

# Driehaus U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund\*

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\*A sub-fund of Heptagon Fund plc

# Important Information



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Driehaus has been managing its Small Cap Growth Strategy since 1980. The Fund has the same Portfolio Managers and investment team, the same investment objective and uses the same philosophy and strategy as the Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy. Since the Fund has a relatively short time period, the following presentation makes extensive reference to the Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite (“Composite” or “Driehaus Small Cap Composite”) to provide a better understanding of how the team has managed this strategy over a longer time period. The Composite presented includes all unleveraged “small cap growth accounts” over which Driehaus exercises discretionary investment authority of both cash and equities using the same investment objective and philosophy (this includes the Fund, any segregated accounts under Driehaus’ management and Driehaus’ US mutual fund). The Composite was created on 01.01.1980.

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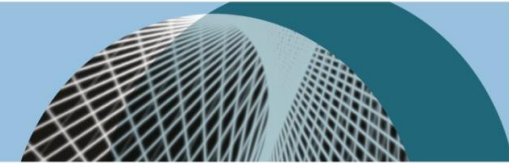


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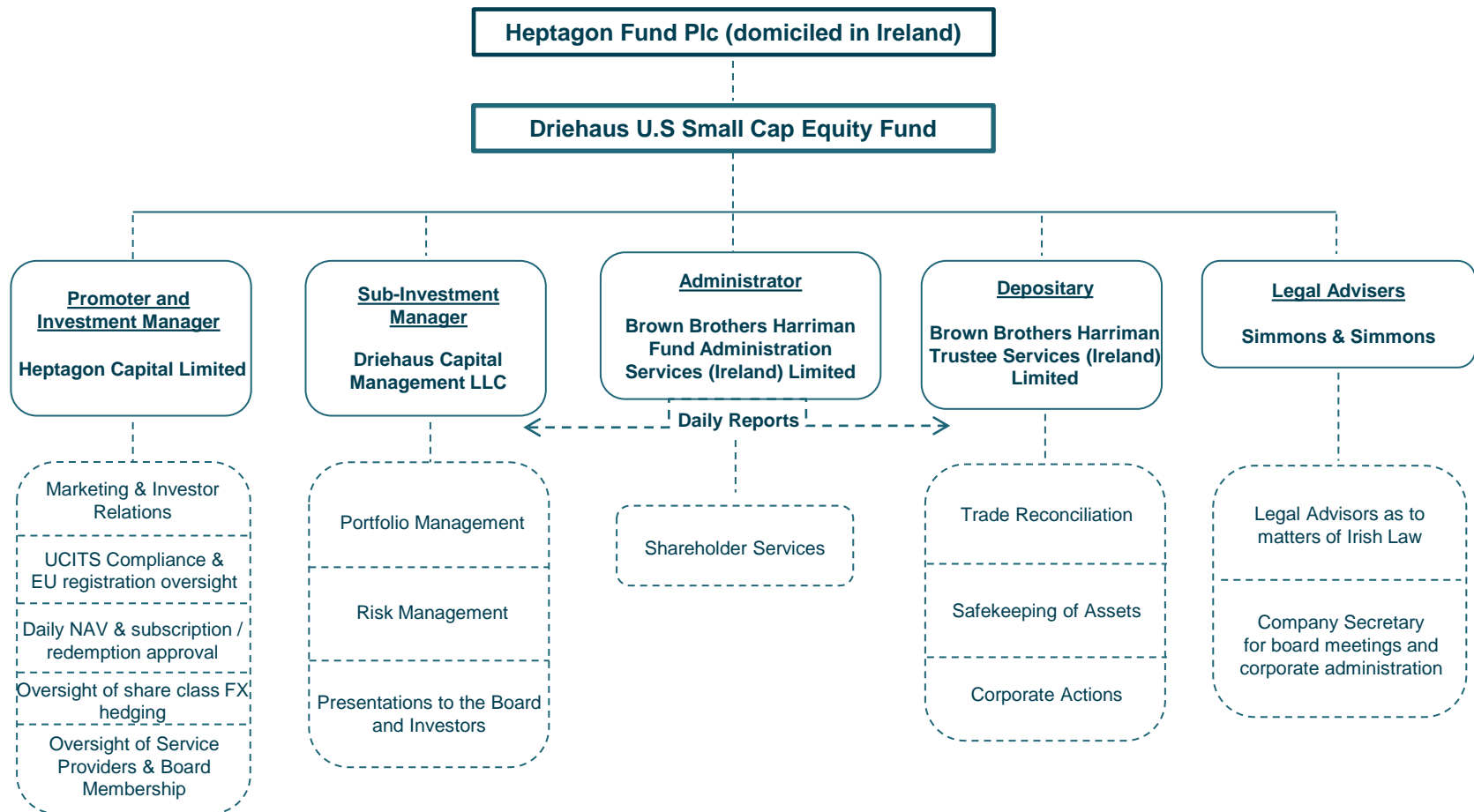
# The Investment Manager & Sub-Investment Manager



# Irish UCITS Fund Structure



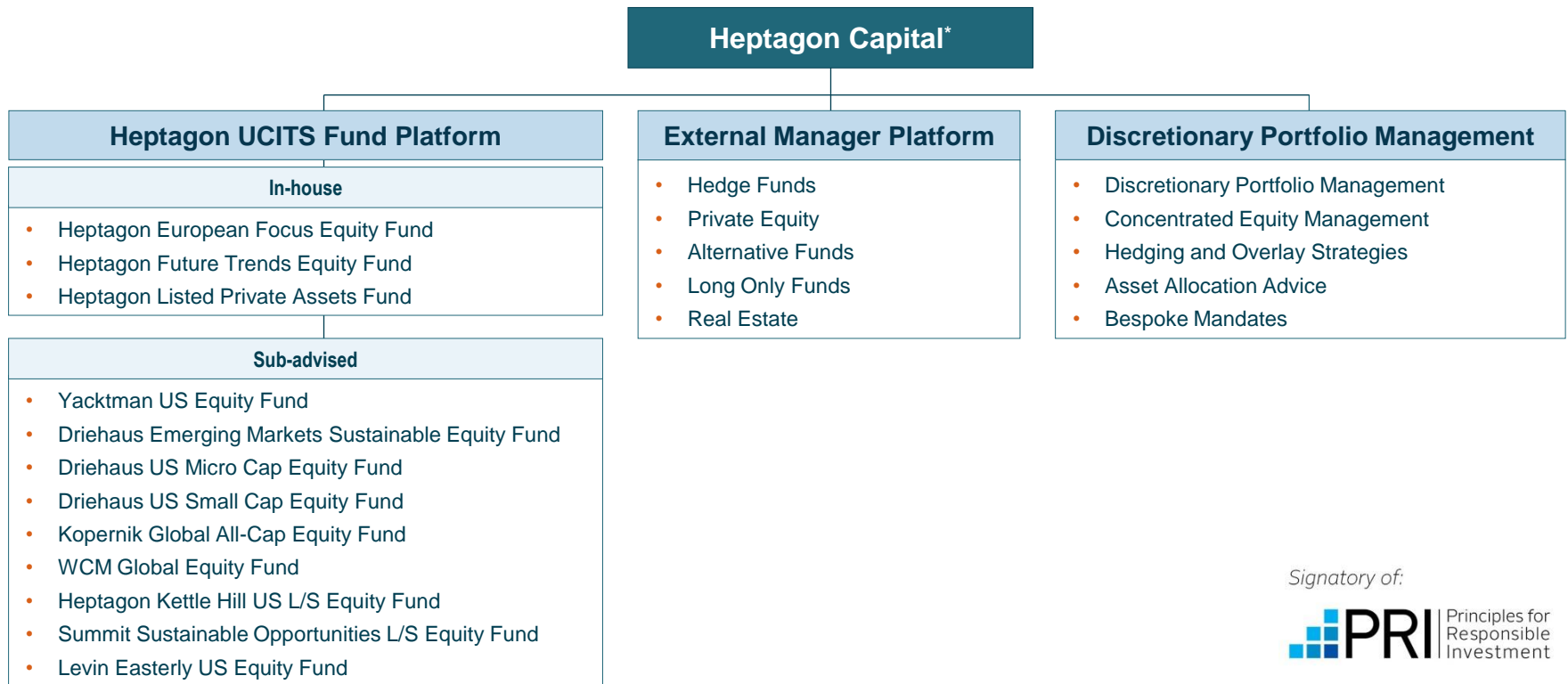
The diagram below explains the Irish UCITS fund structure and the relationship between the Investment Manager, Sub-Investment Manager and other relevant service providers for the Driehaus U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund.



# Investment Manager - Heptagon Capital



- Heptagon Capital\* is a **private** investment firm, run on partnership principles, that was founded in 2005 by three senior former Morgan Stanley Executives.
- The Company has extensive investment management, structuring and advisory expertise, across multiple asset classes, and currently actively advises on/manages approximately **\$13.7bn in assets\*\***.
- Further principals have joined taking the team to 37 people of 16 different nationalities.



Signatory of:



PRI is a leading global network for investors who are committed to integrating environmental, social and governance considerations into their investment practices and ownership policies. Heptagon signed the UN PRI on 10th July 2019.

**Heptagon Capital** includes **Heptagon Capital Limited**, licensed to conduct investment services by the Malta Financial Services Authority and **Heptagon Capital LLP**, authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

\*As of 31.12.2020

# Sub-Investment Manager - Driehaus Capital Management

**Boutique asset management firm**

**\$12.3 billion of assets under management**

**Founded in 1982**

**Located in Chicago, USA**

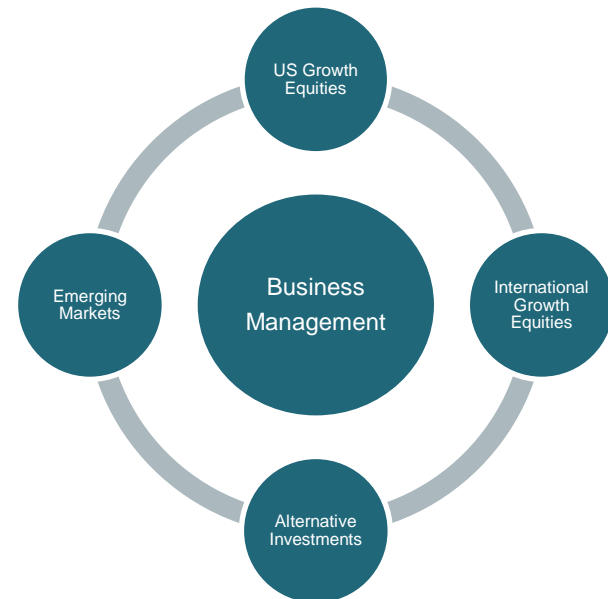
**31 investment professionals**

**Registered with the SEC**

## Strengths

- Stable firm with 35+ year history
- Differentiated investment approach
- Proven and accessible investment management talent
- Alignment with client interests
- Robust business infrastructure
- Privately held

## Four Experienced Investment Teams



Signatory of:



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Source: Driehaus Capital Management as of 31 December 2020

# Driehaus – Awards, Ratings and Rankings



## Awards

Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Fund (DREGX)



Lipper 10-Year Award 2016 for Emerging Markets Funds<sup>1</sup>

Jeff James (Portfolio Manager)



Sauren Golden Awards 2020 - Two gold medals for excellent fund management for Equity USA Small Caps category  
Citywire AAA rated.

Howard Schwab (Portfolio Manager)



Citywire AA rated.

Chad Cleaver (Portfolio Manager)



Citywire AA rated.

Richard Thies (Portfolio Manager)



Citywire A rated.

Michael Buck (Portfolio Manager)



Citywire AAA rated.

## Rankings

Driehaus Micro Cap Growth Strategy

#1 strategy (of 598 managers) in eVestment database for All US Equity category and US Micro Cap and US Small Cap Equity Categories<sup>2</sup>

Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Strategy

#1 (of 41 managers) in eVestment database for All Emerging Markets Equity category<sup>3</sup>

Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy

#1 (of 31 managers) in eVestment database for All US Equity category and US Small Cap Equity category<sup>4</sup>

Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund

#1 (out of 464 funds) on Citywire for trailing 3-year risk-adjusted returns<sup>5</sup>

## Ratings

Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Fund (DREGX)



Overall 5 and 10 Yr **5 Star Rating** for Emerging Markets Category<sup>6</sup>

Driehaus Micro Cap Growth Fund (DMCRX)



Overall 5 Yr 3 and 5 **Star Rating** for Small Growth Category<sup>6</sup>

Driehaus Small Cap Growth Fund (DNSMX)



Overall 3 Yr 5 **Star Rating** for Small Growth Category<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The Lipper Fund Awards program honours funds that have excelled in delivering consistently strong risk-adjusted performance, relative to peers. In addition, the Lipper Fund Awards program recognizes fund families with high average scores for all funds within a particular asset class or overall.

<sup>2</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1996.

<sup>3</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1997.

<sup>4</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1980.

<sup>5</sup> As of 30 July 2020

<sup>6</sup> Morningstar, as of 31 December 2020. The Overall Morningstar Rating™ for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the risk-adjusted performance figures associated with its three-, five- and ten year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating™ metrics.



# Driehaus US Growth Equities



# Driehaus US Growth Equities - Overview



The Driehaus US Growth Equity Team is responsible for the Driehaus Micro Cap Growth, Driehaus Small Cap Growth, Driehaus Small/Mid Cap Growth and Driehaus Life Sciences strategies

Strategy	Inception	AUM	Capitalisation Range	# of Positions
Micro Cap Growth <i>(soft closed)</i>	January 1996	\$2,385m	\$100m to \$1.5bn	90 – 130
Small Cap Growth	January 1980	\$990m	\$500m to \$5bn	80 – 120
Small/Mid Cap Growth	February 2012	\$68m	\$1bn to \$15bn	80 – 110
Life Sciences	February 2019	\$128m	All Cap	40-80

- The team focuses on investing in **US-traded stocks** of companies **experiencing positive fundamental change** with market capitalisations of between \$100m and \$15bn.
- Investments are **allocated to the strategies based on market capitalization or sector** and may be held in one or more strategy.

Source: Driehaus Capital Management as of 31 December 2020

# Driehaus US Growth Equities – Performance



Composite/Index (Inception Date)	Annualised Returns (%)					
	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
<b>Driehaus US Growth Equities</b>						
<b>Micro Cap Growth-Gross (01.01.96)</b>	87.96	87.96	39.39	32.44	22.28	23.77
Russell Microcap® Growth Index	40.13	40.13	14.04	13.08	11.57	*
<b>Small Cap Growth-Gross (01.01.80)</b>	64.04	64.04	34.30	29.33	21.23	19.06
Russell 2000® Growth Index	34.63	34.63	16.20	16.36	13.48	9.54
<b>Small/Mid Cap Growth-Gross (01.02.12)</b>	62.07	62.07	31.61	26.09	--	20.44
Russell 2500® Growth Index	40.47	40.47	19.91	18.68	--	16.20

Sources: Driehaus Capital Management, Russell Investments, Morgan Stanley Capital International as of 31 December 2020

\*The inception of the strategy predates the inception of the index.

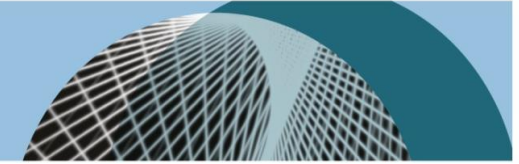
The performance data represents the strategies' composite accounts managed by Driehaus Capital Management LLC (DCM) (the composites). These returns are estimated for the period as all underlying accounts have not yet been reconciled. Gross performance results do not reflect the deduction of investment advisory fees, are net of brokerage commissions charged to the accounts and include reinvested dividends and other earnings. Performance results will be reduced by the fees incurred in the management of the account. For example, assuming an annual gross return of 10% and annual advisory fee of 0.75%, the net annualized total return of the portfolio would be 9.21% over a 5-year period. Investment advisory fees are described in DCM's Form ADV Part 2A. The performance data shown above represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. The performance results for the composites are shown in comparison to indices. The indices are not actively managed and does not reflect the deduction of any advisory or other fees and expenses. While the securities comprising the indices are not identical to those in the composites, DCM believes this comparison may be useful in evaluating performance. Please see the notes section for other important information.

Past performance is no guide to future performance and the value of investments and income from them can fall as well as rise.

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



# Driehaus US Growth Equities Team



The below employees at Driehaus are responsible for the portfolio management (including idea generation, portfolio construction, security selection, investment research and risk management) of the Driehaus U.S. Small Cap Equity UCITS Fund.

**Lead Portfolio Manager with 23+ years of Driehaus portfolio manager experience.  
Supported by a stable team of sector specialists, risk professionals and traders.**

## Portfolio Management

**Jeff James**  
Lead Portfolio Manager  
Tenure with Firm: 1997

## Assistant Portfolio Management / Analyst Coverage

**Michael Buck**  
Portfolio Manager/Senior Analyst  
Consumer Discretionary/Staples/Financials  
Tenure with Firm: 2002

**Michael Caldwell<sup>1</sup>**  
Senior Analyst  
Health Care/Biotechnology  
Tenure with Firm: 2007

**Prakash Vijayan, CFA**  
Assistant Portfolio Manager/Senior Analyst  
Tech/Communication Services  
Tenure with Firm: 2010

**Ben Olien, CFA**  
Senior Analyst  
Materials/Energy/Industrials  
Tenure with Firm: 2005

**Alex Munns<sup>1</sup>**  
Senior Analyst  
Health Care/Biotechnology  
Tenure with Firm: 2015

**Ryan Lowery<sup>2</sup>**  
Senior Analyst  
Industrials  
Tenure with Firm: 2014

## Risk Coverage

**Maximilian Heitner<sup>2</sup>**  
Director of Risk Management  
Tenure with Firm: 2010

**Michael So<sup>2</sup>**  
Risk Analyst  
Tenure with Firm: 2015

## Traders

**Jason Vedder**  
Director of Trading and Operations  
Tenure with Firm: 2000

**Troy Frederick**  
Senior Trader  
Tenure with Firm: 2000

**Sam Borelli, CMT**  
Trader  
Tenure with Firm: 2011

<sup>1</sup> Also has portfolio manager or assistant portfolio manager responsibilities within the firm's research structure.

<sup>2</sup> Also serves on the firm's ESG committee.

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy – Competitive Edge

## Team

- ❖ **Experience:** Lead PM managing Small Cap Growth since 2006 and Micro Cap strategy since 1997.
- ❖ **Stability:** Incredibly stable six person analyst team with average of 13 years at Driehaus.

## Alignment and Incentivisation

- ❖ **Skin-in-the-game:** Lead PM has majority of his liquid net worth invested in the strategies.
- ❖ **Revenue share:** Team is highly incentivised to outperform with its own P&L and revenue share.
- ❖ **Capacity:** Soft close strategy at \$2.5bn - \$3.0bn AUM.

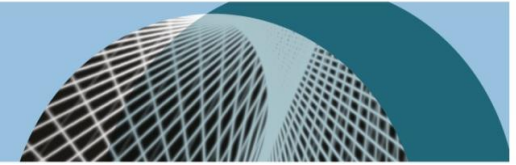
## Market Inefficiency

- ❖ **Market anomaly:** A differentiated philosophy and process exploits a persistent market anomaly driven by investors' behavioural biases.
- ❖ **Bio-tech:** Possess domain industry expertise. Created a structured and robust analytical framework. Industry ignored by many small cap competitors.

## Investment Process

- ❖ **Market cycles:** Robust process has been tried, tested and proved consistently repeatable across multiple market cycles.
- ❖ **Growth profiles:** Strategy is diversified by different growth exposures.

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



## Key Alpha Generation Features of Small Cap Growth

### Growth Inflection Investing

- ❖ Captures a persistent market inefficiency

### 80 – 120 Positions

- ❖ Optimises the investment style
- ❖ Fully captures the opportunity set
- ❖ Increases the strategy's batting average

### Trading

- ❖ Captures the sweet spot of stocks' outperformance
- ❖ Ensures stocks benefit from a positive trend

### Technical Integration

- ❖ Compliments the team's deep fundamental research
- ❖ Enhances both the buy and sell discipline

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy – ESG Integration

**Driehaus seeks to identify and understand ESG-related risks that may affect investments.**

Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quantitative processes to identify risks that may not be obvious through traditional fundamental analysis.</li><li>• Qualitative analysis of companies' ESG footprints.</li></ul>
Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engage with company management on potential ESG concerns that Driehaus has identified.</li><li>• Sustainable-focused proxy voting policy.</li></ul>
Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Negative screening not applied within Driehaus' traditional strategy.</li><li>• ESG or SRI guidelines available for segregated account mandates.</li></ul>
Responsibility & Oversight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Portfolio managers, analysts and risk management are responsible for the firm's ESG policy.</li><li>• ESG Committee is responsible for reviewing/maintaining the policy.</li><li>• Investment Policy Committee provides oversight of the policy.</li></ul>
Commitment to International Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Driehaus is a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investment.</li></ul>



# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy, Philosophy & Process



# Driehaus Small Cap Strategy Overview



<b>Investment Philosophy</b>	The strategy exploits equity market inefficiencies that materialise following inflection points, combining fundamental, behavioral and macro analysis	<h2>What to Expect</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ US small cap exposure</li> <li>❖ Unconstrained, benchmark aware strategy with high active share</li> <li>❖ Diversification benefits via exposure to earnings growth and medium term momentum</li> <li>❖ ESG factor consideration</li> <li>❖ Nimble approach, capitalising on new information in the marketplace</li> <li>❖ Well resourced and risk controlled investment process</li> <li>❖ Capacity-constrained</li> </ul>
<b>Investment Objective</b>	The strategy aims to outperform, net of fees, the Russell 2000® Growth Index	
<b>Investment Style</b>	Bottom up growth equity investment approach Market capitalisations <\$5bn at time of purchase	
<b>Portfolio Managers</b>	<p>Lead Portfolio Manager has managed the strategy since 01.01.2006</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jeff James: Lead Portfolio Manager – 30 years of industry experience</li> <li>• Michael Buck: Portfolio Manager - 20 years of industry experience</li> <li>• Prakash Vijayan: Assistant Portfolio Manager - 15 years of industry experience</li> </ul>	
<b>Benchmark</b>	Russell 2000® Growth Index	
<b>AUM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Composite AUM<sup>1</sup>: \$982m*</li> <li>• Total Strategy Assets<sup>2</sup>: \$990m*</li> </ul>	
<b>Concentration Constraints</b>	Single security < 10% of NAV as per prospectus (expected < 3%)	
<b>Diversification</b>	Active conviction based portfolio, generally fully invested with 80-120 stocks Position weights generally between 0.5% and 4.0%	

<sup>1</sup> Composite assets include those accounts that meet the composite objectives and eligibility requirements. See pages 47-48 for composite information.

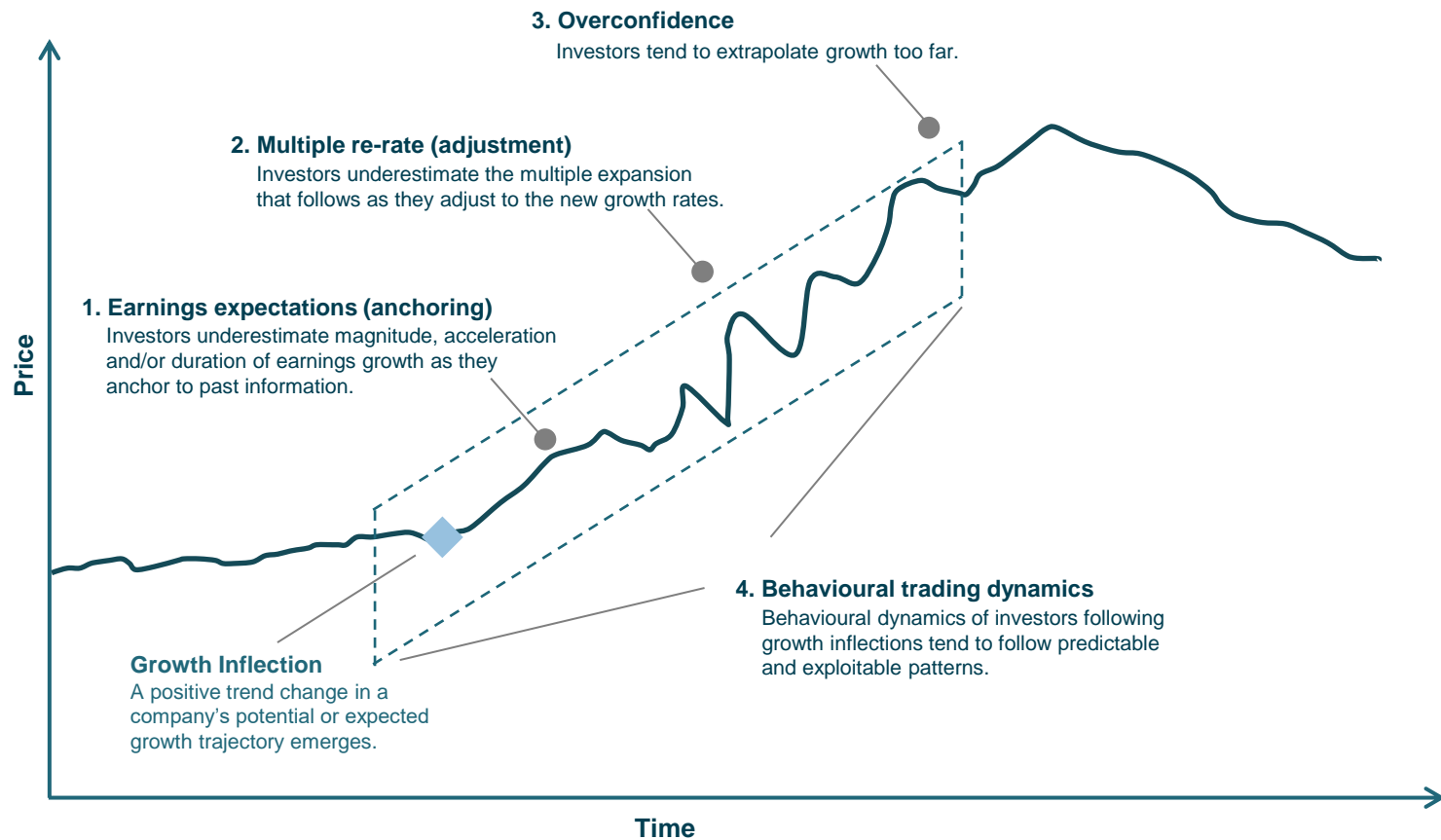
<sup>2</sup> Total strategy assets include all assets managed in the strategy style.

\*As of 31.12.2020



Driehaus believes markets tend to misprice stocks following positive growth inflections and these inefficiencies tend to follow predictable and exploitable patterns.

## The Dynamics of Growth: How markets misprice securities following growth inflections



# Idea Generation

Driehaus continually applies systematic fundamental and quantitative analysis to efficiently identify companies with superior business models that may be experiencing positive growth inflections for more focused analysis.

## Driehaus Small Cap Growth Fund

### Number of Securities

**Investable universe**  
Approximately 1,600 stocks

**Stocks for further analysis**  
Approximately 1,000 stocks

**Focus list**  
Generally 300 stocks

**Portfolio**  
Generally 80-120 stocks

### Systematic Analysis

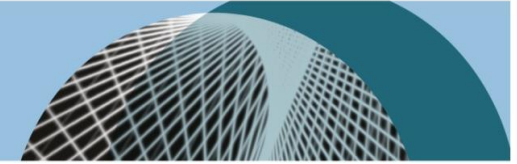
#### Liquidity and financial runway analysis

- Screen universe for stocks with > USD \$1 million daily average volume
- Screen universe for stocks with market capitalisations USD \$500 million to \$5 billion

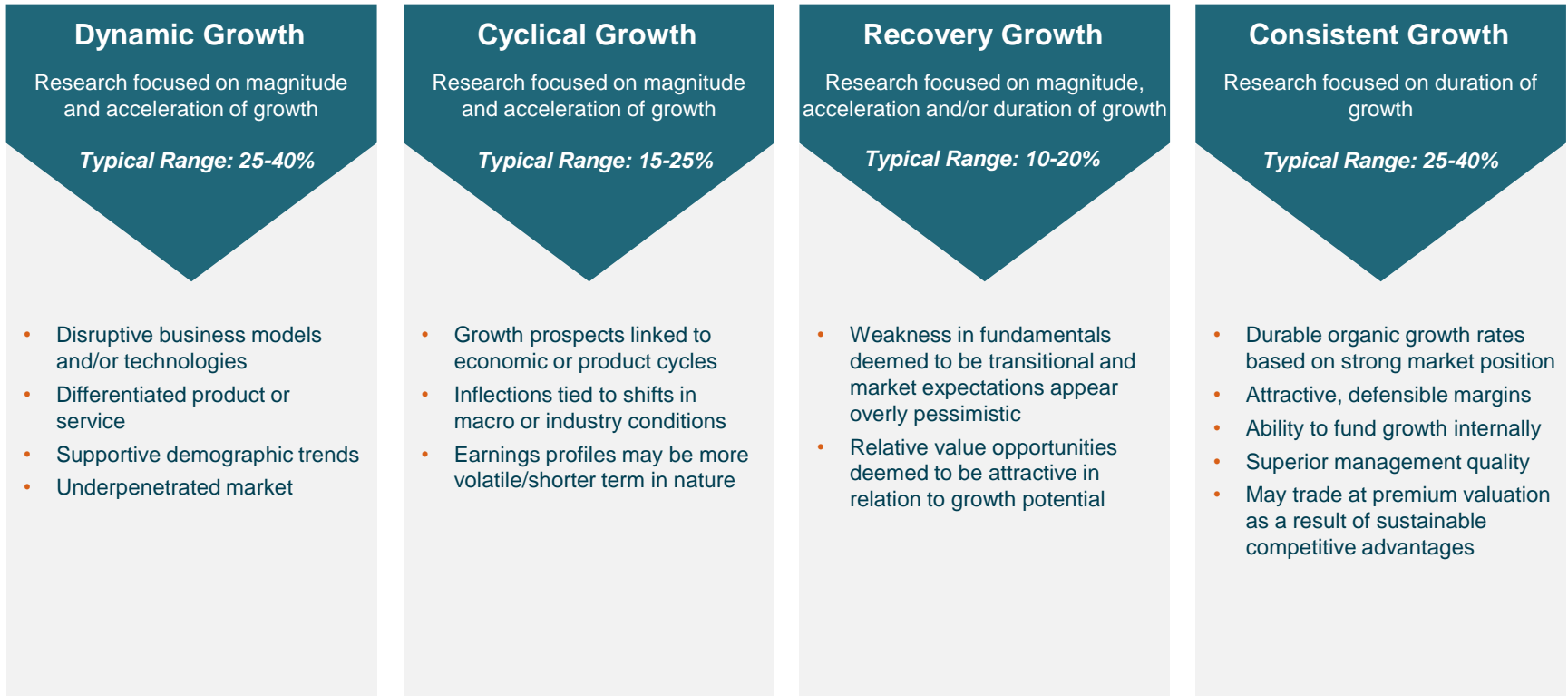
#### Strategy and end-market analysis

- Earnings and revenue growth
- Changes in earnings and revenue growth
- Earnings, revenue and EBITDA revisions
- Earnings, revenue and EBITDA surprises
- Improving relative strength, volume and price momentum

# Fundamental Analysis



Driehaus develops company-specific investment theses with a defined research focus for specific growth profiles.



**Result: A diversified focus list of fundamentally vetted growth stocks**

# Driehaus Framework for Evaluating Biotech Companies



## IP

Strong, long-duration intellectual property



## Biology

Robust biologic rationale



## Preclinical

Rigorous preclinical testing for safety  
Rigorous preclinical testing for efficacy



## Clinical

Well-characterized dosing scheme  
Strong precedent, with well-designed clinical trials



## Regulatory

Precedented, expedited path to market



## Competition

Limited competition



## Market

Identified, symptomatic patient population  
Accessible market  
Commercial rights in key markets



## Timeline

Good catalyst flow  
Well-capitalised to create value



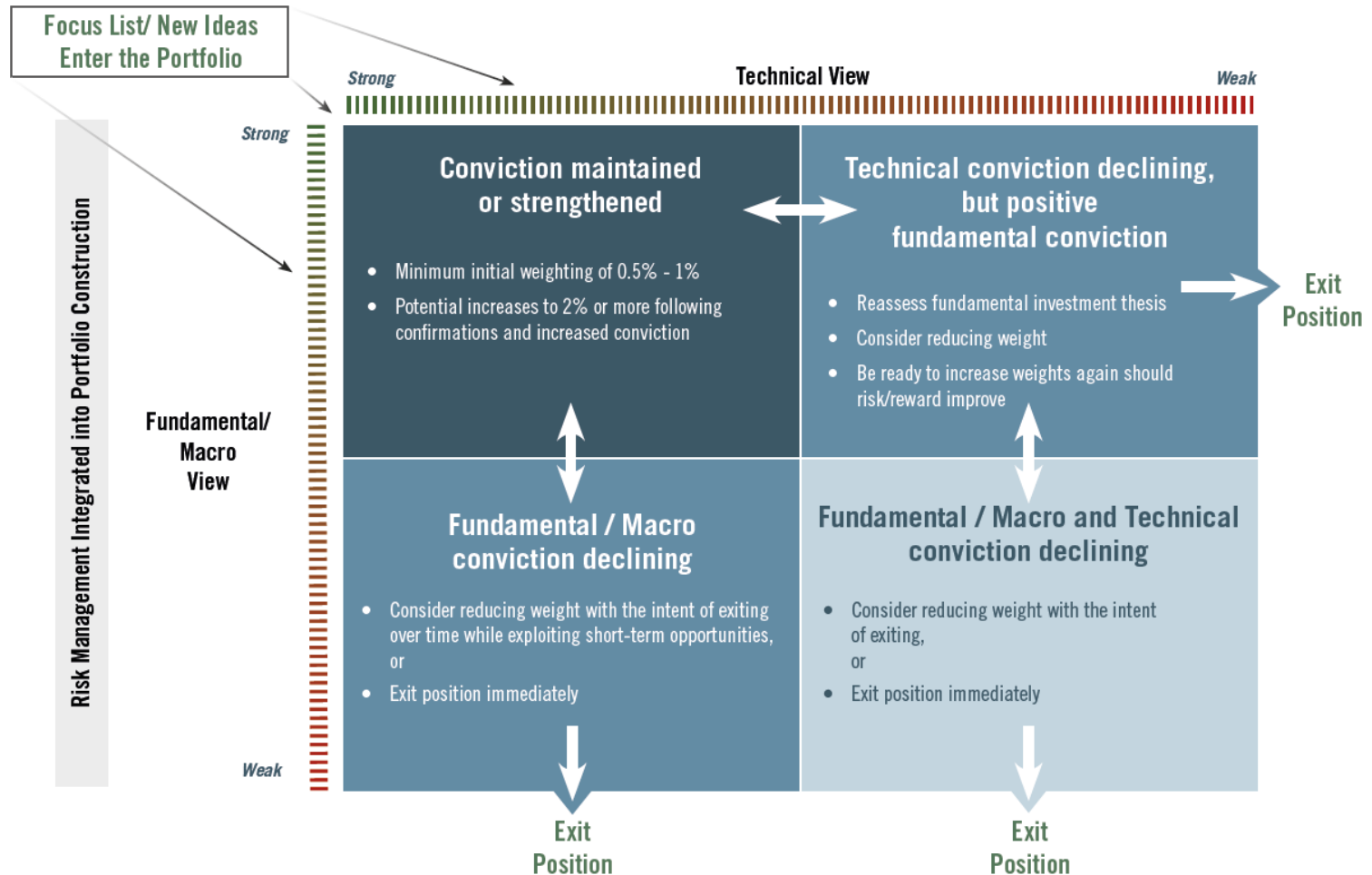
## Management

Excellent management with a strong track record

Checking many of these boxes meaningfully improves the probability of success

# Portfolio Construction & Monitoring

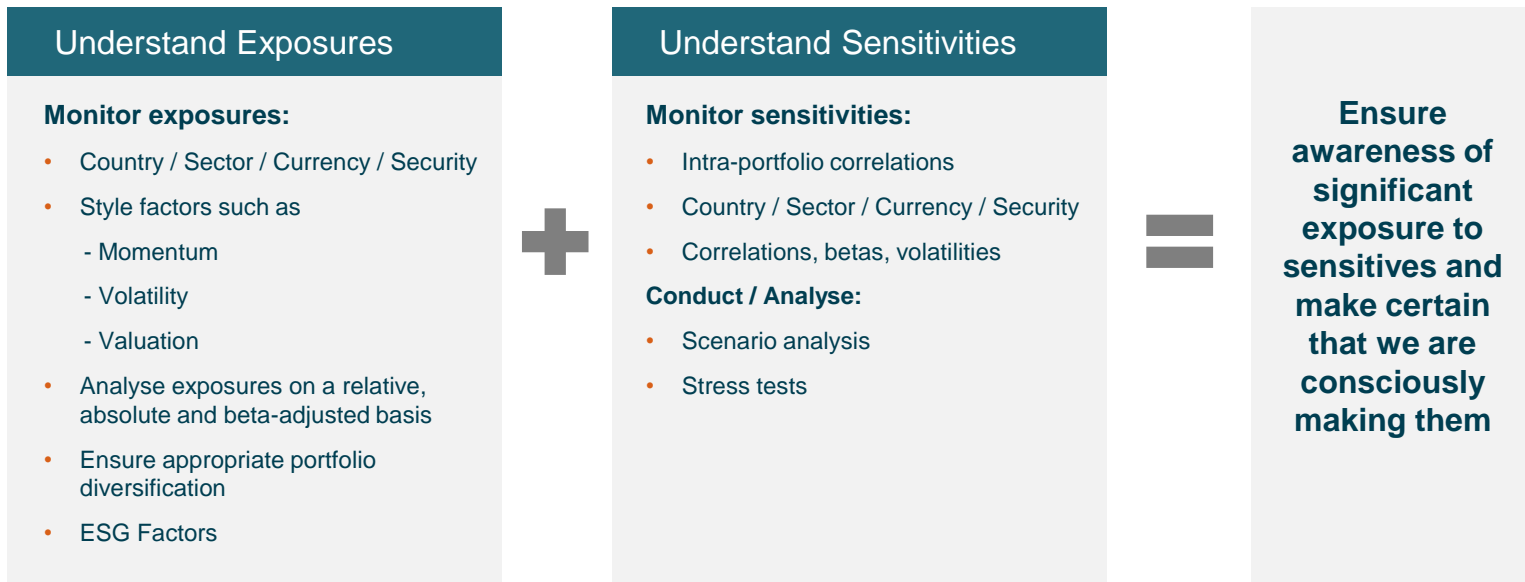
Driehaus are active investors where positions and portfolio weightings reflect evolving relative conviction in individual stocks and aggregate portfolio exposures.



# Risk Management



Risk management process supports portfolio construction by quantifying exposures, sensitivities, and potential outcomes to minimise unintended exposures.



Risk management is integrated into every step of the investment process





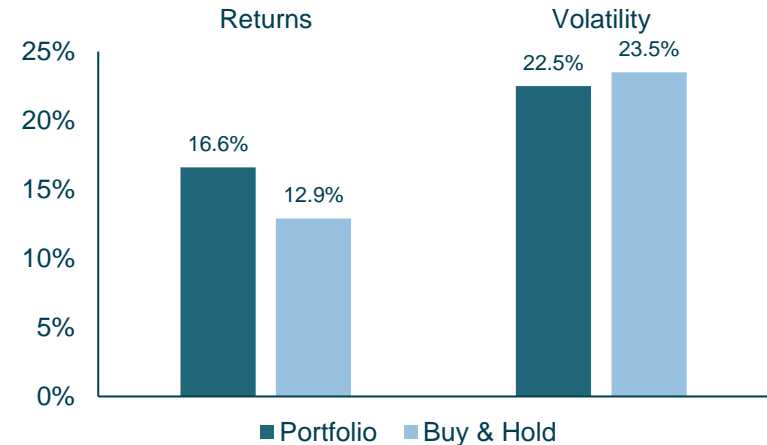
# Active Management Adds Value

## Performance and Volatility Analysis, Rolling 1-Year Periods

Representative Portfolio vs. "Buy & Hold" Portfolio<sup>1</sup>  
01/01/2006<sup>2</sup> – 31/12/2020

	Representative Portfolio
Relative Performance: Average	<b>+3.69% pts</b>
Relative Standard Deviation: Average	<b>-1.03% pts</b>
Total Rolling Periods	5,114
Positive Periods	3,482 (68% of periods)
Negative Periods	1,632 (32% of periods)

## Returns and Volatility



The table above provides insight into the value added from the turnover within the Driehaus Small Cap Growth strategy. To quantify the benefit, the strategy's actual performance is compared to a hypothetical portfolio where no trading takes place, which is called the "Buy & Hold Portfolio." The table provides outcomes for 5,114 rolling one-year periods. For these calculations, the periods are rolled each day. This means that each day, the Buy & Hold Portfolio (the static, untraded portfolio) is reset and then performance for that one-year period is determined. The next day, the process is repeated. Each of these periods is then compared to the performance of the strategy for the same period. The difference between the actual strategy performance and the Buy & Hold Portfolio performance reflects the added value of trading.

**CONSTRUCTION METHODOLOGY OF BUY & HOLD PERIODS** The Buy & Hold Portfolio, which is a static untraded hypothetical portfolio, represents one-year performance, rolled every day, from January 1, 2006 through the period ended December 31, 2020. (The first one-year period started January 1, 2006 and ended December 31, 2006. The next one-year period started January 2, 2006 and ended January 1, 2007, etc.)

Sources: Driehaus Capital Management and FactSet Research Systems, LLC

Performance is gross of fees and net of transaction costs. Performance is estimated and has not been reconciled for the referenced periods. The buy & hold portfolio is gross of fees and has no transaction costs as it has no transactions.

<sup>1</sup>The representative portfolio performance and volatility figures are generated by Driehaus Capital Management and represent the performance and volatility of the representative portfolio for the Driehaus Small Cap Growth strategy over rolling 12-month periods. The "buy & hold" portfolio performance and volatility are generated by FactSet Research Systems LLC and represent the performance of a static (untraded) Driehaus Small Cap Growth representative portfolio over 12-month periods.

<sup>2</sup> Jeff James was named sole lead portfolio manager on 01/01/2006.

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## Performance – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy Composite



# Performance of Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite

as of 31/12/2020 (gross of fees)

## Monthly Returns

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Russell	Excess Return
2006	17.1%	-1.9%	6.4%	1.5%	-8.8%	0.1%	-7.7%	-1.6%	-4.2%	4.2%	9.8%	1.7%	14.4%	13.3%	1.1%
2007	4.6%	-1.2%	0.2%	4.8%	4.5%	4.5%	0.1%	1.5%	9.9%	11.1%	-6.3%	3.3%	42.2%	7.0%	35.2%
2008	-13.0%	-1.5%	-2.1%	5.5%	6.6%	-1.7%	-6.2%	-4.1%	-12.2%	-21.3%	-10.6%	4.4%	-46.2%	-38.5%	-7.7%
2009	-8.8%	-10.5%	5.0%	9.3%	4.7%	1.5%	7.8%	0.1%	7.6%	-8.2%	8.0%	9.8%	25.9%	34.5%	-8.6%
2010	-5.2%	6.2%	9.6%	3.6%	-5.4%	-8.5%	7.5%	-7.1%	11.3%	2.5%	6.9%	5.8%	27.5%	29.1%	-1.6%
2011	0.2%	8.6%	5.2%	4.6%	-3.5%	-1.1%	-2.6%	-7.3%	-10.7%	10.7%	-0.9%	-1.5%	-0.5%	-2.9%	2.4%
2012	3.4%	4.5%	2.7%	1.2%	-8.5%	2.8%	-0.5%	5.8%	2.3%	-4.3%	0.3%	1.8%	11.1%	14.6%	-3.5%
2013	6.9%	0.9%	6.9%	-0.6%	6.8%	1.9%	11.3%	-0.4%	8.7%	0.8%	0.3%	5.1%	59.7%	43.3%	16.4%
2014	1.0%	5.8%	-5.3%	-7.7%	-2.5%	9.3%	-7.8%	6.6%	-2.7%	5.6%	3.1%	1.2%	4.8%	5.6%	-0.8%
2015	-0.9%	7.2%	1.8%	-3.5%	6.8%	3.2%	2.0%	-8.0%	-5.7%	2.9%	2.4%	-4.4%	2.4%	-1.4%	3.8%
2016	-10.4%	-4.1%	7.8%	0.5%	2.7%	3.7%	9.4%	1.6%	3.6%	-8.1%	7.0%	0.2%	12.6%	11.3%	1.3%
2017	2.6%	2.6%	1.6%	2.3%	1.8%	3.5%	0.7%	0.7%	5.0%	3.4%	3.6%	1.0%	32.6%	22.2%	10.4%
2018	3.5%	0.4%	2.5%	-0.1%	10.9%	2.8%	-0.3%	12.8%	-0.4%	-14.3%	0.2%	-10.9%	4.1%	-9.3%	13.4%
2019	12.6%	9.7%	0.3%	2.7%	-2.6%	8.9%	3.7%	-2.1%	-8.2%	5.0%	3.8%	3.5%	41.8%	28.4%	13.4%
2020	0.1%	-5.0%	-19.7%	17.1%	15.6%	6.3%	6.1%	6.5%	1.1%	1.7%	16.6%	10.4%	64.0%	34.6%	29.4%

### Statistics – 31/12/2005-31/12/2020

	Driehaus	Russell
Annualised return	16.3%	10.7%
Annualised volatility	22.5%	20.7%
Annual Sharpe Ratio (Rf = LIBOR USD 3M)	0.71	0.50
Max drawdown	-57.5%	-52.3%
Correlation to Russell 2000® Growth Index	0.92	1.00
Beta to Russell 2000® Growth Index	1.00	1.00
Bull Beta to Russell 2000® Growth Index	0.94	1.00
Bear Beta to Russell 2000® Growth Index	1.06	1.00

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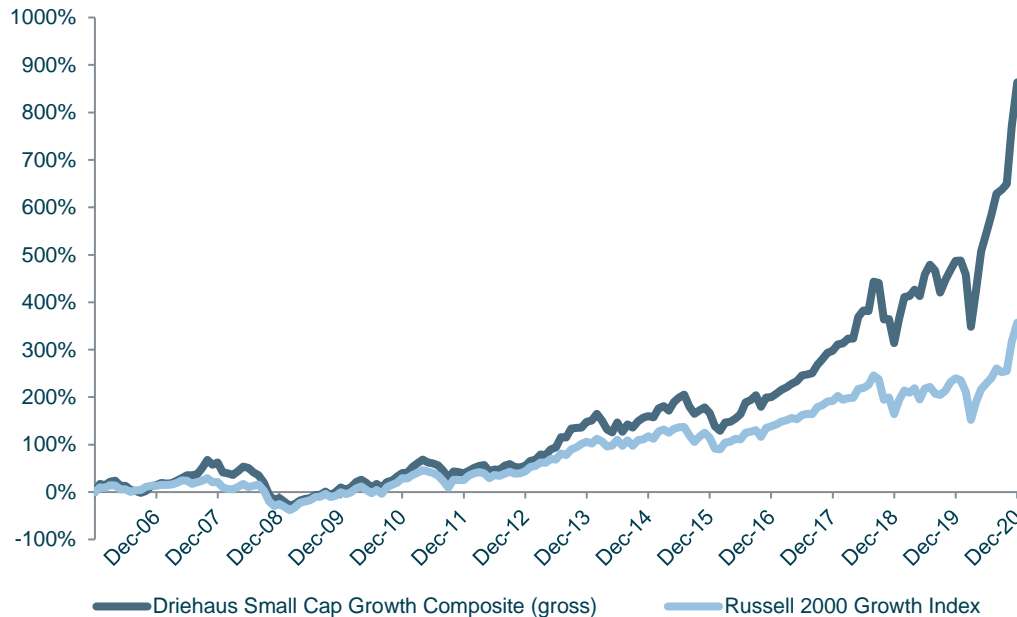
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# Performance of Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite

as of 31/12/2020 (gross of fees)

## Historical Cumulative Returns

Investment growth in the **Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite** since January 2006 vs. **Russell 2000® Growth Index**



	Annualised Returns				
	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs
Driehaus	64.0%	64.0%	34.3%	29.3%	21.2%
Russell	34.6%	34.6%	16.2%	16.4%	13.5%

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## Portfolio Analysis – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



# Portfolio Characteristics

as of 31/12/2020



## Top 5 Holdings

	Driehaus
Natera, Inc.	2.1%
Invitae Corp.	2.0%
Springworks Therapeutics, Inc.	1.9%
Inspire Medical Systems, Inc.	1.9%
SiTime Corporation	1.7%

Above data as of 30.11.2020

## Performance Statistics (Annualised 5 Years)

	Driehaus	Russell
Annualised Alpha	11.07	n/a
Sharpe Ratio	1.19	0.71
Information Ratio	1.66	n/a
Beta	1.04	1.00
Standard Deviation	23.58	21.46
Tracking Error	7.79	0.00
R-squared	0.89	1.00

## Sector Weightings

	Driehaus	Russell
Communication Services	3.8%	2.3%
Consumer Discretionary	18.1%	13.3%
Consumer Staples	1.7%	2.9%
Energy	1.7%	0.2%
Financials	8.2%	4.1%
Health Care	25.1%	34.6%
Industrials	16.4%	13.8%
Information Technology	20.7%	21.2%
Materials	1.7%	2.4%
Real Estate	0.7%	3.5%
Utilities	1.5%	1.6%
Cash	0.5%	0.0%

## Portfolio Characteristics

	Driehaus	Russell
Number of holdings	118	1,128
Weighted Avg. Market Cap (M)	\$6,273	\$3,932
Median Market Cap (M)	\$4,180	\$1,179
Active Share (3-year avg.)	83.26	n/a
< \$2.5bn market cap	25.9%	32.3%
\$2.5 - \$15bn market cap	70.2%	67.7%
> \$15bn market cap	4.0%	n/a

Sources: Driehaus Capital Management, Bloomberg.

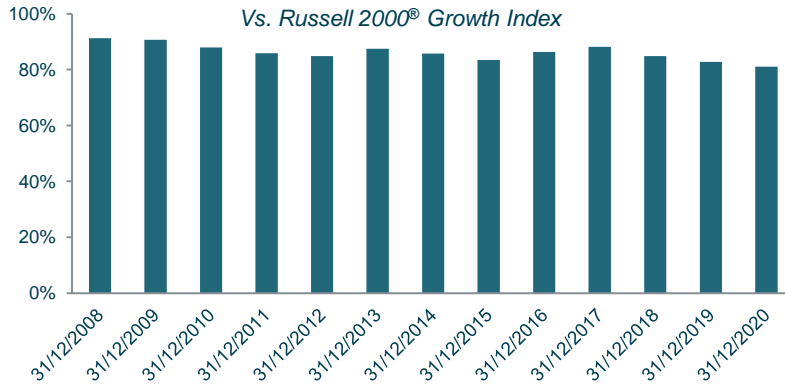
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# Portfolio Characteristics

as of 31/12/2020

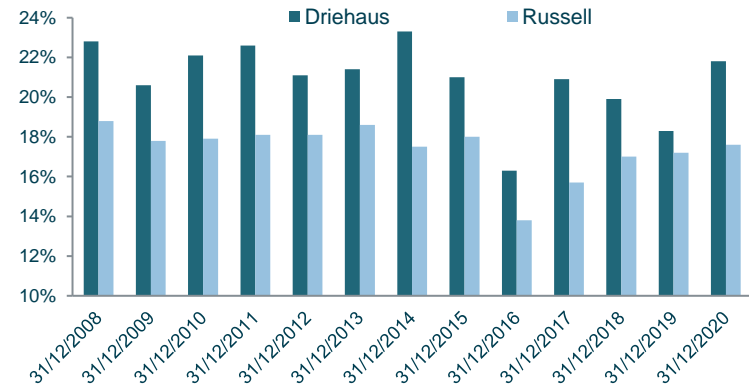


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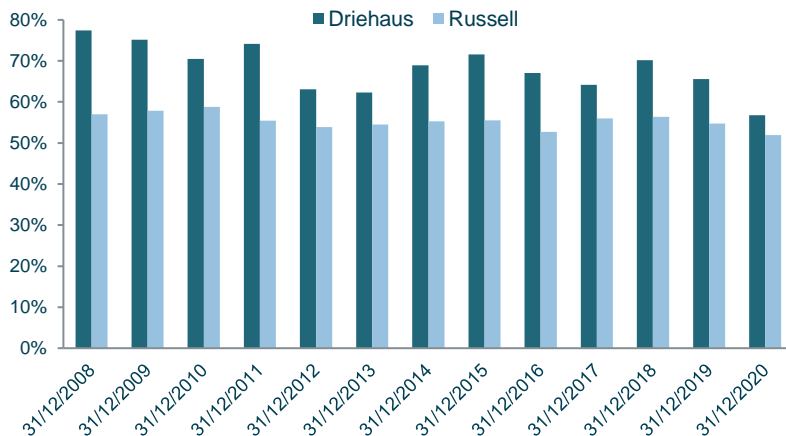
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## 3-5 Year Earnings-per-Share Growth Rates



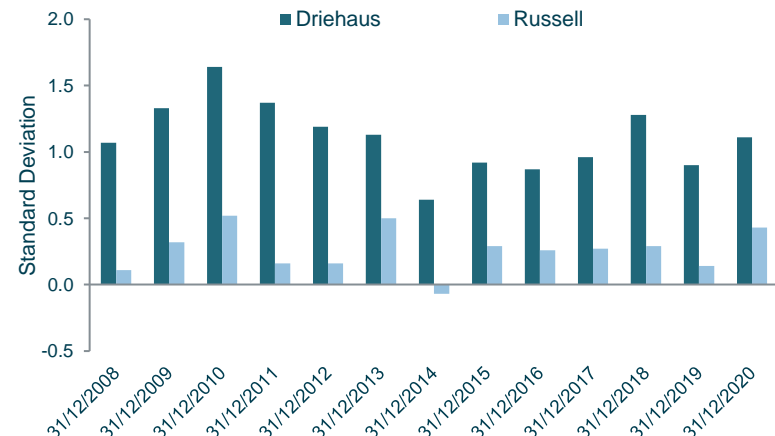
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## Earnings Revisions



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## Medium-Term Momentum

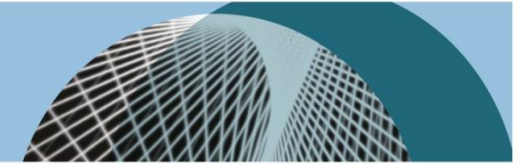


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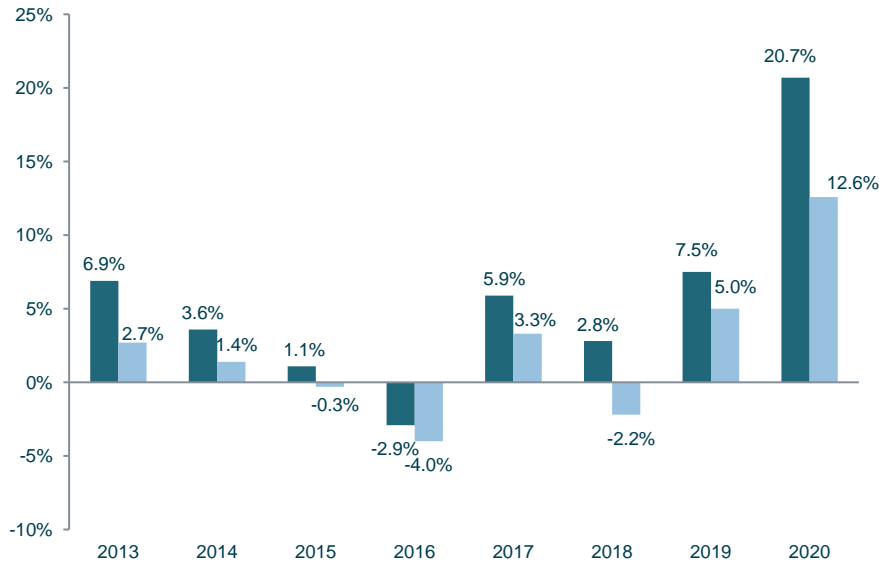
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# Biotech Performance and Weighting

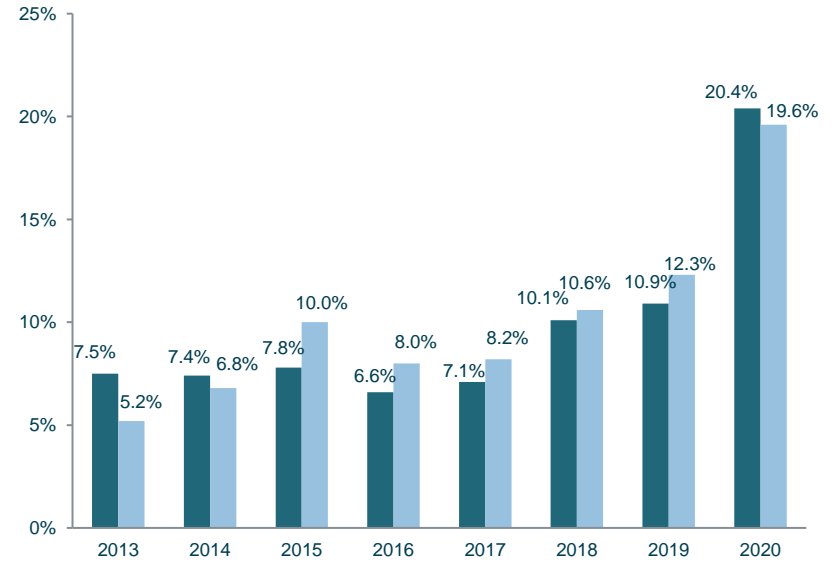
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## Biotech Contribution



## Biotech Average Weight



- Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy
- Russell 2000® Growth Index

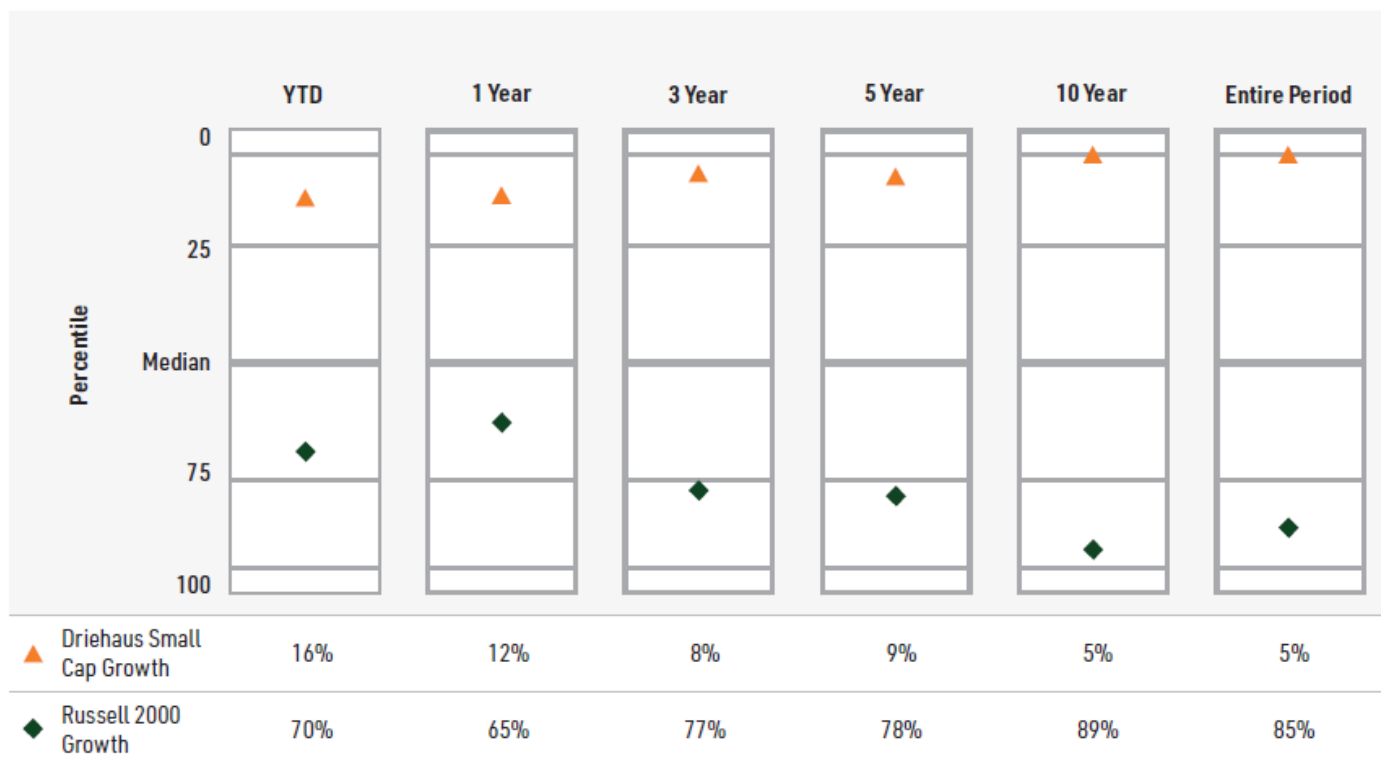
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# Peer Ranking Review – Annualised Performance



## Jeff James as Portfolio Manager of the Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



Source: eVestment Alliance as of 30 September 2020.

Peer group for Small Cap Growth is eVestment US Small Cap Growth Equity.

Data based on monthly returns of 161, 161, 160, 154, 141, and 110 investment strategies for the YTD, 1-, 3-, 5-, 10- and since 1/1/06 periods. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

## Stock Examples

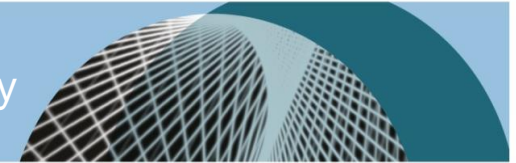


The five companies discussed in this document below were chosen as representations of the type of growth stocks held in each of the Driehaus Small Cap Growth “Buckets” in the Driehaus U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Irish UCITS Fund). The stocks are not presented to demonstrate performance. Holdings are subject to change and may not reflect recent market activity or current holdings.

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## Dynamic Growth Example – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy

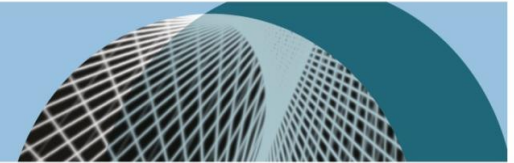


### ***Inspire Medical Systems, Inc. (ticker INSP)***

- Medical device company commercialising an implantable hypoglossal nerve stimulator to treat obstructive sleep apnea (a common but serious sleep disorder where breathing is disrupted).
- We met with its management prior to the company's May 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2018 IPO and were enthusiastic about their exceptional clinical data, large total available market, no approved competition, rapid initial commercial ramp and high gross margins (now over 84%).
- Our investment thesis was that Inspire would be able to sustain their strong commercial launch with sales force investments from the public offering; this, combined with conservative revenue estimates and the potential for it grow its reimbursement coverage gave us strong conviction into the company's growth prospects.
- Inspire has exceeded revenue estimates in each of its first eleven quarters as a public company by an average of nearly 19%. Consensus revenue expectations have risen steadily since it came public. For instance, 2021 consensus revenue estimates have risen 73% since they first debuted in 2018.
- Inspire has dramatically expanded reimbursement coverage from just 3m U.S. covered lives to now over 203m. With strong execution and market share gains, it has rapidly grown revenues and we believe forward estimates continue to remain conservative.

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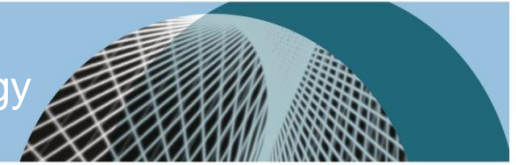
## Cyclical Growth Example – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



### ***LGI Homes, Inc. (ticker LGIH)***

- 10th largest residential homebuilder in the U.S.
- The combination of COVID-19, record low interest rates, demographic changes and several years of underbuilding relative to household formation are creating a cyclical upswing in the housing market.
- LGIH's concentration on entry level and spec construction are particularly well suited to current demand trends.
- We increased our position in April and July 2020 as the acceleration in housing demand became evident and estimates looked increasingly conservative.
- 2021 EPS estimates have increased from a trough of \$6.91 in May 2020 to \$11.32 currently.

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### ***Synaptics Incorporated (ticker SYNA)***

- Semiconductor manufacturer providing solutions for consumer electronic products and devices.
- Prior to 2020, the company's profitability and fundamentals lagged its peers and was characterised by unprofitable design wins, poor acquisitions, customer concentration risk in commodity-like areas, suboptimal margins, and poor, inconsistent revenue and profitability trends.
- New management led by CEO Michael Hurlston was appointed in 2019. Mr. Hurlston previously spent most of his career at Broadcom (AVGO), considered to be one of the best operators in the semiconductor industry.
- Since the change in management, the company has focused on expanding gross margins by increasing organic growth in high-margin areas, divesting lower-margin products and making tuck-in acquisitions in high-margin, high-growth opportunities in emerging areas such as IoT (internet of things).
- The new strategy has paid off as gross margins have expanded from 37% to 51% over the past seven quarters. Additionally, revenue growth has consistently grown and earnings have improved dramatically.
- Estimated FY 6/21 earnings per share (EPS) have been consistently revised higher from a low of \$3.30 in August of 2019 to the current \$7.73.

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## Consistent Growth Example – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy

### ***Five9, Inc. (ticker FIVN)***

- Five9 is a leading cloud, Software as a Service (SaaS) vendor of contact centre software. It is a best of breed provider and the only pure multi-tenant cloud vendor offering complete contact centre solution for enterprises of all sizes at scale.
- Contact centres continue to undergo major infrastructure upgrades, moving from on-premise based software to cloud-based software.
- The current COVID environment has further accelerated their customers' digital transformation and overall demand as call centre growth is driven by the rapid growth of e-commerce.
- FIVN continues to differentiate itself with product and technology leadership, by expanding its cloud and AI (artificial intelligence) capabilities.
- Total cloud-based contact centre spending was \$2 billion in 2018 and is expected to grow to \$4 billion by 2022 (an 18% compounded annual growth rate).
- 3Q20 sales accelerated, growing nearly 34% y/y to \$112m vs a \$101m estimate and profits grew strongly as EPS of \$0.27 beat the \$0.18 consensus. Bookings grew over 30% y/y. 93% of revenues are subscription-based providing excellent visibility.

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## Biotech Example – Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy



### ***Relay Therapeutics (ticker RLAY)***

- RLAY is a development stage drug company focused on precision approaches for treating cancer.
- Relay's proprietary "Dynamo" platform has enabled the discovery of new ways to target cancer-causing mutations.
- The company's two lead development programs target biology that is well-characterised, for which we expect Relay to meaningfully differentiate itself from potential competitors.
- There is a long list of additional oncology targets that Relay can pursue for which Relay's probability of success (clinical, regulatory, commercial) is similarly high.
- The addressable markets for good targets in cancer that have challenged industry's discovery capabilities are very large (>\$1B).

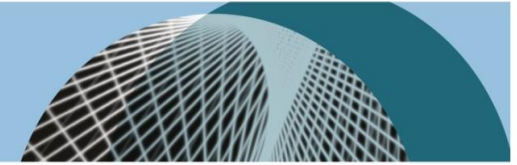
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# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Investment Team Biographies





# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Team



The below employees at Driehaus are responsible for the portfolio management (including idea generation, portfolio construction, security selection, investment research and risk management) of the Driehaus U.S Small Cap Equity UCITS Fund.



## **Jeff James – Lead Portfolio Manager**

Jeffrey James is the lead portfolio manager for the Micro Cap Growth, Small Cap Growth and Small/Mid Cap Growth strategies. In his role as portfolio manager, he has final responsibility for the strategies' portfolio construction, risk management and buy/sell decisions. Additionally, he is responsible for implementation of the investment philosophy, idea generation as well as the evaluation of macro-level trends and the market environment. Mr. James began his career with Lehman Brothers in 1990. From 1991 to 1997, he worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago as an analyst and joined Driehaus Capital Management in 1997 as a sector analyst covering the information technology and energy sectors for the firm's Small Cap Growth and Mid Cap Growth strategies. In 1998, he began managing the Driehaus Micro Cap Growth strategy. From 2001 to 2005, he also served as portfolio manager for the firm's long/short hedge fund. He was named portfolio manager of the Driehaus Small Cap Growth strategy in 2006. Mr. James received his B.S. in finance from Indiana University in 1990 and his M.B.A. from DePaul University in 1995.



## **Michael Buck – Portfolio Manager – Senior Analyst**

Michael Buck is a portfolio manager and a senior analyst on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on the consumer discretionary, consumer staples and financials sectors. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across the Micro Cap Growth, Small Cap Growth and Small/Mid Cap Growth strategies. As assistant portfolio manager for these three strategies, he is also responsible for providing depth of leadership to the team.

Mr. Buck began his career at Deloitte Consulting, LLC as a business analyst until he joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2002. He received his B.A. and B.M. in economics and cello performance from Northwestern University in 2000.



## **Prakash Vijayan, CFA – Assistant Portfolio Manager – Senior Analyst**

Prakash Vijayan is an assistant portfolio manager and senior analyst on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on the information technology and communication services sectors. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across the Micro Cap Growth, Small Cap Growth and Small/Mid Cap Growth strategies.

Mr. Vijayan began his career as an equity research analyst for Beekman Capital Management in 2005 covering the technology, media and telecommunications sectors prior to joining Driehaus Capital Management in 2010. He received his Bachelors of Technology degree in mechanical engineering from Indian Institute of Technology in 2003 and a Masters of Science in mechanical engineering from Arizona State University in 2005. Mr. Vijayan is a CFA charterholder.

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Team



## **Michael Caldwell – Senior Analyst**

Michael is a senior analyst and a portfolio manager on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on the health care sector. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across all four of the strategies managed by the Driehaus US Growth Equities Team. Additionally, specific to the Driehaus Life Sciences and Driehaus Event Driven strategies, Mr. Caldwell acts as a portfolio manager and is also responsible for security selection, portfolio construction and risk management.

Mr. Caldwell has been investing in healthcare equities for more than a decade and has analysed, followed, and interacted with management of most small cap healthcare companies in the Russell 3000. Prior to joining Driehaus in 2007, Mr. Caldwell worked as a graduate research associate for the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Yale University. Mr. Caldwell received his B.S. in biomedical engineering from Yale University.



## **Alex Munns – Senior Analyst**

Alex is a senior analyst and an assistant portfolio manager on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on the health care sector. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across all four of the strategies managed by the Driehaus US Growth Equities Team. Additionally, specific to the Driehaus Life Sciences strategy, Mr. Munns acts as an assistant portfolio manager and is also responsible for security selection, portfolio construction, and risk management.

Before joining Driehaus in 2015, Mr. Munns worked in oncology commercialization and business development with Baxalta where he performed due diligence on assets across oncology and hematology. Prior to that, he worked in business development for Terumo Cardiovascular Systems, managing contracts between the company, its suppliers, and due diligence. Mr. Munns has also taught for Teach for America in Chicago. Mr. Munns received a B.A. from Yale University and an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan Ross School of Business.



## **Ben Olien, CFA – Senior Analyst**

Ben is a senior analyst on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on the materials, energy, industrials and utilities sectors. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across the Micro Cap Growth, Small Cap Growth and Small/Mid Cap Growth strategies.

Mr. Olien began his career with the International Trade Group as a futures trader until he joined Driehaus in 2005. He received his B.B.A. in accounting and finance from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 2003.

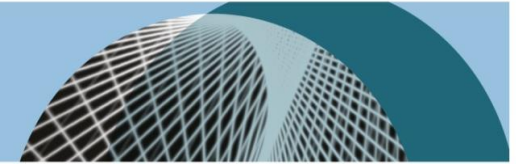


## **Ryan Lowery – Senior Analyst**

Ryan Lowery is a senior analyst on the US Growth Equities Team with a focus on industrials. His in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across the Driehaus Micro Cap Growth, Small Cap Growth and Small/Mid Cap Growth strategies managed by the Driehaus US Growth Equities Team. Additionally, he serves on the firm's ESG committee.

Prior to joining Driehaus as a research intern in 2013, Mr. Lowery played professional hockey in the AHL and ECHL. He received his B.A. in mathematical economics from Colorado College in 2011.

# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Team



## **Maximilian Heitner – Director of Risk Management**

Maximilian is responsible for developing and recommending risk strategies to achieve the firm's investment goals as well as assisting in the analysis of investment ideas which meet investment objectives and portfolio requirements. Mr. Heitner also works with portfolio managers and analysts to monitor and analyze risk exposure, discuss new investment ideas and review the fundamental developments of stocks, industries, and/or geographic segments to enhance investment decision-making across strategies. Additionally, he serves on the firm's business management and ESG committee. Mr. Heitner joined Driehaus in 2010. Prior to that, Mr. Heitner worked at PEAK6 Asset Management L.L.C. as a senior analyst covering large cap stocks. He also worked at Magnetar Investment Management as a quantitative analyst. Before that role, Mr. Heitner held positions at William Blair & Company LLC, Tucker Anthony, and Brokerage Consultants LLC. Mr. Heitner received a B.A. from Brandeis University and an M.B.A. in finance and marketing from Loyola University.



## **Michael So, CPA - Risk Analyst**

Michael is a risk analyst for the firm. He is responsible for facilitating the firm's overall risk infrastructure and functions, which includes new and existing risk platforms, various quantitative tools and processes, and other initiatives that achieve the firm's investment goals. Additionally, he serves on the firm's ESG committee.

Previously, Mr. So was the credit fund accounting manager, where he was responsible for reconciliation and ensuring accuracy in profit and loss, performance, and attribution reporting. Before joining Driehaus in 2015, he was the second vice president at Northern Trust Hedge Fund Services, supporting the largest client on the platform. Prior to Northern Trust's acquisition of Omnium, Mr. So supported a wide range of hedge fund clients at Omnium, the fund administration arm of Citadel. He has also served within the Advanced Strategies group at Mesirov Financial. Mr. So received a BS from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

## Fund particulars



# Driehaus US Small Cap Equity Fund Particulars



<b>Legal Structure</b>	An open-ended umbrella type investment company authorised pursuant to the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011, as amended.		
<b>Share Classes</b>	A (Retail) / B (Retail) / C (Seed - soft closed) / I (Institutional)		
<b>ISIN / Bloomberg Ticker</b>	A	IE00BH3Z9P87	
	B	IE00BH3ZB850	
	C	IE00BH3ZBB87	
	I	IE00BH3ZGX52	
<b>Exchange Listed</b>	None		
<b>Registered for Retail Sale</b>	Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK		
<b>Registered for Accredited Investors</b>	Singapore (CISNET restricted scheme)		
<b>Minimum Investment</b>	A = \$15,000 / B = \$15,000 / C = \$1,000,000 / I = \$2,000,000		
<b>Management Fee</b>	A = 1.50% / B = 1.95% / C = 0.90% / I = 1.15%		
<b>Subscriptions</b>	Daily - T+3 Settlement		
<b>Redemptions</b>	Daily - T+5 Settlement		
<b>Lock-up Provision</b>	None		
<b>Leverage</b>	None		
<b>Sub-Investment Manager</b>	Driehaus Capital Management		
<b>Depositary</b>	Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited		
<b>Administrator</b>	Brown Brothers Harriman Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited		
<b>Lawyers</b>	Simmons & Simmons, Dublin		
<b>Auditor</b>	Grant Thornton		

Please refer to important information on page 2.

## Notes & Disclaimers



# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite

as of 31/12/2020



## Composite Total Return %

	Annualised							
	MTH	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception (01/01/2006)*
Driehaus Small Cap Growth (gross)	10.39	30.80	64.04	64.04	34.30	29.33	21.23	16.30
Russell 2000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	9.33	29.56	34.39	34.39	15.96	16.11	13.25	14.47

## Annualised Calendar Quarter-end Performance %

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Driehaus Small Cap Growth (gross)	14.43	42.20	-46.21	25.93	27.46	-0.46	11.08	59.65	4.83	2.44	12.65	32.62	4.05	41.85	64.04
Russell 2000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup>	13.34	7.03	-38.53	34.47	29.10	-2.91	14.59	43.30	5.60	-1.38	11.32	22.17	-9.31	27.53	34.39

Source: Driehaus Capital Management

\*Date Jeff James was named Portfolio Manager for the Strategy.

The performance data represents the strategy's composite of small cap growth accounts managed by Driehaus Capital Management LLC (DCM) (the composite). These returns are estimated for the period as all underlying accounts have not yet been reconciled. Gross performance results do not reflect the deduction of investment advisory fees, are net of brokerage commissions charged to the accounts and include reinvested dividends and other earnings. Performance results will be reduced by the fees incurred in the management of the account. For example, assuming an annual gross return of 10% and annual advisory fee of 0.75%, the net annualized total return of the portfolio would be 9.21% over a 5-year period. Investment advisory fees are described in DCM's Form ADV Part 2A. The performance data shown above represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. The performance results for the composite are shown in comparison to an index. The index is not actively managed and does not reflect the deduction of any advisory or other fees and expenses. While the securities comprising the index are not identical to those in the composite, DCM believes this comparison may be useful in evaluating performance. Please see the notes section for other important information.

<sup>1</sup>The Russell 2000® Index measures the performance of the 2,000 smallest companies in the Russell 3000® Index.

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# Driehaus Small Cap Growth Composite Notes

as of 31/12/2020



	Annualised					
	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception (01/01/1980)
<b>Driehaus Small Cap Growth (Net) %</b>	<b>63.01</b>	<b>63.01</b>	<b>33.36</b>	<b>28.31</b>	<b>20.24</b>	<b>15.34</b>
Russell 2000® Growth Index <sup>1</sup> %	34.39	34.39	15.96	16.11	13.25	10.47

## NOTES TO PRESENTATION

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## COMPOSITE OBJECTIVES AND ACCOUNTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SMALL CAP GROWTH COMPOSITE

The Small Cap Growth Composite (the Composite) presented includes all unleveraged “small cap growth accounts” over which the Company exercises discretionary investment authority of both cash and equities using the same investment objective and philosophy. The Company changed the name of the Composite from Small Cap Composite to Small Cap Growth Composite in 2008 to more appropriately reflect the investment strategy of the Composite. The Composite was created in January 1993. An account is considered to be a small cap growth account if it primarily invests in U.S. equity securities of high growth companies within market capitalization ranges of generally followed small cap indices at the time of purchase. However, there is no requirement to be exclusively invested in small cap stocks, and the accounts have invested, to a lesser extent, in stocks with a smaller or larger capitalization from time to time. Once an account has met the above criteria and is fully invested, it is included in the Composite in the next full monthly reporting period. Accounts that change investment strategies are transferred between composites in the first full monthly reporting period in which the account is managed under the new style. Terminated accounts are excluded from the Composite in the first month in which they are not fully invested as of the end of the month.

## PERFORMANCE RESULTS

Asset-weighted, net of fee composite returns are presented. Monthly composite returns are calculated as the sum of the monthly returns of each account weighted by the account’s beginning monthly value as compared to the Composite total. For periods prior to November 1, 2004, time-weighted account rates of return were calculated on a monthly basis and allowed for the effect of cash additions and withdrawals using the Modified-Dietz method. If a cash contribution or withdrawal exceeded 10% of an account’s value, the account was revalued and the return was calculated for the interim period. Effective November 1, 2004, account rates of return are calculated on a monthly basis by geometrically linking daily returns. Monthly composite returns are geometrically linked to determine annual composite returns.

Net of fee returns reflect the payment of advisory fees and in some instances, other fees and expenses such as administrative and transfer fees and are net of brokerage commissions charged to the accounts. The annualized rate of return is presented as the level annual rate which, if earned for each year in a multiple-year period, would produce the actual cumulative rate of return over that period. For small cap growth accounts, valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. dollars. After March 1, 1990, securities transactions, which include brokerage commissions, are recorded on a trade date basis, and where information is available, income and expense items are recorded on an accrual basis and income and expense items are recorded on an accrual basis. Prior to 1990, settlement date valuation was used and interest and dividends were recorded on a cash basis. Returns are presented on a pretax basis. Leverage is not a part of the Company’s investment strategy for this Composite. Past performance is not indicative of future results. All investments have risks and you could lose money. Other methods may produce different results and the results for individual accounts and for different periods may vary depending on market conditions and the composition of the account. Care should be used when comparing these results to those published by other investment advisers, other investment vehicles and unmanaged indices due to possible differences in calculation methods. Additional information regarding policies for valuing portfolios, calculating and preparing compliant composite presentations are available upon request. A complete listing and description of all composites is also available upon request. Please contact our sales, marketing and relationship management department at 312-932-8621.

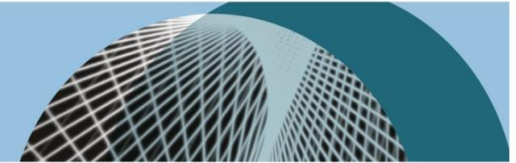
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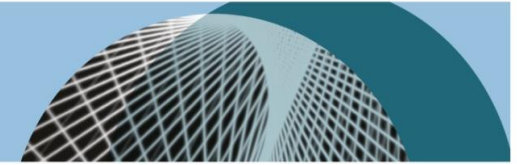
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