# Baillie Gifford<sup>®</sup>

### **Marketing Communication**

## Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Alpha Fund

31 December 2023

#### **About Baillie Gifford**

**Philosophy** Long-term investment horizon A growth bias Bottom-up portfolio construction High active share **Partnership** 100% owned by 57 partners with average 20 years' service Ownership aligns our interests with those of our clients

> Enables us to take a thoughtful, long-term view in all that we do

Stability, quality and consistency

#### **Investment Proposition**

The Fund invests in an actively managed portfolio of stocks from around the world with the intention of delivering significantly higher total returns than the MSCI ACWI Index. We focus on companies which we believe offer above average profit growth and we invest with a long-term (5 year) perspective. The Fund's three dedicated investment managers draw on a combination of their own investment ideas and those of our various investment teams to produce a portfolio that typically holds 70-120 stocks.

### **Fund Facts**

| 09 July 2012         |
|----------------------|
| \$1209.9m / €1095.3m |
| MSCI ACWI Index      |
| 82%                  |
| 16%                  |
| 96                   |
| Article 8*           |
| 70-120               |
| 30 September         |
| Irish UCITS          |
| EUR                  |
|                      |

<sup>\*</sup>The Fund is subject to enhanced sustainability-related disclosures on the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.

### **Key Decision Makers**

| Name             | Years' Experience |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Malcolm MacColl* | 24                |
| Spencer Adair*   | 23                |
| Helen Xiong*     | 15                |

<sup>\*</sup>Partner

#### Awards and Ratings - As at 30 November 2023



Class B Acc in USD. Overall rating among 2085 EAA Fund Global Large-Cap Growth Equity funds as at 30-NOV-2023

Morningstar Medalist Rating™



2023.

Analyst-Driven % 100 Data Coverage % Rating™ as at 30-NOV-100



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Based on the Class B EUR Acc share class.

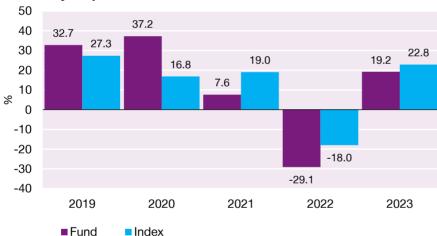
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### **US Dollar Performance**

### Periodic performance



### Calendar year performance



### Discrete performance

|              | 31/12/18-<br>31/12/19 | 31/12/19-<br>31/12/20 |      | 31/12/21-<br>31/12/22 | ,,   |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------|-----------------------|------|
| Fund Net (%) | 32.7                  | 37.2                  | 7.6  | -29.1                 | 19.2 |
| Index (%)    | 27.3                  | 16.8                  | 19.0 | -18.0                 | 22.8 |
|              |                       |                       |      |                       |      |

|              | 31/12/13- | 31/12/14- | 31/12/15- | 31/12/16- | 31/12/17- |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|              | 31/12/14  | 31/12/15  | 31/12/16  | 31/12/17  | 31/12/18  |
| Fund Net (%) | 4.4       | 2.2       | 4.3       | 34.2      | -10.2     |
| Index (%)    | 4.7       | -1.8      | 8.5       | 24.6      | -8.9      |

<sup>\*</sup>Not annualised. Share Class Inception: 01 May 2013

Source: Revolution, MSCI. Net of fees

Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Alpha Fund performance based on Class B USD Acc, 10am prices. Index calculated close to close. US dollar.

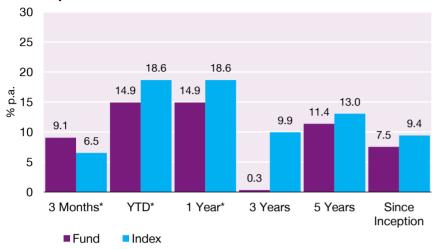
As at 31 December 2023

Baillie Gifford operates a single swinging price for the Fund and, therefore, may apply a dilution adjustment to the price to protect long-term investors from the costs associated with buying and selling underlying investments that result from other investors joining or leaving the Fund. This adjustment will affect relative performance, either positively or negatively.

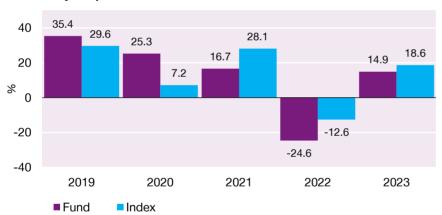
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### **Euro Performance**

### Periodic performance



### Calendar year performance



### Discrete performance

| 31/12/18-<br>31/12/19 | 31/12/19-<br>31/12/20                                    | 31/12/20-<br>31/12/21  | 31/12/21-<br>31/12/22   | 31/12/22-<br>31/12/23   |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|
| 35.4                  | 25.3   | 16.7   | -24.6   | 14.9  |
| 29.6                  | 7.2  | 28.1   | -12.6   | 18.6  |
|                       |  |  |   |   |
| 31/12/13-<br>31/12/14 | 31/12/14-<br>31/12/15                                    | 31/12/15-<br>31/12/16  | 31/12/16-<br>31/12/17   | 31/12/17-<br>31/12/18   |
| 4.4                   | 2.2  | 4.3  | 34.2  | -10.2   |
| 4.7                   | -1.8   | 8.5  | 24.6  | -8.9  |
|                       | 31/12/19<br>35.4<br>29.6<br>31/12/13-<br>31/12/14<br>4.4 | 31/12/19     31/12/20       35.4     25.3       29.6     7.2       31/12/13-<br>31/12/14<br>31/12/14<br>4.4     31/12/14-<br>31/12/15<br>2.2 | 31/12/19     31/12/20     31/12/21       35.4     25.3     16.7       29.6     7.2     28.1       31/12/13-<br>31/12/14     31/12/14-<br>31/12/15     31/12/15-<br>31/12/16       4.4     2.2     4.3 | 31/12/19         31/12/20         31/12/21         31/12/22           35.4         25.3         16.7         -24.6           29.6         7.2         28.1         -12.6           31/12/13-<br>31/12/14         31/12/14-<br>31/12/15         31/12/15-<br>31/12/16         31/12/16-<br>31/12/17           4.4         2.2         4.3         34.2 |

<sup>\*</sup>Not annualised. Share Class Inception: 10 January 2018

Source: Revolution, MSCI. Net of fees.

Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Alpha Fund performance based Class B EUR Acc, 10am prices. Index calculated close to close. euro.

As at 31 December 2023.

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### **Stock Level Attribution**

Top and Bottom Ten Contributors to Relative Performance, Quarter to 31 December 2023

### **Top Ten Contributors**

### **Bottom Ten Contributors**

| Asset Name                        | Contribution (%) | Asset Name        | Contribution (%) |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Ryanair                           | 0.4              | Ping An Insurance | -0.3             |
| CRH                               | 0.3              | Prosus            | -0.2             |
| Moody's                           | 0.3              | The Trade Desk    | -0.2             |
| Martin Marietta Materials         | 0.3              | Albemarle         | -0.2             |
| Shopify                           | 0.3              | Shiseido          | -0.2             |
| Block                             | 0.2              | AJ Gallagher      | -0.1             |
| Cloudflare                        | 0.2              | Markel            | -0.1             |
| ExxonMobil                        | 0.2              | Genmab            | -0.1             |
| Adyen                             | 0.2              | Broadcom          | -0.1             |
| Service Corporation International | 0.2              | Alibaba           | -0.1             |

Source: Revolution, MSCI. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Global Alpha Fund relative to MSCI ACWI Index.

Some stocks may only have been held for part of the period.

All attribution is shown relative to the index therefore not all stocks shown are held in the portfolio. See the List of Holdings section of this report for the stocks held.

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#### Market environment

The final quarter of 2023 proved to be a rewarding period for stock markets. US equity investors enjoyed impressive gains due to resilient corporate earnings and the prospect of a potential economic soft landing thanks to the recent dovish tone from the Federal Reserve. The latter has potentially meaningful implications for growth assets. Elsewhere, in Latin America and Europe, this positive sentiment was also palpable where stock markets also enjoyed a rally. China, on the other hand, continued to experience headwinds after billions of dollars had fled the market amidst property market woes and economic slowdown. But despite this backdrop, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) still expect a 5.4% growth rate for China in 2023.

While this improved sentiment and potential signs of stability in markets are welcome, we still maintain that companies' destinies over the long term are determined not by macroeconomic factors but by underlying fundamentals and operational progress.

#### Performance

The Fund has outperformed the MSCI ACWI Index over the period, with an eclectic mix of holdings from North America driving outperformance. Among the top contributors were building materials company **CRH** and financial services business **Moody's Corporation**.

CRH's share price increased after a positive earnings update, reflecting positive momentum and strong commercial progress across its key markets of North America and Europe. CRH's capital allocation under the leadership of Albert Manifold has been impressive, and the market responded positively to the completion of the latest phase of its share buyback programme, which has seen the company return a further \$1 billion to shareholders. During the quarter, Moody's reported 15% overall revenue growth year-over-year, with the core ratings business growing at 18% year-over-year. Moody's has also progressed with its generative Al strategy, announcing a new collaboration with Google to utilise generative Al technologies for improved financial analysis.

Detractors from performance included the Chinese insurance group **Ping An Insurance** and programmatic advertising platform **The Trade Desk (TTD)**. **Ping An Insurance** has seen its shares come under pressure due to concerns over China's property market and slower-than-expected economic recovery. There is a growing concern over the potential for the company to be caught up in the regulatory cycle. **TTD** has been a strong performer in the Fund this year, with its share price up 65% year-to-date. In

its latest set of results, revenue growth was slightly ahead of expectations but guidance disappointed. The company's expected revenue growth of 18% in Q4 does, however, still far exceed the growth of the broader advertising industry and that of the digital advertising industry. Looking out over the longer term, our investment case for TTD is intact. Programmatic advertising still only represents less than 5% of total advertising spend, but the shift of TV viewing into the internet domain will unlock a massive portion of this.

#### Notable transactions

Over the quarter, our key investment decisions have been focused on maintaining a calm and disciplined approach to Fund management. We have sold out of companies where evidence of strong execution was lacking (Illumina and Farfetch) and where we've seen signs of deterioration in capital discipline coupled with Environmental, Social and Governance ESG risks (Rio Tinto). We have also made some reductions and recycled capital into existing holdings where companies have shown evidence of disciplined execution which is not yet reflected in the share price (DoorDash, Meta Platforms). We have also added to recent purchases such as NVIDIA and Block to reflect our strengthening conviction.

Finally, we have taken new holdings in a diverse range of companies. These include the Chinese battery manufacturer **CATL** and the world's largest luxury goods company LVMH. CATL is the world's largest battery maker with a 37% global market share, and the technological and cost leader in the industry. Its competitive advantage stems from its scale, vertical integration, and reputation and relationships with Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs). As the demand for batteries is expected to grow significantly in the coming years, and following its valuation reset, CATL is an exciting addition to the Fund. LVMH manages 75 luxury brands, including many of the oldest and most famous (such as Louis Vuitton, Tiffany and Dior). The company is supported by powerful growth drivers such as rising affluence in Asia and the growing trend for luxury goods purchases to be made online. The company has built a considerable competitive moat based on excellent operational execution, skilful capital allocation, and diversification across different types of luxury goods. We believe it is well-positioned to grow in the high single digits per annum for the next 5 years, if not beyond.

Transactions from 01 October 2023 to 31 December 2023.

## **New Purchases**

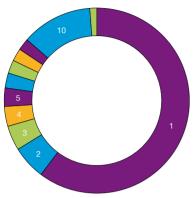
| Stock Name        | Transaction Rationale  |
|-------------------|--|
| Block             | Block is a collection of financial services businesses linked by a common mission: to advance economic empowerment and inclusion. The two most important businesses today are Square, which enables merchants to accept card payments and provides ancillary software services, and Cash App, a personal payment app. We think both have attractive competitive positions and growth trajectories. Square can continue to drive penetration in merchants, offer more software services, and expand internationally, which should be helped by the company's acquisition of buy-now-pay-later firm AfterPay. Cash App is still in its infancy, and can expand beyond peer-to-peer payments to other financial services such as savings and perhaps, one day, loans. Block is however more than simply these two businesses. Stewarded by the leadership of Jack Dorsey, we expect the company to continue to innovate and nurture new businesses and revenue streams. We're excited by what Block might look like in 5 or 10 years' time.   |
| CATL              | CATL is a Chinese manufacturer of lithium-ion battery cells with a dominant market share both in cathode chemistries (LFP) and form factors (prismatic) which are poised to grow through electric vehicle uptake and energy storage. The company is a national champion in China, which is the world's largest EV and electricity generation market, and it is well aligned with the state's decarbonisation objectives and emphasis on Chinese self-sufficiency in the hard sciences and technology. Beyond its home market, CATL's future growth could be further fuelled by its operations in Europe where it already has a manufacturing presence and North America, where it currently commands a 15% market share. We like the magnitude and duration of the growth opportunity combined with CATL's market leadership, which we believe can prove defensible thanks to the company's partnerships with traditional automakers (e.g. Volkswagen and Ford) who are making the shift to electric vehicles and relying on CATL's cell-to-pack battery technology to do so. The share price currently ascribes little value to its ex-China growth prospects which has provided us with an attractive entry point. |
| LVMH              | We have taken a new holding in the world's largest luxury conglomerate, LVMH. Thanks to the excellent capital allocation skills of long-term owner-manager Bernard Arnault, today the group manages 75 luxury brands. These include many of the oldest and best-known in the world, such as Louis Vuitton, Dior, and Tiffany. We believe LVMH is supported by powerful growth drivers such as rising affluence across Asia and the growing trend for luxury goods purchases to be made online. LVMH is a quality compounder that has built a considerable competitive moat based on excellent operational execution, skilful capital allocation, and diversification across different types of luxury goods. The company enjoys the benefits of scale having reached a size that makes it increasingly difficult for the company to be disrupted by competitors. The company is now trading at a more attractive valuation than earlier in the year, making the upside case easier to model.   |
| PDD Holdings      | We have taken a new position for you in Chinese e-commerce platform, Pinduoduo (PDD). PDD offers a socially-driven, entertaining and low-cost shopping experience for its 900 million users in China. It operates both a core e-commerce channel where take-rates are rising, and DuoDuo Grocery where it is becoming an increasingly relevant seller of fresh-food groceries in China. Its group-purchase model results in better deals for consumers. We believe there is an attractive opportunity as PDD continues to take market share from competitors and increase its take-rate by broadening into branded goods and new categories. Furthermore, it has recently launched an international platform, Temu, providing another channel for growth. We believe that a combination of broad investor sentiment surrounding China, along with the misunderstanding that the market is applying to PDD's business model (due to immaturity, and the fact that it's not been profitable for long) makes this an attractive opportunity where we have a differentiated view. With the share price off ~48% from peak in early 2021, we believe this is a good time to take a new holding.                           |
| Texas Instruments | Texas Instruments is the leading global supplier of analogue chips, which are semiconductors that process real-world signals like light, heat, and sound. In the decade ahead, we expect to see continued strong demand for the company's products, driven by secular trends such as the digitisation of industrial and automotive functions, the ongoing building of data centres, and the electric vehicle revolution. These trends require increasing numbers of analogue chips and Texas Instruments is poised to benefit. Recently the company's profits have been impacted by higher depreciation and it making significant investments in new production facilities. This capital expenditure has impacted free cash flow in the short-term but our view is that it will ensure a cost advantage over the next decade. We believe we are close to the nadir for free cash flow and see this as an opportunity to invest in a high-quality company with a differentiated culture that is managed with the long-term interests of shareholders in mind.   |

## Complete Sales

| Stock Name | Transaction Rationale  |
|------------|--|
| Farfetch   | After careful consideration, we have decided to sell the modest holding in Farfetch, the online luxury goods platform. Our original investment thesis centred around the company's investments in technology and forging partnerships, which aimed to create a leading platform in an industry with significant potential to move online. However, recent rumours surrounding its potential go-private deal, the subsequent delay in releasing its Q3 earnings report and the withdrawal of previous guidance have raised concerns about the company's future prospects and management's ability to execute its strategy effectively. Given these concerns and the lack of visibility into the company's future path, we have decided to divest from Farfetch.   |
| Illumina   | Following a period of regulatory scrutiny and management changes at the company, we have decided to sell the holding in gene-sequencing company Illumina. Bought for the Fund in 2019, we believed that Illumina was at the forefront of a tipping point in gene-sequencing adoption and technology to make it more accessible and affordable. Illumina has played a key part in lowering the costs of gene sequencing - accelerated by the pandemic. However, we believe that competition in the core genome sequencing market is rising, and the regulatory fall-out from Illumina's attempted, and failed, acquisition of diagnostics business Grail, has caused us to lose confidence in the Board and management.   |
| Rio Tinto  | We have decided to sell the holding in Rio Tinto, the metals and mining giant, due to recent management changes and strategic shifts that have led us to reassess our investment thesis. The new CEO and chair's intentions to ramp up capital expenditure and engage in mergers and acquisitions in the coming years, combined with their limited experience in the mining sector, raise concerns about their ability to maintain capital discipline and avoid value destruction. Additionally, Rio Tinto's plans to build the Simandou iron ore project in West Africa carry significant financial and reputational risks, given the company's troubled history with projects like Juukan Gorge and the findings of the Broderick report. The iron ore industry's capital discipline, which has been a key driver of profitability in recent years, is showing signs of weakening, potentially limiting shareholder returns. In light of these concerns, we have decided to divest from Rio Tinto and evaluate alternative investment opportunities. |

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### **Geographic Exposure**



|    |               | %    |
|----|---------------|------|
| 1  | United States | 60.3 |
| 2  | Ireland       | 5.9  |
| 3  | Japan         | 4.3  |
| 4  | India         | 3.5  |
| 5  | Netherlands   | 3.2  |
| 6  | China         | 2.6  |
| 7  | Sweden        | 2.3  |
| 8  | Brazil        | 2.2  |
| 9  | France        | 2.1  |
| 10 | Others        | 12.4 |
| 11 | Cash          | 1.2  |
|    |               |      |

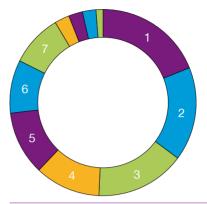
### **Portfolio Characteristics**

|                                       | Fund        | Index          |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Market Cap (weighted average)         | EUR 283.3bn | EUR<br>419.4bn |
| Price/Book                            | 4.4         | 2.9            |
| Price/Earnings (12 months forward)    | 21.0        | 16.3           |
| Earnings Growth (5 year historic)     | 12.3%       | 9.1%           |
| Return on Equity                      | 19.8%       | 17.5%          |
| Predicted Beta (12 months)            | 1.3         | N/A            |
| Standard Deviation (trailing 3 years) | 16.8        | 13.2           |
| R-Squared                             | 1.0         | N/A            |
| Delivered Tracking Error (12 months)  | 6.6         | N/A            |
| Sharpe Ratio                          | 0.8         | 1.6            |
| Information Ratio                     | -0.4        | N/A            |
|                                       |             | Fund           |
| Number of geographical locations      |             | 21             |
| Number of sectors                     |             | 10             |
| Number of industries                  |             | 39             |

Source: FactSet, MSCI.

We have provided these characteristics for information purposes only. In particular, we do not think index relative metrics are suitable measures of risk. Fund and benchmark figures are calculated excluding negative earnings.

### **Sector Exposure**



|    |                        | %    |
|----|------------------------|------|
| 1  | Consumer Discretionary | 18.9 |
| 2  | Information Technology | 16.3 |
| 3  | Financials             | 15.5 |
| 4  | Industrials            | 11.4 |
| 5  | Health Care            | 11.1 |
| 6  | Communication Services | 9.2  |
| 7  | Materials              | 9.1  |
| 8  | Energy                 | 2.6  |
| 9  | Real Estate            | 2.4  |
| 10 | Consumer Staples       | 2.3  |
| 11 | Cash                   | 1.2  |

As well as cash in the bank, the cash balance includes unsettled cash flows arising from both shareholder flows and outstanding trades. Therefore, a negative balance may arise from timing differences between shareholder flows and security trading and does not necessarily represent a bank overdraft.

### **Top Ten Holdings**

|    | Holdings                  | % of Total Assets |
|----|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | Microsoft                 | 3.7               |
| 2  | Martin Marietta Materials | 3.5               |
| 3  | Amazon.com                | 3.4               |
| 4  | Elevance Health Inc.      | 3.3               |
| 5  | Moody's                   | 3.3               |
| 6  | Ryanair                   | 3.1               |
| 7  | CRH                       | 2.8               |
| 8  | Meta Platforms            | 2.7               |
| 9  | Alphabet                  | 2.4               |
| 10 | Reliance Industries       | 2.3               |
|    |                           |                   |

### Voting Activity

| Votes Cast in Favour | Votes Cast Against |    | Votes Abstained/Withheld |   |
|----------------------|--------------------|----|--------------------------|---|
| Companies 6          | Companies          | 3  | Companies                | 1 |
| Resolutions 78       | Resolutions        | 13 | Resolutions              | 1 |

The strategy continues to ensure our Environmental, Social And Governance (ESG) research, integration and stewardship activities are focused on issues material to the investment case and companies' long-term growth prospects.

Results of our climate audit show that 23 companies (representing 28% of AUM) have improved their climate audit rating since December 2021.

Our engagements this quarter have covered a wide range of topics including employee rights, supply chain transparency, board diversity, and remuneration.

Please consider all of the characteristics and objectives of the fund as described in the Key Information Document (KID) and prospectus before making a decision to invest in the Fund. For more information on how sustainability issues, such as climate change are considered, see bailliegifford.com.

### Company Engagement

| Engagement Type | Company  |
|-----------------|--|
| Environmental   | Albemarle Corporation, Amazon.com, Inc.,   |
|                 | Analog Devices, Inc., BHP Group Limited,<br>Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc.,<br>Contemporary Amperex Technology Co.,<br>Limited, NovoCure Limited, Pool Corporation,<br>Reliance Industries Limited, Ryanair Holdings<br>plc, Snowflake Inc., Texas Instruments<br>Incorporated   |
| Social          | Amazon.com, Inc., Netflix, Inc., Olympus<br>Corporation, Reliance Industries Limited,<br>Ryanair Holdings plc, Tesla, Inc.   |
| Governance      | Adyen N.V., Albemarle Corporation, Alibaba Group Holding Limited, Amazon.com, Inc., Analog Devices, Inc., BHP Group Limited, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., Compagnie Financière Richemont SA, Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Limited, CyberAgent, Inc., Floor & Decor Holdings, Inc., HDFC Bank Limited, Moderna, Inc., NVIDIA Corporation, Nippon Paint Holdings Co., Ltd., NovoCure Limited, Olympus Corporation, Pool Corporation, Reliance Industries Limited, Schibsted ASA, Sea Limited, Shopify Inc., Tesla, Inc., Texas Instruments Incorporated, The Charles Schwab Corporation |
| Strategy        | Amazon.com, Inc., Reliance Industries<br>Limited, Ryanair Holdings plc, Schibsted ASA,<br>Tesla, Inc.  |

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| Asset Name                        | Fund % Asset Name |                          | Fund % |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| Microsoft                         | 3.7               | Markel                   | 0.9    |
| Martin Marietta Materials         | 3.5               | Tesla Inc                | 0.8    |
| Amazon.com                        | 3.4               | Thermo Fisher Scientific | 0.8    |
| Elevance Health Inc.              | 3.3               | Prudential               | 0.8    |
| Moody's                           | 3.3               | SiteOne Landscape Supply | 0.8    |
| Ryanair                           | 3.1               | Schibsted                | 0.8    |
| CRH                               | 2.8               | Alibaba                  | 0.7    |
| Meta Platforms                    | 2.7               | YETI Holdings            | 0.7    |
| Alphabet                          | 2.4               | Epiroc                   | 0.7    |
| Reliance Industries               | 2.3               | Netflix                  | 0.7    |
| Service Corporation International | 2.1               | Albemarle                | 0.7    |
| Prosus                            | 2.1               | Moderna                  | 0.7    |
| Mastercard                        | 2.0               | Datadog                  | 0.7    |
| BHP Group                         | 1.6               | Shiseido                 | 0.7    |
| TSMC                              | 1.6               | ASM International        | 0.6    |
| Analog Devices                    | 1.4               | adidas                   | 0.6    |
| AIA                               | 1.4               | Adobe Systems            | 0.6    |
| Shopify                           | 1.3               | Chewy                    | 0.6    |
| Doordash                          | 1.3               | Li Auto                  | 0.6    |
| Broadridge Financial Solutions    | 1.3               | Genmab                   | 0.6    |
| Atlas Copco                       | 1.3               | PDD Holdings             | 0.6    |
| S&P Global Inc                    | 1.2               | Sysmex                   | 0.6    |
| MercadoLibre                      | 1.2               | Floor & Decor            | 0.6    |
| AJ Gallagher                      | 1.2               | Sands China              | 0.6    |
| Pernod Ricard                     | 1.1               | CATL                     | 0.6    |
| Olympus                           | 1.1               | Comfort Systems USA      | 0.6    |
| HDFC Bank                         | 1.1               | Estee Lauder             | 0.5    |
| Alnylam Pharmaceuticals           | 1.1               | Coupang                  | 0.5    |
| Royalty Pharma                    | 1.1               | SCP Pool Corporation     | 0.5    |
| Teradyne                          | 1.1               | Advanced Micro Devices   | 0.5    |
| Richemont                         | 1.1               | Snowflake                | 0.5    |
| Cloudflare                        | 1.1               | Texas Instruments        | 0.5    |
| The Trade Desk                    | 1.1               | Howard Hughes            | 0.5    |
| NVIDIA                            | 1.1               | Adyen                    | 0.5    |
| Charles Schwab                    | 1.0               | Samsung Electronics      | 0.5    |
| Entegris                          | 1.0               | LVMH                     | 0.5    |
| CBRE Group Inc                    | 1.0               | Nippon Paint             | 0.5    |
| Block                             | 1.0               | Adevinta                 | 0.5    |
| Advanced Drainage Systems         | 1.0               | Sartorius Stedim Biotech | 0.4    |
| Eaton                             | 1.0               | SEA Limited              | 0.4    |
| B3                                | 1.0               | Neogen Corporation       | 0.4    |
| SMC                               | 0.9               | Certara                  | 0.4    |
| CoStar                            | 0.9               | Exact Sciences           | 0.4    |
|                                   |                   |                          |        |

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| Asset Name         | Fund % |
|--------------------|--------|
| Spotify            | 0.3    |
| CyberAgent         | 0.3    |
| Hoshizaki          | 0.3    |
| Wayfair            | 0.3    |
| Woodside Petroleum | 0.2    |
| STAAR Surgical     | 0.2    |
| Ping An Insurance  | 0.1    |
| Novocure           | 0.1    |
| Sberbank*          | 0.0    |
| Abiomed CVR Line** | 0.0    |
| Cash               | 1.2    |
| Total              | 100.0  |

Total may not sum due to rounding.

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\*As at March 3rd 2022, Russian holdings have been valued at zero by our Fair Value Pricing Committee due to the ongoing issues in the Russian market: Sberbank.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Abiomed was acquired in December 2022 by Johnson and Johnson. Holders received a cash allocation plus non-tradable contingent value rights (CVRs).

Active Share Classes

| Share Class     | Share Class<br>Inception Date | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | SEDOL   | WKN    | Valoren   | Annual Management Fee (%) | Ongoing Charge Figure (%) |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------|--------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Class C CHF Acc | 12 December 2014              | IE00BRS62D57 | BGWGACF ID | BRS62D5 | A2QC26 | 26434415  | 0.00                      | 0.07                      |
| Class B CHF Acc | 29 June 2020                  | IE00BSNB8564 | BGWGCBA    | BSNB856 | A2QC28 | 26276338  | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class A CHF Acc | 29 October 2020               | IE00BN15WW01 | BAWGACA ID | BN15WW0 | A2QGST | 57110523  | 1.50                      | 1.57                      |
| Class B USD Inc | 01 May 2013                   | IE00B90ZJS81 | BGWGBIN ID | B90ZJS8 | A2H56Y | 21458844  | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class B USD Acc | 01 May 2013                   | IE00B912KW96 | BGWGBAC ID | B912KW9 | A2H56Z | 21458964  | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class A USD Acc | 01 May 2013                   | IE00B88CSH68 | BGWGAAC ID | B88CSH6 | A2QC22 | 21458817  | 1.50                      | 1.57                      |
| Class A USD Inc | 01 May 2013                   | IE00B84XWW62 | BGWGAIN ID | B84XWW6 | A2QC23 | 21458961  | 1.50                      | 1.57                      |
| Class C JPY Inc | 16 April 2015                 | IE00BVYJ4Z25 | BGGACJI    | BVYJ4Z2 | A2QC27 | 27955144  | 0.00                      | 0.07                      |
| Class B JPY Acc | 16 August 2022                | IE000ZWQ4OU3 | BGWBJPY ID | BLBLTZ6 | A3DNXX | 121087428 | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class B EUR Acc | 10 January 2018               | IE00BFX4DD70 | BGWWBEA ID | BFX4DD7 | A2PFCN | 39897196  | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class A EUR Acc | 30 September 2019             | IE00BK5TWB66 | BGWGAEA ID | BK5TWB6 | A2PR3F | 50391112  | 1.50                      | 1.57                      |
| Class D DKK Acc | 01 July 2014                  | IE00BNB79M50 | BGWGDKA ID | BNB79M5 | A2QC25 | 24751838  | 1.50                      | 1.57                      |
| Class C GBP Acc | 11 May 2020                   | IE00BJM0FX81 | BGWGCGA ID | BJM0FX8 | A2PT1F | 50963589  | 0.00                      | 0.07                      |
| Class B GBP Inc | 20 October 2020               | IE00BMXR2D84 | BAWGABG ID | BMXR2D8 | A2QG01 | 56801628  | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |
| Class B GBP Acc | 13 May 2021                   | IE00BM98ZM50 | BGWGAGB    | BM98ZM5 | A2QQ1J | 111614440 | 0.57                      | 0.64                      |

Our Worldwide funds allow us to offer multi-currency share classes. Share classes can be created on request. The ongoing charge figure is at the latest annual or interim period. Charges will reduce the value of your investment. Costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

#### **Risks and Additional Information**

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A Prospectus is available for Baillie Gifford Worldwide Funds plc (the Company) in English, French and German. Key Information Documents (KIDs) are available for each share class of each of the sub-funds of the Company and in one of the official languages of each of the EU Member States into which each sub-fund has been notified for marketing under the Directive 2009/65/EC (the UCITS Directive). These can be obtained from bailliegifford.com. In addition, a summary of investor rights is available from bailliegifford.com. The summary is available in English.

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By investing in the Fund you own shares in the Fund. You do not have ownership or control of the underlying assets such as the stocks and shares of the companies that make up the portfolio as these are owned by the Fund.

The ongoing charges figure is based on actual expenses for the latest financial period. Where the share class has been launched during the financial period and / or expenses during the period are not representative, an estimate of expenses may have been used instead. It may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying and selling assets for the Fund although custodian transaction costs are included. Where a share class has not been seeded an estimate of expenses has been used.

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The Fund invests in emerging markets where difficulties in trading could arise, resulting in a negative impact on the value of your investment.

The Fund has exposure to foreign currencies and changes in the rates of exchange will cause the value of any investment, and income from it, to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount invested.

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The Fund's share price can be volatile due to movements in the prices of the underlying holdings and the basis on which the Fund is priced.

Further details of the risks associated with investing in the Fund can be found in the Key Information Document (KID), or the Prospectus. Copies of both the KID and Prospectus are available at bailliegifford.com.

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