

# ARTEMIS UK Growth (UT)

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## Key Information

<b>Launch Date</b>	3 April 1998	
<b>Fund Size</b>	£334.3m	
<b>Type of Units Available</b>	Accumulation	
<b>Distribution Date</b>	28 February	
<b>Historic Yield</b>	1.00%	
<b>ISA</b>	Yes	
<b>ISA Transfer</b>	Yes	
<b>Standard Fund Management Charges</b>	<b>Initial</b>	5.00%
	<b>Annual</b>	1.50%

## Classification

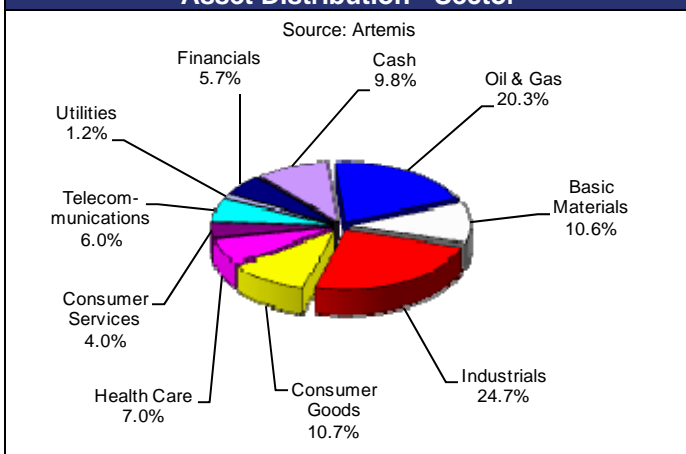
<b>Sector</b>	UK All Companies
<b>Market Cap / Style</b>	Large Cap Bias / Blend
<b>Benchmark/Index</b>	FTSE All-Share

## Management/Investment Style

<b>Fund Manager</b>	Tim Steer (June 2009)
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Offers investors a reasonably concentrated portfolio with a bias towards large caps, in which fundamental company research goes hand in hand with detailed quantitative analysis. The core style is growth at reasonable prices but this is modified over the course of the economic and stockmarket cycles with a view to optimising portfolio returns.

## Asset Distribution - Sector



## Investment Objective & Methodology

The objective of the fund is to provide long-term capital growth by investment in companies listed, quoted and/or traded in the UK and in companies which are headquartered or have a significant part of their activities in the UK which are quoted on a regulated market outside the UK. In practice, the fund aims for a total return in excess of that of the FTSE All-Share Index.

The fund is managed by Tim Steer who joined Artemis in 2009 from New Star. Having qualified as a chartered accountant, he established himself early in his career as a successful company analyst focused on the small and mid-cap sector, working at HSBC and then Merrill Lynch. He is supported by Stephen Yiu.

The manager believes that through disciplined stock picking and active management he is able to produce superior returns and outperform the market through a variety of conditions. He operates a bottom-up approach to stock picking, drawing on his accounting expertise to identify those companies which offer growth potential from a sound financial base, as well as to highlight those companies to be avoided as they could prove problematic. Stock idea generation is drawn from a variety of sources, including MARKET – an in-house stock screening tool and external brokers; he is also able to draw upon the expertise available from his fellow managers within Artemis. The manager undertakes rigorous analysis of companies' accounts and has a four-step approach to investing. Firstly, he believes that a company's accounts can reveal much about its current state as well as offer a guide to its future potential. He also pays significant attention to the finer detail in accounts which are often ignored, concentrating specifically on the use of provisions, cash flow, revenue recognition, debtors and debtor levels. The second stage is to compare relative valuations across sectors and he takes into consideration the market's current appetite for a stock or sector. Thirdly, he places great emphasis on meeting and gaining a thorough knowledge of the management; he will not buy a stock if he has yet to meet the management team. Finally, the manager combines the first three stages of the investment process into the fourth, where he seeks to anticipate the future newsflow at the company. The fund can then be orientated towards companies that will provide positive newsflow, which will drive share price performance. He follows a strict sell discipline and will cut a stock quickly if it fails to perform as expected.

The fund will typically contain between 50 – 70 stocks. The manager aims to ensure that the fund is a diversified but focused fund that is benchmark aware, but not benchmark driven. To ensure this, he operates under the following self-imposed limits: no less than 30% of the portfolio will be invested in blue chip stocks, absolute stock positions are limited to 5% of the fund and sector exposure will be kept within +/-10% points of the benchmark for the four largest sectors.

## Top Ten Holdings

	%
Weir Group	5.9
Vodafone Group	5.1
GlaxoSmithKline	5.1
BP	5.0
Royal Dutch Shell - B Shares	4.9
Rolls Royce Group	4.6
BG Group	4.5
Aggreko	4.5
HSBC Holdings	3.9
Petrofac	3.2
Concentration (Top 10)	46.7
Total Number of Holdings	55

Source: Artemis

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Data as at 31 December 2011  
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