# HIGH GRADE ABS

#### 31 January 2025

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to produce an interest rate based return, primarily through investment in a portfolio of asset-backed securities (ABS) and corporate floating rate notes (FRNs)

#### FUND SUMMARY

- Actively managed to aim to deliver positive absolute returns in excess of a cash benchmark
- Aims to add value principally through AAA and AA rated securities, with a bias to prime residential mortgage-backed securities
- Rigorous, disciplined investment process aiming to deliver precision and diversification
- The Fund was previously named the LIBOR Plus Fund. It was renamed the High Grade ABS Fund on 2 January 2020.

#### SHARE CLASS PERFORMANCE (%) (S £ Acc share class)

	1 month	3 months		1 year	3 years (pa	i) 5 yea	5 years (pa)		ia) -	Since inception (pa)	
Fund	0.54	1.53		7.03	3.94	3.94 2		2.70	3	3.40	
Benchmark	0.41	1.21		5.23	3.94	2.39		1.49	1	1.26	
	Calendar year returns					12-month rolling returns					
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2024- 2025	2023- 2024	2022- 2023	2021- 2022	2020- 2021	
Fund	7.28	6.72	-2.29	1.88	1.29	7.03	6.99	-1.93	1.62	1.35	
Benchmark	5.28	4.77	1.42	0.06	0.19	5.23	4.93	1.70	0.07	0.14	

Source: Insight Investment and Rimes. Fund performance is shown for share class S  $\pm$  Acc (performance start date 31/03/2011) and is calculated as total return, including reinvested income, gross of fees and expenses. Gross of fees performance results do not reflect the deduction of charges, which will reduce investors' returns. Benchmark performance shown is for 1-month SONIA (previously 3-Month GBP LIBOR until 1st January 2020). Performance for periods over one year is annualised. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Please note the value of investments and any income from them will fluctuate and is not guaranteed (this may be partly due to exchange rate fluctuations). Investors may not get back the full amount invested. Investors must read all performance information alongside the full performance information in the KIID.

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTS

The Fund outperformed its cash benchmark in January, ending with a running yield of 120bp over SONIA and a weighted average rating of AA. Risk assets were strong, despite disruptive announcements affecting investor sentiment. European credit performed well. Collateralised loan obligations and other areas where spreads remained wide relative to historical levels outperformed. Issuance was initially slow but picked up mid-month to deliver broad-based supply across sectors and jurisdictions. US structured credit saw robust issuance and incredibly strong demand, especially further out on the curve, where the combination of elevated yields and wider spreads resulted in higher all-in yields. In the secondary markets, spreads tightened by 5-15bp. The Fund bought senior paper in Australia, US non-qualified residential mortgage-backed securities and European AA-rated assets. The Fund continued to optimise the AA-rated part of the portfolio and exited longer-dated AAA-rated positions.



### **FUND FACTS**

Fund size: £2.7bn

Inception date: 31 March 2011

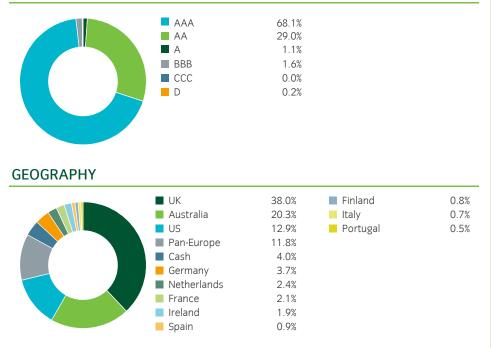
Benchmark: 1 Month SONIA

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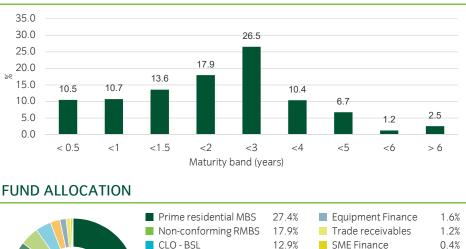
## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund
Yield (%)	5.90
Weighted average life (years)	2.1
Weighted Average Discount Margin (Assets) vs Sonia (bp)	125
Weighted Average Discount Margin (Fund) vs Sonia (bp)	120

## **CREDIT RATING**



#### MATURITY PROFILE



8.9%

6.8%

6.3%

5.3%

4.8%

4.0%

2.5%

Auto

Cash

Buy-to-Let RMBS

Commercial MBS

Credit cards

CLO - MML

Consumer

#### **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

Legal structure: Open Ended Investment Company (UCITS)

Domicile: Ireland

Share class currencies: Sterling, Euro

Dealing frequency: Daily, Midday

Settlement period: T+3

Pricing method: Swinging single price

Scheme: Insight Global Funds II plc

**Depositary:** Northern Trust Fiduciary Services (Ireland) Limited

Administrator: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited

**Ongoing charges:** 0.55% (represented by share class A Sterling, other share classes are available)

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