

# U.S. Flexible Equity Fund

# February 2019: Fund Factsheet

# Performance (% net of fees)

### As of 28 February 2019

| ANNUALISED RETURNS        | 1 MO | 3 МО | 1 YR | 3 YR | ITD |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| U.S Flexible Equity B USD | 2.8  | 0.7  | 2.6  | 15.1 | 8.9 |
| S&P 500 Net USD           | 3.1  | 1.3  | 4.1  | 14.6 | 9.8 |

| ROLLING 12 MONTH RETURNS:       | 02.18 | 02.17 | 02.16 |
|---------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
|                                 | 02.19 | 02.18 | 02.17 |
| U.S. Flexible Equity Fund B USD | 2.6   | 20.6  | 23.4  |
| S&P 500 Net USD                 | 4.1   | 16.4  | 24.2  |

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman and Morningstar. Performance over 1 year is annualised.

# Communication Services Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples Energy Financials Health Care Industrials Information Technology Materials Real Estate Utilities LITE RATED by FundCalibre.com 9,8 10.1 2.8 7.1 13.3 22.0 14.8 19.8 25.2 25.2

### Characteristics

|                  | U.S. FLEXIBLE EQUITY | S&P 500   |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| FY2 P/E Ratio    | 15.0x                | 15.2x     |
| P/E-Growth Ratio | 1.0x                 | 1.3x      |
| Gross Yield*     | 1.32%                | 1.96%     |
| Cash             | 2.5%                 | -         |
| Market Cap       |                      |           |
| Weighted Average | \$257.0bn            | \$216.3bn |
| <\$10 Billion    | 2.7%                 | 2.3%      |
| \$10-100 Billion | 37.0%                | 46.4%     |
| >\$100 Billion   | 57.8%                | 51.2%     |

<sup>\*</sup> Dividend yield for each share class is lower. Dividend rates are available upon request.

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### **FundFacts**

The Fund seeks long-term growth of capital. It searches across a broad investment universe to find attractive or improving businesses at bargain prices. We believe this flexible approach allows the strategy to capitalize on undervalued shares in attractive businesses no matter whether the stocks are statistically characterised as "value" or "growth" investments.

| Portfolio Managers | R. Hutchings Vernon, CFA<br>Maneesh Bajaj, CFA |
|--------------------|--|
| Structure          | UCITS (Ireland)                                |
| Base Currency      | USD  |
| Launch Date        | 7 March 2014                                   |
| Fund Size          | USD 378 million                                |
| Holdings           | 45   |
| Dealing            | Daily  |

### Top 10 Equity Holdings

| SECURITY                         | %    |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Visa Inc. Class A                | 6.3  |
| Mastercard Incorporated Class A  | 5.3  |
| Alphabet Inc. Class A & C        | 4.8  |
| Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B  | 4.3  |
| Microsoft Corporation            | 3.9  |
| Lowe's Companies, Inc.           | 3.7  |
| Facebook Inc. Class A            | 3.5  |
| Edwards Lifesciences Corporation | 3.2  |
| JPMorgan Chase & Co.             | 3.1  |
| Apple Inc.                       | 3.1  |
| Total                            | 41.2 |

### Performance Contributors

| TOP 5 CONTRIBUTORS                                     |               |
|--|---------------|
| Visa Inc. Class A                                      | +9.7          |
| Mastercard Incorporated Class A                        | +6.5          |
| Lowe's Companies, Inc.                                 | +9.3          |
| Microsoft Corporation                                  | +7.3          |
| Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. Sponsored ADR               | +8.6          |
| BOTTOM 5 CONTRIBUTORS                                  |               |
|  |               |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated                        | -10.4         |
|  |               |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated                        | -10.4         |
| UnitedHealth Group Incorporated  Booking Holdings Inc. | -10.4<br>-7.4 |

Total return (%) of equity security is the sum of the return from price movement and the return due to dividend payments or other sources of income.



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Additional Performance (% net of fees)

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman. Performance over 1 year is annualised.

| SHARE CLASSES (INCEPTION DATE)                  | 1 MO | 1 YR | 3 YR | ITD  | NAV   |
|---|------|------|------|------|-------|
| U.S. Flexible Equity A USD (27-Feb-2015)        | 2.6  | 1.8  | 14.4 | 7.1  | 13.15 |
| U.S. Flexible Equity B USD (07-Mar-2014)        | 2.8  | 2.6  | 15.1 | 8.9  | 15.31 |
| U.S. Flexible Equity C USD (22-Apr-2014)        | 2.7  | 2.8  | 15.4 | 9.8  | 15.71 |
| U.S. Flexible Equity B GBP Dist. (16-Nov-2016)  | 1.5  | 6.2  | -    | 10.3 | 12.50 |
| U.S. Flexible Equity B GBP Hedged (22-May-2014) | 2.5  | 0.5  | 13.4 | 8.8  | 14.93 |
| S&P 500 Net USD (07-Mar-2014)                   | 3.1  | 4.1  | 14.6 | 9.8  | -     |

### **Fund Facts**

| Administrator                             | Brown Brothers Harriman (Ireland)   |
|---|---|
| Administrator contact                     | Tel: +353 1603 6490   |
| Settlement                                | T+2   |
| Minimum Investment (in relevant currency) | A:5,000<br>B:10,000,000<br>C:5,000,000  |
| Registered for sale <sup>1</sup>          | AUT, CHE, DEU, DNK, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, IRL, ITA, LUX, NOR, PRT, SGP <sup>2</sup> , SWE |
| Eligibility (UK)                          | ISA and SIPP  |

### Share Classes

| Orial C Olasses                 |              |         |       |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------|-------|-------|
|                                 | ISIN         | TICKER  | TER   | AMC   |
| Dollar A Class (Acc.)           | IE00BJ357Q90 | BAUSFAU | 1.68% | 1.50% |
| Dollar B Class (Acc.)           | IE00BJ357R08 | BAUSFBU | 0.94% | 0.75% |
| Dollar B Class (Dist.)          | IE00BYT42489 | BAUSBDU | 0.94% | 0.75% |
| Dollar C Class (Acc.)*          | IE00BJ357S15 | BAUSFCU | 0.69% | seed  |
| Dollar C Class (Dist.)*         | IE00BYT42596 | BAUSBDE | 0.69% | seed  |
| Sterling B Class (Dist.)        | IE00BYPJ0K93 | BAUFGBD | 0.94% | 0.75% |
| Hedged Sterling B Class (Acc.)  | IE00BJ357W50 | BAUFBGH | 0.98% | 0.75% |
| Hedged Sterling B Class (Dist.) | IE00BYPJ0M18 | BYPJ0M1 | 1.00% | 0.75% |
| Sterling C Class (Dist.)*       | IE00BYPJ0L01 | BAUSCDS | 0.69% | seed  |
| Euro B Class (Dist.)            | IE00BYT42935 | BAUSBDE | 1.00% | 0.75% |

<sup>\*</sup> C Share Classes are closed to new investors. Additional share classes may be available.

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- Independent since 1998, employee-owned
- Fundamentally driven, investment management firm
- Over USD 69 billion in client assets<sup>3</sup>

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