

# US VENTURE FUND

**H2 HEUR ISIN IE00BFRSZ172**

## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide capital growth over the long term. Performance target: To outperform the Russell 2000 Growth Index by 2% per annum, before the deduction of charges, over any 5 year period.

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

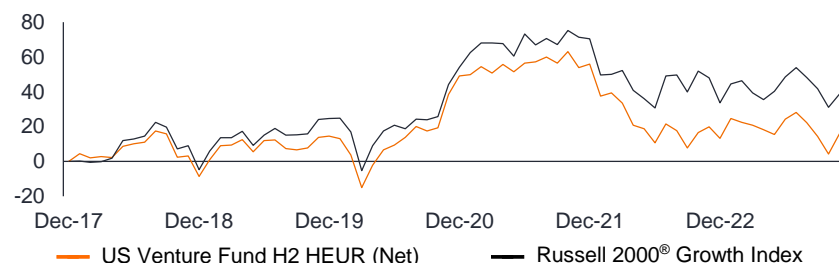
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## Performance (%)

Returns	Cumulative				Annualised			
	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since inception (15/12/17)
H2 HEUR (Net)	11.02	-5.23	2.29	-3.34	-5.77	2.35	—	2.51
Index	5.69	-6.45	3.65	-6.42	-1.28	4.93	—	5.39
H2 HEUR (Gross)	—	—	—	—	—	3.30	—	3.47
Target	—	—	—	—	—	7.03	—	7.50

## Cumulative growth - EUR

15 Dec 2017 — 30 Nov 2023



Calendar year	YTD at Q3 2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017 from 15 Dec
H2 HEUR (Net)	1.06	-27.42	4.55	30.17	25.49	-8.69	0.10
Index	6.09	-21.53	10.64	23.51	30.85	-4.73	-1.34

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## Fund details

<b>Inception date</b>	31 December 1999
<b>Total net assets</b>	109.50m
<b>Asset class</b>	Equities
<b>Domicile</b>	Ireland
<b>Structure</b>	Irish Investment Company
<b>Base currency</b>	USD
<b>Index</b>	Russell 2000® Growth Index
<b>Morningstar sector</b>	US Small-Cap Equity

## Share class information

<b>Inception date</b>	15 December 2017
<b>Distribution type</b>	Accumulation
<b>Currency</b>	EUR
<b>Minimum initial investment</b>	2,500

## Portfolio management

<b>Jonathan Coleman, CFA</b>	Manager since 2013
<b>Scott Stutzman, CFA</b>	Manager since 2016
<b>Aaron Schaechterle</b>	Manager since 2023

## Characteristics

Number of holdings: Equity issues	127
Active share	90.58%
Weighted average market cap	5.64bn
Price-to-book ratio	2.95
Price-to-earnings ratio	16.61

## Risk statistics (3 years)

	Fund	Index
Beta	0.88	—
Standard deviation	20.21	19.82
Sharpe ratio	-0.32	-0.10

## Top holdings (%)

	Fund
Nice Ltd (ADR)	2.10
Stride Inc	2.04
SS&C Technologies Holdings Inc	1.96
BellRing Brands Inc	1.93
Descartes Systems Group Inc	1.82
ATS Corp	1.80
Blackbaud Inc	1.79
Rentokil Initial PLC (ADR)	1.67
Core & Main Inc	1.61
Broadridge Financial Solutions Inc	1.57
<b>Total</b>	<b>18.29</b>

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## Market capitalisation of equity holdings (%)

	Fund	Index
\$10B to \$50B	17.07	1.21
\$5B to \$10B	25.20	21.04
\$1B to \$5B	47.57	67.33
\$500M to \$1B	4.78	6.95
\$250M to \$500M	0.79	2.36
\$100M to \$250M	0.76	0.98
Under \$100M	0.06	0.08
N/A	1.22	0.05

## Sector allocation (%)

	Fund	Index
Industrials	27.98	20.51
Health Care	23.16	21.16
Information Technology	17.26	21.78
Financials	10.75	6.44
Consumer Discretionary	5.69	11.07
Materials	3.98	4.16
Consumer Staples	3.55	4.54
Communication Services	3.11	2.24
Energy	1.29	4.84
Real Estate	0.68	1.64
Cash Equivalents & Other	2.55	—

## Regions (%)

	Fund	Index
North America	86.59	98.43
Europe	5.89	0.74
Africa/Mideast	3.64	0.26
Asia/Pacific Ex Japan	1.33	0.01

## Codes

ISIN	IE00BFRSZ172
Cusip	G5S1EN591
SEDOL	BFRSZ17
WKN	A117BZ
Valoren	22772438

## Fees & charges (%)

Annual management charge (AMC)	0.80
Ongoing charge (OCF)	0.93

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

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

## Additional fund information

Tax assumptions and reliefs depend upon an investor's particular circumstances and may be subject to change. From 01 September 2023, Aaron Schaechterle also co-manages this fund. Please note: due to rounding the figures in the holdings breakdowns may not add up to 100%. This is an Irish Investment Company regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. Note that any differences among portfolio securities currencies, share class currencies and costs to be paid or represented in currencies other than your home currency will expose you to currency risk. Costs and returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations. To obtain our prospectus and any additional information please visit our website on: [www.janushenderson.com](http://www.janushenderson.com). A short-term trading fee may be applied upon exiting the fund as per the prospectus. Investment into the fund will acquire units/shares of the fund itself and not the underlying assets owned by the fund. Cash balances and exposures are based on settled and unsettled trades as at the reporting date.

### Investment policy

The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in a concentrated portfolio of shares (also known as equities) of companies, in any industry, in the United States. Companies will be incorporated, headquartered, listed on an exchange in, or deriving significant revenue from, the United States. The Fund will invest at least 50% in smaller US companies. The Fund may also invest in other assets including companies outside the United States, cash and money market instruments. The investment manager may use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk, to manage the Fund more efficiently, or to generate additional capital or income for the Fund. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the Russell 2000 Growth Index, which is broadly representative of the companies in which it may invest, as this forms the basis of the Fund's performance target. The investment manager has discretion to choose individual investments for the Fund with weightings different to the index or not in the index, but at times the Fund may hold investments similar to the index.

### Investment strategy

The investment manager follows a fundamental, research-driven strategy, seeking to identify innovative companies with distinct advantages over their competitors, which allow them to protect market share and/or profitability. Commonly referred to as stock picking or "bottom-up" investing, portfolios of fundamental-based investments are built one security at a time following intensive in-house research into each company. Areas of research focus can include the company's management, financials, competitive strengths and weaknesses, earnings growth prospects and numerous other metrics.

### 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. Shares of small and mid-size companies can be more volatile than shares of larger companies, and at times it may be difficult to value or to sell shares at desired times and prices, increasing the risk of losses. 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.

## Glossary

### Active share

This measures how much a portfolio's holdings differ from its benchmark index. For example, a portfolio with an active share of 60% indicates that 60% of its holdings differ from its benchmark, while the remaining 40% mirror the benchmark.

### Beta

Beta measures how a fund or security moves in relationship to the overall market. A market has a beta of 1. If the fund/security's beta is more than 1, it moves more than the market, while a beta lower than 1 means it moves to a lesser extent than the market. A negative beta could mean the fund/security moves in the opposite direction to the market.

### Price-to-book (P/B) ratio

A financial ratio used to value a company's shares. It is calculated by dividing a company's market value (share price) by the book value of its equity (value of the company's assets on its balance sheet). A P/B value <1 can indicate a potentially undervalued company or a declining business. The higher the P/B ratio, the higher the premium the market is willing to pay for the company above the book (balance sheet) value of its assets.

### Price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio

A popular ratio used to value a company's shares, compared to other stocks, or a benchmark index. It is calculated by dividing the current share price by its earnings per share.

### 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.

### Weighted average market cap

The average market capitalisation of a holding, weighted by the size of that position in a portfolio or index.

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