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Monthly Factsheet - 28/03/2024

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

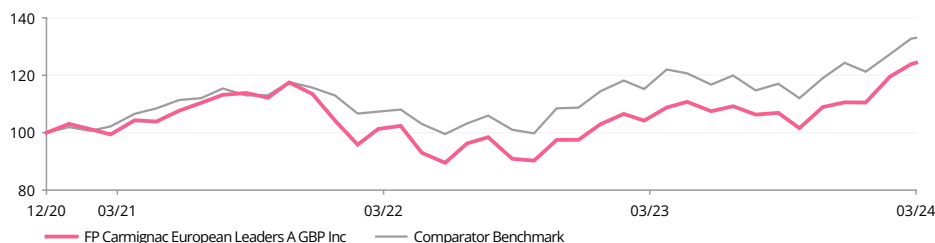
A Europe ex-UK equity strategy seeking to achieve capital growth over a minimum of five years. The Fund follows a selective bottom-up investment process to find quality companies, businesses with attractive long-term prospects that can grow under their own steam, irrespective of the macroeconomic environment.

Fund Management analysis can be found on P.4

## PERFORMANCE

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Performances are net of fees (excluding possible entrance fees charged by the distributor).

### FUND PERFORMANCE VS. COMPARATOR BENCHMARK SINCE LAUNCH (Basis 100 - Net of fees)



### CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (as of 28/03/2024 - Net of fees)

	Cumulative Performance (%)			Annualised Performance (%)	
	1 Year	3 Years	Since 18/12/2020	3 Years	Since 18/12/2020
<b>A GBP Inc</b>	<b>16.87</b>	<b>23.50</b>	<b>24.39</b>	<b>7.30</b>	<b>6.91</b>
Comparator Benchmark	12.65	29.04	33.05	8.89	9.13
Category Average	11.79	23.99	27.01	7.43	7.55
Ranking (Quartile)	1	3	3	3	3

Source: Morningstar for the category average and quartiles.

### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%) (Net of fees)

	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>A GBP Inc</b>	<b>13.91</b>	<b>-14.80</b>	<b>13.88</b>	<b>2.07</b>
Reference Indicator	14.83	-7.62	16.73	0.59

### STATISTICS (%)

	1 Year	3 Years	Launch
Fund Volatility	13.5	17.0	16.8
Comparator Benchmark Volatility	10.8	14.7	14.7
Sharpe Ratio	0.8	0.3	0.3
Beta	1.1	0.9	0.8
Alpha	0.0	-0.1	-0.1

Calculation : Weekly basis



M. Denham

## KEY FIGURES

Equity Investment Rate	96.7%
Net Equity Exposure	96.7%
Number of Equity Issuers	35
Active Share	77.2%

## FUND

**Domicile:** United Kingdom  
**Fund Type:** UCITS  
**Legal Form:** OEIC  
**Subscription/Redemption:** Daily  
**Order Placement Cut-Off Time:** Before 12:00 (GMT)  
**Fund Inception Date:** 15/05/2019  
**Fund AUM:** 93M£  
**Fund Currency:** GBP

## SHARE

**IA Sector:** Europe Excluding UK  
**Dividend Policy:** Distribution  
**Date of 1st NAV:** 18/12/2020  
**Base Currency:** GBP  
**NAV:** 1.21£  
**Morningstar Category™:** Europe ex-UK Equity

## FUND MANAGER(S)

Mark Denham since 15/05/2019

## COMPARATOR BENCHMARK

MSCI Europe Ex UK Net Total Return USD.

**ASSET ALLOCATION**

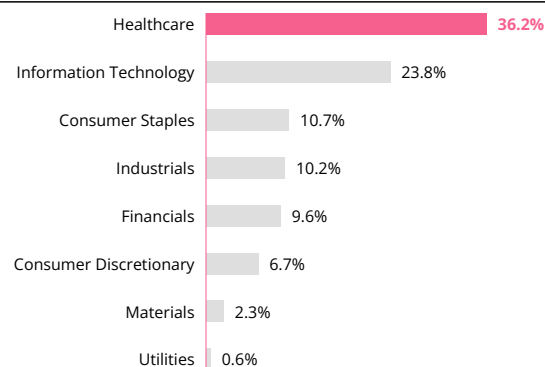
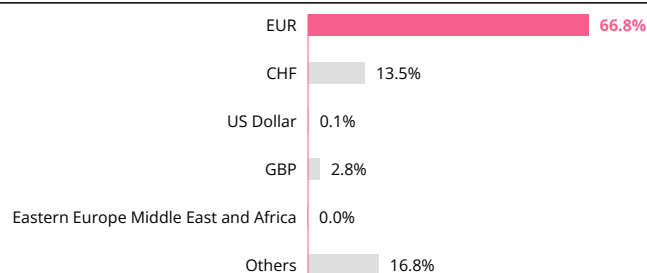
<b>Equities</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
<b>Developed Countries</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
Germany	22.6%
Denmark	12.5%
Spain	1.8%
France	23.1%
Netherlands	19.2%
Sweden	4.3%
Switzerland	13.3%
<b>Cash, Cash Equivalents and Derivatives Operations</b>	<b>3.3%</b>

**CAPITALISATION BREAKDOWN**

Large (>10000 MEUR)	<b>94.4%</b>
Mid (2000 - 10000 MEUR)	5.0%
Small (<2000 MEUR)	0.6%

*Rebased weights*
**TOP TEN**

Name	Country	Sector	%
NOVO NORDISK A/S	Denmark	Healthcare	9.3%
SAP SE	Germany	Information Technology	8.8%
ASML HOLDING NV	Netherlands	Information Technology	8.3%
L'OREAL SA	France	Consumer Staples	6.6%
LONZA GROUP AG	Switzerland	Healthcare	5.4%
ARGENX SE	Netherlands	Healthcare	5.0%
DEUTSCHE BOERSE AG	Germany	Financials	4.8%
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE	France	Industrials	4.7%
ESSILORLUXOTTICA SA	France	Healthcare	3.9%
BEIERSDORF AG	Germany	Consumer Staples	3.7%
<b>Total</b>			<b>60.7%</b>

**SECTOR BREAKDOWN**

*Rebased weights*
**NET CURRENCY EXPOSURE OF THE FUND**

**MARKETING COMMUNICATION**

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## PORTFOLIO ESG SUMMARY

### PORTFOLIO ESG COVERAGE

Number of issuers in the portfolio	35
Number of issuers rated	35
Coverage Rate	100.0%

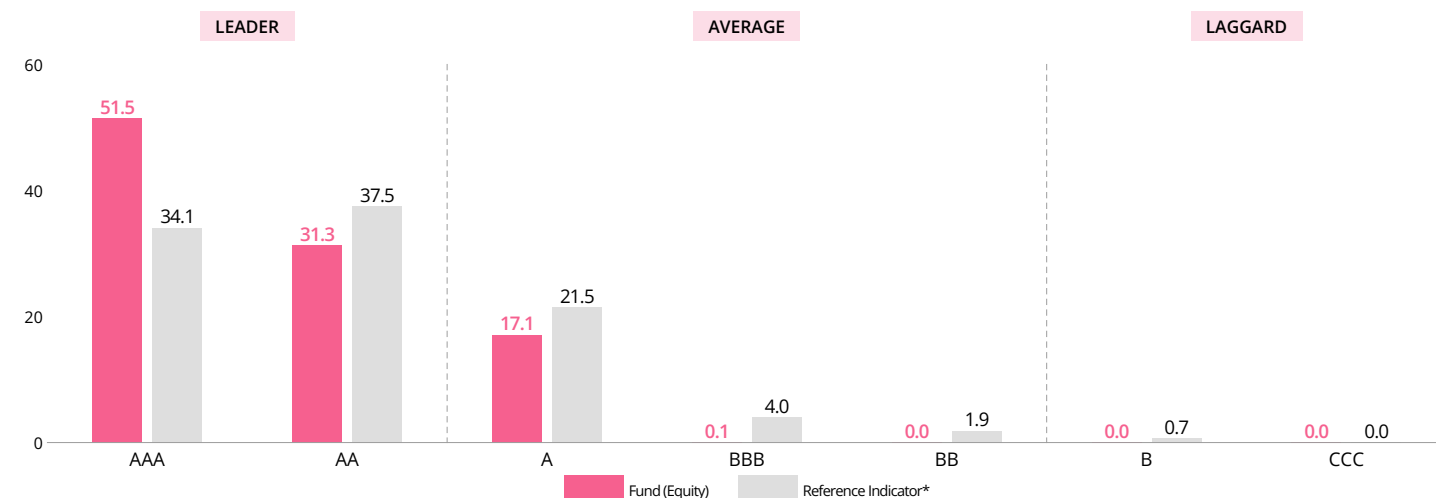
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### ESG SCORE

FP Carmignac European Leaders A GBP Inc	AA
Reference Indicator*	AA

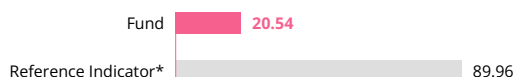
Source: MSCI ESG

### MSCI ESG SCORE PORTFOLIO VS REFERENCE INDICATOR (%)



Source: MSCI ESG Score. ESG Leaders represent companies rated AAA and AA by MSCI. ESG Average represent companies rated A, BBB, and BB by MSCI. ESG Laggards represent companies rated B and CCC by MSCI. Portfolio ESG Coverage: 100%

### CARBON EMISSION INTENSITY (T CO2E/USD MN REVENUES) converted to Euro



Source: S&P Trucost, 28/03/2024. The reference indicator of each Fund is hypothetically invested with identical assets under management as the respective Carmignac equity funds and calculated for total carbon emissions and per million Euro of revenues.

**Carbon emissions figures** are based on S&P Trucost data. The analysis is conducted using estimated or declared data measuring Scope 1 and Scope 2 carbon emissions, excluding cash and holdings for which carbon emissions are not available. To determine carbon intensity, the amount of carbon emissions in tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated and expressed per million dollar of revenues (converted to Euro). This is a normalized measure of a portfolio's contribution to climate change that enables comparisons with a reference indicator, between multiple portfolios and over time, regardless of portfolio size.

Please refer to the glossary for more information on the calculation methodology

### TOP 5 ESG RATED PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

Company	Weight	ESG Rating
NOVO NORDISK AS	9.3%	AAA
LONZA GROUP AG	5.4%	AAA
DEUTSCHE BOERSE AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT	4.8%	AAA
ADIDAS AG	2.0%	AAA
SOLARIA ENERGIA Y MEDIO AMBIENTE SA	0.6%	AAA

Source: MSCI ESG

### TOP 5 ACTIVE WEIGHTS AND ESG SCORES

Company	Weight	ESG Score
SAP SE	6.5%	AAA
LOREAL SA	5.3%	AA
LONZA GROUP AG	4.9%	AAA
ARGENX SE	4.4%	A
DEUTSCHE BOERSE AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT	4.3%	AAA

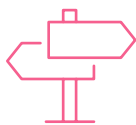
Source: MSCI ESG

\* Reference Indicator: MSCI Europe Ex UK Net Total Return USD. For more information regarding product disclosure, please refer to the Sustainability-related Disclosures in accordance with Article 10 available on the Fund's webpage.

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## FUND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS



### MARKET ENVIRONMENT

March proved to be another good month for several asset classes with equities up, bonds up, commodities up, iron ore and a stronger dollar. Within equity markets, developed markets outperformed emerging markets, Europe outperformed the US, with large cap and small/mid cap returns being broadly equal reflecting a broadening out of the overall market from the narrow leadership earlier in the year. In Europe, there was certainly evidence of rotational forces at work with the best performing sectors being Retail, Banks, Real Estate, Chemicals and Energy, all of which except for banks were firmly in the bottom half of the performance table in the previous month. The laggards were, Travel and Leisure, Consumer products & services and Technology all of which were among last month's winners. The key macro debate remains focused on the timing and scale of interest rate cuts in US and Europe. The European market received a boost from positive economic news this week, as various indicators of economic sentiment showed improvement. Both the ZEW survey and PMIs indicated a rise in economic sentiment, signaling a positive outlook for the European market. This news comes as a welcome relief, as these indicators had previously been at depressed levels.



### PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

During the month of March, the Fund recorded a positive absolute performance, though below its reference indicator. Our overweight positions in Information Technology and Healthcare were the biggest drivers of performance over the month. Notably, SAP was among the best three performers after announcing new commerce cloud payment solution to help retailers stay ahead of changing customer expectations. In the Healthcare sector, Novo Nordisk, specializing in obesity drugs, demonstrated remarkable resilience with strong prescription numbers throughout the month. Additionally, Lonza made a strategic move by acquiring a manufacturing facility in the US, thereby expanding its production capacity in the rapidly expanding field of biologic medicines. As a result of this acquisition, Lonza has raised its medium-term sales guidance, reflecting the positive impact of the deal on its future growth prospects. During the period, the Financials sector was the biggest detractor, and Deutsche Borse had the weakest performance among all the names in the Fund. Our relative performance was most impacted by not having any exposure to Banks, as European bank shares reached their highest level in six years after announcing record shareholder returns and profits surged thanks to rising interest rates. Having under exposure to Industrials and Consumer Discretionary penalised the Fund this month, while the lack of investments in the Energy and Communication Services sectors also had a negative effect on our performance.



### OUTLOOK AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY

During the month of March, we capitalized on the market's positive momentum to secure profits and adjust our portfolio. We increased our exposure to Information Technology and Industrials by making modest additions to our holdings in Capgemini and Experian. Additionally, we introduced a new company to our portfolio, Elis, which is a French corporation operating in the Industrials sector, specifically in the corporate cleaning services space. We also continued to increase our position in Adyen and Hermes, position that we initiated at the end of January. The Fund continues to rely on bottom-up fundamental analysis with a medium term horizon. Our perspective remains cautious of the potential impact of weaker corporate and economic data. We remain open to the possibility of a cyclical recovery and are actively exploring opportunities to incorporate cyclical recovery into our investment strategy. However, we have not made any significant changes in this regard at this time. The potential for greater visibility in the market is expected to yield favourable outcomes. We anticipate that as economic growth slows down, inflation will also decrease, leading to a gradual decline in interest rates this. Consequently, we aim to mitigate any potential risks associated with net cyclicality, beta, momentum, and illiquidity.

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## GLOSSARY

**Active Management:** An investment management approach where a manager aims to beat the market through research, analysis and their own judgement. See also Passive management.

**Active share:** Portfolio active share measures how different from the reference indicator the portfolio is. The closer the active share is to 100%, the less identical stocks a portfolio has compared to its reference indicator, thus the more active the portfolio manager is compared to the market.

**Active Weight:** Represents the absolute value of the difference between the weight of a holding in the manager's portfolio and the same holding in the benchmark index.

**Alpha:** Alpha measures the performance of a portfolio compared to its reference indicator. Negative alpha means the fund performed less well than its reference indicator (e.g. if the indicator increased by 10% in one year and the fund increased by only 6%, its alpha is -4). Positive alpha means the fund performed better than its reference indicator (e.g. if the indicator increased by 6% in one year and the fund increased by 10%, its alpha is 4).

**Beta:** Beta measures the relationship between the fluctuations of the net asset values of the fund and the fluctuations of the levels of its reference indicator. Beta of less than 1 indicates that the fund "cushions" the fluctuations of its index (beta = 0.6 means that the fund increases by 6% if the index increases by 10% and decreases by 6% if the index falls by 10%). Beta higher than 1 indicates that the fund "magnifies" the fluctuations of its reference indicator (beta = 1.4 means that the fund increases by 14% when the index increases by 10% but also decreases by 14% when the index decreases by 10%). Beta of less than 0 indicates that the fund reacts inversely to the fluctuations of its reference indicator (beta = -0.6 means that the fund falls by 6% when the index increases by 10% and vice versa).

**Bottom up investing:** Investment based on analysis of individual companies, whereby that company's history, management, and potential are considered more important than general market or sector trends (as opposed to top down investing).

**Capitalisation:** A company's stock market value at any given moment. It is obtained by multiplying the number of shares of a company by its stock exchange price.

**Duration:** A bond's duration is the period beyond which interest rate variations will no longer affect its return. The duration is like a discounted average lifetime of all flows (interest and capital).

**FCP:** Fonds commun de placement (French common fund).

**Investment grade:** A loan or bond that rating agencies have rated AAA to BBB-, generally indicating relatively low default risk.

**Investment/net exposure rate:** The investment rate constitutes the volume of assets invested expressed as a percentage of the portfolio. Adding the impact of the derivatives to this investment rate results in the net exposure rate, which corresponds to the real percentage of asset exposure to a certain risk. Derivatives can be used to increase the underlying asset's exposure (stimulation) or reduce it (hedging).

**Modified duration:** A bond's modified duration measures the risk attached to a given change in the interest rate. Modified duration of +2 means that for an instantaneous 1% rate increase, the portfolio's value would drop by 2%.

**Net asset value:** Price of all units (in an FCP) or shares (in a SICAV).

**Rating:** The rating measures the creditworthiness of a borrower (bond issuer).

**Sharpe ratio:** The Sharpe ratio measures the excess return over the risk-free rate divided by the standard deviation of this return. It thus shows the marginal return per unit of risk. When it is positive, the higher the Sharpe ratio, the more risk-taking is rewarded. A negative Sharpe ratio does not necessarily mean that the portfolio posted a negative performance, but rather that it performed worse than a risk-free investment.

**VaR:** Value at Risk (VaR) represents an investor's maximum potential loss on the value of a financial asset portfolio, based on a holding period (20 days) and confidence interval (99%). This potential loss is expressed as a percentage of the portfolio's total assets. It is calculated on the basis of a sample of historical data (over a two-year period).

**Volatility:** Range of price variation of a security, fund, market or index, which enables the measurement of risk over a given period. It is determined using the standard deviation obtained by calculating the square root of the variance. The variance is obtained by calculating the average deviation from the mean, which is then squared. The greater the volatility, the greater the risk.

## ESG DEFINITIONS & METHODOLOGY

**ESG:** E for Environment, S for Social, G for Governance

**ESG score Calculation:** Only the Equity and Corporate Bond holdings of the fund considered. Overall Fund Rating calculated using MSCI Fund ESG Quality Score methodology: excluding cash and non ESG-rated holdings, performing a weighted average of the normalized weights of the holdings and the Industry-Adjusted Score of the holdings, multiplied by (1+Adjustment%) which consists of the weight of positively trending ESG ratings minus the weight of ESG Laggards minus the weight of negatively trending ESG ratings. For a detailed explanation see "MSCI ESG Fund Ratings Methodology", Section 2.3. Updated June 2021. <https://www.msci.com/documents/1296102/15388113/MSCI+ESG+Fund+Ratings+Exec+Summary+Methodology.pdf/ec622acc-42a7-158f-6a47-ed7aa4503d4f?t=1562690846881>.

**S&P Trucost methodology:** Trucost uses company disclosed emissions where available. In the instance it is not available, they use their proprietary EEIO model. The model uses the revenue breakdown of the company by industry sector to estimate the carbon emissions. For further information, please visit: [www.spglobal.com/spdji/en/documents/additional-material/faq-trucost.pdf](http://www.spglobal.com/spdji/en/documents/additional-material/faq-trucost.pdf). Although S&P Trucost does report Scope 3 emissions where available, such emissions are commonly considered to be poorly defined and inconsistently calculated by companies. As a result, we have chosen not to include them in our portfolio emission calculations.

To calculate the portfolio carbon emissions, the companies' carbon intensities (tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e /USD mn revenues) are weighted according to their portfolio weightings (normalized for holdings for which carbon emissions are not available), and then summed.

**Scope 1:** Greenhouse gas emissions generated from burning fossil fuels and production processes which are owned or controlled by the company.

**Scope 2:** Greenhouse gas emissions from consumption of purchased electricity, heat or steam by the company.

**Scope 3:** Other indirect Greenhouse gas emissions, such as from the extraction and production of purchased materials and fuels, transport-related activities in vehicles not owned or controlled by the reporting entity, electricity-related activities (e.g. T&D losses) not covered in Scope 2, outsourced activities, waste disposal, etc.

## CHARACTERISTICS

Share Class	Date of 1st NAV	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	CUSIP	WKN	Management Fee	Ongoing Charge <sup>(1)</sup>	Performance fee	Minimum Initial Subscription <sup>(2)</sup>	Single Year Performance (%)				
											28.03.23-28.03.24	28.03.22-28.03.23	26.03.21-28.03.22	27.03.20-26.03.21	28.03.19-27.03.20
A GBP Acc	15/05/2019	FCELAGA LN	GB00BJHPHZ49	BJHPHZ4			0.81%	0.89%	No	GBP 1000	19.8	4.2	0.3	40.9	—
B GBP Acc	15/05/2019	FCELBGA LN	GB00BJHPXB21	BJHPXB2			0.47%	0.55%	No	GBP 1000	20.2	4.6	0.7	41.4	—
A GBP Inc	18/12/2020	FCELAGI LN	GB00BNDQ7N71	BNDQ7N7			0.81%	0.89%	No	GBP 1000	19.8	4.2	0.3	—	—
B GBP Inc	18/12/2020	FCELBGI LN	GB00BNDQ7P95	BNDQ7P9			0.47%	0.55%	No	GBP 1000	20.2	4.6	0.7	—	—

(1) Ongoing charges are based on the expenses for the last financial year ended. They may vary from year to year and do not include performance fees or transaction costs. (2) Please refer to the prospectus for the minimum subsequent subscription amounts. The prospectus is available on the website: [www.carmignac.com](http://www.carmignac.com).

## MAIN RISKS OF THE FUND

**EQUITY:** The Fund may be affected by stock price variations, the scale of which is dependent on external factors, stock trading volumes or market capitalization.

**CURRENCY:** Currency risk is linked to exposure to a currency other than the Fund's valuation currency, either through direct investment or the use of forward financial instruments. **DISCRETIONARY MANAGEMENT:** Anticipations of financial market changes made by the Management Company have a direct effect on the Fund's performance, which depends on the stocks selected.

**The Fund presents a risk of loss of capital.**

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