

# Japan Equity Small Cap Absolute Value

Data as of 30 September 2021

## Product Description

This benchmark agnostic small cap product adopts a distinctive value biased active investment style which combines the tenets of growth and value investing whilst taking market trends into consideration. We aim to identify financially stable companies and to invest in small and microcap stocks with sustainable growth potential that are undervalued.

## Key Facts

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Investment Style        | Value biased active management  |
| Strategy Inception Date | May 2004  |
| Strategy Benchmark      | Reference indices: Russell/Nomura Small Cap (with div) and TOPIX (with div) |
| Performance Target      | No set target, aims for long-term capital appreciation                      |
| Tracking Error          | No set target   |
| Stock Limits            | No set limit, circa 5%  |
| Sector Limits           | No constraints  |
| Number of Holdings      | Circa 200   |
| Strategy Size           | USD 1,069 million   |

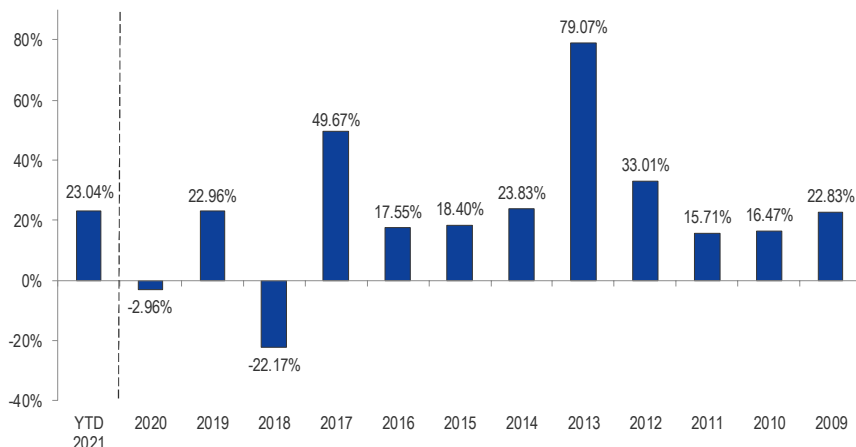
## Composite Performance

| JPY basis / Gross of Fees | 1 month %  | 3 month % | 1 year % | 3 years % p.a. | 5 years % p.a. | Since inception† % p.a. |
|---------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Small Cap AbVal           | 4.48       | 8.34      | 31.50    | 5.41           | 15.36          | 11.95                   |
| Ref Bmk: R/N Small        | 3.38       | 4.35      | 19.07    | 2.26           | 9.69           | 5.85                    |
| Excess vs R/N Small       | 1.10       | 3.99      | 12.42    | 3.14           | 5.67           | 6.10                    |
| Ref Bmk: TOPIX            | 4.36       | 5.32      | 27.52    | 6.23           | 11.42          | 5.15                    |
| Excess vs TOPIX           | 0.12       | 3.02      | 3.97     | -0.82          | 3.93           | 6.79                    |
| JPY basis / Gross of Fees | YTD 2021 % | 2020 %    | 2019 %   | 2018 %         | 2017 %         | 2016 %                  |
| Small Cap AbVal           | 23.04      | -2.96     | 22.96    | -22.17         | 49.67          | 17.54                   |
| Ref Bmk: R/N Small        | 14.15      | -0.62     | 16.99    | -19.76         | 30.18          | 4.78                    |
| Excess vs R/N Small       | 8.88       | -2.33     | 5.96     | -2.41          | 19.48          | 12.77                   |
| Ref Bmk: TOPIX            | 14.68      | 7.39      | 18.12    | -15.97         | 22.23          | 0.31                    |
| Excess vs TOPIX           | 8.35       | -10.35    | 4.84     | -6.19          | 27.43          | 17.23                   |

Source: SMDAM data as at 30 September 2021. † Inception date: May 2004. Reference benchmark: Russell/Nomura Japan Small Cap index (with div) and TOPIX (with div). Minor discrepancies due to rounding.

## Absolute Performance

The chart reflects the absolute returns of this composite on a calendar year basis and is shown in yen terms and gross of fees.



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## Portfolio Manager

Tatsuro NIGAURI, CMA  
30 years industry experience

| Sector Breakdown                       | %             |
|--|---------------|
| Construction & Materials               | 17.73         |
| Commercial & Wholesale Trade           | 14.61         |
| Retail Trade                           | 10.53         |
| Financials (Ex Banks)                  | 10.10         |
| IT & Services, Others                  | 7.74          |
| Automobiles & Transportation Equipment | 7.26          |
| Raw Materials & Chemicals              | 6.30          |
| Machinery                              | 6.19          |
| Transportation & Logistics             | 4.90          |
| Electric Appl. & Precision Instruments | 4.46          |
| Real Estate                            | 3.85          |
| Steel & Nonferrous Metals              | 3.82          |
| Energy Resources                       | 1.65          |
| Foods                                  | 0.78          |
| Pharmaceutical                         | 0.08          |
| Electric Power & Gas                   | 0.00          |
| Banks                                  | 0.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>100.00</b> |

Sector breakdown based on the TOPIX-17 Series Indices classification (detailing representative account). Source: SMDAM and FactSet Research Systems Inc. of the US, as at 30 September 2021.

| Top Ten Holdings            | %            |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Jaccs Co Ltd                | 4.14         |
| Nippon Steel Trading Corp   | 4.11         |
| Sanyo Trading Co Ltd        | 3.74         |
| Daiki Aluminium Industry Co | 3.60         |
| Ku Holdings Co Ltd          | 3.55         |
| Nichias Corp                | 3.43         |
| Hamakyorex Co Ltd           | 3.35         |
| Nichirin Co Ltd             | 3.14         |
| Asax Co Ltd                 | 3.02         |
| Ricoh Leasing Co Ltd        | 2.94         |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>35.02</b> |

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