

## Key Takeaways

- March saw the first major signs of market stress resulting from the record pace of central bank tightening over the past year.
- Despite this, markets delivered positive returns over the month, with growth strongly outperforming value, particularly in resilient, profitable pockets of the market.
- The Antipodes Global Fund underperformed the benchmark over the month, however remains meaningfully ahead over 12 months.

## Commentary\*

Global equities were up in March (+3.8%) with information technology, communication services and utilities outperforming whilst financials, energy and materials underperformed. US equities outperformed broader markets (+4.2%) despite concerns from the Silicon Valley Bank collapse. The Federal Reserve still hiked rates amongst concerns, although accompanied by a more dovish rhetoric as macroeconomic data weakened further. European equities underperformed (+3.1%) impacted by the Credit Suisse takeover over by UBS fuelling wider concerns around the banking sector. The ECB, Bank of England and Swiss National Bank all hiked rates as expected.

Asian equities also outperformed broader markets over the month (+4.4%) with limited impact from US and European banking sector concerns. Chinese equities

underperformed (+3.3%) despite the PBOC cutting the reserve requirement ratio for the first time in 2023 in an effort to further aid recovery. Large technology companies rallied on the government's show of support for the platform economy over the month. Japanese equities outperformed (4.7%) as core inflation data rose, with the BOJ continuing its yield curve control policy at least until the end of Kuroda's tenure.

Elsewhere, Brent Crude (-4.9% in USD) was lower, Gold (+7.8%) was strong as a safe haven, whilst the US Dollar (-2.3%) was weaker.

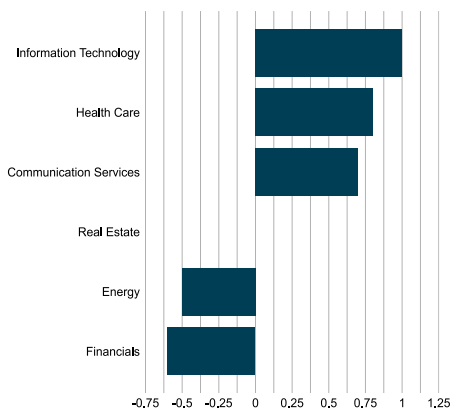
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## Net performance (%)

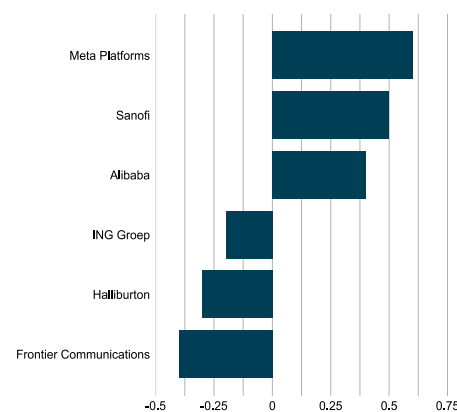
	1 month	3 month	CYTD	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Inception p.a.
Fund	3.5	10.4	10.4	16.0	9.8	6.3	8.9
Benchmark	3.8	8.7	8.7	3.8	11.9	9.9	9.5
Difference	(0.3)	1.8	1.8	12.2	(2.1)	(3.6)	(0.6)

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Returns are quoted in AUD and net of applicable fees, costs and taxes. All p.a. returns are annualised.

## Top & bottom sector contribution<sup>1,2</sup> (%)



## Top & bottom stock contribution (%)



## Market cap exposure<sup>3</sup> (%)

Band	Weight	Short	Net	Benchmark
Mega (>\$100b)	39.9	-15.1	24.8	47.0
Large (>\$25b <\$100b)	35.7	-5.2	30.5	32.8
Medium (>\$5b <\$25b)	21.4	-5.9	15.4	18.9
Small (<\$5b)	5.5	-1.1	4.4	1.3

## Sector exposure<sup>2</sup> (%)

Sector	Long	Short	Net	Benchmark
Consumer Discretionary	17.2	-4.2	13.0	10.9
Information Technology	15.4	-2.0	13.4	20.4
Financials	12.0	-3.8	8.2	15.6
Health Care	11.7	-1.6	10.1	12.3
Industrials	11.0	-2.7	8.3	10.3
Communication Services	10.7	-0.4	10.3	7.4
Consumer Staples	9.2	0.0	0.0	7.8
Energy	5.5	0.0	0.0	5.0
Materials	5.2	-0.7	4.5	4.8
Real Estate	2.6	-1.9	0.7	2.5
Utilities	1.8	0.0	0.0	2.9
Other	0.3	-10.0	-9.7	0.0

## Regional exposure<sup>3,4,5</sup> (%)

Region	Long	Short	Net	Benchmark
<b>North America</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>-15.2</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>63.8</b>
<b>Western Europe</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>16.5</b>
- Eurozone	25.3	-2.3	23.0	8.5
- United Kingdom	6.8	-	6.8	3.6
- Rest Western Europe	2.8	-1.0	1.8	4.4
<b>Developing Asia/EM</b>	<b>22.9</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>9.4</b>
- China/Hong Kong	18.2	-0.2	18.0	4.5
- India	0.0	-2.0	-2.0	1.4
- Rest Developing Asia/EM	4.7	-	4.7	3.5
<b>Developed Asia</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>-1.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>8.2</b>
- Korea/Taiwan	4.0	-0.9	3.1	3.0
- Japan	2.3	-0.9	1.4	5.2
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>-3.5</b>	<b>-1.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>
<b>Other equity</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total Equities</b>	<b>102.4</b>	<b>-27.3</b>	<b>75.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-11.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Cash</b>	<b>-2.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-39.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Top 10 equity longs<sup>3</sup> (%)

Name	Country	Weight
Sanofi	France	3.8
Meta Platforms	United States	3.1
SAP	Germany	2.9
Siemens	Germany	2.8
Merck	United States	2.8
TotalEnergies	France	2.7
Oracle	United States	2.6
Seagate Technology Holdings	United States	2.6
Siemens Energy	Germany	2.6
Alibaba	China/HK	2.5

## Fund facts

Characteristics	
Investment manager	Antipodes Partners Limited
Inception date	1 July 2015
Benchmark	MSCI All Country World Next Index in AUD
Management Fee	1.20% p.a.
Performance Fee	15% of net return in excess of benchmark
Risk/Return profile	High
Buy/Sell spread	±0.30%
Minimum Investment	\$25,000
Distributions	Annual, 30 June
Asset value	
Fund AUM	\$2,408m
Strategy AUM	\$4,986m
Unit redemption price	1.7624

Performance & risk summary<sup>6</sup>

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Standard deviation	9.1%	11.1%
Sharpe ratio	0.99	0.75
Information ratio	0.09	-
Beta	0.57	-
Stock count (long)	72	-
Average net exposure	65.2%	-
Upside capture ratio	72	-
Downside capture ratio	44	-

## Fund features

- Objective to achieve absolute returns in excess of the benchmark (after fees) over the investment cycle (typically 3-5 years)
- In the absence of finding securities that meet minimum risk-return criteria, cash may be held
- Equity shorts and currency positions used to take advantage of attractive risk-return opportunities, offset specific long portfolio risks and provide some protection from negative tail risk. Derivatives may also be used to amplify high conviction ideas
- Typical net equity exposure of 50% to 100%; maximum gross exposure of 150% of NAV
- This product is likely to be appropriate for a consumer seeking capital growth to be used as a small allocation within a portfolio where the consumer has a minimum investment timeframe of 5 years, and a high risk/return profile.

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<sup>1</sup> Based on gross returns in AUD

<sup>2</sup> GICS classification

<sup>3</sup> Call (put) options represented as the current option value (delta adjusted exposure)

<sup>4</sup> Antipodes classification

<sup>5</sup> Where possible, regions, countries and currencies classified on a look through basis

<sup>6</sup> All metrics are based on gross of fee returns in AUD terms since inception. The upside/downside capture ratio is the percentage of benchmark performance captured by the fund during months that the benchmark is up/down. Standard deviation is a measure of risk with a smaller figure indicating lower return volatility. The Sharpe ratio measures returns on a risk adjusted basis with a figure > 1 indicating a higher return than the benchmark for the respective levels of return volatility.

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