

# **VT MUNRO SMART-BETA UK FUND UK FUND**

Factsheet 212: March 2025

## **Fund Objective**

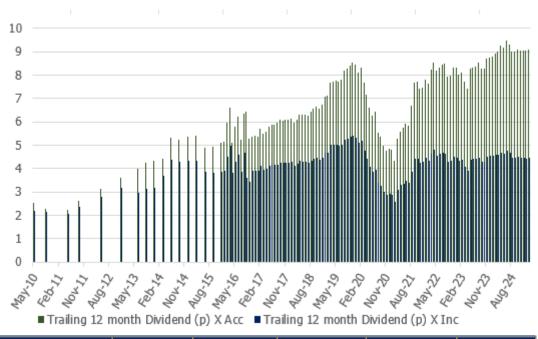
The Fund seeks to maximize the overall return by seeking to replicate the performance of the Elston Smart-Beta UK Dividend Index<sup>1</sup>. It is a UCITS fund.

#### **Fund Process**

The VT Munro Smart-Beta UK Fund will seek to deliver a consistent return over the long term by holding mainly large and medium sized securities, listed on the London Stock Exchange. The Fund will be constructed on the basis of the underlying fundamental financial attributes of the companies listed on the London Stock Exchange rather than solely on their market capitalisation. The weight of each company in the Fund will be determined by the proportion that its forecast total dividend will be expected to make of the total income of all the companies held. The Fund distributes every month and can be considered to be managed with the aim of replicating the performance of the Elston Smart-Beta UK Dividend Index which is constructed on the same basis.

# Market comment (as at 28/02/2025)

The forecast for dividends to be paid by the largest UK companies next year increased over the month from £96.3bn to £97.8bn. The forecast increase is largely coming from the banking sector with increases to Natwest Group, HSBC Holdings and Lloyds Banking Group. The companies seeing the largest reduction in their forecast payouts are BP, Rio Tinto and Shell.



Launch Date 15/09/2007	Since Launch	10 Year	5 Year	3 Year	1 Year
Total Return of Fund*	109.5%	73.1%	56.5%	30.0%	20.4%

Source: Valu-Trac Investment Management Limited (28/02/2025). \*Fund is the X Acc Class

## **Important Information:**

- The value of your shares and the income from them can go down as well as up and you may get back less than you invested.
- Past performance is not a guide to future returns.
- Further information on charges and risks can be found in the KIID.

Top 30 of 209 Holdings as at 28/02/2025

HSBC Holdings PLC	9.59%	Imperial Brands PLC	1.50%
Shell plc	7.53%	Legal & General Group PLC	1.34%
British American Tobacco PLC	5.51%	BAE Systems PLC	1.34%
Rio Tinto PLC	4.94%	Relx PLC	1.32%
BP PLC	4.62%	Aviva PLC	1.16%
AstraZeneca PLC	4.61%	Anglo American PLC	1.07%
Unilever PLC	4.15%	Tesco PLC	1.02%
GSK plc	3.01%	Vodafone Group PLC	1.01%
Lloyds Banking Group PLC	2.61%	Compass Group PLC	1.00%
National Grid PLC	2.32%	Standard Chartered PLC	0.96%
Natwest Group PLC	2.30%	BT Group PLC	0.94%
Glencore PLC	1.89%	London Stock Exchange Group PLC	0.84%
Diageo PLC	1.74%	Rolls-Royce Holdings PLC	0.83%
Reckitt Benckiser Group PLC	1.53%	3i Group PLC	0.79%
Barclays PLC	1.51%	HALEON PLC	0.77%

#### **Dividends**

Dividends	X Class Income	X Accumulation	XD Date	Payment Date
March 2024	0.8713p	1.7427p	28/03/2024	31/05/2024
April 2024	0.3823p	0.7720p	30/04/2024	28/06/2024
May 2024	0.4681p	0.9491p	31/05/2024	31/07/2024
June 2024	0.4243p	0.8642p	28/06/2024	30/08/2024
July 2024	0.0551p	0.1127p	31/07/2024	30/09/2024
August 2024	0.8030p	1.6445p	30/08/2024	31/10/2024
September 2024	0.2327p	0.4807p	30/09/2024	29/11/2024
October 2024	0.1281p	0.2652p	31/10/2024	31/12/2024
November 2024	0.4745p	0.9837p	29/11/2024	31/01/2025
December 2024	0.1825p	0.3803p	31/12/2024	28/02/2025
January 2025	0.0451p	0.0942p	31/01/2025	31/03/2025
February 2025	0.3827p	0.7993p	28/02/2025	30/04/2025
Total 12 month distribution	4.4497p	9.0886p		

#### **Key Data**

	Price (as at noon 28/02/2025)	OCF (capped)	Bloomberg	SEDOL	ISIN	MexiD
X Accumulation	209.4755p	0.75%	SWMNUXA LN	B1Z8LM4	GB00B1Z8LM43	WLSW
X Income	99.9123p	0.75%	SWMNUXI LN	B1Z8L91	GB00B1Z8L916	WLSWXS

Investment Manager	Valu-Trac Investment Management Limited	
IA Sector	IA UK Equity Income	
Fund Website	http://www.valu-trac.com/administration-services/clients/munro/	

#### Dealing (Daily)

## Annual accounting date is 31st January

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