# **U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund**



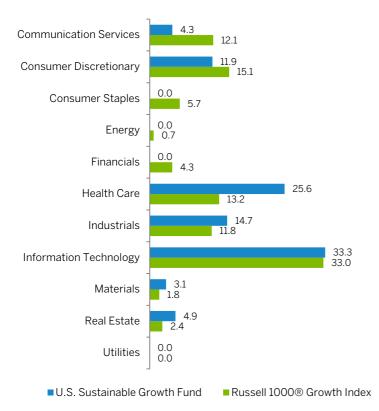
# March 2019: Fund Factsheet

#### Annualised Performance (% net of fees)

SHARE CLASSES (INCEPTION DATE)	1 MO	3 MO	1 YR	ITD	NAV
U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund C USD (03-April-2017)	3.4	18.5	18.8	21.6	14.76
U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund B GBP (03-August-2017)	5.5	15.6	27.5	21.7	13.85
Russell 1000® Growth Index Net (USD)	2.8	16.0	12.3	16.6	-

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

### Sector Weights (inc. cash)



# Characteristics

Source: Facts

Characteristics		Source: Factset
	U.S. SUSTAINABLE GROWTH FUND	RUSSELL 1000® GROWTH INDEX
FY2 P/E Ratio	24.1x	18.8x
P/E-Growth Ratio	1.5x	1.3x
Gross Yield*	0.63%	1.23%
Cash	2.2%	-
Market Cap		
Weighted Average	\$190.6bn	\$290.6bn
<\$10 Billion	14.0%	6.6%
\$10-100 Billion	49.5%	39.2%
>\$100 Billion	34.3%	54.2%

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

#### Portfolio Managers



As of 31 March 2019

Karina Funk, CFA Portfolio Manager, Head of Sustainable Investing Investment experience since 2003; joined Brown Advisory in 2009



David Powell, CFA Portfolio Manager Investment experience since 1997; joined Brown Advisory in 2001

#### Strategy Profile

Benchmark	Russell 1000® Growth Index
UCITS Fund Inception	3 April, 2017
Strategy Inception	31 December, 2009
PortfolioHoldings	Typically 30 - 40
PositionSize	Typically 1%-5%
Fund Size	USD 176 million
Top 10 Holdings	Typically 35% - 50%
Market Capitalisation	>\$2 billion at time of purchase

# Top 10 Equity Holdings

SECURITY	%
Danaher Corporation	5.1
Microsoft Corporation	5.0
American Tower Corporation	4.9
Amazon.com, Inc.	4.8
Visa Inc. Class A	4.6
Intuit Inc.	4.6
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	4.4
Alphabet Inc. Class A	4.3
Verisk Analytics Inc.	3.7
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	3.7
Total	45.1

### Performance Contributors

TOP 5 CONTRIBUTORS	
American Tower Corporation	+11.9
Amazon.com, Inc.	+8.6
Edwards Lifesciences Corporation	+13.0
Microsoft Corporation	+5.3
Intuit Inc.	+5.8
BOTTOM 5 CONTRIBUTORS	
J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	-5.9
Autodesk, Inc.	-4.4
Autodesk, Inc. Aptiv PLC	-4.4 -4.4

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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## ESG Screens

Our fundamental, bottom-up research process enjoys a large universe of opportunities. Our stock selection is ultimately tested against back-end screens to avoid certain controversial business involvement.

The Fund excludes companies that:

- Defy the United Nations Global Compact Principles
- Derive any of their revenues from controversial weapons
- Conduct animal testing for non-medical purposes
- Own fossil fuel reserves; are utilities that generate power from fossil fuels

#### Fund Facts

Structure	UCITS (Ireland)
Administrator	Brown Brothers Harriman (Ireland)
Settlement	T+2
Minimum Investment (in relevant currency)	A: 5,000 B: 10,000,000 C: 5,000,000
Dealing Cut Off Point	15:00 Irish Time, Daily
Registered for Sale <sup>1</sup>	AUT, BEL, CHE, DNK, DEU, FIN, GBR, IRL, LUX, NOR, SGP <sup>2</sup> , SWE, NLD, ESP
Eligibility (UK)	ISA and SIPP

#### Brown Advisory

- Founded in 1993 as investment management arm of Alex. Brown & Sons
- Independent since 1998, employee-owned
- Fundamentally driven, investment management firm
- Over USD 71 billion in client assets<sup>3</sup>

# The Fund imposes limits on the following business activities:

- <3% turnover (by company) from adult entertainment</li>
- <5% turnover (by company) from military equipment</p>
- <5% turnover (by company) from alcohol</p>
- <5% turnover (by company) from tobacco products</p>
- <5% turnover (by company) from gambling</p>

#### Share Classes

	ISIN	TICKER	TER*	AMC
Dollar C Class Acc.	IE00BF1T7322	BASGCUA	0.66%	seed
Dollar C Class Dist.	IE00BF1T7439	BASGCUD	0.66%	seed
Dollar A Class Dist.	IE00BF1T6M41	BASGAUD	1.66%	1.50%
Dollar B Class Dist.	IE00BF1T6T10	BASGBUD	0.91%	0.75%
Sterling B Class Dist.	IE00BF1T6X55	BASGSBD	0.91%	0.75%
Euro B Class Acc.	IE00BF1T6Z79	BF1T6Z7	0.91%	0.75%
Hedged Euro B Class Acc.	IE00BF1T7090	BF1T709	0.95%	0.75%

Dollar C Share Classes are closed to new investors. Additional share classes may be available

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\*TERs are the actual TERs as of 31 March, 2019. The maximum TER of A share classes is 1.75%, B share classes is 1.00%, and C share classes is 0.75%. <sup>1</sup>The Fund will be available for subscription only in jurisdictions where they have been registered for distribution or may otherwise be distributed lawfully. Only certain share classes may be registered in some jurisdictions, please contact us for more information.

<sup>2</sup>Singapore - restricted scheme, please contact us for more information.

<sup>3</sup>As of 28 February 2019, Brown Advisory had more than USD 71 billion in client assets.