

Castlestone Low Volatility Income UCITS Fund (GBP)

Monthly Performance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2026	-0.42	-3.55	-8.35	12.83	4.14	-5.84							-2.60
2025	1.24	-1.89	-6.12	-0.20	4.04	1.91	-1.04	0.57	-2.33	1.86	-6.74	-4.19	-12.70
2024	1.80	4.11	1.62	-4.71	4.67	5.58	-0.32	1.61	1.17	-3.71	-0.25	-1.90	9.49
2023	5.07	-3.01	2.95	2.96	1.65	5.28	2.40	-1.78	-5.33	-2.12	7.99	2.07	18.76
2022	-5.12	-4.11	4.95	-10.64	-0.84	-8.15	8.57	-5.06	-10.24	6.20	4.11	-6.74	-25.87
2021	-2.97	0.14	3.81	4.76	0.16	1.34	1.96	2.17	-5.24	6.28	-1.16	3.32	14.92
2020	1.74	-8.31	-10.23	5.25	3.36	-1.28	3.15	2.60	-2.36	-4.34	7.49	1.72	-2.80
2019		1.27	2.55	1.01	-1.88	4.13	0.81	1.34	-0.81	-1.17	0.31	1.34	9.11

Performance (Since Inception) *Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance.



Manager Comment

June was a mixed month for US equities as investors rotated out of the technology sector and into old economy names as the Federal Reserve turned more hawkish. The Dow Jones Industrial average posted a monthly gain while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite fell in June. Looking at the second quarter, the S&P 500 and Nasdaq logged their best quarter since mid-2020 and were up 14.9% and 21.4%, respectively. The Dow Jones climbed 8.9% in Q2. Six of the S&P 500 sectors posted gains in June, led by materials and industrials. Despite the Fed's signal of higher interest rates by year end, Treasury bonds staged a modest rally in June, gaining 0.7%. The benchmark 10-year ended the month near 4.40%. Crude prices tumbled in the month as progress was made toward ending the war between the US and Iran and oil began to flow through the Strait of Hormuz. The dollar rallied to reach a 15-month higher on 24 June putting pressure on gold prices in the month.

The Castlestone Low Volatility UCITS Fund declined in June as technology and communication services came under pressure. Despite weakness in technology, Applied Materials was the Fund's top-performing stock for the month, highlighting the market volatility experienced during the period. Applied Materials, Lam Research Corp., Intel, and GE Vernova Inc. were added to the fund in June. Low Volatility now holds 55 names across all eleven S&P sectors.

Fund Objective

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to generate capital growth from the equity market whilst maintaining in aggregate lower volatility relative to the broader US equity market. The Sub-Fund is expected to invest mainly in the US equity market with focus on equities listed by issuers domiciled or with country of risk being the United States of America. In aggregate, the fund will seek for these investments to have lower volatility characteristics relative to the broader U.S. equity market. Up to 100% of the assets of the Sub-Fund may be invested in equities. The Sub-Fund is however not expected to have any specific industry, market capitalisation or market sector bias

Statistics

	Class AAA	Class BBB	Class CCC	Class DDD	Class EEE	Class FFF
Official NAV	1041.871	872.5862	952.1084	884.2452	999.1783	1241.5321
Total Return Annualized	0.56%	-1.93%	-0.68%	-1.74%	-0.01%	3.47%
Positive Month	49	45	47	45	50	42
Losing Months	39	39	39	39	39	34
ISIN (MT 70000)	24154	24170	24196	24592	24618	25342
Ticker (Exch MV)	AQCLAAA	AQCLBBB	AQCLCCC	AQCLDDD	AQCLEEE	AQCVFFF

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Fund Details

SICAV size	€160.00m
SICAV	AQA UCITS SICAV PLC
Advisor	Castlestone Management LLC
Fund Manager	AQA Capital Ltd
Custodian	Swissquote Financial Services (Malta) Ltd
Administrator	Calamatta Cuschieri Fund Services Ltd
Auditor	Deloitte Audit Ltd Malta
Liquidity	Daily

Sectors (%)

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	39.17%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	15.99%
COMMUNICATION SERVICES	12.87%
FINANCIALS	10.24%
HEALTHCARE	7.63%
CONSUMER STAPLES	5.21%
INDUSTRIALS	4.62%
ENERGY	2.19%
MATERIALS	0.73%
UTILITIES	0.55%
REAL ESTATE	0.46%
PRIVATE DEBT	0.34%

Geographical Breakdown (%)

UNITED STATES	93.48%
EUROPE	6.52%

Top U.S. Holdings

