# Japan Equity Small Cap Absolute Value (S) JPY

## **Investment Objective**

Maximise total return over the medium-to-long term by adopting a distinctive value-biased active investment style by looking for investment opportunities in undervalued, small-and-micro-cap companies with sustainable growth potential. The Sub-Fund is managed on an absolute/total return basis and not relative to any benchmarks, hence not looking to be managed on a relative return basis.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed but uses the Russell/Nomura Small Cap Index with Dividend as a reference for performance comparison. The investments of the Sub-Fund may deviate significantly from the components of and their respective weightings in the benchmark.

The Sub-Fund is suitable for investors who see the Sub-Fund as a suitable means to participate in the capital market performance. The Sub-Fund is therefore suitable for investors who can afford to invest their capital over the long term; i.e. a multiple year time horizon.

### **Key Facts**

**Sub-Fund Inception Date** 28 February 2017 **Share Class Inception Date** 4 December 2018

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**Investment Manager** Sumitomo Mitsui DS Asset Management Company (UK) Limited

ISIN (S JPY) LU1907539057

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**Domicile** Luxembourg

Fund & Type Structure UCITS (Luxembourg SICAV)
Base Currency JPY

**Benchmark** Russell/Nomura Small Cap Index (with dividends)\*

Number of Holdings Circa 300 stocks

**Fund AUM (MM)** USD 140.94 / JPY 21,993.14 (as at 30/11/25)

**Strategy Size (MM)** USD 1,223.76 / JPY 188,526.21 (as at 31/10/25)

**Administrator** Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

**EU 2019/2088 SFDR Regs** The Sub-Fund is categorised under SFDR as Article 6.

\*For performance comparison purposes and not to attain the SFDR environmental or social characteristics promoted by this Sub-Fund.

### **Investment Information**

#### **Investment Management Fee**

Institutional (I) 0.80% p.a. Institutional (P) 0.80% p.a.

Institutional (S) 0.50% p.a.

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## Total Expense Ratio

Institutional (I) N/A p.a.

Institutional (P) 1.00% p.a.

Institutional (S) 0.95% p.a.

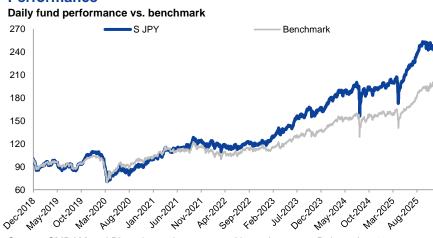
Wholesale (A) N/A p.a.

Dealing Frequency Weekly

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### **Performance**



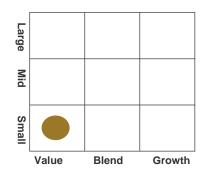
Source: SMDAM and Bloomberg, data as at 30 November 2025. Rebased to 100 at inception of the share class (4 December 2018). The chart above shows daily performance, in the currency stated for the UCITS Fund (JPY) against the benchmark Russell/Nomura Small Cap (with div) which is shown in JPY. Performance is illustrated net of fees.

Fund Performance Share Cla	mance Share Class: (S) JPY			
(Net of fees)	Fund %	Benchmark %		
1m	2.58	4.92		
3m	1.13	8.35		
12m	31.69	30.87		
3yr p.a.	27.07	20.90		
5yr p.a.	21.43	15.44		
Since Inception p.a. (04/12/18)	14.13	10.84		

Source: SMDAM, as at 30 November 2025.

**Risk warning:** Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and may not be repeated. An investment's value and the income deriving from it may fall, as well as rise, due to market fluctuations. Investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Any minor discrepancies are due to rounding. Performance is shown in JPY, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations and is net of fees (after trading expenses).

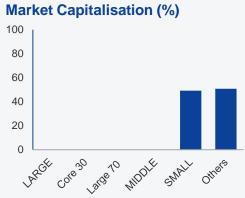
## Style Indicator



#### **Performance Disclaimers**

Source for all Sub-Fund data is SMDAM and SMDAM (UK). Basis for (S) JPY share class performance data: NAV based, total return (net of fees), in JPY.

Where the Japan Equity Small Cap Absolute Value UCITS Fund performance is compared to Russell/Nomura Small Cap (with div) indices performance, this is done for reference purposes only as the UCITS Fund is benchmark-agnostic.



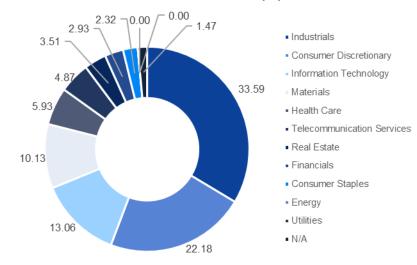
## **Portfolio Characteristics**

PER Actual	10.97
PER Estimate	10.69
PBR Actual	1.15
ROE Actual (%)	10.44
PCFR Actual	7.52
PCFR Estimate	7.45
Dividend Yield (%)	2.74
Active Share (%)	98.38
No. of Stocks	280

Source: SMDAM, as at 30 November 2025. **Risk warning**: Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and may not be repeated.

Top 10 Holdings (%)	Fund Weight
Raksul Inc	3.06
Konoike Transport Co Ltd	3.04
Tential Inc	2.81
Inabata & Co Ltd	2.64
Mimaki Engineering Co Ltd	2.48
Ichiken Co Ltd	2.13
Beauty Garage Inc	2.02
CUC Inc	1.82
Loadstar Capital KK	1.64
Nichirin Co Ltd	1.53
Total	23.17

## GICS 11 Sector Classification - Fund (%)



NB: Futures positions constitute 0.00% of the portfolio as at 30 November 2025.

Top 5 Overweights (%)	Active Weight
Raksul Inc	3.01
Konoike Transport Co Ltd	2.98
Tential Inc	2.81
Inabata & Co Ltd	2.51
Mimaki Engineering Co Ltd	2.46
Top 5 Underweights (%)	Active Weight
Modec Inc	-0.56
Open House Group Co Ltd	-0.43
Haseko Corp	-0.43

Source: SMDAM, as at 30 November 2025.

Mitsui ES Holdings Co Ltd

Tokyo Ohka Kogyo Co Ltd

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## **Share Classes Available**

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Institutional (I, P & S)								
Share	e Class		ISIN	Minimum investment amount*	Subsequent investment amount*			
ı	JPY		LU1550200833	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
I	EUR	Hedged	LU1550201054	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
I	GBP	Hedged	LU1550201138	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
I	GBP	Unhedged	LU1592281262	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
I	USD	Hedged	LU1550201211	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
I	USD	Unhedged	LU2905584095	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
Р	JPY		LU1550200676	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
Р	EUR	Hedged	LU1550200916	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
Р	USD	Hedged	LU1557267256	JPY 30,000,000	JPY 6,000,000			
S	JPY		LU1907539057	EUR 30,000,000	EUR 50,000			
S	EUR	Unhedged	LU1565290522	EUR 30,000,000	EUR 50,000			
S	EUR	Hedged	LU1646558814	EUR 30,000,000	EUR 50,000			
Whol	Wholesale (A)							
Share	e Class		ISIN	Minimum investment amount*	Subsequent investment amount*			
Α	JPY		LU1550201484	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	EUR	Hedged	LU1550201567	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	GBP	Hedged	LU1550201641	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	USD	Hedged	LU1550201724	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	USD	Unhedged	LU2710798344	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	HKD	Unhedged	LU2710802120	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			
Α	HKD	Hedged	LU2710802476	JPY 200,000	JPY 100,000			

<sup>\*</sup>JPY or the equivalent in other currencies

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