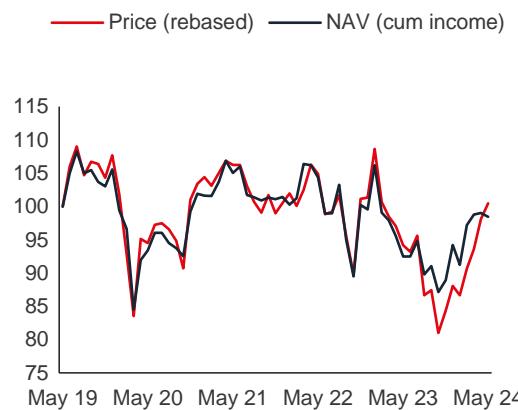
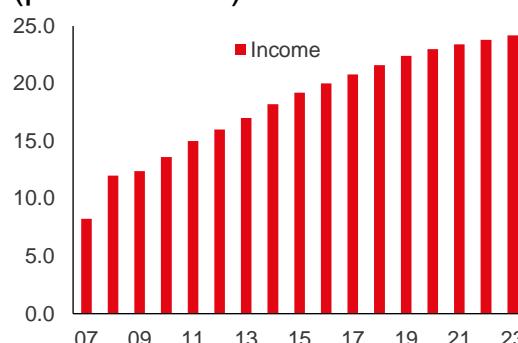


Share price performance (total return)



Dividend history (pence/share)



Please note that this chart could include dividends that have been declared but not yet paid.

Performance over (%)

	6m	1y	3y	5y	10y
Share price (Total return)	19.1	6.7	-5.4	0.5	50.4
NAV (Total return)	10.7	6.4	-6.3	-1.6	49.2

Discrete year performance (%) (total return)

Discrete year	Share price (total return)	NAV (total return)
31/3/2023 to 31/3/2024	-5.0	0.9
31/3/2022 to 31/3/2023	-3.9	-8.0
31/3/2021 to 31/3/2022	-2.4	2.6
31/3/2020 to 31/3/2021	25.7	22.7
31/3/2019 to 31/3/2020	-15.4	-15.3

All performance, cumulative growth and annual growth data is sourced from Morningstar.

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Commentary at a glance

Contributors/detractors

Mediatek benefited from upgrades to its potential from AI. Samsung Electronics lagged given concerns around the quality of High Bandwidth Memory chips.

Outlook

We are observing significant opportunities to accumulate quality companies which are growing their earnings and increasing their dividends across many of our markets.

See full commentary on page 3.

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Company overview

Objective

The Company seeks to provide shareholders with a growing total annual dividend per share, as well as capital appreciation, from a diversified portfolio of investments from the Asia Pacific region.

Highlights

A portfolio of value orientated Asia Pacific equities with a focus on cash flow generation from companies with the ability to sustain and grow dividends.

Company information

NAV (cum income)	223.8p
NAV (ex income)	222.0p
Share price	232.0p
Discount(-)/premium(+) (%)	3.7%
Yield	10.5%
Net gearing	8%
Net cash	-
Total assets	£393m
Net assets	£363m
Market capitalisation	£376m
Total voting rights	162,282,179
Total number of holdings	73
Ongoing charges (year end 31 Aug 2023)	0.97%
Benchmark	-

Source: BNP Paribas for holdings information and Morningstar for all other data. Differences in calculation may occur due to the methodology used.

Please note that the total voting rights in the Company do not include shares held in Treasury.

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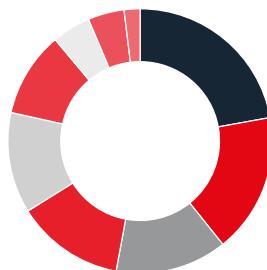
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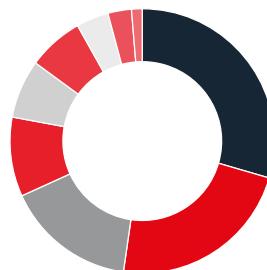
Top 10 holdings (%)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	5.2
Samsung Electronics	3.9
MediaTek	3.5
China Resources Land	3.4
HKT Trust & HKT	3.4
Hon Hai Precision Industry	2.8
Lenovo Group	2.6
HDFC Bank	2.5
ASE Technology	2.5
PCCW	2.4

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Premium/(discount) of share price to NAV at fair value (%)**Geographical focus (%)**

The above geographical breakdown may not add up to 100% as this only shows the top 10.

Sector breakdown (%)

The above sector breakdown may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Key information

Stock code	HFEL
AIC sector	AIC Asia Pacific Equity Income
Benchmark	-
Company type	Conventional (Ords)
Launch date	2006
Financial year	31-Aug
Dividend payment	May, August, November, February
Risk rating (Source: Numis)	Slightly above average
Management fee	0.75% of net assets pa
Performance fee	No
(See Annual Report & Key Information Document for more information)	
Regional focus	Asia Pacific ex Japan
Fund manager appointment	Sat Duhra 2019



Sat Duhra
Portfolio Manager

10 year total return of £1,000

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Fund Manager commentary

Investment environment

Asian equity markets rose (in US dollar terms), impacted by the weakness in the US dollar and weaker-than-expected US data such as employment and inflation.

Taiwan was the strongest market in May given the continuing positive news around artificial intelligence (AI), with some support from the positive results season for domestic financial companies.

China was a positive performer. This was thanks to the rally which followed the government's measures to address risks in the property market, some signs of corporate reforms boosting dividends and share buybacks, and a better outlook for industrial profits.

Indonesia was a weak spot after the currency weakened with US dollar strength, and as interest rates were unexpectedly raised and macroeconomic data was lacklustre. Meanwhile, the Indian elections kept foreign investors on the side-lines and the market was broadly flat.

By sector, information technology benefited from the positive demand environment created by the AI theme, with Asia a key region for the AI supply chain.

Portfolio review

The strongest positive contributor in May was Mediatek. Along with other top contributors (including Lenovo

Group, TSMC and Hon Hai), the Taiwanese chip manufacturer witnessed earnings upgrades given the Taiwanese technology supply chain is critical to AI's overall success. ASE Technology was a key positive contributor for the same reason.

The weakness in Indonesia was negative for performance as Bank Negara, Bank Mandiri and Astra International performed poorly following the unexpected interest rate hike following currency weakness.

Performance from Samsonite was disappointing as a result of weak operational performance in comparison to their more competitive outlook. Samsung Electronics was the weakest individual contributor given its large position and negative performance following some concerns that it could be a laggard in the supply of High Bandwidth Memory chips (which are expected to be important in AI processors).

We are finding valuations attractive for out-of-favour Chinese internet stocks, where cash flow is typically strong and competitive and regulatory environments more benign. On this basis, we added positions in Meituan, PDD, and the regional ecommerce and gaming company SEA (where competition is also more benign). We expect that the strong cash generation could eventually lead to an attractive dividend policy, while in the meantime we like the outlook for earnings growth. We sold the small holdings in JD.com and Alibaba to fund these trades, given their weak operational outlook.

Manager outlook

While the challenges faced by China dominate headlines, there are numerous bright spots which we expect to be positive for performance. India, Indonesia, Taiwan and South Korea provide compelling exposure to growth themes in the region. They are also demonstrating evidence of dividend growth with areas such as Indonesian banks, firms exposed to South Korean corporate reform and Taiwanese technology firms providing high and growing dividends. If the recent stabilisation in China's macroeconomic data turns into something more positive then this, along with potential interest rate cuts in the second half of 2024, could provide a further boost to Asian markets.

The economic growth differential between Asia and the rest of the world remains wide and valuations continue to be attractive. We are observing significant opportunities to accumulate quality companies which are growing their earnings and increasing their dividends across many of our markets. The outlook for dividends in the region remains robust as positive free cash flow generation alongside the strength of balance sheets - with record cash held by corporates - provide a strong backdrop across a number of sectors and markets across the region.

Glossary

Discount/Premium

The amount by which the price per share of an investment company is either lower (at a discount) or higher (at a premium) than the net asset value per share (cum income), expressed as a percentage of the net asset value per share.

Gearing

The effect of borrowing money for investment purposes (financial gearing). The amount a company can "gear" is the amount it can borrow in order to invest. Gearing is used in the expectation that the returns on the investments bought will exceed the costs of the borrowings that funded the purchase. This Company can also use synthetic gearing through derivatives and foreign exchange hedging and/or other non-fully funded instruments or techniques.

Leverage

The Company's leverage is the sum of financial gearing and synthetic gearing. Details of the Company's leverage limits can be found in both the Key Information Document and Annual Report. Where a company utilises leverage, the profits and losses incurred by the company can be greater than those of a company that does not use leverage.

Market capitalisation

Share price multiplied by the number of shares in issue, excluding treasury shares, at month end. Shares typically priced mid-market at month-end closing.

Net Asset Value (NAV)

The total value of a Company's assets less its liabilities.

NAV (Cum Income)

The value of investments and cash, including current year revenue, less liabilities (prior charges such as loans, debenture stock and preference shares at fair value).

NAV (Ex Income)

The value of investments and cash, excluding current year revenue, less liabilities (prior charges such as loans, debenture stock and preference shares at fair value).

NAV total return

The theoretical total return on shareholders' funds per share reflecting the change in Net Asset Value (NAV) assuming that dividends paid to shareholders were reinvested at NAV at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. A way of measuring investment management performance of investment trusts which is not affected by movements in discounts/premiums.

Net assets

Total assets minus any liabilities such as bank loans or creditors.

Net cash

A company's net exposure to cash/cash equivalents expressed as a percentage of shareholders' funds, after any offset against its gearing. This is only shown for companies that have gearing in place.

Net gearing

A company's total assets (less cash/cash equivalents) divided by shareholders' funds expressed as a percentage.

Ongoing charges

The total expenses for the financial year (excluding performance fee), divided by the average daily net assets, multiplied by 100.

Risk rating

The key measure used to assess risk is volatility of returns, using historic net asset value (NAV) performance of the Company over 1 and 3 years. In this instance volatility measures how much a company's NAV fluctuates over time in relation to the UK Equity market. The higher a volatility figure, the more the NAV has fluctuated (both up and down) over time. Please note that risk categorisations are indicative and based principally on historic data and should not be solely relied upon when making investment decisions.

Share price

Closing mid-market share price at month end.

Share price total return

The theoretical total return to the investor assuming that all dividends received were reinvested in the shares of the company at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. Transaction costs are not taken into account.

Total assets

Cum Income NAV multiplied by the number of shares, plus prior charges at fair value.

Yield

Calculated by dividing the current financial year's dividends per share (this will include prospective dividends) by the current price per share, then multiplying by 100 to arrive at a percentage figure.

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Source for fund ratings/awards

Overall Morningstar Rating™ is shown for an investment company achieving a rating of 4 or 5.

Company specific risks

- This Company is suitable to be used as one component of several within a diversified investment portfolio. Investors should consider carefully the proportion of their portfolio invested in this Company.
- Active management techniques that have worked well in normal market conditions could prove ineffective or negative for performance at other times.
- The Company could lose money if a counterparty with which it trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the Company.
- Shares can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result.
- The return on your investment is directly related to the prevailing market price of the Company's shares, which will trade at a varying discount (or premium) relative to the value of the underlying assets of the Company. As a result, losses (or gains) may be higher or lower than those of the Company's assets.
- If a Company's portfolio is concentrated towards a particular country or geographical region, the investment carries greater risk than a portfolio that is diversified across more countries.
- The Company has significant exposure to Emerging Markets, which tend to be less stable than more established markets. These markets can be affected by local political and economic conditions as well as variances in the reliability of trading systems, buying and selling practices, and financial reporting standards.
- The portfolio allows the manager to use options for efficient portfolio management. Options can be volatile and may result in a capital loss.
- Where the Company invests in assets that are denominated in currencies other than the base currency, the currency exchange rate movements may cause the value of investments to fall as well as rise.
- The Company may use gearing (borrowing to invest) as part of its investment strategy. If the Company utilises its ability to gear, the profits and losses incurred by the Company can be greater than those of a Company that does not use gearing.
- All or part of the Company's management fee is taken from its capital. While this allows more income to be paid, it may also restrict capital growth or even result in capital erosion over time.

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