# ARCHITAS MA

# **PASSIVE INTERMEDIATE**



The value of investments and any income provided by them can go down as well up. Investors could get back less than invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. This factsheet is for information purposes only and is not designed to provide advice on the suitability of an investment for your personal situation. If you have any questions regarding this factsheet, you are recommended to speak to a financial adviser.

#### **Investment Objective and Policy Summary**

The Fund seeks to achieve capital growth and income with a median level of volatility (risk), having a risk profile of 4, in a range from 1 to 7 where 1 is the lowest risk and 7 the highest.

The Fund is an actively managed fund of funds which invests at least 70% of its assets in other funds (underlying funds), including those traded on stock exchanges, other closed-ended funds and funds managed by Architas or its associates. The underlying funds will invest in a range of asset classes including shares, bonds, money market instruments, freely transferable rights to buy other investments at a future date (warrants), financial contracts that derive their values from other investment or indices (derivatives) and deposits.

The underlying funds will where practicably possible be passive funds, meaning they seek to track investment indices. The Fund

may invest directly in the above asset classes. The Fund may obtain indirect exposure to property through Real Estate Investment Trusts and shares in property investment companies.

The Fund aims to take a median level of risk. The investments are combined together in different proportions by Architas based on risk profiles set by an external risk modelling company (EValue Investment Solutions).

EValue assigns each combination of assets to one of seven risk profiles, ranging from 1 to 7. The Fund has a risk profile of 4, which means it will typically have a balanced exposure to higher risk assets and lower risk assets.

The EValue model is different to that used to generate the Risk and Reward Indicator shown in this document, so the two rankings may differ.

# PERFORMANCE <sup>3</sup> AS AT 30/09/2020

## Performance since launch (%)



Cumulative performance (%)	1 Month	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception
Portfolio	0.4	0.7	-1.5	-0.9	14.1	45.6	129.7
Discrete Performance (%)	01/10/19- 30/09/20	01/10/18- 30/09/19		01/10/17- 30/09/18	,	0/16- 9/17	01/10/15- 30/09/16
Portfolio	-0.9	7.3		7.4	5	.9	20.5

Source: State Street Banque SA. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Total return figures are calculated on a single pricing basis with net income (dividends) reinvested. Performance figures are shown in Sterling unless otherwise specified. The fund performance figures are net of all fees. Transaction costs are included for the period shown but may differ in the future as these costs cannot be determined with precision in advance.

#### FUND FACTSHEET SEPTEMBER 2020

### **FUND FACTS**

AS AT 30/09/2020

#### **Fund data**

Launch date	05.11.2008
Fund size (£m)	730.44
Base Currency <sup>1</sup>	GBP
Fund Price <sup>1</sup>	168.9
Yield <sup>1,2</sup>	1.66%
Legal Structure	Open Ended
	Investment Company

#### Class A (GBP) Shares

ISIN (ACC)	GB00B82VBH08		
AMC/OCF <sup>2</sup>	0.45%/0.60%		

### Class D (GBP) Shares

ISIN (ACC)	GB00BNGNDH18		
AMC/OCF <sup>2</sup>	0.30%/0.45%		

## Class R (GBP) Shares

ISIN (ACC)	GB00B3CQK065
AMC/OCF <sup>2</sup>	1.00%/1.15%

#### Class S (GBP) Shares

ISIN (ACC)	GB00BCZW4V37		
AMC/OCF <sup>2</sup>	0.25%/0.40%		

#### Class Z (GBP) Shares

ISIN (ACC)		GB00B8FQVG18		
	AMC/OCF <sup>2</sup>	0.00%/0.15%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Yield and fund information is for the share

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A description of yield, AMC and OCF can be found under important information section.
The Z share class carries a 1% initial charge of all investments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The performance shown is for the A Net Acc share class however this was not launched until 23 October 2012 so any performance before this time is from the R Net Acc share

#### **FUND MANAGER(S)**



**Sheldon MacDonald**Deputy Chief
Investment Officer



**Alex Burn** Senior Investment Manager

#### **COMMENTARY**

September was the worst month for stocks (equities) since March, as governments battled to keep their economies running while tackling an upswing in Covid-19 infection rates. The US stock market had a poor month, as a combination of investor profit taking and election uncertainty dragged the S&P 500 lower.

The European and UK stock markets both fell, as new lockdown measures were implemented in several regions.
Global government bond prices were broadly higher in September, as they tend to be when investors' appetite for riskier assets takes a hit. Corporate bonds, high yield bonds and emerging market debt were all lower over the month.
The US dollar rose against its global counterparts, and the euro had a mixed month, while sterling fell against other major currencies.

In our Passive funds we closely adhere to a long-term strategic asset allocation (the proportions of the overall fund held in different asset classes). The asset allocation is reviewed and adjusted every quarter, and during September we made a number of changes to bring the fund in line with the new allocation.

We cut exposure to corporate bonds significantly as there is increasing uncertainty over the credit outlook. We reduced our holdings in the iShares Corporate Bond Index and Vanguard UK Investment Grade Index Funds. We also increased exposure to UK and global government bonds through the iShares UK Gilts All Stocks Index, Vanguard UK Government Bond Index and iShares Overseas Government Bond Index Funds.

Within our equity holdings, we added to the US, Japan and emerging markets.

# **TOP HOLDINGS** AS AT 30/09/2020

Name	%
BlackRock UK Equity Tracker Fund	10.39
Vanguard FTSE UK All Share Index Fund	10.12
Vanguard UK Government Bond Index Fund	8.62
Vanguard US Equity Index Fund	8.30
BlackRock Overseas Government Bond Tracker Fund	8.12
BlackRock UK Gilts All Stocks Tracker Fund	7.87
BlackRock US Equity Tracker	7.79
Vanguard UK Investment Grade Bond Index Fund	5.60
BlackRock Corporate Bond Tracker Fund	5.49
BlackRock Japan Equity Tracker Fund	5.02
Total	77.32
Total number of holdings	19

KEY FUND FACTS AS AT 30/09/2020

£730

**MILLION** 

funds under management

19

**holdings** spread across

6 geographical regions

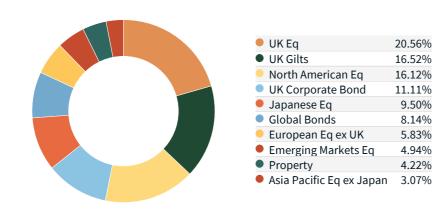
1.66

percent yield

(not guaranteed)

#### **ALLOCATION** AS AT 30/09/2020

#### **Asset Allocation**



#### **RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR**

Potentially Potentially lower reward higher reward













This risk indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The category may shift over time and is not guaranteed.

Funds of category 4 have shown in the past low to medium volatility. Volatility describes how much the value of the fund went up and down. The shares of a fund of category 4 might be subject to low to medium fluctuations based on the historical volatility.

The following are additional risks not covered by the risk and reward category:

Credit Risk – Bonds: Bonds are a form of loan, the value of which depends on the issuer being able to make its payments. There is a risk the issuer will fail to do so. Although the Fund generally invests in bonds with high ratings, this does not guarantee an issuer's ability to pay.

Counterparty Risk: The insolvency of

institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments may expose the Fund to a loss.

**Fund of Funds - Liquidity Risk:** The Fund invests in other funds. Its liquidity depends upon those funds. If they suspend or defer the payment of redemption proceeds, the Fund's ability to meet redemption requests may also be affected.

Index Tracking Risk: Underlying funds' performance may not exactly track that of their Indices. This may result from: market fluctuations; changes in the composition of the Indices; sampling techniques used; transaction costs; or other administrative expenses More information in relation to risks in general may be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Yield is the amount of income generated by a fund's investment in relation to the price shown as an annual percentage.

The Annual Management Charge (AMC), is a charge taken from the fund. The charge is expressed as a percentage per annum but is normally taken daily from the fund and is calculated based on the value of funds under management. Normally the fund manager reserves the right to review the level of charge.

The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF), is a charge you'll pay over a year for as long as you hold your investment, it is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) and other operating costs. Other charges may occur; full details can be found within our Fund Charges Factsheets at architas.com

This document does not provide you with all the facts you need to make an informed decision about investing. More information is available in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for the fund and in the fund prospectus, both of which are available, free of charge, from Architas. The KIID can also be downloaded from our website at http://www.architas.com. We also recommend that you speak to your financial adviser before making any investment. The adviser can advise you on the number of financial products through which you can invest in this fund. This fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within five

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Please note that the Fund is priced at 08:00am each day. All market indices are in Pound sterling terms.

The Fund does not have a benchmark. Investors can assess the performance of the Fund by viewing the performance data of funds in the Investment Association's 'Volatility Managed' sector. The Investment Association is a trade body that represent UK investment managers and they group funds with broadly similar characteristics into sectors. This 'sector' contains funds that are managed with the aim of adhering

to a set level of volatility (a measure of the size of changes in the value of an investment). The funds in the sector will not have exactly the same characteristics (such as their objectives, level of risk, types of risk or level of volatility) and are therefore not an exact like-for-like comparison. Investors can find details of the funds in the sector and their performance at:

www.trustnet.com and select 'IA Volatility Managed' from the 'Sector' drop down.

Although we take every care to ensure that the data provided to external sources about our funds is accurate, occasionally discrepancies may occur. We accept no liability for loss due to such discrepancies where a recommendation to invest has, to any extent, relied on the information contained in this Factsheet.

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