

**INVESTMENT OVERVIEW**

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing in companies worldwide across market capitalizations. Fundamental, bottom-up research aims to identify industry-leading businesses positioned for attractive long-term revenue and earnings growth, with sustainable competitive advantages and visionary management teams.

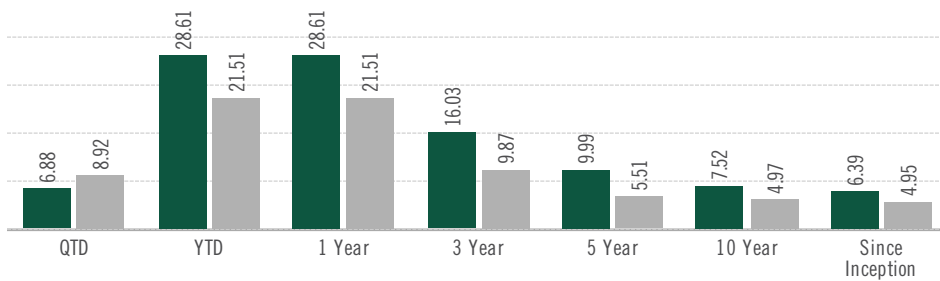
**KEY FEATURES**

**Sustainable Growth** — Searches for companies that offer strong, predictable, and sustainable growth

**Benchmark Unconstrained** — A high-conviction, concentrated portfolio that invests in response to opportunities, rather than index relative weights

**Valuation Discipline** — Manages price risk through application of valuation tools focused on cash flow

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 12/31/19 ■ Fund Class I ■ Index



Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Please visit [virtus.com](http://virtus.com) for performance data current to the most recent month end. This share class has no sales charges and is not available to all investors. Other share classes have sales charges. See [virtus.com](http://virtus.com) for details.

Benchmark life performance is reported from 12/29/00.

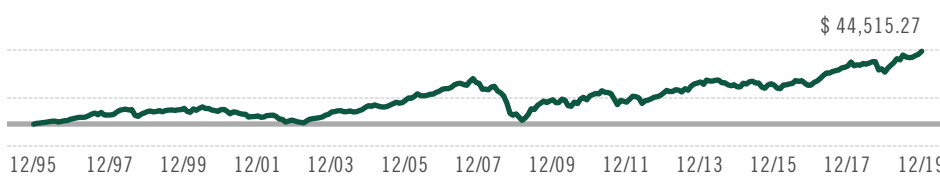
The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.19%. The net expense ratio is 1.14%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 4/30/2021.

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
<b>Fund</b>	28.61	-7.69	31.58	0.02	3.03	-7.73	20.91	21.44	-12.55	8.30
<b>Index</b>	21.51	-14.20	27.19	4.50	-5.66	-3.87	15.29	16.83	-13.71	11.15

**GROWTH OF \$10,000**



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 12/1/1995. As of 12/31/2019 the fund value would have been \$44,515.27. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

**FUND INFORMATION**

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	SCIIX	92837F284
I Shares	STITX	92837F276
R6 Shares	SCIZX	92837F268

Inception Date	12/01/95
AUM (\$ millions)	41.6
Number of Holdings	28
Dividends	Semi-Annually
Morningstar Category	Foreign Large Growth
Lipper Category	International Large-Cap Growth
Index	MSCI AC World ex USA Index (net)

**MORNINGSTAR RATINGS**

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
Overall	★★★★	405
3 Year	★★★★	405
5 Year	★★★★★	338
10 Year	★★★	246

Morningstar ratings are based on risk-adjusted returns. Strong ratings are not indicative of positive future performance.

**INVESTMENT ADVISER**

Virtus Fund Advisers, LLC

**INVESTMENT SUBADVISER**



Founded in 2003, Sustainable Growth Advisers is a growth equity manager focused on high-conviction U.S., global, emerging markets, and international large-cap portfolios.

**PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

**Gordon M. Marchand, CPA, CIC, CFA**

Industry start date: 1984  
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2019

**Tucker Brown**

Industry start date: 1995  
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2019

**Alexandra Lee, M.D.**

Industry start date: 2000  
Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2019

**CHARACTERISTICS**

	Fund	Index
Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn)	86.97	57.83
Median Market Cap (bn)	28.16	3.50
Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings	34.76	15.33
Price-to-Cash Flow	26.32	13.54
Price-to-Book Value	5.24	3.03
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	14.83	11.84
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	11.57	8.74
Active Share	93.39	n/a

**RISK STATISTICS  
(3 YEAR)**

	Fund	Index
Alpha	7.06	n/a
Beta	0.81	1.00
R <sup>2</sup>	0.73	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	1.34	0.72
Standard Deviation	10.77	11.34

**TOP TEN HOLDINGS**

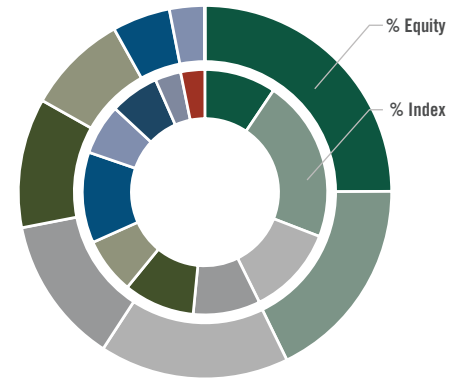
	% Fund
AIA Group Ltd	5.08
Heineken NV	5.00
HDFC Bank Ltd	4.91
IHS Markit Ltd	4.90
L'Oreal SA	4.86
Aon PLC	4.85
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	4.47
Nestle SA	4.14
adidas AG	4.11
Diageo PLC	4.08

**TOP TEN COUNTRIES**

	% Invested Assets	% Index
China	13.38	9.45
United States	9.97	0.00
Switzerland	9.29	6.14
Germany	8.32	5.71
Netherlands	7.66	2.61
India	7.62	2.38
France	7.49	7.52
United Kingdom	7.28	10.84
Denmark	7.14	1.21
Mexico	6.46	0.63

Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

**SECTOR ALLOCATIONS**



Sector	% Equity	% Index
Consumer Staples	24.94	9.44
Financials	17.84	21.44
Consumer Discretionary	16.40	11.83
Health Care	12.76	8.85
Information Technology	11.21	9.35
Materials	8.76	7.40
Industrials	5.01	11.97
Communication Services	3.06	6.65
Energy	0.00	6.47
Utilities	0.00	3.40
Real Estate	0.00	3.20

**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. **Geographic Concentration:** A fund that focuses its investments in a particular geographic location will be highly sensitive to financial, economic, political, and other developments affecting the fiscal stability of that location. **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. **Alpha:** A risk-adjusted measure of an investment's excess return relative to a benchmark. **Beta:** A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. **R<sup>2</sup>:** A measure that represents the percentage of a fund or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. **Sharpe Ratio:** A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. **Standard Deviation:** Measures variability of returns around the average return for an investment portfolio. Higher standard deviation suggests greater risk.

**INDEX DEFINITION**

Index: The MSCI AC World ex USA Index (net) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that measures equity performance of developed and emerging markets, excluding the United States. The index is calculated on a total return basis with net 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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