

Investment Manager Review

In December 2020, the Trust's NAV per share returned 0.8% (GBP) while the NASDAQ Biotechnology Index (NBI) returned 3.4% (GBP). The FTSE All-Share Index returned 5.3% (GBP) and the S&P 500 Index returned 1.3% (GBP). IBT's share price returned 2.3% (GBP).

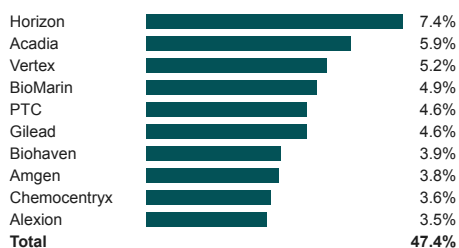
The main positive contributors to the NAV in the month were Alexion, BioMarin and Turning Point. Alexion's shares were up after AstraZeneca announced its intention to acquire the company for USD39BN. BioMarin's share price increased in anticipation of multiple catalysts set for 2021, including longer term data from their haemophilia A asset and their achondroplasia program. Turning Point received breakthrough therapy status from the FDA for their targeted oncology program for lung cancer, repotrectinib.

The main detractors from the NAV in the month were Acadia Therapeutics, Mirati and Gilead. Acadia shares were relatively weak heading into their next major event, which is expected to be the approval of their drug, Pimavanserin, for Dementia Related psychosis. The drug is already approved to treat Parkinson's disease psychosis. After an incredibly strong run in 2020, Mirati shares saw some profit taking. 2021 will be a pivotal year in determining the positioning of their lead asset, a KRAS inhibitor for lung cancer. Gilead shares were weak in the month after announcing its decision to walk away from its partnership deal with Dutch company Galapagos, and their rheumatoid arthritis asset, Filgotinib.

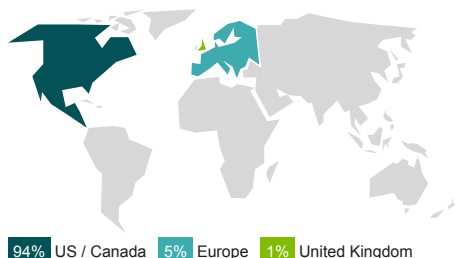
Key attributes of the Trust

- Driven by strong fundamentals of the Biotech sector.
- Access to a broad spectrum of quoted and unquoted investments.
- Provides investors exposure to both growth and a competitive yield.
- Bottom up stock selection with diversification overlay.
- Medically and financially experienced Fund Managers with access to specialists at SV Health.
- Invested in some of the most innovative companies in the world.

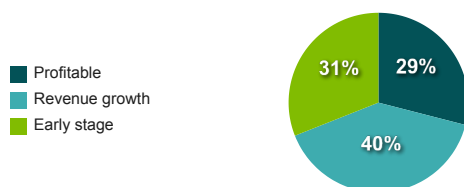
Top quoted investments by NAV%



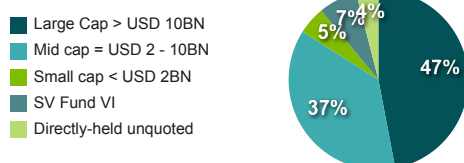
NAV% by Geography



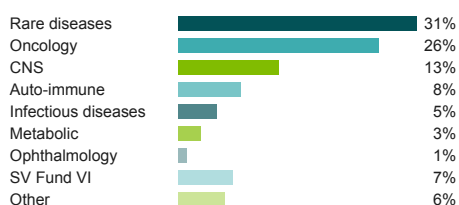
NAV% by Development Stage



NAV% by Size



NAV% by Therapeutic Area



Outlook

With the onset of a new calendar year, issues remain regarding the pandemic. However, the global rollout of the vaccine bodes well for medium to longer term economic recovery.

The new U.S. administration's focus will be on the stimulus package and Covid-19. However, healthcare is also expected to be on the agenda at some point.

Given the healthcare/biotechnology sector's relatively stable and visible earnings, combined with the accelerating pace of innovation, we are optimistic about the biotech sector's mid to long-term performance.

This forecast is not a reliable indicator of future performance

Performance

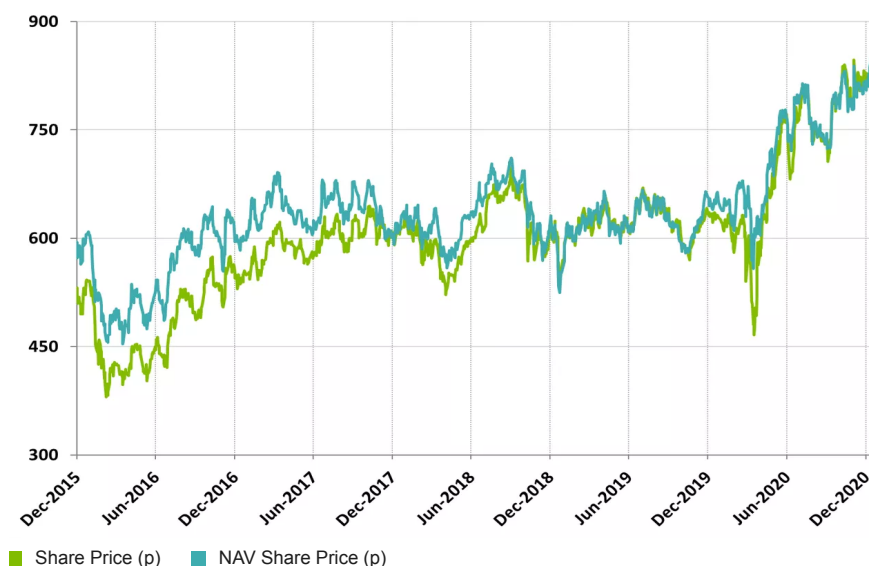
Total Return	1 M %	1 YR %	3 YR %	5 YR %
NAV per share	0.8%	29.8%	47.9%	59.0%
Share price	2.3%	36.1%	51.8%	82.4%
NBI	3.4%	23.2%	44.3%	50.5%
FTSE All-Share Index	5.3%	-9.0%	-1.4%	30.3%

Performance data to 30 December 2020.

Source: Bloomberg, mid-price (share price), quoted in sterling and SV Health Managers LLP.

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NAV and Share Price Over Five Years



Source: Bloomberg, mid-price (share price), quoted in sterling and SV Health Managers LLP.

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Note: All performance data are quoted net of all costs to the Company.

Management Team



Carl Harald Janson

Carl Harald joined SV Health in 2013 as the Lead Investment Manager for the Trust. Carl Harald qualified as a Medical Doctor and completed a PhD at the Karolinska Institutet, and is a Certified Financial Analyst from the Stockholm School of Economics.



Ailsa Craig

Ailsa joined SV Health in 2006 and is an Investment Manager for the Trust. Ailsa has a BSc (Hons) in Biology from the University of Manchester. She was awarded the IMC in 2002 and the Securities Institute Diploma in 2007.



Marek Poszepczynski

Marek joined SV Health in 2014 and is an Investment Manager for the Trust. Marek has an MSc in Biochemistry and an MSc in Business Management from the Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm.



Kate Bingham

Kate joined SV Health in 1991 and is an Investment Manager for the Trust. Kate is a Managing Partner at SV Health Investors, has a first class degree in Biochemistry from Oxford University, and graduated from Harvard Business School with an MBA.

Fund Facts

Launch date	6 May 1994
Net assets	£321m
Net assets per share	801p
Share price	817p
Value of unquoted investments	£37m
(Gearing)/ cash balance	-2%
Number of portfolio companies	70*
Shares outstanding	40,047,817
Ex-div date	July 2021
Dividend 4% of NAV p.a. bi-annually	

*Excludes 25 companies held by SV Fund VI

Share Codes

Listing	London Stock Exchange
Reuters / Bloomberg	IBT.L / IBT LN
Sedol	0455934 GB
ISIN	GB0004559349

Trust Characteristics

- Ongoing costs, including 0.9% management fee, are 1.3% of the company's NAV
- Performance Fee: See page 31 of the Annual Report 2020
- Continuation Vote: At AGM in 2021; every two years
- Year / Interim End: 31 August / 28 February

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Objective

The investment objective of International Biotechnology Trust plc (the "Company") is to achieve long-term capital growth by investing primarily in biotechnology and other life sciences companies that are either quoted or unquoted and possess the potential for high growth. The Company invests in companies whose shares are considered to have good prospects, with experienced management and strong potential upside through the development and/or commercialisation of a product, device or enabling technology.

AIFM and Investment Manager

SV Health Managers LLP was appointed Investment Manager of the Company on 1 January 2005 and Alternative Investment Fund Managers ('AIFM') on 21 July 2014.

Between November 2000 and December 2004, Schroder Ventures Life Sciences Advisers (UK) Ltd, was adviser to the Investment Manager of the Company during that period, Schroder Investment Management Ltd.

SV Health Managers LLP's venture capital business advises six venture capital funds with capital commitments of over USD 2bn which primarily invest amounts of between USD 1m and USD 20m in North America and Europe, but will consider innovative investments in other regions.

SV Health Managers LLP manages the SV7 Impact Medicine Fund, a specialist USD 265m venture capital biotech fund and the Dementia Discovery Fund, a GBP 250m venture capital fund aiming to discover and develop breakthrough treatments for dementia.

SV Health Managers LLP is Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (firm reference number 409119).

Further information is available on our website www.svhealthinvestors.com.

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The value of investments, and the income from them, may go down as well as up, and is not guaranteed, and investors may not get back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance and exchange rate changes may cause the value of overseas investments to rise or fall.

Investors should bear in mind that investment in biotechnology shares can be subject to risks not normally associated with more developed markets or stocks. Investing in the biotechnology sector carries some particular risks and investment in the Company should be regarded both as long term and as carrying a high level of financial risk. In addition, there is no guarantee that the market price of shares in investment trusts will fully reflect their underlying NAV and it is not uncommon for the market price of such shares to trade at a substantial discount to their NAV.

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