

## VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth

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Launch date	5 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
Size	£24.05m
Number of holdings	32
Share class & ISIN	VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth A Acc GBP GB00BF0NMX06
Initial charge	0%
Ongoing charges figure	1.07%

#### **Top 10 holdings**

Man GLG UK Absolute Value	7.08%
Fidelity S&P 500 Index (GBP Hedged)	5.40%
JOHCM UK Dynamic	4.67%
Fidelity Global Special Situations	4.50%
Merian Chrysalis Investment Co Ltd	4.08%
Fundsmith Equity	3.92%
Franklin UK Managers Focus	3.82%
Impact Healthcare REIT PLC	3.77%
Investec Global Special Situations	3.43%
Merian Gold & Silver	3.42%

# **VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth** aims to produce capital growth over the long term<sup>†</sup>, but with lower volatility than global

equities. The fund has a target weighting of between 50% and 70% in UK and overseas equities, although it may also

invest in other assets including bonds, property, gold and targeted absolute return strategies. Exposure to assets will typically be via open-ended funds, investment trusts and exchange traded funds.

Fund commentary The fund fell 2.94% during the period, outperforming the IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector, which fell 3.50%. We have seen a sharp fall in markets over the past few days as the Coronavirus continues to spread. It is above all a human tragedy and our thoughts go out to all those who have been affected.

We felt the market was being complacent after the virus first emerged in China. The US stock market continued to achieve all-time highs, despite the potential risk of the virus spreading. As a result, we built up the cash weight in the fund and we have now started to use that cash as the market has fallen back.

There is no doubt the virus will cause serious short-term disruption but we buy funds with a long-term view. The question we are asking ourselves now is how will

the economy and market look in five or ten years' time, not the next few months. Our view is that the global economy will recover in the medium to long term.

Furthermore, we note that government bond yields around the world have continued to fall close to zero or even to negative yields in some instances. The differential between share dividend yields and government bond yields now looks extreme versus history and therefore we think equities look very cheap relative to government bonds.

The top performers during the period were Man GLG High Yield Opportunities and Man GLG UK Absolute Value. Invesco European Equity, Man GLG Japan Core Alpha and Investec Global Special Situations were the weakest performers as investors continued to shun value stocks.

#### Performance since launch (%)\*\*



#### **Cumulative performance**

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	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since launch
Fund (%)	4.87	-	-	10.89
IA Sector (%)	5.06	-	-	6.64

#### Calendar year performance

	YTD	2019	2018	2017
Fund (%)	-5.04	15.30	-3.01	-
IA Sector (%)	-4.94	15.78	-6.11	-

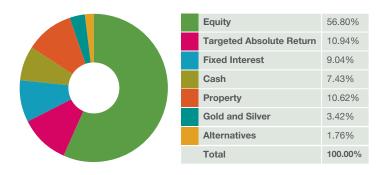
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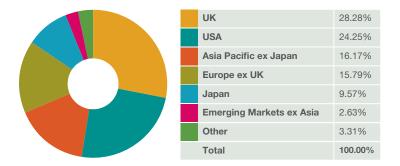
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#### Asset allocation (%)

#### **Geographical equity allocation (%)**



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