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# Sector Healthcare Value Fund

Monthly Newsletter - February 2024

# **Strong markets**

# **Breadth improving**

The global healthcare sector¹ rose 2.3 percent in February, compared to a 4.2 percent rally in the global equity markets². Defensive sectors underperformed whereas consumer discretionary, industrial and technology stocks outperformed. Healthcare services stocks underperformed whereas the obesity stocks as well as the life sciences tools and diagnostics sector outperformed, within the healthcare space. Small-cap healthcare stocks, led by biotechnology, also had a strong month. The equal weighted healthcare index continued to underperform the market capitalization weighted healthcare index. Systematic style factors once again felt dominant in February. Momentum and growth styles outperformed whereas long-term laggards, across most sub-sectors, continued to underperform as a group.

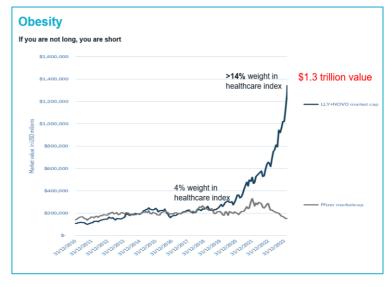
### Fund up 0.9 percent

The Sector Healthcare Value Fund rose 0.9 percent in January and is up 1.9 percent year-to-date. The returns in February were led by our medtech as well as healthcare services holdings, and partly offset by losses from our biotechnology as well as Japanese holdings. The top performing stocks were UCB, GE Healthcare, GSK and Agios Pharmaceutical. The small position in Agios was bought in early January of this year, *after* a positive ph3 readout on their thalassemia drug Mitapivat. Agios stock returned over 40 percent in February. The top losing positions in February were Biogen, Eisai, Sandoz and Medtronic. On a relative basis, the Fund continued to underperform, primarily driven by not owning the obesity stocks, Eli Lilly and Novo Nordisk. These two companies have added over \$300bn to their market value, equivalent to over two times the value of Pfizer, on a year-to-date basis. Their combined value is currently well over \$1.3 trillion, or roughly 14 percent of the healthcare index/value. We have no plans to add either of these companies, but have smaller exposures in obesity volume-, manufacturing-and early-stage research-plays.

#### Breaking out is hard to do

We are encouraged about the fundamental newsflow for the portfolio holdings recently. GSK

and UCB being good examples of large holdings with solid NPV changing fundamental newsflow recently. Earnings beats, pipeline wins and sound capital allocation decicions across a number of key undervalued holdings make us optimistic on future returns. The growth/ narrow, large-cap momentum market feels exstended and we hope/think value will be the next factor to break higher. The impoved price action in small-cap stocks is an encouraging sign to us.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> MSCI World Healthcare Index

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MSCI World Net Index



#### **Analysis of Return**

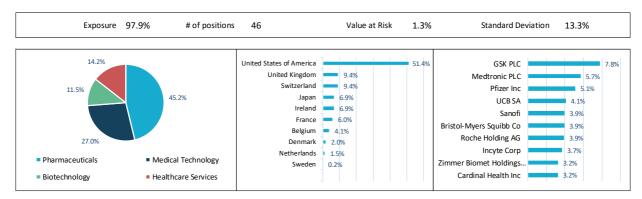
Please note: Past performance does not predict future returns

A EUR A NOK Sector Healthcare Value Index\* A USD A EUR A NOK February 2024 A USD NAV 537.02 342.42 3,111.27 Sector Healthcare Value A USD Last Month 0.9% 0.8% 0.9% 2.3% -1.3% -1.4% -1.4% — MSCI World Healthcare Index Year to Date 1.9% 1.8% 1.9% 5.0% -3.1% -3.2% -3.1% 600 550 Last 12 Months 5.4% 3.9% 3.9% 14.3% -8.9% -10.5% -10.5% 500 Since Inception \*\* 437.0% 362.3% 412.7% 351.0% 86.0% 11.3% 61.7% 450 1.1% 400 Compounded growth p.a. 13.5% 12.2% 13.1% 12.0% 1.5% 0.2% 350 Standard deviation 12.1% 12.2% 12.0% 12.9% 300 Reward/Risk 1.11 1.00 1.09 0.93 250 4.08 200 Tracking error 150 Information ratio 0.27 100 Best month 11.8% 11.8% 11.4% 11.6% Nov-2010 Sep-2011 Jul-2012 May-2013 Mar-2014 Jan-2015 Nov-2015 Sep-2016 Jul-2017 May-2018 Mar-2019 Jan-2020 Nov-2020 Sep-2021 Jul-2022 May-2023 Worst month -7.9% -8.2% -8.1% -8.1% Maximum drawdown -25.4% -25.9% -25.2% -27.0%

All performance figures from Sector Healthcare Value are net of fees

Class A USD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2024	0.9%	0.9%											1.9%
2023	1.4%	-3.1%	2.4%	3.9%	-5.0%	4.4%	-0.2%	-2.5%	-3.5%	-4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	1.6%
2022	-3.3%	-0.2%	2.3%	-2.5%	1.0%	-3.1%	1.3%	-5.5%	-3.5%	8.8%	4.4%	-0.5%	-1.6%
2021	1.5%	-2.7%	3.2%	3.3%	1.9%	1.8%	1.0%	1.7%	-4.9%	2.5%	-4.4%	6.3%	11.2%
2020	-1.8%	-4.8%	-5.5%	11.8%	3.6%	-1.5%	3.4%	1.7%	-2.5%	-4.2%	7.2%	2.9%	9.3%
2019	7.4%	2.8%	0.7%	-1.9%	-4.3%	6.0%	0.4%	-0.8%	0.4%	4.0%	5.4%	3.0%	24.9%
2018	5.6%	-3.0%	-0.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.5%	4.6%	3.0%	1.8%	-6.7%	4.2%	-7.9%	5.0%
2017	2.6%	5.1%	0.8%	2.5%	2.4%	2.9%	-0.3%	0.8%	1.6%	-2.0%	1.4%	-0.6%	18.4%
2016	-6.7%	-0.5%	3.9%	4.4%	2.9%	1.0%	4.8%	-3.1%	0.8%	-5.3%	0.3%	1.8%	3.7%
2015	1.7%	5.4%	2.2%	0.3%	2.6%	-0.1%	4.2%	-3.0%	-6.5%	6.5%	0.3%	1.7%	15.5%
2014	1.2%	6.2%	-1.0%	-0.1%	2.8%	1.8%	-0.7%	2.1%	0.4%	1.9%	2.9%	0.7%	19.5%
2013	8.6%	0.9%	4.3%	3.8%	1.7%	-0.5%	7.5%	-1.9%	3.1%	2.7%	4.5%	2.1%	43.0%
2012	3.6%	0.9%	4.4%	0.4%	-3.7%	6.8%	1.2%	1.7%	4.6%	-1.6%	1.6%	0.8%	22.2%
2011	0.2%	2.6%	0.9%	7.4%	2.9%	-2.6%	-3.0%	-3.1%	-4.4%	7.8%	-3.0%	2.1%	6.9%
2010											-1.7%	6.4%	4.6%

# **Analysis of Risk**



#### **Fund Details**

Fund Type	UCITS	Class	ISIN	Bloomberg Ticker	
Fund Style	Actively managed	A USD	IE00B40JDW74	SECHVAU ID Equity	
Fund Name	Sector Healthcare Value Fund,	A EUR	IE00B0L26Q21	SECHVAE ID Equity	
	a sub-fund of Sector Capital Funds Plc	A NOK	IE00B0L26Q21	SECHVAN ID Equity	
Domicile	Ireland				
Portfolio Manager	Sector Gamma AS				
Inception Date	16 November 2010				
Liquidity	Daily				
Base Currency	USD				
Morningstar Rating (10	Morningstar Rating (10 yrs) ★★★★				

<sup>\*</sup> MSCI World Healthcare Index USD

<sup>\*\*</sup> Since inception November 16th, 2010



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