

Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC





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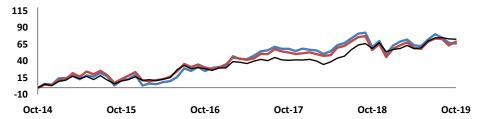
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Investment Objective

To invest in the global healthcare sector with the objective of achieving a high level of capital growth. In order to achieve its investment objective, the Company invests worldwide in a diversified portfolio of shares in pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies and related securities in the healthcare sector. It uses gearing, and derivative transactions to enhance returns and mitigate risk. Performance is measured against the MSCI World Health Care Index (net total return, sterling adjusted).

Five Year Performance (%)

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Benchmark: MSCI World Health Care Index (net total return; sterling adjusted) +72.6%

Net Asset Value per share (total return) +69.1%

Share Price (total return) +66.1%

Source: Morningstar, Benchmark - Bloomberg

Commentary

In October, the NAV per share was up 3.6%, the share price was down 0.8% and the MSCI World Health Care Index was down 0.3%.

Whilst the momentum factor unwind and severe biotech sell-off did adversely impact performance in September, we are pleased to report that the Company's performance rebounded significantly in October. Key drivers included a bounce in biotechnology stocks, continued outperformance in emerging market stocks, allocation in large cap pharmaceuticals, and stock picking in Japan pharma stocks. Overall, positive company fundamentals mostly drove share prices in the month, including some catalyst driven biotechnology stocks that were higher. The top contributor in October was China-based fertility clinic, Jinxin Fertility. Continued momentum in the share price since the June IPO saw the stock rise over +20% in October. The company also hosted an analyst meeting in the month, bolstering investor enthusiasm for the company's strong growth outlook. Other key contributors came from our emerging biotechnology portfolio, with three companies each posting double-digit share price gains, ranging from +10% to +25%, driven by positive news flow. The first was Deciphera Pharmaceuticals. The company received the much coveted "breakthrough therapy" designation for their lead oncology candidate for the treatment of gastrointestinal stromal tumors (GIST). Also, a competitor suffered a regulatory setback for their own treatment of GIST. Second, Vertex Pharmaceuticals received U.S. FDA approval for their landmark triple combination therapy for Cystic Fibrosis. "Trikafta" (elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor) was approved 5 months ahead of the FDA action date. Finally, the California-based oncology start-up, Mirati Therapeutics, was higher after presenting encouraging "first-in-human" data at a medical conference for their novel treatment for a specific lung cancer mutation.

Detractors of note in October were two. First, the share price for another California-based cancer company **Exelixis**, declined after the company reported weak quarterly sales for their kidney cancer franchise due to competitive pressures in that space. Second, the Indian generic drug maker, **Aurobindo Pharma**, was lower after the FDA issued a warning letter to the company citing multiple deficiencies at one of their key manufacturing sights. We subsequently exited the position.

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Any return you receive depends on future market performance and is uncertain. The Company does not seek any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment. For information on the principal risks the Company is exposed to please refer to the Company's Annual Report or Investor Disclosure Document available at www.worldwidewh.com.

Shares in the Company are bought and sold on the London Stock Exchange. The price you pay or receive, like other listed shares, is determined by supply and demand and may be at a discount or premium to the underlying net asset value of the Company. Usually, at any given time, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price you could sell it.

The Company has increased its exposure to investments via the use of an overdraft facility and derivatives, and this could potentially magnify any losses or gains made by the Company. The Annual Report and Investor Disclosure Document, available on the Company's website, include further details on the use of, and exposure to, derivatives.

Biographies

Sven H. Borho, CFA, is a founder and Managing Partner of OrbiMed. Sven heads the public equity team and is the portfolio manager for OrbiMed's public equity and hedge funds. He has been a portfolio manager since 1993 and has played an integral role in the growth of OrbiMed's asset management activities. Sven started his career in 1991 when he joined OrbiMed's predecessor firm as a Senior Analyst covering European pharmaceutical firms and biotechnology companies worldwide. He studied business administration at Bayreuth University in Germany and received a M.Sc. (Econs.), Accounting and Finance, from The London School of Economics; he is a citizen of both Germany and Sweden.

Trevor M. Polischuk, Ph.D., is a Partner at OrbiMed focused on the global pharmaceutical industry. Trevor joined OrbiMed in 2003 and became a Partner in 2011. Previously, he worked at Lehman Brothers as a Senior Research Analyst covering the U.S. pharmaceutical industry. Trevor began his career at Warner Lambert as a member of the Global Marketing Planning team within Parke-Davis. Trevor holds a Doctorate in Neuropharmacology & Gross Human Anatomy and an M.B.A. from Queen's University, Canada.

Portfolio Manager Profile

OrbiMed Capital LLC (OrbiMed) is owned by six principals, including Sven Borho who have between them many years' experience of investing in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and healthcare sectors. The U.S. based company has over 80 investment professionals who carry out extensive research, involving company visits and evaluating the commercial and scientific prospects for individual drugs. OrbiMed is registered as an investment adviser under the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). SEC registration does not imply a certain level of skill or training.

Investment Policy

The Company offers a superior UK-listed opportunity for capital appreciation through a diversified portfolio of worldwide pharmaceutical, biotechnology, healthcare equipment, healthcare services companies. The Portfolio Manager seeks to reduce risk through extensive fundamental research, worldwide exposure, position limits, and balanced market capitalisations. The Company's investment policy allows gearing, through borrowing, of up to 20% of net assets and a net exposure to derivative investments (excluding swaps) of up to 5% of the portfolio. Equity swaps may also be used, counterparty exposure here is limited to 12% of the portfolio at the time of acquisition. Unquoted securities will not exceed 10% of the portfolio at the time of acquisition.

Discount / Premium Control Mechanism

The Directors have adopted an active discount management policy to establish and support an improved rating in the Company's shares through the use of share buybacks, with a view to limiting the discount to the ex income NAV per share at which the shares trade to no more than 6%. Shares bought back may be held in treasury for reissue at later dates at not more than the discount at which they were purchased, and in any event at a discount no greater than 5% to the prevailing cum income net asset value per share. Any shares left in treasury are cancelled around the time of the AGM. In order to stop the share price trading at a significant premium to the NAV per share, the Company has the ability to issue new shares at a 0.7% premium to the cum income NAV per share.

10 Largest Holdings as at 31 October 2019*

Name	Region	Total
Takeda Pharmaceutical	Japan	8.5
Boston Scientific	North America	5.3
Merck & Co	North America	4.9
Alexion Pharmaceuticals	North America	4.0
Novo Nordisk	Europe	3.7
Edwards Lifesciences	North America	3.3
Novartis	Europe	3.0
Vertex Pharmaceuticals	North America	2.9
Mirati Therapeutics	North America	2.8
Humana	North America	2.7
Total		41.1

Sector, Geographical** & Asset Class*** Breakdown at 31 October 2019*

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Pharmaceutical	31.1	North America	64.8	Equities	93.1
Biotechnology	30.4	Emerging Markets	14.3	Equity Swaps	4.6
Healthcare Equipment/Supplies	20.5	Asia	10.5	Unquoteds	1.9
Healthcare Providers/Services	12.1	Europe	10.4	Options	0.4
Life Sciences/Tools & Services	4.9	Total	100.0	Total	100.0
Fixed & Variable Interest	1.0				
Total	100.0				

^{*}Calculation based on economic exposure and expressed as a % of the total economic exposure. This includes all derivatives as an economically equivalent position in the underlying holding.

Source: All portfolio information sourced from Frostrow Capital LLP

Discrete Performance - Calendar Years (%)

Percentage Growth	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	YTD
NAV	38.8	19.1	5.2	16.5	-3.8	16.0
Share Price	39.6	13.9	10.1	20.7	- 5.0	10.3
Benchmark	25.6	12.7	11.2	9.4	8.8	12.1

Standardised Discrete Performance (%)

Percentage Growth 12 Month Return	Oct 14- Oct 15	Oct 15- Oct 16	Oct 16- Oct 17	Oct 17- Oct 18	Oct 18- Oct 19
NAV	13.1	15.4	17.0	2.3	8.2
Share Price	11.0	12.6	26.7	1.7	3.2
Benchmark	10.1	16.8	9.8	12.5	8.8

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Source: NAV (total return; fully diluted) & share price (total return) - Morningstar. Benchmark - Bloomberg.

Important Information

Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC (the Company) is a public limited company whose shares are premium listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and is registered with HMRC as an investment trust.

The Company has an indeterminate life, although shareholders consider and vote on the continuation of the Company every five years (the next such vote will be held in 2024).

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Fast Facts as at 31 October 2019

Biotechnology & Healthcare

Launch Date & appointment of Portfolio Manager	April 1995			
Annual Management Fee (pay	able by the			
Company): 0.65% of net assets plus 0.30% of				
market cap. up to £150m; in the rail	nge £150m to			
£500m 0.2%; in the range £500m to £1bn 0.15%;				
in the range £1bn to £1.5bn 0.125%	6; over £1.5bn			

Performance Fee	See Annual Report for details	
Ongoing charges*	0.9%	
Continuation Vote	2024 AGM and every 5 th AGM thereafter	
Year / Half Year	31 March / 30 September	
Capital Structure	53,180,278 shares	

*Calculated at the financial year end, includes management fees and all other operating expenses, and excludes performance

Trust Characteristics

AIC Sector

0.075% plus £57,500

Number of Holdings	69
Net Assets (£m)	1,447.0
Market Capitalisation (£m)	1,390.7
Dividends	Provisional payment
Dividends	dates: January & July
Indicative Yield	1.0%
Gearing	4.0%
Leverage**	Gross 109.2%
Leverage	Commitment 108.5%
Share Price (p)	2615.00
NAV(p) (cum income)	2720.95
(Discount) / Premium	(3.9%)
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^{**} The Board has set the maximum leverage limit for both the Gross and the Commitment basis at 140% of the Company's Net Asset Value.

Codes

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^{**}Geographical analysis based on country of primary listing.

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