

Miton UK MicroCap Trust plc

Objective

To provide its shareholders with capital growth over the long term.

Key facts

Net assets	£41.5m
Shares in issue	76,923,603
Gearing	0.00%
Share price	49.00p
NAV	54.00p
Premium/(Discount)	(9.26)%
No. of holdings	143
Domicile	United Kingdom
Launch date	30 Apr 2015
Reporting dates	Final - 30 Apr Interim - 31 Oct
ISA eligible	Yes
AIC sector	UK Smaller Companies

Performance comparators
 Deutsche Numis 1000 index
 IT UK Smaller Companies sector

Trust managers



Gervais Williams
 Joined Premier Miton
Mar 2011
 Manager since
Apr 2015



Martin Turner
 Joined Premier Miton
May 2011
 Manager since
Apr 2015

Directors

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Fund codes

ISIN	GB00BWFQ085
SEDOL	BWFGQ08
Bloomberg	MINI LN

Manager commentary

August is traditionally considered quiet, because many staff are on holiday and trading within stock markets is often somewhat lower than usual.

This year however, even towards the end of July, global economic data had been more mixed than expected. This led to investors being somewhat anxious at the start of August, so when some unexpectedly weak employment data was published in the US, company share prices suddenly became very volatile. Numerous investors feared that the Japanese currency had become too weak, however with many seeking to buy Japanese Yen, the currency has staged a remarkably rapid recovery. Whilst there were all sorts of other gyrations in many other global stock markets at the time, in general most of these abrupt movements have been largely corrected subsequently.

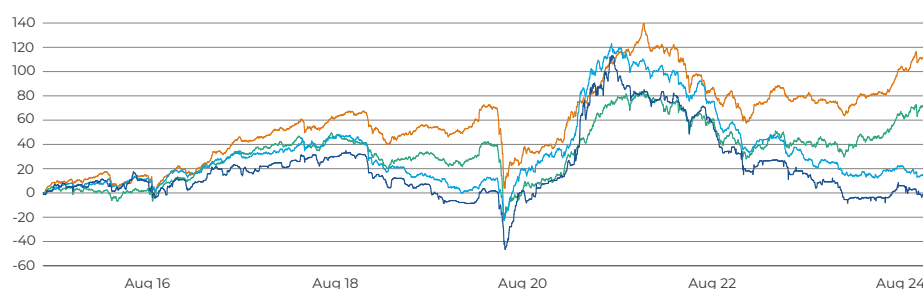
Within the UK stock market, the mainstream and small company indices, such as the FTSE 100 Index, the FTSE Small Cap and FTSE AIM All-Share Index,

dropped significantly in early August, and though there was a recovery, the FTSE Small Cap and FTSE AIM All-Share Index were still lower by the end of August.

Although numerous micro-cap companies are standing at what appear to be low valuations, all these global gyrations have meant that they have remained overlooked. The share price of Zoo Digital for example, a global leader in helping the film and TV streaming companies subtitle or dub their content for different countries, fell this month after considerable outperformance over the last three months. We were cheered that Shield Therapeutics share price continued to recover over August, after it announced that sales of its Acrufer iron deficiency pills were up 161% compared to the first half of last year. Even so, the NAV of the Miton UK Microcap Trust fell over the month.

Gervais Williams & Martin Turner
 31.08.2024

Performance since trust launch (%)



Cumulative performance (%)	1m	3m	1y	3y	5y	Trust launch
Share price	-5.31	-7.98	-10.66	-46.35	4.09	-2.45
NAV	-2.49	-5.99	-8.52	-46.04	7.60	12.82
Deutsche Numis 1000 index	-1.18	2.85	21.23	-6.59	39.01	70.75
IT UK Smaller Companies sector	-2.41	4.12	20.39	-7.56	41.71	111.09

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
Share price	-0.90	33.32	28.61	-28.67	-24.91	2.73
NAV	-8.17	50.04	20.03	-29.13	-20.22	-0.31
Deutsche Numis 1000 index	15.28	-1.53	24.99	-20.06	6.63	15.20
IT UK Smaller Companies sector	22.22	1.29	26.02	-20.37	3.73	16.22

	30.08.19 28.08.20	28.08.20 31.08.21	31.08.21 31.08.22	31.08.22 31.08.23	31.08.23 30.08.24
Share price	14.98	68.75	-25.37	-19.53	-10.66
NAV	25.98	58.30	-26.29	-19.98	-8.52
Deutsche Numis 1000 index	-9.26	64.01	-21.60	-1.72	21.23
IT UK Smaller Companies sector	-6.08	63.23	-22.68	-0.69	20.39

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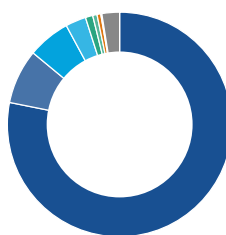


Portfolio breakdown

Top 20 holdings (%)

Yu Group	7.6
MTI Wireless Edge	2.9
Beeks Financial Cloud Group	2.3
Concurrent Technologies	2.2
CyanConnode Holdings	2.0
Zoo Digital Group	1.9
Mercia Asset Management	1.8
Trufin	1.8
Invinity Energy Systems	1.7
Frontier IP Group	1.7
Savannah Resources	1.6
Zephyr Energy	1.6
Incanthera	1.5
Shield Therapeutics	1.5
Van Elle	1.5
Ultimate Products	1.5
Marwyn Value Investors	1.4
Record	1.4
Zinc Media Group	1.4
STM Group	1.4

Index weighting (%)



■ FTSE AIM	78.1
■ FTSE Small Cap	7.9
■ UK-listed non-indexed shares	6.1
■ Other	3.0
■ Overseas	1.1
■ FTSE 100 Put Options	0.6
■ FTSE Fledgling	0.5
■ Nex Exchange	0.1
■ Cash	2.5

Charges

Ongoing charges figure (OCF) as at 30.04.2024	1.99%
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The ongoing charges figure (OCF) is not the same as the ongoing costs figure set out in the Company's Key Information Document. The key differences are that gearing costs and portfolio transaction costs are not included in the OCF. In addition costs are calculated on slightly different bases. The OCF figure set out above mirrors that in the Report and Accounts and is based on costs incurred in the year which are likely to recur in the foreseeable future. The ongoing costs figures in the Key Information Document provide investors with the impact costs have had on returns averaged over the five year recommended holding period.

Management fee on market cap	0.90%
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General risks

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Typically, there is less risk of losing money over the long-term (which we define as over 5 years) from an investment that is considered low risk, although potential returns may also be lower. Investments considered higher risk typically offer greater

opportunities for better long-term returns, though the risk of losing money is also likely to be higher. Premier Miton is unable to provide investment, tax or financial planning advice. We recommend that you discuss any investment decisions with a financial adviser.

Other risks

Some of the main specific risks of investing in this trust are summarised here.

Derivatives

Derivatives may be used within funds for different reasons, usually to reduce risk, which can be called "hedging". This can limit gains in certain circumstances as well. Derivatives can also be used to generate income or to increase the risk being taken, which can have positive or negative outcomes. The derivatives used can be options or futures which are types of contracts that are dealt on an exchange or negotiated with a third party. More complex derivatives may also be used. Derivatives can also introduce leverage to a fund, which is similar to borrowing money to invest.

Equities

Equities (company shares) can experience high levels of price fluctuation. Smaller company shares can be riskier than the largest companies, companies in less developed countries (emerging markets) can be riskier than those in developed countries and funds focused on a particular country or region can be riskier than funds that are more geographically diverse. These risks can result in bigger movements in the value of the fund. Equities can be affected by changes in central bank interest rates and by inflation.

Other investment risks

Funds may have holdings in investments such as commodities (raw materials), infrastructure and property as well as other areas such as specialist lending and renewable energy. These investments will be indirect, which means accessing these

assets by investing in companies, other funds or similar investment vehicles. These investments can also increase risk and experience sharp price movements. Funds focused on specific sectors or industries, such as property or infrastructure, may carry a higher level of risk and can experience bigger movements in value. Certain investments can be impacted by decisions made by third parties, such as governments or regulators.

Other risks

There are many other factors that can influence the value of a fund. These include currency movements, changes in the law, regulations or tax, operational systems or third-party failures, or financial market conditions that make it difficult to buy or sell investments for the fund.



Other information

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Glossary

Annual management charge (AMC)

The yearly fee paid to Premier Miton for managing a trust, expressed as a percentage of your investment. The AMC does not typically change from year to year.

Assets

Different groups of investments such as company shares, bonds, commodities or property.

Bonds (or fixed income)

Types of investments that allow investors to loan money to governments and companies, usually in return for a regular fixed level of interest until the bond's maturity date, plus the return of the original value of the bond at the maturity date. The price of bonds will vary and the investment terms of bonds will also vary.

Capital

Describes financial assets, particularly cash, or other assets, such as shares, owned by a person or organisation.

Capital growth

The increase in the value of an asset or investment over time, measured by its current value compared to its purchase cost.

Discount

The shares of investment trusts can have a price below the value of their net assets, this difference is known as the discount. The shares can also be at a premium to their net assets.

Dividends

The portion of its capital that a company chooses to return to its shareholders. For a

trust, this is the payment of trust's income to its shareholders.

Equities

Another name for shares (or stock) in a company.

FTSE 100 Put Option

A type of derivative contract in which the underlying value is based on the level of the FTSE 100 index which tracks the performance of the top 100 largest companies by market value listed on the London Stock Exchange. Such contracts can be used to protect the value of an underlying investment or group of investments against a fall in the value of those 100 largest companies and can be thought of as an insurance policy.

Gearing

The level of a company's debt in relation to its capital. A company with significant debt compared to its capital is considered to be highly geared.

Individual Savings Account (ISA)

A type of tax-free scheme, set up by the government, designed to help people make the most of their savings and investments. All income and gains from an ISA investment are exempt from UK Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax. HM Revenue and Customs sets the maximum amounts that you are allowed to invest into an ISA each tax year.

Micro-Cap

A company with a market capitalisation (the total value of all a company's shares) of below £250 million.

Net Asset Value (NAV)

The total of a company's assets minus its liabilities. The net asset value per share is the total of a company's assets minus its liabilities divided by the number of shares in issue.

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)

As recommended by the Association of Investment Companies in its guidance, ongoing charges are the Company's annualised revenue and capital expenses (excluding finance costs and certain non-recurring items) expressed as a percentage of the average monthly net assets of the Company during the year. Please note this figure is different to what is stated in the PRIIPS KID.

Share price yield

The dividend per share divided by the stock's or fund's price per share and expressed as a percentage. The historic yield is the dividend income distributed during the past year and expressed as a percentage of the share price on a particular day.

Small-cap

On the London Stock Exchange, the term 'small cap' refers to companies with a market capitalisation between £50m and £230m.

Total return

A way of showing how an investment has performed, and is made-up of the capital appreciation or depreciation and includes any income generated by the investment. Measured over a set period, it is expressed as a percentage of the value of the investment at the start of that period.

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