# Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC



Portfolio Manager





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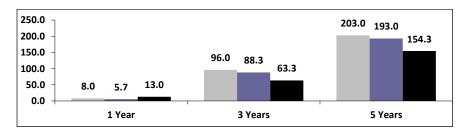
# **Investment Objective and Benchmark Index**

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).

### **Cumulative Performance (%)**

Trust: Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC – NAV (ex income, total return; fully diluted)
Trust: Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC – Share Price (total return)

Benchmark: MSCI World Health Care Index (net total return; £ adjusted)



# Discrete Performance - Calendar Years (%)

Percentage Growth	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	YTD
NAV	7.3	14.4	44.6	38.9	19.1	9.6
Share Price	6.5	20.3	47.1	39.6	13.9	8.3
Benchmark	10.7	12.2	33.6	25.6	12.7	14.6

Source: NAV (ex income total return; fully diluted) & Share Price (total return) – Morningstar. Index - Bloomberg. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

## Commentary

In July the NAV per share was up 8.8%, the share price was up 11.2%, compared to the MSCI World Health Care Index which was up 4.9%.

The shock and awe of Brexit wore off quickly as global equity markets rebounded in July, reaching highs for the year. Portfolio outperformance was propelled by a positive contribution from all subsectors, in particular biotechnology, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, and life science tools. A common theme this month was stocks that outperformed due to better than expected quarterly financial results.

The top contributor in July was Exact Sciences, the cancer diagnostic company. The company's quarterly report beat investors' expectations and the stock rose more than 40%. Shares in orthopaedic device company, Wright Medical ran up in July on increased investor enthusiasm on two issues – quarterly financial results and lower litigation reserves.

An important contribution was generated by Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, a global biotechnology company. The share price appreciated in anticipation of solid quarterly results and steady progress in pipeline. The stock also benefited by a rotation into biotechnology in the month. Similarly, a positive contribution came from Biogen, another global biotechnology company. The shares moved higher due to better than expected quarterly financial results and market speculation on a potential take-out.

The only notable detractor in July was Ono Pharmaceutical. The stock came under pressure as speculation increased around a potential price cut in Japan for their leading drug, Opdivo (nivolumab), which will reach blockbuster status later this fiscal year.

#### **Biographies**

Samuel D. Isaly is the Managing Partner of OrbiMed. Mr. Isaly is one of the world's foremost healthcare fund managers and has been active in global healthcare investing and analysis since 1968 when he joined Chase Manhattan Bank in New York. During his career, Mr. Isaly has been a pharmaceutical analyst with Chase Manhattan Bank, Merrill Lynch, Legg Mason, and S.G. Warburg. Mr. Isaly launched OrbiMed's asset management business in 1989. Mr. Isaly has a B.A. in Economics from Princeton University and a M.Sc. (Econ.) from The London School of Economics.

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

# **Portfolio Manager Profile**

OrbiMed Capital LLC (OrbiMed) is owned by six principals, including Samuel D. Isaly, and 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. developina understanding of 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 technology and healthcare services companies. The Portfolio Manager seeks to reduce risk through extensive fundamental research, worldwide exposure, position limits, and balanced market The Company's investment capitalisations. objective also allows gearing 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.

## **Discount 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.

# **Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC**

## 10 Largest Holdings as at 31 July 2016\*

Name	Region	Total
Boston Scientific	North America	4.7
AbbVie	North America	4.2
Intuitive Surgical	North America	4.0
ONO Pharmaceutical	Japan	3.3
Amgen	North America	3.2
HCA Holdings	North America	3.0
Bristol-Myers Squibb	North America	2.9
Allergan	Europe	2.8
Alexion Pharmaceuticals	North America	2.8
Wright Medical	Europe	2.6
Total		33.5

All data in the above includes any derivative, convertible or fixed bond exposures as an economically equivalent position in the underlying asset.

## Sector, Geographical & Asset Class Breakdown at 31 July 2016\*

				Total	100.0%
		Total	100.0%	Options	0.3%
		Asia	8.4%	Convertible Bonds	0.7%
Total	100.0%	Emerging Markets	13.3%	Variable Bonds	1.1%
Small Caps	29.1%	Europe	14.0%	Equity Swaps	9.6%
Large Caps	70.9%	North America	64.3%	Equities	88.3%

Source: All portfolio information sourced from Frostrow Capital LLP.

\*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 asset.

# Share Price Total Return on £100 as at 31 July 2016 (£)

1 year	105.7
3 years	188.3
5 years	293.0

Source: Morningstar. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

## **Standardised Discrete Performance (%)**

Percentage Growth 12 Month Return	Jul 11- Jul 12	Jul 12- Jul 13	Jul 13- Jul 14	Jul 14- Jul 15	Jul 15- Jul 16
NAV	15.4	34.0	19.8	51.5	8.0
Share Price	11.2	39.9	15.4	54.4	5.7
Benchmark	15.1	35.4	8.7	33.0	13.0

Source: NAV (ex income total return; fully diluted) & Share Price (total return) – Morningstar. Index - Bloomberg. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

#### **Awards**

Highly Commended: Money Observer Trust Awards 2014, 2015 Best Large Trust

Rated Fund: Money Observer Rated Funds 2015

Winner: What Investment Trust Awards 2014 Best Sector Specialist Investment Trust

## **Important Information**

Worldwide Healthcare Trust PLC (the "Company") is a UK investment trust premium listed on the London Stock Exchange and is a member of the Association of Investment Companies. As this Company may implement a gearing policy investors should be aware that the share price movement may be more volatile than movements in the price of underlying investments. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them may fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. An investor may not get back the original amount invested. Changes in the rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to fluctuate. Fluctuation may be particularly marked in the case of a higher volatility fund and the value of an investment may fall suddenly and substantially. Shares in the biotechnology sector can prove volatile and above average price movements can be expected. There can be no assurance that the Company's investment objective will be achieved and investment results may vary substantially over time. This document is for information purposes only and does not constitute an offer or invitation to purchase shares in the Company and has not been prepared in connection with any such offer or invitation. Investment trust share prices may not fully reflect underlying net asset values. There may be a difference between the prices at which you may purchase ("the offer price") or sell ("the bid price") a share on the stock market which is known as "bid-offer" or "dealing" spread. This is set by the market makers and varies from share to share. This spread typically averages 1-2% each way on the mid-market price (the price halfway between the bid and offer prices), and can fluctuate and at times be higher than average. The net asset value per share is calculated in accordance with the guidelines of the Association of Investment Companies. Net assets are stated inclusive of income received. Any opinions on individual stocks are those of the Company's Portfolio Manager and no rel

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**Capital Structure** 

# Fast Facts as at 31 July 2016

Annual Managemen	t Fee (payable by the
Company)	
0.65% of net assets	plus 0.30% of market cap. up to
£150m, 0.20% > £1	50m and 0.125% > £500m plus
	£57,500
Performance Fee	See Annual Report for details
Ongoing charges*	0.9%
Continuation Vote**	At AGM in 2014; every 5 years
Year / Half Year	31 March / 30 September

April 1995

46,528,088 Ordinary Shares

1,310,932 Treasury Shares

## **Trust Characteristics**

Number of Holdings	79
Net Assets (£m)	1,045.3
Market	
Capitalisation (£m)	971.5
Dividend Policy	Provisional payment dates:
Dividend Folloy	January & July
Indicative Yield	0.8%
Gearing	8.3%
	Gross 118.6%
Leverage***	Commitment 116.4%
Share Price (p)	2088.00
NAV(p) (cum income) Undiluted	2246.70
(Discount) / Premium	(7.1%)
NAV(p) (cum income)	2242.35
Diluted for treasury shares	2242.33
(Discount) / Premium	(6.9%)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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.

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<sup>\*</sup>Calculated at the financial year end, includes management fees and all other operating expenses, and excludes performance fees.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Next vote to be held on AGM in 2019.