

# 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	12.1	12.7	11.0	12.1	-4.1	-2.0	16.7
MSCI World	11.3	12.2	9.8	11.1	-3.1	-2.6	18.8
Relative	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.0	-1.0	0.6	-2.1

Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown	Volatility (Annualised)
Best Ideas Portfolio	17.3	12.2
MSCI World	19.0	12.9

# Market Commentary

October was largely a positive month for global equity markets. The S&P 500, Euro STOXX 50 and Hang Seng were up 2.2%, 1.1% and 3.3% respectively, while the FTSE 100 was down 1.9%. Markets responded well to Donald Trump's announcement of "Phase One" of a possible trade deal with China but the Fed cut interest rates a further 25 basis points on concerns that the US economy may still be slowing. In the UK, the Brexit departure date was extended to 31 January 2020 after Parliament refused to approve Boris Johnson's new deal before the prior 31 October 2019 deadline. The pound was up 5.3% against the US dollar and up 3.0% against the euro. The yield on UK 10-year bonds increased by 0.03% and the US 10-year yield increased 0.14%.

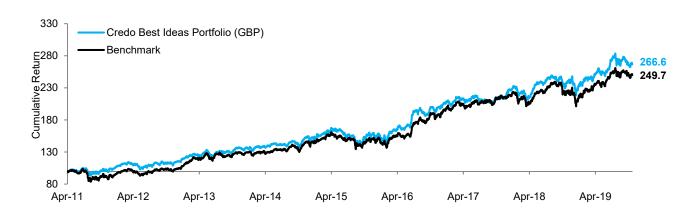
#### **Key Contributors to Return**

Cigna's shares increased by 17.6% after major healthcare companies reported strong results, spurring a rally in the share prices of health insurers. HCA Healthcare's shares increased by 10.9% after the company reported positive results in the third quarter along with improved expectations for 2019 earnings and 2020 growth in EBITDA.

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

Adtalem Global Education's shares declined 21.8% after the company reported first quarter revenue below consensus estimates. Imperial Brands' shares declined by 7.4% after the company lowered expectations for earnings due to increased competition and regulatory scrutiny in Next Generation Products and the CEO tendered her resignation.

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





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

	Current Price	Trailing 12 Month P/E	12 Month Forward P/E	Dividend Yield
Adtalem Global Education Inc	\$29.8	10.8x	10.8x	0.0%
BP plc	489p	11.4x	11.5x	6.5%
HCA Healthcare Inc	\$133.5	13.4x	11.7x	1.2%
Total Portfolio Average		18.6x	14.7x	2.5%
MSCI World		19.2x	16.1x	2.5%



USD

0%

20%

40%

60%

80%

# Investment Philosophy

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20%

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# Best Ideas Portfolio (USD)

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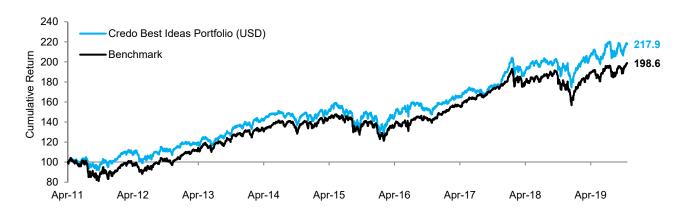
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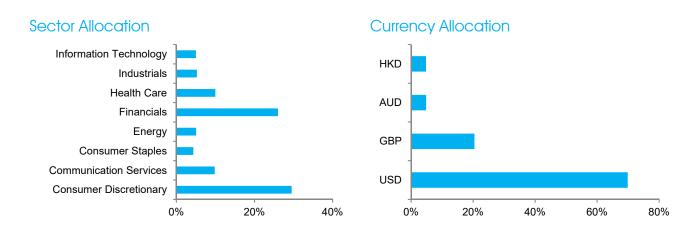
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