

# Trojan Fund

## All data as at 31 January 2021

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The investment objective of the Trojan Fund is to seek to achieve growth in capital (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). The policy is to invest globally in government and public securities (such as sovereign debt and treasury bills), corporate bonds, equities and equity-related securities, private equity, precious metals, cash, cash equivalents and deposits.

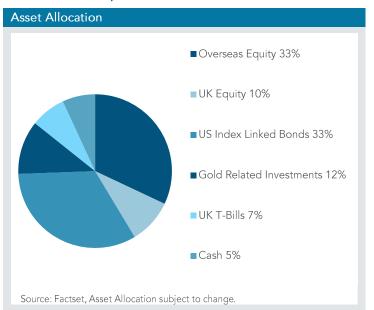
**Prices** 351.41p

'O' accumulation shares

284.57p 'O' income shares

**Fund Size** £5,406m





Total Return to 31 January 2021		/05/01 launch		)1/11 years	31/01 5 ye	/16 ears	31/01/ 3 yea		31/01/20 1 year		31/07/20 6 months
Trojan Fund O Inc	+2	284.5%	+6	7.5%	+33	.2%	+15.6	%	+5.1%	)	+0.7%
UK Official Bank Base Rate	4	-49.8%	+	-4.8%	+2	.2%	+1.5	5%	+0.2%		+0.1%
UK Retail Price Index	4	-69.6%	+2	29.0%	+14	.1%	+7.0	1%	+1.7%		+0.4%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	+ ′	156.1%	+7	1.4%	+31	.5%	-1.6	%	-7.5%	)	+12.5%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2001#	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Trojan Fund O Inc	+0.6%	+4.1%	+15.4%	+10.3%	+15.9%	+12.0%	+6.1%	+1.1%	+11.6%	+14.4	+8.5%
		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	<b>2021</b> YTD
		+2.1%	-3.1%	+8.9%	+3.2%	+12.3%	+4.1%	-3.0%	+10.7%	+7.4%	-0.3%

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Source: Lipper

Past performance is not a guide to future performance

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## **January Commentary**

Your Fund returned -0.3% during the month compared to -0.8% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

2021 started noisily. Vaccine rollouts, of varying success by country, led to a continuation of some of Q4 2020's recovery in cyclical stocks. Added to this were market gyrations exacerbated by retail participation; many could be forgiven for losing sight of the bigger picture in January. But recent days have also seen the release of calendar 2020 earnings and, with them, an indication as to which companies are best placed for the future.

The pandemic saw a step up in the world's digital economy, most of which will not reverse. Microsoft, a vital enabler of digitisation and the

Fund's largest equity holding, last year offered free services such as short-term Office subscriptions, as well as better payment terms to many of its customers. This was important during a difficult year. It is also consistent with the long-sightedness of the management team; technology spend as a % of GDP is due to double over the next decade. The company has built tremendous loyalty with businesses around the world.

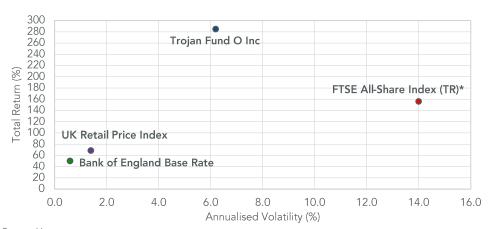
At the same time, the company's current results continue to excel. In the quarter to December, revenues grew 15% and \*free cash flow (FCF) 17%. The company's cloud platform, Microsoft Azure, saw growth accelerate in the quarter to 50% as the secular transition to cloud-based

Microsoft, the working continues apace. number two in cloud infrastructure, is incredibly well placed thanks to existing business relationships, an integrated suite of software solutions and a strong emphasis on security. As Azure continues to scale, it also becomes more profitable, providing operating leverage for the company as a whole.

Our focus continues to be on businesses that have the capacity and vision to make investments for the very long term. 2020 provided an excellent indication of which companies are both able and willing to do so.

\*The FCF is the cash a company generates after taking into consideration cash outflows that support its operations and maintain its capital assets.

## Return vs volatility since launch (31/05/2001)



Source: Lipper

Risk analysis since launch (31/05/01)	Trojan Fund O Inc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+284.5%	+156.1%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-13.7%	-45.6%
Best Month	+8.9%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-4.7%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+66.5%	+58.1%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+6.2%	+14.0%

Source: Lipper 1. Measures the worst investment period <sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

Top 10 holdings (excluding government bonds)	% Fund
Gold Bullion Securities	6.5
Microsoft	5.5
Unilever	4.3
Alphabet	4.1
Nestlé	3.4
Visa	3.1
Philip Morris International	3.1
Invesco Physical Gold	3.0
Diageo	3.0
Medtronic	2.9
Total Top 10	38.9
11 Other Equity holdings	15.6
Index Linked Bonds	33.2
UK T-Bills	7.1
Cash	5.2
TOTAL	100.0

Source: Factset, holdings subject to change.

## **Fund Manager Awards**





## **Fund information**

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Link Fund Solutions Ltd, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director and Link Fund Administrators Ltd (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) on 0345 608 0950. The Trojan Fund is closed to new direct investments, but is still available to new investors through major fund platforms.

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Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UK UCITS

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Currency £ Sterling

Launch Date 31 May 2001

Fund Historic Yield ('O' Inc shares) 0.35%

## Ongoing Charges

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.01% 'S' (charity) shares: 0.76%

## Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

## Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

## Authorised Corporate Director

Link Fund Solutions Limited
Tel: 0345 608 0950

### ICINI

GB0034243732 (O Inc), GB00B01BP952 (O Acc) GB00B05M9T27 (S Inc), GB00B05M9S10 (S Acc)

### Benchmarks

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet, available from our website

### Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

### Registrar

Link Fund Administrators Limited

## Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

## Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

## Bloomberg

CFTROJA\_LN (O Acc), CFTROJI\_LN (O Inc)

### SEDOL

B01BP95 (O Acc), 3424373 ( O Inc)

## Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

### Important Information

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