

## B SHARE CLASS GBP

### tm stonehage fleming

### **AIM FUND**











### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

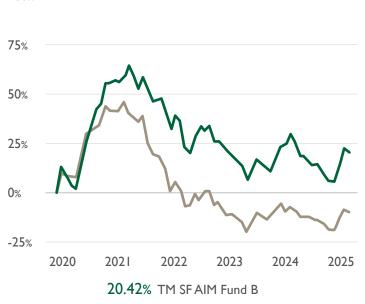
The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth.

### **INVESTMENT POLICY**

The Fund aims to invest mainly in equities on the UK Alternative Investment Market ('AIM'). This will be achieved by an actively managed diversified portfolio of shares spread across any sector of AIM. In addition, the Fund may on occasion invest in fully listed shares of companies with smaller market capitalisations.

### PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

100%



-10.13% Deutsche Numis Alt Markets Index

### CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	3m	6m	YTD	lyr	3yrs	5yrs
TM Stonehage Fleming AIM Fund B	15.4	6.8	7.1	-6.2	-13.5	20.4
Deutsche Numis Alt Markets Index	11.2	5.3	5.0	-2.8	-14.6	-10.1

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
TM Stonehage Fleming AIM Fund B	7.1	-2.6	-12.8	-15.9	27.1	11.2
Deutsche Numis Alt Markets Index	5.0	-3.9	-7.2	-31.1	7.6	19.3

Source: Morningstar as at 31/07/2025, % growth, total return, GBP, single price, UK net income reinvested with no initial charges.

### **FUND INFORMATION**

Launch date	5 October 2005
IA sector	UK Smaller Companies
Fund size	£58.7m
Dealing frequency	Daily
Lump Sum	£50,000
Additional	£5,000
Regular Savings	N/A
Initial Charge	Up to 5.00%
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)*	0.68%
Annual Management Charge	0.60%

<sup>\*</sup> The OCF is the management fee plus additional fund expenses (excluding transaction costs) as a percentage of the assets of the fund. This gives an indication of annual expenses which may vary over time.

### PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The major uncertainty in the month was the 1st August deadline set by the US President Donald Trump for countries to agree to US trade tariffs. It now has trade deals in place with twenty individual countries and reached an early agreement with the UK. At the end of the month it agreed a 15% tariff for European exports to the US. There was no resolution to the Russia/Ukraine war and President Trump has threatened to increase sanctions against Russia. Equally, the situation in Gaza shows little change. The month had mixed messages from the UK economy. GDP growth of around 1.0% to 1.2% is forecast for 2025, inflation for June was 3.6% against 3.4% in May and the Budget deficit was 4% higher than expected at £21bn. There is therefore the prospect of higher taxes which could stifle economic growth but to counteract this the Bank of England might be tempted to cut interest rates even though inflation remains above the 2% target. The Stock Market had a mixed month with investors' interest featuring more on larger companies with the FTSE 100 index moving into a new all-time high. Against this smaller companies and AIM shares paused after their recent outperformance and to reflect on the outcomes of the uncertain economic background.

On the basis that the government wishes to stimulate the housing market with ambitious new build targets coupled with at some stage interest rates will fall we have started a new holding in Brickability. The company is a leading distributor for the brick manufacturers and provider of specialist products for the construction industry and will benefit from an upturn in the building sector. We have also added to Ashtead Tech (oil services) after the share price declined on the back of a disappointing trading update citing some geo-political disruption. To raise funds, we sold our holding in Gamma Communications (mobile software) which recently moved from AIM to the main market and also disposed of our interest in IDOX (software) where we see better potential elsewhere. Several AIM listed companies' are looking to move to a full listing and specialist IHT funds are forced to reinvest when this occurs. This has created a technical situation where many of our holdings will attract additional investor demand. We are not obliged to sell immediately and the fund can sometimes benefit when one of our companies moves its listing from AIM to the main market and attracts a new investor base. The portfolio remains in good shape to take advantage of opportunities in the AIM sector.



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### **ENQUIRIES**

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Class B Share B0JX3Z5

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### **SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)**

Industrials	27.5
Information Technology	21.6
Health Care	13.7
Energy	12.0
Consumer Discretionary	9.8
Consumer Staples	7.1
Communication Services	5.0
Materials	2.2
Cash	1.1

### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

MS International Plc	8.8
Hargreaves Services	4.3
Venture Life Group Plc	4.3
Supreme Plc	3.8
Made Tech Group	3.6
ActiveOps Plc	3.3
Kistos Plc	3.2
Microlise	3.0
Netcall Plc	2.8
Avingtrans Plc	2.7

Source: Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited and Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited as at 31 July 2025. Third parties whose data may be included in this document do not accept any liability for errors or omissions.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



FUND MANAGER NICK BURCHETT

### **OUTCOME OF FAIR VALUE ASSESSMENTS (2024)**

Our assessment confirms:

- The Fund meets the needs of the target market.
- The intended distribution strategy remains appropriate.
- The Fund provides fair value to customers.

### **AWARDS**







### **RISK PROFILE**

Class C. Class L, Class Y, Class B

The following risks are material:

- The price of units/shares and any income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Fund will actually be achieved.
- Where investments are in the shares of companies (equities), the value of those equities may fluctuate, sometimes dramatically, in response to the activities and results of individual companies or because of general market and economic conditions or other events.
- Significant exposure to a particular industrial sector or geographical region puts the Fund at risk of a localised event making a significant impact on the value of the Fund.

- Shares purchased on the AIM markets (especially those known as 'penny shares') carry a higher degree of risk of losing money than other UK shares.
- The requirements on companies that are listed on AIM market are less stringent than those for companies with a full market listing.
- There is usually a wider spread between the buying price and the selling price of these shares if they have to be sold quickly.
- There may be difficulty or delay in buying and selling shares due to a low level of trading activity on the AIM market (referred to as lack of liquidity).
- The businesses and companies are subject to higher risk of failure and so the risk of insolvency is also higher for these type of shares. This could mean that you lose all or significantly large part of the investment is shares of companies which are insolvent.

All the risks currently identified as being applicable to the Fund are set out in the 'Risk' section of the Prospectus.

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#### **INVESTOR PROFILE**

The Fund is appropriate for all investor types, including those with only a basic knowledge of funds. It is compatible with investors who do not need a capital guarantee (investors must be prepared to accept fluctuations in the value of capital, including the ability to bear 100% capital loss) and are seeking capital growth. Due to the volatility of markets, investors should be willing to accept price fluctuations in exchange for the opportunity of potentially higher returns. This is a long term investment and investors should have an investment time horizon of at least 5 years. The recommended holding period does not provide any guarantee that the objective will be achieved. This product is eligible for all distribution channels (e.g. investment advice, portfolio management, non-advised sales and pure execution services).

The Fund is unlikely to be appropriate for those who:

- Are looking for full capital protection or full repayment of the amount invested, and those who want a guaranteed return
- Have no risk tolerance
- Who are unwilling to accept price fluctuations (volatility) in the value of the Fund
- Do not intend to invest for the long term

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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All investments risk the loss of capital. No guarantee or representation is made that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. The value of investments may go down as well as up.

For products designed to return income, the distributions can also go down or up and you may not receive back the full value of your initial investment. Derivatives have not been used but are allowed if appropriate for efficient asset management. The Fund only invests in UK assets but is allowed to hold shares on overseas exchanges. This would occur in the event of a company delisting from the London stock market and would not expected to be material. Hence, there would be limited foreign exchange risk. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. If the information is not displayed in your base currency, then the return may increase or decrease due to currency fluctuations.

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United Kingdom (UK): The Fund is approved by the Financial ConductAuthority (FCA) for promotion to retail and professional investors in the UK.

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