# **Key Information Document**



## Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

# Product

# Brown Advisory US Equity Growth Fund a sub-fund of Brown Advisory Funds plc Sterling Class SI Dis H (IE00BLCYL691)

Manufacturer: Brown Advisory (Ireland) Limited

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# What is this product?

#### Туре

This product is a UCITS sub-fund of Brown Advisory Funds Plc. The Fund's assets are held through its Depository, which is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited.

#### Term

This Fund is an umbrella type open-ended UCITS and this product is not subject to any fixed term. For full investment objectives and policy details, please refer to the Investment Objectives and Investment Policy in the Fund's Supplement to the Prospectus, which are available at <a href="https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/home.">https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/home.</a> The Fund's assets are held through its Depository, which is Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited. The NAV per share of the Fund will be published daily and made available on the internet at <a href="https://www.brownadvisory.com">www.brownadvisory.com</a> and will be updated following each calculation of NAV. You may sell Shares in the Fund by submitting a redemption request to the Fund's Administrator before 3.00pm (Irish Time) on each dealing day. The Company may compulsorily repurchase all of the Shares of any Fund if the Net Asset Value of the relevant Fund is less than the Minimum Fund Size (if any) as specified in the Supplement. Where an investor makes a repurchase request which brings his holding below the relevant Minimum Shareholding, the Directors are entitled to compulsorily repurchase all of the Shares held by that investor. Please also refer to Antil-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorist Financing Measures/Payment for Shares in the Prospectus for further information on compulsory redemptions. Further details on the conditions associated with the redemption of shares is included under the section "How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?"

#### Objectives

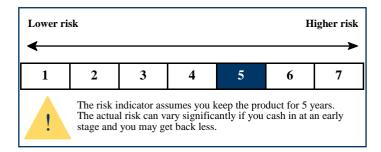
The objective of the Fund is to achieve capital appreciation by investing primarily in U.S. equities.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund aims to achieve its investment objective by investing in medium- and large-sized companies that have high, durable earnings prospects along with attractive valuations and which are listed or traded on the U.S. markets and exchanges listed in Appendix I of the Prospectus.

The Fund may also invest in Rule 144A Securities, ADR and GDR, U.S. treasury

## What are the risks and what could I get in return? Risk Indicator



bills, fixed and/or floating rate U.S. government securities and ancillary liquid assets subject to the limits set out in the Prospectus.

The Investment Manager has determined that the Fund is an Article 8 financial product for sustainability-related disclosures ("SFDR").

The Fund also promotes certain Sustainability Characteristics through its investment selection and ongoing monitoring processes, as described under **Promotion of Sustainability Characteristics.** The Fund focuses on the promotion of such characteristics at a portfolio level and does not commit to making Sustainable Investments.

The Fund invests primarily in U.S. based companies that have exhibited an aboveaverage rate of earnings growth over the past few years and that have prospects for above-average, sustainable growth in the future. The Fund may also invest in companies that do not exhibit particularly strong earnings histories but have other attributes that may contribute to accelerated growth in the foreseeable future. Other important attributes are a strong competitive position, a history of innovation, excellent management and the financial resources to support long-term growth.

The Fund will invest primarily in medium- and large-market capitalisation companies characterised by market capitalisation of \$2 billion and greater at the time of purchase.

This class utilises forward foreign exchange contracts (an obligation to purchase or sell a foreign currency at a specific date and exchange rate) to hedge currency risk between the share class currency and the US dollar.

The fund is actively managed and it is not constrained by the benchmark, the Russell 1000 Growth Index which is used for performance comparison purposes only.

If the Fund generates distributable income on your shares, the Fund intends to distribute that income and will declare any dividend on or about the 31st of October and will pay any such dividend on or about the 14th of November each year. For full investment policy details please refer to the Fund Supplement's Investment Objective and Policies section. The Sub-Fund is available to all retail and professional clients and/or any eligible counterparty ("ECP").

#### Intended Retail Investor

The Fund is suitable for any investor (institutional and, unless prohibited by the rules of a particular jurisdiction, retail) seeking to achieve capital appreciation over the long term (i.e., greater than five (5) years). As the Fund invests primarily in equities, investors should consider an investment in the Fund as medium to high risk.

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium-high risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-high level, and poor market conditions will likely impact the ability for you to receive a positive return on your investment.

Be aware of currency risk. You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

For other risks materially relevant to the product which are not taken into account in the summary risk indicator, please read the product's Annual Report or Prospectus available at <a href="https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/ucits-legal-document-library">https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/ucits-legal-document-library</a>.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

## **Performance scenarios**

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back. What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted. The unfavourable, moderate, and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average, and best performance of the product and a suitable benchmark over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

#### **Recommended Holding Period: 5 years**

#### Investment: GBP 10,000

Scenarios Minimum: There is no minimum guaranteed return if you exit before 5 years		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years (recommended holding period)
Stress	What you might get back after costs	<b>1,140 GBP</b>	<b>1,190 GBP</b>
	Average return each year	-88.65%	-34.66%
Unfavourable <sup>1</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>6,440 GBP</b>	<b>8,690 GBP</b>
	Average return each year	-35.62%	-2.77%
Moderate <sup>2</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>11,390 GBP</b>	<b>18,960 GBP</b>
	Average return each year	13.90%	13.64%
Favourable <sup>3</sup>	What you might get back after costs	<b>14,860 GBP</b>	<b>29,750 GBP</b>
	Average return each year	48.55%	24.37%

<sup>1</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between October 2021 and May 2024.

<sup>2</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between April 2015 and April 2020.

<sup>3</sup> This type of scenario occurred for an investment between December 2016 and December 2021.

## What happens if Brown Advisory (Ireland) Limited is unable to pay out?

If we are not able to pay you out what we owe you, you are not covered by any national compensation scheme. To protect you, the assets are held with a separate company, a depositary. Should we default, the depositary would liquidate the investments and distribute the proceeds to the investors. In the worst case, however, you could lose your entire investment.

### What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

#### Costs over time

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

We have assumed, in the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0 % annual return). For the other holding period, we have assumed the fund performs as shown in the moderate scenario and the investment is GBP 10,000.

Investment: GBP 10,000	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit after 5 years
<b>Total costs</b>	86 GBP	754 GBP
Annual cost impact (*)	0.9%	0.9%

(\*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 14.6% before costs and 13.6% after costs.

#### **Composition of costs** If you exit after 1 year One-off costs upon entry or exit The impact of the costs you pay when entering your investment. Entry costs 0 GBP [This is the most you will pay, and you could pay less] 1% - This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before the proceeds of Exit costs 0 GBP your investment are paid out. If you exit after 1 year Ongoing costs taken each year Management fees and other The impact of the costs that we take each year for managing your investments. 75 GBP administrative or operating costs The impact of the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments for the product. 11 GBP Transaction costs If you exit after 1 year Incidental costs taken under specific conditions Performance fees This product does not have any performance fees. 0 GBP

## How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

#### **Recommended holding period: 5 years**

The fund has daily liquidity. The recommended holding period of the fund assumes the fund being the sole or majority holding of the investor. The recommended holding period is primarily based on the historic volatility of the underlying investments and is not directly applicable if used in a portfolio based on the investor's risk profile. The fund is not intended for short term speculation purposes. The Fund is open-ended and, accordingly, investors will have the right to request the redemption (whether in whole or in part) of their shares by contacting the Administrator as per the terms set out in the Prospectus. A 1% Repurchase Charge will only be charged in instances where there is a significant (typically in excess of 10%) net redemption or in the case of an investor engaging in excessive trading. While an exit fee may be levied on any redemption, the Investment Manager does not currently intend to do so and prior Shareholder notice will be provided should this policy change.

#### How can I complain?

As a Shareholder in the Fund, you are entitled to make a complaint free of charge. Any such complaint must be handled by the management company promptly and effectively. You also have the right to refer the relevant complaint to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman after following the Fund's complaints process if you are still not satisfied with the response received. Further information on the complaints policy relating to the Fund is available from <u>BAIrelandOps@Brownadvisory.com</u> or please visit the following for further details <u>Complaints Disclosure</u>. (Contact Address: Brown Advisory Limited, 18 Hanover Square, 1st Floor, London, W1S 1JY).

#### Other relevant information

Please see offering documentation for further information. The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this KID follow the methodology prescribed by EU regulation. Past performance for the previous 10 years and historical performance scenarios are available at: <u>https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library</u>.