

# F&C Managed Portfolio Trust Plc Growth Portfolio



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Manager Commentary  
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Volatility was again a feature for markets to contend with during May, largely owing to heightened political risk. The imposition of tariffs on steel and aluminium products by the US raised the spectre of trade wars, while Italy's new populist government added to investor concerns. This was reflected in a rise in the value of the US dollar against most currencies, including sterling, which was down 3.3% relative to the US currency. Despite the noise, the macroeconomic backdrop remains supportive. The ongoing strength of global growth has been evident in corporate earnings reports, while inflation remains benign and the likelihood of interest rate increases gradual. In the US, the positive effect of global growth combined with tax cuts led to very strong first quarter earnings, with the S&P 500 Index earnings per share ahead by 24% year on year, helped by revenue growth of 8%. Not surprisingly US markets led the way, with the S&P 500 gaining

6% and the technology-heavy NASDAQ Index up by 9% (sterling adjusted) for the month. Against this background, the FTSE All Share Index rose by 2.8%, while the FTSE Equity Investment Instruments Index was ahead by 2.4% (all figures are total return).

The net asset value of the portfolio rose by 3.3% (also in total return terms). The leading contributors were Syncona, Edinburgh Worldwide and Polar Capital Technology, which respectively gained 17%, 12% and 9%. All three have significant underlying exposure to biotechnology and technology companies, mainly in the US.

## Key facts as at 31.05.2018

**Trust aims:** The objective for the Growth Portfolio is to provide growth shareholders with capital growth from a diversified portfolio of investment companies. The Growth Portfolio invests in a diversified portfolio of at least 25 investment companies that have underlying investment exposures across a range of geographic regions and sectors and the focus of which is to maximise total returns, principally through capital growth.

**Benchmark:** FTSE All-Share Index

**Fund type:** Investment Trust

**Launch date:** April 2008

**Total assets – portfolio:** £72.5 million

**Total assets – company:** £135.8 million

**Share price:** 209.00p

**NAV:** 206.25p

**Discount/Premium(-/+):** 1.33%

**Net gearing/Net cash\*:** 0.0%/4.4%

**Management fee rate\*\*:** 0.65%

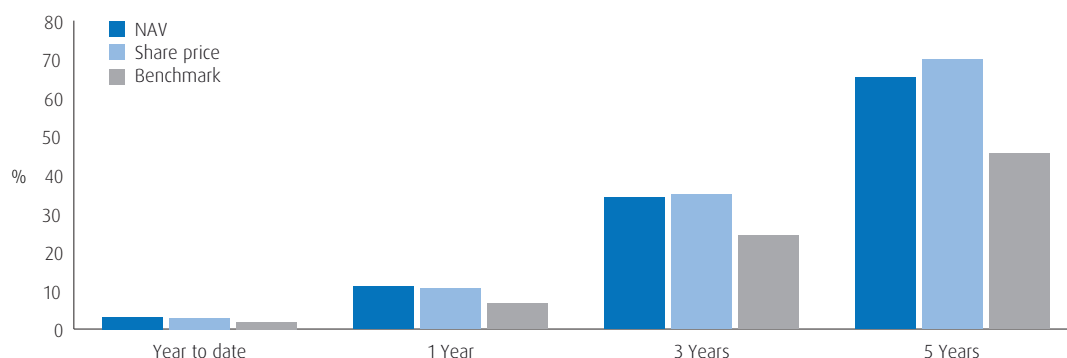
**Ongoing charges\*\*:** 1.08%

**Year end:** 31 May

**Sector:** Flexible Investment

**Currency:** Sterling

## Fund performance as at 31.05.2018



## Cumulative performance (%) as at 31.05.2018

	1 Month	Year to date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
<b>NAV</b>	3.3	3.2	11.0	34.0	65.3
<b>Share price</b>	3.98	2.96	10.58	34.84	69.92
<b>Benchmark</b>	2.79	1.88	6.53	24.29	45.40

## Discrete performance (%) as at 31.05.2018

	2018/2017	2017/2016	2016/2015	2015/2014	2014/2013
<b>NAV</b>	11.0	26.4	-4.5	12.8	9.3
<b>Share price</b>	10.58	26.85	-3.87	13.97	10.57
<b>Benchmark</b>	6.53	24.52	-6.31	7.47	8.86

## Key risks

Stock market movements may cause the value of investments and the income from them to fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Changes in rates of exchange may have an adverse effect on the value, price or income of investments. If markets fall, gearing can magnify the negative impact on performance.

## Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper and F&C. Basis: Percentage growth, total return, bid to bid price with net income reinvested in sterling. The discrete performance table refers to 12 month periods, ending at the date shown.

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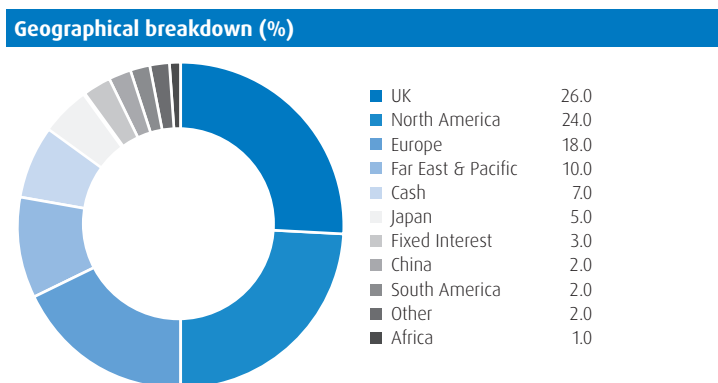
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Trust codes	
Stock Exchange code	Sedol
FMPG	BZPP252

Top 10 holdings (%)		
	% of net assets	Sector
Monks Investment Trust	4.5	Global
Polar Capital Technology Trust	4.1	Tech Media & Telecomm
Allianz Technology Trust	3.9	Tech Media & Telecomm
Syncona Limited	3.6	Biotechnology & Healthcare
Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust	3.5	Global
Baillie Gifford Japan Trust	3.1	Japan
Worldwide Healthcare Trust	2.9	Biotechnology & Healthcare
Mid Wynd International Investment Trust	2.7	Global
Jupiter European Opportunities Trust	2.6	Europe
TR Property Investment Trust	2.6	Property Securities



The geographical breakdown of the Portfolio's investments is on a 'look-through' basis. Source F&C and AIC.

### Glossary

<b>Bid price</b>	Investment trust shares are sold via the stock exchange at the bid price. This price is determined by supply and demand.
<b>Dividend</b>	Income paid to shareholders by the company they invest in.
<b>Net asset value</b>	A key measure of the value of a company or trust – the total value of assets less liabilities, divided by the number of shares.

All data as at 31.05.2018 unless otherwise stated.

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