

# TB WISE MULTI-ASSET GROWTH



## MONTHLY FACTSHEET

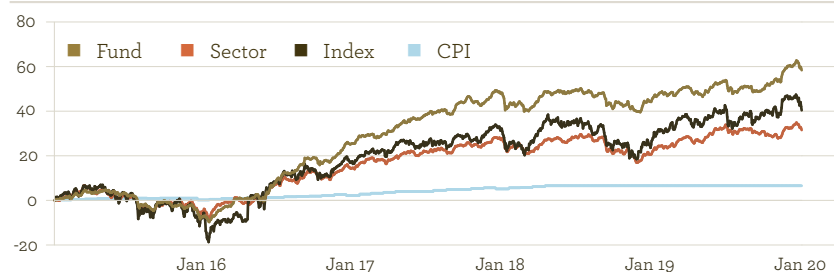
all data as at 31 January 2020

### FUND ATTRIBUTES

The investment objective of TB Wise Multi-Asset Growth is to provide growth over the medium to long term in excess of the Cboe UK All Companies Index and in line with, or better than, the rate of UK inflation (based on the Bank of England's preferred measure of UK inflation, which is currently the Consumer Price Index (CPI)).

- ✓ Aims to provide long term capital growth ahead of the Cboe UK All Companies Index and inflation
- ✓ Portfolio of c.40 funds and investment trusts
- ✓ Adopts a value bias investment approach
- ✓ Focus on high-quality funds and investment trusts investing in out-of-favour areas
- ✓ Preference for fund managers with a disciplined, easy-to-understand investment process
- ✓ Low portfolio turnover

### FIVE YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)



### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

	1m	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr
Fund <sup>1</sup>	-1.1	5.5	3.0	8.8	26.2	58.4
Relative to Cboe UK All Companies*	2.4	3.8	3.3	-1.7	8.0	23.2
Relative to CPI*		5.3	2.4	6.7	19.2	49.1
Relative to IA Flexible*	-0.6	2.2	2.0	-2.4	8.0	23.0
Rank in sector	112/163	19/162	37/161	111/157	17/131	9/119
Quartile	3	1	1	3	1	1

### DISCRETE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

	31/01/19	31/01/18	31/01/17	31/01/16	31/01/15
	31/01/20	31/01/19	31/01/18	31/01/17	31/01/16
Fund <sup>1</sup>	8.8	-1.0	17.2	35.0	-7.1
Relative to Cboe UK All Companies*	-1.7	2.9	5.9	14.1	-1.8
Relative to CPI*	6.7	-2.8	14.2	33.1	-7.3
Relative to IA Flexible*	-2.4	3.0	6.5	14.9	-2.5

\*A negative figure denotes underperformance of the fund, and a positive figure denotes outperformance.

All performance data used on this factsheet is total return, bid-to-bid, net of UK dividend tax credit, and sourced from Financial Express.

The fund's main unit was changed to B shares on 1 December 2012 to comply with RDR regulation.

1. TB Wise Multi-Asset Growth B Acc

Past performance is not a guide to the future and outperforming target benchmarks is not guaranteed.

### RATINGS



### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



Vincent Ropers, Tony Yarrow, and Philip Matthews (left to right)

#### VINCENT ROPERS

Vincent joined the Wise Funds team in April 2017 as a co-portfolio manager, bringing twelve years of portfolio management experience.

#### TONY YARROW

Tony founded Wise Investment, now Wise Funds, in 1992. He has been managing investment funds since 1988 bringing thirty years experience.

#### PHILIP MATTHEWS

Philip joined the Wise Funds team in September 2018 as co-portfolio manager, bringing nineteen years of portfolio management experience.

### KEY DETAILS

Target Benchmarks <sup>2</sup>	Cboe UK All Companies, UK CPI
Comparator Benchmark	IA Flexible
Launch date	1 April 2004
Fund value	£61.4 million
Holdings	36
Valuation time	12pm

2. The target benchmarks have been chosen as the most appropriate benchmarks for the fund. Targeting an income in excess of the CBOE UK All Companies Index and long term growth above the level of CPI. The comparator benchmark shows the fund against the Flexible sector. To find out more, please see the full prospectus.

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## PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS

### MANAGER COMMENTARY

We ended our last commentary of 2019 with cautious optimism, stating that the “closures” that came through in December, both in UK politics and with regards the US-China trade disputes, left the world on a stronger footing. We expected some volatility along the way in 2020, however. What we hadn’t anticipated was for global economies and markets to be affected by a health crisis of the scope of the one that started recently in China and is now spreading fast across the globe. While investors started the year with a pause after the very strong performance of so-called risk assets in December, the coronavirus outbreak gave an excuse for cautious positioning to prevail again, at least in the short-term. Global equities and, particularly Asian ones being in the eye of the storm, gave back some of their recent gains, while government bonds resumed their march higher. In the commodities space, without much surprise, gold was an investors’ favourite, while industrial metals and oil, both sensitive to economic growth, suffered strong losses. Without wanting to belittle in any way the impact that the coronavirus outbreak has -and will likely continue to have- on thousands of people’s lives, as investors, it is important to try to assess the situation objectively. As it currently stands and despite the quick escalation in cases, the virus is neither highly contagious nor does it lead to a high mortality rate. Previous instances of such events (SARS in 2003 or MERS in 2012 for example) have also shown that, past the initial panic selling, the rebound in markets tends to be swift. What is undeniable, however, is that the health authorities don’t have a good grasp of the situation yet: they still need to fully understand the origins of the virus, its transmission mechanisms and, hopefully, come up with treatments and vaccinations. Meanwhile, a lot of uncertainty will remain. Another undeniable fact is that the longer this uncertainty lasts, the greater the impact will be on global growth as precautionary measures such as quarantines, cancellations of travels, business closures, etc...start impacting both supply and demand. Weighing all the above, we think there could be opportunities for investors amidst the current panic, but it remains important to tread carefully.

The TB Wise Multi-Asset Growth fund was down 1.1% in January, beating the CBOE UK All Companies index, down 3.5%, but behind its peer group, down 0.5%. In the volatile month described above, the top contributors were our two utilities and infrastructure funds, Ecofin Global Utilities and Infrastructure and Miton Global Infrastructure Income. Those are in sectors perceived to provide a safe haven in choppy times. Interestingly, our top absolute performer in January was the Mobius Investment Trust, up 10%. Given the panic selling that occurred in emerging markets, this can seem counterintuitive but is a very good illustration of opportunities that can be found in this environment, particularly in the investment trust universe. While this fund is not the most directly exposed to the coronavirus outbreak, being an emerging markets fund, it isn’t immune either. However, the driver of its performance was the tightening of the trust’s discount, which had reached a record low and corrected itself to a more sensible level as investors realise the quality and potential of the underlying portfolio. On the negative side, the short-term reassessment of global growth affected Blackrock World Mining and our value equity managers who tend to underperform when growth is scarce.

As mentioned earlier, we don’t think the current situation warrants a drastic change of our portfolio positioning yet. Our value-biased investment style forces us to constantly take profits in the most expensive parts of the portfolio, so we remain comfortable that our current holdings offer attractive upside potential. Moreover, we also already have a decent allocation to defensive strategies (close to 17% of the fund including cash), which gives us some margin of safety while we assess the evolution of the coronavirus crisis. Regarding the opportunities that we saw during the month, we topped up our exposure to attractively valued emerging markets holdings that were victims of some panic selling. Those included Mobius Investment Trust, Somerset EM Discovery or Fidelity Asian Values. We also increased our allocation to the Merian Gold & Silver fund early in the month as it provides an attractive blend of risk hedging and upside potential. Those purchases were financed by cash and profit taking from private equity which continues to perform astonishingly well.

### SHARE CLASS DETAILS - B SHARES (CLEAN CLASS)

SEDOL Codes	<b>Acc: 3427253</b>
Minimum Lump Sum	<b>£1,000</b>
Initial Charge	<b>0%</b>
Investment Management Fee	<b>0.75% taken from capital</b>
Ongoing Charges Figure <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>1.20% taken from capital</b>
Regular Savings Option Available?	<b>Yes - minimum £50 per month</b>

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Full details of the TB Wise Funds, including risk warnings, are published in the TB Wise Funds Prospectus, the TB Wise Supplementary Information Document (SID) and the TB Wise Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs) which are available on request and at [www.wise-funds.co.uk](http://www.wise-funds.co.uk). The TB Wise Funds are subject to normal stock market fluctuations and other risks inherent in such investments. The value of your investment and the income derived from it can go down as well as up, and you may not get back the money you invested. Capital appreciation in the early years will be adversely affected by the impact of initial charges and you should therefore regard your investment as medium-to-long term. Every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy of the data used in this document but no warranties are given. Wise Funds Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, No. 768269. T. Bailey Fund Services Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, No. 190293.

### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

AVI Global Trust	6.9
Caledonia Investments	6.1
JOHCM UK Equity Income Fund	4.7
Blackrock World Mining	4.3
Merian Gold & Silver Fund	4.2
TR European Growth Trust	4.1
Aberdeen Standard Asia Focus	4.0
TB Amati UK Smaller Companies	3.6
AVI Japan Opportunity Trust	3.5
Schroder Global Recovery Fund	3.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>

### ASSET ALLOCATION (%)

<b>Region</b>	
Global	48.0
UK	23.0
Asia Pacific ex Japan	9.0
Emerging Markets	7.0
Europe ex UK	6.0
Japan	3.0
America	2.0
<b>Investment Type</b>	
Equities	65.5
Alternatives	30.5
Fixed Interest	2.0
<b>Cash &amp; Income</b>	
	2.1

### HOW TO INVEST

TB Wise Multi-Asset Growth is available as an OEIC and is also suitable to include in stocks and shares ISAs. You can buy shares in the fund by visiting [www.tbailey.co.uk/wise](http://www.tbailey.co.uk/wise); by telephoning the TB Wise Investor Dealing Line on 0115 988 8258 (open business days between 9am and 5pm); or through various third parties including Cofunds, Skandia, Axa Winterthur, Axa Elevate and Standard Life.

1. The Ongoing Charges Figure is based on the expenses incurred by the fund for the 12 months ended 31 August 2019. The figure may vary year to year.
2. Includes Investment Management Fee.