

Polar Capital Funds plc Healthcare Opportunities Fund



EUR Class I Acc | ISIN: IE00BF12WY77

NAV per Share

EUR Class I Acc €15.50

Fund Details

Fund Size €1,408.0 m

Base Currency USD

Denominations USD/GBP/EUR

UCITS Fund Structure Domicile Ireland

Launch Date 30 November 2007 Investment Manager Polar Capital LLP

SFDR Classification 1 Article 8

Fund Managers



Gareth Powell Head of Healthcare Gareth has worked on the fund since he joined Polar Capital in 2007 and has 26 years of industry experience.

Fund Profile

Investment Objective

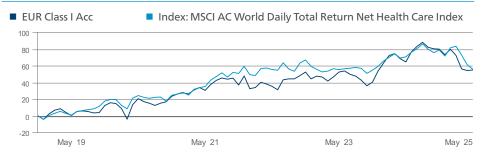
The Fund aims to preserve capital and achieve long-term growth by investing in a globallydiversified portfolio of companies within the healthcare industry.

Key Facts

- Team of eight sector specialists
- The team has 145+ years of combined industry experience
- Typically 40-45 positions
- No benchmark or tracking error constraints
- Fundamentally-driven analysis and stock selection

Share Class Performance

Performance Since Launch (%)



		3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs		Since Launch		
	1m					5yrs	Cum. 55.00	Ann.	
EUR Class I Acc	0.45	-10.09	-10.61	-5.89	14.56	28.52	55.00	6.99	
Index	-3.37	-15.04	-9.20	-8.71	0.34	25.62	56.08	7.11	

Discrete Annual Performance (%)

12 months to	30.05.25	31.05.24	31.05.23	31.05.22	28.05.21
EUR Class I Acc	-5.89	8.00	12.71	3.68	8.21
Index	-8.71	9.88	0.02	15.16	8.72

Calendar Year Performance (%)

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
EUR Class I Acc	12.96	6.38	-2.37	17.21	8.99	20.90	-	-	-	-
Index	7 80	0.08	0.00	26 44	5 35	24 93	_	_	_	_

Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Performance for the EUR Class I Acc. The class launched on 7 December 2018. Performance data is shown in EUR. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in EUR. Source: Bloomberg.

If this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency

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1. Refers to the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation

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Portfolio Exposure & Attribution

As at 30 May 2025

Top 10 Positions (%)

Swedish Orphan Biovitrum	8.9
UCB	8.0
Zealand Pharma A/S	5.6
Argenx	5.5
Fresenius SE & Co KGaA	4.8
Asker Healthcare Group AB	3.8
Uniphar	3.7
H Lundbeck A/S	3.6
Hikma Pharmaceuticals	3.4
Merus NV	3.3
Total	50.7

Total Number of Positions

Active Share	96.23%
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32

Geographic Exposure (%)

United States	24.9
Sweden	12.7
Denmark	12.1
Netherlands	8.8
Belgium	8.0
Ireland	5.8
Germany	4.8
Japan	4.6
India	4.5
United Kingdom	3.4
China	3.2
Switzerland	3.0
France	1.5
Canada	1.2
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1.3

Market Capitalisation Exposure (%)

Large Cap (>US\$10 bn)	38.9
Mid Cap (US\$1 bn - 10 bn)	49.9
Small Cap (<us\$1 bn)<="" td=""><td>9.9</td></us\$1>	9.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1.3



Performance Attribution - 1 Month (%)

Top Contributors Top Detractors

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	Active Weight	Attrib. Effect		Active Weight	Attrib. Effect
Eli Lilly & Co	-8.23	1.36	Cytokinetics	2.21	-0.66
UnitedHealth Group	-4.21	1.15	Globus Medical	3.04	-0.48
Asker Healthcare Group AB	3.49	0.79	Argenx	5.26	-0.43
Uniphar	3.48	0.78	Xenon Pharmaceuticals	1.37	-0.33
Merus NV	2.72	0.73	Medley	2.84	-0.29

Performance attribution is calculated in USD on a relative basis over the month. Attribution effect is shown gross of fees.

Sector Exposure - Top Overweights & Underweights Relative to Index (%)

	Fund	Relative		
Biotechnology	37.9	22.6		
Pharmaceuticals	27.5	-14.3		
Healthcare Equipment	11.7	-6.2		
Healthcare Supplies	6.1	3.1		
Healthcare Services	4.8	1.4		
Healthcare Facilities	4.3	2.5		
Healthcare Distributors	3.7	1.2		
Healthcare Technology	2.5	1.7		
Life Sciences Tools & Services	0.0	-7.4		
Managed Healthcare	0.0	-5.9		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	1.3	1.3		
			-20	0

The column headed "Fund" refers to the percentage of the Fund's assets invested in each sector. The column headed "Relative" refers to the extent to which the Fund is overweight or underweight in each sector compared (relative) to the index.

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.

Share Class Information

				Minimum		Ann.	Perf.
Share Class	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	Investment	OCF [†]	Fee	Fee ^{††}
USD R Dist	PCHCORU ID	IE00B3NLTK32	B3NLTK3	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
USD R Acc	POHORUA ID	IE00BKSBD942	BKSBD94	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
GBP R Dist	PCHCORS ID	IE00B3NM2Q33	B3NM2Q3	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
EUR R Dist	PCHCORE ID	IE00B3NLSS43	B3NLSS4	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
USD I Dist	PCHCOIU ID	IE00B3K93X10	B3K93X1	USD 1m	1.11%	1.00%	10%
GBP I Dist	PCHCOIS ID	IE00B3NLDF60	B3NLDF6	USD 1m	1.11%	1.00%	10%
EUR I Dist	PCHCOIE ID	IE00B3K83P04	B3K83P0	USD 1m	1.11%	1.00%	10%
EUR I Acc	PCHOIED ID	IE00BF12WY77	BF12WY7	USD 1m	1.11%	1.00%	10%
EUR I Acc Hdg	POHOIEH ID	IE00BKSBD835	BKSBD83	USD 1m	1.11%	1.00%	10%
USD Dist*	PCHSOPPU ID	IE00B28YJN35	B28YJN3	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
GBP Dist*	PCHSOPPG ID	IE00B28YJP58	B28YJP5	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
EUR Dist*	PCHSOPPE ID	IE00B28YJQ65	B28YJQ6	-	1.61%	1.50%	10%
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^{*}These share classes are closed to new investors.

^{*}Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet. The Ongoing Charges Figure is based upon the expenses incurred by the Fund for the previous 12 month period. The OCF incorporates the Annual Fee charged by the Fund.

^{††}**Performance Fee** 10% of outperformance of MSCI World Daily TR Net Health Care Index.



Fund Manager's Comments

Market and sector review

During May, healthcare equities materially underperformed the broader markets across all market caps. Sector-wide weakness was driven, in part, by US policy-related concerns around the 'most favoured nation' drug pricing and the announcement of Vinay Prasad as head of the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, one of the key divisions within the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

The knee-jerk reaction to Prasad's appointment was one of concern given his previous criticism of the FDA leadership and Covid vaccine mandates. The impact was most visible in large/mega-cap healthcare which underperformed small and mid-cap companies, with pharma and biotech under the most pressure. Health insurers also lagged, with the key driver being UnitedHealth Group which not only withdrew 2025 financial guidance but also announced that CEO Andrew Witty would be stepping down for personal reasons.

Fund performance

In terms of stocks, relative outperformers included Asker Healthcare Group and Merus. The former has continued to rerate following its IPO while the latter rallied following a positive clinical update on its key program for neck and head cancer.

Negative relative performers included Xenon Pharmaceuticals and Cytokinetics, both weak due to delays in progress for key pipeline assets. Xenon Pharmaceuticals reported a delay in trial timing, pushing back the expected Phase III readout of its lead epilepsy asset azetukalner. Cytokinetics experienced a regulatory delay, with the FDA extending its review for the company's leading pipeline asset aficamten for the treatment of a heart condition known as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

There were no major changes to the portfolio during the period under review.

Outlook

Valuations across the healthcare sector remain compelling, but policy noise continues to be a headwind, creating an overhang on the sector. Hopefully, further clarity following President Trump's tax bill and its implications for the healthcare sector, which is expected to be signed into law in the summer, will enable investors to shift focus back toward fundamentals and potentially drive a positive rerating.

Gareth Powell

5 June 2025

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Dealing Daily

Cut-off 15:00 Irish time

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