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We love investment trusts and investment companies

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We've been working in the industry for years (24 in James's case, 16 in Ed's)

They make up 80% of James's pension pot

Why?

Why use investment companies?

Diversification

Expert managers

Long-term-view

Boards working for you

Liquid access to illiquid assets

But aren't they complicated?

Borrowing (gearing)

Less than you might think

- but we think that makes them more interesting

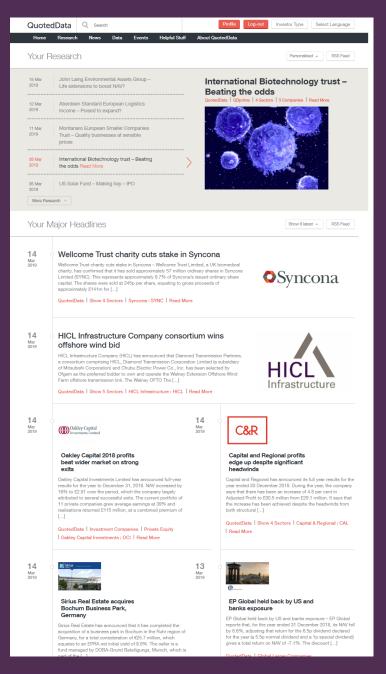
Discounts/Premiums

Shareholder votes

Net asset values (NAVs)

Different share classes

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Aberdeen Standard European Logistics Income

Poised to expand?

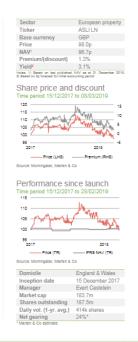
Aberdeen Standard European Logistics Income (ASLI) has built a portfolio of 10 assets, invested all the money it raised at IPO and has declared dividends totalling 3p per share in respect of its first accounting period (in-line with its target). Borrowing facilities are being arranged that will fund the purchase of one more asset and meet stage payments for construction projects that it has agreed to finance.

The growth of online shopping in Europe is transforming the logistics infrastructure that supports the retail market, which includes warehousing, Investors are drawn to the attractive prospective returns available from this sector and this has pushed up the protes of these assets, depressing their yields (which are income divided by value) in the process. In response, the ASLI board and manager have taken the commendable step of cutting the management fee, but have soot trimmed the target dividend from 5.5% of the IPO price to 5.0% for ASLI's second accounting year.

The manager and board are confident that the European logistics sector will continue to offer many attractive investment opportunities, and their intention is to seek to expand the company in due course.

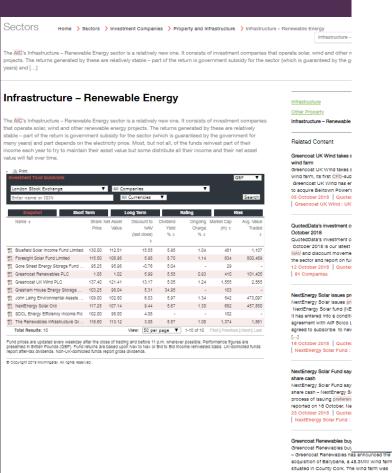
Big box logistics and last mile urban warehouses in Europe

ASLI invests in a diversified portfolio of 'big box' logistics (fuge regional/national warehouses) and 'last mile' urban warehouse (usually smaller warehouses located closer to the end consumer) assets in Europe (this includes both the UK and the Nordic countries but, in practice the UK is unlikely to figure in the profficilo with the aim of providing its shareholders with a regular and attractive level of income return (targetting a 3% yield on the IPO price in its tracounting period and a 5% yield in its second accounting year, both in euro terms) together with the potential for long-term income and capital growth (target total return of 7.5% a year in euros).



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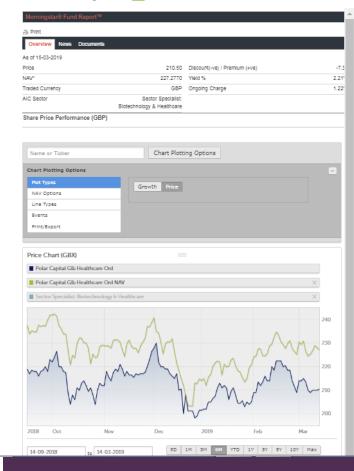


Polar Capital Global Healthcare: PCGH

Polar Capital Global Healthcare was launched in June 2010 with a fixed life that is expected to expire in January 2018. It seeks to generate capital growth and income for shareholders by investing in a global portfolio of healthcare stocks.

We have written notes that explain how the fund works: "Extended life, new objective"

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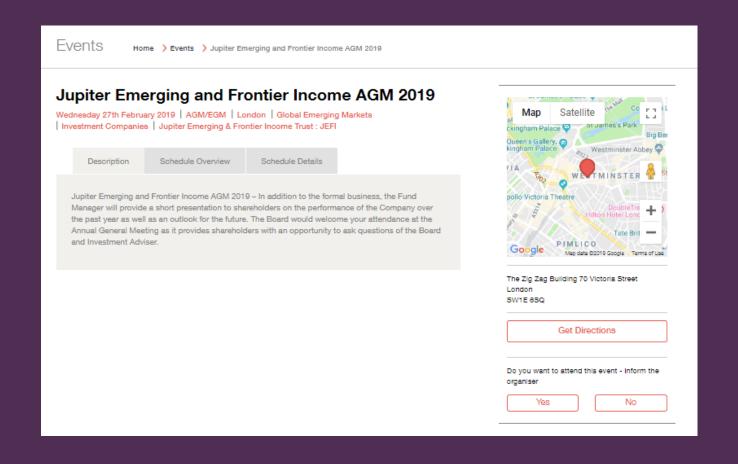
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Helpful stuff (glossary)



WAULT

WAULT is an abbreviation of weighted average unexpired lease term. It is used by property companies as an indicator of the average remaining life of the leases within their portfolios.

There are two commonly used forms: WAULT to expiry and WAULT to break.

Both are calculated by adding up all the contracted rental income on the portfolio between now and the time the leases expire, or the time until the leases have their first break, and dividing it by the contracted annual rent. The result is usually expressed as a number of years.

Simplistically, a low WAULT might be good news in an environment where rents are rising fast and the property is in a strong negotiating position. A higher WAULT is good news in weak property markets where rents are falling and/or tenants are looking to move.

We have also seen a similar term used – WALE or weighted average lease expiry – where the calculation is weighted by the amount of space rented rather than the amount of rent due.

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