

QUARTERLY REPORT 31 July 2024

AHAM World Series – **Global Healthscience** Fund

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Quarterly Report and Financial Statements As at 31 July 2024

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QUARTERLY REPORT

FUND INFORMATION

| Fund Name | AHAM World Series – Global Healthscience Fund |
|----------------------|--|
| Fund Type | Growth |
| Fund Category | Feeder Wholesale |
| Investment Objective | The Fund seeks to achieve capital appreciation over the long term period |
| Benchmark | MSCI World Healthcare Index |
| Distribution Policy | The Fund is not expected to make distribution. However, incidental distribution may be declared whenever is appropriate. |

FUND PERFORMANCE DATA

USD Class

| Category | As at 31 Jul 2024 | As at 30 Apr 2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Total NAV (USD'million) | 17.344 | 16.672 |
| NAV per Unit (USD) | 0.7869 | 0.7400 |
| Unit in Circulation (million) | 22.042 | 22.529 |
| MYR Class | | |

| Category | As at 31 Jul 2024 | As at 30 Apr 2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Total NAV (RM'million) | 102.598 | 101.617 |
| NAV per Unit (RM) | 0.8823 | 0.8626 |
| Unit in Circulation (million) | 116.283 | 117.797 |

MYR Hedged-class

| Category | As at 31 Jul 2024 | As at 30 Apr 2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Total NAV (RM'million) | 260.691 | 258.664 |
| NAV per Unit (RM) | 0.7647 | 0.7239 |
| Unit in Circulation (million) | 340.895 | 357.338 |

AUD Hedged-class

| Category | As at 31 Jul 2024 | As at 30 Apr 2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Total NAV (AUD'million) | 22.347 | 22.448 |
| NAV per Unit (AUD) | 0.7090 | 0.6689 |
| Unit in Circulation (million) | 31.517 | 33.560 |

SGD Hedged-class

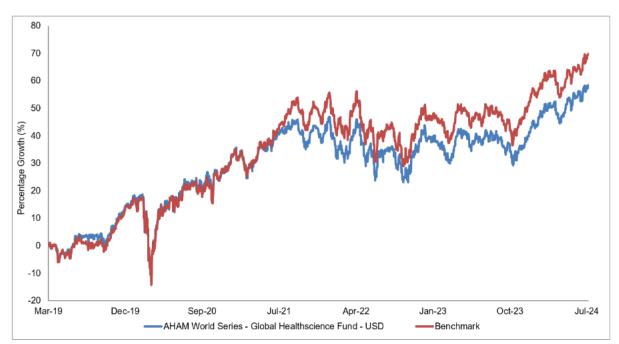
| Category | As at 31 Jul 2024 | As at 30 Apr 2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Total NAV (SGD'million) | 12.042 | 11.472 |
| NAV per Unit (SGD) | 0.7415 | 0.7012 |
| Unit in Circulation (million) | 16.240 | 16.362 |

Fund Performance

USD Class

Table 1: Performance as at 31 July 2024

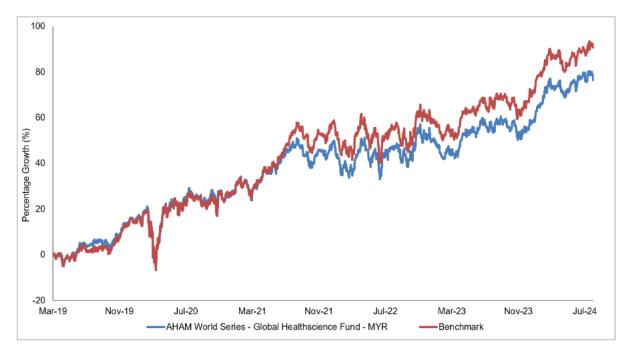
| | 3 Months (1/5/24 - 31/7/24) | 6 Months (1/2/24 - 31/7/24) | 1 Year (1/8/23 - 31/7/24) | 3 Years (1/8/21 - 31/7/24) | 5 Years (1/8/19 - 31/7/24) | Since Commencement (15/3/19 - 31/7/24) |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Fund | 6.34% | 7.21% | 12.45% | 10.07% | 51.36% | 57.38% |
| Benchmark | 8.03% | 8.60% | 13.34% | 15.01% | 69.00% | 69.91% |
| Outperformance | (1.69%) | (1.39%) | (0.89%) | (4.94%) | (17.64%) | (12.53%) |



MYR Class

| Table 1: | Performance as | at 31 | July 2024 |
|----------|----------------|-------|-----------|
|----------|----------------|-------|-----------|

| | 3 Months (1/5/24 - | 6 Months (1/2/24 - | 1 Year (1/8/23 - | 3 Years (1/8/21 - | 5 Years (1/8/19 - | Since Commencement (15/3/19 - |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | 31/7/24) | 31/7/24) | 31/7/24) | 31/7/24) | 31/7/24) | 31/7/24) |
| Fund | 2.28% | 3.98% | 14.51% | 19.70% | 68.12% | 76.46% |
| Benchmark | 3.99% | 5.43% | 15.48% | 25.14% | 88.34% | 90.70% |
| Outperformance | (1.71%) | (1.45%) | (0.97%) | (5.44%) | (20.22%) | (14.24%) |

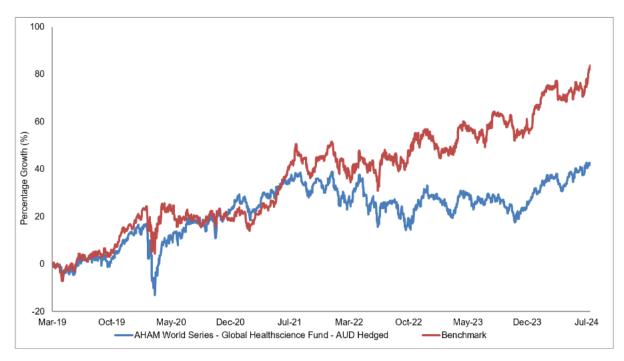


AUD Hedged Class

| Table 1: Performance as | at 31 | Julv 202 | 4 |
|-------------------------|-------|----------|---|
|-------------------------|-------|----------|---|

| | 3 Months | 6 Months | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | Since Commencement |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| | (1/5/24 - 31/7/24) | (1/2/24 - 31/7/24) | (1/8/23 - 31/7/24) | (1/8/21 - 31/7/24) | (1/8/19 - 31/7/24) | (15/3/19 - 31/7/24) |
| Fund | 5.99% | 6.50% | 10.83% | 4.53% | 38.05% | 41.80% |
| Benchmark | 7.31% | 9.66% | 16.71% | 29.32% | 78.06% | 83.67% |
| Outperformance | (1.32%) | (3.16%) | (5.88%) | (24.79%) | (40.01%) | (41.87%) |

Figure 1: Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark

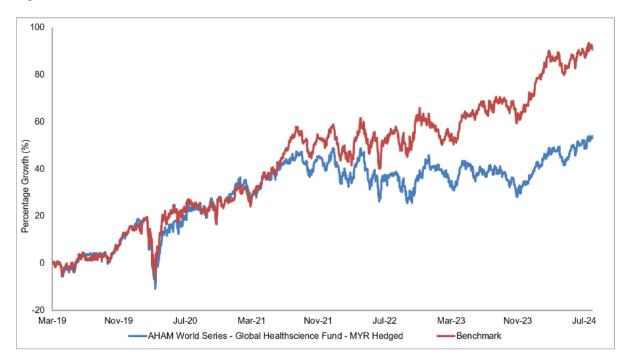


MYR Hedged Class

| | 3 Months (1/5/24 - 31/7/24) | 6 Months (1/2/24 - 31/7/24) | 1 Year (1/8/23 - 31/7/24) | 3 Years (1/8/21 - 31/7/24) | 5 Years (1/8/19 - 31/7/24) | Since Commencement (15/3/19 - 31/7/24) |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Fund | 5.64% | 6.00% | 9.56% | 5.97% | 46.78% | 52.94% |
| Benchmark | 3.99% | 5.43% | 15.48% | 25.14% | 88.34% | 90.70% |
| Outperformance | 1.65% | 0.57% | (5.92%) | (19.17%) | (41.56%) | (37.76%) |

Table 1: Performance as at 31 July 2024

Figure 1: Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark



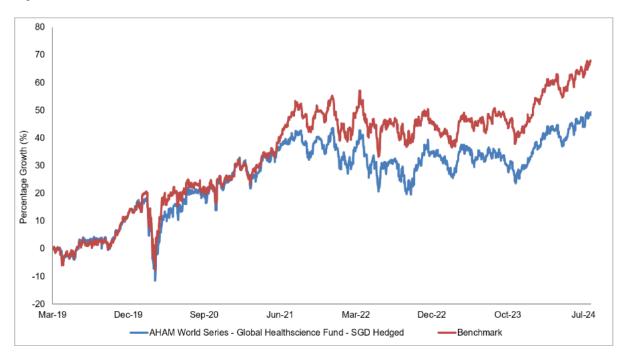
SGD Hedged Class

| | 3 Months (1/5/24 - 31/7/24) | 6 Months (1/2/24 - 31/7/24) | 1 Year (1/8/23 - 31/7/24) | 3 Years (1/8/21 - 31/7/24) | 5 Years (1/8/19 - 31/7/24) | Since Commencement (15/3/19 - 31/7/24) |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Fund | 5.75% | 6.16% | 10.16% | 6.06% | 43.17% | 48.30% |
| Benchmark | 5.97% | 8.61% | 14.15% | 13.62% | 65.13% | 67.67% |
| Outperformance | (0.22%) | (2.45%) | (3.99%) | (7.56%) | (21.96%) | (19.37%) |

Table 1: Performance as at 31 July 2024

Source of Benchmark: Bloomberg

Figure 1: Movement of the Fund versus the Benchmark



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Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that Unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up.

Asset Allocation

Fund's asset mix during the period under review:

| | 31 July 2024 |
|---------------------|--------------|
| | (%) |
| Unit Trust | 97.56 |
| Derivative | 0.91 |
| Cash & money market | 1.53 |
| Total | 100.00 |

Income Distribution Breakdown

No distribution was declared by the Fund over the financial period under review.

Strategy Employed

The Target Fund aims to maximise the return through a combination of capital growth and income on the Target Fund's assets. The Target Fund invests globally at least 70% of its total assets in the equity securities (e.g. shares) of companies the main business of which is in healthcare, pharmaceuticals, medical technology and supplies and the development of biotechnology.

The investment adviser (IA) may use financial derivative instruments (FDIs) (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets) for investment purposes in order to achieve the investment objective of the Target Fund, and/or to reduce risk within the Target Fund's portfolio, reduce investment costs and generate additional income. The Target Fund may, via FDIs, generate varying amounts of market leverage (i.e. where the Target Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets).

The Target Fund is actively managed, and the IA has discretion to select the Target Fund's investments. In doing, the IA will refer to the MSCI World Health Care Index when constructing the Target Fund's portfolio, and also for risk management purposes to ensure that the active risk (i.e. degree of deviation from the index) taken by the Target Fund remains appropriate given the Target Fund's investment objective and policy. The IA is not bound by the components or weighting of the Index when selecting investments. The IA may also use its discretion to invest in securities not included in the index in order to take advantage of specific investment opportunities. However, the sector requirements of the investment objective and policy may have the effect of limiting the extent to which the portfolio holdings will deviate from the index.

Market Review

Global equity markets showed resilience in the second quarter of 2024, with broad-based gains across major indices. In May, equity markets advanced, supported by a more dovish tone from the Federal Reserve and strong earnings results. The MSCI World Index rose by 4.5%, while U.S. markets, led by mega-cap technology stocks, posted record highs. The Federal Reserve's comments emphasized that employment gains would not derail the process of interest rate cuts, helping bolster market sentiment. In Europe, inflation accelerated, but the European Central Bank (ECB) hinted at possible rate cuts in the upcoming months, and in Asia, economic data from China improved slightly, although consumer spending and real estate remained weak. Overall, Information Technology and Utilities sectors were the top performers globally, while Energy and Consumer Discretionary lagged.

In June, global equity markets continued their upward trend, with the MSCI World Index gaining 2%. U.S. equities, particularly tech stocks, benefited from optimism surrounding artificial intelligence (AI), with the Nasdaq Composite Index up 6%. Growth stocks outperformed value stocks as inflation cooled, leading to lower yields. The ECB delivered its first rate cut in several years, while China's market sentiment remained muted due to concerns about capital market reforms. Information Technology and Communication Services outperformed, while Materials and Utilities declined.

July saw continued strength in global equities, with the MSCI World Index returning 1.8%. U.S. markets were driven by a lower-than-expected Consumer Price Index (CPI), reinforcing expectations for rate cuts by the Federal Reserve. The small-cap Russell 2000 Index surged by over 10%, benefiting from sector rotation away from large-cap technology stocks. Strong earnings reports from U.S. companies further supported the market. In Europe, inflation eased, leading the ECB to keep rates unchanged, while Japan saw its Nikkei 225 index hit a record high, driven by AI-related companies. Across regions, Japan and the UK posted the highest returns, while emerging markets lagged.

Investment Outlook

Looking ahead, the healthcare sector presents a promising landscape, despite the ongoing uncertainties surrounding interest rate policies and inflation expectations. While market volatility may persist as central banks in the U.S. and Europe deliberate the timing of rate cuts, the healthcare sector is expected to continue offering attractive opportunities, particularly in segments characterized by stable growth, strong cash flows, and innovative product pipelines. They anticipate selective growth opportunities, particularly within biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices, as these areas continue to benefit from advancements in medical technology.

From a policy standpoint, the passage of drug pricing reforms in the U.S. through the Inflation Reduction Act has brought greater clarity to the healthcare industry, specifically around price negotiations for key drugs. This regulatory certainty helps reduce some risks for the sector, even in a volatile market environment. Moreover, secular growth drivers, including aging populations across both developed and emerging markets, are expected to underpin long-term demand for healthcare services and products, further reinforcing the sector's growth potential.

They remain focused on identifying companies with robust fundamentals, consistent cash flow generation, and promising product innovations. With favorable demographic trends and ongoing regulatory clarity, the healthcare sector continues to represent a compelling long-term investment opportunity.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

| INVESTMENT INCOME/(LOSS) | Financial period ended <u>31.7.2024</u> USD | Financial period ended <u>31.7.2023</u> USD |
|--|--|--|
| Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost Net gain on foreign currency exchange Net loss on forward foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 22,887 2,473 1,790,257 7,764,864 9,580,481 | 2,048 12,744 (848,758) 327,984 (505,982) |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Management fee Trustee fee Fund accounting fee Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Other expenses | (535,666) (17,872) (747) (439) (192) (4,358) (559,274) | (539,744) (18,006) (758) (450) (197) (3,963) (563,118) |
| NET PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION | 9,021,207 | (1,069,100) |
| Taxation | - | - |
| INCREASE/ (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDER | 9,021,207 | (1,069,100) |
| Increase/(decrease) of net asset attributable to unitholders is made up of the following: | | |
| Realised amount Unrealised amount | (857,495) 9,878,702 | (1,027,624) (41,476) |
| | 9,021,207 | (1,069,100) |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2024

| | <u>2024</u> USD | <u>2023</u> USD |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents Amount due from Manager | 1,430,334 | 2,706,470 |
| - creation of units - management fee rebate receivable Financial assets at fair value | 575,876 147,874 | 125,616 145,870 |
| through profit or loss Forward foreign currency contracts | 117,105,252 | 114,666,882 |
| at fair value through profit or loss | 1,408,484 | 797,654 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 120,667,820 | 118,442,492 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Forward foreign currency contracts at fair value through profit or loss | 321,529 | 561,731 |
| Amount due to Manager - management fee - cancellation of units | 180,915 126,413 | 178,446 591,584 |
| Amount due to Trustee Fund accounting fee | 6,031 254 | 5,948 259 |
| Auditors' remuneration Tax agent's fee Other payables and accruals | 449 959 45 | 456 977 179 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET | | |
| ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS) | 636,595 | 1,339,580 |
| NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND | 120,031,225 | 117,102,912 |
| NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS | 120,031,225 | 117,102,912 |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 JULY 2024 (CONTINUED)

| | <u>2024</u> USD | <u>2023</u> USD |
|--|--|--|
| REPRESENTED BY: | | |
| FAIR VALUE OF OUTSTANDING UNITS | | |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | 14,518,316 22,359,795 56,813,907 8,995,444 17,343,763 | 15,091,938 20,317,773 60,442,378 8,820,990 12,429,833 |
| | 120,031,225 | 117,102,912 |
| NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION | | |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | 31,517,000 116,283,000 340,895,000 16,240,000 22,042,000 | 35,211,000 118,801,000 390,078,000 17,428,000 17,761,000 |
| | 526,977,000 | 579,279,000 |
| NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (USD) | | |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | 0.4607 0.1923 0.1667 0.5539 0.7869 | 0.4286 0.1710 0.1549 0.5061 0.6998 |
| NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT IN RESPECTIVE CURRENCIES | | |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | AUD0.7090 RM0.8823 RM0.7647 SGD0.7415 USD0.7869 | AUD0.6397 RM0.7705 RM0.6980 SGD0.6731 USD0.6998 |

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSET ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2024

| | Financial period ended <u>31.7.2024</u> USD | Financial period ended <u>31.7.2023</u> USD |
|--|---|---|
| NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD | 115,293,569 | 126,267,019 |
| Movement due to units created and cancelled during the financial period: | | |
| Creation of units arising from applications | 5,719,620 | 3,267,100 |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | 671,891 1,540,246 1,781,034 567,704 1,158,745 | 250,563 268,426 2,040,669 528,451 178,991 |
| Cancellation of units | (10,003,171) | (11,362,107) |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | (1,620,021) (1,803,556) (4,395,965) (642,603) (1,541,026) | (3,370,398) (1,986,058) (4,172,890) (361,876) (1,470,885) |
| Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders during the financial period | 9,021,207 | (1,069,100) |
| - AUD Hedged - Class - MYR Class - MYR Hedged - Class - SGD Hedged - Class - USD Class | 805,278 1,319,797 5,201,507 640,894 1,053,731 | 227,643 (46,345) (1,236,455) 12,118 (26,061) |
| NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD | 120,031,225 | 117,102,912 |

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