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# TM STONEHAGE FLEMING OPPORTUNITIES FUND

LONG-TERM INVESTMENT HORIZONS



GROWTH

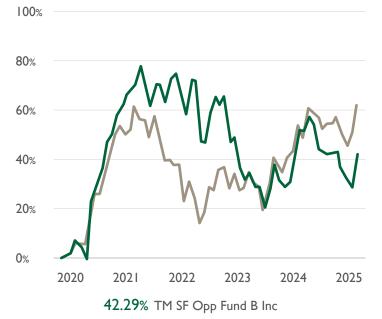
## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth.

#### INVESTMENT POLICY

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

## PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE



61.82% Deutsche Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index

#### CUMULATIVE FUND PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	3m	6m	YTD	lyr	3yrs	5yrs
TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund B Inc	4.1	-0.5	-0.3	-6. I	-13.9	42.3
Deutsche Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index	6.7	4.1	3.9	5.0	16.0	61.8

#### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund B Inc	-0.3	2.8	-15.2	-2.6	27.5	-0.6
Deutsche Numis Smaller Companies Ex Inv Comps Index	3.9	9.5	10.1	-17.9	21.9	-4.3

Source: Morningstar as at 31/05/2025, % growth, total return, GBP, single price, UK net income reinvested with no initial charges.

## FUND INFORMATION

NAVIGATING TO INVESTMENTS WITH CLEAR STRATEGIES

Launch date	I February 1988
IA sector	UK All Companies
Fund size	£77.6m
Dealing frequency	Daily
Lump Sum	£50,000
Additional	£5,000
Regular Savings	N/A
Initial Charge	Up to 5.00%
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)*	0.67%
Annual Management Charge	0.60%

\* 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 UK stock market staged a strong recovery in the month when economic news was encouraging with the Bank of England predicting GDP growth of 0.6% against the treasury forecast of 0.4% for QI 2025. UK Bank Rate was cut from 4.5% to 4.25% even though inflation had not reached the 2% level set by the Bank of England Monetary Policy Committee. In fact, inflation increased to 3.5% in April from 2.6% in March to reflect higher water bills, energy costs and council tax. Trump tariffs and the effects of the UK Budget could keep inflation at this level until Q3 when it expected to ease back. However, the US/China suspension for 90 days of tariffs on most goods were taken as a positive move. The conflicts persist in the Middle East, Ukraine, and further escalation of uncertainty around the border of India/Pakistan and heightened tension with China/Taiwan were not helpful. In terms of stability the UK looks to be a safe haven with a reset of Brexit terms with the EU that should be positive to sectors like the UK defence companies. UK stock market generally remains attractively valued against most other global stock markets. Investor confidence seems to be returning and the commitment of 17 of the largest pension providers to invest 10% of their funds in private markets should boost sentiment as it is noted that AIM can be included in this area of investment. It is uncertain how Trump tariffs will be resolved globally but the UK looks in a favourable position and the majority of companies which we have contacted seem able to mitigate the cost and for many cases, this will be passed to the customer.

The better tone in the stock market enabled us to reduce a number of holdings which had underperformed to add to others with greater potential. We also sold out of our holding in Totally where the share price had fallen sharply on the back of a negative trading statement and a potential medical negligence claim which will be in excess of its insurance cover. It had therefore become a high-risk investment as the company has to sell all or part of the business to survive. Due to the size of holding, for technical reasons, we reduced our holding in MS International. We also disposed of our holding in Inspecs which could suffer from some US tariffs and where the outlook for growth appears to be a challenge. In addition, we switched out of BP where the share price had risen on the back of take-over rumours to replace it with Harbour Energy in the same market sector with stronger potential for recovery. Additions were made to many holdings such as Marshalls (specialist building supplies), Volex (electrical fittings), CT Auto (automotive parts) and Ashtead Tech (oil&gas tool hire). With investor confidence returning, we feel that the smaller companies and larger company recovery situations held in the portfolio should offer attractive returns.



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## **ENQUIRIES**

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DEALING:				
Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited, PO Box 3733,				
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SN4 4BG				
SEDOL CODES:				
Class B Share	3221110			
ISIN CODES:				
Class B Share	GB0032211103			
LIPPER IDS:				
Class B Share	60009019			

#### SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)

Industrials	31.9
Energy	16.0
Information Technology	12.3
Consumer Discretionary	9.6
Consumer Staples	6.3
Materials	5.4
Financials	5.2
Communication Services	4.7
Health Care	3.6
Real Estate	2.6
Cash	2.2

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

MS International Plc	9.3
Costain Group	3.8
Serica Energy Plc	3.7
Avon Technologies Plc	3.5
Senior Plc	2.9
Supreme Plc	2.7
Kistos Plc	2.6
Made Tech Group	2.6
Venture Life Group Plc	2.6
Elementis Plc	2.5

Source: Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited and Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited as at 31 May 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.

#### **RISK PROFILE**

Class B, Class C, Class L, Class Y

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.

#### AWARDS



- 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.
- 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.

The Fund holds a broad range of AIM listed companies and some of these carry a higher risk of failure and may be less liquid than shares listed on other exchanges. These shares may be also harder to sell quickly because of this lower liquidity. AIM listed companies may also experience greater price volatility which could also affect the value of the Fund.

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

The Authorised Fund Manager is Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited, Exchange Building, St John's Street, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 IUP. Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

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