

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

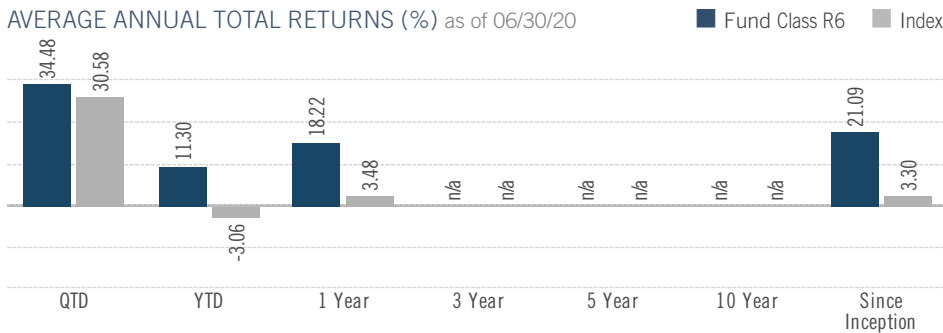
The Fund seeks to generate attractive risk-adjusted long-term returns by investing in the stocks of U.S. small-cap growth companies with durable competitive advantages, excellent management, lower financial risk, and strong growth trajectories. A disciplined investment process is employed to identify businesses that are differentiated by above-average returns on capital and trading at attractive valuations.

KEY FEATURES

High-Quality Businesses — Searches for quality small-cap growth companies with solid balance sheets, consistent growth, profitability, and market dominant business models

Lower Volatility Approach — Extensive fundamental research favors companies with less business risk, as defined by lower earnings variability, consistent and profitable growth, high returns on capital, strong free cash flow, and a low organic need for external financing, all of which can help to protect profits in difficult markets

High-Conviction Portfolio — Focused on the portfolio team’s 25-35 strongest investment opportunities, with a long-term, low-turnover approach to realize full stock value potential



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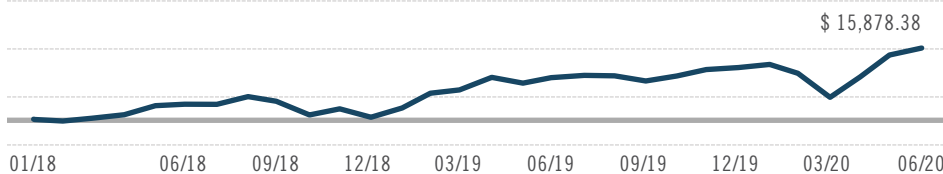
The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.00%.

Average annual total return is the annual compound return for the indicated period and reflects the change in share price and the reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. Returns for periods of one year or less are cumulative returns.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Fund	40.38	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Index	28.48	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

GROWTH OF \$10,000



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 1/30/2018. As of 6/30/2020 the fund value would have been \$15,878.38. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

Effective September 28, 2018, this Fund is closed to new investors, but remains open to Defined Contribution and Defined Benefit plans. Please see the prospectus for these and other exceptions.

FUND INFORMATION

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	PSGAX	92828N627
C Shares	PSGCX	92828N619
I Shares	PXSGX	92828N593
R6 Shares	VRSGX	92828N247

Inception Date	01/30/18
AUM (\$ millions)	5,896.8
Number of Holdings	29
Dividends	Semi-Annually
Morningstar Category	Small Growth
Lipper Category	Mid-Cap Growth Funds
Index	Russell 2000® Growth Index

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

INVESTMENT SUBADVISER



Kayne Anderson Rudnick

A VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNER

Kayne Anderson Rudnick believes that superior risk-adjusted returns may be achieved through investment in high-quality companies with market dominance, excellent management, financial strength, and consistent growth, purchased at reasonable prices.

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Jon Christensen, CFA

Industry start date: 1995

Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2009

Todd Beiley, CFA

Industry start date: 1999

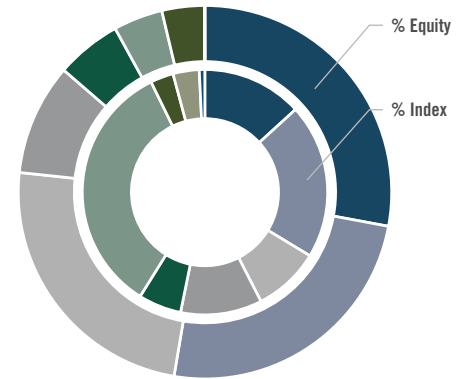
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2008

CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Index
Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn)	7.78	2.48
Median Market Cap (bn)	4.17	0.86
Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings	36.10	24.30
Price-to-Cash Flow	27.46	19.91
Price-to-Book Value	9.07	5.85
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	21.88	10.62
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	24.65	13.13
Active Share	98.27	n/a

TOP TEN HOLDINGS	% Fund
Ollie's Bargain Outlet Holdings Inc	7.92
Auto Trader Group PLC	6.42
Old Dominion Freight Line Inc	6.22
Autohome Inc	5.64
Fox Factory Holding Corp	5.37
MarketAxess Holdings Inc	5.16
Bill.Com Holdings Inc	5.15
Rightmove PLC	4.62
Blackline Inc	4.41
Avalara Inc	4.29

Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



	% Equity	% Index
Consumer Discretionary	27.94	13.22
Technology	24.72	20.46
Financial Services	24.04	8.79
Producer Durables	9.66	10.74
Materials & Processing	5.67	5.67
Health Care	4.27	33.91
Consumer Staples	3.72	3.04
Utilities	0.00	3.45
Energy	0.00	0.74

IMPORTANT RISK CONSIDERATIONS

Equity Securities: The market price of equity securities may be adversely affected by financial market, industry, or issuer-specific events. Focus on a particular style or on small or medium-sized companies may enhance that risk. **Foreign & Emerging Markets:** Investing internationally, especially in emerging markets, involves additional risks such as currency, political, accounting, economic, and market risk. **Limited Number of Investments:** Because the fund has a limited number of securities, it may be more susceptible to factors adversely affecting its securities than a less concentrated fund. **Industry/Sector Concentration:** A fund that focuses its investments in a particular industry or sector will be more sensitive to conditions that affect that industry or sector than a non-concentrated fund. **Market Volatility:** Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the fund and its investments, including hampering the ability of the fund's portfolio manager(s) to invest the fund's assets as intended. **Prospectus:** For additional information on risks, please see the fund's prospectus.

GLOSSARY

Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn): The total dollar market value of all of a company's outstanding shares. **Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings:** Per share stock price divided by the latest 12-months earnings per share. **Price-to-Cash Flow:** Per-share stock price divided by the per-share operating

cash flow. **Price-to-Book Value:** A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. **3-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 3-year period. **5-Year EPS Growth Rate:** Average of earnings per share growth for latest 5-year period. **Active Share:** A measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a manager's portfolio that differ from the benchmark index.

INDEX DEFINITION

Index: The Russell 2000® Growth Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of growth-oriented stocks of the smallest 2,000 companies in the Russell Universe, which comprises the 3,000 largest U.S. companies. The index is calculated on a total return basis with dividends reinvested. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment.

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