

# Strategy & Objective

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# Portfolio Performance (GBP)<sup>1,2</sup>

		Annualised					
Return (%)	S. Inception	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year	3 Month	1 Month	YTD
Best Ideas Portfolio	12.5	13.5	12.6	10.0	3.1	0.1	19.1
MSCI World	11.8	13.3	12.2	8.1	3.8	1.1	22.0
Relative	0.7	0.2	0.4	1.9	-0.7	-1.0	-2.9

Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown	Volatility (Annualised)
Best Ideas Portfolio	17.3	12.2
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### Market Commentary

September saw global equity markets make positive ground. All the major equity indices made gains over the month, with the FTSE 100, the Euro STOXX 50 and the Nikkei 225 up 2.9%, 4.3% and 5.7% respectively. However, the Federal Reserve lowered interest rates on concerns the US economy may be slowing. During the month, oil prices increased by as much as 20% due to the disruptions caused by a drone attack on the Saudi Aramco oil production plant, before falling back to the \$60 per barrel range on news that oil production was back to pre-attack levels. In the UK, Boris Johnson's suspension of parliament was ruled unlawful and legislation was passed to force the government to ask for a Brexit extension if a deal cannot be made. Sterling was up 1.1% against the US dollar and up 1.9% against the euro. The yield on UK 10-year bonds increased by 0.01% and the US 10-year yield increased 0.17%.

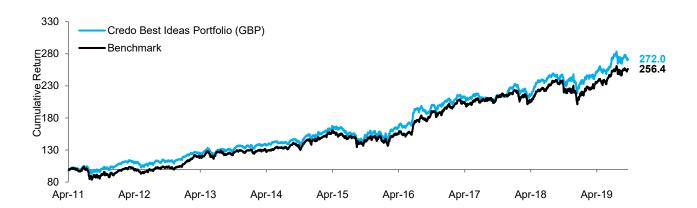
#### **Key Contributors to Return**

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#### **Key Detractors from Return**

Imperial Brands' shares declined by 14.0% after the company downgraded its expectations for earnings, against a backdrop of slowing growth in vaping and increased regulatory scrutiny. Adtalem Global Education's shares declined 10.8% following mounting support for Democratic Presidential candidates, historically known to oppose for-profit education.

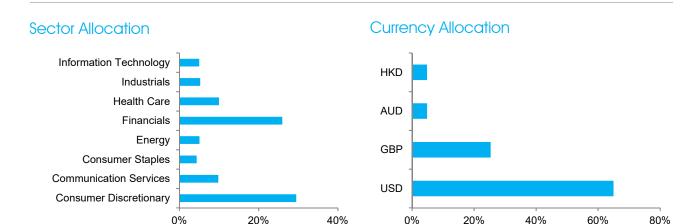
### Performance Since Inception (14/04/2011)<sup>2</sup>





# Sample Portfolio Statistics<sup>2</sup>

Current	Trailing	12 Month	Dividend
Price	12 Month P/E	Forward P/E	Yield
\$38.1	13.2x	12.1x	0.0%
516p	10.1x	11.2x	6.5%
\$120.4	12.2x	10.8x	1.3%
	18.1x	14.4x	2.5%
	18.6x	15.7x	2.5%
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# Investment Philosophy

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- We follow a value-based approach to investing
- We seek to invest in high quality companies that are attractively priced relative to their future business prospects
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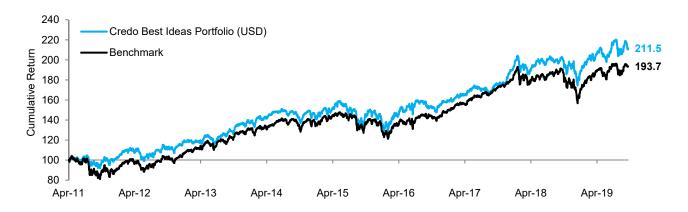
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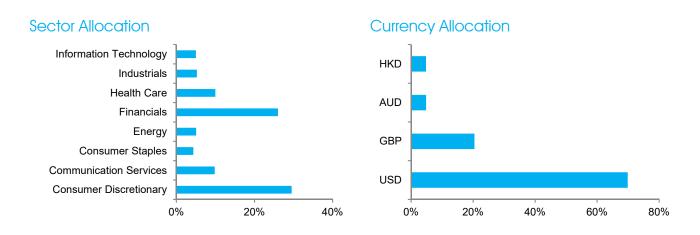
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6.5%	11.2x	10.1x	516p	BP plc
1.3%	10.8x	12.2x	\$120.4	HCA Healthcare Inc
2.5%	14.4x	18.1x		Total Portfolio Average
2.5%	15.7x	18.6x		MSCI World
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