

### Swaps

A derivative contract between two parties where pre-determined cash flows of two financial instruments are exchanged. Swaps can help to hedge risk and minimise uncertainty; for example currency swaps can be used to minimise foreign currency exposure.

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