

# U.S. GROWTH LEADERS FUND

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to deliver long-term growth of capital by investing primarily in stocks of U.S. companies.

#### **FUND DETAILS**

Base Currency: USD Available Currencies: USD Inception Date: 02/03/2016

Total Net Assets: USD 15.6 Million

Morningstar Category: US Large-Cap Growth

Equity

Minimum Initial Investment: Class A: USD 2.500

Class A: USD 2,500 Class N: USD 2,500 Class Z: No Minimum

## AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS USD (%) AS OF 31/01/2018

	1 MONTH	3 MONTHS	1 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION
Class A (acc) USD	7.60	9.75	34.24	22.94
Class Z (acc) USD	7.58	9.86	35.01	23.71
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth Index*	7.08	11.20	34.89	25.35

Performance data quoted reflect past performance and are no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance quoted. The net asset value performance above shows the Fund's average annual total returns excluding sales charges. If sales charges had been included, performance would have been lower. The maximum sales charge for Class A shares is up to 5.00%. Sales charges are not applicable to Class Z shares. Returns for other share classes will differ from those shown above. The investment return and principal value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate so that shares, on any given day or when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized.

The Fund is newly-organized and has a limited performance history. The information provided below reflects the historical performance results of the Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite (the "Composite"). Although the Fund is managed by the same investment team and utilizes a similar investment process as the accounts in the Composite, the performance of the Fund may differ significantly from the performance presented below. There may be differences in performance/portfolio composition between the composite and UCITS due to UCITS restrictions.

# HISTORICAL RETURNS: GROWTH EQUITY INSTITUTIONAL COMPOSITE AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS USD [%] AS OF 31/01/2018

	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION (01/07/2011)
Growth Equity Institutional Composite				
Gross of Fees	37.55	16.52	19.30	15.71
Net of Fees	36.25	15.49	18.26	14.70
Russell 1000® Growth Index*	34.89	17.01	17.95	15.85

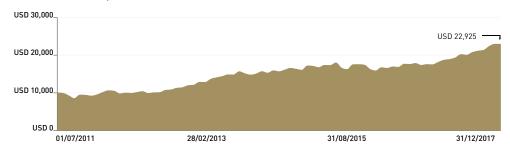
Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

## **CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL RETURNS USD (%)**

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Growth Equity Institutional Composite						
Gross of Fees	32.42	1.44	7.60	11.06	48.00	10.92
Net of Fees	31.18	0.57	6.67	10.12	46.72	9.99
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth Index*	30.21	7.08	5.67	13.05	33.48	15.26

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Russell. Performance data quoted reflect past performance and are no guarantee of future results. The performance information provided above is supplemental to the Growth Equity Institutional Composite presentation, which is included at the end of this document, and is subject to change. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance quoted.

#### GROWTH OF USD 10,000



Based on a hypothetical investment of USD 10,000 on 01/07/2011. The performance results are shown net of advisory fees and reflect the deduction of transaction costs. The performance information provided above is supplemental to the Growth Equity Institutional Composite presentation, which is included at the end of this document, and is subject to change. Data as of 31/12/2017.

#### INVESTMENT TEAM LEADERS

F. Thomas O'Halloran, J.D., CFA, Partner & Portfolio Manager

30 Years Industry Experience

Arthur K. Weise, CFA, Partner & Portfolio Manager

24 Years Industry Experience

Vernon Bice, CMT, Portfolio Manager

16 Years Industry Experience

Matthew R. DeCicco, CFA, Portfolio Manager

18 Years Industry Experience

#### SUPPORTED BY

36 Investment Professionals 18 Years Average Industry Experience

### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS\*

Number of Holdings: 75

Wtd. Avg. Market Cap. (\$B): 221.9

EPS Growth: 17.2%

Price/Earnings Ratio: 38.3x

\* The Fund's portfolio is actively managed and is subject to change.

# **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

Weighted Average Market Capitalization is the average market capitalization of all companies held in the portfolio, with each company weighted according to its percent held in the portfolio. **EPS Growth (Historical 5 Year)** is a measurement of earnings per share growth over the past five

years.

Price/Earnings Ratio is the weighted average of each holding's P/E ratio (price of a stock divided by its earnings per share).

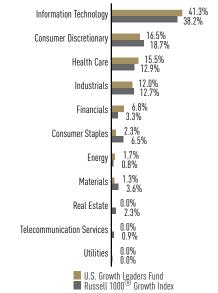
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# **TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS** (AS OF 29/12/2017)

Amazon.com, Inc.	5.2%
Apple, Inc.	4.8%
Alphabet, Inc.	4.7%
Facebook, Inc.	4.5%
Microsoft Corp.	4.0%
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	2.0%
Visa, Inc.	1.9%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	1.8%
Home Depot USA, Inc.	1.8%
Stanley Black & Decker, Inc.	1.6%

Holdings are for informational purposes only and are not a recommendation to buy, sell, or hold any security.

# SECTOR ALLOCATION



Sector allocations exclude cash therefore Fund percentage allocations may not equal 100%

#### SHARE CLASS INFORMATION

FUND CLASS	BLOOMBERG TICKER	CUSIP	ISIN	INCEPTION	TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO %
Class A (acc) USD	LAUGAAU ID	G5642M594	IE00BYZRLD33	02/03/2016	1.80
Class N (acc) USD	LAUGNAU ID	G5642M743	IE00BYZRLY46	02/03/2016	2.40
Class Z (acc) USD	LAUGZAU ID	G5642M750	IE00BYZRLZ52	02/03/2016	1.15

Additional share classes are available upon request. The Total Expense Ratio in the table represents the net expense ratio, which takes into account a management fee waiver whereby Lord Abbett has agreed to waive a portion of its management fee. Lord Abbett may stop the management fee waiver at its discretion. For periods when the waiver is in place, the Fund may benefit by not bearing these expenses. Without such management fee waiver, performance will be lower. Please see the Fund's prospectus for additional information.

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#### **END NOTES TO PERFORMANCE**

The Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) compliant performance results shown represent the investment performance record for the Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC (Lord Abbett) Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite. Prior to September 30, 2013, the composite was named Multi Cap Growth Equity Institutional Composite. This composite is comprised of all fully discretionary portfolios managed on behalf of institutional investors investing primarily in a combination of large-, mid- and small-capitalization equity securities that Lord Abbett deems to have long-term growth potential. Other than registered investment companies sponsored by Lord Abbett, accounts opened/funded on or before the 15th day of the month are included in the Composite effective on the first day of the second following month. Registered investment companies sponsored by Lord Abbett are included in the Composite in the first full month of management. Closed accounts are removed from the Composite after the last full month in which they were managed in accordance with the applicable objectives, guidelines and restrictions. Performance results are expressed in U.S. dollars and reflect reinvestment of any dividends and distributions. The Composite was created in 2011. A complete list of Lord Abbett composites and a description of the investment strategies is available upon request. Policies for valuing portfolios.

For For GIPS® purposes, the firm is defined as Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC ("Lord Abbett"). Total Firm Assets are the aggregate fair value of all discretionary and non-discretionary assets for which the Firm has investment management responsibility. Accordingly, Total Firm Assets include, but are not limited to, mutual funds (all classes of shares), privately placed investment funds, non-U.S. domiciled investment funds, separate/institutional portfolios, individual portfolios and separately managed accounts ("Wrap Fee/SMA Portfolios") managed by Lord Abbett. Total Firm Assets also include any collateralized, structured investment vehicle, such as a collateralized debt obligation or collateralized bond obligation, for which Lord Abbett has been appointed as the collateral manager. For the period prior to January 1, 2000, the definition of the Firm does not include any hedge fund or SMA program accounts where Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC (in the lord of the period prior to January 1) and the period prior to January 1 and 1 and

The number of portfolios and total assets in the Composite, and the percentage of total "firm" assets represented by the Composite at the end of each calendar year for which performance information is provided are as follows:

Calendar Year Ended	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	7/11 - 12/11
# of Portfolios	2	1	1	1	1	1
Total Assets (\$M)	\$2,104	\$2,284	\$1,406	\$582	\$24	\$13
Percentage of Firm Assets	1.56%	1.84%	1.03%	0.43%	0.02%	0.01%
Total Firm Assets (\$M)	\$134,565	\$124,007	\$135,945	\$135,786	\$127,753	\$107,449
Dispersion	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite Gross (Annual)	1.44%	7.60%	11.06%	48.00%	10.92%	-7.94%
Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite Gross (3 year Annualized Return*)	6.63%	20.95%	22.16%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite Gross (3 year Annualized Ex-Post Standard Deviation*)	12.24%	12.07%	11.17%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite Net (Annual)	0.57%	6.67%	10.12%	46.72%	9.99%	-8.33%
Lord Abbett Growth Equity Institutional Composite Net (3 year Annualized Return*)	5.71%	19.91%	21.12%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth Index (Annual)	7.08%	5.67%	13.05%	33.48%	15.26%	-3.92%
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth Index (3 year Annualized Return*)	8.55%	16.83%	20.26%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Russell 1000 <sup>®</sup> Growth Index (3 year Annualized Ex-Post Standard Deviation)	11.31%	10.85%	9.73%	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>N/A for periods with less than 3 years of data based on the composite inception date.

Dispersion is represented by the asset-weighted standard deviation, a measure that explains deviations of portfolio rates of return from the asset-weighted composite return. Only portfolios that have been managed within the Composite style for a full year are included in the asset-weighted standard deviation calculation. The measure may not be meaningful (N/A) for composites consisting of five or fewer portfolios or for periods of less than a full year.

The performance of the Composite is shown net and gross of advisory fees, and reflects the deduction of transaction costs. The deduction of advisory fees and expenses (and the compounding effect thereof over time) will reduce the performance results and, correspondingly, the return to an investor. For all periods beginning January 1, 2011, the table above includes net performance for the Composite and reflects the of the deduction of the actual advisory fee borne by each account in the Composite and other trading expenses and performance incentive fees. Portfolio incentive fees are applied on a cash basis in the period in which they are paid. The effect of fees and expenses on performance will vary with the relative size of the fee and account performance. For example, if \$10 million were invested and experienced a 10% compounded annual return for 10 years, its ending dollar value, without giving effect to the deduction of the advisory fee, would be \$25,937,425. If an advisory fee of 0.60% of average net assets per year for the 10-year period were deducted, the annual total return would be 9.34% and the ending dollar value would be \$24,556,882. The management fee schedule is as follows: 0.60% on the first \$25 million, 0.47% on the next \$75 million, 0.38% on the next \$400 million and negotiable for all assets over \$500 million. Certain securities held in portfolios contained in this composite may have valuations determined using both subjective observable and subjective unobservable inputs. The Firm's valuation hierarchy does not materially differ from the hierarchy in the GIPS Valuation Principles.

Lord Abbett claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS standards. Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC has been independently verified for the periods 1993 through 2016. Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the Firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS standards. The Growth Equity Institutional composite has been examined for the periods 2011 through 2016. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

The Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index measures the performance of the 1,000 largest companies in the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index, which represents approximately 90% of the total market capitalization of the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index. The Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Growth Index measures the performance of those Russell 1000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. Prior to April 2014, the primary benchmark for the composite was the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Growth Index. Lord Abbett believes the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Growth Index is more representative of the investment strategy given its minimum 50% allocation to large cap stocks. The benchmark has not been examined by Deloitte & Touche LLP.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator or a guarantee of future results. Differences in account size, timing of transactions, and market conditions prevailing at the time of investment may lead to different results among accounts. Differences in the methodology used to calculate performance also might lead to different performance results than those shown. Composite performance is compared to that of an unmanaged index, which does not incur management fees, transaction costs, or other expenses associated with a managed account.

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