

B SHARE CLASS

# TM STONEHAGE FLEMING OPPORTUNITIES FUND

PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS TM CAVENDISH OPPORTUNITIES FUND



INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

INVESTMENT POLICY

The fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth.

restriction but in practice the fund will be mainly invested in the UK.



The Fund aims to invest in equities falling mainly under the following categories: smaller companies which offer long-term growth; companies which offer recovery prospects; and companies in sectors which are perceived to be unduly depressed. There is no geographical



LONG-TERM INVESTMENT HORIZONS





NAVIGATING TO INVESTMENTS WITH CLEAR STRATEGIES

## KEY FACTS

Launch Date	15 February 1988
IA Sector	UK All Companies
Fund Size	£126.9m
Dealing Frequency	Daily

### FEES

Initial Charge	Up to 5.00%
Ongoing Charges <sup>2</sup>	0.67%
Annual Management Charge	0.60%
<sup>2</sup> Includes the Annual Management Charge.	

#### MINIMUM INVESTMENT

Lump Sum	£50,000
Additional	£5,000
Regular Savings	N/A

PAUL MUMFORD

#### FUND MANAGER



# Paul Mumford has extensive investment experience. Having worked initially as an

experience. Having worked initially as an Analyst for Norris Oakley Brothers and later as a smaller companies expert at R Nivison, he moved to fund management in 1988 when he

joined Glenfriars. He then joined Cavendish Asset Management at the group's formation in 1994. The acquisition of Cavendish Asset Management was made by Stonehage Fleming in July 2020. Paul is the co-manager of the TM Stonehage Fleming Aim Fund and the TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund.



## NICK BURCHETT

Nick Burchett began his career in 1983 at Strauss Turnbull and subsequently joined W.I. Carr in 1990 which later became Investec Wealth & Investment after a number of mergers and acquisitions. During this period Nick dealt extensively with

Paul Mumford on the analysis of UK equities, markets and execution factors. This partnership made a compelling proposition and after 27 years at Investec he joined Cavendish Asset Management in November 2017 to jointly manage the funds. The acquisition of Cavendish Asset Management was made by Stonehage Fleming in July 2020. Nick is the co-manager of the TM Stonehage Fleming Aim Fund and the TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund.

### PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE



## STANDARDISED FUND PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	3m	6m	YTD	lyr	3yrs	5yrs
TM SF Opportunities B Inc	5.3	14.4	27.5	53.1	31.4	66.7
Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index	4.6	17.9	24.9	49.3	28.6	61.8
Peer Group Percentile	33	44	4	5	14	17

## DISCRETE 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (%)

12 months to 31 August	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
TM SF Opportunities B Inc	53.1	-8.4	-6.3	4.6	21.3
Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index	49.3	-7.2	-7.2	3.5	21.6
Peer Group Percentile	5	42	75	76	10

## CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
TM SF Opportunities B Inc	27.5	-0.7	24.7	-15.6	13.9	13.6
Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index	24.9	-4.3	25.2	-15.4	19.5	11.1

Source: Morningstar, % growth, total return, GBP, single price, UK net income reinvested with no initial charges.

#### PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments can fall. Investors may not get back the amount invested. Income from investments may vary and is not guaranteed. For a full list of risks applicable to this fund, please refer to the Prospectus. If the information is not displayed in your base currency, then the return may increase or decrease due to currency fluctuations. Source for all performance is Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited as at 31 August 2021. Total return (with dividends reinvested) is net of fees.

The fund can invest in a broad range of shares including AIM shares and smaller companies. Some of these investments carry a higher risk of failure and may be less liquid than shares listed on other exchanges. These shares may also be harder to sell quickly because of this lower liquidity. AIM shares and smaller company shares may also experience greater price volatility which could affect also the value of the fund.







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#### RISK ANALYSIS

Alpha	0.54	Ex-Post Risk calculations are based
Beta	1.11	on 3 years' worth of monthly data points.
R-Squared	0.87	Source: Morningstar, relative statistics calculated
Standard Deviation	26.91	over 3 years using the Numis Smaller Companies
Sharpe Ratio	0.46	Ex Inv Comps Index, total return as at 31/08/2021.

#### ENQUIRIES AND DEALING

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DEALING:	
Thesis Unit Trust Management Lir	mited, PO Box 3733,
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SEDOL CODES:	
Class B Share	3221110
ISIN CODES:	
Class B Share	GB0032211103
LIPPER IDS:	
Class B Share	60009019

### SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)

Energy	18.7
Industrials	17.6
Information Technology	14.9
Health Care	11.4
Communication Services	7.1
Consumer Discretionary	6.6
Financials	6.3
Real Estate	5.4
Consumer Staples	5.2
Materials	4.3
Cash	2.6

#### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

Serica Energy Plc	3.6
Senior	3.6
Eagle Eye Solutions Group Plc	3.3
Lok'nStore Group Plc	3.3
Bango Plc	3.3
Enquest Plc	3.1
Xpediator Plc	2.9
STV Group	2.7
TT Electronics	2.7
M&C Saatchi Plc	2.4

Source: Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited and Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited as at 31 August 2021. Third parties whose data may be included in this document do not accept any liability for errors or omissions.

#### PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

There was a good performance from the Numis Smaller Companies Index (ex. investment companies) which increased by 5.4% in the month. The general market was little changed and the fund performance lagged due to the greater proportion of large and mid-cap company shares in the portfolio. Contributing factors were the poor performance of McColls Plc following a share placing at a large discount and a decline in the Venture Life Plc share price on the back of a mixed trading statement. As a result, the TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund underperformed with the value increasing by 1.1%.

During the month we sold the balance of our holding in Clipper Logistics after the strong share price performance and also disposed of the small interest in Centralnic, the domain name company. Another disposal was our interest in William Morrison with the shares near the high point following the takeover battle. The most significant purchase was a holding in Standard Chartered Bank where its fortunes look to have turned the corner. In the smaller company area we subscribed for shares in the McColls placing, raising funds to increase the store refurbishment program to accelerate growth. Elsewhere, we added to Avon Protection at the bottom of its trading range and Beximco Pharmaceutical where the shares look undervalued.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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.

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It has been a fairly quiet month for company news but most companies seem to be at least trading in line with expectations. Many have now returned to or exceeded pre-Covid 2019 results. The signs remain positive, and unless there is a further lockdown, the recovery will continue. Inflation might be a concern due to raw material and energy rises, and perhaps some wage rises. We have found that the majority of companies which we meet have been successful in passing on cost increases to customers. The most spectacular rise has been in the spot gas prices and more importantly the forward price curve where producers will now be hedging. We hold several companies that will now be benefitting from this increase in price. The oil and gas sector has been out of favour due to ongoing ESG concerns. However, most, if not all, companies are aware of problems created through climate change and many of our holdings have low relative emissions or are making positive changes to address these issues. The UK will increasingly rely on imported gas and there are many exciting companies in this area of the stock market.

Moving forward, many companies will soon be reporting results and at the smaller market capitalisation end of the stock market there will be opportunities where profit expectations are likely to be exceeded. As the UK emerges from the pandemic many companies will be leaner than before and enter a phase of growth. At the same time, takeover activity could continue to rise and we remain confident about the long term prospects for the fund.

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