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Portfolio Performance (GBP)^{1,2}

Return (%)	Annualised						
	S. Inception	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year	3 Month	1 Month	YTD
Dividend Growth Portfolio	15.0	13.9	18.0	12.5	3.1	0.4	8.9
MSCI World	15.2	14.1	19.3	14.2	6.2	-0.1	9.3
Relative	-0.2	-0.2	-1.3	-1.7	-3.1	0.5	-0.4

Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown	Volatility (Annualised)
Dividend Growth Portfolio	11.2	11.3
MSCI World	16.2	11.8

Market Commentary

Global equity markets performed reasonably in September, shrugging off the continued US-China trade rhetoric. The S&P 500 and the Shenzhen CSI 300 were up 0.6% and 3.2% respectively. Brent crude oil prices increased 7.3% over the month as OPEC and non-OPEC members declared that they have no intention of increasing oil production and as US sanctions on Iran draw closer. In the UK, the FTSE 100 returned 1.1% while pound sterling, a perceived barometer of the progress made on the Brexit negotiations, increased 0.5% against both the US dollar and the euro. This was despite Theresa May warning that the UK would be willing to walk away without a deal and the IMF warning of the potential implications of a no-deal Brexit. The yield on UK 10-year bonds increased by 0.15% and the US 10-year yield increased 0.20%.

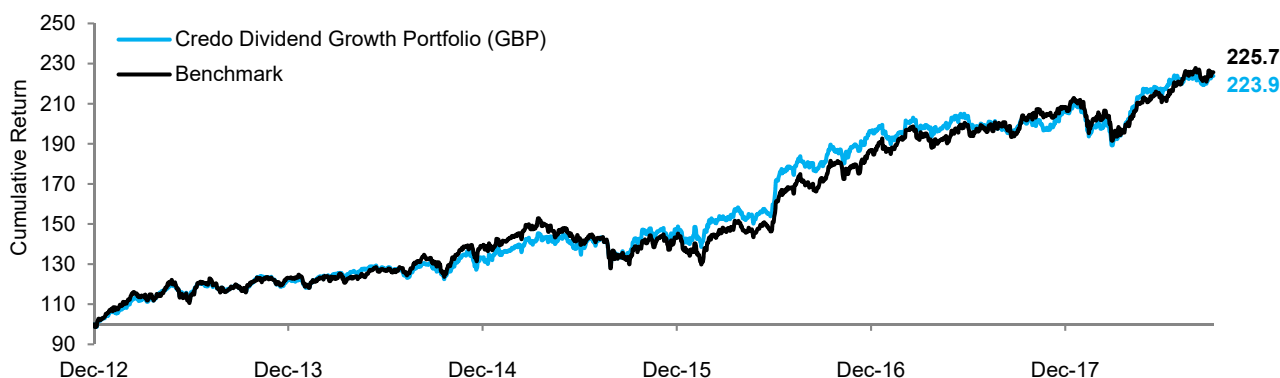
Key Contributors to Return

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Key Detractors from Return

Las Vegas Sands' shares declined by 8.5%, after the publication of weak Macau gaming numbers. Wells Fargo's shares declined by 10.1%, after the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) rejected the company's plan to repay customers who were mis-sold unnecessary automotive insurance, likely leading to a greater settlement than had previously been estimated by the company.

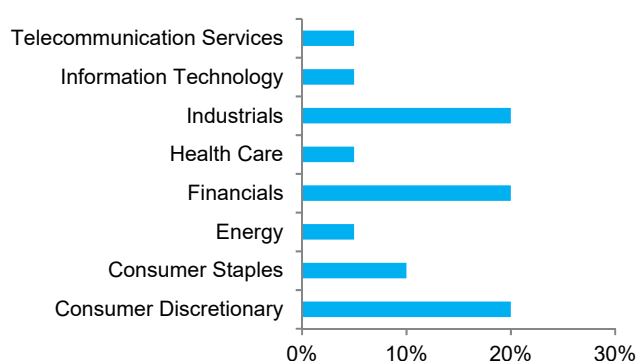
Performance Since Inception (28/12/2012)²



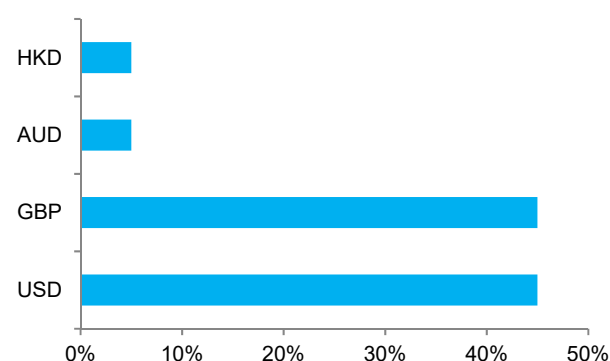
Sample Portfolio Statistics²

	Current Price	Trailing 12 Month P/E	12 Month Forward P/E	Dividend Yield
Imperial Brands plc	2671p	17.7x	9.8x	6.6%
Nielsen Holdings plc	\$27.7	16.4x	14.6x	5.1%
Wells Fargo & Co	\$52.6	13.6x	10.5x	3.3%
Total Portfolio Average		18.7x	14.7x	3.2%
MSCI World		18.8x	15.4x	2.4%

Sector Allocation



Currency Allocation



Investment Philosophy

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- We believe wealth is created and preserved by following a patient and disciplined investment strategy that is focused on the long-term.
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- We aim to minimise turnover in our portfolios and apply our minds when considering transaction size in an attempt to limit transaction costs.
- We view risk as permanent losses of capital and not in terms of short-term volatility.

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MSCI World	11.1	9.3	13.5	11.2	5.0	0.6	5.4
Relative	-0.1	-0.2	-0.9	-1.7	-3.2	0.4	-0.4

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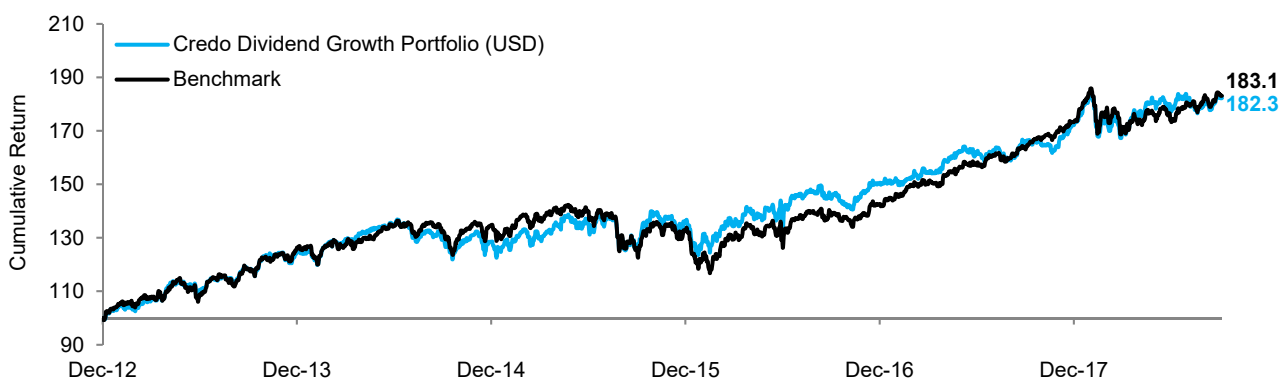
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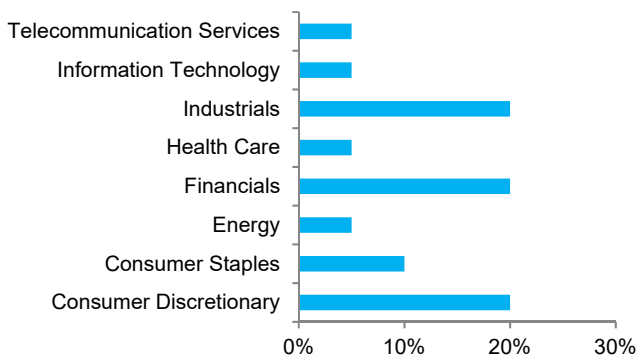
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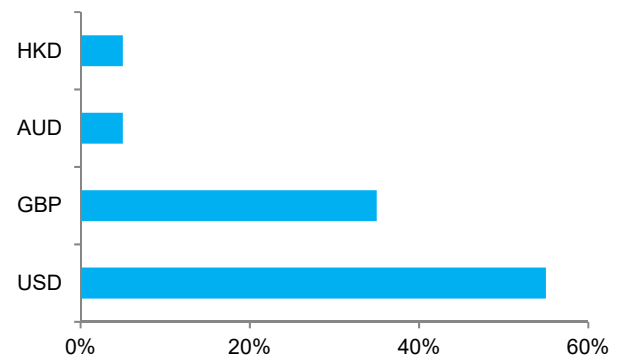
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